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WHAT THEY

Columbia River Salmon Packers Do a Great Deal of "Elocution."

BUT FAIL TO FORM A COMBINE

They Looked and Still the Wonder Grew. That One Small Bead Could Carry All He Knew"-The Packers Will Meet Again Today.

Portland, March 22, 1896. Special Correspondence.
They looked, and still the wonder grew,
That one small head could carry all he

couplet is correctly quoted. In fact, I am rather inclined to the contrary opinbut since the packers' convention in its incorrectness, because it is so pocularly apropos to the matter which will follow. The lines are not introded to be appearing of any of the gentlem n who were in attendance at the Portland meeting, which has now become a scatter of history, but, contra, breathe the very air of admiration. What, in the days of Roger Bacon, applied to the village school master individually, now applies to the members of the packers' convention, col-

lors of the Portland hotel, with the in-tent of forming a combination among themselves, whereby they could obviate a number of the grievances which, for a ong lime, have beset them. If ovil re-port be true, some restless and distressed spirit is even new treading upon many of the same kind of resolutions that have rone before, but of this more after a time. It is not germane just now. The first name among the Astoria congent to be placed upon the Hotel Part-Elmore, George H. George and wife, i. W. Sanborn and wife, J. G. Megler nd wife, J. O. Hanthorn, M. J. Kinney, W. Cook, B. A. Seaborg, N. Tallaot, M. Warren, S. Farrel, R. Winters dumbia River Packing Company, As-J Mellowan & Son, Pillar Rock Packing Company, J. G. Megler & Co., F. M. Warren & Co., Happood & Co., Buckhelt Packing Company, Dalles Packing Com-

Having all been assigned to rooms, my-Having all been assigned to rooms, myself among the number, and become comfortably settled for a day or two's stay,
the post-prandial cigar found the members wandering listlessly around the
lobby, waiting for the appearance of
Messrs. Kinney and McGowan, who had
wired that they would be in evidence
on the Wednesday afternoon boat. Those who were on hand occupied their time variously, but principally in telling fish stories and making imaginary packs of

salmon.

As telegraphically outlined in these columns last week, the primary object of the meeting was to formulate, if possible, some combination, or offensive and defensive afflance, which would not only allow the packers to fix the price to be paid for the raw fish as they come from the water, but also to regulate the price of the finished product to the wholesaler, together with other matters of minor import, some of which were contained with-in the major objects of the meeting. With these ends in view, C. S. Norris, of Chicago, representing the interests of the A. Booth Packing Company, had, upon request, prepared a scheme of combination. At 10 o'clock the first hard work of the session commenced. Norris and Elmoro were everywhere in evidence, rounding up the dilators and recalcitrant ones, preparatory to getting down to business. They did not, however, get together until the aftermoon, when they secreted themselves behind the oaken doors of the Portland's pariors and hung up the S. R. O. sign—on the outside. Everyone was barred except those im-mediately interested in the salmon pack-ing industry, but a temporary organization, which was afterward made perma-nent, was effected. In the election of S. Farrel, of Portland, of the Everding & Farrel Packing Company, as chairman, and S. Elmore, of Astoria, secre-tary. This constituted the work of the day session, and an adjournment was taken until after the dinner hour.

Replete with such good things as the Portland's table affords, the members, upon the theory that "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" (this may seem turned around, but it is not, as you will after awhite discover), went after the matters confronting them apparents the matters confronting them, apparently in earnest, about 8 o'colck, Kinney nd McGowan having in the meantime put in an appearance.

After elucidating the terms of his con-

solidation scheme, Mr. Norris gracefully withdrew, and put in his spare time in conversation with me ament the war in Abyssinia, the prospects of rain the succeeding day, and various other weighty subjects, allowing the members to dis-cuss his proposition in all its details among themselves. If anyone ever among themselves. If anyone ever doubted the ability of a salmon packer to orate he should have attended that meeting. We did not hear any of it on the outside, but that it was there in large chunks is a safe 10 to 1 shot at any time. Five long, breeze-laden hours the members wrestled with the proposition and themselves but nothing same of all and themselves, but nothing came of all the travall, and about midnight they adjourned to spit on their hands, take a fresh hold and go at it again in the

Morning.

