

PLOT WOODS HAS BATTLE WITH SEA

Misses Foothold and Is Swept Away by Stormy Waves -- Rescued with Difficulty -- New Orient Line Sends First Steamer.

While attempting to board the steamship Clavering yesterday morning as she lay off the mouth of the river, outside the lightship, George Woods, bar pilot, fell overboard into the rolling sea. When rescued he was almost exhausted, and could not have survived much longer.

In company with others, Pilot Woods was in a small boat which was conveying them to the Clavering. Arriving alongside the big liner a stepladder was put out for him to climb up and get aboard. In some manner he missed his footing and fell, and was soon battling with the waves. He was carried some distance from the ship, and about half the time was hidden from view by the raging sea. Those occupying the small boat went in pursuit of the almost-drowned man, and they finally succeeded in pulling him aboard, more dead than alive. He soon revived, however, and then the officers and crew of the Clavering assisted him in boarding the steamer. After changing clothes and hovering around a hot fire for a time he recovered from his experience.

The Clavering reached port at 7 o'clock this morning and brought the news of the accident. The officers state that this is the only incident of any consequence that has occurred since the steamer left San Francisco, Tuesday night. Nasty weather was encountered coming up the coast, but the vessel ploughed along at a leisurely gait, reaching the mouth of the river at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. For almost three hours she lay on the outside waiting for a pilot, but finally crossed in at 1 o'clock. Two hours later she left up for Portland, anchoring at 3 o'clock this morning until after sunup on account of fog.

With the arrival of the Clavering this morning the old schedule of the China Commercial company ended. In future the vessels of the line will call at Portland instead of stopping at San Francisco, as heretofore. The new itinerary of the China Commercial company's freighters includes Chinese and Japanese ports, Salina Cruz, Mexico, and Portland. In accordance with a recent agreement the steamer will be operated in conjunction with the Portland-Asiatic line.

The China Commercial company was organized eight months ago, and at once began operating a fleet of steamers between the Orient and Mexico, calling at San Francisco on the outward voyage.

The company had a contract with the government to land Chinese coolies in Mexico, and for a time it is supposed did a lucrative business. But the company came in direct competition with the Pacific Mail Steamship company, and a rate war was almost immediately inaugurated. Until a couple of months ago four was carried to Japan at the remarkably low rate of \$1 a ton. All the lines operating from northern ports were drawn into the fight, and rates from Portland and Puget sound were deeply cut.

Finally all differences were patched up by the China Commercial steamers being chartered by the Portland-Asiatic company. By the terms of the agreement the vessels are to call on San Francisco, and on the return trip they are to carry no freight from the Orient. From now on Portland will have seven steamers operating between here and the Orient, a greater number than is operated from any other point on the coast. When the new schedule is completed it is the intention to have an Oriental liner leaving here every two weeks. A list of the steamers follows:

Name	Gross Tons
Clavering	8,328
Lothian	4,969
Ching Wo	4,882
Atholl	4,647
Indrasamha	5,197
Indravelli	4,899
Indrapura	4,899
Total	51,812

The total tonnage will be somewhat larger than these figures indicate, as the Indravelli's charter expires this trip. She will be succeeded by the Indravelli, which is of about the same carrying capacity as the Indrasamha. The next trip is also the last that the Indrapura will make. The Indrasamha, another large carrier, is to take her place. These steamers have been plying between New York and the Orient, but they are owned by the same company.

J. V. C. Comfort, general manager of the China Commercial company, is in the city from San Francisco. When asked if he would move his headquarters to Portland he replied that no such change is contemplated at present.

The Clavering came up the coast light, and is only drawing 17 feet of water. Stevedores began to load her at 1 o'clock. She will take out 3,445 tons of cargo, consisting entirely of flour and lumber.

HOBSON SUGGESTS A NEW BUFFER STATE

By Captain N. F. Hobson.

