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ITEMS IN BRIEF.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Clyde T. Bonney is up from Hood River.

Charles Wilson, of Pendleton, is visiting in the city.

W. H. Patison and H. G. Stark, of Dufur, are in the city.

J. R. Wyatt, a prominent business man of Albany, is in the city.

Hereafter the steamers Dalles City and Regulator will leave here at 8 o'clock.

Charles Frank has leased the building formerly occupied by the Butler Drug Co. where he will open a saloon in a short time.

Election of officers in Court The Dalles, Foresters of America, will take place Friday evening next. It is therefore desired that all Foresters be in attendance.

John Tait, manager of the Troy laundry of Portland was in the city last night returning from a visit to Wasco and Moro, where the laundry has agencies.

Fruit raisers are devoting more attention to putting out trees this fall than usual, and the enterprising nurseryman, R. H. Weber, is kept busy shipping trees to all parts of the country.

Charlie and Miss Eva Heppner will be up from Portland this evening to spend Thanksgiving with their mother, Mrs. Robert Kelly. They will be accompanied by Mr. W. Gilbert, of Portland.

Hon. John Michell, P. H. DeHuff, J. W. Healey and Mrs. Ed. Beck went to Portland today to attend the funerals of L. D. Miler and Robert Hunter, who were killed in the wreck near Rooster Rock last Sunday.

A wedding was solemnized by Rev. D. V. Poling in the clerk's office last night, the contracting parties being, D. L. Brumers and Miss Eva Mt Thompson. Sheriff Kelly and Clerk Kelsay acted as best men, and righ. well did they discharge the honors.

L. Rondeau was in the city today and bought from G. A. Liebe the old Baxter farm, consisting of 160 acres of land situated in the foot hills two miles west of Kingsley. The land joins a tract of 320 acres which Mr. Rondeau already owned and will make him a fine farm.

Hugh Lister and his mother, Mrs. Thomas Lister, of Prineville, arrived here yesterday, and left this morning for San Francisco, where they go to spend the winter. They will be joined at Hood River by Mr. Lister's wife and children, who have been visiting at that place the past month.

Hon. W. H, Moore returned last night from Southern Oregon, where he has been looking after some mining properties in which he is interested. He has samples of ore that carry 8 per cent of copper and $50 in gold to the ton. The ledge from which the rock was taken is fifty feet wide, and bids fair to be one of the biggest mining properties on the coast.

The little steamer Inland Flyer bade The Dalles good-bye for the rest of the season, when she steamed down the river this morning. The company has determined to take the Flyer off until next spring, and for a time Dalles people will not be privileged to greet the pretty little boat and its genial captain until business will again justify the running of three boats. The Flyer had a full complement of passengers this morning.

Some of the old settlers declare the weather so far this fall is almost identical with that of 1861, and hence predict a severe winter. One old resident, a wild man of the forest, declares the Pendleton Indian don't know what he is talking about when he predicts there will be no winter, for since the white men came here they have mixed things up so completely that Lo doesn't know anything about the weather.

In the Wasco News, announcement is made that "the plant of the paper has been transferred to and become the property of the Sherman County bank, and all business transacted with said paper must be arranged with and paid for to said bank, or to the foreman of said paper." Mr. Brock, cashier of the bank, has been interested in the paper for some time, and owing to the protracted illness of the editor, M. Armsworthy, has probably found it necessary to assume the business management.

On account of the illness of Policeman Phirman, Paul Paulsen was on duty last night, and his first encounter was with a German by the name of Joe Schnadle, who had imbibed in something stronger than his national beverage, and had become decidedly boistrous. He was armed with a knife and a bolognah sausage, and undertook to exterminate the policeman and everybody else in his reach, but Paul was too much for him. He was landed in jail and will eat his Thanksgiving dinner at the expense of the city.

From Friday's Daily.

Prof. H. L. Howe, of Hood River, is in the city.

E. J. Jacobsen has returned from a tour of the upper country.

Capt. Edward, government inspector of hulls, was in the city last night.

V. M. Bennett, who spent the summer in Moro, has returned to The Dalles.

C. W Lord, of Arlington, spent Thanksgiving day with friends in the city.

Ray Logan is in the city, having come up to spend Thanksgiving with his father.

On account of ill health James Baldwin has returned to Portland for medical treatment.

The receipts of the county clerk's office for fees during the month of November were $256.00.

Miss Grace Lauer returned from Portland Wednesday evening, where she has been the past three months.

Hon. E. P. McCornack and wife, of Salem, spent yesterday in the city the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Moody.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Parrish, of Hay Creek, spent a few days in town this week purchasing supplies for the winter.