After adjournment I instituted a still hunt after the Norris proposition, or at least the proposition as it then stood for consideration before the packers. It was much harder work than fishing for bass, with some of the excitement and none of the fun. Each member was as dumb as a Shoalwater oyster and it was found impossible to elicit any informa-tion, further than that the proposition had been submitted and that it was still and been submitted and that it was still under consideration. None of the packers would talk on any subject but the weather, which aptiy illustrates that if a woman cannot keep a secret a man can, particularly when his financial interests are at stake.

The talk of the previous day had only

the divine gift of eloquence. Although, as is the custom in our house of lords, no premonitory warnings were given that there was to be an oratorical outbreak, the length of the succeeding ses-sion and the paucity of accomplishment yielded every indication that it was at yielded every indication that it was at least in contemplation and might take place at any time. Subsequent events supported this idea. The penderous caken doors which concealed the packers from the outside world allowed no whisper of it to escape, but upon the fact of sach member as he left the rooms after the session of Thursday was plainly revealed that if any combination of any kind was to be made, it would not be until he had had his say and until the searchlight of investigation and inquiry

searchlight of investigation and inquiry had been turned upon every possible point and view of the much-mooted and -discussed question

The packers were between the deell and the deep, deep sea; from Tuesday until Thursday they had talked and talked, and Friday morning found them ready to fight it out on the same lines and talk some more, even if the Portland's commissaries and talk some more, even if a consequence. By this time the Norris combination had changed its appearance. Aside from some modifications made by Mr. Norris himself, it had been so Mr. Norris himself. It had been so amended and ramified that it could not even recognize itself, having much the appearance of a retired principality hunting a backer. All this time the members were "elocutin"," as Mrs. Partington would put it, until they were red in the face and were compelled to change their collars as a matter of protection. They were still adrift. They had fost their bearings and had no idea of either the latitude or longitude. The fervisi, staccato eloquence of Elmore; the gut-teral, accentuated oratory of Seabors, the persuaviness of Hanthorn, George Norris, Megler and the others had had no effect. About this time that couplet

concluding he would have more time to devote to the convention if he went to New York and there first transact his business, ceased to be a factor in the meeting, so it is difficult to determine just what elements of elecution there are dormant within him. However, the other members talked just the same as the committee on foreign relations: If he had been there, so it really did not make much difference. During all this symposium of animated conversation, Mr. George had found time to introduce an-other consolidation scheme, and for a time the remains of the other one were laid aside. It did not bein matters much: every member seemed determined not to agree with any other member as to what were the vitalities of the com bination, and it really looked for a time as if the top-heavy meeting would fall of its own weight.

The sesison of Friday night was a long one. Midnight had almost gone when he members appeared, looking much as Incle Josh's vilain did after the old man had thrown him down the skylight. They were tired. That was plainly to be seen. So was I, but none of them noticed that. The thought has sometimes struck me that they did not care. How-belt, they were all soon in bed, dreaming, mayhap, of what they would say the next day.

Saturday morning's meeting was a lat-one. It resulted as the others had. This time it was evident that nothing ma-terial could eventuate from the labors of the various sessions, unless the members arbitrarly mended their ways, and I then once more bethought me of that couplet. How on earth had they, with a primary two-fold object before them and the propositions all prepared beforehand, occupied five whole days in find-ing out that none of the schemes were feasible to them? There was not very many in attendance, and it gradually be-came a matter of wonderment to me how they made the talk stretch far enough to go around. During the lunenough to go around. During the lun-cheon time I skirmished around, but was confronted with the same thick veil of silence as before. However, one incau-tious member confidentially told me that if the afternoon session of Saturday brought forth no fruit and nothing came of the evening meeting, they would probably ajourn without doing anything except pay their horei bills. I thanked him cordially for this, with which I was perforce content. Strangely, it turned out exactly as he said. Oblivious of the exactly as he said. Oblivious of the beauties of the glorious day outside, Saturday afternoon went, with the mem-bers of the meeting, as had all the other afternootis preceding it. They were all late at dinner Saturday night, and it was apparent that before boat time some-thing was to drop. Something did drop -the curtain Early in the evening the weary packers filed out one at a time and solemnly made the announcement, suppressing a sigh and a half-former yawn, that the Columbia River Packers' Association had finally adjourned; but even this was not to be the end-there was a string attached to the adjournment. It was only for the purpose of allowing the members to obtain a few draughts of sea breeze that they might return to the Portland Tuesday, the 21th, and take a homeopathic dose of the medicine of the previous week.

