OREGON NEWS NOTES

U. P. Assessment in Douglas Raised to $5000.

A BEAR CUB VISITS A HOP YARD.

One Thousand Fish at One Haul of the Net at Wallowa—Gold Hill's Burglar.

Six hundred cases of big salmon were put up at Wist's cannery, at Nehalem, last week.

F. E. Dunn shipped 10 carloads of wool from Eugene last Monday. The wool has been sold, and is going to Boston.

Mr. Stadleman, of The Dalles, has received news of 8000 boxes of prunes shipped to New York. The prunes were sold Monday at from 40 to 60 cents.

One thousand sheep belonging to Mr McRea are in the stockyards in The Dalles awaiting the arrival of another band, when the two will be shipped to Chicago.

Dalles has a giant 9 feet, 9½ inches tall, weighs 225 pounds, and is 18 years of age. The young fellow works on his father's farm and is as strong as he is big.

An engine and dynamo has been purchased by the regents of the state university for an electric plant to light the university buildings. The plant will be put in at once.

Professor Charles Newell of Burns, ex county superintendent, is at King's saw mill, north of Harney, dangerously injured. While riding a cayuse pony, he fired at a deer, and was thrown heavily to the ground by the frightened horse.

Coquille City's directors have decided that the public school shall open Monday, September 27, for a term of three months. The several departments will be in charge of Professor M. O. Hawkins, Professor C. H. Nosler, and Miss Bentley, of Salem.

Professor P. A. Snyder recently made a requisition on the United States fish commission for 2000 brook trout, and Monday received a letter from Commissioner Brice stating that arrangements had been made to have the fish delivered at Hood River within 40 days.

Last week, while Archie McGowan and his uncle were out hunting together, near Monmouth, a bird flew up between them, and the latter told Archie to shoot, which he did. A few of the shot struck the uncle on the head and hand, imbedding themselves in the flesh.

Robert Dodson was seriously hurt at his home near Pelican bay, in Klamath county, last week. While assisting to to raise the frame of a building, a post fell upon him and injured him so badly that it is doubtful if he ever entirely recovers, even though his injuries should not prove fatal.

There promises to be quite a contest for the sheriff's office when that position is vacated by Zoe Houser, says the Pendleton East Oregonian. Candidates mentioned are H. A. Faxon and Charles Frazier, deputies in the office, and C. A. Barrett, of Weston. Perhaps there will be more in the race later on.

A mill to saw lumber for local consumption is being erected on Deadwood creek in Eastern Lane county. Hitherto the lumber used there has been laboriously split and worked down by hand, and specimens of mill lumber have been rare, on account of the long haul over bad roads, to and from mills.

There are a good many Indians in Joseph, Wallowa county, just now. Indian after Indian can be seen on the street with a melon under his arm, going to his Klootchmen and papooses. These redskins come from the Nez Perces reservation to hunt and fish in W. Ilowa county Philip, chief of the Nez Perces, is with them.

The fish commissioners, last week, cast a seine in Lake Wallowa, in Wallowa county, and made a haul of over 1000 fish known as "yanks," but which are a species of salmon. It was a bonanza for several Indians who happened to be there at the time, and a few palefaces reaped a little benefit also.

One more victim of the deadly cigarette: James Elven, a deck hand on the steamer Ocean Wave, while placing fenders, stopped to roll a cigarette and was knocked off the boat by a dislodged fender and was drowned in the Willamette. Elven was warned of his danger but did not heed.

About three weeks ago a German was found in Eugene suffering from prostration due to overheating. He was cared for at the county's expense and last week got work at the tannery. He paid his board for that week and then "skippered out," the Guard says. The man, the Guard thinks, is evdiently suffering from some great sorrow, and there is a mystery about him that the officials would like to penetrate.

The wagon road opened two years ago up Lake creek from the Siuslaw, past Triangle lake to Blachley, has become the main route of travel from the valley Florence-ward though the mail between that city and Eugene still travels the old Siuslaw river road. The new route is as short as the old and much easier, and if the Florence mail were started from Junction instead of from Eugene, it would be six miles shorter. Steps are being taken to make such a change at the next letting of the mail-carrying contract.

Heretofore the Southern Pacific Company's track, in Douglas county, has been assessed at $3500 a mile north of Roseburg, and $3000 a mile south of that city, but this year assessor Britt raised the valuation to $5000. The land of the company was formerly assessed at 35 cents to $1.25 an acre, an average of about 72 cents. This year Assessor Britt has lumped the land at 75 cents an acre. The company officials asked to have their roadbed assessed the same as last year, and their land uniformly reduced to 35 cents an acre.

