VISIT TO PORTLAND

OLD PORTLAND IS WELL IN THE LEAD Said to Be Alphonso's Condition.

She Overtops Seattle on Her Business Houses.

AND IN POPULATION

115,000 People Live Here as Against 110,000 in Seattle.

PORTLAND INCREASED GREATLY

The Willamette City's Figures Have Never Been Swelled by Suburbs.

"Our estimate of the population of cities is obtained either from the census, national or state, or the conservative opinion of reliable authorities," said C. J. Wellman, of this city, superintendent of The Bradstreet Co. in the Pacific Northwest, when his attention was called to the fact that his company credited Seattle with a population of 110,000 to only 81,000 for Portland. "We issue our printed volumes four times a year, and under the name of every town and postoffice in the United States and Canada give its gazateer as to railroad facilities, population, etc. The Seattle figures were obtained from the last issue of R. L. Polk & Co.'s directory. I have just returned from there, and believe the estimate to be about right. The Portland figures are those given by the United States census of 1900. Of course every one knows that Portland has increased materially in population the past two years, and I have no doubt that the estimate given by Polk's directory to be issued this month will give Portland 115,000. In the last volume of Bradstreets ratings we printed 2307 names of firms doing business in Portland, as against only 1770 in Seattle." This showing would seem to refute the

claims of the Seattle people which they make in regard to the population of that town. The directory publishers there take in all outlying suburbs, Bailard, proposition has been made to the Port-Seattle, which pads their figures at least 10,000 to 15,000. A few years ago the Portland directory publishers appended to their list of Portland names directories of Vancouver and Oregon City, but no attempt was ever made to show that those places were any part of Portland or that it had any right to lay claim to their inhabitants as its citizens.

As stated by Mr. Wellman, Bradstreets prints the name of every postoffice and town with a list of the firms engaged in business under each head. Ballard, Fremont and Kirkland, which are near Seattle but in no sense a part of it, are printed separately with their local business people quoted under their respective town heads, as they should be. The same is true of Mt. Tabor, Montavilla and Gresham, none of the names of merchants in those towns being printed in the Portland list.

THAT LIBEL SUIT

Foreman in Prison Shop Gives Sensational Testimony.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 21.-The most important witness this morning in the Spreckles libel case was H.-A. Emslie, a foreman in the carpenter shop at San Quentin. He stated that convicts had made numerous articles of manogany furniture, consisting of five bedsteads, a dining table, etc., most of which was in the home of Joseph Aguerre. One bedstead which was made for George Mc-Dougall, a guard, had the letter "G" on it. This is alleged now to be in the Governor's residence. In one case Emslie paid for the lumber, keeping the bed-

READY FOR WORK

Neill Company Arrived Here Yesterday to Begin Rehearsals.

The Neill Stock Company has arrived in the city to prepare for the opening week at the Baker theater. Rehearsals began this afternoon and will continue until the season begins. They are booked for an indefinite engagement.

The members of the company have all been before the footlights for years and some of them are known here in Portland. Miss Cathrine Countiss appeared here last year with the Stuart company and Harry Glazier is remembered for some very creditable work in the same company. The rest are all well known in the East, where they have been engaged in some well known companies.

SAGE DON'T WANT COMBINATIONS.

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(Scripps-McRae News Association.) NEW YORK, Aug. 21.-In an interview printed today Russell Sage says he does not agree with Mr. Morgan regarding the consolidation and combination of all the great interests. "Combinations of all great industries are a menace to the government," he declares. "They are not only a menace but they are oppressors of the people. Should an era of combination ensue the American people will certainly revolt against them, and if they do there will be financial ruin such as the people never dreamed of in the history of the world."

FIGHT THE TRUSTS

Their Agent Thurber Is Scored at Minneapolis.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) ST. PAUL, Aug. 21.—The trust question was openly precipitated in Trans-Misisippi Congress this morning when William Eustis, of Minneapolis, moved that the address of F. B. Thurber be expunged from the records. Eustis charged Thurber as coming here as an agent of the Meat Trust and that his address was an effort to get the trust's side of the | meeting.

case before the public at the expense of the Congress, seemingly with its endorsement. The question was hotly debated upon for an hour. Thurber was severely criticised both for his present action and for his connection with the Senate sugar scandal. Finally the whole matter of trust was left to the resolutions committee. Seattle gets the next

SCHWAB SAILED.

