liles, Will Be Built Before Fair Opens.

SUBURBAN TOWNS HAVE SUBSCRIBED TO PROJECT

Oregon Traction Company Takes Defunct Concern's Franchises.

As electric railway 26 miles in length, onnecting Portland with Hillsboro, ornelius and Forest Grove, will be built operation in time for the Lewis Clark exposition, if terms agreed between the company and the as of Hillsboro and Forest Grove are ied with in the matter of subsi-The citizens of Hillsboro bave scribed about \$20,000 and Forest ove is expected to raise \$20,000 to see the line. The cost of the road is mated at \$600,000, and a bond issue that amount has been arranged for, a bonds have been sold to an eastern estment company.

ed construction of the line and for lack of capital. The new comla securing renewals of the right of contracts along the line, and has an entering squads at work comg a final survey and making a few on the fold route. As soon as tasks are done, and the Forest subscriptions are completed, conton will begin. "We will lose no me building the line, as soon as pressy arrangements are completed," President Graydon. "If no hitch in the present plans we will have one from the company will buy-power from the company will buy-power from the

stilon next year."

The company will buy-power from the General Electric company and from a water power plant owned by E. W. Haines, a banker, at Forest Grove.

The new line will serve a population of about 10,000 outside of the city. Its Poytland terminal will be located in the business centor, and it will give a local service to Willamette heights and the Lewis and Clark exposition grounds. The route to be taken in this city is not yet decided upon. The franchise of the old company provided for a right of way on Northup and Eleventh streets. The city eouned, in annulling that franchise is last June, placed on record a resolution to the effect that "any time the builders of a line to Hillsboro and Forest Grove show bonvincing evidence that such a road is to be built a franchise will be given by this city for the laying of rails and installing of overhead wires on attreets that will furnish a proper route to make good this resolution within the next 40 days.

Inside the city limits the line will give a 15-minute service, and a 60-minute service will be given to Forest Grove and Hillsboro. A new suburb will be platted back of Willamette heights.

FREDA GARACIO LEFT

REMARKABLE ESTATE

Garacio, who was killed June 14, and his bond fixed at \$1,000. The petition

front a precedent in the office of the unty probate court. It reads: The estate of said Freda Garacio selects of a claim against one Frank glielmo for intentionally and wilfully maliciously shooting and killing by

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

A general line of Shoes and Slippers, prices none to beat. With every pair Ledies' or Siris' Shoes we give a Doli free. Boys' Suits and Overcoots from \$1.50 and up. Gun or drum free with Suit or Overcoat. Men's Saits and Overcoots—from \$2.50 to \$5.00 sayed in comparison with high-rent store prices.

John Dellar FIRST AND YAMHILL

TO JOIN PORTLAND FAST STEAMER WILL WITH HILLSBORO PLY ON THE RIVERS

An Electric Railway Twenty-six Captain Scott Will Bring Speedy Telegraph Here to Compete for Fair Trade.

> SHE CAN STEAM NEARLY TWENTY MILES AN HOUR

Will Make Round Trip Between Portland and Scenic Points on Alternate Days.

Arrangements are being made to bring the steamer Telegraph, the fastest sternwheeler in the world, to Portland from the sound, and put her on the run between Portland and The Dalles in spring.

Scott, formerly one of the principal stockholders in the White Collar line here. He sold out his interests to the company known as the Regulator line. Captain Scott is negotiating for land-ing privileges at the Washington street dock.

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The Telegraph will be operated as a
passenger boat exclusively. No stops
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made more than 20 miles an hour.
Captain Seott thinks the Lewis and
Clark fair will attract thousands of
eastern people to Portland next year,
and that is the reason he has decided to
bring his steamer here. He believes he

SPACE ENGAGED.

Before Assista Arrives a Pull Cargo Will

Be Beely for Outboand Trip.

Contracts have been closed for all but 1,200 tons of the steamship Arabia's space, although the vessel will not be here from the orient until December 22. A full cargo will be engaged a week before her arrival. Among the freight are 32,000 barrels of flour, 600 hogaheads of tobacco, nails, sewing machines, wire and structural iron. The Elleric, under charter to the same company, cleared this afternoon for Hongkong and way ports by way of San Francisco. She has on board 4,397% barrels of flour, tobacco, structural iron, machinery and cotton. She may not sail before Thursday.

