

SCAVENGERS HAD A BOWERY BALL

DRIVERS AT THE CITY CREMATORY OBJECT TO BEING SPRINKLED AND ATTACK THE MAN THAT WAS CARELESS WITH THE ROSE—GENERAL FIGHT FOLLOWS.

Causes of the Trouble Discovers that He Is Getting More Than His Share of Blows and Leaves the Field of Battle, to Quickly Return With a Heavy Revolver—Arrival of a Special Officer Prevents Serious Results.

The city crematory was the scene of an impromptu farce-comedy this morning that might have turned into a tragedy but for the arrival of Special Officer Caswell. The scavenger drivers became engaged in a personal fracas and when one of the combatants arrived on the field with an old Colt's revolver, intending to clean out the entire army of scavengers, the affair seemed likely to result seriously, but the special officer came up in time to disarm the excited driver and restore harmony.

It seems that the scavengers are supposed to line up awaiting their turn to deposit the loads of rubbish in the crematory. Every five minutes a usually dirty cart at the appointed time and the procession continues until the last load is deposited in the graveyard of the city's rubbish piles.

This morning Antone Burkhardt, one of the oldest drivers in the city, was in the fore of the procession, and after emptying his load he proceeded to wash out his wagon with a hose which is placed there for such a purpose. Whether intentionally or not is uncertain, but the strong stream of water missed the wagon and went splashing and dripping over several other drivers who were still waiting. Previously they had taunted Burkhardt with being slow and had roused his anger, so they thought it was his measure of revenge.

In the parance of the street, "there was something doing" immediately. There never has been any love between the different nationalities of the scavengers and race prejudice helped to start the little circus going.

Teems and rubbish were forgotten and the men "mixed" in a style that would have shamed the worst Bowery riot on record. Several men, unfortunately, were possessed of long, flowing beards and from the way they were glowing it is certain that the wig dealers will experience a strong revival in trade immediately.

Burkhardt evidently concluded that it was time to adopt some tactics, for he escaped from the screaming, swearing mob and reaching his own wagon, whipped out at railroad speed. Within a few moments he came tearing back with an old Colt's revolver, loaded and "primed" for being.

It was at this moment that Officer Caswell came up, disarmed the belligerent man and sent him home. The other drivers were soon cowed by a display of the police star and the trouble was temporarily averted, but it may break out at any time, according to the statements of several who are familiar with the past record of the combatants. Already numerous fist fights have been indulged in, and a "scuffle" afforded the opportunity to give vent to personal antipathies long held in check. Numerous arrests will probably follow.

NINE POLICE STARS MAY SOON FALL

The resignation of Policeman Fred Mallett has caused much talk among the members of the police department. It is asserted that the chief, who has not returned to his post, and that more resignations may be looked for. The officers claim that when they make an arrest they cannot tell whether or not the prisoner is a convict, and that the chief may have released him in the meantime.

Another cause of complaint is the manner of the chief towards his men. Almost invariably they are spoken to so gruffly that most of the men fear to go into his august presence.

The iron-clad rules and regulations regarding the new suits is another ground for dissatisfaction. The military cap is regarded as a howling farce, an article utterly useless for police duty. The patrol wagon drivers have succeeded in convincing the chief that the cap will be useless to them, so they will be permitted to wear the ordinary rubber coats.

Another cause for discontent is the recent ruling of the authorities that the patrolmen cannot accept money without a receipt, and that it has been ordered that such sums must be turned into the relief fund.

The resignation of Patrolman Mallett is the third within two weeks, the others to hand in their stars being Austin and Gabriel.

"I did object to turning in money I earned while off duty, because I regarded it as a rank injustice," said a well-known officer, "but I obeyed the order rather than quit my job, as Chief Hunt said I could do if I didn't like it. But things have gone pretty far and if they get much worse I won't stand it. I know other patrolmen are of the same opinion as myself."

The fact that Chief Hunt did not deliver an address to the men this morning is regarded as peculiar. This is the first time in weeks that the chief has not lectured the patrolmen on police matters. To say that the men were surprised is no more than true. What will happen next they are conjecturing. It was noticed that the chief was very nervous this morning.