Jasper, Fla., March 4.—The suggestion of Russian papers that Russia withdraw from southern Manchuria and trench herself in northern Manchuria contains a gist of a happy solution to the Russo-Japanese conflict. Coupled with the report that Russians will soon surrender Port Arthur and withdraw from Liao Tung peninsula the suggestion deserves the earnest consideration of contending powers and by other would powers whose attitude should carry weight with the belligerents. Permanent occupation of one third to one half of Manchuria by Russia would probably be acceptable to the world, provided a buffer state should be created out of the remainder of Manchuria, with the guarantees of complete commercial freedom in this territory. The world would doubtless be content to see such a buffer state organized by Japan, while Japan, judged by her present assurances, would doubtless be willing to make such guarantees.

Such a buffer state could be organized in any way (the commercial powers themselves) desired, something after the manner of the buffer states in the Balkans. With its security guaranteed, such a state could proceed upon the lines of organization found suitable for its habits and development, drawing upon the greater powers only for assistance when found necessary for making life and property secure and giving commerce and industry free play. Such

a state would constitute another experimental field for solving the great problem in the east and the proper way of opening up China on a large scale.

Commercial nations must solve this problem sooner or later, and if some method of a fair and equitable kind is not found a world war will result. One cannot help but look with pleasure upon such a picture as the powers of the white race coming together on common ground for the noble purpose of uplifting the yellow race. With such an opening up, China in turn would give a mighty impulse to the commerce of the world and bring a rich reward for the performance of a high duty.

Making a Safe Passage.

Perim, March 4.—The United States torpedo destroyers for the Philippines passed here this morning.

JURYROOM RENOVATED.

The juryroom at the courthouse has been renovated completely in anticipation of the term of court beginning next Monday. New benches have been placed on the floor, and new furniture and lighting fixtures supplied. A wooden wall bordering a balcony outside the window has been cut down to allow more light.

ARIZONA OFFICIAL RESIGNS.

(Journal Special Service.)

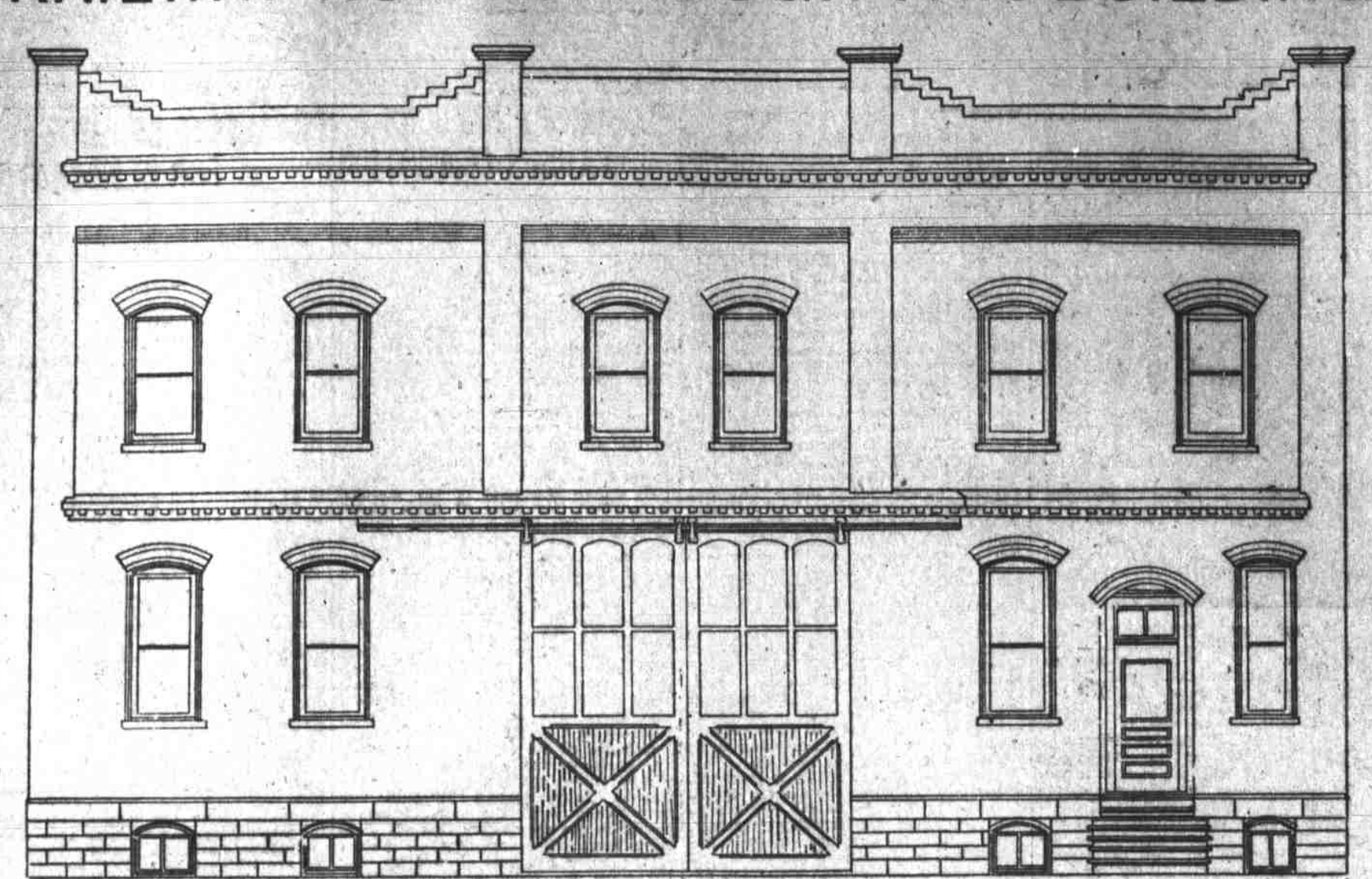
Washington, D. C., March 4.—Isaac Stoddard, territorial secretary of Arizona, has resigned to take effect April 1. His successor has not been selected. He recently had difficulty with the territorial legislature on the matter of fees.