A grouse at Wind river was found to have several grains of gold in its craw, and if unmolested would probably have laid a golden egg.

The street in front of the Columbia hotel is being filled in with cinders, which will keep down the mud that is accumulating on other parts of the street.

Mrs. Campien, sister of the late Captain Waud, came up from Portland wednesday evening and spent yesterday in the city with Mrs. Waud and family.

Light ship Columbia River No. 50 was driven ashore near cape Disappointment Tuesday night and will be a total loss. The crew and officers were rescued.

The town of Sumpter has sold $50,000 worth of bonds for the construction of its new water works, to Morris & Whitehead, of Portland and Denver, at 6 per cent for 20 years.

Thomas J. Black, ex-collector of customs for the district of Oregon, died very suddenly in his appartments in the Imperial hotel, Portland, Wednesday morning. He was born in Canada 62 years ago, and came to Oregon in 1854.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lathim, of Dufur, Oregon, will be glad to learn that their children have just recovered from a malignant case of scarlet fever and Messrs. Lathim and Brownhill are again able to perform their usual labors.

Fine rains without frost continue at intervals, the whole country is green as in springtime, and stock of all kinds is hog-fat. The tender green grass in pastures is from six to eight inches high. Even a severe winter has no terrors for the stockmen now.

Zack Taylor, of Antelope, passed through town this morning en route to Salem with the remains of his son, W. J. Taylor, who died at Spokane on Wednesday evening, of consumption. Mr. Taylor had been sick for a long time, and had been in Spokane under treatment of a specialist.

The churches throughout the country have taken an active interest in the Roberts case, and some long remonstrances against seating him will be presented to congress. Rev. A. J. Montgomery, president of the State Christian Endeavor Union of Oregon, has forwarded a remonstrance containing 5,000 names that were secured in the different churches in this state.

Next Tuesday night at the Methodist church, Chaplain Gilbert, the hero chaplain of the Second Oregon, will lecture on his experience in the Philippines. Rev. Gilbert is a fluent speaker, and there are indeed few men in the state who are closer to the hearts of Oregonians than he. Admission to the lecture will be 25 cents.

The Times-Mountaineer still desires to insist that the business men of The Dalles take some steps to secure the trade of the men who are working on the portage road across the river, by getting a reduction of ferriage rates. Why not make up a purse sufficient to pay half the ferriage? There will be 200 men working on the portage for five or six months, and their trade is worth looking after.

The annual memorial exercises of Cascade Lodge, No. 303, B. P. O. Elks, will be held in K. of P. hall Sunday afternoon at 2:30. W. T. Dovell, of Walla Walla, will deliver the address, while Judge Bradshaw will serve as eulogist. Memorial services will be unusually sad this year to the Elks of this city, owing to the receipt of news of the death of their esteemed brother, Capt. O. S. Waud, coming on the eve of their memorial.

Thanksgiving Exercises.

Last evening union Thanksgiving services were held at the M. E. church, the pastors of the Christian, Congregational, Baptist and Methodist churches officiating. Every space in the church was filled, the audience being one of the largest that has ever assembled in the city for religious services. The services were opened by a voluntary and doxology by the audience, followed by an invocation offered by Rev. Clifton, pastor of Calvary Baptist church. The hymn "Come Ye Thankful" was sung by the audience followed by Rev. Poling, pastor of the Congregational church reading a scriptural lesson. An anthem was next rendered by a quartet composed of Prof. Landers, W. C. Allaway, Prof. Lundell and Francis Sexton, entitled "Blessed Is He That Considereth the Poor." The choir sang a sacred hymn, after which Rev. Rushing, pastor of the Christian church, delivered an eloquent and able sermon, his theme being "the bounties bestowed upon us for which we should be thankful. An offering was made for the poor, to which the audience contributed liberally, and after the singing of America by the audience, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Poling.

Value of Eggs and Poultry.

Some time ago a paper read before a farmer's institute at Princeton contained the statement that the number of chickens marketed in the United States last year amounted to 3,350,000,000, and of eggs 13,000,000,000. The total value of chickens and eggs produced was $290,000,000.

By way of showing the comparative importance of the poultry industry it was further stated that the value of our tobacco crop has rarely been as much as $43,000,000. The value of our potato crop is less than $80,000,000, on the average. The value of our barley crop is not often as much as $30,000,000. An oat crop worth $200,000,000 is unusual. Our annual output of pig iron has rarely exceeded $130,000,000 in value. Coal, by far the most valuable of our mineral products, gives a total annual output of some $200,000,000.

While the authority for the high estimate of the value of the poultry products was not given, the publication of the figures directed a good deal of attention to the subject.—San Francisco Call.

The Firemen's Ball.