WONDERFUL ESCAPE FROM SUDDEN DEATH

Downville, Cal., Oct. 13.—News arrived of an attempt to murder Charles Mooney, who lived alone in a cabin near Gold Lake. His winter store of provisions was being stored in a room, and when he went to bed Monday night the cabin was blown up by dynamite. Mooney miraculously escaping death, crawled from the ruins and crept a mile and a half to his nearest neighbor in his underclothes. He is in a serious condition.

WOMAN LIVED BY KILLING CHILDREN

Berlin, Oct. 13.—The Morgen Post today prints an account almost unbelievable of crimes perpetrated by a Russian peasant woman named Murekinka, who has been arrested in Russia. She is charged with murdering more than 1,000 babies for a single fee.

STEAMER NELLIE WILL BE REASED UNDER HOT FIRE

PORTLAND SHIPBUILDING COMPANY TAKE THE CONTRACT AND WILL SEND WRECKING OUTFIT TO SCENE OF ACCIDENT THIS AFTERNOON.

Until Craft Is Brought to Surface Full Extent of Her Damage Cannot Be Ascertained—Sank So Rapidly that Captain and Crew Had Not Much Time to Note the Nature of Damage—Engineers Not to Blame.

The Portland Shipbuilding company has taken the contract for raising the steamer Nellie, which sank near Coos Bay at the mouth of the Willamette Sunday afternoon. A wrecking outfit will be taken down to the scene of the accident this afternoon, but it is believed that several days will elapse before the ill-fated craft can be beached. Of the damage to the vessel, the extent of the damage she sustained will not be known until the captain and crew are not yet fully agreed as to whether they struck a rock or a piece of piling. For several feet a hole about six or eight inches wide was torn in her side and water began to sink rapidly. They endeavored to beach her, but water poured in at too rapid a rate, and the vessel went to the bottom near the shore.

The local United States engineers had given timely warning of the danger at that point and state that if the river men would read the papers more carefully not nearly so many accidents would occur.

CURIOUS CHANCE SETS HIM RIGHT

Deserted by his wife, who was stolen by a colored man, and deprived of his little daughter, J. J. Murchison, a well-known rancher here, and who had been Or, came to Portland yesterday to seek his recent spouse and to get his child.

Mrs. Murchison, as stated in the dispatches last week, is said to have left her home in the company of "Nigger" Tom Johnson of Portland. She took her little girl with her. The police were notified to watch for the couple.

Saturday the officers located Johnson and he was taken to the station. However, he was not locked up, as there was no warrant for his arrest, a telegram from the sheriff at La Grande asking that the couple be located. Sunday Patrolman Roberts found Mrs. Murchison in the Red Front lodging house, 25 North First street. There was no warrant for her so she was not held.

By a curious coincidence Mr. Murchison went to the Red Front for lodging last night. By still more curious freak of fate he was assigned to the room which had been occupied by his fugitive wife a few nights previous. This morning he picked up a pin which he recognized as her property and when he sought the advice of the police this morning he learned that she had been rooming at this place. After being interviewed by the officer the woman became frightened and changed her quarters.

The officers gave the husband what information they had and he started out to find his wife and child. While he has no warrant for their arrest, he is determined to see his girl and persuade her to return. Mr. Murchison told Captain Gritzmacher that he would not take his wife back with him, but desired the child to be taken from the mother, who he now wishes, is unfit to have the care of the child.

HARRIMAN STARTS NEW LAND POLICY

San Francisco, Oct. 13.—President Harriman directs that all lands unpatented in Nevada, belonging to the Central Pacific, be patented. Just why is not known, as attorneys say the title is good under an act of congress. New methods, however, are being injected into the land interests of the company, notably the withdrawal of timber holdings in California, a recent offer from the timber trust was declined by Harriman, who is of the opinion that the lands will greatly increase in value before long.

BIGGEST SALMON RUN IN YAQUINA HISTORY

Albany, Or., Oct. 13.—The largest run of salmon in the history of Yaquina bay is now on. A report received here today says that the bay is alive with the fish and large catches are reported. Many people will leave this week for the coast to enjoy a few days' fishing.