The Gold Hill News says that last Monday night their city was visited by a knight of the safe-crackers. The store of A. L. Harvey was broken open and four razors, a pocket knife and a few copper cent pieces were taken. The burglar then entered the Gold Hill Mercantile Co's. store, but was frightened away by E. N. Williams who sleeps on the upper floor of the back part of the store. Tuesday, however, the thief, John Casey, was arrested, he having pawned the razors, one at C. P. Parker's, and the other three at C. F. Young's saloons. The preliminary hearing was set for 10 o'clock Wednesday before Justice Hammersley. After hearing the evidence he was bound over to appear before the next grand jury, to the charge of petty larceny in the sum of $200 bonds, which he failed to secure and was sent to board with Sheriff Barnes.

George McGowan, of Monmouth, has a little pet in the way of a seagull. Mrs. McGowan caught it over at Yaquina bay before it could fly, intending to release the prisoner and let it go back to its native haunts if it so desired. However, it made no effort to return when released, but it is so tame that it merely flies about town and then back home.

The Elmore Sanborn & Co.'s cannery at Garibaldi, in Tillamook county, is in operation again, and fishing is going on the bay. The number of fishboats allowed to operate for the season is limited to 20, and the price paid is 25 cents for chinooks, and 12½ cents for silversides, the extremely low price of canned salmon being alleged as the cause of the reduction.

In some cases samples have been sent to Corvallis and the test proved very favorably to the growers in this valley. Mr. Shaw and Mr. Saylor met a number of citizens Saturday evening, when Mr.

The closed fish season ended at 12 o'clock Thursday night and numerous wheels were set in motion near The Dalles. Nearly all of the men made good catches, and the fishermen anticipate an extra good run this fall. Friday morning, Henry Laurensen took out about two tons of fine steelheads and blue backs, and other wheels did equally as well. Most of Friday's catch was sent to Seufert Bros.' cannery.

Instructions have been received by the officials of the railway mail service at Portland to cause all letter mail for Canadian points on the Upper Yukon to be forwarded via Seattle to Dyea, Alaska, and to send all other classes of mail for these points to San Francisco, to be forwarded by steamer to St. Michaels, sailing from San Francisco September 5. They were further advised that, after the departure of this steamer, September 5, all mail for the Klondike country, except letters, will be held at San Francisco and Seattle, as letter mail only is to be carried from Dyea to Dawson City. Until further provisions are made by the United States and Canadian postoffice departments, it will be useless for anyone to mail anything but letters for points on the Yukon river this winter. The last trip for this season, from Sitka to Unalaska leaves Sitka October 1, or on the arrival of the steamer City of Topeka, due to sail from Seattle September 26.

The Oregon congressional delegation on Saturday agreed upon the following recommendations for appointment to federal offices in Oregon.

United States district attorney—John H. Hall of Portland.

United States marshal—Zoeth Houser of Umatilla county.

Appraiser of customs. Willamette district, at Portland—Colonel Owen Summers, of Portland.

Register of United States land office, at Oregon City—T. T. Geer, of Marion county.

A Steamer for Rogue River.

The steamer Bismarck, with the tug Tonquin as escort, leaves for Rogue River, where she is to be employed in towing barges of coal from the mine to the Glasgow Cove and Coal Company to Gold Beach, the county seat of Curry county, at the mouth of the river. P. McCubbin president; James More and Capt. W. E. Mitchel, the other members of the company, go on the Bismarck with a force of 18 men to work in the mine. The mine is 25 miles up Rogue River from Gold Beach, and bids fair to be the most productive in the state. A tunnel has been run in 305 feet through a seven foot vein of coal, and 700 feet further up the river, another tunnel has been run in 83 feet. The roof is of sandstone and the floor of slate. A tramway has been built from the mouth of the main tunnel to the bank of the river, and the mine is now to be worked in a systematic manner by drifting out on each side of the tunnel.

The coal is an excellent quality of lignite, and a sliver of it takes fire readily from a match, which is claimed no other coal mined in this region will do. It is also an excellent cooking coal. Following is an analysis of the coal furnished by an expert:

Moisture, 3.20; volatile combustible matter, 41.30; fixed carbon, 43.30; ash, 12.20.

