HOWELL SPOKE HIS MIND EARL'

Morrison Street Bridge Scandal His Theme Last De cember.

DECLARED CONTRACTS ILLEGAL AND VOID

Criticised Letting of Contracts in Defiance of the Charter-Asked Investigation.

Mayor Williams finds fault with George H. Howell because the latter, who was formerly a member of the ex-ecutive board, has publicly expressed his disapproval of the mayor's adminis-tration. In view of this criticism an open letter which Mr. Howell addressed open letter which Mr. Howell addressed to the mayor and the executive board last December, when the scandals over the Morrison and Front street bridges had arisen, is of especial interest at this time. That letter was as follows:

Portland, Or., Dec. 23, 1994.—Hon. George H. Williams, mayor, and members of the executive board—Gentlemen. As a member of this board I feel keenly the stigma resting upon us owing to research disclosures. Concerning the Morress.

the stigma resting upon us owing to re-cent disclosures concerning the Mor-rison street bridge. Direct charges have been made against this board for collu-sion in awarding to the Pacific Con-struction company the original contract

market price a year ago on 16-inch channel and 12-inch I beams was \$43 f. o. b. Portland, and \$2 extra was charged for punching, making cost here \$45 per ton, or \$14,175 for the \$15 tons. According to the contract the bidders are entitled for all extras to actual cost of labor and material class. of labor and material, plus 15 per cent for use of machinery, labor, etc., making for use of machinery, labor, etc., making in this instance the expense to the city \$16.201. This steel displaced about \$2,000 worth of wooden girders, and considering that the labor of laying the wood and steel stringers is about the same, the charge for this extra should have been \$14,301, instead of \$37,140, a difference of \$22,839 to which the Pacific Construction company is not en-

nrovides that the executive board shall make no contract for material in excess of \$250 without duly advertising for bids. As an additional contract was entered into with the Pacific Construction company without inviting bids, I consider this action of the board illegal and the contract vold.

On August 15 the city entered into another contract for the sum of \$7.225 with the Pacific Bridge company, which contract was also made contrary to

contract was also made contrary to the charter, as no bids were invited. By this contract the builders agreed to treat about \$50,000 feet of fir with carbolinium avenaris which costs, with BATTLE WITH V 15 per cent profit added, \$12.59 per thousand or \$8,125 The contractor also agreed to furnish certain anglebars for preventing the paving block frem creeping. These anglebars can be bought and laid for 6 cents a pound, inclusive of 15 per cent profit, so that this extra should not have cost exceeding \$3,875, or \$3,350 less than the amount contracted for. In addition to amount contracted for. In addition to this inequitable deal the bridge com-pany was permitted to select treated pany was permitted to select treated blocks for paving in lieu of onk planks, which concession represents a further profit to them of about \$5,000; so that on this second extra the taxpayer lost all told an additional \$6,350.

The same practice of letting a con-tract without advertising for bids, contrary to the charter, was pursued in the third extra, viz: \$1.985 for two tender As early as December 31, 1903, a let-

ter in regard to flooring, center pier and extension of beams for bridge tender houses had been exchanged between

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the city engineer and the bridge company. The city engineer's letter I de-sire to have produced for the purpose of showing that everal of the extras-enumerated in the last contract of No-vember 7, were mentioned a year ago. When this last extra was brought be-When this last extra was brought before the board we were told that unless immediate action was taken the
city would be involved in extra expense and the contractor would be delayed in his contract. I have ascertained that a clear profit of about \$3,000
was at stake when we were forced by
threat of causing delay and expense to
refer this extra to the bridge committies with power to act.

tee with power to act. As I have stated the matter of ten-der houses, center pier, flooring, etc. der houses, center prer, flooring, etc., was discussed and ready for submittal was discussed and reasy for submittal a year ago, and it was, to say the least, a strange proceeding to leave a matter of this importance until the last minute, when investigation by other members of the board was impossible.