Jackson Engine Co. No. 1, has again scored a victory for having entertained right royally the dancing public of The Dalles and vicinity, for the ball given by the company in the Baldwin opera house last Wednesday evening was one of the pleasantest parties ever held in the city. The hall was tastefully decorated with the national colors, and presented a most cheery appearance, and the music rendered by Prof. Baldwin's orchestra, consisting of seven pieces, was the latest, and was heartily appreciated by the dancers. Certainly Mr. Baldwin deserves much credit for having gathered together such able musicians, and the company is to be congratulated on having secured his services. Dancing continued until after midnight, and the participants felt that they were under obligations to the old reliable fire company for having given them such an enjoyable evening.

Substantial Donations.

The children of The Dalles public schools have responded nobly to the call for donations to the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society, they having given about 1000 pounds of clothing and fruit, and $30.50 in cash as their Thanksgiving offering to the unfortunate children who are charges of the home. The cash donations were from different rooms in the schools as follows:

East Hill Primary, $2.60; Miss Douthit's room; 60 cents; Miss Ella Cooper's room, 60 cents; Miss Martin's room, $1.25; Miss Wrenn's room, $4.85; Miss Phirman's room, 25 cents; Miss Flinn's room, 3.41; Mrs. Roche's room, 76 cents; Miss Ball's room, 1.31; Mrs. Baldwin's room, $2.50; Miss L. Rintoul's room. $1.50; Miss T. Rintoul's room, 25 cents; Miss Michell's room $2.35; High School $8.27. Total $30.50.

SPANISH STAMPS.

Ten Millions of Them Have Just Been Issued to Raise War Funds.

A San Antonio (Tex.) special says: There was recived in this city from the City of Mexico, a consignment of 2,500 "patriotic postage stamps" of Spain. The consignee was Jose M. De Castellar, a Spanish resident of San Antonio and a native of the Canary islands. This consignment of stamps reveals a gigantic patriotic scheme of loyal Spanish subjects on the American continent to raise a fund of $500,000 to aid the Spanish government in its war with the Cuban insurgents. The scheme is to issue 10,000,000 postage stamps five cents' face value in the money of the country in which they are used. The matter is in the hands of an executive committee in the City of Mexico, and the second issue of 1,000,000 stamps has been turned out by a German lithographing firm in the Mexican capital. The stamps are sold for five cents apiece to the Spaniards, and one stamp is stuck on the sheets of every letter written by the patriotic subjects. The committee in the City of Mexico has sold these stamps, it is claimed, in large quantities in the South and Central American republics, and many have found their way to this country. Senor Castellar says that the lot which he received is part of second million of such stamps issued. The stamp is of a light green color and bears this inscription in an arch around the Spanish coat of arms: "5—Impuesta Patriotica Espanol—5."

Had Just Been "Advertised."

A small boy not many miles from Chicago was baptized into one of the Protestant churches of the city. He was intensely interested in the ceremonies attending the sacrament and watched every detail with engerness and appreciation. He noted the attire of the clergyman and the reposes of his godfather and godmother. When he could he answered the questions asked himself and when the minister addressed his sponsors he nodded his head in conformity with their replies. When the ceremony was concluded he was eagerly anxious to get home to his mother to impart his exciting experiences of the morning. He rushed upstairs on reaching the house and burst in upon his mother breathlessly. "Oh, mamma, mamma!" he exclaimed, joyously, "I belong to God now. I've just been advertised."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Must Be a Mistake.

He—Where ignorance is bliss, you know, 'tis folly to be wise.

She—I know the poet says so, but still you don't seem to be of a happy disposition.—Chicago Evening News.

Temporizing.

Caller (by way of introduction, briskly)—I am a bill collector.

Mr. Ten Weeklybones—Ah!—is it a mania with you, or merely a fad?—Puck.

CUT DOWN IN HIS PRIME.

Capt. O. S. Waud Died in Dawson City Nov. 16

Word was received here Wednesday evening announcing the death of Capt Orrin Starr Waud in Dawson city on Nov. 16, at 5:30 P. M. The news was telegraphed from Dawson to Skagway by Mr. Morgan, engineer under Capt. Waud on the Yukon, to Captain Shafer, at Portland, and was brought down by steamer. On receipt of the dispatch Capt Shafer telegraphed the announcement here to Mrs. Waud. Nothing can be learned at present of the cause of death, but as the last letters received by his family stated that he was in perfect health, it is presumed that his illness was of short duration.