QUESTION OF CHARTERS.

Awaited with Much Interest.

The Marie Roux and Ville de Mul-house are the only French vessels that have been here since the agreement of the shipowners on grain rates went into effect. Whether the owners will try to charter at reduced rates or insist on the combine price of 27s 6d is a ques-tion. If the latter course be taken the

vessels are likely to remain indefinitely and the owners would lose big bounty earnings. Therefore some shippers be-lieve the owners will try to get lum-ber cargoes for them. To engage in that trade they may accept any figure

LUMBER FOR PANAMA.

Local Mouse Offers to Eupply Three Million Foot.

Bilds for supplying 3,000,000 feet of lumber to the Isthmian Canal company of Panama will be opened at Washington, D. C., pext Saturday. The Eastern & Western Lumber company has submitted a bid for the business.

A contract for a similar amount of lumber was awarded by the same company to a firm at Bellingham Bay. Washington, last month. Many companies in the southern states are in the field to secure the business of furnishing this last shipment. In fact, the south and west appear to be arrayed against each other in an effort to furnish building material for the Fanama canal enterprise.

ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

While being towed up to the Inman-Poulsen mill this morning the German ship Anna struck the old draw of the Morrison-street bridge. No damage. Steamer Annie Larsen leaves this af-ternoon lumber-laden for San Francisco. Steamer Alliance has been bar-bound

Steamer Alliance has been bar-bound at Coos bay for three days. Steamer George W. Elder has cleared for San Francisco with a full cargo of

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The Astoria Iron Works is putting a new boiler in the steamer George H. Mendell, the coast survey boat.

Tomorrow night a concert will be given at the Seamen's institute. A program, to be rendered by the sallors from the British ships in port, will include sea songs, recitations, 'chantles, etc.

With 500,000 bushels of wheat and 500,000 feet of lumber, the steamer Redondo will sall tomorrow for San Francisco.

MARINE NOTES.

Rains, better late than never, have brought hope to Umatilia wheat growers. For the past three or four days there has been copious precipitation, asys H. J. Taylor, one of the big wheat men of the famed district, which proved the salvation of early sowings. Many farmers believe that the dry spell had rotted the fall seed, and that they would have to sow again. Friday, Saturday and Sunday showers came, and nearly all of the fall wheat is coming through the ground in a gratifying manner. Some ground will have to be seeded again, but the proportion is much smaller than the farmers believed.

Mr. Taylor resides about eight miles northwest of Pendieton. That section was troubled last spring with late frosts but he realized about three quarters of a crop on summer fallow, which means 26 to 35 bushels per acre. That would

20 to 25 bushels per acre. That be a big crop in some countries, not a heavy counter in Umatilla.

Public speakers use Piso's Cure to at

HANDCUFF TRICK MAN MAY FEEL REAL THINGS

Russell J. Close was arrested last night at Boise City, Ida., on a request telegraphed there from Detectives Day and Weiner, who think he is the person who took a \$200 diamond ring belonging to Frank C. Houghton. The ring was stolen from a locker at the Y. M. C. A last Friday night and left with a local pawnbroker, whose description of the man who pawned it tallies with that of Close.

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Preferred Stock Cannod Scods. Allen & Lawis' Best Brand.

Society Formed Here for Bringing Bashful Men and Diffident Women Together.

LOVELY MAID'S ADVERTISE FOR HONORABLE GENTS

Millions for Upright, Respectable, Middle-Aged Widows, but Not a Cent for Triflers.

"Please, sir; are you the manager? I would like to speak with you privately," said a quiet, modest-looking woman, as she was unhered into the offices of the Interstate Introducing Society, Revers flats, 251% First street.

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"Is this here the place where the advertisement says you can get a wife for \$5?" said a rustic individual as he knocked at the door and smiled good-naturedly as it was opened.