I have voted in the affirmative on those matters with full confidence in the members of the committee, but the facts above given, which I have collected, from reliable sources, satisfy me that we have acted hastily, and in order that the members of the board order that the members of the board may be able to verify my statements, move that the mayor appoint a re-lable engineer, not heretofore conliable engineer, not heretofore con-nected with the bridge, to go over the whole bridge matter and report his findings to this board. Respectfully

GEORGE H. HOWELL

MASSES OF BLOOM WILL DECK FAIR

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cent disclosures concerning the Morrison street bridge. Direct charges have been made against this board for collusion in awarding to the Pacific Construction company the original contract for the Morrison street bridge; for awarding the extra work to this company at exorbitant figures; for awarding the contract for the Front street bridge to a Portland company by permitting a Seattle firm to withdraw its deposit on a lower bid.

Transactions of this sort reflect on every member of this board alike, and for this reason, in self protection, did I start an investigation of my own.

Judicial inquiry is necessary to prove undue influence was used in obtaining the acceptance of a higher bid for the acceptance of

WALL STREET GRUMBLES **BUT PAYS TRANSFER TAX**

New York, June 2.—Wall street was interested today in the stock transfer tax, which went into operation in accordance with the measure passed by the last legislature. The law operates the last legislature. The law operates in the same manner as the federal tax in war time, stamps of various denominations being affixed to all certificates of stock transferred, the denominations varying in accordance with the value of the certificates.

The brokers have not taken kindly to the new law us it was believed at

The brokers have not taken kindly to the new law, as it was beligged at first that it would drive those engaged in shock speculation to the exchanges of Philadelphia, Boston and other nearby cities. This initial scare has largely died away now, and though plans are going forward for the opening of stock exchanges across the river in Jersey City, it is believed that the majority of those prominent in the atreet have decided that the best and only thing to do in regard to the tax is to "grin and do in regard to the tax is to "grin and bear it."

BATTLE WITH WOLVES

(Journal Special Service.)

directed blow. There were probably 30 wolves in the pack. At the end of an hour Mrs. Panches was almost ex-hausted. Then Hank Hendricks, who carries the United States mall, drove up.
A few shots from a pistol scartfered the

FATHER CUTS OFF BOTH FEET OF YOUNG SON

(Journal Special Service.) San Jose, Cal., June 2.—While stand-ing in a mayfield to welcome his father, the 4-year-old son of Joseph Foster, a

BETTING ON FIGHT IN

s that Corbett wins. Even money is expected tonight. Both boys are safely underweight this morning.

CITY OFFICIAL RESIGNS AT REQUEST OF WEAVER

Baker, assistant director of public works, resigned today on the request of the mayor. Baker is an "organization" man and it is believed that a general shake-up will follow.

IN GALA ATTIRE TO GREET ROYAL BRIDE

German Capital Prepares Welcome for Duchess Cecilie on Her Arrival Tomorrow.

(Journal Special Service.)

Berlin, June 2.—The streets of Berlin are assuming gala attire. Under den Linden and other leading thoroughtares Linden and other leading thoroughfares to be followed tomorrow by the Ducheas Cecille on the occasion of her arrival in the capital for her marriage to the crown prince have been hung with festoons of foliage and flowers, -among which are hidden multi-colored electric lamps. Triumphal arches are heing

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nercial cities, inspect our farms, our gardens, orchards, fields and mines, our ishing, dairying, lumbering industries and manifold manufacturing enterprises. But most of all, we want you to know, of the hospitality and fraterally of our people; of their homes, their firesides, their churches, their public schools and higher institutions of learning; in fact, of all things, little and great, that enter the life and being of a vigorous or all things, little and great, that one into the life and being of a vigorous common wealth, inhabited by a God fearing and patriotic people.

"The names of Lewis and Clark are

"The names of Lewis and Clark are wreathed and entwined into the nomenciature of this state in the designation of mountain, valley, stream and riven. These galiant pathfinders who led the way through unknown gateways of the mountains to the Pacific, exhibited during the period of their exploration a courage born of the self-same stock that early in history nerved Leonidas and his gallant 300 at Thermopylae, and was later exhibited in the undaunted courage of the brave 500 comprising the famed light brigade at Balaklava.

