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DIES AMONG STRANGERS

Cottage Grove Man Passes Away in San Francisco Nov. 10th

NO FRIENDS NEAR

Some Suspicion that he Was Drugged And Then Robbed.

Samuel E. Gettings, an old familiar character about this city, and an honored veteran of the war of the rebellion, left Cottage Grove for San Francisco Oct. 18, 1903, where he expected to spend the winter. A few days ago a letter was received by J. R. Cooley announcing his rather peculiar death in the California metropolis, Nov. 10, 1903. Mr. Gettings was a native of Tennessee, and after serving through the civil war with the army of the north, he went to California, from which place he came to Cottage Grove thirty years ago. He was an honest, upright and hard working man, and had a comfortable home in this city and a small amount of money in the local bank. He was a bachelor and about 67 years of age. The following letter is self-explanatory:

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 17, 1903.
—Mr. J. R. Cooley, Cottage Grove, Ore. Dear Sir: In reply to your letter of the 14th, inst., requesting fuller particulars of the death of the late Samuel E. Gettings, will state that after my letter to you of the 14th inst., I went to No. 765 Mission street, the place of his death, and found it to be the cheapest and poorest kind of a lodging house, a resort of only the most destitute. I enquired of the clerk if he knew anything of Mr. Gettings' finances or associates. He replied that he thought Mr. Gettings was very poor or he would not have come to such a place, and that he had no friends, and associated with no one for the two or three days that he had stopped at the house; that he had a very bad cough and he (the clerk) thought it was a case of consumption, and that on the morning of the 10th, inst., he was found dead in his bed, and the coroner duly notified. His funeral was advertised in the daily papers but no one attended except myself, who read the G. A. R. burial service; for I don't like to see these old soldiers buried without proper respect. Upon receipt of your letter of the

14th, I called on Capt. Martin, chief of detectives, and notified him of all the circumstances of the case. He looked over his records and informed me that no report of any robbery had been filed in his office by Mr. Gettings prior to his death; that he might have been drugged and robbed, and ashamed to have the matter made public, as is frequently the case, thus securing immunity to the offenders. He told me to write to you and ascertain what train Mr. Gettings left on; what train he arrived here in the city on; where he put up and who his friends were. As you can probably answer the first question only, I fail to see what the police can do in the matter as I can give them no information and no clue to work upon, and if I could, I doubt very much if they could accomplish anything.

I am satisfied of one thing, that he lost his money before he went to this cheap lodging house at 765 Mission St., for no man would go to such a place if he could help it.

I cannot understand how a man of his evidently respectable character should not have at least one friend in this city to look out for him, or to attend his funeral. I have requested the undertakers to send an enquiring persons to me, but thus far no one has showed up.

I send enclosed a Certificate of death of the late Samuel E. Gettings issued by the Health Dept. of this city, which is the legal proof of his death, and which will be required in setting up his estate.

I also send sworn claim of A. W. Martin & Co., undertakers of this city, for the burial expenses. As I wrote you before, his burial expenses will be paid by me from the city treasury, and I had already put in the demand with the Board of Supervisors before I learned from you that deceased had my estate. I think you will admit that it is only right that this city should be reimbursed for the outlay as the soldier left sufficient means to defray the funeral expenses, which I did not know at the time of his burial. I will expect you or Mr. O. O. Veatch to see that the fifty dollars are sent either to Mr. Martin, the undertaker, or myself, at the proper time.

I think it proper to state clearly, that the only effects left by Mr. Gettings were a telescope basket containing some clothes, a knife, a bunch of keys, his pension certificate, and a letter from you. There was no money, watch, or chain; nothing of any value. The chief deputy coroner wished me to charge of the effects, but I declined to do so, taking only his pension certificate, which was my warranty for burying him.

Very Respectfully,
EDWARD A. BULLIS,
Room 40, 806 Market St.

Mr. Gettings left this city with a small gold watch and chain and something less than \$200.

MINING

Bernard Trygstad was down from Bohemia this week transacting business.

Walt Cochran came down from Bohemia to look after business matters in town this week.

Jas. Hart and son-in-law Jas. White came down from the Crystal mine this week to spend a few days with their families and look after business matters.

W. H. Berg, the well known assayer, was down from the Crystal Consolidated mines this week and spent a few days in this city looking after business matters.

Chas. Thornton who has been spending the fall in the Bohemia mines where he was employed on some of the extensive improvement work in the district returned home this week.

Frank D. Wheeler secretary of the Crystal Consolidated Mining Co., went up to Bohemia this week to superintend the work of taking their new stamp mill into the company's mines and putting it into operation.