RUSSIAN VIEW OF ENGLAND'S PART IN WAR



This cartoon appeared in the Novoye Vremya of St. Petersburg for January 21. It is by Bakalovsky, a cartoonist well known in Russia.

RAILWAY RUNS THROUGH THIS BUILDING



WHOLESALE GROCERY BUILDING AT WALLA WALLA, WASH., FOR USE OF W. B. GLAFKE COMPANY OF PORTLAND.

Portland's business interests are showing a vast expansion of late. More outside territory has been taken in and the old one has been more thoroughly covered. Portland's business men are fast realizing that if they want more business they must go after it and during the past year this seems to have been the motto of every large wholesale firm. The Puget Sound country has been thoroughly canvassed and a large amount of business done in that section which has been going to Seattle and Tacoma for the past few years. On the north the port and merchants have been quietly sending their representatives to Alaska and all have returned to this city with enough orders to pay for the trouble.

LAWYER LOCKWOOD CITED TO APPEAR

On petition of Richard Lynch, administrator of the estate of Jerry Lynch, who was killed near The Dalles by a railway accident in the spring of 1902, L. B. Webster, judge of the county court, issued a citation yesterday requiring Attorney Charles E. Lockwood to pay Lynch \$684, said to belong to the estate and indorse a certificate of deposit for \$200, or appear in court on March 17 and show cause why he should not be punished for contempt.

It is alleged in the petition that Lockwood was employed as attorney by Lynch in settling the affairs of the estate and that a certificate of deposit on the National bank of Storm Lake, Ia., was indorsed in his favor for collection. With interest it amounted to \$684, which amount was collected by Lockwood, according to the document, and placed in the Merchants' National bank of Portland. It is charged that on September 6, 1902, Lockwood drew the money out of the bank and has since refused to turn it over to the administrator.

Lynch further avers that as attorney for the estate Lockwood also came into possession of \$561.35, which was in part used in defraying expenses, \$260 remaining. This amount, in the form of a certificate of deposit on the Merchants' National bank, was placed in the hands of the court. It is charged that Lockwood refuses to indorse the certificate in favor of Lynch as administrator, it now being in the name of the lawyer.