LOTS MORE LIKE IT, Plenty More Proof Like This and All From Portland People.

No chance for argument here. No better proof can be had. What a Portland man says is the best of evidence for Portland people.

Read this case. We have lots more like it. L. S. Hynes of 328 Burnside street, who is now retired, says: "I can speak of Doan's Ointment in the highest words of praise. I used it several years ago when living in Michigan. Itching hemorrhoids had annoyed me for years, and during that time I had considerable experience with remedies recommended to me. They did me little or no good. Finally I heard of Doan's Ointment and began its use. The first few applications gave me relief and it only took a few more to cure me. I can now make a good permanent cure. I know it is a permanent cure, for it is now over six years since I used it, and up to the present time there has not been the slightest symptom of a recurrence. I have also used two boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills, and was as greatly benefited that I bought a box at the Lewis Davis Drug Co's store, corner of Yamhill and Third streets, and sent them to my son, who lives up on Hood River. He wrote back to me and praised the remedy highly. I never expected to see my name in Doan's Ointment, Kidney Pills and Don's Ointment, but when two articles are up to the representation made for them like Doan's Ointment, Kidney Pills and Don's Ointment, I think the public should know about them."

Sold for 50 cents per box by all dealers. Foster-McBirn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and do not substitute.

LOTTERY LAW IS UNDER HOT FIRE

CHINESE GAMBLERS WHO WERE ARRESTED IN THE RECENT RAID ARE ENDEAVORING TO ESCAPE PENALTY BY MEANS OF TECHNICALITIES.

Attorneys for the Pagans Attack the Validity of the Ordinance Under Which the Arrests Were Made—All of the Forty Defendants Present in Court and One Case Is Selected as a Test—Trial Before Jury Thursday.

Taking advantage of every technical objection the defense in the case of the city against the Chinese lottery keepers, this trial contended before Municipal Judge Hogue that the ordinance covering the matter of lotteries is invalid.

After over two weeks of delay the case came to trial this morning. Of the 40 Chinese who fell victims to the raid a majority were on hand. The Chinese seemed to be perfectly confident as to the result. The case selected for trial was that against Wing H. Yick, 81 Second street.

Yick is charged with maintaining a lottery game at his place of business where he keeps a grocery store. He was represented by Attorneys C. M. Ide-man and C. Palmer, while the city's case was handled by Assistant City Attorney Fitzgerald, recognized as an authority on the city ordinances. The ordinance which the defendant is accused of violating is No. 11,536, passed in March, 1902.

Legality of Warrant Questioned. Mr. Ide-man at once objected to the warrant which alleges that the defendant set up and maintained his place at 81 Second street for the purpose of keeping a lottery. Mr. Ide-man contended that this was untrue, inasmuch as the place was used for a grocery store. Judge Hogue refused to dismiss the complaint.

The jury trying the case consists of Samuel Colton, Gilbert S. Mann, H. C. Colton and R. B. McClung. Six jurors have been selected, but two had valid excuses. The first witness called was Patrolman Fred Mallett, who resigned yesterday. He and Officer Gruber had made the arrest, but before Mallett gave his testimony the jury was excused until Thursday, an attorney Ide-man desired to argue the invalidity of the ordinance.

Ordinance Attacked. The argument of the lawyer was technical. He claimed that the ordinance had not been properly passed by the city council, inasmuch as the record did not show that the ordinance was passed. He provided that the proceedings must be a part of the records, and the lawyer contended that the records did not show the proceedings of the council in regard to this ordinance. He also made another technical objection in claiming that the ordinance was not properly attested by O. T. Gamble, who was then city auditor. The records show that he signed himself simply "Auditor," and did not add "of the City of Portland."

By 1 o'clock Mr. Ide-man had not completed his argument, and the court adjourned until tomorrow, when he will finish, and Mr. Fitzgerald will be ready with his counter argument. The jury will again listen to the evidence Thursday.

City Auditor DeVin has on hand with the records, he having been subpoenaed for that purpose.