T. J. Hendricks of the Thunder Mountain mining district is a guest of his uncle, J. M. Sherwood of this city. Mr. Hendricks is a practical mining man and came here for the purpose of looking over the Bohemia mining district. He is a brother of R. J. Hendricks editor of the Salem Statesman.

NOTES OF INTEREST GATHERED FROM ALL SOURCES

Among the prominent miners from the Bohemia District who were transacting business in town this week were: Andrew Brund, president Bohemia Mine Owners Association; Ed. Jinks, vice-president; Geo. Cox, director. Mr. Brund has been spending a brief season with his family at his Siasla home.

M. W. Warner came down from Bohemia Wednesday. He has been actively engaged in mining in the district for several years and says that the recent storm was the most severe in his knowledge considering that the winter season has only just opened. He says the snow is from two to five feet deep and that more timber has fallen than for many years past.

F. J. Hard of the Vesuvius, Oregon and Colorado and Riverside mines in the Bohemia district, and vice-president of Oregon Miners Association for the Bohemia mining district, came down from the camp Monday to spend a few days in this city and Portland looking after business matters. Mr. Hard reported considerable snow in the district, several slides in the new Champion road and considerable obstruction from fallen timbers, as a result of the recent storm, but said that otherwise the camp was flourishing and a great deal of development work is being prosecuted.

est danger of "freezing" on a much higher silica slag than, so far as we know, has ever been done in copper matting.

Second: This is done with the complete separation and saving of the matter without rehandling of dirty slag, owing to the low specific gravity of the slag.

This will be clearly understood from the analysis of the slag of the day's run: Silica, 59 per cent; Feo, 11 per cent; Lime, 23.5 per cent. The slag was at all times hot, bright and very fluid, never pastry or stringy and the running of the furnace gave no trouble or uneasiness from start to finish, the tuyers with 12 in constant use, keeping bright.

The stacks were charged full to the top in the primary and within twenty inches of the top of the secondary stack. The complete combustion of the fuel was very marked the whole of the carbon and hydrocarbons being consumed in the form of gas in the secondary stack, no smoke whatever being at any time visible, even when an extra charge of bituminous coal was fed into the primary stack.

Yours Very Truly,
W. H. ADAMS,
Managing Director.
JOHN WILLIAMS,
Consulting Engineer.

NEW FLUME COMPLETED.

Dorena Lumber Company's Plant Now Completed.

W. L. Houston of the Dorena Lumber Company made the LEADER a pleasant business call while transacting business in town Monday. Mr. Houston reports the big flume for floating ties, lumber and timbers from their mill to the new Bohemia, Cottage Grove railroad now completed and says that offices and other buildings will soon be erected at their siding and that they will then be ready for active milling operations. They have already been filling a good many local orders and are turning out a fine grade of lumber.

A Fine Turkey.

Wilbur McFarland received by express Saturday one of the finest turkey gobblers ever brought to Cottage Grove: It is of the Bronze variety and was purchased of A. T. Beidler, who resides near Oakland, Oregon. Mr. McFarland has been raising turkeys both for the market and breeding purposes for some time past and is constantly improving his big birds. He has come to the conclusion from experience that turkey raising may be made as profitable in the vicinity of Cottage Grove as it is at Oakland, which industry has become one of the foremost and most profitable in that section of the country. We observe that a number of other farmers of this vicinity are also beginning to realize the fact that there is money in this industry.

MILLS TO CLOSE OFFICIAL REPORT

All the Booth-Kelly Logging Camps and Mills Will Suspend Work

Eugene, Or., Nov. 17.—Senator Booth today announced that the Booth-Kelly Lumber Co., would close all its logging camps in this county next Saturday. In an interview he said:

"Yes we have ordered all our camps closed Saturday and I cannot say when they will start again. Our business is nearly ruined on account of lack of cars for shipment. I don't care to discuss our future plans, for they are indefinite, nor do I care to say any thing as to the effects this move will have on the business of this community."

Wending and Saginaw mills are now closed, and Mr. Booth stated that the Springfield and Coburg camps would close at Christmas if the car famine is not released. The closing of the camps and mills will leave from 1100 to 1300 men idle.

SPRINGS INCORPORATED

Company Will Conduct the Oregon Mineral Springs South of Cottage Grove.

Articles of incorporation of the Oregon Mineral Springs Association were filed with County Clerk Lee Tuesday afternoon.

The incorporators are Levi Geer, John Overholser, Dr. Geo. Wall, J. P. Curran, R. M. Veatch and B. C. Y. Brown, all well known citizens of Cottage Grove and vicinity. The capital stock is \$50,000, and the principal place of business is at Cottage Grove.