Lynch is well known in Portland. He is the founder and president of the Young Men's Republican club, and made the arrangements for the recent Lincoln banquet.

"This is an old case," said Lockwood, "and I do not care to say much about it. Lynch is not known to me. He signed by Lynch. As regards the certificate in the hands of the court, I held it to insure payment of my fee as attorney."

HERMANN URGES THE FAIR APPROPRIATION

(Journal Special Service.)

Washington, D. C., March 4.—Congressman Blinger Hermann of Oregon addressed the house today in support of the Lewis and Clark appropriation. He urged the great importance of the expedition and the necessity of an adequate provision for a national building and exhibit.

The conference report upon the diplomatic appropriation bill was agreed to. In the senate Senator Proctor reported the army appropriation bill. It carries \$77,000,000, which is two and a half millions more than the amount agreed to by the house.

TWO HOLDUPS AND TWO RESULTS

(Journal Special Service.)

Santa Cruz, Cal., March 4.—A masked highwayman about 10 o'clock this morning at the point of a pistol held up two men on their way to town. The first one encountered was Otis Hammond, a Salvation Army man. The highwayman threatened to blow out his brains. "God bless you, shoot," said the Salvationist complacently. The bandit in apparent disgust lowered his weapon and walked away.

Hammond was hardly out of sight when Frank Dann of the Mountain View ranch was accosted in a similar manner, promptly complying with the request and was relieved of his watch.

NO CHARGES FILED AGAINST A. SALMON

No information has as yet been filed against Albert Salmon by Ashley & Rumsell. The opinion expressed by those around the courthouse who claim to be familiar with the facts, is that the firm of money brokers will never do so.

TANGLES CUT BY DIVORCE SWORD

Couples who have tried of double blessedness are parted—many cases go by default—others are filed for future action.

Mrs. Ida M. Forree was granted a divorce from Charles Sylvester Forree in the state circuit court this morning by Arthur L. Frazer, judge of department 1. The charge was cruelty, and the case went by default. The charge was cruelty and Mrs. Forree, whose testimony was corroborated by Jennie Luella Layman, swore that her husband treated her cruelly and had threatened her life with a revolver. She was appropriately garbed for the occasion in long black coat which set her blonde hair off to advantage.

MEZIES MAY BE GORHAM'S SUCCESSOR

Frank A. Menzies, traveling freight agent for the Rock Island at Portland, is mentioned as the probable successor of General Agent L. B. Gorham, who has resigned to go into other business. While official information has not been received relative to his appointment, it is understood that he will be the new general agent. Mr. Gorham said: "I am of the opinion Mr. Menzies will be made general agent. I will remain on the Rock Island until my successor is named."

Mr. Menzies is well known in this city and has been connected with the Rock Island for the past six years.

BOY LOSES BOTH HOME AND MOTHER

Shivering with cold and wandering aimlessly, Richard Elliott was found about 2 o'clock this morning in front of the Esmond hotel. The boy, who is about nine years of age, was taken to the Boys' and Girls' Aid society by the detective. The boy said that he had formerly lived on East Twenty-third street, but that his mother recently died, and that his father was ill at St. Vincent's hospital.

MASTER S. M. YORAN ADDRESSES MASONS

Grand Master S. M. Yoran of the grand lodge of Oregon, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, paid a visit to Masonic hall last night. A large number of Masons were present and the business was suspended and the evening given over to the reception of the grand officers. Grand Master Yoran delivered an interesting address on Masonry in Oregon.

WILLAMETTE WILL NOT RISE HIGHER

At all points up the Willamette the river is falling, and the weather bureau reports that the danger of a flood has passed. The water stage at Portland is now 11.5 feet, and it is expected that it will soon begin to fall very rapidly. There is a 25-mile wind off the coast, but it is not considered of sufficient importance to cause warnings to be displayed.

