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MISS JOHNSON IS IN PORTLAND

Young Lady Who Disappeared From This City Turns Up All Right.

RELATIVES WERE ALARMED

No Known Reason Why She Should Have Acted So Strangely—Story of the Disappearance.

About three weeks ago Miss Hattie Johnson, a prepossessing blonde of 21 years, arrived in this city from Portland on a visit to Captain Gunderson and Mrs. Herman Ekstrom, her relatives. The young lady was to spend a vacation of two weeks here. Last Thursday evening she left the house of Mrs. Irix, a friend, about 6.30, to visit, as she said, at the house of Mr. Ahnes, on the corner of 9th and Bond streets. From that time she has not been heard from until the steamer Telephone arrived down yesterday.

Wednesday her father arrived in Astoria and made a thorough search for her, but she disappeared as mysteriously as if the earth had opened and swallowed her. She never reached Mr. Ahnes' house, nor had she been seen by any one. Mr. Johnson telegraphed to several cities in the Northwest, but failed to find any trace of the missing girl.

THE COUNTY COURT.

Compiled by F. I. Dunbar, County Clerk, by Order County Court.
(Official Report.)
In the County Court, Wednesday, February 11, 1897, 1st day February term. Present, Hon. J. H. D. Gray, Judge; C. Peterson and H. Lewis, Commissioners; F. I. Dunbar, Clerk, and James W. Hays, Sheriff.

Court met and was duly opened at 10 o'clock a. m.
Petition from Mrs. W. W. Parker, secretary W. C. T. U., requesting that a monthly allowance of \$6.00 or \$8.00 be granted Mrs. Kate Turney, an indigent person having five children under 10 years of age, and deserted by her husband; ordered that an allowance of \$8.00 per month be granted.

In the matter of the appointment of a supervisor for Road District No. 1, for 1897; at this time is read a petition from 104 voters and tax payers of Road Dist. No. 1, asking for the appointment of Emley Houghton; ordered that Emley Houghton be and he is hereby appointed supervisor of Road Dist. No. 1.

In the matter of the state tax levy; whereas the State of Oregon has declared that the state levy of taxes for state purposes is four mills, and whereas the amount apportioned to Clatsop County is \$13,330.80, and the law provides that state taxes shall be levied in the same manner as other taxes; it is therefore ordered that a tax of four mills on the dollar be, and is hereby levied upon all property within the county for state purposes.

CITY LIGHTING IS DISCUSSED

Figures Given From Engineer's Estimates on New Water System.

COST OF PLANT IN DETAIL

Water Commission Think the Estimated Expenses of Operation Can Be Reduced.

Astoria, Feb. 11.—(Editor Astorian)—The city is authorized to do its own lighting, and the present contract with private parties to do this work will soon expire. The price now being paid for each street light is \$11 per month.

When plans for building the new waterworks were prepared, Engineer Jas. D. Schuyler, one of the most eminent authorities on this subject in the whole country, made an estimate of the cost of adding an electric plant to the new works as well as the cost of keeping it in operation, and a sufficiency of power for this purpose was provided at the reservoir. The new works were constructed at a cost of \$25,000, but no use has been made of the water power, and it is now every day going to waste. To put in a plant of sixty arc lights of the same power as the lights now on the streets was estimated by Mr. Schuyler to cost \$10,000. I quote from Mr. Schuyler's report as follows:

"One of the most interesting and valuable features of the proposed conduit is the possibility which it affords of developing a considerable water power at the gate house of the reservoir. From the summit of the ridge at the lower end of the wood pipe to the reservoir, a distance of 540 feet, the total fall is 144.4 feet, of which 54.4 is necessarily consumed in friction, and 90 feet is available for power. This fall would yield 42½ horse power, theoretical, or allowing for an efficiency of eighty per cent in the power wheels, a net fifty horse power, available for electric lighting. This power may be readily utilized and can doubtless be put to better service in lighting the city than if devoted to any other purpose. The best dynamo now made have an efficiency of over ninety per cent, which would give forty-five horse power net in electrical energy, or 35½ kilowatts, which is sufficient for sixty-six arc lights of 2000 candle power each. A sixty light machine would be the most convenient one to use, and for this the power will be ample. The cost of the plant for utilizing this power would be approximately as follows:

1 Pelton water wheel, complete and erected \$ 2,000
1 50-light D. C. dynamo, with lamps, complete 2,500
10,000 feet of line wire, No. 4, 10,000 lbs., at 12 cents 1,200
200 60-ft. poles, erected, at \$10 2,000
60 brackets for lamps, at \$5 300
Pine insulators, etc. 100
Line work 200
Frame power house and foundations 1,540
Total cost \$10,000

The cost of maintenance of such a system would be about as follows:
1 chief electrician at \$100 per month \$ 60
1 assistant 40
2 trimmers 100
Carbons, 3 cents each per night 54
Interest on cost of plant at 6 per cent 50
Depreciation on cost, 5 per cent 34.50
Total cost per month \$ 283.50

The power house, estimated by Mr. Schuyler to cost \$1500, has been built, so that but \$850 would now be needed to complete an electric light plant ready to operate sixty lights, and although the city has been lighted in the past better than many other and more wealthy cities, it has never used more than forty-nine lights. In this connection I would state also that this power house would be adapted for the express purpose of operating a light plant; the foundation for the water wheel, with the room and foundations for the dynamo being constructed complete, and of the most substantial character.

THE SITUATION AT THE CAPITAL

Senate Breaks the Monotony by Discharging Sixty-seven Clerks.

SENATOR MITCHELL DOOMED

He Cannot Possibly Be Elected Now, as the Opposition Continues Firm—Talk of Adjournment.

Salem, February 11.—The day has been full of stirring incidents, but it has not been fruitful of results so far as the senatorial organization problems are concerned. After an acrimonious debate the senate this afternoon decided all its clerks. The debate took a decided political turn and it seemed for a time that the question would be determined without regard to its merits and on the lines of division over the senatorial reform. The resolution came from Senator Reed, the recent accession to the Mitchell convention. Its phraseology was so framed as to be a little offensive to the anti-Mitchell senators, but it was accorded a reception its sponsors scarcely expected. It was adopted, every member but one of the senate voting aye. President Simon voted in the negative, being no doubt animated by the spirit of factionalism.

Several efforts to amend the resolution so as to provide for a lesser number of clerks failed. The adoption of the resolution has no political significance, but it means much to sixty-seven persons, mostly women.

The attitude of the two factions toward each other is precisely the same as twenty-four hours since. They are squarely face to face, and the line of demarcation between them is more distinct than at any time. There is no pressing expectation on either side that there will be more than thirty-nine in tomorrow's convention, always saving the Democrats, who are likely to wander in and out as fancy seizes them. There is some intimation tonight that an effort will be made to secure an adjournment sine die tomorrow or Monday, but it can be traced to no authentic source. In the senate today there were numerous references to final adjournment, and it appeared to be the sentiment of the Mitchell men that they would go home at the end of the forty days. The opposition freely expressed itself as determined to stay here until the legislature is organized.

DOINGS IN WASHINGTON.

San Francisco's Alleged Charity to India Receives a Setback.
Washington, February 11.—Secretary Herbert has been obliged to refuse the request of California's leading citizens, as set forth by M. H. DeYoung, for the assignment of a naval vessel for the transportation of a cargo of wheat and corn to the famine stricken natives of India. The secretary finds naval vessels of the modern type totally unfit for the purpose of carrying cargoes and in case of such a long voyage they cannot carry coal enough to carry them across without replenishing at some intermediate port, much less can they undertake to carry cargoes.

LEAD ORE DUTY RESTORED.

Washington, February 11.—The most important decision agreed upon today by the Republican members of the ways and means committee who are working on the tariff bill was to restore the McKinley duty on lead ores. The McKinley rate is 1½ cents per pound, and the present duty is 3-4 cents.

