PORTLAND, OREGON, SUNDAY MORNING, MAY 2, 1915.

COLLIER JASON WAS HURRIED FROM PORT TO PORT WITH ART

Christmas Ship Picks Up Exposition Exhibits Under Great Difficulties.

SAILINGS ARE KEPT QUIFT

Even Committee in Charge Was Unaware of Ship's Departure From

New York, May 1 .- Joseph Pennell, he etcher, renowned for his studies of New York skyscrapers and Pittsburg blast furnaces and Panama locks, is just back from Europe, hugging him-self with giee, not on account of some new etching, but because he feels that f anything goes wrong with him as an artist, he has another string to his bow, says the New York Times.

"I think I'd be all right running privateering expedition," declared Mr. Pennell. Whereupon he looked positively buccaneerish with pleasure. It all came about because of the United States collier Jason. As readers will remember, she went to Europe before Christmas, carrying a dargo of Christmas presents for the belligerent nations.

Then nothing more was heard of her. What became of her? Let Joseph Pennell have the floor.

"I was made chairman a little while ago of a committee to get European works of art for the Panama-Pacific exposition," explained Mr. Pennell, a few hours after his arrival here from Europe. "On the committee with me were John Signer Sargent, the famous painter, and two other American artists, McEwen and John McLure Hamil-We were to secure works of art from the European governments, and from societies and individuals in Europe, and ship them to California. For this purpose the Jason, which had discharged her cargo of Christmas presents at Bremen, was placed at our dis-

An Embarrassing Situation. "But here an embarrassing situation How could the same ship carry priceless art treasures from Germany and then go into French and English ports for more carge of similar sort? Surely, there would be protests—or wouldn't some ultra-zealous comman der of an English cruiser or a German submarine take the law into his own hands, capture the Jason, and dump overboard all her enemy art treasures? "So, what did we do? We arranged natters so that the Jason simply became non-existent.

"Her arrival at a port was never chronicled. Nobody, not even a newspaper man, knew of it. Her departure was also unattended with publicity of turnover cuffs. —Third Floor. any kind. If people inquired about her at Lloyd's, they couldn't find out a word about her. The Jason just van-

"In the meantime she kept busy loading as variegated a cargo of priceless art treasures as ever went into a ship. After finishing her work at Bremen, she salled around to Greece and took on mard a most valuable lot of Greek From Greece she went to

"There she loaded not only Italian paintings and other works of art, butguite unknown to anybody, except my self and a few others in London, and very small number of people in Ger-many, Austria and Italy—an even more valuable consingment of German and Austrian treasures leaned to the Pan-

ama-Pacific exposition. "So far so good. Nothing had as yet occurred that could really entail international complications. But the next stop made by the Jason was at Mar-seilles, the Mediterranean port of France, where she received a great assortment of works of art lent by the French government, French museums and individuals, in addition to a Bel-gian collection and a lot of works by American artists living in France. "From Marseilles the Jason made for Plymouth, England. She arrived outside that port very soon after the bat-tle cruiser Lion had put in there shot full of holes after her battle against German fleet in the North sea. The Jason was refused permission to enter Plymouth, as were all other 'outat Plymouth, and the English government didn't want anything known about the damage done to her.
"The Jason lay outside Plymouth for

while, and was then directed to go to Bristol. She did. There was not one line in the English papers or any others about her arrival in Bristol Jason's Departure Kept Quiet. "As soon as she got there, we of the committee in London got busy with a shipment of more art treasures, which we had been getting together. We worked with the greatest possible secrecy. Only a limited number of peo ple, among whom was Ambassador Walter H. Page, knew what we were among whom was Ambassador

doing. We had not only a lot of Eng-lish works of art to ship over the ocean, but also additional tressures from France and Belgium, which had "The whole thing was kept so dark that even we didn't know when the Jason left Bristol. In fact, I left Eng-land a few days ago without any word from her, got across the ocean, and did of hear until my arrival in New York that the Jason was safely through the Panama canal, and that she had arrived in San Francisco. That's why I've felt free to tell about her." Mr. Pennell was enthusiastic about the cargo brought over by the Jason,

which, he declares, will add immensely to the worth of the exposition.