During the progress of the case the lawyers for the defense did not show what line of evidence they will produce to help clear their clients. However, they intend to take advantage of every technical objection.

DYNAMITE FIENDS HAVE BEEN FOUND

Helena, Mont., Oct. 13.—William Stadts and Henry Hays, who were arrested in Helena shortly after the dynamite explosion on the Northern Pacific at Bozeman, will be returned to that city for trial. They have been held here under vagrancy sentence while the officials worked on the case, which is now declared to be a very strong one. Among their effects was found a quantity of dynamite and several fuses, and it is said that a piece of cloth similar to that picked up at the scene of the explosion was also in their possession.

FIRST POSTAL FRAUD TRIALS ARE BEGUN

Cincinnati, O., Oct. 13.—The cases of Mantel Miller, former second assistant attorney-general of the postoffice department, and Joseph Johns of Rockville, Ind., indicted on the charge of conspiracy to secure a bribe from Ryan, the turf promoter, were called by the United States court today. Pursuant to President Roosevelt's policy the district attorney's office is augmented by the arrival of government attorneys from the United States at Washington. On each side are about eight witnesses. These are the first of the postal trials.

BOTH LOVED HER, BUT JILTED ONE WON OUT

Oakland, Oct. 13.—Arthur Reis and Joe Gomez each loved the same young girl, Norma Duvall. First she accepted Reis, but during his absence in Sacramento, concluded she preferred Gomez. Hearing how matters stood, Reis returned and secured a marriage license. His rival also returned, provided himself with one. Gomez, however, got on a spree, and was locked up while Reis got the wife.

LET GO BY CHIEF HUNT.

Dora Williams, alias May Ashton, said to be a notorious pickpocket and thief, is in Portland. She has not left the city, although Chief of Police Hunt had a long conference with her in his private office last night.

According to reliable information the woman has recently been released from the prison at Victoria, B. C., where she and two other clever pickpockets turned a "trick" and served a term for the crime.

Last night Dora Williams was taken to police headquarters by a policeman who recognized her.

The woman was admitted to the chief's private office where she was caged for two hours. After this was over she was let out of a side door and it is stated that she was not ordered out of the city. At any rate she is still in Portland.

MORE VESSELS ARE CHARTERED

BRITISH SHIP COUNTY OF INVERNESS ENGAGED TO CARRY WHEAT, FLOUR AND BARLEY TO SOUTH AFRICA AT ABOUT 215 30 PER TON.

Steamer Stanley Dollar Fixed for November Loading—Will Carry Wheat to Japan at a Rate which is Not Disclosed—Only Three Grain-Carriers Now in the River on the Disengaged List—Exporters Puzzled.

There seems to be a friendly rivalry between Japan and South Africa to see which country can import the greatest amount of Oregon products. Last evening the British ship County of Inverness, now in the harbor, was chartered by Kerr, Gifford & Co. to carry wheat, flour and barley to Algoa Bay. Shortly afterward the Stanley Dollar was fixed to take out a cargo of wheat from Portland to Japan. Mitsui & Co., an Oriental firm, are the charterers.

The County of Inverness was taken at a lump sum, and the exact rate is not yet definitely known by even the interested parties. It is believed, however, that it will average in the neighborhood of 215 30, which is considered fair figures for South Africa.

The vessel will begin loading at once, and will receive quick despatch. She has been in port about a month, having brought coal from Newcastle, N. S. W.

By the chartering of the County of Inverness there are only three disengaged grain-carriers in the river. These are the British ship Red Rock, the Italian ship Nina and the French ship Berangere. If the present demand for grain in the Orient and dark continent continues it is believed that every spot ship will soon be engaged.

The rate which the Stanley Dollar will receive is not disclosed. As the regular liners charge \$4 per ton for transporting wheat to the Orient, it is supposed that she will receive equally as much. However, it is pointed out that the German steamship Elbe, which was chartered last week for the same kind of business, was engaged at \$3 per ton, and it is possible that the Stanley Dollar was also secured at this figure.

The steamer is due to arrive at Yokohama on October 29. From there she will receive orders to proceed immediately to San Francisco and thence to Portland. It is the intention to have her loaded by the latter part of next month.