CIVIL SERVICE BILL.

Washington, February 11.—No further extensions of the civil service bill will be made during the remainder of the present administration. This statement is made on the authority of President Proctor, of the civil service commission.

A NOTABLE CHRISTENING.

Washington, February 11.—Marian, the youngest of the three daughters of President and Mrs. Cleveland, was christened at the White House today. The ceremony was the brief, impressive one of the Presbyterian church.

CONSULAR APPROPRIATION.

Washington, February 11.—The senate today passed the diplomatic and consular appropriation and fixed next Wednesday at 4 p. m. as the time for the final vote on the immigration conference report.

MORE APPROPRIATIONS.

Washington, February 11.—The house today passed the fortifications bill without a single amendment and made some headway with the postoffice appropriation bill.

THE BLOCKADE DRILL.

Charleston, S. C., February 11.—The weather today was not propitious for the vessels of the blockade fleet, though it suited admirably the purposes of the blockade running. No fugitive craft, however, attempted to run the gauntlet of the fleet gunning the entrance to the harbor and the big ships lay at anchor in the rain. Tonight's work on board the fleet consisted of searchlight drills and target practice.

THE GREEKS WILL FIGHT FOR CRETE

Preparations to Resist the Aggressions of the Sublime Porte.

DIRECT COLLISION PROBABLE

Torpedo Boats Have Been Sent to the Isle and Troops Are Hurdily Being Dispatched.

London, February 11.—A dispatch to the Times from Athens says that the Central Cretan committee is preparing to support the Cretans with arms, ammunition and supplies on a great scale. The first installment sailed on Wednesday with 500 armed Cretans. The same dispatch states that the departure of the Greek torpedo fleet for Crete was due to the announcement that the Turkish torpedo boats had left the Dardanelles and that the Turkish troops had embarked at Salonica for Crete. The dispatch concluded with the remark: "It is possible that a direct collision will occur between the Greek and Turkish forces."

PATRIOTIC GREECE.

Athens, February 11.—A fresh flotilla of four torpedo boats is held in readiness to sail for Crete, and reinforcements of troops are being hurriedly dispatched to the frontiers. Patriotic demonstrations are taking place in all parts of Greece.

AFFAIRS IN HAWAII.

The Annexation Question Is Now the All-Absorbing Question.

San Francisco, Cal., February 11.—Loris A. Thurston, ex-Hawaiian minister to the United States, arrived from the islands today. Thurston, as president of the Annexation Club of Honolulu, expects to accomplish considerable missionary work in aid of the annexation movement before his return home. His mission is not an official one, he says, and he has not been sent here either by the government or by the annexation club. He says, however, that if the opportunity presents itself, he proposes to exert his best efforts to aid the annexation movement.

"The all-absorbing theme of discussion in the islands just now is annexation. As the day for the inauguration of McKinley approaches, interest in the annexation is becoming intensified, and widespread. The Annexation Club has been re-organized and now has a membership of 6,000. Of this number a third or a fourth are natives.

"The natives are joining the movement with the idea that the annexation of the islands to the United States is their only salvation from the Japanese, who are elbowing them in the various fields of labor.

"The census of the islands has just been completed. It shows a population of 21,000 natives; 8,000 half castes and mixed races; 24,000 Japanese; 21,000 Chinese and 25,000 whites, including Americans and Europeans."

CARSON IS THE PLACE.

Dan Stuart Definitely Decides the Corbett-Fitzsimmons Battleground.
Carson, Nevada, February 11.—Dan Stuart has at last arrived in Carson and he was not here fifteen minutes before he gave out that Carson had been decided upon as the scene of the fight between Corbett and Fitzsimmons. He based his reasons on the fact that the accommodations here are ample, and that the people here worked hard to secure the passage of the glove contest bill and were therefore entitled to whatever benefits might come from the big crowd that will follow the fight.

Stuart says there will be several other attractions during that week in the way of pugilistic encounters and the world's championship wing-shooting contest.