"The lessons of history tell us that

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"The lessons of history tell us that when civilization found limits to its extension and haited, when the sails of trade and commerce drifted into unknown seas; when population became congested in the great centers, a Columbus, a Livingstone, a Stanley, a Meriwather Lewis or a William Clark went up from the daily walks of life and, with a courage almost phenomenal, lifted the veil of mystery and obscurity from strange seas, unfamiliar paths and unknown countries, thus permitting the Saxon race to have an outlet and thus work out its destiny."

Welcome from Goode.

President H. W. Goode of the exposi-

President H. W. Goode of the exposition paid his respects to Washington
and welcomed the people of that state
in eloquent tanguage. He expressed the
hope, and belief, that the fair would
bring the people of Oregon and Washington closer together, and generate a
better feeling for each other among the
various states of the Pacific slope.

Senator Samuel H. Piles of Washington was the orator of the day, and his
eloquence stirred the crowd to a high
pitch of enthusiasm. He said, in part:

oitch of enthusiasm. He said, in part "If it were given to man to send glad Refugio, Tex., June 2.—Mrs. Maria
Panches and her two little children were
on their way from the Lucas ranch to
Hianconia, when a pack of lobo wolves
came up behind the buggy and began
barking. Mrs. Panches first thought
they were dogs. They attacked the
horse and soon had it down. Mrs.
Panches used the butt end of a whip,
to defend herself and children.

The wolves made leap after leap at
the little ones, but every time a woif

the little ones, but every time a wolf sprang it was driven back by a well-directed blow. There were probably to our seaward are Hawaii and the other islands of the Pacific. Japan is soon to become, if she is not already, a nation is one of the marvels of the age. China is awakening from her age The woman had a piece of fresh meat of slumber, and in a compartively short in the buggy and it is supposed the smell attracted the wolves.

Philippines the Key. "Off the China coast lie the Philip-

pine islands, the key which will, if we are wise, unlock for us the ports of the orient. Although England, France and Germany and other European nations are striving for the mastery of the seas and looking with covetous eyes on the commerce of the orient, that trade is ing ig a naylield to welcome his later, he 4-year-old son of Joseph Foster, a farmer residing here, had both feet cut off by a mowing machine yesterday interests. There is only one way in his little son went to meet him. He had bidden in the grass and just as the hower reached him stood up to shout to his father. At the same moment the knives of the machine struck the boy industry or port on the Pacific coast is and a striffed acream caused the father to the benefit of all, and that the pullmower reached him stood up to shout to his father. At the same moment the kinves of the machine struck the boy and a terrified scream caused the father to stop the team. Jumping off the machine, he found the lad with both feet cut off about the ankles. It is doubtful if the child will live.

SATISFACTION ASKED

OF TURKEY BY SERVIA

(Journal Special Service.)

Constantinople, June 2.—Servis has notified Turkey that she will recall her minister from Constantinople unless satisfaction is given by June 12 of the recent violation of the Services constant, Macedonia.

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mon advancement. Let it be undersited to the upbuilding of any is tood here that the upbuilding of any industry or port on the Pacific coast is friend took refuge und during a thunder-she came to Billings from about six months ago.

It is down or destruction of any is to the benefit of all, and the child of too the lad with both the injury of all, and the child of too day will live to see the commerce of the Pacific surpass that of the Atlantic and flow through the great states of California, Oregon and Washington.

Tyield to no man in the faith and allegiance which I bear to the state of Windshington, nor in the belief that not withstanding the fact that she is the youngest commonwealth of tile three. State of the Pacific, standing in the forefront in population, in funce. In good there that the upbuilding of any industry or port on the Pacific coast is friend took refuge und during a thunder-she came to Billings from about six months ago.

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(Journal Special Service.)

San Prancisco, June 2.—Betting on tonight's fight between Hahlon and Corbett continues this morning at 10 to better the special service.)

Sthat Corbett wins. Even money is the continues the morning at 10 to be the continues the morning at 10 to be the continues the money is the corbett wins. Even money is the continue that or special to her early ploneers. to less than grateful to her early ploneers, who through weary years maintained possession of the soil, and but for whom the constellation of our flag would be today dimmer by one less star, and that star the state of Washington? When for Oregon the chords of our memory are struck the notes which they give forth sound in no minor kee. We of Washington are happy because her early history is ours and ours hers. We like it to think that the great Columbia does not divide the states, but rather binds them by a common bond, alive with the life of both.