Orrin S. Waud was born on the Waud donation claim near Portland, on March 22, 1854, therefore was just in the prime of life at the time of his death. He was a son of John Waud, an Oregon pioneer of 1850, and his early life was spent in and about Portland. In December 1878, he was married to Miss Nellie Murphy, who was born in London, England, and this marriage has been blessed by five children, three of whom —Fred aged 17, Hazel aged 13 and Arthur aged 10—are living, while two are buried in Lone Fir cemetery, Portland, to which place the remains of the captain will be brought for interment. He had two brothers, both of whom were drowned, one in the Columbia and one in Alaska, also three sisters all of whom are living.

When a youth Capt. Waud displayed a fondness for steamboat life, and before he was 21 years of age was mate on a Williamette river steamer. The first boat he commanded was the Westport, which he ran for about nine months, but left the vessel to take command of the Maria Wilkins, which he ran for a year under charter. His next coat was the Clatsop Chief, which he commanded until he bought the tug Portland, operating it for three years, and after selling it purchased an interest in the Governor Neuwell. He was afterwards master of the tug Lincoln in the government employ for two years. Latter he commanded the Salem, Manzanilla and Eugene on the William and the lower Columbia. In December, 1894, he moved to The Dalles taking charge of the D. P. & A. N. Co's steamer Regulator, which position he held until April, 1898, when he resigned to take command of a steamer on the Yukon. He ran a boat there for two seasons, and only quit when the river froze up in October, to engage in mining.

On the Yukon, as well as on the Columbia and Williamette rivers, he gained much popularity, and was recognized as one of the most successful navigators on that dangerous stream.

Capt. Waud was one of the most popular masters of a vessel who ever ran on the river. He was affable and obliging to passengers, one whom the traveling public always was pleased to meet, and in whose hands people always felt safe, for so long as he was in charge of a vessel nothing ever went wrong. Socially he was one of God's noblemen; was kind, obliging, jovial and ever ready to lend assistance to those in need, a friend to the friendless and a companion to his acquaintances. He was a member of the Elks lodge of this place, and held membership in the Knights of Pythias, Odd Fellows and Workmen in Portland.

The death of Capt. Waud has caused a gloom to come over the community, for no person was ever more generally esteemed in this place than he, and the sympathy of all is extended to his bereaved wife, on whom the blow is doubly heavy having come so sudden, and she being comparatively alone with her three children, as all of her relatives live in England.

A VERY HAPPY EVENT.

Mrs. Judge Bennett Entertained a Number of Lady Friends

Assisted by the Misses Marden, yesterday afternoon Mrs. A. S. Bennett received a number of ladies at her elegant home on Fourth street, and a delightful afternoon was spent. The reception hall was decorated with yellow chrysanthemums, while in the parlors were large vases of cut flowers and potted plants, and the entire house presented the appearance of summer rather than a day in autumn, and the cheriness was enhanced by the sunny faces of the hostess and her many happy guests.

For amusement the ladies' attention was called to a guessing contest prepared by the nostess containing a list of nineteen popular authors, whom they were required to name from the description given in the list. Eighteen of the guests were perfect in their answers, therefore it became necessary to devise some means for determining the winner of the prize, and a spelling contest was resorted to and this proved no more successful then was the familiarity of the ladies with the popular authors, as they were perfectly conversant with the spelling of the most difficult words in the English language, and a game of chance was finally resorted to to determine the winner. In this Mrs. W. H. Hobson was the lucky one and drew the grand prize, an elegant volume of Longfellow's poems, while the "booby," a copy of "Mother Goose's" melodies, was fairly won by Mrs. Garretson.

After the contest an elegant and dainty lunch was served which demanded the attention of the guests until late in the afternoon. The ladies who enjoyed Mrs. Bennett's hospitality were:

Mesdames Logan, Marden, Douthit, Sommerville, Fish, T. J. Seufert, Crandall, H. H. Riddell, D. M. French, Laughlin, Smith French, Myers, Butler, F. Cram, Gunning, Moody, H. S. Wilson, Lucas, Gelsendorffer, Wm. Michell, Van Norden, Bullock and Clark, of Portland, B. S. Huntington, Jayne, J. M. Huntington, Moore, Phillips, T. A. Wood, Brooks, Hudson, Schneck, Sheldon, Morgan, Garretson, Houghton, Lord, Crossen, Glenn, Hobson, Maier, Crowe, Z. M. Donnell, Lang, Gibons and Baldwin.

A Party of Brides.