The supply is practically inexhaustible, as the vein has been traced eight miles north and south and 1½ miles east and west. The company owns a section of land, one mile square on the vein, which drops to the northeast about eight feet in 100. The workings will be dumped into a canyon on one side. The mine was discovered and located by Mr. More about two years ago, and he has had eight men working on it most of the time since. He has now formed a company by taking in Mr. McCubbin and Capt. Mitchel, and they go down prepared to work the mine on an extensive scale. They expect to cross out over the bar Monday, and, as the distance to Rogue river is 240 miles, and the tug Tonquin goes along as escort, they expect to have no trouble in reaching Gold Beach in safety. They think they have a better thing than Klondike.—Oregonian.

Dreadfully Nervous.

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NEWS OF THE WORLD

Judge Hands Down Decision in Colima Case.

CHINESE PORT SOLD TO GERMANY.

Japanese House at Cottage Grove Invaded by a Tough Gang—Aged Couple Marry.

The government has lost four splendid new steel sixteen-ton breech-loading rifles, intended for the fortifications off Savannah, by shipping them in an unseaworthy schooner which was capsized in a gale.

Six well-known families of Dayton, Wash., will start on a novel trip to California in a few days. D. K. Pierce, better known as "Dempsey" Pierce, who is well known in Walla Walla and Columbia counties, will have charge of the party. Six covered wagons will convey the party, by easy stages to their destination. The trip is taken by all as an outing, and sufficient men will be taken along to do all the hard work of hitching teams and other labor.

The leaders in the miners' strike are resting on their arms waiting the outcome of the Columbus convention. They are, however, using their best efforts to keep the men from returning to work, but only with moderate success. The movement toward settlement has gone so far that all West Virginia will cut a small figure, and the men are going back to work where chance offers.

The Japanese headquarters at Cottage Grove were invaded last Monday night by unknown persons, and every vestige of clothing, bedding and accoutrements stolen. The Japanese are employed by the Southern Pacific Company to do section work, and it is quite probable that the theft was committed by persons who wished to intimidate the Japs into leaving, says the Eugene Register. There is no clew to the perpetrators of the deed.

The County Clerk at Fresno, Cal., issued a license to Charles G. Leach to marry Celesta N. Akin. The ages of both are 73 years, and they are from Kings county. The prospective groom is a native of England and the bride, of Nebraska. Deputy Ed Wolcott, who issued the licence, was so astonished when told the ages that he forgot himself, and asked if the consent of the girl's mother had been obtained.

A cub bear came to the Holbrook hop yard, in Cowlitz county, Wash., last Thursday evening, and afforded considerable sport for the pickers who were in camp at the time. It got into a grove and the heavy gale blowing at the time, caused the tops of the trees to blow together, and, as a shout went up from the pickers, it became frightened and leaped from one to the other, like a squirrel. Several shots from a shotgun failed to bring it down, so high were the trees.

W. M. Hill of Osawatomie, Kansas, came very near losing his life last Monday by falling into Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone. He descended the canyon to Red Rock, below Point Lookout, and while walking around he slipped and started to roll down the slanting canyon wall some 1500 feet. He managed to roll over on his back, and by digging his heels and elbows into the sand slackened his speed until he struck a projecting ledge on the brink of a precipice 600 feet high. He was rescued by tourists who lowered a rope to him, pulling him up During his descent Hill's clothes were almost torn from his body and the sand scraped off considerable skin.

A cablegram received from Southampton announces that the American line steamer St Louis docked at Southampton at 5:30 o'clock September 8th and that the time of her passage from Sandy Hook lightship to the Needles was six days, 10 hours and 14 minutes. This beats the record by the Hamburg liner Fuerst Bismarck by 41 minutes. The St. Louis and St. Paul now hold the best Southampton records. This is a triumph for American ship-builders, for not only did the St. Louis and St. Paul float the stars and stripes, but they were both launched from an American shipyard.

A Herald special from Barcelona says it is stated on the highest diplomatic authority that the present Spanish government will go out within a fortnight, and that the liberals will come in. The Herald's correspondent in Washington, commenting on the above says: The officials of the state department have not received any information of any change in the Spanish ministry, but they have believed ever since the death of Canovas that it is quite probable the conservative ministry would be succeeded by one headed by Sagasta. Such a change has been hoped for by the administration, for the reason that it is believed that the liberals would pursue a course in regard to Cuba very different from that followed by the conservatives, both before and since the death of Canovas, and that if Senor Sagasta should come into power he would receive with favor the new offers of the good offices of the United States to bring an end of the insurrection, which Minister Woodford is to make.