The fruits of the meeting can be epi-tomized in one word-nothing. Many subjects were discussed, many matters of at first contemplated were given atnot at first contemplated were given at-tention, but this one word describes the summum bonum of the season's achieve-ment, in as far as anything tangible is concerned. Aside from the two already mentioned, another proposition for com-bination was submitted, meeting the same fate as the others. None of them have been discarded, but are held in abeyance pending the meeting of The abeyance pending the meeting of Tues

accyance pending the meeting of Tuesday.

This is not by any means the first time the packers have tried to get together upon some basis of mutuality. They have whereased and whereased and resolved many is the time before, so the talk of this session did not even possess the merit of newness. It seems to be the individual desire of each packer to have some kind of combination upon which he can rely, but the difference of opinion as to how that combination can be most easily effected is so great that some of the packers express the sorrowful opinion that none can be consummated; others are more sanguine, and are confident that the result of the meeting of Tuesday will be eminently satisfactory to all concerned, including the fishermen and the wholesalers. At all ovents, they will make a desperate attempt to harmonize the various interests and theories and find some timestrests. tempt to harmonize the various interests and theories, and find some happy medium upon which all can settle. medium upon which all can settle.

SALMONTHA.

Like clocks, one whiel another on must drive, affairs by diligent labor only thrive.—Chapman.

Errors like straws upon the surface flow; he who would search for pearls must dive below.—Dryden.

Best Washing Powder on Soap Foam,

THE RESOLUTIONS RECOMMITTED

Cuban Measures Returned That the Objectional Clauses Therein May Be Removed.

MILLS' STARTLING MEASURE

Authorizes the President to Demand Spanish Recognition of Cuban Bone Government and. If She Does Not Comply. Take Possession of the Country.

Washington, March Z-An unexpected cilmax to the Cuban debate was reached in the senate today when, on motion of Sherman, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, the Cuban resolutions were recommitted to the committee. The

Simultaneous with this action, Mills reported a resolution which procosed to go further than has been suggested at any previous time. It directs the

which had been taken up. Subsequently Flatt offered another phase of the Cuban question by presenting the following con-current resolution, which was referred to Resolved, That the senate, the house of representatives concurring, hereby expresses its earnest desire and hope that Cuba may soon become free independent, and a republican government, and the friendly offices of the United States should be offered by the president to the

TO BE BUILT ON THE COAST.

Washington, March 21.—The provision on the navai appropriation for three new dry docks to be built at Algiers, I.a., Mare Island, Cal., and Portamouth, N. H., was reconsidered today by the naval affairs committee of the house, the motion to drep these projects for the time was made and carried by a decisive vote which the Republicans believe does not It was also decided to have one four new battle ships built on the Pacific

coast; also one of the fifteen torpedo boats, another on the Gulf of Mexico, and another on the Mississippi river. The five larger torpedo boats, it was dicided,

Washington, March 22.-In the senate today Hoar gave notice of a proposed amendment to the rules for the purpos-of "enabling the senate to dispose of public business more promptly." It proposes that, when any bill or resolution shall be in order for any senator to de-mand that the debate thereon be closed. If the demand is seconded by a majority of those present, the resolution is to be taken up without further debate, and the pending measure is to take precedence of all business.

TRIBUTE TO BLACKBURN.

Washington, March 21.-Blackburn's reurn to the senate today, after an ex-ting and fruitless senatorial contest efore the Kentucky legislature, was signaffed by an unusual demonstration by his colleagues. On the senator's desk was the most mammoth and elaborate floral design ever brought to the senate, rising twelve feet from the floor. The main design represented the coat of arms of Kentucky, with two large dolls clasping hands as central figures, around which was worked the state motto: "United We Stand; Divided We Fall." The tribute came from Blackburn's senatorial friends.

MAY GRANT LEAVE.

Washington, March 23.-The secretary washington, March 23.—The secretary of the treasury, after consultation with the president and the law officials of the government, has decided to allow the susual annual leaves of absence to employes of the department outside of Washington. Some months ago the security a surface to the secretary's authority to grant these layers. retary's authority to grant these leaves in the absence of specific legislation on the subject, was brought into question, and the present action is a final settlement of the matter.

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION.

Fourteen Miners Mutilated in a Pennsylvania Coal Mine.

Special to the Astorian.

Dubois, Pa., March 23.—A terrific explosion occurred at the Berwynd-White shaft, in the eastern limits of the city today, and fourteen miners were killed. Eighteen men went on at 7 o'clock this morning. Fourteen were going into the north head and four into the west head-ing. About 10 o'clock the latter felt a shock, a few minutes later the mine boss

There was another explosion at the Adrian mines located eight miles south of here, caused by fire damp. Two men were killed.