Last evening Mrs. H. W. French gave a most pleasant reception to a number of her lady friends who have recently embarked upon the sea of matrimony, and as their husbands rebelled against being left at home, Mrs. French supplied entertainment for them as well. The married couples included in the list were Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Sinnott, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. French, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Riddell, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bonn, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cram, Mr. and Mrs. M. Z. Donnell, and Mr. and Mrs. Truman Butler. In addition there were present Miss Lang, Miss Elizabeth Lang, Miss Bulah Patterson, Miss Myrtle Michell, Miss Georgia Sampson and Messrs. A. L. Gude and F. A. French. The feature of the evening was indicative of the game which the brides had successfully played in the past, the game of "hearts," which supplied entertainment for several hours, and later the evening was devoted to music and the discussion of a dainty lunch served by the hostess assisted by the young ladies present. Dispite the inclemency of the weather outside, the interior of Mr. and Mrs. French's home was delightful, and a most enjoyable evening was spent by all.

THE PURITAN.

She Is Without Doubt the Finest Fighter in the Navy, Her Men and Officers All Agree.

One of the warrant officers of the United States monitor Puritan, which is with the blockading squadron off Cuba, gives in a letter to a friend in this city some interesting observations on the Puritan's work, says the New York Sun.

"We are all convinced," he writes, "that the Puritan, under the proper circumstances, is the finest fighting boat in the navy; but she has her restrictions. There is no question about the high defensive qualities of the monitor type for harbor work. Our low freeboard makes us a small target for the enemy, and our 12-inch guns make us very dangerous to an enemy. Capt. Harrington and Lieutenant Commander J. Russell Seifridge have worked our crew into fine condition, and there is no question as to the loyalty of the men or their skill with the big guns. Our low freeboard, however, precludes any possibility of our coaling at sea with safety, and as our coal capacity is comparatively small, unless a lee is afforded, so that the monitor may open up her deck scuttles with safety, we must return to a coaling station. Such was the case off Matanzas, where there is an open sea to windward and no protection. The Puritan did good work at Matanzas, as you probably know, and our guns were very effective. I notice that some of the newspapers commented on the fact that our fire was slow. This was according to orders to prevent waste of amunition. We didn't want the gun captains to throw away shots carelessly in their first brush. Everything on board moved like clockwork, and our men behaved splendidly."

KITE FLYING.

A Pleasant Summer Pastime That Has Rendered Invaluable Aid to Science.

One of the most noticeable movements of the present time in popular science is kite-flying, while its practice as a pastime is having a large increase. Its interest to our reader, however, is almost wholly in its scientific aspect, says Appleton's Popular Science Monthly.

To the question: What is really the use of all this practice with kites? Mr. H. H. Clayton, superintendent at Blue Hill observatory (in the suburbs of Boston) once replied nearly as follows: "We are living in an atmosphere of which we practically know very little. Our position is like that of crabs at the bottom of the sea. It is expected that such knowledge will be gained in these aerial explorations as will enable the meteorologist to predict hot and cold waves and the various kinds of storms more accurately and much earlier than has been done heretofore. The observations have already become serviceable in this direction, while the knowledge gained has modified opinions found in the text books."

Truly there are mountain tops three, four, and nearly six miles high, but these are remote or inaccessible; besides, the atmosphere enveloping them is mainly of the same stratum which rests upon the surface of the earth elsewhere, only a little rarefied, chilled and broken in upon slightly in storms, when the stratum is shallow, by the more rapidly flowing stratum next above; so that usually what may be found on the mountain peaks is merely the crest of a billow of the lower atmosphere.

RATHER ROUGH SPORT.

How the Hardy Ironworkers Initiate New Hands in the Business.

"Iron mills are hot places to work in, but the men have lots of fun, with all their hard work," said a retired iron man to a reporter of the Washington Star.

"The other day I took a walk through several mills over in Pennsylvania that I am interested in. As I was going through one the superintendent asked me to wait and see a little fun. I did so, and I will tell you about it.

"A new man had come to work that morning, and the men were about to initiate him into the mysteries of the business. You know it is so warm that the men strip their bodies to an undershirt. When the trip hammers come down they produce myriads of sparks, which the men try to avoid.

"The newcomer had been told that he was in danger of being seriously burned, and that if he felt a spark anywhere about him the only sure way of helping himself was to jump into a big vat of water, which stood a few feet away.

"Finally one of the big trip hammers came down with great force, and as it did so one of the men sneaked up behind the newcomer and dropped a small piece of ice down his back. You never saw such squirming and agony in your life.

"Thinking of what had been told him, he took a run and jumped headlong into the vat of water. The men gathered around him and talked of an ambulance, but he soon found he was only the victim of a joke." — Washington Star.

MAN OF SCIENCE TO THE CATS.

Bomb Invented by a German for the Benefit of Victims of Nocturnal Concerts.

Germany has made another important contribution to the field of invention. This time a man of science, who, presumably, occupies a bedroom in the rear of a city house, has invented a bomb to be thrown at nocturnal cats. The bomb is of about the size of a baseball and will explode with a loud noise upon forcible contact, but is warranted perfectly harmless.

