

### MILL AT OPP MINE IN COMMISSION

Ten Stamps Are Now Dropping, Electricity Being the Sole Energy Used.

### CREW PUTTING STOPES IN SHAPE FOR MILLING

New Plant is Pronounced One of the Best in Southern Oregon Region.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Ashland, Or., Dec. 15.—The new 10-stamp mill of the Opp mine, near Jacksonville, started on its first run this week. The mill is run with electric power supplied by the Condon Water & Power company, at Gold Ray. The plant is regarded by mining men as one of the best in Oregon. The capacity is about 35 tons per day with Opp ore. The company has about 500 tons of milling ore on the dump. A crew of 20 men is employed at the mine. The ore bins are filled in readiness for work. A force is engaged in opening up the stopes and will have them in shape to take out ore in large quantities as soon as the milling plant is able to handle them.

### IMPERIAL SHIPS ORE FROM NEW ADIT LEVEL

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Sumpter, Or., Dec. 15.—An unusually good body of ore has been opened in the lower drift of the Imperial mine, Cable Cove. The management shipped 60 tons of ore the past week, most of which is said to have come from the lower workings. This drift is reported to have attained a length of more than 500 feet, which brings it under the ore shoot opened in the old Imperial workings. An explored and stoped on the old level, the shoot is reported to be about 100 feet and varied in width from one to three feet, much of the rock between the heavy lining of gouge being shipping grade. Ore averaging \$100 a ton was considered about usual for high-grade stuff in early work, and when the winze was sent down 40 feet below the main adit there was both increase in size and value. The new tunnel will explore the shoot 150 feet deeper, and the early shipment of high-grade ore indicates that the prospect for the Imperial would improve with depth, seem simply confirmed. The new interests comprising Michigan capital have secured the mine at its brightest stage of development. Steady shipment of ore and concentrates is assured during the entire winter.

### KAMLOOPS HAS MANY MINES IN ACTIVE LIST

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 15.—Mining is looking up in the vicinity of Kamloops. The Iron Mask mine's new machinery is running, and the company that is developing the bituminous coal deposits of the district is adding to general prosperity. The Jacko lake belt is also attracting attention and indications are that this part of Kamloops will soon flourish.

### RAPID WORK ON THE CRANE FLAT DREDGE

Frederick Burbidge of Spokane, who is associated with A. Burch in construction of the Crane Flat dredger, Grant county, Oregon, was at the Hotel Portland yesterday. Messrs. Burch and Burbidge operate on a close corporation basis, dividing nothing relative to their plans or results of work. Delivery of the dredger machinery is about finished, and construction is under way. Early spring will find the plant in commission, unless something unforeseen occurs. The dredger cost approximately \$50,000. It was purchased by the Spokane men for less, and moved from the location in Idaho. All parts of the plant are said to be in excellent condition, and when it is finished the Crane Flat boat will be one of the best smaller plants in the state.

### PROSPECTING DRILL STARTS DREDGER TALK

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Waldo, Or., Dec. 15.—Colonel T. Wald-Morgan Draper, one of the principal stockholders in the Waldo and Monumental companies, of this district, has shipped in a churn drill to be used in placer prospecting. The work will be done on one of the tributaries of the upper Illinois, where hydraulic operations have been conducted for half a century. The churn drill is the usual type used for proving dredge ground, which has caused the district to forecast another dredger for the camp. There is a large amount of ground that on the surface has every appearance of being good for dredging, and no statement that the hydraulic appliances will not reach bed rock. In such work as that being done by the Deep Gravel company it is proved that heavy haulers would not interfere materially with dredging. The failure of the first dredger ever brought to the district, which was located at the old China dig-

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### HOWLING STORM MENACES SHIPS

### LARGE PROFITS WILL PAY FOR ADDITIONS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 15.—At an important meeting of the directors of the British Columbia Copper Co., limited, held recently in New York, the directors authorized the expenditure of \$1,000,000 for two additional 400-ton smelter furnaces which will double the capacity of the company. The new furnaces will be modern in every respect and have all the latest improvements. It is officially stated that the British Columbia Copper Co. has no debt of any description, but has a large balance in the bank, and it is said further that the company is earning about 50 per cent on its capital stock.

