

A FASCINATING but fatal form of amusement is leaning over from the platform of a rapidly moving train to watch a tramp riding on a truck underneath. Sterling Welch lost his life on the C. & O., that way about two weeks ago, and last Saturday J. H. Einhouse met with a similar casualty near Salem: in both cases the tramp escaped, and rode securely amid security.

OUR PORTLAND LETTER.

Telegraphic Items from the Metropolis.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.]

PORTLAND, April 1.—Chas. Gong, convicted of the murder of Lee Yack in the Chinese theater in November, '87, was sentenced to-day to hang on May 17. When asked if he had anything to say, the convicted murderer said: "On the night of the murder I was not out of my place. My enemies have got up this job on me, I don't know why the jury rendered such a verdict against me. I am innocent of the murder, and God knows how innocent I am."

A. J. Cody, indicted for biting off the lower lip of Joseph Morin was up in court to-day. Judge Stearns overruled the demurrer to the indictment to set his case for trial on the 15th of April.

The preliminary examination of John Dronillard charged with the murder of Pedro Riberos, on board the steamship Corona on the 26th of March, was held before United States commissioner Paul R. Deady this morning. Dronillard was committed without bail. The testimony was about the same as that heretofore published in THE ASTORIAN. The cutting was done with a large pocket knife.

THE PRIZE ESSAYS.

Original Poetry and Prose Compositions.

Some time ago Herman Wise advertised that he would give prizes to the author of the best original compositions to be handed in by boys under sixteen years of age, on the subject of "Why should people trade with Herman Wise?" The boys were to select their own judges, expressing their preference on their compositions.

A large number were handed in: A. A. Cleveland, C. J. Curtis and F. Hallgren were selected as judges, and yesterday afternoon awarded the first prize, a suit of clothes, to the following, written by No. 16, Lester Basy:

Why should people trade with Herman Wise? Well, when a feller goes and buys, He gets a suit that's just his size, And Herman never tells him lies; Or cheats him out of both his eyes; But gives him home something prize. That's why we trade with Herman Wise.

Why should we buy of Herman Wise? He is the man to purchase of, And never by the slow coach tries To catch the business as it flies. It surely is a great surprise To see the nibby suits and ties That fill the shelves of Herman Wise.

The second prize, a hat, was awarded to No. 15, Jas. Layzell, the author of the following:

In answer to your advertisement of last Sunday morning Salmon Tys to answer why should people trade of Herman Wise. First because he is cheap. Second because his articles are good. Thirdly because he is one of the most obliging, polite men in the city. Fourthly because he will change them for you. He will change them for you. I remain his well wisher.

Carpenter's Union Organized.

Pursuant to notice a meeting of carpenters and joiners was held last Saturday evening, when the Astoria Local Union No. 520 of the brotherhood of carpenters and joiners of America was organized and officers installed by Peter Watts of Portland.

The next meeting will be next Thursday evening; the officers are M. Kronquist, President; Fred Wright, corresponding secretary; D. Airth, vice president; J. P. Sotham, financial secretary; J. Gustafson, treasurer; Jno. Nyland, conductor; Wm. Chadwick, warden; Trustees: C. J. Kimball, Wm. Atkins, Andrew Anderson.

To Seize on Miller's Sands.

B. Gallagher goes to Miller's Sands with a seining outfit comprising fourteen men, six horses, seines, provisions and accoutrements. He takes up two seines, one 16x33 ft. for the horses; the other, 18x54 ft. for living on. The seines will be anchored on the seining ground, and will be head quarters. It is hard and wearing work, though not so dangerous as laying out and taking in a gill net from a boat.

County Court Proceedings.

County Judge Page, commissioner Nurnberg, county clerk Trenchard and Sheriff Smith met yesterday, in the county court room.

Sheriff Smith filed his tax roll for '88. D. McTavish was admitted to citizenship. In the estate of Jas. Gallagher, final account executors allowed. Adjourned to 10 A. M. to-day.

Piano Tuning.

W. S. Geary the piano tuner will return to Astoria, April 15th, orders left with Miss H. Bately or at the N. Y. Novelty Store will receive prompt attention.

The Dalles Times-Mountaineer says that the only black locust tree in Oregon was recently cut down in that city.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

Mrs. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, cures the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

The latest style of Gents' Boots and Shoes at P. J. GOODMAN'S.

Telephone Lodging House. Best beds in town. Rooms per night 50 and 25 cts., per week \$1.50. New and clean. Private entrance.

C. R. F. U.

The regular monthly meeting of the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective Union will be at Liberty Hall, at 7:30 P. M., Tuesday, April 2nd, 1889.

A. SEFELD, A. President. A. SUTTON, Sec.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

Some More Presidential Nominations.

The Daily Record of Current Events.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.]

