

AN OREGON PRODUCT

CITY CUT OFF

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latter place. Chief Operator Durke, Manager Annand and two Seattle officials who happened to be in the city yesterday are the only ones left at the Postal to handle what little business is coming in.

Practically every small place in the northwest is as completely isolated today as Portland itself. In addition to a complete tie-up of the wires by the striking operators on the commercial lines, conditions were rendered more hopeless by the walkout of Associated Press men last night.

At Vancouver, Washington, this morning the operators there walked out voluntarily without receiving any word other than that the Portland desks had been deserted.

Associated Press men in the city believe that their grievances will be satisfactorily settled within a few days when the new wires will again be in service.

ESPERANTISTS HOLD CONGRESS AT LONDON

London, Aug. 12.—The great congress of Esperantists, which is in session at Cambridge, is by far the largest gathering of its kind ever held. The attendance at the formal opening yesterday exceeded 1,500 delegates, and this number was considerably increased by many new arrivals today.

Exclusive Novelties. Scotch and English wools. Holbrook and Scotch. Couch bldg., Fourth and Washington streets.

STUNNED STRANGER IN SPOKANE HOSPITAL

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 12.—A man who later gave his name as John Fitzsimmons and said he was from Evanston, Illinois, was found unconscious yesterday in the Great Northern yards. He was taken to the Sacred Heart hospital. His name was obtained from him at a time when he partly came to himself. He is not expected to live. No marks of assault could be found on his body.

Extra Special Sale

Outing Suits

- \$18.00 Values for \$12.00
\$20.00 Values for \$13.50
\$22.50 Values for \$15.00
\$25.00 Values for \$16.50
\$30.00 Values for \$19.00

Extra Special Sale of Blues and Blacks

In odd lots, double and single breasted styles—regular
\$20.00 Values for \$12.50
R. M. GRAY
269-271 MORRISON STREET

METHODS EMPLOYED BY BENSON IN LAND OFFICE

Fortune Reaped by Fraudulent Practices Which Cannot Be Punished.

HALF MILLION FROM SURVEY CONTRACT

Early Operations of Swindlers Netted Wealth—Statute of Limitations Prevents Prosecution of All But Latest Crimes.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, Aug. 12.—When the land fraud case against Benson, Hyde, Diamond and Schneider comes on next January, the government will place on trial a man who for 30 years has defied all law and revelled in illegal transactions with impunity.

The facts to come in the January trial relate more or less to the incumbency of Blinger Hermann as commissioner of the land office, and even the outlawed acts of Benson in large part came under the jurisdiction of Mr. Hermann as commissioner.

Benson's First Arrest. John A. Benson, a wealthy real estate operator in Portland, was arrested in Washington in 1888 by order of Secretary Hitchcock.

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"Yours for fun"—James Garland Smith, aged ten months, son of Dr. Frederick S. Smith of Portland.

BOGCESS WORKED HIS GAME HERE

Frenzied Financier Owes Money to Merchants' National Bank.

WATSON DENIES HE WAS CAUGHT IN NET

Cashier of Institution Reported to Be Among Californian's Creditors Says He Escaped Wily Ways of Promoter.

(Journal Special Service.) San Francisco, Aug. 12.—Rellie Bogcess, mining promoter, who, several months ago, was declared insolvent in response to a petition presented by some of his creditors, filed a schedule of his liabilities and assets in United States district court yesterday.

Among his creditors is J. Frank Watson, cashier of the Merchants' National bank of Portland, who is but \$7,000 by his acquaintance with the Arizona Smelting and Mining scheme.

Mr. Watson denied this morning that Bogcess owed either himself or the bank a cent. "I am satisfied that it was true Bogcess had borrowed money, it had been paid back years ago," Mr. Watson said.

Bogcess was formerly manager of the McMillan Lumber company which did a great deal of business in Portland. The property is owned by former state Railroad Commissioner McMillan of Washington, and it was through dealing with the lumber company that Mr. Watson became acquainted with Bogcess, who later secured money on mining properties he was floating in California.

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Frantic! Frenzied! Furious!

The Above Explains the Mental Condition of the Multitudes Who Beseiged the Hub Yesterday

And right here we want to tell you something, good people. There is no need of working yourselves into a state of anxiety because you are not waited upon the moment you come into the store—you'll all get your share if you have a little patience; the stock is not limited; the Metropolitan Clothing Co. purchase is a matter of \$150,000 worth of Clothing.

36 Cases More Arrived Yesterday

On opening them we were a little disappointed, as some of the goods were slightly damaged—not sufficiently to be considered damaged by most stores—but when we find goods this way we are honest enough to admit it and allow for it with



ANOTHER COMPETITION-DEFYING CUT

- \$2.85 Takes \$7.50 Suits because they have been slightly sprinkled with clean water.
\$3.85 Takes \$10.00 Suits because there is the slightest smell of smoke on them.
\$4.85 Takes \$9.00 Suits that are not damaged at all but came in the same cases with the less fortunate ones.
\$5.85 Takes prettiest tweed Suits you would find. Undamaged but came through rough Metropolitan fire nevertheless.
\$6.85 Takes the Metropolitan Co.'s \$12 and \$13 Suits. Perhaps one in 3 dozen sprinkled or smoked.
\$13.85 Takes the \$30 and \$35 Suits, the brightest, newest Chicago styles, and perfect every way.

Men's Shirts at 1/3 THE HUB 1/3 Men's Ties at Men's Socks at Men's Underwear at 1/3 THIRD AND BURNSIDE STREETS

HOSLETTER'S CELEBRATED STOMACH BITTERS. Most everyone knows what it is to experience a spell of Stomach Trouble or Bloating and thousands are guarding against a return attack by keeping a bottle of the Bitters handy. It cures Indigestion, Costiveness, Cramps, Diarrhoea, Headache or Insomnia.

Well-fed and Comfortable Grape-Nuts FOOD. "There's a Reason" No matter how hot the day, on Grape-Nuts FOOD. "There's a Reason"

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