"I won't take no chances with you," said a portly dams shaking her head vigorously as she emerged from a private conversation with the manager. "Off me a husband; a real good man, who is kind and will give me a good home and keep me, and I'll give you \$5, but it's no money with me until I git the husband."

There were all kinds of queries.

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Captain Toung, master of the British ship Politalloch, is in the city on a short visit to friends and relatives. His vessel is at Chemanius, B. C., taking a carge of lumber for Melbourne. About four years ago the Politalloch went on the beach north of the mouth of the Columbia river, but was floated without any great amount of damage being done.

MARINE NOTES.

Astoria, Dec. 13.—Arrived down at and salled at 6 a. m.—Steamer George W. Elder for San Francisco. Dec. 13.—Sailed-Bchooner Virginia for Portland. Sailed at 11:30 a. m.—Steamer Columbia for Portland.

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San Francisco, Dec. 13.—Steamer Whittier sailed for Portland with a barge in tow.

UMATILLA FARMERS

REJOICE IN THE RAIN

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**Seware of Man Tuahlle to As a successful and sailsfactory business. It is high enough to keep our curiosity-seekers, trifers and boys, and any man who is not able or willing to give \$5 to secure just the kind of a woman he wants for a wito, does not deserve the love of any woman to trust her life and happiness with.

Write for information and details and you will receive by return mail a letter explaining how the system is worked and also a copy of "The Matrimonia Register." The register contains a list of eligibles, both men and each woman, who are seeking to share their fortunes with others. A number of Portland people have expressed a desire to find a husband of the fall seed, and that they would have to sow again. Friday, Baturday by and Sunday showers came, and nearly all of the fall wheat is coming through the misty clouds on this beautiful precipe by return mail a le

A candidate for matrimonial honors from Sheridan, Or., writes as follows:

"Gentlemen desirous of securing a rood wife please read this: I am a widow of 43 years, and have one daughter 15 years of age, My weight is 110 pounds, height i feet a inches, complexion dark. Bootch-Weish descent, My health is very good and my education good. I am a first-class housekeeper and a good hand at looking after a home and children. I wish to marry a widower. Will you write?"

There are helresses too numerous to mention in the list. One girl writes that she is 22 years of age, is beautiful and has \$300,000 in her own right. She is looking for a husband, she says, and will not reply to letters that lead her to believe that the writers are triffing. The large majority of applicants contained in the list, however, are men. There are men of all age, of all occupations and varied accounts of wealth. Some have farms, others businesses in cities. Few are salaried employes. Portland has many representatives, though those who claim to be from Seattle are about ten to one compared with any other city in the northwest. Following are a few samples of male applicants seeking matrimony:

"Portland—Ladies: Here's the chance of a lifetime. I wish the personal acquaintance of a lady from 30 to 50 years

Where Good Things Are Ple

Christmas **Planning**

Tis none too early to indulge in the luxury of Kmas planning. Waiting till the eleventh hour is faulty solicy. The better selections and the more leisure possible now make early heliday buying a pleasure. What can more apily express the spirit of Tule tide than a dainty package of our famous sweets. We have the largest and most extensive display ever made in Portland of Boxes, Baskets and Novelties for filling with candy, and at a wide range of prices. New things, different things, things that no other store in town shows. When emptied of their sweet contents they can be used as receptacles for ribbons, laces, photos, etc., and are standing reminders of the giver. Selections can be made now and filled and delivered whenever you desire. You'll enjoy looking at them if you don't huy—showing them is our pleasure.

SWETLAND & SON 273 Morrison St.

NO BRANCH STORES

LITTLE MARY JUE HAD **VERY NARROW ESCAPE**

Daughter of a Rich Chinese Covered with Flaming Decorations in Father's Home.

Mary Jue, the 13-year-old daughter of Jue Suey, a wealthy Chinese merchant, came near being burned to death in the fire in the Cook building, at Second and Oak streets, yesterday after-

Highways Mosts About this time every year you are wondering "What

The object of this advertisement is to help answer this ht Sassion Will notesup gaixelqueq Smoker to Be Given et 'S 10 Complete gar

m the following list you can certainly select something rated ex that will please "him:"

NECKWEAR GLOVES **FANCY VESTS** SUSPENDERS HOUSECOATS LOUNGING ROBES

SOFT HATS

STIFF HATS SUIT CASES SILK HATS UMBRELLAS OPERA HATS RAINCOATS OVERCOATS ?

