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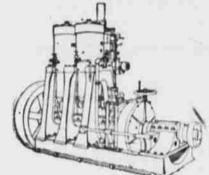
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### THE INDIGNATION MASS MEETING

M. E. Church Pilled to Overflowing With People From All Classes.

M. LONG CHAIRMAN

Who Presided Over the Meeting and Read the Law on the Subject of Gambling-the Speeches on the Subject

After music on the streets by braze

law-abiding citizens and will uphold side of the ministerial association.

The Hon I. M. Long, the well-known teps, if possible, to prevent its being dgned by the mayor. He then read from the statutes of Oregon the laws governing gambling in the state, and also read various sections of the city charter upon the same subject. These sections of law, calling upon the police officers of the city to enforce the to bear repetition in detail. Supreme court decisions were also read, sustaining the principle that public mocals cannot be legislated away, even by a special charter amendment such as was made in the case of Astoria's charter, which the speaker claimed conflicted with other sections of the same charter. "What will the mayor do with this ordinance? Will be by silence or action enforce it as a law?" The speaker then recited the mayor's cath of office, and the fact that he was at ne time a judge upon the bench.

Mr. Thomas Dealy was catled upon for an expression of opinion upon the subject and said: "When the citizens of Astoria elected a city council, they delegated to them power to act for them. Has this council done its duty? No, but I hope Mayor Taylor will place his veto on this measure. This is the opportunity of his life."

Dr. Estes was then asked to make a speech, and replied that he had not ome prepared to talk, but felt that so far the laws as enacted put a price m crime, and that the gamblers bemselves were opposed to it. "It looks like the present law was mude for the purpose of forming a Monte Carlo out of Astoria-a place where suicides will be the rule. There will be no stopping of evil if we commence to license it. The saloon men are against it, and hope that the mayor will veto this damnable bill."

Mr. Baker, a visitor in the city, was then introduced, and said that "right right, and no kind of license will wer change wrong into right.. We may talk about necessity, but God forbid that we should license gumbling. We may say the law cannot be en-

Jollet prison," [Applause,]

On motion, the Hon. Mr. Long, chalrman, entertained nominations for officers of the proposed citizens' league Mr. J. E. Higgins was nominated for president, and Mr. Duncan Stuart for cretary, and were unanimously elect-The league will meet at the call of the president, and its object, as stated, is to promote the morality of the city by the enforcement of its laws Paperst were circulated through the andience, and all who were willing to support and act with the league signed their names. Mr. Chairman Long then called for further remarks upon the subject before the meeting.

Mr. Marshat J. Klinney arose and said that he did not want to see licensed. gambling in Astoria, and cited as an example the history of the town of Green River on the Union Pacific road. where gambling and suicides prevail, and where no one ever went to seek a home. He said that would be the history of Astoria and that he would not the 22d of February. build a home here if gambling was licensed; that taxes would be higher, and that any banker who said differently was only a payenbroker. He said tions, was surprised that the Daily Astorian, a respectable newspaper, had stooped to support the ordinance. "Crush it out, and I will be one of those to do it."

The Rev. Mr. Marcotte made an eloquent plea for the boys, on the ground If gambling is the order of that the ordinance would be a curse to them, and that men were not elected to high places to make taxes easy, but

to mainain law and order. Chairman Long then appointed the following committee to wait on the mayor and persuade him to veto the bill: J. E. Higgins, M. J. Kinney, Thos. Dealy, Rev. Mr. Marcotte and D. Stu-

Chairman Long then called for a rising vote of all in favor of the veto. A large majority shood up.

Mr. Sam Harris then arose and stated that never, since he had been in business, for twenty years, had he ever

outd speak in in the dark. Mr. S. B. Smith stared that he disappointed in the meeting, as he had expected that some of the prominent comething, as the matter affected them more than others. He said he blamed the ministers for what had been done, as a certain councilman had told him him he would have influenced the council against the measure. The councilman was a Caesar, and the calamity could not have happened if the ministers had gone to Caesar. Mr Stockton arose and asked the speaker if he referred to Councilman Welch, The

speaker said he referred to no one.

