

TINY BABE LEFT AT SISTERS' DOOR

New-born Child Found by Door of St. Mary's School—"Call Her Mary Magdalene" Said the Note Wrapped in Child's Covering.

Wrapped in cotton batting and crying as lustily as her tiny lungs would permit, a new born baby was found about 6:45 o'clock this morning on the sidewalk in front of the St. Mary's school, near the corner of Williams avenue and Stanton street.

Running into the school Mrs. Dunn reported her discovery to the sisters there, who took the infant in. A letter was discovered in the covering, which was addressed "To the Sisters of Charity." The epistle was dated March 4, 1904. It follows:

REFUSE REQUEST OF THE BUILDERS

MASTER BUILDERS' OBJECTIONS TO PLANS FOR 1905 BUILDINGS ARE NOT SUSTAINED BY STATE COMMISSION—SAME RULES ARE IN VOGUE AT ST. LOUIS.

The grievances of the Master Builders' association against the plans and specifications for the Lewis and Clark fair buildings, for which bids are advertised, are set forth in a letter written yesterday to the state commission, which says that the objectionable features as found by the committee appointed to investigate the matter were as follows:

"Article VI says: The superintendent shall be the sole interpreter of the true intent and meaning of all the specifications and drawings, and his decision shall be final and binding upon the contractor in all matters of dispute."

"Article XII: And should any work or material be necessary for the completion of the work, which shall not be either directly or indirectly noted in the specifications or drawings, but which shall nevertheless be necessary in the opinion of the superintendent of construction for the carrying out of the obvious intention thereof, the contractor will understand the same to be implied, and shall provide for it in his tender, as fully as if it were particularly described or delineated."

"Article XXVII: The contractor shall, if required by the superintendent of construction, file with his application for payment satisfactory evidence in writing that all his employees and those of the contractors to whom portions of the work has been subcontracted, have been paid in full to the date of the said application for payment."

After carefully studying the articles referred to, the committee concluded that if the matter was brought before the commission that they might be adjusted satisfactorily to all concerned. The committee respectfully submits the following for your consideration and approval:

"First—That an arbitration committee be appointed to settle all disputes that may arise between the superintendent of construction and the contractor."

"Second—That the clause binding the contractor to do what is required by the superintendent of construction when

not shown on the plans or specified in the specification be stricken out.

"Third—That the clause requiring receipts to be shown to the superintendent of construction at his request, before a certificate will be issued the contractor, be stricken out, as the bond provides for these matters in full, and this clause may be a cause of giving the contractor considerable trouble without any just cause for the same, as all sub-contractors are generally paid pro rata on the amount paid general contractor for the work done by them."

"Fourth—That the local Oregon contractors should have the preference on the buildings erected from the funds provided by the people of Oregon."

"Fifth—That the buildings shall be let on different dates, so that all contractors might have an opportunity to bid on them singly without it being necessary to bid on the whole of the buildings at one time. This looks too much like placing the work so that syndicates may capture them all, and practically shut out contractors who can readily take one or two buildings, but cannot take them all, and we believe that the results would be more satisfactory to the commission, the contractors and the subcontractors."

"This is a matter which in fairness requires to be changed, so that every contractor stands the same chance."

The state commission, through its secretary, E. C. Gillmer, today answered the letter of the master builders, which says that he is directed by the grounds and buildings committee to answer in the following terms:

"That said plans and specifications were prepared and adopted by the Lewis and Clark commission, and as required by section 4 of the act creating the state commission, were referred to the commission for approval, and they were approved by the state commission at a special meeting held for the purpose, and bids for the construction of the buildings as provided by said plans and specifications, were advertised for five days ago, and contractors are figuring on the buildings; that the preparation and adoption of the buildings is now a closed incident, which cannot be gone into again."

"I wish to say in closing that the articles objected to are the same as were required in the plans and specifications for the erection of the buildings at the Louisiana Purchase exposition, and regretting that it seems to be too late to make the changes suggested, even should it be desirable to do so."