The object of the corporation as set forth in the articles are to conduct and operate a health resort at the Oregon Mineral Springs at London, a few miles south of Cottage Grove. The corporation has power to manufacture and sell mineral salts and to sell mineral water.

WILL IMPROVE RESORT

The Oregon Mineral Springs is a comparatively new resort, but in the last two years people have begun to find that the water in the springs is very beneficial for many ailments, and a large number of people were camped there last summer.

The LEADER is informed that the new company which is composed of a number of men of considerable means will take hold of the property and convert it into one of the finest resorts in Oregon.

PLACE SALTS ON MARKET

It is also stated that the mineral salts from the springs will be put up and placed on the market. It is proposed to procure machinery necessary to reduce the water to salts, and quite an industry will no doubt spring from it.

On Newly Patented Smelter of the Improved Smelter Company.

Portland, Oregon, Oct. 30.—To the Improved Mineral Smelter Company, Portland, Ore.

GENTLEMEN: At your request, and under instructions from the Ladd Metals Co., Mr. John Williams, our consulting Metallurgical Engineer, undertook the construction of and the test of a furnace for smelting ores, on the design and under the patent of Messrs. Blanchard & Williams.

The furnace is correct in principle and successful in practice, as will be seen from the following data:

The trial run of the furnace was made on Oct. 24th. Turned on the blast at 8 a. m., delivered air to the furnace at about one ounce pressure. Had slag running at 10 a. m. and very good melting heat, in both stacks at 11 a. m., slag being hot, bright and fluid. The secondary stack was running so well that at 11:15 a. m., and from that time on, it took two charges to one of the primary. From this time to 4 p. m. when we started to blow out, kept charging at intervals of 15 minutes, and tapping every half hour. The area of each stack and hearth, 24 inches square. Height of stacks 8 feet, entirely of brick.

The furnace put through 26 charges in all, amounting to a total of 6440 lbs., and practically all of the work was done in five hours from 11 a. m. to 4 p. m., including an interruption of half hour with no blast when lacing a belt, showing that the furnace was banding and could easily run fifteen tons of silicious charge, not including fuel, 24 hours.

The amount of fuel used in smelting was 540 lbs. bituminous coal and 320 lbs. of coak, a total of 860 lbs. fuel, being less than 13 1/2 per cent of the charge. It is right to state in this connection that most of the coak was used in the secondary stack, and was used solely for the purpose of carrying the burden of the charge and keeping it open, and not for the additional heat.

In some instances this use of coak might be found unnecessary. The fact of the heavy cast iron cover, reinforced with iron bars 3/4 inches square on the top of the secondary stack, being completely melted when blowing out the furnace, and a full hour after the last pound of coak had been charged, proved that no additional fuel was required in this stack.

In the two runs of this furnace, two things of importance metallurgically have been proven, both of which have an equally important bearing on the commercial aspect of the question.

First: The furnace can be run successfully and without the slight-

ROSEBURG MAN SUICIDES

Was Prominent in Business, Society and Lodge Circles.

ON BRIDAL TOUR

Was Married Only a Week ago and Was Visiting With Relatives.

Roseburg, Or., Nov. 18.—W. C. Hildebrand, for ten years a prominent merchant of this city, committed suicide at Reno, Nev., this morning. He failed in business here a month ago and it is supposed to have preyed on his mind. He left Roseburg only a few days ago to see his father at Reno, who wired the news of his son's death. He leaves a bride of only a week, a son by a former wife and a sister at Roseburg. He belonged to the Knights of Pythias, Woodmen of the world, Elks, and United Artisans. The body will be brought to Roseburg for burial.

Mr. Hildebrand being of a cheerful disposition and always inclined to look upon the bright side of the affairs of life, it was not anticipated that his recent business reverses after years of success would so completely wreck his ambitions and drive him to despair, therefore his rash act comes as a great surprise to his many friends. He built up an immense trade at Roseburg, but owing to speculative buying he accumulated such a heavy stock that it could not be worked off in time to satisfy creditors, hence the crash. He was married only last week at Roseburg to Mrs. Lizzie Gegax, a very estimable lady of that city, which occasion it was generally supposed would tend to relieve his mind of his late financial disaster, but it did not, it appears. Strange to relate the former husband of Mrs. Gegax, who was a well known railroad conductor, committed suicide by shooting, at their Ashland home some three years ago the result of brooding over ill health and financial reverses.

Mrs. Robert J. Burdette, wife of the famous preacher and humorist, has been appointed a special policeman at Pasadena, Cal. She is a member of the recently organized Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and the appointment was made at her request.

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