Mr. Sam Harris arose again and stated that although he had not intended to do so, that since the present agitation had been started and the question had not originally come up on moral grounds, if the ordinance became a law he would take out the first class ticense. "Prosecute me if you like, but do not persecute me. I have been giving for twenty-five years to this that and the other. I have paid my license to the police department without getting receipts, and have during that time openly advertised my business on the hotel registers of the county. have kept boys out of my place, and remember one time, when Johnny Trullinger was at the bar, I called his attention to the fact that a young friend of his was inside playing the game, and he had better take him out. He laughed at me, saying the boy was twenty-four years old."

The Rev. Mr. McCormac arose and disclaimed blame on the part of the ministers.

Chairman Long then adjourned the

#### TAX PENALTIES.

Referring to the date after which the forced. Ten thousand murders were sheriff is required to charge 3 per cent committed last year-better put a tax penalty on delinquent taxes, Judge for revenue on it. Crime has increased. Gray said yesterday to an Astorian Five thousand suicides were committed representative: "It has been intimated last year-better make them pay a li- that without authority Sheriff Hare Washington. He has been in conferense for the privelege, and get a has extended the time of collecting little revenue out of it." After these penalties on taxes three days, or until other government officials, regarding emarks on the license question, the the evening of April 2, 1897. Such is gentleman made a long and interesting not the case, as can be plainly seen talk on the question of temperance and by an examination of the law relating drunkennes, to which latter he ascribed to the matter. Section 2809 of the Oregon statutes reads as follows 'If any The Rev. Mr. Walters then took the of the taxes mentioned in the tax list be more than a matter of sixty or stand and said: "This meeting reminds annexed to his warrant, either on real ninety days after that until the forsme very much of the two ministers or personal property, shall remain unwho were to preach on the same day, paid, and the sheriff shall be unable The one took for his text I go afishing,' to collect the same, he shall make out and after a two hours' harangue the a statement of the taxes so remaining other one got up and said. 'He caught unpaid, distinguishing by setting down nothing.' I am afruid that is the way separately such as are on real and such this meeting will turn out. I am not as are on personal estate, with a full so afraid of this ordinance. The men and correct description of such real cawho advocated it did so honestly, and tate from his tax roll, and the name were opposed to the back-handed bust- of the person taxed, if therein specified, ness. I believe the Astorian, the and school the same by the first Mon-Budget and the councilmen were all day in April, after the date of the tax honest in the positions they took. I Dst, to the county court; he shall also doubt if the mayor will be influenced include in such statements a descripby your actions here tonight. He will tion of any land doubly assessed, and cities more strongly than in the Nodo what he thinks is right. Is there the amount of taxes due thereon, and a man here who in the past has, or the county clerk shall carefully comis now willing to go into the court pare such statement with the tax roll, and inform against crime? What we to accertain that the same is correct." want is organization, entirely aloof it thus uppears that the 3 per cent to local officers is considerably split up family of terrible coughs and colds, affrom politics. We want a citizens' penalty could not be charged by Sheriff politically. league that will stand at the back of Hare until Monday, the 5th of April, bonest officers, as did Marshal Field After that date the penalty becomes a and Lyman J. Gage in Chicago. They fee of the sheriff's office, and as such is did not stop gambling and vice alto- turned into the general fund of the of Maybury's victory it is considered makes expectoration very easy and brands. ROYAL PAKING POWDER

# THE FORESTRY

Whole Question and Reasons for Advocating Timber Reserves Explained.

CONFIRMS SOME NOMINATIONS

W. J. Bryan In the Supreme Court Representing the State of Nebraska -- Light House Board Other Capital News.

Washington, April 5.-The governnent Porcetry Commission had a hearing before the secretary of the Interior, Bliss, today at which they went over the whole forestry question and explained the reasons for advocating all reservations of timberlands made by President Cleveland's proclamation on

Senator Wilson, of Senator Shoup, of Idaho, represented the western opposition to the reserva-Senator Wilson, on the other hand, protested vehemently against the wholesale reservations "committed" in Washington. The outcome of the concongress in a day or two a proposed amendment to the sundry civil bill, to be framed on the lines of the McRae bill, which has been before both houses pending in the senate. This amendment will authorize the secretary to prescribe such rules and regulations for the government of the forest reserves as will pemit the disposal of in reservations for legitimate mining purposes and will preserve also the rights of agricultural and mining settlers on reservations. The amendof the operation of the presidential proclamation reserving forest reservations and the survey of preserved tracts

The senate in executive session today confirmed the following nominations: Andrew D. White, to be ambassador to Germany: William F. Draper, to be ambassador to Italy; Oliver L. Spauldther of Michigan to be not Lieut, Cammander A. R. Couden, to be Judge Gray, of the special committee commander in the navy.