### IN OTHER STATES

Governor Brady of Arizona states in his annual report that his territory will be second in the list of copper producers of this nation in the present year, and in another year will probably be ahead of all others. If Arizona were permitted to include the product of La Cananea mine, Sonora, Mexico, which is barely across the line, the territory would exceed either Michigan or Montana. There are several new mines in the southwest country, the rapidly increasing product from which promises to bring Arizona to the very forefront in the industry within a short time, if not in a year. The smelter of the North American Copper company, at Grand Encampment, Wyoming, has been blown out for the winter, after a run of six months. Last winter the management installed an 800-horsepower steam plant to work auxiliary to the water power, but it seems that the water for milling and other uses is practically exhausted. The smelter for the six months was about 3,000,000 pounds of blister copper. A member of the Colorado legislature will introduce a measure at the next session regarding the protection of stock purchasers of mining stock by giving full publicity to stock company operations. Official figures of the output of the Canadian Yukon territory for the first 10 months of this year show a yield of \$9,210,565. There will be some more gold sent out, but this is regarded as practically the total for the season. The falling off from halcyon days has been steady, despite predictions of a larger output for the present year.

### PORTLANDER OPERATES PLACER

From elevator boy and hotel porter to mine operator is the step that has been made by James Jensen, formerly of the Imperial and the Perkins hotels, of this city. Mr. Jensen has purchased a giant and with his partner is preparing to wash gravel on Canyon creek, of the Crook district, Douglas county. The magnitude of his holdings there is not indicated, but the enterprising young Portlander is understood to have acquired a good piece of ground.

### OPENING SILVER MINE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Spokane, Wash., Dec. 15.—A shaft is being sunk on the Last Chance property of the Okanogan district, which is owned by Jonathan Bourne of Portland. The Last Chance is situated near the former village of Ruby, and the preliminary work now under way indicates the owner's purpose of continuing development in the property that has promise of being a good producer of the white metal.

### DEVELOPMENT CONTINUES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Granite, Or., Dec. 15.—Development at the Blue Bird is being pushed with energy. Since the stamps and roll plant have been put in commission, with a view to handling large quantities of ore, the management has increased the force in the main tunnel, which is being driven to open the large Sullivan vein that crops on the hillside several hundred feet above the millsite.

### BALLET COSTS ENORMOUS

The total costs in the Ballet trials at Des Moines, Iowa, were approximately \$100,000, which Judge McWhorter taxed to the defendant, but he will not have to serve time to pay the same. If he should ever make anything the court said that his property would be subject to payment of this amount.

### FREE ROSE PLANTS

The San Francisco Call is making a novel gift to its subscribers. Some time ago it started writing about rose growers to plant 20 different varieties of roses. These have flourished, and now the Call, with each new or renewal of a six months' subscription, sends free of charge six plants of any of the following varieties: Mile C. Berthod, yellow; Bride, white; Bridesmaid, pink; Maman Cochet, pink; Cornelia Cook, white; Etiole de Lyon, yellow; Catherine Mermot, soft pink; Clothilde Souplet, pink; Jeanne Goud, yellow; Mrs. M. Kruger, fawn and creamy pink; Mrs. R. B. Cant, crimson-scarlet; President Carnot, bluish rose; Aurora, silver pink; Meteor, crimson; Marie Von Hoult, cream bluish tints; Ivory, snowy white; Golden Gate, white, pink border; Mlle. Lambert, salmon pink; Empress Eugenie, silver pink; Elsie Heyman, salmon pink.

### HOSE COMPANY VICTIM OF FALSE FIRE ALARM

Drenched to the skin by their drive in the heavy snow, the hose company and back to the station, the members of hose company No. 3 were angry men this morning. Fire headquarters on Fourth street was called up by a man who reported a fire at the station. There was no fire at East Fourteenth and East Sherman streets. Hose company No. 3 hurried to the scene. At East Twelfth and Sherman streets a halt had to be called, as it was found that the street had not been cut through. An investigation showed no fire and nothing that would have warranted any person in believing a building was burning. The men returned to the fire station at East Seventh and East Harrison streets, and had to change their clothing at once in order to avoid catching colds. The horses had to be rubbed down, and the apparatus wiped clean of mud. It was an hour later before the tired and angry men were able to rest. Engine 3 was called out last night by a chimney burning out at the home of C. L. Briner, 243 Monroe street. There is an insurance of \$1,000 on the house. The damage amounted to only a few dollars. Another chimney burned out at Woodlawn, the alarm being answered by chemical 4. No damage resulted. Jackrabbits, once very numerous thereabouts, have vanished from the vicinity of Dufur.