The innovation promises great relief and satisfaction to sufferers, and a mighty saving in books and crockery. Many a tooth mug has been shivered into bits on the back fence, and there are persons who are afraid to keep small books in their rooms because of the tempting fitness of such volumes for missiles. Apples or oranges covertly stolen from the dinner table are first-rate ammunition; but, unquestionably, the bomb fills a long-felt want. Even if one's aim is inaccurate and one doesn't hit the cat, the bomb is bound to hit something and make a racket.

Pessimists say that after the first experience the noise will not make the slightest impression upon the serenader, and that exploding bombs will only add to the suffering of the neighbors. The harmlessness of the bomb is its flaw, say these vindicitive persons, and the only way to stop a cat concert is to massacre all the performers. But the German professor insists that his bomb is a boon to humanity and it certainly would provide more exciting entertainment than the ordinary missile.

How Are Your Kidneys?
Dr. Hobbs' Sparagus Pills cure all kidney ills. Sample free. Add. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or N. Y.

A DEARLY BOUGHT VICTORY

General Methuen Lost Two Hundred Men at Instan.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—A dispatch has been received here from General Buller giving a list of casualties among the troops engaged in the battle of Graspan, but which is now officially designated as the battle of Instan. It proves as was anticipated, that the British success was heavily bought. The losses announced today, added to the naval brigade casualties previously notified, make a grand total of 19[illegible] as the cost of General Methuen's second battle.

ROBERTS AND THE HOUSE.

Congressmen Do Not Know How to Get Rid of the Mormon.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 —A special to the Tribune from Washington says:

No plans have yet been matured for the exclusion of B. H. Roberts from membership in the house. Mr. Roberts's credentials are regular in form and he is as much entitled to be sworn in as a member as any other representative-elect who may present himself at the bar of the house next Monday. His right to take part in the election of a speaker will not be questioned by the hold-over clerk, and it is doubtful if any precendents can be found to sustain the speaker thereafter in refusing to administer the customary oath.

Precedents made in dealing with forme elegates from the territory of Utah are conceded not to apply to the full-fledged representative whom Utah as a state now sends to congress. Both democratic and republican leaders are seeking some method of dealing with the Roberts case which will take it wholly out of partisan politics. Undoubtedly the fairest and most satisfactory procedure would be to acknowledge the legality of the Utah member's credentials and to refer his disputed qualifications, as the constitution provides, to the subsequent judgement of the house.

TO ENTER POLITICS

Knights of Labor Will Depart From Their Time Honored Customs.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—A special to the Times from Washington says: John W. Hayes, general secretary of the Knights of Labor, who has returned to this city from Boston said that the Knights are going to abandon their time-honored custom of taking no part in politics.

"The course of public events" he said, "has forced the order to change its views and to abandon its old policy of political lethargy. It has been resolved to take an active part in the politics of the country and to formulate a plan whereby political questions wil be discussed and decided upon. The discussions will be nonpartisan entirely and the influence and strenght of the order will be given to that party which coincides with and espouses the same view of matters as the order."

SYMPATHY FOR ENGLAND.

This Will Cause the Administration to Ignore Precedent.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: As a result of the formal notification given by Great Britian to foreign powers that a state of war exists in South Africa, proclamations of neutrality are expected to issue. Lord Pauncefote, the British ambassador, has called upon Secretary Hay, and the object of his visit is thus explained:

"The British ambassador has informed the secretary of state that, in view of a doubt which appeared to exist whether her majesty's government recognizes that the hostilities now in course of progress in South Africa constitute a state of war between Great Britain and the South African republics, he has been directed by the Marquis of Salisbury to inform the secretary of state, as an act of courtesy, that the South African republic and the Orange Free State having declared war against her majesty, the queen, and having invaded the British colonies of the Cape and Natal, a state of war has actually existed since October 11, between England and the South African republic and the the Orange Free State."

While in several instances in recent years, the United States has not considered it necessary to proclaim its neutrality in wars between other powers, yet the authorities may deem it expedient, in view of the sympathy they feel for Great Britain in the present struggle, to do so formally. The matter will probably be considered by the cabinet at its meeting tomorrow.

Back From the Copper King.

SUMPTER, Or., Nov. 25.—United States Marshal Zoeth Houser, of Portland, accompanied by J. F. Bacheider, of the Portland Railway Company, arrived in this city this afternoon from a visit to the Copper King mine, in the Dixie Butte country, about six miles from Prairie City.

A company composed principally of Pendleton people was recently incorporated to operate this property, and Mr. Bachelder, who is a mining man of large experience, made this visit at the request of many Portland people who are becoming interested in the district.