#### NOMINATIONS.

Special to the Astorian. Washington, April 5.-The president

oday named Alfred L. Buck, of Georminister to Japan, and James Boyle, of Ohio, consul at Liverpool. Boyle, the new consul to Liverpool, has been with Mr. McKinley for several years as his private secretary and in this capacity he has been known to oliticians throughout the country. The crowds about the United States upreme court today were a slight reminder of the late campaign. They vere attracted by the presence in the courtroom of the Hon. W. J. Bryan, late democratic candidate for president. who appeared as counsel for the state of Nebraska in what is known as the maximum freight case. The limited capacity of the court room was taxed long before the hour of the opening of the court at noon, and the corridors were soon filled by a throng anxious to secure admission

The lighthouse board today elected Captain W. S. Schley as chairman, to succeed Admiral Walker, retired, Col. Gillespie, of the corps of army engineers, succeeds General Wilson as a member of the board.

#### TO FORECLOSE UNION PACIFIC.

Omaha, April 5.-General John C. Cowin, special counsel for the United States government in the foreclosure suits of the government against the Union Pacific, returned today from once with the attorney general, and the foreclosure. He was asked when foreclosure will take place.

"It will be difficult to tell the exact date," he replied, "but the papers will be issued in May. Then it should not closure is completed."

#### MICHIGAN ELECTIONS.

Detroit, April 5.-The returns from the state indicate the re-election of Judge Long, republican, as justice of the supreme court; and the defeat of George B. Yeple, the fusion candidate. Charles D. Lawton and William J. Crocker, republicans, for regents of the university of Michigan, are also elected. The vote was light and the free silver sentiment was shown in several of the vember election. In a few cases in the votes for city officers the republican

surprising that Judge John Minor, rapid. Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

democat, for police justice, was feated by Judge Albert F. Sellers, republican, who was re-elected by a ma jority fully equal to that received by Maybury. Mabury's election is looked upon as a decided defeat for Governor Pincres, who pactically named Captain Stewart as his successor as mayor. Petoskey, Mich., April 5.-The repub licans elected M. F. Quaintaco mayor

and a majority of the city officials The net republican loss is 100 since St. Joseph, Mich., April 5.-The Shver City ticket, with the exception of the

THE KENTUCKY FIGHT.

city treasurer, is elected by 37.

Frankfort, Ky., April 5.-Representaive Andrew Thompson, of Louisville, who has suported Dr. Hunter, has given up the fight and started out tonight plan seems to be to secure the withdrawal of Hunter that the united regiven no intimation of an intention Blackburn and his followers seem confident as ever that

OUT FOR GOLD. Port Townsend, April 5.-When the steamer Ai-Ki left here for Alaska this of congress in various forms and is now afternoon she carried 347 white passengers and 46 Chinese, and every available space aboard, including the dining tables, had been appropriated as sleep ing quarters for the horde of fortune distrings at Klondyke, some distance beyond Circle City, and which are said to be the richest ever brought to light ment gives authority for the suspension in that far-off land. Together with the large crowd of passenges there are 12 horses to be used for packing, to say nothing of the usual quota of barking, geological survey, appropriating howling dogs of all sizes and breeds. The freight accommodation was likewise taxed to its utmost

#### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

retary of the treasury; William B. ing, there being present G. Wingats. Howell, of New Jersey, to be assistant president; B. Van Dusen, vice presiecretary of the treasury; Chandler dent; C. S. Wright, treasurer; E. C. Hale, of Maine, to be secretary of the Holden, secretary, Mesrs. Gray, Deembassy of the United States at Rome; ment, Tallant, Dellinger, and others, on contemplated excursion to Cascade Looks and The Dalles, some time in May, reported progress, stating he had corresponded with parties in various other towns on the Columbia river and received favorable replies and assurances of participation. The matter was left in the hands of the committee

The committee on commerce and navgation reported an interview with Captain Fiske, United States engineer. on the subject of improving the harbor, and that he staged that the work would be commenced at an early day. The following communication was read and the secretary instrucetd to communicate with Captain Fiske, United States engineer, on the subject: Office of Columbia River Bar Pilots. Astoria, Oregon, March 24, 1897

Hon. President and Members of the Chamber of Commerce—Gentlemen nost respectfully request that your nonorable body use your influence to have a telephone line, connecting the 'North Head Lighthouse" with the signal station at Fort Canby, as ships coming from the north cannot be seen at the said signal station. The said telephone line would also be of very benefit to the life-saving station at Fort Canby

Trusting that this will receive your avorable consideration. Yours very respectfully.