WARM BLANKETS WERE HIS NEED

Detective Weiner this afternoon captured a thief just as he was making off with a bundle of blankets and quilts taken from a second-hand store at the corner of Second and Couch streets. The arrested man gave his name as Frank Hogan.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS.

(Journal Special Service.)

Washington, D. C., March 4.—The president has nominated Capt. Charles A. Converse for the position of chief of the bureau of Ordnance for the navy. With the rank of rear admiral, and Capt. Henry Manney for chief of the bureau of equipment, with the rank of rear admiral.

BANQUET OF VERMONTERS.

(Journal Special Service.)

Buffalo, N. Y., March 4.—Native of the Green Mountain state, composing the Buffalo Society of Vermonters, gave their annual banquet tonight at the Genesee hotel, and arrangements on an elaborate scale have been made for the function. Charles H. Darling, assistant secretary of the navy, will be the guest of honor and will deliver the address of the evening.

NEWSPAPER CAUSES TROUBLE FOR FAIR

(San Francisco Bureau of The Journal.)

San Francisco, March 4.—Considerable bitter feeling was engendered here by the recent editorial in the Portland Oregonian that expatiates upon "The Decline of California," and says local firms are purchasing goods in Oregon.

The promotion committee of the chamber of commerce and board of trade, admit it is true a bitter commercial feeling exists between the two states and add that they cannot see why this should be the cause for an attack upon this state. Only recently these bodies agreed to do everything possible for the Lewis and Clark fair, a determined not to hold a local exposition but to help Oregon to make a success of her project. If the Oregonian's editorial expresses the sentiment of the Oregon people, no doubt many California exhibits will be withdrawn.

The chamber of commerce says the editorial is false as to the facts set forth. The state has been enjoying the most prosperous period in its existence as have all the states of the Pacific coast. Both Oregon and California have markets for all they can produce and therefore cannot be considered as business rivals. The only weakness in California's industrial development is the over-production of fruit. A number of letters have been addressed to the Oregonian by local business men having interests in both Oregon and California.

HEINZE LOSES HIS FAMOUS MINING SUIT

(Journal Special Service.)

San Francisco, March 4.—F. Augustus Heinze has lost his battle against the Butte & Boston Mining company. A decision was handed down by the United States circuit court of appeals today upholding the circuit court of Montana in the decision recently made. Heinze had appealed from that decision to the higher court. The Montana judge found Heinze guilty of contempt in having interfered with the surveying of certain mines, the judge having directed that the officials of the mining company be allowed to survey their mines, which would necessitate inspecting a mine belonging to Heinze. The latter will now have to appear before the judge in Montana and receive punishment for contempt.

NEEDED RAIN COAT AND SO TOOK IT

Because he thought he needed a rain coat more than William Wolf, the clothier at 223 Morrison street, John Dever helped himself to a garment in the store yesterday afternoon and walked away. He will answer a charge of larceny tomorrow in the municipal court.

Mr. Wolf said that Dever came into the store yesterday afternoon and after looking around for a few minutes took an oil coat. The owner of the garment followed the "taker" a block, when Dever stopped and asked him the way to a grocery store. "Gaining this information Dever went into a doorway and put on the coat," said Mr. Wolf. "I followed him a few blocks further, and when he started into a saloon I stopped him and asked him to return the coat. He returned it, but said, 'I need the coat worse than you do.'"

LOS ANGELES DENIED STREETCAR TRANSFERS

Los Angeles, March 4.—The long and bitter fight for transfers of the street railways owned by Henry E. Huntington ended this morning. Judge Oster, of San Bernardino, sitting in the Los Angeles court, decided in favor of the railway. The other superior judges refused to try the case.

BOND BIDS ARE NOT ACCEPTED

EXECUTIVE BOARD TURNS DOWN ALL BIDS ON MORRISON BRIDGE AND ALBINA FERRY BONDS—BEST OFFER WAS \$9.1 AND BOARD WISHES A FAR BID.

