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THEY WILL CONTEST.
 California Republicans
 Go to Court
 To Contest the Election of James H. Budd.
 Declared Governor.

The initiative has been taken in San Francisco to contest the election of Jas. H. Budd to the office of governor. The proceedings were inaugurated by P. B. Cornwall, chairman of the state central committee, who filed with the clerk of the supreme court affidavits setting forth that he believes that Morris M. Estee was legally chosen governor of California at the last election, and that frauds have made it appear that James Budd received a majority of the votes cast. Cornwall recites his reasons for applying to the supreme court instead of the superior court, as is usual in such cases, as follows:

"The circumstances that render it necessary and proper that the writ here in sought should issue officially from this court, instead of from the superior, are as follows:

"That the canvass to which these proceedings are addressed affects especially the highest executive office in the state of California; that the people of the entire state are concerned in the result of this election; that the questions of law involved are of great importance and much gravity and it is necessary for the ends of justice that a speedy decision should be reached herein and that it should be final."

The canvassing of the vote by the legislature during the first week of its session in January is cited as an additional reason, and the petition then continues:

"That if this application were made to the superior court the result would be declared and a person not entitled to the office before the injured party would have an opportunity to obtain proper relief, owing to the delay that would arise by reason of the proceedings in the court below, the time lost in appeal, etc."

The petition then prays the court to order the election of commissioners to other than 129 precincts in San Francisco, which are named, and that the commissioners be ordered to reject, disregard and exclude from their canvass of the votes cast for governor the alleged returns of the excepted precincts. The total number of votes involved is 22,949, of which 12,575 were by the election commissioners, accredited to Budd and 7,975 were added to Estee's column. The remaining votes were divided among the other candidates for governor.

The petition was presented to the court by George A. Knight, Ex-Judge Patterson also appeared before the court and said that Budd would not object to a recount of all the votes cast in San Francisco before a legally organized tribunal, whose privilege it was to perform that duty. He says no copy of the petition had been served on him, and he would ask for two or three days in which to look it over and decide what ought to be done on behalf of his client. Mr. Knight insisted that the vital point was the issue of a mandate to compel the election commissioners to omit the objectionable features from their total footings. On that issue the matter was taken under advisement by the court, all the members of the court participating. Finally the attorneys were summoned before the court and the chief justice said:

"At this hearing no restraining order, such as is asked for, can be issued. We have no power to issue a mandate to the respondents commanding them to include in their canvass what they think ought to be rejected, nor to reject what they deem proper to include. We may order them to do certain things, or to omit certain things, or to show cause why they do not do so. In the meantime we have no power to issue a restraining order commanding them to do or not to do, what they are advised was

rightly done in the premises. We cannot say to them, for instance, that they shall disregard or reject certain returns that are before them."

Mr. Miller, Mr. Estee's partner, took up the discussion and asked the court what course would be the most convenient for future proceedings in the case, and the chief justice replied:

"The convenience of the court would be best served by not having to hear this application at all, but if it is the intention to pursue this subject further, probably the best thing for you to do would be to apply for an alternative writ, returnable upon the next time you give the usual notice to the opposite side and have the matter come up in regular order."

"At that time we shall make the objection that this court cannot act as an appellate election board," said Mr. Patterson.

Mr. Miller wanted to know what order would be made by the court, and the chief justice replied:

"We will make no order. We understand that the main point sought is to obtain a restraining order, commanding the election commissioners to do certain things in the performance of their duties. We are satisfied we have no power to grant this request, and we make no order in the premises."

Mr. Miller: "We will take the course suggested. We will leave this application on file with the clerk, and will give notice to the opposing counsel as to the date of the hearing."

Mr. Patterson waived notice, and it was agreed to take the matter up for hearing next Thursday morning. Mr. Miller at once served the attorneys on the other side with copies of the petition.