BARK ON FIRE.

San Francisco, March 23.-The British San Francisco, March 23.—The British bark Alexander was towed into port to-day by the tug Fearless in a hurning condition. She left Newcastle, N. S. W., December 27 for Port Los Angeles. March 19 in latitude 34 42 north, longitude 124 56 west, smoke was discovered issuing from her hold. She fell in with the schooner Helen N. Kimbali, bound

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from Port Harford for Tacoma, next day, and the captain of the schooner agreed to stay with the burning vessel her captain would put into Man Fran-isco. The stores and baggage of the surning vessel were transferred to the chooser and her head turned toward this port. She was picked up by the Fearless near the Farallones today and towed to the mud flats, where she was beached.

VISITED THE WRECKS.

Large Party of Bicyclists and Others Make a Trip to Long Brach. The steamers Ilwaco and Dwyer car-

ried about 100 persons to Long Beach Sunday morning, where the British sign Glammorag is piled up on the sand. On the steamer Gatzert from Portland there the steamer Gatzert from Portland there arrived a small party of ladies and gen-llemen, who also went to the beach. The following composed the bicycle crowd:

Frank arker, Tom Bryce, Will Elgner, Frank Rucker, Horace Thing, Will Sherman, Frank Curran, George Kellegg, "Casey" Marion, Paul Badollet, Dan Campbell, Charile Higgins, Frank Shields Walter Bobb, John Gratke, Mike Beverlidge, Charite Ring, Will Gratke, Will Warren, Ferd Fisher, Austin Small, Roy Walter Robb, John Gratke, MRe Bever-idge, Charife Ring, Will Gratke, Will Warren, Ferd Fisher, Austin Small, Roy

Stringham, and Dick Carruthers.

About a dozen of the boys rode on their wheels from the landing at Ilwaco to Ocean Park, four miles south of the wreck, and arrived nearly half an hour before the train. They started out at a 20-mile lick, which was kept up for six miles, after which a 16-mile pace was ridden. The tength of the ride is seven-teen miles, and the boys—those who ar-rived—made excellent time.

to go further than has been many to go further than has been at any previous time. It directs the president to require Spain to grant ideal self government to Cuba, and, in case Spain refuses, the president is authorized to use the military and naval forces in taking possession of Cuba and holding it until a self government is established by the Cuban people.

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The recommittal came so quickly that said did not realize what had been sending the conding the conding the conding the conding the conding the conding the cuban people. pelled to get off five or six times and do feeling, which often overtakes one under like circumstances, took possession of him and he swore a mighty oath. This didn't pump any wind into the tire, however. Then he came to the conclusion front tire. Riding under such circ stances is quite tiresome; it gives on a pain in the neck; and Dick's neck institute too strong, anyhow. After considerable difficulty he reached Mr. Loomis' resithe railroad, walked to Ocean Park, a porter didn't get anything to eat. His appetite was appeared, however, for he chewed the rag with Dick, who could find nobody to carry him down to the wreck. and loafed around the hotel.

The rest of the bicyclists stopped at Scaland, where an elegant luncheon was served by Mr. J. H. Turner, who was advised beforehand and was in a position to receive his guests. Oysters in five styles were served, and when the boys-told the hungry Ocean Park crowd about five larger torpeds of twenty-five knots must attain a speed of twenty-five knots an hour, while the others must be of the greatest speed possible, no limit being fixed.

styles were so told the hungry Ocean Park crowd about it, the latter threatened to stop the train at Sealand. The hotel people at Ocean Park, not having been advised of the proportions of the crowd, were not hung. prepared to feed seventy-five or a hun-bred persons. However, everything possi-ble was done for the hungry creatures and nearly all partook of the hotel's hos-

pitality and clams.