ASSESSOR GIVES LECTURE

County Assessor Henry E. Reed ye terday morning lectured to students of Reed college on the subject of taxa-tion. After giving a brief history of Oregon's experiences in raising funds to pay its expenses and debts and those of its counties, Mr. Reed discussed present day methods of assessing property and preparing the assessmen, rolls in Multnomah county.

He said the cost of making assessmentations. He said the cost of making assessments in this county is but 13½ cents per \$1000 of valuation. He called attention to the fact that land and improvements on land are assessed separately in Oregon and that several big castern cities, notably Philadelphia, are fighting for that reform at present.

Great Special Distribution of Women's Suits

Tomorrow, Brand New Garments Which, Taking Everything Into Consideration--Newness, Variety, Goodness, Moderate Prices--Mark a Record

Suits at \$19.45 That Sold Formerly \$27.50

-Of gabardine, serges and shepherd checks. -These are sports coat suits. Norfolk suits. mannish braid-bound suits, Prince Chap suits and novelty tailored suits, trimmed with braid and fancy silk ornaments.

-Every jacket is lined with peau de cygne silk and finished in strictly tailored fashion. The skirts show a variety of styles adapted to correspond with the in black, navy blue, green and black and

Suits for \$24.85 That Sell Regularly at \$35.00

Of fine silk poplins and serges. Novelty styles, which are presented in black, navy blue, Copenhagen, gray and sand. The jackets show a variety of plaited and flare effects, some with deep shawl revers, trimmings of bengaline silk and hand-made ornaments, others trimmed with braid and fancy silks.

-Every suit a copy of the latest foreign models, made and finished by expert tailors. The skirts are plaited or flaring, according to the style of the jacket.

New Taffeta Suits At \$40.00, \$41.50 and \$48.50

-The last word in fashion-suits of chiffon taffeta silk in black and navy blue.

Pellard Suits for \$42.50 That Sold Formerly at \$50.00

-Suits that reflect the latest advance midsummer styles of fine mannish serges, gabardines, checks and stripes. Suits with jackets that measure 27 inches long, cut on straight lines or flaring effects, and some fitted models with flaring skirts. The new Prince Chap model, a fashion copied from a man's coat, bound with flat braid. is very much in evidence here. In fact, almost every new style brought out within the past month is represented in this assortment.

Pellard Suits for \$36.75 That Sold Regularly at \$45.00

-Plain-tailored and fancy-cut suits of poplins, gabardines, serges and black and navy hairline stripes, as well as shepherd checks. Here one can find all the popular and most up-to-date styles, such as the belted Hunt Club suits, as well as fancy tailored suits, trimmed with braid and fancy ornaments.

Golfine Coats, Special \$18.50

-A coat suitable for dress as well as for sports wear. In white, Belgian blue and castor. Made full 36 inches long in a loose flaring style, with set in kimono sleeves and hand corded trimmings and loops. Lined throughout with peau de cygne

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-Novelty tailored suits of fine wool poplin in black, navy blue and putty, as well as serges and shepherd checks. In belted-jacket styles, also sports coat and flaring coat effects, and the popular Norfolk suits. Every suit is strictly man-tailored and lined with fine peau de cygne silk. Skirts in the latest flaring and

Suits for \$33.75 That Sell Regularly at \$42.50

-Highest-class, strictly man-tailored suits in plaintailored and fancy-cut styles. Of serges, poplins, gabardines and shepherd checks. In black, navy blue, Belgian blue, putty and black and white checks. Fancy braid-trimmed suits in various styles, straight box-shape models, others are flaring, belted and button trimmed, some slightly shaped and trimmed with silk faille.

New Spiral Presses \$22.50

-Of fine chiffon taffeta silk in black and navy blue. The waist has a yoke in front and back, and is slightly bloused at the waist line, finished with plaited belt and tailored bow in the back. White organdy collar and cuffs. The skirt in the six section spiral style finished with cording.

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-Third Floor

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-The daintiest little garments for baby, some hand-embroidered and hand made, others trimmed with feather stitching and tiny tucks, with veinings and Valenciennes lace, Swiss embroidery, beadings and dainty ribbons. Dresses and slips of the finest nainsook and longcloth, for babies 6 months to 2 years.

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-Fourth Floor.

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