MURDER IN SECOND DEGREE
 The Notorious "Banno" Kelly Convicted of Sayer's Murder.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12.—A special to the *Guard* states that powerful arguments were made in the Sayer murder case yesterday morning and afternoon by Mr. Hunt and District Attorney Hume for the prosecution and John Diceburn and Judge Caples in behalf of the defendant. After the arguments by the attorneys the judge gave his instructions to the jury in a clear and forcible manner.

After an all night's session the jury returned the following verdict:

"We find 'Banno' Kelly guilty of murder in the second degree."

STEVES TRIAL.

In many respects far more interesting will be the trial of Xenophon N. Steeves, the lawyer, who is indicted for complicity in the murder of Geo. W. Sayer.

There will be but one day's intermission between the trials of the defendants. The counsel for the state will rest today and prepare to prosecute the case against Steeves.

District Attorney Hume said that the case would be taken up Thursday morning. It is supposed that the defendant's counsel are ready for the fray. It is not believed that Steeves' case can be tried in much less time than Kelly's.

In the trial of Steeves, whose case is treated as separately, it is expected the prelude to this murder case, with many startling revelations, will come to light. The most important part of the story will be the mystery surrounding the money Kelly is supposed to have received for the "job."

MICHIGAN'S SILVER DEMOCRATS.
 LANSING, Mich., Dec. 7.—At a conference of over 30 leading free-silver democrats of the state, held here today, steps were taken to secure an unequivocal pledge from the democratic party to make 16 to 1 free silver coinage the leading issue. There was some talk of the formation of a new party with silver as the issue.

CALIFORNIA'S DISTRICT ATTY.
 SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—The word is being passed along local politicians that Representative George Garter, whose term is nearly up, but that McGee will be given the place.

YOUNG BEARDSLEY INSANE.
 LA PORT, Ind., Dec. 7.—Carl Beardsley, the missing Michigan university student, was found today, hopelessly insane, in Canada, where he had wandered. On Thanksgiving day Beardsley went to Detroit with the university football team, and that was the last seen of him. His home is in Elkhart. He is the son of the late Senator Beardsley.

BROWN IS CONVICTED.
 Found Guilty of the Murder of Kincaid.
 A Farmer's Escape From Death by Fire.

A Portland Paper Talks on the Selection of School Books.

BROWN GUILTY OF MURDER.
 The trial of Brown, at Roseburg, for murder, was commenced on December 10th, and a dispatch to the *Eugene Guard* on the 12th is as follows:

The jury in the case of the State of Oregon vs. Samuel G. Brown, found the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree. The counsel for defendant made a motion for a new trial, which will probably be argued before Judge Fullerton to-morrow.

It will be remembered that Brown shot and killed Fred Kincaid at Oakland Oregon, last August.

SURROUNDED BY FIRE.
 A Rancher's Narrow Escape From Burning to Death.

ALBANY, Ore., Dec. 7.—Abram Jones, a homesteader living alone on a claim on Breitenbush river, near Detroit, was horribly burned last night. He went to bed as usual about 10 o'clock, but was soon awakened by his house burning. The fire had caught from the chimney and spread to his bed, completely surrounding him. He attempted to escape at the window, but failing, was compelled to rush through the flames and break down a burning door, which he succeeded in doing, but was burned frightfully. Clad only in a nightshirt, he walked a quarter of a mile through six inches of snow to the nearest neighbor, where help was given and a physician summoned. The ends of his fingers were burned off. His back and thighs are blistered and his face terribly disfigured.

SELECTION OF SCHOOL BOOKS.
 What the Oregonian Has to Say About the School Book Question.

Time draws near for voting of county superintendents and state examiners upon the choice of text-books for the public schools of the state for the next six years. These votes are to be sent under seal to the state superintendent before January 1, each voter designating out of the books offered by the different publishers, those which he thinks should be chosen for use in the schools.

