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Miles-Columbia and Nehalem Valley Has Five Miles-Projected Lines Will Run the Mileage to 2000. Eugene. op- St. Helens & Vernonia—St. Helens The mileage of steam railroads operating in the State of Oregon

Higardo, Granite & Southwestern

Corvallis & Southern-Corvallis to

The Dulles Southern- The Dalles to

46 heart of the Bohemia mining district, 45 s distance of 28 miles; Columbia & 29 Nehalem Valley, from present termi-

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nus to Pittsburg; Columbia Southern, from Shaniko, its present terminus to Bend, in Crook county, 100 miles; Goble, Nehalem & Pacific, from pres-

WHICH WAS THE TENDERFOOT

'Homeseeker" Cross Blandly Smiles

and Carries Off a Load of Goods.

Innocence was written on his face

and business seemed his purpose as he slouched into the Drumheller Com-

pany's hardware store last week. The

obliging clerk hurried forward, sub-

bing his hands, and asked the man what he desired.

"Much," was the response, and he continued by saying his name was Cross; that he and his wire had just anything the Walls Wells from "Now the had just anything he walls wells from "Now the had just anything he walls wells from "Now the had just anything he walls wells the property in Walls wells the property in the say that he walls well the property in which wells the property in which we walls well the walls well the property in which we wall the walls well the wall the wall walls well the wall the wal

arrived in Walla Walla from "New brashy" and that they intended to make the Garden city their home. Mr. Cross said he had rented a biouse in South Second street and he

peeded stoves. Two large heaters were ordered, and then the prospect-ter nurchaser paused "Say," he reive purchaser paused. "Say," he re-marked: "come to think of it, mebbe

I've got some stove pipe at home and I guess you'd better lay up them stoves till I measure it. Perhaps I

So the stoves were "laid" away "Now" continued Mr. Cross, "we need some silverware." The needed

articles were displayed and the result while might object he asked to be at

lowed to show her the goods before paying for them. The obliging at

tendant readily agreed and Croos and the silverware departed. That was last Wednesday, and when the store

losed last night no Cross had returnand the silverware was missing.-

TORRENS SYSTEM TRANSFERS

New Plan of Certification is Rapidly Growing in Public Favor. The annual report of Recorder Rob ert Simon of Chicago at the close of this year will show the volume of bus-

iness under the Torrens system for the year to have more than doubled

that of last year, and special efforts are to be made to bring the advantages of the system even more forcibly to the attention of the real estate traders, says the Record-Herald. The number of new subdivisions registered under the system has recorded.

cd under the system has grown rap-idly of late, owing to the great con-venience and small expense One feature which, while proving the benefits of the system to the public,

has tended to keep down the financial showing of the office, has developed

in the large number of titles brought

ompany before bringing the work to the Torrens office, where all that mild be legally charged was \$17. Excursion to Kansas City.

On account of the National Live-stock Association to be held at Kan-sas City January 12 to 16, 1903, the

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return trip may be made through Cal-ifornia. Tickets sold on January 8 and 9 only. See the O. R. & N. ticket agent for full particulars.

Reed's Favorite Poem.

Among the favorite poems of "Tom" Reed, which he was fond of reciting.

was the following from the pen of Pension Commissioner Ware:

Once a Kansas zepbyr strayed Where a brass-eyed bull pup played And that foolish canine bayed At that zepbyr in a gay

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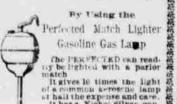
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Goble, Nehalem & Pacific.
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Oregon & Southeastern

Columbia & Nehalem Valley

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