Assays of samples from the Copper King show 7 per cent copper and $50 in gold. Mr. Houser states that concentration works will be erected upon the property in the spring.

Robart's Successor.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—United States Senator A. G. Foster, of Washington, said last night that in his opinion the republican national convention next year would accord the vice-presidential nomination to the choice of New York state.

"I don't think there is a doubt of it," he added. Governor Roosevelt would be very acceptable."

"But it is understood here that the governor would not accept," it was suggested.

"Well, how about Secretary Elihu Root?" asked the senator. "He is ambitious, and while Mr. McKinley would probably want to retain him in his present position, Mr Root might prefer the other place. Anyway, a New York man will probably be named.

Discouraging to Hopgrowers.

OREGON CITY, Nov. 28.—Reports from hop men in various parts of the country are becoming decidedly discouraging in regard to prices. A sale of hops has recently been made by a grower who lives in the vicinity of Aurora, for 5 cents per pound. The hops were not a first class article, but in spite of this, the figures are said to be unusually low. Mr Nordhausen, of Maxburg, has lately sold 30 bales at 8 cents a pound, and a number at 10 cents were previously made. Conditions are different now, and the prices are gradually tending downward. The Clakeamas county crop is not nearly disposed of yet. Growers who are not forced to sell now are determined to hold on a while longer.

A Long Trolley Line.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The Boston & Maine Railroad Company is making a bitter fight against the granting of trolley franchises on the route between Portland and Boston, the trolly people having planned to connect the two cities. The short gaps in the trolley system between New York and Boston are being closed rapidly, and it is likely that the all trolley route will be open next spring. A large part of the gap between New York and Philadelphia has just been closed.

It will be seen that it is likely that one may soon be able to take a continuous trolley car ride from Portland to Philadelphia.

BOERS SUFFER AT WEENER

Twelfth Lancers Inflict Severe Punishment.

ESTCOURT, Nov. 30.—The Twelfth Lancers are reported to have attacked Pieretief's force at Weener, and have inflicted great loss on the Boers.

Hildyard's troop bivouaced last night at Frere. Two Boers were captured, one of them a doctor, who entered the British camp under the belief it was a Boer bivouac.

Joubert is reported to have retreated to Colenso yesterday. He traveled in an omnibus drawn by six horses. It is also rumored that he is hurrying back to oppose Colonel Baden-Powell.

Two Estcourt trains arrived at Frere last evening. There is rejoicing at the reopening of the line. Boer prisoners report that Hildyard's night attack with cold steel paralyzed the burghers, whose loss was 30 killed and over 100 wounded.

BIG RAILROAD POOL.

A Combine That Will Evade Anti-Pooling Laws.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—The Herald says: Quietly, but surely, there has been built up by the financial giants who control the trunk line railroads, a traffic deal which will be able to get around the law against pools and yet accomplish all of the purposes of a pool and enable them to secure profitable rates to all of the interested companies.

It was the knowledge that this traffic deal is about to be put into operation, and the fact that the Baltimore & Ohio was to be operated in harmony with the Pennsylvania and New York Central interests that gave rise to the report that the first named company had been acquired by the Pennsylvania railroad. Denials are made that the Baltimore & Ohio has been acquired by either of its competitors, but it is understood that the management of the Baltimore & Ohio has reached an understanding with the financiers who control the Pennsylvania and New York Central to handle all traffic impartially, and henceforth not to permit any rate disturbance to influence them.

The Erie, Deleware, Lackawanna & Western, Ontario & Western, Reading, LeHigh Valley, New Jersey Central and Chesapeake & Ohio are all controlled in the interest of Messrs. Morgan and Vanderbilt, and there is no danger of disturbance from these companies.

CUBAN TREACHERY FEARED.

But Conspirators Are Spotted and Will Be Watched

HAVANA, Nov. 30.—La Lucha, in an editorial on the situation in Cuba, says:

"There will be neither revolt nor insurrection. Matters are in a grave condition, but not alarmingly so. The judicious behavior of all persons of influence will prevent violent or sensational developments. There has been no outbreak of armed men in any part of the island and as a matter of fact the people in the rural districts intend to squelch any attempt at a rising.

"The farmers who had to be forced to fight Spain are now beginning to recover from the effects of that struggle. They know that the Americans are determined to maintain peace, and they know also that the American authorities are kept fully informed of every step taken by men who are giving a percentage of their salaries to buy arms. The other imbeciles—the agitators and office holders, who are using the money they receive from the United States to further plans which they must know are doomed to fail—are also marked men. The American government has in Cuba an unapproachable spy service, largely composed of Cubans themselves."