KANSAS SHERIFFS MEET

Topeka, Kan., March 4.—The Kansas State Sheriffs' association met in adjourned annual session here today with nearly every county of the state represented. The principal business before the meeting is the election of officers.

BOATS WAIT FOR NEEDED REPAIRS

BAD WEATHER DELAYS WORK IN LOCAL SHIPYARDS AND MANY RIVER BOATS MUST WAIT THEIR TURN AT THE WAYS—NEW CRANT BUILDING AT SUPPLY.

Bad weather and rain are interfering to no small degree with operations at the several shipyards. It is impossible for the men to work much more than half the time but new orders are coming in almost every week. If there is not a change in the weather soon it is feared that the yards will become lamentably swamped with work.

Today or tomorrow the steamer Sea King is expected to arrive at the Supply yards from Astoria to be repaired and receive an annual overhauling. She is owned by the Warren Canning company of this city, and next month will leave for Alaska to engage in the salmon trade. Of late the steamer has gone north every season, but before departing she is always hauled out on the ways to be given a thorough inspection.

The steamers Bailey Gatzert and Dallas City are also at the Supply yards to be overhauled, but on account of the disagreeable weather it has been impossible to make much headway with them. It was very seldom that the mechanics got to put in a full day during the month of February, Mr. Supple says:

"I have all kinds of work on hand, but owing to the mean weather it is almost impossible to do it. In addition to the two government dredges on which I expect to start work soon, I am building a sternwheel steamer for the Northern Commercial company of San Francisco. I have just commenced on her, and hope to get the work done with as little delay as possible. The steamer is being built to ply on one of the tributaries of the Upper Yukon. After being built, she will be taken apart and shipped north in knocked-down form. The vessel will be 150 feet long and have a 30-foot beam, but she will only draw 12 inches of water. According to her size, she will be one of the lightest draught vessels afloat."

PROSPECT BRIGHT FOR NEW TEMPLE

Secretary J. W. Thompson of the Fraternal Building association, which intends to erect a temple at the Lewis and Clark exposition, has sent out circular letters to the various fraternal organizations in the state inviting them to participate in the enterprise. The letter states that each fraternal organization participating in the effort to erect the temple will be entitled to one representative on the executive board.

The next meeting of the several fraternal organizations will be held Monday afternoon, March 7, at 2 o'clock, at which time articles of incorporation will be adopted and permanent organization perfected. In his letter Mr. Thompson says:

"The prospect for the construction of the fraternal temple is very bright at this time, and all that is required to insure success is the hearty co-operation of all the organizations interested."

STUDY GEOLOGY FOR MANY DAYS

Arrested nearly a week ago on the charge of holding up M. E. Surber, night clerk at the east side Southern Pacific ticket office, Fred Houston, Charles Payne and Thomas Mason were sentenced to spend the next 30 days pounding large rocks into smaller ones. The men were arrested by Detectives Kerrigan and Snow a day after the robbery of Butler. The detectives were assigned on the case as soon as it was reported to Chief Hunt, and by hard work landed the rock pile by Municipal Judge Hogue on the charge of vagrancy.

GIRL WIFE TELLS OF FUEL HUSBAND

Fred Miller Excites Astonishment of Judge and Even His Attorney Says He Did Not Know That the Case Was So Black.

"Bring that fellow up here—I would like to get a look at him."

This was the order of Arthur L. Frazer, judge of department in the state circuit court, this morning during the testimony of one of the witnesses in the suit for divorce brought by Grace A. Miller against Fred Miller. Miller stepped forward in accordance with the demand and stood beside his counsel.

"All right," said the court, "I just wanted to see what you look like." This episode was the upshot of a tale of cruelty so unusual that even J. E. Burdett, the attorney representing Miller, was appalled.

"Had I the faintest idea of what the facts were," Attorney Burdett declared, "I should not have taken the case. As soon as the testimony is all in I shall explain this to the court. I cannot desert my client now, but I can at least preserve my own honor in the matter."

