

STOCK CONCERN GOES TO THE WALL

BAXTER & CO. LARGEST STOCK BROKERS' FIRM IN THE WORLD, WITH 180 BRANCH OFFICES, FALLS THROUGH ELEVATION IN PRICES OF COTTON STOCK.

(Journal Special Service.) New York, Jan. 30.—Baxter & Co., one of the largest stock brokers concerns in the world, with 180 branch offices, assigned this afternoon. The liabilities are unknown. One branch alone, however, is said to be \$70,000 behind on cotton.

WATCHDOG BY PROXY

his office under his predecessor and those of his own administration. "Who wouldn't be proud of such a record?" he asks, swelling with the consciousness of duty well and faithfully performed.

Unconscionable Economy.

One of the duties of the sheriff is to collect the taxes. The cost of tax collections is shown on the county's books under the caption of "Assessment and collection of revenue," or, as usually abbreviated by the county officials, "A and C revenue."

The sheriff's fancy that he had been the means of saving the county \$24,000 is but a dream. New Law Helped Him. During Sheriff Frazier's regime the system of collecting taxes was far more cumbersome and expensive than it is now.

An examination of the books at the court house shows that, after making every possible allowance in favor of Sheriff Storey, and giving him the benefit of the doubt wherever a doubt can exist, the \$13,252.58 of the \$24,000 saving was saved by the operation of law, and not by any act, direct or indirect, of the sheriff.

Another item in the "A and C revenue" account is the cost of extending the tax roll. This is done every year by the county clerk, and the sheriff has nothing whatever to do with it.

This saving, coupled with that resulting from the changes in the tax laws, makes a total of \$18,228.58, or two thirds of the amount which Sheriff Storey has fondly fancied he was the direct means of carrying to the credit of the taxpayers.

Under the former regime a special deputy was employed to check up petitions for cancellation and rebate of taxes and his salary was charged to "A and C Revenue." All this work is now done by one of the county clerk's regular deputies, without extra expense to the county.

fell swoop the county board compelled him to drop from his payroll 12 deputies who were feeding at the public crib without earning their salt. Their salaries amounted to considerably more than \$1,000 a month, and their only apparent occupation was attending the baseball games.

Sheriff Storey's man hunts have been one of the county's most expensive luxuries, and the expense bills which he has turned in, usually the only tangible result of these expeditions, have been the subject of much unfavorable comment.

Reports of losses by theft at the Garfield hotel fire early yesterday morning continue to be reported to the police. The police are working on the robbery cases, but thus far have been unable to unearth any clues of value.

A man named Rekdahl, employed at the Garfield, states to the police that during the excitement attending the catastrophe some one entered his room and stole \$90 which he had there for safe keeping.

The thief stole besides the money a .25-caliber Smith & Wesson revolver, about 8 o'clock last night the home of Mrs. Lane, 191 Monroe street, was entered by a sneak thief while the occupants were away.

WELL-KNOWN LAW FIRM DISSOLVES

After an existence for 18 years, the well known law firm of Cotton, Teal & Minor will be dissolved on Monday. Messrs. J. N. Teal and Wirt Minor, who have been associated in the law business for the past 15 years, will continue together in business at the present offices of the old firm in the Worcester building under the name of Teal & Minor.

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VAN HOUTEN IN HIS OWN BEALF

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"No, sir; I did not," was the reply. Van Houten weeps again. After calling several witnesses yesterday afternoon, the defense called Agnes Van Houten, the little daughter of the defendant, but the announcement was made that Mrs. Van Houten refused to allow the girl to testify in her father's behalf.

The incident served, however, to unnerve Van Houten, and he again broke down and sobbed. The trial was disturbed by his moanings and proceedings were delayed until he regained his composure.

Surprise by the Defense. The defense sprung a surprise by calling District Attorney Manning to the witness stand to testify regarding criminal proceedings which Van Houten had endeavored to institute.

P. U. Metzger, a Northern Pacific passenger brakeman, running between Tacoma and Portland, was called by the defense, and his testimony created considerable mirth in the audience. He said that Van Houten was looking for him at the union station one evening, but Van Houten looked ugly, and he was afraid to face him.

Insanity in the Family. Peter Van Houten, the father of the accused, was called to the stand toward the close of the session yesterday afternoon to testify regarding insanity in the Van Houten family.

The visit to Washington recently made by Mr. Hall was for the purpose of discussing federal criminal actions, especially those pertaining to lands. While Mr. Hall would not at any time state just what his course would be, it was understood that Cunningham and the others were to be informed against.

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Louis Zimmerman, president of the Lucky Boy Mining company, returned from the mine in the Blue Mountains, near Eugene, today, with the real thing to gold bricks, his outside pocket. The brick is about 4 1/2 inches long, an inch thick, with side sufficiently conical to shed the rain, weighs about six pounds and is worth about \$1,200 to anybody.

MEANT TO PROSECUTE (Continued from Page One.) made and had not resided upon the property. Hartman and Notary Public Parkes are charged in the information with knowing that Cunningham's money was used in securing the proofs and with allowing the applicants to make false affidavits.

The arrest of Charles Cunningham, Judge Hartman, Joe H. Parkes and the other principal witnesses in the Asa B. Thomson land bribery case, comes not as a surprise to persons familiar with the La Grande land office scandal. The strong words of United States Judge Charles R. Bellinger in denouncing Glen H. Salling when the latter as good as admitted having committed perjury, and the remark of Attorney John H. Hall that he might have noted later of all exhibits used in the Thomson trial, were significant that later developments would follow.

"Little Joey Parkes," as Hall contemptuously referred to the Pendleton notary, "has made himself very active in this case." In rehabilitating the county judge of Umatilla county he said:

The Pendleton advices received state that Special Agent A. R. Green of the land office, who assisted Attorney Hall in gathering evidence for the Thomson trial, filed information against Judge Hartman, Hartman and Parkes were witnesses for the defense in the Thomson case.

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MADE HIS ESCAPE DRESSED AS A GIRL

OSMUND HELSE, ATTENDED IN SKIRT AND SHIRTWAIST, TAKES FREQUENT LEAVE OF THE BOYS' AND GIRLS HOME—RECAPTURE IS EXPECTED.

POPE WILL LEAVE VATICAN FOR HEALTH

(Journal Special Service.) Rome, Jan. 30.—According to high dignitaries the pope is suffering such ill health that he will probably break the old rule and leave the Vatican the coming summer, establishing a court at some watering place.

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Hartman, Thompson & Powers 3 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

INFORMS CORONER OF HIS INTENDED DEATH. Helena, Jan. 30.—"There will be something doing for you before morning," were the words of A. Edward Wannamaker addressed to Coroner Yeager yesterday afternoon. Coroner Yeager thinking it a joke, simply smiled, but early this morning lodgers on the top floor of the Grand Central hotel were aroused by two pistol shots and upon entering Wannamaker's room found him dead. In a letter Wannamaker ascribed his act to poor health, but unrequited love is believed to have been the real cause. He also requested the coroner to make mention of his deed. "Today, sure," says the letter.