ALL QUIET AT KIMBERLEY.

No Fighting at Ladysmith Since November 9th.

LONDON, Nov. 30.—The war office today makes the following dispatch public from the commanding general at Cape Town, under date of November 29:

"Kimberley all well to November 23. Rail and telegraph is opened to Modder river. Gatacre reports the following from Buller, dated Pietermaritzburg Wednesday, November. 29:

"'Mitchell, telegrapher, has just made his way out from Ladysmith to Weenor, whence he sends the following message:

"On November 9 we beat back the Boers with great loss to the enemy. Our total casualties were remarkably small. There were only eight men killed during the siege by shells and in all battles, etc., only 100 have been killed or wounded. I left Ladysmith on the night of November 29. Since November 9 no attempt has been made to attack Ladysmith in force.'"

Mexican Coal Lands.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 30.—The Southern Pacific is said to be making active preparations to engage in some extensive and costly construction work in the state of Jonora, Mexico. Recently the Southern Pacific acquired by purchase some extensive undeveloped coal fields in Sonora, lying about 70 miles south of Ortiz, a station on the Sonora railroad, which latter road is now a Southern Pacific property.

It is understood to be the company's intention to develop the coal beds as soon as tracks can be built from Ortiz and ship the product to Guaymas, where an immense coaling station will be established. The company, it is said, is planning to ship coal in large quantities to Southern California and Mazatlan, at which points fuel will be furnished to Pacific coast steamers.

Ellis For Sergeant-at-Arms.

WASHINOTON, Nov. 30.—If plans decided upon by republican leaders of the senate today are carried out, former Representative Ellis, of Morrow county, Oregon, is certain to be the next sergeant-at-arms. The Oregonian has the support of all West coast members, many votes in the Middle West and enough in the East it is thought to insure his success when the republicans meet in congress to reorganize the practical working force of the senate.

It is generally considered that the Pacific coast states should have this office in the next congress, and as Oregon presents the only candidate for this place from the Pacific coast section, it is practically conceded that Ellis will capture the prize.

Six People Killed.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Six persons were killed almost instantly and 20 seriously injured in the train wreck at Patterson, N. J., last night, when an accomodation train on the Lackawanna railroad crashed into the rear of the Buffalo express standing near the station. The engineer on the accommodation train was John Riordan. He stuck to his post. The fireman is said to have jumped just before the locomotive struck the end of the smoker.

Favorable to the West.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—Congressmen are now busy slating the various candidates for positions on committees. The indications are that on the rivers and harbors committee, the interest of Pacific coast states will be represented by either Congressman Thomas H. Tongue, of Oregon, or Congressman Russell J. Waters, of Southern California.

Creeks are Bank Full.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 28.—The heavy rains that have prevailed during the last few days have raised the water considerably in the Willamette river and have changed the creeks and brooks into raging torrents.

To Cure Constipation Forever.
Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

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Garden Tools. Marlin and Winchester Rifles.
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A Complete Line of Spraying Material for Fruit Growers. Dunn's No. 1 Spray, also Lime, Sulphur and Salt.

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In addition to the above we run a Tin and Plumbing Shop, Bicycle Repair Shop and General Machine Shop.

Our Grocery Line is complete in every respect

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Bargains for the Week.

SILKS! SILKS! SILKS!

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A modest bunch of human grace.
Combine the two with expert hands
Will make the lady of the land."
—Kidling.

For this week we have on sale every piece of silk in our establishment at prices that will justify you in looking at our beautiful line. It is complete in every detail and warrant us in making the assertion that it surpasses anything ever shown in The Dalles.

Handkerchiefs.

Ladies' pure linen hemstitched and scalloped, hand-drawn work, revered block, hemstitched and embroidered handkerchiefs worth from 4½c up to $4.50 each.

Petticoats.

Nearsilk petticoats in all colors, umbrella flounce fluted, two small ruffles, strapped seams, 98c to $4.50 each.

Silk petticoats, assorted styles and colors, ranging in price from $5.00 up.

Shopping Bags.

A magnificent new line of novelties in ladies' leather and silk shopping bags, ranging in price from 75c to $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and $1.75.

Neckwear.

We have just opened a choice line of the very latest styles in ladies' fashionable and popular priced neckwear.

21 yards unbleached cotton flannel	$1 00
19 yards extra grade cotton flannel	1 00
24 yards bleached muslin 36 inches wide	1 00
20 yards unbleached muslin 36 inches wide	1 00
20 yards indigo blue calico	1 00
20 yards checked gingham	1 00
17 yards excellent quality outing flannel	1 00
1 complete line of checks and plaids in dress goods.	12c

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