"And in tendering Washington's trib." "And in tendering Washington's trib-ute to the Oregon country, and in dedi-and others.

Ge Big Fair

Greetings Extended to Everybody.

When our big fair had been planned and successfully consummated we realized that no one feature of bringing together the various industries of our country would be of more interest than what was being accomplished by our great plane industries, so we set about at once to ensemble from the big plane iamps. Triumphal arches are being efected along the line of the procession, and Venetian masts, from which will float banners of the national colors, are springing up everywhere. A number of private houses have been tastefully adorned with devices of evergreens and fairy lamps.

The city is rapidly filling up with forcing and provincial visitors. The greatest animation prevails and some of the private houses are some of the exposition planos, as well as the largest atock of high grade planos it has ever been your privilege to see. That we are the est animation prevails and some of the principal streets and public squares are almost impassable at certain hours of the day and evening.

Much interest is taken in the arrival of the princes and other foreign deputations caming to attend the wedding. Many of them are already here and others are arriving almost hourly. The distinguished foreign visitors are being cared for at one or another of the imperial court and given a military escort to the quarters assigned them for their stay in the city. It is now evident that every nation of Europe will be represented at the wedding by envoys of highest rank.

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cating that tribute to those who found and held it, we join our sister states in opening that door, not only to the world's commerce, but to all the citizens of our common country, and bid them come and join us in the development and enjoyment of the great heritage which has descended unto us."

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Pacific the Front Door.

As Vice-President Fairbanks advanced the audience rose and uncovered their heads, at which greatigg the distinguished guest smiled affably and waved his slik hat in recognition.

He had not come to the people of Washington with formal talk, the vice-president said, but he spoke eloquently and in measured terms, taking the keynote of his words from an expression by the previous speaker, that the Pacific coast would eventually be the front door—not the hack door—of American commerce." In this view the vice-president agreed.

commerce. In this view the vice-presi-dent agreed.

Mr. Fairbanks urged the virtue of one state being proud of its neighbors. All that has been done on the Pacific slope thus far, he said, is but a magnificent beginning. He expressed his pleasure at being associated with the opening of the exposition and hoped that all pres-ent would live to see the day when there would be no citizens of Oregon, Wash-ington, California or Indiana, but all would be citizens of one great republic.

DEATH-DEALING BOLTS ACCOMPANY STORM

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Winlock, Wash., June 2. — Tuesday evening one of the severest electrical and rain storms in many years occurred here. Lightning struck a pear tree in the orchard of Charles Henriot at Cowlits postoffice, five miles east of this place, and killed seven sheep.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

(Special Disputch to The Journal.) (Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Wenatchee, Wash, June 2.—Charles
Cooper, aged 8, and Harry Cooper, aged
14, children of Rev. Fred Cooper, were
killed by lightning Wednesday evening
while working in an orchard of their
uncle a mile from town. The boys were
cutting grass and were found lying 30
feet apart. The ground was not disturbed, but the left side of the body
of the elder boy and the head of the
younger one were bruised and discolored.

HAIL STORM.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Ione, Or., June 2.—A heavy hall storm
prossed Morrow county Wednesday evening from the southwest attended with considerable thunder and lightning. Hailstones an inch and a quarter in di-ameter were numerous. As not much of the grain is headed out and the storm was of short duration, it is thought that there was not great damage done to the growing crops.

RILLED BY LIGHTNING.

feared he would die. Overturf and his friend took refuge under a large tree during a thunder-shower. Overturf came to Billings from San Francisco

HEAVY MAIL AT COMDON.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

TO EXTEND TEXAS BAILBOAD. (Journal Special Service.)

Galvestan, Tex. June 2.— The St. Louis, Brownswille & Mexican road is to be built to Tampico, Mexico, a contract for part of the construction having already been let. The extension will serve as a feeder, and it is learned that the magic name "Witch Hazel Soap" and selling it at a price which indicates that it is composed of only the southwestwardly to 8 an Autonio, thence southwestwardly to 8 an Autonio, thence southwestwardly to a connection with the Brownswille road, giving the Tisso. Rock Island interests control of the southwestern situation. Valuable terminal property has been acquired at Tampico.