WASHINGTON, April 1.—Secretary of the navy Tracy cabled to Samoa that the men wrecked on the naval vessels which they are sent home are to come to San Francisco. He renewed the instructions that have been sent to San Francisco to hurry forward as much as possible all the preparations for the completion of the Charleston. Every effort is being made to get guns and carriages transported overland at the earliest possible moment. The guns are ready at the proving grounds at Annapolis, and the carriages are about ready, at the Washington navy yard.

QUEENLY REGRETS.

LONDON, April 1.—Queen Victoria has sent a dispatch to emperor William expressing her regret for the loss of the German men-of-war at Samoa.

THE PRESIDENT AND SENATE.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The senate special committee to wait upon the president, reported that they had performed that duty and had been advised by the president that he would to-day communicate certain messages, but after to-day no other messages would be sent except some of an informal character to fill vacancies. The senate then proceeded to executive business.

SOME MORE APPOINTMENTS.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—President Harrison to-day made the following nominations: James Neuston, of Indiana, treasurer of the United States; Elias S. Roberts, of New York, assistant treasurer of New York; William F. Wharton, of Massachusetts, assistant secretary of state; George H. Shields, of Missouri, assistant attorney general; vice Zach. Montgomery resigned, Capt. Geo. E. White, of the U. S. navy, chief bureau of yards and docks, to fill the vacancy; L. Bradford Prince, of Santa Fe, governor of New Mexico; L. A. Walker, of Helena, secretary of Montana; Charles Scooby, of Montana, Indian agent at Fort Peck, M. T.

A HORRIBLE RECIPE.

MILWAUKEE, April 1.—Margaret Kenter and her three children, aged 2, 4, and 6 years, were burned to death in their bed this morning. There is every indication that the mother deliberately committed the horrible deed. They all occupied the same bed. Smoke from a fire built beneath it smothered them. Mrs. Kenter's body is terribly disfigured, her clothing and hair are burned off and her feet nearly gone. The children were horribly burned. The charred body of one fell through the floor to the basement.

A NEW COMET.

ROCHESTER, April 1.—Prof. Swift of the Warner observatory has received a telegram from the Lick observatory announcing the discovery last evening by Prof. Barnard of a new comet: the position is right ascension 5 hours, 20 minutes and fifty seconds, declination north 26 degrees seven minutes. It is very faint.

NEWS FROM STANLEY.

LONDON, April 1.—A letter from Henry M. Stanley, dated September 4, has reached a friend of the explorer in Ellensburg. It contained nothing new. It is dated Smapature, September. Stanley says he is well and in good spirits. He met Emin Pasha on the shores of Albert Myanza. They were together 26 days and when Stanley left Emin Pasha he was enjoying good health.

CARPENTERS' STRIKE.

ST. LOUIS, April 1.—Twelve hundred carpenters struck this morning for 8 hours a day and 40 cents an hour.

IN BUFFALO.

BUFFALO, April 1.—Eight hundred carpenters and painters struck for nine hours beginning to-day.

NEW YORK, April 1.—Bar silver is quoted to-day at 92 1/2.

NEW TO-DAY.

ROSS OPERA HOUSE. ONE NIGHT ONLY. The Theatrical Event of the Year. Monday Evening, April 8th. America's Representative Comedian.

Sol Smith Russell. In his Unparagoned Funny Comedy, "Bewitched".

Bewitching Music. Pretty Girls. Handsome Costumes. The Great Comedian in all his Funny Songs and Sketches.

Three Hours of Refined Fun. NO ADVANCE IN PRICES for this great performance. Seats \$1, 75, and 50 cents.

For Sale. HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE FOR SALE. Apply on the premises, opposite Mrs. Montell's. MRS. ATKINS.

A NEW ENTERPRISE. City Express Transfer Company. H. D. Thing and C. E. Miller, PROPRIETORS.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, U. S. LIFE-SAVING SERVICE, Washington, D. C., March 19, 1889.

Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 2 o'clock P. M., of Wednesday, April 24, 1889, for the construction of a Life-Saving Station at Point Adams, Oregon.

Plans and specifications containing full information, and forms of proposal, can be obtained from the Collectors of Customs at Astoria and Portland, Oregon; Superintendent of the Twelfth Life-Saving District, Appraisers Building, San Francisco, California; Superintendent of Construction Life-Saving Stations, Pacific Coast, 24 State street, New York City; and upon application to this office, S. L. KIMBALL, General Superintendent.

DIAMOND PALACE!

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To Whom It May Concern. NOTICE is hereby given that by order of the common council I will pay a reward of \$2.50 to "any boy" who will inform at the city police at Mrs. P. Brien's stable, any cow, found running at large within the corporate limits of the same city of Astoria, contrary to the provisions of the ordinance prohibiting cows from running at large.

W. J. BARRY, Chief of Police. Astoria, March 29th '89.

F. H. SURPRENANT & CO., SUCCESSORS TO J. C. ROSS County Coroner.

First Class Undertaking ESTABLISHMENT. New Styles, Caskets and funeral material Next to ASTORIAN office.

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