States That He Was Not so Ill as

Reported.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

this morning for Europe and went unac-

companied. He reiterated the statement

and said he was not so ill as reported.

He could not say when he would return

and denied that he intended to form an

In the Bartholin Case

Continues Sensational.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

his professional services for the woman.

FEW LINE INTERVIEWS.

Secretary McIsaacs, of the Manufactur-

ing Association: "We are working hard,

my boy, for the welfare of Oregon. We

have established numerous factories here

Henry E. Reed: "I attend no social

functions because I have all I can at-

tend to to minister to the duties of secre-

tary of the Lewis and Clark Fair and as-

sistant secretary of the Chamber of Com-

Secretary Moore, of the Board

Trade: "We are very busy because of

the various enterprises we have on hand."

Councilman Cardwell: "An ordinance to

encourage organ grinding on the street

Councilman Rumelin (to the reporter):

Don't say that I introduced the Stand-

ard Oil Company's tank ordinance. I did

Chief Campbell: "Now I'll see a big-

ter show than Ringling's and Buffalo

C. T. Brock, of Eufaula, Wash., after

trying the Public Bathhouse; "This

is a fine institution for the city and I

want to help it along," as he handed

Frank O'Neill, District Passenger agent of Northern Pacific: "There are

Knife Wielder Arrested.

At one of the river-front warehouses

it only out of courtesy." Reporters: "We

ank so. It's oil right, anyway."

Bill's combined attractions.'

Prof. Murray a dollar.

many strangers in Portland."

should have no strings on it."

and we expect to establish more."

the desired services.

European steel trust.

NEW YORK, Aug. 21.-Schwab sailed

NO ALASKA LINE

A Meeting of Steamship Committee Held This Morning.

ANOTHER COMPANY IN FIELD

Many Express Their Opinions, But Nothing Definite Is Done.

It is very doubtful whether Portland will have a steamship line to Alaska this fall for the reason that no business-like Fremont, Renton, etc., and credit the land merchants for them to risk their

> The committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce, consisting of F. A. Spencer and F. A. Jones, met this morning with I. B. Hammond, J. Frank Watson, A. H. Devers, I. G. Davidson, James M. Moore, Captain Rathbone, Mr. Rice, Julius L. Lang and L. Y. Kady in the office of the Chamber of Commerce. All the gentlemen present represented wholesale houses. The persentatives of the retail houses were conspicuous in their

> The meeting was opened by a recital of the history of the Portland-Alaska Transportation Company by James W. Moore, its secretary. Many questions were put to Mr. Moore, the results of which are that the steamship Indiana can be obtained to make the run to Alaska, and that the Alaska Miners' Association would procure 800 miners to come down to Portland on the steamer.

"Now," said Mr. Moore, "these 800 miners would pay \$35 a head for transportation, which would amount to \$28,000. If 2000 tons of freight at \$8 per ton could be gotten to go up on the up-trip, that would amount to \$16,000, making a sum total of \$44,000 income. .he expense would be \$11,-250 for the charter, provided the ship would make the trip in 30 days, \$2000 for the coal, \$3000 for other expenses, besides \$8000 for provisions, which would make a sum total of about \$24,000 expenses, leaving a margin of \$20,000 on the trip. Of this \$20,000 the miners wish 60 per cent or \$12,-

000, leaving us \$8000 for our trouble." This report of Mr. Moore caused much discussion as to whether that amount of freight and passengers can be obtained. Many expressed their views on the subject, and the result was that the Alaska Miners' Association should be asked to put up a forfelt in case they do not fulfill their agreement, but this is not a definite action, as no chairman and secretary were appointed, and everything was unofficial. There is a rumor affoat that the main reason why this meeting was so desultory was because there is a nidden movement afoot among some local capitalists to run a steamship line of their own to Alaska.