A remarkable patent has just been granted by the German Patent Office. It is for making rubies. M. Gin, the patentee, has discovered that by volatilizing alumina in an electric furnace in conjunction with certain coloring substances the vapors, upon cooling, become rubies of any desired size, and indistinguishable from the natural ruby. The artificial has the composition, form, color and hardness of the natural ruby. It is well known that by passing a suitable and sufficient current of electricity through carbon, inclosed in an iron rod, very small diamonds have been made. They are not of commercial value on account of their smallness and the difficulty of removing them from their matrix. M. Gin's success with volatilized alumina suggests great possibilities in the artificial production of diamonds and other gems. In this connection it is interesting to learn that the British Patent Office has allowed a patent for making gold, and that in the United States Patent Office is pending an application for a similar patent.

P. C. McGuire, who has for several years been freight clerk at the O. R. & N. depot at Colfax, Wash., left on Thursday for Oakesdale, having been promoted to the company's agency at that point.

The Arlington Lumber & Shingle Company has leased its mill, which has not been running steadily for several months, to the Island Mill Company, of which P. T. Conine, formerly of Tacoma, Wash., is the manager. The new firm has begun operations with a crew of 25 men.

It is expected that work will soon be resumed on the great Rio Verde irrigation enterprise which is to redeem 200,000 acres of the finest land in the Salt river valley. Of the 150 miles of canals that will constitute the Rio Verde irrigation system, 22 have been dug, and a large amount of work, costing altogether $200,000, has been done at and near the headworks.

News has been received from China that the port of Tung Yung Kow, near Foo Choo, is to be sold to Germany as a coal and naval station. Negotiations have been in progress for some time and the Chinese government has favorably considered the proposal, in recognition of Germany's services to her in the retrocession of Liao Tung peninsula.

Judge Brown of the United States district court has handed down a decision granting the petition of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company for limitation of its liability on account of the loss of the steamship Colima, which foundered in the Pacific ocean off the Mexican coast in May, 1895. Numerous suits were brought against the steamship company in behalf of relatives of deceased passengers and in the interest of the losers of cargo and personal effects. The company deposited $23,846 of freight money with the court and asked for a limitation of liability under section 4284 of the revised statutes, asserting that the disaster was due to the perils of the sea. Judge Brown decides that the petitioner upon surrendering the freight money, is entitled to the exemption provided by section 4283 of the revised statutes.

The terms of thirty United States senators now in office will expire March 4, 1899, and thirty more will go out March 4, 1901, and the remaining thirty March 4, 1903. Of those in the "next batch," fifteen are democrats; eleven republicans; three are silver republicans, and one is a populist. Among these are several very prominent senators: Gorman, of Maryland; Faulkner, of West Virginia; Turpie, of Indiana; Aldrich, of Rhode Island; Quay, of Pennsylvania; Lodge, of Massachussetts, and Hale of Maine. New England is now without a democratic senator. It goes without saying that there will be a contest in selecting successors to the senators whose time expires March 1899. Neither party will have a walkaway and much will depend upon the work of the next session of congress which will convene next December.

The reason kissing is so pleasant says an osculatory expert of scientific tendencies, is because the teeth, jaw bones and lips are full of nerves and when the lips of persons meet an electric current is generated. To this the Washington Star replies:—"Yes, and it is so confoundedly cheap. You don't have to have a dynamo machine, nor a battery in the house, nor a call box, nor a button to touch to ring up a central office and there is no patent on it and the poorest person in the world can enjoy the current better than the millionaire and it never gets out of order. If Edison had invented kissing it would cost $100 a year like the telephone and then extra kissing would be charged extra and if you did not pay it they would take your kissaphone out and disconnect you from the central office.

A Bag of Gold Ore.

A man from Alaska, with a bag full of very fine specimens of gold ore, arrived in Portland last week. He is M. M. Schaney, formerly of Dubois, Pa., whither he is returning from a six months' investigation of mining properties in the vicinity of Juneau. He is a mining man sent out by Pennsylvania parties for the work on which he has been engaged, and he is now on his way to make report to them, having acquired a number of valuable claims on Admiralty island, about 40 miles from Juneau. When seen at the Merchant hotel by an Oregonian reporter, he was not much inclined to talk about the matter, but finally stated that he had secured at least one very valuable mine, or what he was confident would prove such.

"I am not selling any stock or bonding any bonded properties, and I shall not give you the precise location, but here are the figures of the assay on the ore we have so far done."