The main question discussed in the different localities is whether a change should be made from the text-books now in use. Undue stress is laid upon this question, as if all the books had to be taken in a body from one publisher or another. This is by no means the case. Not quite all the books come from one house now. There is no advantage in taking all or nearly all from one house; indeed, rather the reverse. It would be a positive advantage to divide the selection among as many publishing-houses as possible, so as to stimulate competition and secure the best results from all. This would be the natural result if every superintendent and examiner were to vote solely upon the merits of every book presented. It is not to be supposed that any publishing-house monopolizes all the good books.

This is the way honest and intelligent school officers will vote. They will dismiss from their minds all considerations of publishers or agents and vote for the books themselves. Selection upon this basis, if made by competent judges of school books, will result in some change from the present list, since some books now in use are palpably inferior. So make a change merely for the sake of a change, but it is desirable to get better books than those now in use, wherever it can be done. School officials should vote, not for a change or against a change, but for the best books, without reference to whether these books are now on the list or not.

Persons interested in securing the retention of books now upon the list seek to convey the impression that any change will be costly to the state or to

the people. This is not the case. New books will cost no more than old books of the same relative value. Competition among publishers has brought price of text-books down to about a common level. Even in case of books used from term to term or passed down from older children to younger of the same family, provision is made in all the bids for exchange. It will cost practically no more to get a good new book than to keep an old poor one. School officers can vote solely and absolutely upon the merits of the books presented, without fear that they will impose extra cost upon the state or the people by making a change from those now in used.

PROTESTS SUBMITTED.
 The Outlook for Favorable Action in Miners' Interests Good.

Hermann has submitted to the department the protests of assemblages held in Southern Oregon of miners and others, as to the patenting of mineral lands to the railroad company, for which lists of selections have been filed. The department assures Hermann that no patents shall be issued until after full hearings have been had, and that even where patents have been issued there shall be a reservation in the patent itself, as to any of the lands designated which shall prove to be mineral. The commissioner also states that the department will receive even "suggestions" as to the mineral character of lands selected, and will order hearings upon due notice to the person furnishing such information. When any mineral entry, claim or location is of record here, and within any area selected by the railroad company, the rule now is to make a list of all the lands found to be within a radius of six miles from any of such entries, claims or location, and to cause publication of notice of their selection, that protests or contests, will be received as to any of said lands claimed to be more valuable for mineral than for agricultural purposes. The register and receiver causes publication of notice on receipt of the list from Washington. After 60 days these lists are returned from the local land office with any memoranda as to protests, contests or suggestions, as to the mineral character of the lands, and all such lands are withdrawn from the list, and hearings are ordered as to their mineral character.

SHE DID NOT SEE HIM.
 The Oregonian says an amusing incident occurred on the Sannyside electric car yesterday forenoon about 11 o'clock. There were only two passengers in the car, one of whom was a Chinese, and he sat in a corner. At East Twentieth street four ladies got on the car. The first two took seats opposite the Celestial in the corner, one of them remarking, "Well, I've a corner this time." The other two ladies apparently did not see the Chinese, and one of them, who weighed about 175 pounds, remarked, "Well, I'll take this corner," and sat down on the unfortunate heathen. Her astonishment and dismay can hardly be depicted in words, and it was sometime before she could fully realize her predicament and release the terror-stricken heathen, who yelled to the conductor for help.

A HARD TRIP.
 On Sunday Mr. T. P. Madill, who lives 50 miles from Albany, on the Santiam, with the assistance of two neighbors, came into the city on a handcar, for the purpose of procuring a burial casket for his father-in-law, Mr. Geo. W. Whitman, who had died the day before, and returned with it, making the trip in sixteen hours. Any one who has helped to "pump" a handcar up the grades of the Oregon Pacific on the North Santiam will appreciate the labor connected with the act.—Albany Daily Herald.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.
 On Saturday, J. H. Coblenz, ex-warden of the Washington penitentiary at Walla Walla, who had been removed because a system of speculation he was carrying on had been discovered, where-by the state had been robbed of some \$15,000, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head, just as the sheriff was about to put him under arrest. His remains will be taken to his former home in Arkansas, where his wife and children will also go to her people.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder
 Awarded Gold Medal Melbourne Fair, San Francisco.