The testimony of Mrs. Miller, corroborated by that of Mrs. Boerlund, her mother and Mrs. Tyler, a neighbor, was that before the two were married on November 26, 1902, Miller made her believe he was a wealthy man. After marriage he failed to work, abused her when she asked him about his finances, and mortgaged Mrs. Boerlund's home for the support of himself and wife.

Testimony was also given that while Mrs. Miller was in a delicate condition, her husband beat, choked and otherwise abused her. Mrs. Miller further swore that her husband smoked cigarettes in bed until she was nauseated and subjected her to inhuman treatment when she remonstrated. While she was ill, Mrs. Miller testified, she was taken by her husband to a logging camp near Forest Grove and was forced to cook for 13 loggers for two weeks.

At Forest Grove, according to her testimony, Miller started a small restaurant and his wife had to walk several blocks while in a delicate condition to get her meals. Finally the girl—she is now only 19 years old—says she had to leave Miller and live with her mother. Her eyes filled with tears during the recital and Mrs. Boerlund could not keep the tears from rolling down her cheeks.

Mrs. Tyler testified to seeing Miller choke his wife and to other instances of cruelty. She also repeated testimony that Miller had advertised for partners in the drug business and had bunked one man out of \$300 and another out of \$200. One of his prescriptions she said consisted of flour and water.

The case is in progress this afternoon. Miller apparently fears arrest on a criminal charge.

"Say," he inquired of his lawyer in the hearing of several persons, "do you think there is any danger of the judge trying to send me over the road?"

Attorney Burdett was graduated from Ann Arbor law school and admitted to the Washington bar last fall. This is the first court case he has ever had.

DRYDOCK WILL BE A GOOD ONE

SUPERINTENDENT MINTOSH SAYS PORTLAND DOCK WILL BE THE BEST OF THE 23 HE VISITED—BERTH IS READY FOR PONTOONS.

Excepting a few brace piles which have not yet been placed in position, pile driving around the berth of the dry dock has been completed. The framework for the power house is also up, and Engineer Lockwood reports that everything in connection with the dock is progressing just as rapidly as the weather conditions will permit. It is the intention to tow the remaining two pontoons from Vancouver up to the site about next Wednesday. Speaking of the new drydock, Superintendent McIntosh said:

"With the exception of only two structures, I visited the Portland drydock in better in every particular than any of the 23 which I visited on my eastern trip. It is superior in its construction, and has many points of advantage which the others do not possess. Among these might be mentioned the motors which will be situated under deck and the patent or adjustable keel blocks."

"Taking them as a whole those I inspected will not favorably compare with the dock. It has a perfect site and is sufficient capacity to handle any vessel ever visited in this port. I have seen all of them in the vicinity of New York and do not hesitate to pronounce the local structure to be their superior in every particular, with the possible two exceptions noted. I understand that will be ready for operation by the middle of next month."

FAULT LIES IN IDLE FURNACE

COUNCILMAN FOELLER, AFTER AN EXAMINATION, SAYS THAT GARAGE PROBLEM MIGHT BE SETTLED IF PLANT WAS WORKED TO FULL CAPACITY.

"The crematory is not being worked to its full capacity," said Councilman Matt. Foeller today. "That is the great difficulty, and I think that before the council takes any action regarding the garbage matter it should insist on the crematory being worked to its full capacity."

"What do you think of the ordinance suggested by the mayor, separating the scavengers into two classes?" was asked.

"I saw in The Journal last night that he had made such a suggestion, but I have not studied the matter enough to be able to give an opinion," replied Mr. Foeller. "It might be an excellent plan, and I will look into the matter carefully."

It has been stated by some that the crematory needs enlargement by the addition of two incinerators, but Councilman Foeller, when asked regarding this, said:

"I went down to the crematory about two weeks ago to make a personal investigation of conditions there. I found that the burners were not being worked to their full capacity. It is this that causes a whole lot of refuse to be dumped that might otherwise be burned. I am firmly of the belief that the crematory ought to be worked to its full capacity. Then we will see what effect that has on the situation."