The Centenary Boys' Brigade entertains tonight at Centenary M. E. church, when a fine program will be presented including muric, reading by Mrs. Henderson and the Chan sisters, Luke Ming and others.

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That, also Galveston, Tex. June 2. — The St. Louis, Brownsville & Mexican road is to

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\$35 Suits for \$16.95

lar, wanted shades of brown, tan, green, blue, pongee, also changeables. All sizes up to 42, and a guaranteed fit or no sale in every instance. Suits worth \$33,98 to \$35, on sale Saturday \$16.95

\$40 Suits for \$19.75

\$40 Ladies' Silk Shirtwaist Suits, also silk jacket Suits, made of soft, unbreakable taffeta, also Rajah, Pongee and Chiffon Taffeta Silks; newest and best styles; all sizes up to 42; skirts full tucked, pleated or shirred; waists or jackets very stunning, Sale price Saturday ... \$19.75

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ENTRY to Piano Confest. The \$350 Concert Grand will be GIVEN AWAY Saturday, June 3, at 8 p. m. If you need anything in the dry goods line better buy it here these two days and try for this fine Piano. A SQUARE DEAL to every person entering contest. You may be the lucky person. No one knows when luck will turn their way.

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FIRST GASOLINE CAR TO

RUN TO FOREST GROVE

"Motor Car 1," the first gasoline car to be run on the Southern Pacific railroad, has been put in condition for business, and will be given a trial next week between Portland and Forest Grove, unless present plans are changed. It is expected the car will be fast enough to make the round trip but by next week the new officials will again be running smoothly, when the car will be taken out and placed in service. It is the forerunner of cars that the Harriman lines are having built for suburban service here and at other points on the trip from Omaha has been replaced with heavier parts. The changes of officials on Oregon lines, from general manager to division superintendent, have delayed the matter of inauguration of a regular service with the motor car, but by next week the new officials will again be running smoothly, when the car will be taken out and placed in service. It is the forerunner of cars that the Harriman lines are having built for suburban service here and at other points on the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific systems.

The spots and Its Ryde.

From the Houston Post.

The Equitable will never lose its apots until it sheds its Hyde.

PUBLIC PERIL IN SOAP

Vile and Worthless Imitations of Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Billings, Mont., June 2.—Henry Overturf, a member of a surveying party, was struck by lightning and instantly killed last night. A companion was so bidly stunned that for a time it was been bidly stunned that for a time it was been bidly stunned that for a time it was been would die. Overture it was been would die Overture in the instant by the the instant b

Over into Soap, Which is Offered for a Few Pennies Under the Misleading Name Witch Hazel Soap.

Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap is pure | comes of the rotten carcasses that are | use of such soaps as these. Not only Condon, June 2.—A heavy hail and wind storm did an immense amount of damage throughout this region of the country Wednesday night. The rainfall resembled a cloudburst and a heavy fall of hail broke skylights and windows the other properties which in their throughout the town Many roofs were nature must absolutely soften and the other distance of the content of the resembled a cloudburst and a heavy fall of the contract ever made, it controlled in their throughout the town. Many roofs were broken and interiors flooded. Hundreds beautify the skin eradicate black-hall.

It is because this animal refuse is boiled in vats, mixed with other districtions the controlled in vats, mixed with other districtions and interiors flooded. Hundreds beautify the skin eradicate black-hall. beautify the skin, eradicate black-heads, pimples and similar eruptions, and cure skin disorders. It is the is then turned out as soap under a dition the absolute necessity of using

mough to eat. It is composed of the unfit for any purpose save a concealed is there not a drop of witch hazel in finest medicaments, unguents and one? Why do the ranchmen and any of them, but most of them are vegetable products. In addition to an other cattle dealers, as quickly as made up at a cost of 1 or 2 cents a

sweetest and best toilet soap made. That is why millions of cakes have been sold since its first appearance on Prof. Munyon, who spent years in its in rubbing and lather danger there Prof. Munyon, who spent years in perfecting his Witch Hazel Soap and adult skin with a composition that