The exporters are at a loss to account for the unusual demand for flour and wheat in Japan. For the past two months they have been prophesying that the demand would soon cease, but contrary to their expectations it has been increasing from week to week, and he Mrs. Murchison and child. Some attribute the unusual situation to a shortage of crops in the Orient, but others are inclined to believe that the Mikado is making silent but careful preparations for war with Russia.

COUNCILMEN MUST PAY THE BILL

Judge Frazer declared this morning that the appropriation of \$500 recently made for the city council to defend the suit brought by B. Bottler against the councilmen is invalid, and the city fathers will apparently have to pay out of their own pockets for the services of their own lawyers. The plaintiff in the suit was indicted on the charge of Second street bridge over Macquinn gulch, and brought suit against the city, the mayor, the councilmen and other city officials for \$10,000 damages. The suit was dismissed as to all defendants except the councilmen on the ground that the charge of negligence was sustained only as to them.

While impaneling a jury this morning one of the jurors was challenged on the ground that he was a taxpayer and therefore interested in the case, inasmuch as the cost of defending it was to be paid out of the public funds. To this the reply was made that the councilmen were being sued because of their own negligence in failing to have the bridge repaired, that the city could not be held answerable for their negligence, and that the appropriation of \$500 out of the city treasury to defend the suit was consequently valid.

ANOTHER FRENCHMAN REACHES THE HARBOR

The French ship Berangere arrived in port this morning and docked at the foot of Pine street. She came from Hamburg by way of Port Los Angeles with a general cargo, a portion of which was discharged at that place. The vessel reached Astoria October 8.

It is seldom that a big windjammer docks so far up the river near the business district, and no sooner had she been moored than a large crowd gathered to size her up and watch operations. Critical comments were made upon her general construction, durability, speed, etc., and one unsophisticated young man ventured the opinion that she could tie 15 knots an hour, although he believed that the rope she carried was a little too heavy for quick work.

Several members of the crew were picked up in Los Angeles.

HIGHWAYMAN'S WIFE ARRAIGNED.

Mrs. A. T. Johnson, who, with her husband, was arrested 10 days ago for highway robbery, was in the police court this morning charged with larceny by Mrs. E. C. Goddard, at whose home she worked a month ago. She is said to have taken a number of articles of wearing apparel from the Goddard home on Mill street. The Goddards waived examination and she was bound over to the grand jury in bail of \$1,500.

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W. B. Wilson, Brother of Francis Wilson, the Famous Actor

"I Was a Weakling When I Began Taking Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey. I Am Now Robust and Strong; It Saved My Life," Says Mr. Wilson.



MR. W. B. WILSON.

"My wife," said Mr. Wilson, "was sickly and pale at the time I began using Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey. When she saw how I thrived on it she immediately started to use it. At that time she weighed less than 100 pounds. A few months later she had increased her weight by almost 50 pounds. She is now in the best of health, and is convinced that Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey was responsible for her improvement. Other remedies failed to help her. We have both recommended Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey to our friends and they have, by its use, recovered completely from their ailments, and are continually singing its praises to others."

Mr. Wilson and his wife reside in apartments at 34-36 Miami Avenue, Detroit, Mich. Mr. Wilson is the special representative of the A. M. McPhail Piano Co., Boston, Mass. He is also connected with the Frohman Theatrical Booking Syndicate of New York.

"I feel that I owe my life to Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey," said W. B. Wilson, brother of Francis Wilson, the noted actor. "I really feel as though I cannot say enough in the way of praising this wonderful remedy. It has built me up from a more weakling to the robust, strong man that I now am. Indeed, I feel certain that but for Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey I should now be in my grave."

"When I started using Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey I weighed 135 pounds; now I tip the scales at 220 lbs. It was four years ago that I first heard of the tonic. I was suffering terribly from malaria, and a friend recommended Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey to me. I had tried almost every remedy on the market for my trouble, and had concluded that there was no medicine that could cure me. However, I decided to give Duffy's a trial. The first few doses made me feel like a new man, and I continued to get stronger and fresher with each succeeding dose. Color came to my cheeks and my step became more elastic than it was in my youth."