He produced an assay sheet of a German assayer, showing the results of a dozen assays of ores, running from one to several hundred dollars a ton, all one assay that indicated $2000 a ton. He said that in 30 feet of work already done on the richest ledge the ore ran from $40 to $100 a ton. The ledge is from six inches to nine feet in width.

"We secured another ledge," he said, "12 to 14 feet in width, where we get assays running as high as $18.50 and none low. It is entirely a free-milling proposition, no sulphurets, very little arsenopyrites and no other worth mentioning. Our library is California mining literature, and we shall go to San Francisco to get a boiler, and we shall proceed at once to sink a shaft about 200 feet and then cross-cut. It is the intention to put in a stamp mill as soon as development is under way. We are right on each water, and believe we have just as good a thing as we want.

"I tell you, few people realize what a wonderful quartz mining country that is all along the coast for a thousand miles, from Ketchican to Cook's Inlet. The ledges crop out right in the sea, and the islands are as full of them as the mainland. And they are very far from all containing low grade ores like the Treadwell mine. Thousands of people bound for Klondike this year have hurried right past millions upon millions of dollars' worth of gold quartz, which will some day be got out from right along the routes taken by those Alaska steamers.

"The region has heretofore been comparatively free from stockjobbers and boomers, but they are beginning to make their appearance there, and some of their operations may give the locality a temporary setback in reputation."

THE KLONDIKE.

Short Scraps of Information About That Interesting Country.

Game is very scarce.

The winter lasts nine months.

Vegetables of the hardier sort can be raised.

Skates might be used to advantage at times.

It is 1,895 miles from St. Michaels to Dawson City.

In summer the weather is warm and ent life is comfortable.

In the winter the sun shines for a short time only each day.

The latitude of St. Michaels is farther west than that of Honolula.

By steamer it costs $150 to go from coast points to Dawson City.

The only way to live is to imitate the Indians in dress and habit.

In summer an abundance of fine grass can be found along the rivers.

On the Klondike the thermometer goes as low as 60 degrees below zero.

The Yukon is navigable for a 250-ton steamer for a distance of 1600 miles.

The Yukon river is closed by ice from November to the latter part of May.

Dogs are worth their weight in gold A good long haired dog sells from $100 to $300.

The only way into and out of the Klondike in the winter is by the way of Juneau.

It is useless to wear leather or gum boots. Good moccasins are absolutely necessary.

There is a great variety of berries to be found all through the country in summer.

Supplies are purchased chiefly in California and carried from there to St. Michaels

At a distance of 600 miles from the ocean the Yukon river is more than a mile wide.

The Klondike mining region is the same latitude as Iceland and lower Greenland.

Of the seven trading stations in the Yukon district, five are located upon the river bank.

Indian guides are necessary to go ahead of the dogs and prepare the camps for night.

Gold was discovered in the vicinity of Sitka by Frank Mahoney, Edward Doyle and William Dunlap in 1873

There are two routes by which to reach Dawson City One by St. Michaels Island and the other via Juneau.

The first discovery of gold on the Klondike was made in the middle of August, 1896, by George Cormack.

The colder it is the better the traveling. When it is very cold there is no wind, and the wind is hard to bear.

The first American traders to engage in the Yukon trade were members of the Western Union Telegraph expedition.

In the summer the sun rises early and sets late, and there are only a few hours when it is not shining directly on Alaska.

With the first breath of spring the up-river people prepare for their annual meeting with their friends from the outside world.

Stock can be kept by using care in providing abundantly with feed by ensilage or curing natural grass hay and by housing them in winter.

In appearance the natives are like the North American Indians, only more lithe and active, with very small feet and hands. They live in temporary camps, both winter and summer, either in the mountains or on the rivers, according to the game they are hunting.

Jackson County Beets.

G. W. Shaw, chemist of the Oregon experiment station, accompanied by E. F. Saylor, special agent of the United States agricultural department, of Washington, D. C., arrived at Medford last week and immediately set to work to ascertain the possibilities of this section of Oregon. They visited many farmers, where tests were being made to determine the quality of beets that could be raised, and each took samples, and a test will be made at the experiment station at Corvallis.

Saylor said that he had visited every county in the United States where beet-sugar factories were in operation, and where beets were being grown for the market, but he had not visited a single locality in which the beets grow and the natural resources were as favorable as in Jackson county.

