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\$2,500,000 CASH FOR THE LAND

This is glorious news to those holding Western Coal and Iron Company's stock. The Tacoma company intends to place their coal on the market here as soon as shipping facilities have been furnished. For further information I cordially invite you to call at my office, where samples of the coal, reports, maps, diagrams, prospectuses, letters from prominent bankers, lawyers and other business men, who have investigated this coal proposition can be seen. Respectfully,

JOHN HAILEY, JR.,
LOCAL AGENT,
Room 16, Judd Building,
PENDLETON, OREGON

WATERCOMMISSION

(Concluded.)

railroad buildings at Pendleton are badly exposed to fire on account of the lack of sufficient fire plugs, and that he thinks it would be advisable to locate two plugs, one on Thompson street, on the north side of the railroad, and the other on the north side of Railroad on Cottonwood street. We feel that these plugs should be put in without expense to the railroad company, but in any event we want them put in, and we would like to have you ascertain how the matter can be arranged. Very truly yours,

W. W. COTTON,
General Attorney.

In the discussion of the claim made upon the city in the above letter, it transpired that one year the railroad did not pay to the city as much tax as the cost of one are light near the depot. Also that as there is now belonging to the city a mile and a half of good hose that it is possible the need of the extension of the mains and hydrants in that direction might be exaggerated. The upshot of the matter was that the commission ordered a hydrant put in at the corner of Thompson and Railroad, the other hydrant asked for not being considered essentially any sense.

It was ordered to vote that the city purchases at once 50 one-half inch meters and six three-fourths inch meters, the same to be kept in stock.

It was developed that there is enough wood now on hand at the water works to last until the first of next January.

Improvements to be Made.

Estimates are being made of the amount of piping needed to connect as follows: From the corner of Court and Ann streets west four blocks, then south one block. From the corner of Washington and Perkins south one block, then west one block, and then south one block. To St. Joseph's hospital from the race on Court street east to Transit, four blocks, this to be a four-inch pipe. The extensions indicated are the improvements which the commission will make in the near future.

OPENING OF NOME LINES.

First Messages to Be Sent From Seattle Sometime Today—Toll is Expected to Be \$5 for Ten Words.

Seattle, April 3.—Telegraphic communication between this city and Nome, on Bering Sea, is expected to be opened sometime today. Several messages have already been received for transmission. The first came from Chicago and is addressed to the superintendent of a gold mine about eight miles from Nome and within half a mile of the telephone station. The line from Seattle to Vancouver

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Specials for Saturday, April 4

Men's black striped double front shirts, 50c values, 40c.

Men's light colored shirts, good 50c values, special, 40c.

Boys' black suits, coat and pants, special, \$1.00.

Boys' waists, All 25c waists for one day, 20c.

Boys' Sox, all sizes, 4c pr.

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Men's corduroy suits, warranted, special for one day, \$7.00.

Outing flannel, 10c kind, 8c; 9c kind, 7c; 7c kind, 5c.

THE FAIR

INDIANS IN ALASKA NEED AID.
The War Department Faces a Serious Problem.
Washington, D. C., April 3.—The war department finds itself very much embarrassed at the present time trying to solve the Alaskan Indian problem. The Indian problem proper has been under consideration in the interior department for a great many years, but now comes an altogether different proposition from Alaska, and it is thrown into hands that are not accustomed to dealing with the Indians of the United States.

During the past few years reports have been frequently received from Alaska, telling of the destitution and suffering among the natives. As years go by, and the white man spreads over more territory, the suffering among the Indians appears to increase and appeals for aid multiply.

So pitiful was the condition of the Copper River Indians that congress at the recent session, appropriated \$10,000 for their relief, but nothing was done for the thousands of other Indians who seem to be equally in need of government aid. The appeals have for the most part been made to the war department, because the natives have observed that that department is the one having food supplies at its command, and has, in the past, issued rations for the subsistence of the starving natives.

It is proposed that the department commander shall, during the coming summer, make a careful investigation into the condition of the Alaska Indians, determine if possible, the causes of the increasing destitution, which, in the language of Judge Advocate General Davis, is becoming chronic. It may be the result of the stringent game laws, prohibiting the indiscriminate killing of game, upon which the natives depended for their food, or it may be the result of the encroachment of the white men upon the fishing grounds.

ESCAPES FROM ASYLUM.
Sam Patton, Kleptomaniac Eludes Asylum Attendants and Elopers.

Salem, April 3.—Sam Patton, a patient at the Asylum, escaped yesterday from the attendants who had him out with the other patients for the usual walk. Patton is in his twenties and is supposed to be the most adept eloper at the institution. He has been confined there since his childhood, and has escaped many times. Last summer an especially secure ward was opened up, one of the rooms on it being constructed for Patton, while numerous other elopers were accommodated on the same ward. Yesterday neither of his regular attendants were with him and he successfully slipped from the line, and made good his escape.

Educators Meet in Chicago.
Chicago, April 3.—The annual session of the North Central Association of College and Secondary Schools was commenced here today and will be continued through tomorrow. Over 100 members are present, representing the leading schools and colleges of Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska and Colorado.

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