"I am 45 years of age now, and I feel better in my life, thanks to Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey. I cheerfully recommend it to all who are suffering from any disease, and that has brought about a weakening of the system."



MRS. W. B. WILSON.

"Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey is sure you get the genuine. Unscrupulous dealers, mindful of the excellence of this preparation, will try to sell you cheap imitations and malt whiskey substitutes, which are put on the market for profit only and which, far from relieving the sick, are positively harmful. Demand 'Duffy's' and be sure you get it. It is the only absolutely pure Malt Whiskey which contains medicinal, health-giving qualities. Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey is sold in sealed bottles only; never in flask or bulk. Look for the name 'Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey' on the label, and be certain the seal over the cork is unbroken. Beware of refilled bottles."

Sold by all druggists and grocers, or direct, \$1.00 a bottle. Interesting medical booklet, postpaid, to any address. Duffy Malt Whiskey Co., Rochester, N. Y.

DUFFY'S PURE MALT WHISKEY



is an absolutely pure, gentle and invigorating stimulating and tonic. It builds up the nervous system, tones up the heart, gives power to the brain, strength and elasticity to the muscles and richness to the blood. It brings into action all the vital forces, and enables one to get from food all the nourishment it contains. It is invaluable for overworked men, delicate women and sickly children. It sustains the system, is a promoter of good health and longevity, makes the old young and keeps the young strong.

Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey cures malaria and all run-down, weakened conditions of body, brain and muscle; coughs, colds, catarrh, consumption, grip, bronchitis, pneumonia, pleurisy, and all diseases of the throat and lungs; indigestion, dyspepsia and every form of stomach trouble, nervousness, and all fevers. It contains no fusel oil and is the only whiskey recognized by the government as a medicine. This is a guarantee.

PEOPLE OF LA GRANDE BERATE CHIEF HUNT

La Grande, Or., Oct. 13.—The people of La Grande, and especially the city marshal, were highly indignant when they received The Daily Journal announcing that Chief of Police Hunt of Portland had had Tom Johnson, known as "Nigger Tom," in his clutches and permitted the outlaw to outwit him.

Marshal Louis Rayburn of this city wired Chief Hunt to locate the negro and let him know and his whereabouts in Portland and the woman and child. Instead, Hunt had the negro arrested, took his story and gave him his freedom.

There is no question but that he eloped with the white woman, Mrs. J. Murchison, and that they took with them the three-year-old baby girl, "Nigger Tom" was seen here by dozens of men last Sunday who knew him well, and he Mrs. Murchison and the child went to the Thorne lodging house in this city and packed a trunk together. In fact, they bought an additional trunk and packed it there. Mrs. Murchison discarded a hat at the lodging house which her husband identified.

"Nigger Tom" went to the depot and purchased two tickets from the agent for Portland and the marshal and Mr. Murchison, husband of the truant woman, found that the trunks packed by the negro and the white woman were checked to Portland on these identical tickets.

"Nigger Tom" had boasted that he would run away with a white man's wife only a few days before, but it was taken only as a jest at the time.

Beane Infatuated. It has been developed since the first story was told that the negro was employed at the sawmill of Murchison and became infatuated with the white woman and secured her consent to run away with him. He left the place September to attend Ringling Bros.' circus at La Grande. He only had \$18 when he left the Murchison home and went ranching again and earned only a few dollars before he met Mrs. Murchison in La Grande. Mrs. Murchison, however, made provisions from her husband's purse taking with her \$80 when she left with the negro.

She left her five-year-old son behind and Mr. Murchison first announced that if she had left the three-year-old girl if which she took with her he would have been contented to let her go. But now he has become reconciled. He does not think his wife has done wrong and is willing to take her back and forgive her. He made such an unusual statement to The Journal representative today. As a consequence he has lost the respect of the people of La Grande, but they are glad for the arrest and conviction of the woman and negro.