BUFFUM & PENDLETON

Hatters Furnishers

OPPOSITE POSTOFFICE.

Dry short slab wood, stove | Dry short cordwood, stove

Same Kind of Wood-What's the

me Kind of Wood—What's the \$1.50 Banfield, Veysey Fuel Co.

80 Third St., Cor. Oak Phone Main 353

It was too late to save the contants of the three rooms, and many valuable articles were burned.

DILLON DEMANDS BIG SUM FOR HIS INJURIES

have a faculty of seeing the sunshine through the misty clouds on this beautiful Pacific coast; am active and having good health, feel as young as at 25 years; look rather ancient, but looks are deceiving sometimes; am musical artistic, fond of all innocent amusements. Now, gentlemen, write man Never mind wasting a few stamps, you will be well repaid, for I am a lively correspondent and will stir up your dear old hearts. I mean business."

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There was great excitement among the Chirage tenants of the building, and after the fire it was reported to the fire the fire it was reported.

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They're Off! They're Off!

EE THE GREAT HANDICAP at the Columbia Theatre all this week. Exciting and thrilling! Audience aroused to highest pitch of excitement! Effect second only to the wonderful charlot race scene in Ben Hur. Popular Prices. A Popular Company.

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THE PRODIGAL DAUGHTER

Diamonds

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To the Public:

The public will find this chart a ready reference. Look the list over carefully, then mark the squares with pencil.
Twill facilitate your selecting tomorrow at this jewelry store where quality and selections are uppermost.

Jewelry

A representative stock of the latest styles of the day.

Suggestion Chart No. 2 for Silver Gifts

Caroli Michael Mich	Prezaltivitora	and the second of the second s								THE REAL PROPERTY.	
Sewing Necessity, Pin Ball	A stylish Cologne Bottle.	Thimbles and Thimble Cases.	A pretty pair of Sugar Tongs	The Scissors Set, always handy	Always needed, the Mustard Pot.	For safety, the Satchel Tag.	men like a	We'll men- tion the Letter Seal.	For utility, the Card Tray.	A nice Teaball or Strainer.	Thought of a Lettuce Fork?
Calendar Pencil, very handy.	For the pocket, Stamp Box.	The Stylish Lorgnette Chain.	Picture Frame, plain and neat.	For the Babe, a Rattle.	Think of the Chatelaine Watch.	Neat little gift, the Bon-Bon Spoon.	Doz. Oyster Forks, in box.	A traveling article, the Flask.	For the nurse, a Thermometer Case.	Greatly appreciated, Silver Chests	Dainty and useful, Coffee Spoons.
For the table Salts and Peppers.	A handsome pair of Napkin Rings.	With it goes the pretty Locket.	The Cigarette Box, always needed.	A Nobby Match Box.	For the young lady, the Chain Bracelet.	How about the Letter Scale?	mond Dishes	Child's Set, Knife, Spoon and Fork.	A reminder, the Coin Fob.	Beautiful Is the Fruit Bowl.	For travel- ing, the Toothbrush Bottle.
And the Puff Box.	Of course, we have 5-pc. Tea Sets.	We have elegant Hat Pins.	A child's Drinking Cup.	For the hat, a Velvet Brush.	Thought of a Pie Knife?	A beautiful Sugar and Creamer,	Lest you for- get, a nice Toilet Set.	A needful the Paper Cutter	Advertise Oregon, the Souvenir Spoon.	For the child, a Food Pusher.	a Button
Those dainty Belt Pins.	For serving, a Salad Spoon,	A substantial handled Mirror.	A pair of Military Brushes.	We also have Soap Boxes.	We suggest a neat Gravy Ladie.	A nice Ink well for the Desk.	CONTRACTOR OF THE WORLD AND ADDRESS OF	Quite useful, the Pocket Knife	Quite proper, the Pin Tray.	A nice Serving Tray.	We have Desk Clocks also.

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