"It is said the Women's club favor what is known as the reducing system, and its cost, it is stated, should not be more than \$40,000 per year to the city, after being established. This system sterilizes all garbage that can be used for any commercial purpose so that it can be sold without the slightest danger of spreading disease. In this manner ashes, bottles, tin-can solder and newspapers may be saved and sold to pay for the expense of operating the crematory. This plan is in vogue in Milwaukee, Wis., and is said to work admirably, costing about \$40,000 per year. Milwaukee and Portland are about equal in population."

IN THE STRONGHOLD OF DEMOCRACY

(Journal Special Service.) Albany, Or., March 4.—With scarcely a month to elapse before the county conventions will be held and a full county ticket to elect local offices are dragging along at a snail's pace. In the Republican ranks the whole interest seems to center around judicial and congressional honors, while the Democrats appear unconcerned in those directions and concentrate their strength on the county ticket. Lane county has long been a stronghold of Democracy, and year after year the faithful have swept the boards clean. Once in a while their opponents break in and secure a plum, but this is only in rare instances.

The greatest fight will be over the county judgeship, if the present rumors are to be taken for an indication. The Democrats talk of the present judge, H. M. Palmer, C. H. Stewart, Rufus Thompson, Hon. J. J. Whitney, J. P. Galbraith, all of Albany, and C. C. Jackson of Halsey. The Republicans have N. M. Newport and W. C. Tweedale of Albany. Three candidates have announced themselves for the nomination of sheriff on the Democratic ticket—Worth Huston, the present incumbent; F. P. Pfeiffer of Albany, and George W. Morrow of Seio. The Republicans have an equal number of aspirants for that office—R. L. White of Harrisburg, Frank Bayne of Shedd, and Frank D. Cornett of Santiam. County Clerk B. M. Payne has no opposition for re-nomination on the Democratic ticket, and J. W. Miller of Shelburn is the only Republican mentioned. County Recorder S. P. Munkers will go before the Democratic convention again, and J. P. Cooley of Brownsville, and J. E. McKnight of Lebanon will also see the nomination by the same body. The Republicans will choose between W. W. Francis of Halsey and Grant Fremman of Brownsville to renominate Assessor D. E. McKnight, Treasurer James W. Elkins, Surveyor Hugh Plater, and Coroner William Fortmiller, while the Democrats will name School Superintendent W. L. Jackson and Commissioner H. B. Sprenger. Ed Kiebler of Lebanon is a candidate for the Democratic nomination of treasurer, but candidates for other places are not coming forward. The next few weeks, however, may bring forth many new developments, and dark horses may cut quite a prominent figure in the final outcome.

SAYS HUSH MONEY WAS OFFERED HER

(Continued from Page One.) When asked regarding the report that he had accepted the \$30 as a retainer and had gone to the other side, and then offered a witness hush money, Mr. Brownell said:

Says Mr. Brownell, "Mr. Main came to me and retained me to make an investigation looking towards the prosecution of Dr. Carril and Dr. Stuart, claiming that they caused the death of his daughter. I looked into the matter, and consulted with the district attorney, the Hon. Harrison Allen and J. U. Campbell, the deputy, and did everything I could to get at the facts. I did get at the facts, and satisfied myself that Dr. Carril had committed no criminal offense. This was all that I was employed to do. I am not district attorney of this district, and could not have done more had I desired, and I am satisfied that the district attorney did his full duty."

"I had never been employed or retained by Mr. Main for any other purpose than to assist in a criminal prosecution if one was brought. All statements about my being on both sides of the case is a malicious lie and falsehood, and was known to be such by the parties who circulated the statement."

J. E. Hedges of the law firm of Hedges & Griffith, said that Mr. Brownell had never decided to appear in the case as an attorney, and that his name had been signed to the papers by an error and that the name has since been erased.

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