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Penoyer States His Position on the Dalles Portage Matter.

WAS RUN DOWN BY A TRAIN.

The Mangled Remains of a Man Found on the Track.

THE HEREFORD CAMP QUARREL.

Disatisfaction Expressed at Railroad Valuations—Cannot Sell or Lease the Land.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 2.—Governor Penoyer said to a reporter today, that the statement in the Washington dispatch of February 1st to the Oregonian, that he had written to Speaker Crisp and other democrats in the house to defeat by all means any project for a boat-railway scheme, is absolutely without foundation.

placed a revolver against his brother's breast and fired, the ball entering the left side near the heart.

He died in about twenty minutes. The only words he spoke were to Mr. Hyatt, saying: "Carolina, I am shot. I'll die too. Send for the doctor." Young Hereford was arraigned before Judge Brown at this place and waived examination and was held to appear before the superior court now in session at Kalama. He claims self-defense.

Disatisfaction is Expressed at Railroad Valuations.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 2.—Seventeen assessors were in attendance at the convention today. Those present for the first time were the assessors of Clallam, Columbia, Cowlitz, Franklin, Lewis, Whatcom and Whitman counties. The question of railroad assessment was discussed with the equalized valuations. The following resolution on the subject was adopted:

"We believe that \$15,000 per mile on railroads of the first class will be as low a valuation as the property of individuals was assessed at for 1891, and we believe it to be our duty to adhere to the provision of section forty-four of the revenue law."

The assessors present have been divided into Eastern and Western Washington committees for the purpose of agreeing upon a uniform stock valuation for their respective divisions of the state. E. S. Meany addressed the convention in behalf of the world's fair commission, relative to the gathering of statistics for use at Chicago.

Land Which was Donated Cannot Be Sold or Leased.

EGGERS, Or., Feb. 2.—An opinion has been received by the county judge from attorneys employed, in regard to the matter of the right to sell or lease certain property in this city belonging to Lane county. The opinion is quite lengthy, and shows a complicated state of affairs. The land was donated to the county when the city was platted, and the deed withholds the right of the county to sell or lease. A part of the land has been decided by the county to the public for streets, and a part has been leased and individuals have been enjoying the use of the same.

Russian Government Severity.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 2.—Count Tolstoi says that the grain now in Russia will not last until spring, and that it will be necessary to import grain from America. Merchants are unwilling to inform the government of their stocks, as they wish to retain all they can for higher prices. This has caused some acts of severity on the part of the government authorities. In Kiev, a merchant who was shown to have deceived the authorities as to the amount he had in stock, was publicly exposed in front of his own store, tied up by the thumbs to the lantern post. His stock was confiscated, and he was sentenced in addition to six months' imprisonment. Other merchants suspected of concealing grain for higher prices have been threatened with similar penalties.

A New Venture by a Waterworks Official.

MONMOUTH, Or., Feb. 5.—A newspaper is to be started here probably this week. The material is all here, and a force of men are hard at work getting ready for the first number. It will be under the management of F. S. Barzee, president of the Water Works company, and will be the state organ of the prohibition party. Mr. Barzee will have charge of the local department. Mr. Lucas will be the editor and Professor T. F. Campbell will have the educational department.

Union Pacific Strike Threatened.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 1.—The grievance committee of the trainmen and conductors of the Union Pacific are irritated because of their failure to receive a reply from the officials. They imitate strongly the Union Pacific must accede to the demands and declare a strike, if it comes will stop every wheel on the entire system.

Patentee's Law suit.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 2.—William E. Lee, patentee of a seed separator, has been given a verdict for \$16,000 against Pillsbury and others. Lee says flour mills all over the country have been using his invention without paying him a royalty, and he contemplates requiring other millers to account to him for the use of his patent.

Increasing the Price of Food.

PARIS, Feb. 2.—Bacon and ham have increased in price to 2 francs per pound, being about three times the figure before the tariff came into force. This addition to the price of food is already causing much apprehension among the poor of Paris, and the hotels talk of increasing their prices.

AFTER THE LOTTERY.

Boston Authorities will Stop Theatres that Advertise Lotteries.

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TO BUILD MORE WHALEBACKS.

There Will Be \$1,000,000 Put Into the Scheme—American Vines in Demand.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 2.—Mayor Matthews sent the following to the board of aldermen yesterday afternoon: "In view of the scandalous manner in which the business of the Louisiana state lottery is advertised in the theatre programmes in this city, I have the honor to direct your attention to the expediency of revoking the licenses of all the theatres taking such advertisements, or of prohibiting the practice in such other manner as you may deem consistent. A provision might be inserted in the licenses issued to theatres and other places of amusement that the same should be void in case the advertisement of any lottery company, or their agents, is allowed to be printed in the programmes."

A Pioneer of 1835 Yet Living.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C., Feb. 2.—The statement made in Saturday's Colonist, to the effect that not a single person who came around the Horn on the pioneer steamer Beaver is now alive, was not correct, though few people are aware of the fact. There is one survivor of the ship's company who came out from England to Astoria in the Beaver, and he is Thomas Johnston, a Fraser-river fisherman who, during the fishing season, wrote for W. H. Vanden Mr. Johnston is the son of Oniel Johnston, of the Beaver, and accompanied his father and mother to British Columbia aboard that steamer in 1835. He was a lad of about 15 years of age at the time, and his memory being still good, he can spin, and does when opportunity offers, most interesting yarns concerning the first trip of this pioneer steamer. Mr. Johnston has had a rather chequered career, but is still in full possession of his faculties and in the enjoyment of robust health. He has a land claim on Harrison river, which he took up a few years ago, and spends his winters there making necessary improvements to entitle him to the crown grant. It having been decided to send the old Beaver to the world's fair at Chicago, it would be an enterprising move on the part of the promoters of the scheme to secure the services of Mr. Johnston and take him to Chicago, where, as the last surviving member of the ship's company, he could explain to the thousands of visitors the history of the wonderful old craft, and tell the story of her first voyage. His presence would also add greatly to the interest surrounding the old vessel.

To Build More Whalebacks.

WEST SUPERIOR, Wis., Feb. 2.—McDonnell, the whaleback yard manager, has returned from New York, where at a meeting of the directors of the American Steel Barge Company he was empowered to spend \$1,000,000 in the construction of whalebacks for the company's own use, they finding it more profitable to operate the boats than to make them for other parties. Arrangements were made for a number of the directors as a separate body, to purchase the great passenger whaleback now building for service during the world's fair. It will be operated by this new company.

American Vines in Demand.

ROME, Feb. 2.—The Italian minister of agriculture has, for a number of years, distributed large quantities of American grapevines among the farmers, which proved to be able to successfully resist the attacks of phylloxera. In consequence these vines were very extensively introduced. From the island of Sicily alone the minister has received demands for 25,000,000 for the coming season. He will be able, however, to supply but 500,000.

Served Him Right.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Feb. 2.—David Porter, deputy collector of the port, an officer of the local post of the Grand Army of the Republic, and a prominent Odd Fellow, was shot dead early this morning by his son. Porter was beating his wife.

To Test the Act.

MADISON, Wis., Feb. 2.—The supreme court today authorized the attorney general to bring suit to test the reapportionment act passed last winter by the legislature.

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