V. BOELLING. Secretary.

The committee on manufactures and ndustries submitted correspondence had with parties on the subject of the establishing of large saw mills, in reply to circular letter sent out by he committee. The matter was left in the hands of the committee.

secretary, and referred to the proper committees, from Hon. H. R. Kincaid, secretary of state; Kansas City, Moc; Association of Credit Men, and the Curency Reform Committee of the Massachusetts Reform Club. The resolution preented at last meeting, charging the time of meetings of the regular meetings of the chamber to the second and fourth Mondays in each month, was, on motion, adopted, and the chamber was then adjourned till Monday next, being the second Monday of this month.

In direct contrast to the tiny watches that have been in vogue so long, women of fashion now wear good sized

Chicora, Pa., "Heraid:" Richard Vensel reports One Minute Cough Cure majorities of last fall were turned into the greatest success in medical science fusion victoics. As usual the result as He told us that it cured his whole ter all other so-called cures had failed Wm. C. Maybury, democrat, was elec- entirely. Mr. Vensel said it assisted ted mayor by about 1000 majority, over his children through a very bad siege food against alum and all forms of Albert E. Stewart, republican. In view of measies. One Minute Cough Cure adulteration

## THE FLOOD GROWS VERY SERIOUS

Parther Breaks In the Levees Increase the Disaster to the Delta.

HOW LONG WILL IT LAST?

the Question Which Now Interests the Planters - Tremendons Losses Already Iscarred-Relief Gommittee.

Memphis, April 5.-The prediction made in these dispatches on Friday of the levee at a point on the east side of the river north of Helena, Ark., has

been terribly renified. The break at Flower Lake occurred yesterday morning, has raptilly grown from a dozen feet in length publican strength might be thrown to to a thousand. This was the condition to the each end of the levee, but owing to the difficulty in getting material from the railroad, four miles away, the success of the effort is doubtful. crevame is at the head of the delta If the water is out of the delta by May 5 a crop of cotton can be grown. but cotton planted as late as May 10 has little chance of maturing before frost. There is still another fore the June rise or there will be a second overflow. The delta country poduces annually no less than five miltion bales of cotton.

The river at Memphis is stationary tonight. Much suffering is reported from the overdowed region. Relief steamers are making daily trips into Arkarmas and Mississippi. hundeds of people and bringing them to Memphis. The local relief commiteverything pos the refuges. At a meeting of the committee today is was declied to ask other cities to help.

#### THE MISSOURI

Bismarch, N. D., April 5.-The los in the Missouri river this afternoon came gorged below here and the wa is now rising at the rate of stx feet per hour. A perfect torrent is rushing towardsMandan and it is probable that the lower part of that town will be inundated. The Northern Pacific tracks between this city and Mandan are under water. The great steamboat warehouse at the landing here is affont. It is tied to the banks by

IS IT TRUE.

Was Someone Impersonating the Railroad President?

Rochester, N. Y., April 5 .- E. McNeill, president of the Oregon Rallway and Navigation Co., is recovering from injuries received here.

Saturday evening a man staggered into the Kremlin hotel, on North St. Paul street. There was a deep out in his temple and his clothing was covered with blood that flowed from the ugly wound. He was sent at more to St. Mary's Hospital, where he is at present in a very dazed condition. The man said his nume was E. McNeill, and he claimed to be the president of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co. First he said he had been enticed into a saloon by three men and assaulted, one of the men using an ax, and then thrown into the street. Today he contradicted this story and stated that he stopped over at the Central Station while on his way cost. and while wandering about the streets either fell down or was assaulted. His mind, however, does not seem clear enough for him to give a detailed account of his experience in Rochester. Communications were read by the He had considerable money and lew elry with him.



strength and healthfulness. Assures the