Won't Publish Truths. When the Oregonian saw the statement in The Journal of the negro's elopement, it immediately wired to La Grande to know if the facts were as stated. When informed that The Journal had told the truth, it wanted nothing more and failed to publish a line about the matter. It is apparent to the people here that it did not care to publish the facts but wanted to catch The Journal in a false statement. The full facts were sent to the Oregonian from this place.

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OREGON FRUIT WORTH \$3,000,000

Oregon's fruit crop this year will aggregate \$3,000,000 in value, of which prunes alone represent \$1,000,000. So thoroughly has Europe come to appreciate the fruit of this state that buyers now come here direct from France and England to make purchases.

Orchardists throughout the state are manifesting a disposition to observe the law more and more closely as is shown by the condition of the trees inspected by the commissioners of the board of horticulture.

The prospect is that demand for labor during the picking of fruit in Oregon will soon exceed the supply, so that the orchardist will be face to face with a serious situation.

Fruit Commissioners in Session. The semi-annual meeting of the state board of horticulture was held yesterday afternoon in the rooms of Secretary George H. Lamberson in the Mohr building, E. L. Smith, commissioner at large and president of the board, was detained by a delayed train and arrived from Hood River this afternoon. The other commissioners, excepting J. R. Weber of The Dalles, Fourth district, were present—W. K. Newell of Dilley, Washington county, First district; Charles A. Park, Salem, Second district; A. H. Carson, Grants Pass, Third district; Judd Geary, Fifth district.

Reports were received and filed with Secretary Lamberson, which indicated a healthy growth of the fruit growing industry in Oregon. The commissioners say that not only is the orchardist bettering the condition of his trees, but he is improving the methods of packing, so that the fruit of this state receives higher prices than in the past for same quality. It is emphasized, however, that even more improvement must be had in packing before the Oregon fruit will take its deserved place in the world's markets. Oregon prunes are leading the world now and demand therefore increases each succeeding season.

President Smith arrived from Hood River too late for the meeting in the forenoon, so it was postponed to 2:30 o'clock. He had not been long before the other commissioners when he pronounced what in his opinion are the most pressing needs of the Oregon fruit growers, which are:

Co-operative fruit unions, larger sums of money from the legislature, more careful packing of fruit for shipment, better inspection of fruit.

Legislator Approves Only \$4,500 for the work of this, each commissioner has \$450 to pay his expenses in attending the semi-annual meetings, traveling over the district, and visiting the many points in the big districts that each one has to cover. This consumes \$2,200 of the \$4,500, leaving only \$2,300 for the office expenses of Secretary Lamberson, his salary, the cost of printing, and the expenses of President Smith in his travels over the state.

Close inspection of the fruit as it is shipped is manifestly impossible, and the board makes a plea for greater liberality by the state towards what they regard as one of the most important boards maintained by the government.

BOSTON WINS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Chicago, Oct. 13.—Boston wins world's championship baseball, American National league, defeating Pittsburgh of the National league, by a score of 3 to 0.

BEHIND BARS FOR THEFT OF A TRUNK

This morning Detective L. C. Hartman arrested W. Foster, accused of stealing a trunk belonging to A. B. Hance yesterday. Mr. Hance has been rooming at the Benson block, Fifth and Morrison streets. Yesterday his trunk was standing in a hallway. A short time afterward an expressman removed it to Foster's room in First street. By the fact that the expressman drove a gray horse Detective Hartman traced him, learned who had employed him and where he had taken the trunk. This morning Detective Hartman found Foster on Madison street between First and Second streets. After being placed under arrest Foster made a break for liberty, but Hartman covered him with his revolver and Foster wilted.

The detective and Mr. Hance learned where the trunk had been sold for \$3, while it was found that Foster had sold a suit of clothes for \$1. Hance recovered his clothing and trunk.

BIG MOTOR COMPANY BECOMES INSOLVENT

Chicago, Oct. 13.—The Chicago Motor Vehicle company, one of the largest automobile manufacturers in America, went into bankruptcy this morning. Secretary Shaw, Lyman Gage and other prominent men are stockholders. The company's attorneys claim the concern is solvent. The plant alone is valued at half a million, with debts at a quarter of a million. Petitioning creditors, however, claim the property is worth \$300,000, with debts at \$200,000.

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