On the way to liwaco the conductor announced, "Fifteen minutes to see the wreck of the Point Loma," and the crowd made a rush for the scene, car-rying away many pieces of wreckage as souvenirs of the disaster. One lady had a spike, and several large pieces of wood, and, when someone told her the boiler and a few planks remained on the beach, she threatened to slap his face. The party reached home at 5 o'clock, everyoody tired-but Dick Carruthers-yet glad

There is practically no change in the Glenmorag's position. She is lying up and down the beach and is buried about seven feet in the sand. She rests as easy as though she was in a cradle and is as sound as ever. It is indeed to be regrett-ed the ship cannot easily be floated. In all probability she will not be floated. Her position is such as to make this al-most impossible. The disaster in itself is most mystify-

ing. Why she should have gone ashore there appears to be no reason. Even though the fog was heavy, Captain Currie knew he was somewhere near the west shores of the Pacific, and that land laid in but one direction, as far as any dan-ger to his ship was concerned—ast. Why he should have salled in this direction, or even northeast, he alone knows. Uneven northeast, he alone knows. Un-fortunately, the ship grounded at high water, which lessens the chance of get-

Another strange thing is why the cap-tain should have ordered the weather boats lowered, when the surf was very low. He had time to build a boat and nake shore, or wait till low water and walk ashore; but nothing would do but the boats must be lowered. Even though the break was low a way was sufficient men met such a cruel death. It is split in twain as if by the hand of man, and much of the wreck was carried away Sunday by the crowd. The accident is indeed a most unfortunate one. Workmen were busy removing the bollers of the Point Loma, which is buried ten feet in the sand. Four wrecks now its within men were busy removing.

the Point Loma, which is buried ten feet in the sand. Four wrecks now lie within a distance of ten or twelve miles along the beach. They are the Harvest Home, the Point Loma, the Glenmorag and the Strathblane, the latter the stranded vessurable was driven ashore.

Strathblane, the latter the stranded vessurable was driven ashore is still master of all he surveys at the way. Every appearance points to a school of the club, withdrawn it, and is still master of all he surveys at the strander was a school of the club. sel's sister ship, which was driven ashore during a living gale on the night of No-vember 23, 1893.

His eyes have all the seeming of a lemon that is dreaming.—Poe.

THE BOOTHS ARE DETERMINED

NO. 68.

They Positively Will Not Take Command of the Salvation Army in the United States.

WILL START NEW MOVEMENT

Leaders of This Move Claim the London Officers Are Merely Playing a Trick to Prevent American Officers From Leaving Original Salvation Army.

the London officers are playing a trick, and that they talk reconcillation to priv-vent many American officers from leav-ing the Salvation Army to join the new

TERRIFIC HURRICANE. Thought the Gale Has Devastated the Fijian Islands.

Victoria, March 31.-The Canadian-Aus that not only Suva, but every settl both the Fijian and Samoan islands in ruins. Purser Humphreys has communi-cated with the imperial authorities so

TRAIN WRECKED.

Bolse, Idaho, March 23.-The westbound Oregon Short Line train was wrecked near Shoshone this morning by a broken rail. Two sleepers and Super-intendent Van Hoesen's private car left the track, the latter being smashed. Van Hoesen escaped with a number of brulses. A number of passengers were slightly

NOW FOR THE REGATTA.

General Committee Appointed by the A. F. C. Directors. Football Club met last evening, and appointed a regatta committee which is, with one exception, the same as that of last year. The following gentlemen com-

pose the committee:
Hon. John Kopp, F. P. Kendall, C. J.
Trenchard, Sam Harris, Frank L. Parker, and E. C. Hughes.
There is one vacancy, which is to be filled by this committee. The committee will have full power to act, and will ap-point as many sub-committees as may be deemed advisable. The idea in making the appointments at this early date is to bring matters to a head, so that those in charge of the firemen's tournamen may work in conjunction with the

regatta committee.

There is quite a balance on hand remaining from last year's festival, and, as the same gentlemen have matters in charge this year, it is thought there will be no difficulty in making a large collec-tion. With the firemen's tournament and the regarda, Astoria will be the "hottest" town on the coast for a week or

Quite a number of the A. F. C. boys are training for the sping games of the Multnomah Athletic Club of Portland, which occurs June 5, among them Robert Another strange thing is why the captain should have ordered the weather boats lowered, when the surf was very low. He had time to build a boat and make shore, or wait till low water and walk ashore; but nothing would do but the boats must be lowered. Even though the break was low, a wave was sufficient to crush the small boats against the vessel's fron sides. As a consequence, two poor fellows were killed. Their bodies were buried Sunday at Ilwaco, the Presbytorian minister conducting the services. About 20 yards north of the Glenmorag lies the boat in which those men met such a cruel death. It is split in twain as if by the hand of man, and much of the wreck was carried away Sunday by the crowd. The accident is indeed a most unfortunate one. Workmen were busy removing the bollers of are quite a drawing card, and the build-ing was crowded with members last

"gym." Every appearance points to a gay season in local athletics.

Who makes quick use of the moment, is a genius of prudence.-Lavater.

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