Mr. Saylor has been traveling since May solely in the interest of sugar beets, and is in a position to speak from personal observation. The analysis which has been made shows an average of over 16 per cent of sugar and over 70 per cent purity. The test in past years, including the season, gives the beets in Jackson county 17.9 sugar and 81 per cent purity. Reports show that for the past five years beets in California had 14.9 sugar, with 83 per cent purity; Nebraska, 13.5 sugar, 80 purity; Utah, 14.5 sugar, 80 purity. In all of these states beet sugar factories have been and are now in operation and proving profitable to both beet growers and manufactures. The analysis in this county is much higher than in any of the states named, and a test of the yield in Jackson county shows beets to average 20 tons to the acre, and in some cases the yield went as high as 25 tons, while those in California average but 11 tons, and in Utah 11½ tons. Mr. Shaw says that only one county in Oregon can cope with Jackson in the production of beets and natural resources for the production of beet sugar.

Beet's with an average of 14 per cent are $4 a ton at the factory, and with the yield of 20 tons to the acre, gives a pretty good income for the farmers who engage in this enterprise.—Record.

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The Rogue River Brewery in Grant's Pass with 10-barrel Copper Kettle, Kegs Malt Kiln and modern Bowling alley, Dwelling House of 8 rooms, Stable, Granary, etc. There are 85 fruit trees in garden. The property contains 4 acres, or 26 building lots. Inquire at this office or of Mrs. Geo. Walter, Grant's Pass.

WATER SNAKE FIGHTS EEL.

Terrific Combat Which Finally Ended in the Eel's Escape.

"Did you ever know that there is a deadly antipathy between a common water snake and an eel?" asked the fisherman, according to the Indianapolis Sentinel. "Well, I never knew it until an experience I had in witnessing a fight between the two. Personally, I have the greatest dread of eels. I'm more afraid of them than I am of a snake, and you can imagine my chagrin when I happened to hook one on one of my fishing expeditions. I was afraid to touch it, and all I could do was to let it dangle in the air. I could not get it off my hook, and I was meditating what to do, when altogether unnoticed I allowed the slimy object to drop into the water. In a moment I saw a big water snake make a dive for it. At the first lunge it caught the neck of the eel squarely between his teeth, and I could see it sink its ugly-looking fangs into the eel's flesh. I waited anxiously to see the developments. With its grim hold still on the eel's neck the snake, quick as it takes to tell it, wrapped its sinuous body around its antagonist's neck in an effort to squeeze it to death. The body of the eel was too sleek, however, and the snake's coils, despite all it could do, wou'd slip down into the water. Time and time again it tried to squeeze the life out of its antagonist, never for an instant releasing its hold on the eel's neck, but the body of the latter was too sleek for it and every time it would slip down. Finally the hook broke, and the eel made good its escape."

HANS AND LENA.

"Yes I Haf No York She Py's Me Nob," Says Malmgreen.

"I want you to put him somewhere so he can't bodder me so many times," said Mrs. Berglin, of 291 Market street, to Justice Kersten when she appeared against Hans Malmgreen, who she chrarged with being disorderly, says the Chicago Journal.

"What has he been doing?" said the justice.

"Vell he comes py my house all the time and he bodders me and bodders me. He never vorks, all he does is bodder me."

"What have you got to say about this, Hans?"

A tall German lad with light blue eyes hung his head in shame, swung one foot backward and forward, pulled his cap nervously, and said in a low, timid voice:

"We was in lofe, you know, and she went back on me two or three times alrett. When I haf vork she lofes me, and when I haf no vork she lofes me not."

"Well, you had better transfer your affections somewhere else, ofr if you bother this woman again I will send you to the bridewell. Do you understand?"

"Yes, chudge; I vill say to her right here: 'Good-py, Lena, you vill never see your Hans again.'"

So they parted.

BOLD AS A LION.

Simile Justified by Audacity of an East Indian Beast.

Apropos of the death of Maj. Sandbach from wounds inflicted by a lioness while hunting in Somaliland, reference may be made to an interesting article in Scribner by Capt. C. J. Melliss. Among other things Capt. Melliss gives a striking instance of a lion's great audacity. An English officer was shooting recently in Somaliland. One night, when he was in bed inside his tent, a lion sprang over the rough thorn fence which it is usual to throw up around one's encampment at night. Instead of picking up one of the men or animals that must have been lying about asleep inside the fence, he would have gone but the sportsman himself, and made a dash into his tent and seized him—fortunately only by the hand. Then, by some wonderful piece of luck, as the lion changed his grip for the shoulder, he grabbed the pillow instead and so vanished with his prize. The pillow was found next morning several hundred yards distant in the jungle.

An Accommodating Justice.

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