EDISON'S VITASCOPE TONIGHT.

This evening at Fisher's Opera House the engagement of the Edison Vitascope opens, and during the two nights' stay in Astoria will undoubtedly play to the full capacity of the house. Baker City has booked the show for the week of February 22nd, and bookings ahead for over six months have already been made, so great is the demand to see this marvelous invention of the great Edison. No person can describe the thrilling sensations of the persons appearing before the delighted audiences, as they perform. As this is the only company owning the Vitascope in the Northwest, the opportunity may never occur again to see it. The illustrated sketches by Prof. Prince, will be the most interesting exhibition of the kind ever made before an Astoria audience. Indications are that the house will be crowded and those who go tonight will want to see it tomorrow night again.

In the way of a cold weather item, it may be said that those 12,000 Ohio office seekers are all cutting ice—Detroit Free Press.

MURDER WILL OUT GOES THE SAYING

Mark W. Townsend Arrested for a Crime Committed Years Ago.

BRUTALLY KILLED HIS WIFE

Accidental Discharge of a Revolver, Which Is Now Believed to be a Premeditated Murder.

Ritzville, Wn., February 11.—Mark W. Townsend, who is wanted in Grant county, Wisconsin, on a charge of murdering his wife three years ago, was arrested today by Sheriff McLaughlin, of that county.

Eight years ago Townsend came to Adams county and taught school. He married Miss Mary Watson, but their married life was not happy. Last summer she was given a divorce and custody of the two children. Those troubles had engendered bad blood between Townsend and the members of the Watson family, and their arrests and counter arrests have been the reigning sensation here. Mrs. Townsend's attorney obtained a clue to his past life, informed the Wisconsin authorities of Townsend's whereabouts, and prompt steps were taken for his extradition.

Ten years ago Townsend was cleaning a loaded revolver. While standing behind his wife the revolver was discharged, and the wife fell dead. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental killing. Townsend left the country soon thereafter and circumstances came to light which created a strong belief that the discharge of the revolver was pre-arranged.

TO REMOVE THE CAPITOL.

Olympia Making a Strong Fight for the Honor of Housing Lawmakers.

Olympia, February 11.—The feature of today's legislative proceedings was the devotion of the entire morning session of the house to the consideration of the two bills relating to the seat of government at Olympia. One measure was the bill of Mohundo to provide for the appointment of a legislative commission to select the location for the state capitol to be voted on by the people at the next general election. After an animated debate, participation in by members of all political factions, the bill was killed. Warner's bill for the repeal of the seat of the last legislature providing for the erection of a million-dollar capitol, the foundations of which are completed, was passed. This action of the house is considered a partial victory for Olympia in the strife over the capitol question. While it is true that the capitol will not be completed as desired by former legislative sessions, the summary death of the measure providing for the preliminary steps to remove the seat of government may reasonably lead to the belief that the present legislature will not assist in robbing Olympia of one of its sources of profit.

The senate investigating committee was today dismissed.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Parker House—Mrs. J. A. Stewart, Gray's river; Charles Carlson, New York; Thomas Lewiston, Portland; G. W. Wentworth, St. Paul; H. Peters, city.

Occident—A. J. Paul, M. Raphael, R. T. Brackett, F. N. Stappenbott, E. Shelley Morgan, Mark W. Girt, R. E. Jones, Portland; C. N. Cannon, H. W. Gleason, E. Detrick, Jr.; A. Unna, San Francisco; J. K. Schoonmaker, Chicago; R. M. Ran, Detroit; H. F. L. Logan, London; C. A. F. Pinger, U. S. A.; W. Turahill and wife, Miss M. Taylor, Ocean Park, Wn.; L. Swinton, Carnita Co., and wife.

SALVATION ARMY.

The Transo Kintograph will not be here on Feb. 12 and 13. Broke down in Portland. ENSIGN NELSON.

A Pittsburg lead company failed yesterday for \$1,450,000, but the dispatches do not tell what led to it.

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