WORK IS STOPPED

Government Will Not Repair Juneau-Skagway Cable.

yesterday afternoon, in a row between two stevedores, Timothy Driscoll stabbed (Journal Special Service.) and slashed Emil Hansen with a pocket TACOMA. Aug. 21.-The United States knife. The dispute was over the slow-Government has ceased efforts to repair ness in Hansen taking his place at one the Juneau-Skagway cable which has of the chutes. It is said that Hansen been in operation only a few days since was the aggressor, and after the men had it was laid last fall. It was found that clinched, and Hansen, who is the larger the line had lain so loose that many man, was getting the best of it, Driscoil kinks were formed, breaking the insulacommenced business with his knife and tion and thus grounding the current. Exinflicted some serious wounds on his opperts think that the cable will be abanponent's stomach.

DEMENTED DILLMAN'S HURRIED

Condition.

ACTIONS PECULIAR

The Ruler of Spain by His Many Excentricities Causes Alarm to His Subjects.

(Scripps-McRas News Association.) MADRID, Aug. 21 .- Your correspondent has learned confirmatory details regarding the suspicious eccentricity in King Alfonso's behavior during his recent provincial tour. His Majesty repeatedly gave evidence of lack of mental balance. His actions have caused the people of the provinces to fear that their ruler is,

At the Ovedio reception to the King he complained of being bored and asked why he could not go to bed, the pacheco explained that etiquette demanded that the people must leave first. A moment later during a hugh the King doubled up his fists and placed them to his mouth ward the King, who again sounded taps, Everybody stood aghast and looked toward the King, who again sounde taps, stretched his arms and yawned. The people took the hint and filed out. At Leon the King was met by a brilliant procession to escort him to the town hall. On the way a triumphal arch attracted his attention. In a loud voice he called on the driver to stop, unslung his camera and took a picture of the arch from every conceivable position, delaying the procession ten minutes. At Santander the King received the city's keys on the street stand. As the keys were handed to His Majesty the people shouted "Long Live the King.". In the stillness which followed, the King leaned toward the Duke De Veragua, who was on another stand, and shouted, "Say, Duke, you did not got anything this time, did you?" then laughed bolsterously at the Duke's

IS FAIR

Officials of Woodworkers Say Schmit Mill Is All Right.

The Amalgamated Woodworkers held a special meeting last night in order to CHICAGO, Aug. 21.-An inquest was make final arrangements for Labor Day. begun today to determine officially the A short time ago it was reported that cause of Mrs. Annie Bartholin's death the Schmidt planing mill, on the East Side, was not keeping its agreement and the cause therefor. Another witness which had been signed with the union. came forward today with a statement The officials last night denounced thus that Edward Counselman, one of the report as false, stating that the agreesuspects, was seen with a woman who is ment had never been violated in any believed to have been Minnie Mitchell, II particular. The published account of the days after her supposed death. Dr. J. L. affair to which they took exception was Wilgus is the person who makes the to the effect that the mill was working statement. He claims that Counselman 11 hours instead of nine, the number of and the woman called on him, seeking hours which had been decided upon by both interested parties. Instead of pay-Counselman said he was merely acting ing time and a half for the extra two for a friend and Wilgus refused to render hours the firm was allowing the same rate of wages as was paid for regular time. When pay day came some of the men objected to this, stating that they had expected time and a half for the extra hours and when they did not receive it, the signed agreement was violated.

DUMICK DISCUSSES IT. President Dumick, in speaking about the matter last night, said: "There was no such provision made in the agreement. A proposition came up at the union meeting to insert a clause of that kind, but it was voted down. The firm is paying us just what we asked, no more and no less. The mill is running 11 hours at present for the purpose of catching up with its orders. Very soon it will run but nine hours, and the employes will receive the same rate of wages as those who are working 10 hours in the other big planing milis." THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATION bearing upon the subject was also re-

ceived this morning: "To The Journal-The Frank Schmidt mill is fair, and is employing no one but union mechanics. It is true that it is running 11 hours, but the men are being paid for two hours' over-time. There are in the neighborhood of 35 men on the payroll, and they are perfectly satisfled with the manner in which things are being conducted. All contrary reports are incorrect." "WOODWORKER." (Bigned)

EUPHRSYNE HERE.