At the special meeting of the executive board, held in the mayor's office at 10:30 o'clock this morning, all of the bids on the \$400,000 issue of bonds for the new Morrison street bridge and the \$50,000 issue for the Albina ferry were rejected. New bids will be advertised for, but no date was set, for the board desired to wait on the better temper of the bond market.

"I am firmly of the belief that our bonds should bring more than we have been offered," said Mayor Williams, "and I am of the opinion that within 90 days the market will be in better condition than it is now."

The committee having the investigation of the matter in hand recommended that the bids should be rejected. This was done.

Four bids were considered, two sets of eastern banking and brokerage houses combining in a joint bid for the entire issue. One local firm bid for the whole ferry issue and another for \$5,000 worth of the bridge bonds. A joint bid was made by N. W. Harris & Co., and H. B. Rouns, sons of Chicago, of \$47,728 for the two issues. The interest offered by the city is 4 per cent and the limit is 30 years. To have accepted this discount would have been equivalent to paying 4 1/2 per cent interest on the face value of the total amount, \$450,000. This offer was by far the best, being \$5.1.

The other joint bid was made by Dennison, Prior & Co. of Cleveland and Seaboard, Mayer & Co. of Cincinnati of \$414,375 for the two full issues. This offer was \$2. or 8 points below par.

J. W. Crutcher & Co. of Portland made a bid of \$33,575 for the full issue of the Albina ferry bonds, 13 points below par.

M. M. Spear of Portland offered \$4,350 for \$5,000 worth of the bridge bonds. It was thought by the mayor and members of the executive board that the bonds should bring at least par, and they decided to wait until the market settled.

It has been suggested that it would be a good thing for the city to make a popular issue, printing bonds of \$50 or \$100 denomination so that local people could purchase them and keep the interest at home. The bonds have not yet been printed, but it is understood they are to be of the denomination of \$1,000.

The interest on the two full issues is \$18,000 per annum or a total of \$540,000 for the 30 years. It is pointed out that if the bonds could be bought by local people this would be kept at home.

Representatives of the eastern and local houses bidding on the issues did not appear disappointed at the decision of the executive board, as they say the market is badly overcrowded with bonds owing to the Baltimore and Rockville bonds, the insurance companies being forced to sell large amounts of bonds to realize money to meet their heavy losses. The Russo-Japan war is also said to have affected the bond market adversely.

Illustrative of the great difference between the conditions existing May 3, 1903, and the present is the fact that an issue of \$55,000 worth of street improvement bonds were then sold at a premium of 2.16 per cent, equivalent to an interest rate of 3.75 per cent.

Some papers of 1898, for accrued interest and a premium of \$111,740. These bonds bear 5 per cent interest and run for 20 years. Rudolph Kleybolte & Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio, made the purchase. The price is nearly 25 points above par and is the highest ever paid for bonds issued by any Pacific coast city.

DESPERATE BATTLE WITH RAGING WATERS

(Journal Special Service.)

Redding, Cal., March 4.—William Clements and his daughter, while crossing Weaver creek, near Douglas City, last evening in a buggy, had a thrilling experience. The creek was a raging torrent and the buggy struck a hole and capsized. The occupants were thrown out. The entire outfit was carried down stream. Clements caught the girl and with a superhuman effort strapped her to the horse, and then swam ashore. The buggy was wrecked. Clements fainted when the shore was reached. The horse, which had also reached the shore, started off with the girl, but she managed to free herself and walked to Douglas, two miles distant, where she obtained help for her father, who was completely overcome.

CALIFORNIA FLOODS SUBSIDING.

(Journal Special Service.)

Stockton, Cal., March 4.—All local streams are falling and the flood is receding. Bouldin Island is now safe, though the strong north wind may cause the broken levees to wash away slightly. Rescued stock has been brought to this city by boat to be driven to the foothills for pasture.

PRINCE FLEADS INSANITY.

(Journal Special Service.)

Berlin, March 4.—Prince Arenburg, who is serving sentence for murdering natives in German Africa, was today released on the ground of insanity.

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