### HOWLING STORM MENACES SHIPS

### Mariners Say It Was the Worst Inland Gale They Had Every Experienced.

NO STEAMERS DARED TRY THE TRIP FROM ASTORIA

### Vessels Reported Off Coos Bay Waiting an Opportunity to Cross the Bar.

One of the fiercest wind and rain storms of the season raged last night along the waterfront, and had any of the ships been anchored in the stream they would undoubtedly have drifted ashore. Skippers say it was one of the wildest nights they had ever seen. For time the rain descended in a steady stream. The hardest rainfall was for an hour ending at 8:10 last evening, during which the precipitation was 4.5 of an inch. It is believed the rainfall was heavier up the Willamette. Driftwood came down the river all morning, and so much of it accumulated around the pier of the Morrison-street bridge and blocked the west passageway of the draw that a couple of steamers were kept busy a good part of the day removing the debris. In the accumulation there are many logs which have evidently broken away from their moorings at some sawmill. These will be held for the owner. The storm was much worse down the Columbia river. The steamer Undine was forced to remain at her dock in Astoria last evening. At 10 o'clock this morning the steamer was still lying at Astoria. She will leave up some time today, and the Mascot will go down to meet her. Off the mouth of the Columbia the wind was blowing at the rate of 44 miles an hour, and storm warnings were up all along the coast. This morning the velocity of the blow is only 36 miles an hour, but the warnings are still up on San Juan de Fuca strait. Officers of the steam schooner Aurelia say that when they were coming up the coast yesterday there were three unknown vessels hovering off Coos bay waiting for a cessation of the storm to cross the bar. It is believed that a number of steamers are on the inside of Coos bay, unable to leave on account of the severity of the storm. The Alliance and F. A. Kilburn, which sailed almost a week ago from Portland, are supposed to be there, but bound. The Alliance was at Marshfield a couple of days ago, but no word has been received from her since then. There has been no report of the Kilburn's sailing. The Aurelia passed the Columbia river bar just in advance of the heaviest of the storm yesterday afternoon, and reached Portland late last night. Shortly after docking in the city by the sea the first officer says that one of the worst inland gales he ever experienced began to rage. The vessel brought a full cargo of general merchandise and a lot of passengers from Seaside, Easdale and Astoria. Among her freight is a large shipment of phonographs.

### FROM RIVER'S BOTTOM.

Some queer things brought from Dark Fathomed Caves of the Columbia. Strange things are picked from the bottom of the Columbia river by the government dredge W. S. Ladd. While working at Pillar Rock yesterday afternoon a strip of iron weighing 15 pounds was gathered up, carried through the pumps and suction pipe for a distance of several hundred feet and hurled upon the bank of the stream, the machinery of the dredge sustaining no damage by the operation. The iron is two feet length, three inches wide and three fourths of an inch thick. It is supposed to have been lost from the hull of a ship, and United States engineers intend to keep the relic. The other day an old-fashioned monkey wrench was found in the material which the dredge had taken from the river bed. Judging by its make it is supposed to have been in use about 50 years ago. Small strips of plates from sailing vessels are frequently brought up and conducted ashore through the suction pipe. Not long ago a particularly heavy piece of iron got in the pump and broke one of the wing plates of the rotary. Those operating the dredge are keeping a close lookout on all the curios brought to light from the depths of the Columbia, expecting to bring among them some day a few reminders of the Lewis and Clark expedition.

### PORT TAXES FIXED.

Commission Determines Assessments, Lets Contract and Will Dredge River. Port of Portland tax levies were fixed at the following rates at a special meeting of the commission yesterday afternoon: 1.5 mills on all assessable property in the confines of the port, the proceeds to be placed in the general fund; 0.8 of a mill to be applied to the refunding bonds and 0.4 of a mill to pay interest on the outstanding dry dock bonds. The drydock plant is not subject to taxation. The Willamette Boiler works, whose bid was \$15,690, was awarded the contract of building a boiler for the steamer

### MAY BE RATE WAR.

Steamer Leona May Cover Kamm Route and Make Three Trips a Week. While the Leona will not meet the cut in the passenger rate which went into effect on the Kamm line yesterday, a fight may be begun in some other manner. At present they are making the round trip daily, only calling at La Center, Wash., while the Kamm boat stops at various points on the Lewis river. According to one of the owners of the opposition boat, they may make only three round trips a week and call at all the towns visited by the Kamm steamer. It is contended that this plan will have more effect than to cut the rates.

### ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

Steamer Glenora went to Oregon City this morning with a barge of oil. On the return trip she will do some work at the Clackamas rapids. Schooner Irene, which reached the mouth of the river this morning from China, is in command of Captain Smith, well known at this port. The vessel will probably return to the orient with a cargo of lumber. Grivin & Eyre have chartered the German ship Arthur Fltger to load a general cargo at Hamburg for Portland. The German ship Anna began receiving lumber at the Inman-Poulsen mill yesterday for Taku, China.

### MARINE NOTES.

Astoria, Dec. 15.—Arrived at 7:30 and left up at 9:45 a. m., steamer Columbia, from San Francisco. Arrived down at 10:30 a. m., schooner Annie Larsen. San Francisco, Dec. 14.—Sailed, schooners Irene and Lunan, for Portland. Astoria, Dec. 14.—Arrived, at 12 noon, schooner Eldorado, from Tsintau. Astoria, Dec. 15.—Condition of the bar at 3 a. m., rough; wind, northwest; weather, cloudy. BRIDGE COMPANY PAY COSTS. The steamer Sarah Dixon, which was damaged yesterday by the schooner Annie Larsen at the Washington street

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50c Neckwear, a big variety of patterns. Bargain Friday price, <b>11c</b>	50c Uncle Sam Suspenders. Bargain Friday price, <b>19c</b>	\$2.50, \$2.00, \$1.50 Shoes—Bargain Friday price, <b>\$1.00</b>	\$1.50 extra fine Jersey Ribbed All Wool Underwear. Bargain Friday price, <b>75c</b>	

### BIDS OPENED FOR A NEW BATTLESHIP

New Hampshire is Designed to Surpass All Others in the United States Navy. IS TO BE CAPABLE OF EIGHTEEN-KNOT SPEED. Government is to Furnish All the Armor and the Ordnance and Ordnance Outfit. (Journal Special Service.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 15.—At the navy department bids were opened at noon today for the construction of the New Hampshire, the great new battleship which is designed to surpass all others in the United States navy. Bids have been received from several of the largest shipbuilding companies on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts and careful consideration will be necessary before the contract is awarded. The cost of the vessel is not to exceed \$4,400,000. The New Hampshire is to be built, fitted and equipped complete for the sea by the contractor, with the exception that the armor, ordnance, ordnance outfit and sea stores will be furnished by the government, but the contractor is to fit and make secure all armor, ordnance and ordnance outfit. If the speed on the four-hour speed trial falls below 18 knots and exceeds 17 1/2 knots an hour, the vessel will be accepted so far as speed is concerned, but at a reduced price, the reduction being at the rate of \$50,000 a quarter knot deficiency of speed from 18 to 17 1/2 knots, and at the rate of \$100,000 a quarter knot deficiency of speed from 17 1/2 to 17 knots. The New Hampshire's main battery will consist of four 12-inch breechloading rifles, eight 8-inch breechloading rifles, 12 7-inch breechloading rifles and four submerged torpedo tubes. Her secondary battery will consist of 20 3-inch 14-pounder rapid-fire guns, 12 3-pounder semi-automatic guns, four 1-pounder semi-automatic guns, two 1-inch self-heating guns, two machine guns having a calibre of .50, and two automatic guns also having a calibre of .50. The hull of the boat is to be protected at the water line by a complete

### WHERE IS THE BELLAMY?

Shippers doubt that the British steamship Ellamy is en route to Portland. A cablegram stated that she sailed from Manila for the Columbia river on October 28; it requires only about 24 days to make the trip. If she started for Portland she must have met with an accident, or received orders to proceed elsewhere. She has not been charted here, and her reported sailing for here is thought to have been a mistake. The Roseburg Misindeler has a grudge against The Journal, but its last issue contained 28 articles or items taken from The Journal without credit.

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