The British ships Euphrsyne and Brambletye arrived in port this morning from the mouth of the Willamette river, where they had been lying the past week waiting for the channel to be deepened. During that time the city dredge has been working hard, and the channel now has minimum depth of 25 feet. The French bark Cambronne and the schooner Transit also reached port this morning. The Harvest Queen left down today with the Sierra Estrella, which has been ready for sea for the past week,

NO SHAM BATTLE TODAY.

ROCKPORT, Mass., Aug. 21.-The morning broke clear and pleasant and the atmosphere was all that could be wished for the vessels of the squadron that is defending the coast from the much heralded attack which was to have been made today. The squadron has everything in readiness for a defense that cannot be overcome, so thay say. However, their preparations will probably be for naught, as it is not likely that the "Enemy" will make its appearance because of the clearness of the atmosphere. They need the fog to help them out in their move-

THIRTEEN PERISH

Terrible Explosion in Wilmington, Del., Pulp Works.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) toon today 13 men are known to be dead as the result of an explosion in the Deliware Pulp Works yesterday afternoon, dozen others are missing. The bodies following so far recovered have been identified:

John McCormick, William Burke, Gran-Harris, George Wright, Joseph Laubacker, Joseph Henry, Joseph Nagle, Zacharia Collins, James Jester, John Durham. John Laubacker.

One hundred and fifty men are employ WILMINGTON, Del., Aug. 21.-Up to ed in the mills. Seething acid from the vats covered many of the men, killing them instantly. The bodies recovered were horribly mangled, Police and firemen worked at the ruins all night. The Scene was a most distressing one, many women and children remaining there for lours calling for their lost husbands and ville Walter, James Stokes, Franklin fathers. It is believed a number of bodeis were blown into the Christian river The cause of the explosion is unknown. Five buildings were wrecked, entailing a loss of \$440,000.

Merchants and Brokers Are Seriously Handicapped as a Result.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) CHICAGO, Aug 21.-The merchants and brokers of this city today are forced to do without messenger boys and all business depending upon telegraph service is seriously obstructed as a result of the second strike of the messenger boys. The Western Union tried to employ boys to take the places of the strikers but were unable to do so.

WATERS MISSING

Pacific Steamship Company's Agent Supposed to Have Absconded.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 21 .- Alexander W. Waters, who for many years has been the city agent of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company at this place, has resigned his position. His books are being experted, owing to the fact that it is rumored that there is a big shortage in his accounts. He is supposed to have fled the country.

Waters is well known in Portland and great surprise is being expressed at his

PRICE ON COAL

Welch Operators Will Deliver at \$5 to \$6.68 Per Ton.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) NEW YORK, Aug. 21 .- A local coal journal says that the Welch coal operators agree to deliver their product at the wharves in Boston, New York, Philadelphia and Baitimore at from \$5 to \$6.68 per ton, according to the quality.

Small Fire---Little Damage.

A still alarm was sent in last evening about 7 o'clock for a small fire in the Knight Packing Company's warehouse on East Alder street between East Eighth and East Ninth streets. The damage was

Ross Island Fire.

Late last night, a building on the lower end of Ross Island was destroyed by fire. It was unoccupied and valued at about \$500. The blaze is thought to have been of an incendiary origin. The Island was visited last night by the Portland Rowing Club, and many others.

MESSENGERS STRIKE MRS. FAIR'S WILL

Its Contents Have Been Made Known.

ESTATE AGGREGATES \$300,000

Relatives Offered Her Entire Estate -- No Contest for Fair's Property.

(Journal Special Service.) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 21.—The contents of the will of Mrs. Chas. Fair was made known today. The estate approximates about \$300,000. It provides an anunity for her mother and legacies of \$10,000 each to her six brothers and sisters. The balance of the estate she bequeaths to her husband. The Fair hetrs have offered Mrs. Fair's relatives her entire estate providing they agree to make no contest for the Fair estate.

A RACE RIOT

Four Whites and Ten Negroes Killed in Mississippi.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 21.-Advices from Tupelo, Miss., state that a race riot broke out there this morning in which four whites and ten negroes were killed and wounded.

Did They Buy Street. A great deal of protest is being made

on account of the action of Smyth & Howard, contractors, in using the roadway on North Union avenue and East Davis street as dumping ground for sand and gravel.

Since the closing of the Grand avenue bridge over Sullivan's gulch, all the travel between the Steel and Burnside bridges, has been thrown to the Union avenue bridge. The action of the contracting firm in spreading large piles of sand and gravel over the roadway has well nigh made it impossible for teams to pass over the bridge.

CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 21 .- The Doherty brothers of England and Ward and Davis, the American champions of 1901, met in finals for the tennis championship today, the Dohertys winning.

In Justice Seton's Court.

Judgment by default has been entered in the suit of the Ames Mercantile Agency against R. H. Schomp for the sum of In the suit of the same plaintiff against

S. D. Wills for \$15.50, judgment was entered by default.

Trouble Over Bedstead.

A warrant was sworn out this morning for the arrest of William A. Dunn, proprietor of a second-hand store on Union avenue near East Stark street. The trouble arose over the sale of a bedstead.

Jim Hill's Right Hand Man Was Here Yesterday.

WHAT DID HE WANT?

A Very Brief Conference With N. W. Rountree and a Hasty Flight.

FOLLOWING MELLEN'S PROMISE

It May Mean the Extension of the Northern Pacific as Promised.

L. C. Dillman, of New York, rightand man of James J. Hill, arrived in Portland yesterday morning, at \$:15 o'clock, had a hurried conference with N. W. Rountree, of Rountree & Diamond, maintained strict silence conterning the object of his visit, and left at 11:10 a. ma for Seattle.

It is positively known that Mr. Dillman came upon a mission of vast importance, but it is impossible to learn just now what was its nature. Mr. Dillman is the man whom Jim Hill trusts with big interests. He handles matters that require secrecy and ability, and where he goes, railroad people watch for things to drop sooner or later.

SAID TO BE A BIG DEAL. From a source which cannot be named

at this time because of the imposition of promise of secrecy. The Journal discovery ers that the deal in which Messrs. Dille man and Rountrees propose to participate is one that will interest everyone who lives in this part of the world. It goes without the saying that it is connected with transportation affairs, and that it is no small matter. A Journal reporter watching the movements of the two men thinks that Mr. Dillman must be going to return soon, when, perhaps, there will he developments and some definite information in the premises.

MIGHT BE N. P. BUSINESS. agination to connect Mr. Diliman's sudden blowing in and out of Portland with matters concerning the Northern Pacific entrance into Portland. Mr. Hill is president of the Northern Securities Company, the merger concern that controls the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern. Various theories have been of fered regarding the manner in which the two roads are handled under the merges arrangement, some alleging that there is still a distinct separation of the two systems, but others look upon Jim Hill as the real directing force in the affairs of the Northern Pacific, and think that perhaps Dillman's visit has to do with the

RELIGIOUS FANATIC

latter road's plans to get into this city

as lately announced by President Mellen.

Abuses the Portlanders for Writing the Catholic Bible.

At Third and Alder streets, this morning, Mrs. McGee,by her violentraving attracted a considerable crowd. The woman while rational on other matters, is demented on the subject of religion. She has made herself conspicous on the streets of Portland for a number of years. Today she became greatly excited, and at the top of her shrill voice, stated that she had been commanded by God to come out on the street and tell some things which were leading the people of Portland to the tropical regions beyond the grave.

Every passer-by was accused of being responsible for the existence of the Catholic Bible, and unless the whole issue was destroyed without delay, a terrible punishment would overtake the offender.

RAW SHELL FISH

That Is the Reason of Cholera Spreading in Manila.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.-In their reports to the War Department, the Health authorities at Manila attribute the spread of Cholera largely to the eating of raw shell fish. The number of deaths in the Archipelago has already passed the ten thousand mark.

WHEAT MARKET.

BAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 21.-Wheat-s CHICAGO, Aug. 21-Wheat-794 6714