

# THOMAS B REED VERY SICK MAN

## Physicians Consider His Case Very Serious

Washington, Dec. 4—Ex-Speaker Reed passed a comfortable night. His physicians, Drs. Gardner and MacDonaid hope to avoid an operation. They say the patient's condition is such he might not survive the shock. His condition is critical and may be changed for the worse at any time. The most serious feature in the case is Bright's disease of the kidneys.

Mr. Reed is unaware of the gravity of his condition. The family is constantly at his bedside. His condition is reported much more serious this afternoon.

Dr. Baker, the expert on kidney disease was called in consultation by Reed's physicians this afternoon.

## RIVERS AND CREEKS FULL TO OVERFLOWING

### Logs Coming Down—Narrow Escape From Drowning—Kinney Still Stormbound

Dave Mussen, who was in town yesterday from Coos river, informed the Matt that there was not much appearance of a freshet on the lower river, but reports from Allegany were that the water was high there and many logs had come into the boom, some of them several years old.

Major Kinney and J. H. Diery were still waterbound at Sitkum, on the Coos Bay wagon road yesterday, the road being overflowed. They expected to get away this morning.

J. D. Laird and two other men whose names were not learned had a narrow escape from drowning in the swollen stream in Brewster valley yesterday. They were out in a boat, when it was caught in the current and capsized, and they only got out by the greatest exertions.

C. T. Johnson the mail carrier from Marshfield to Gardiner, reports that his trip yesterday was mainly aquatic. At Schofield creek and several places this side he had to make long detours and to pass long distances through water up to his horses' sides. Many bridges had lost their planking through not being spiked down.

# FEARFUL BLIZZARDS

## Sweeping Over the Atlantic Coast

### ANTHRACITE MINES CLOSED RAILROAD TRAFFIC SUSPENDED

## Storm Extends From New England to Florida and Loss to Shipping Will be Great

#### Special to the Mail.

New York, Dec. 5—A terrific storm is sweeping the Atlantic coast and no ships are venturing out. Danger signals are flying from all marine offices in New England.

A blizzard is raging and all transportation is blocked.

Boston, Dec. 5—Very high wind and driving snow are reported from all New England points. Three inches have fallen here of alternate hail and sleet.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 5—The Maryland, Carolina and Virginia coasts are storm swept and grave fears exist for all shipping. The wires from Cape Henry and Hatteras are all down. All attempts to get information show that these two points are in great danger, and wreckage is unavoidable. The wind is blowing sixty miles an hour.

Gloucester, Mass., Dec. 5—The schooner Mader was the first victim of the storm. She attempted to enter the harbor but struck on the uncompleted breakwater. The life saving station rescued the crew from the vessel when she was breaking up.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 5—The storm is unprecedented in any records. It is sweeping a section of the coast 50 miles wide. Five inches of rain have fallen within 30 hours.

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 5—On account of an exceptionally heavy blizzard all collieries closed down this morning. A foot of snow fell. All trains will be abandoned for fear of stalling in the mountain passes.

McKeen-port, Dec. 5—Eight inches of snow fell here today. A high wind and blizzard prevails.

## Our Star System The Drama's Bane

By AMELIA BINGHAM, Actress

IF I WERE ASKED TO NAME THE CHIEF CAUSE FOR THE FALLING OFF IN THE DRAMA, I SHOULD UNHESITATINGLY SAY THAT IT WAS DUE TO OUR PRESENT STAR SYSTEM, WHICH HAS DEPRIVED THE AMERICAN STAGE OF MOST OF ITS GOOD ACTORS AND HAS KILLED MANY GOOD PLAYS.

The question before any average manager when he comes to consider plays submitted to him is not, "Is this play dramatic, vivid, true to life, artistic?" but, "Does it fit my star?" If it does not and the play is still a good one, it may be—often is—cut here and there, changed around, readjusted, dislocated, ruined often, and then put on the stage.

It is always safe, I think, to fall back on Shakespeare for the final word about dramatic art, and when he says "The play's the thing" he utters an eternal truth. After all, the scene and the actors are but the best available means found yet for expressing the meaning of a writer. In days of old, when the theater called forth only intelligent admiration and criticism, it was the poet who was the master.

On the Greek stage the heads of the actors were hidden in conventional masks; they wore high sandals to raise them from the stage, and they could neither walk with dignity nor express much with their features. Their names were not known. What they had to do was to speak their lines clearly, intelligently and loudly. In Rome the actors were slaves or held in little account.

Today so changed is the point of view that THE ACTOR IS EVERYTHING, THE PLAY LITTLE, THE PLAYWRIGHT THE LAST CONSIDERATION OF ALL. By and by we shall change all that, perhaps, and when we do the drama will take an upward tendency.



## REASON ENGINEERS STRUCK Not to Inflict Damage on Property But to Get an Eight Hour Day

Scranton, Dec. 5—At the opening investigation before the anthracite commission today there was a lengthy argument over permitting the continuance of the testimony by Engineer Marwick.

There was one question asked as to whether every striker was supposed to get his former place back, regardless of the promises made non-unionists by the operators.

Commissioner Clark opposed the ques-

tion, saying the commission was perfectly aware that in some cases the men were given their old places, and it was not necessary that time taken up by such evidence from Marwick.

The evidence was therefore confined to the laborious work of the engineers and allied crafts. Marwick developed no facts but finally precipitated a question as to the cause of the engineers, firemen and pumpmen striking. The operators' counsel said the granting of an eight hour day would not have kept the men at work, as it was simply a movement on the part of the miners to compel union recognition.

Mitchell interposed and said the granting of an eight hour day would have kept the engineers, firemen and pumpmen at work.

Judge Gray said the commission held that this class of men struck for the purpose of shorter hours, and if they had been granted they would have remained at work, thus completely discharging the charge that the men went out maliciously and let the mines fill with water in the hope by ruining the property they could force a settlement.

To improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion, try a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Mr. J. E. Soltz, of Detroit, Mich., says, "They restored my appetite when impaired, relieved me of a bloated feeling and caused a pleasant and satisfactory movement of the bowels." There are people in this community who need just such a medicine. For sale by John Preuss. Every box warranted.

## MUTINY AT SEA

### Mate Killed and Captain Wounded

#### MUTINEERS LEAVE SHIP ON A LIFE RAFT

### American Sailors Revolt in Mid-Ocean on British Ship Bound to Australia

Queenstown, Dec. 5—The British ship Leicester Castle arrived from San Francisco today and reported three American sailors mutined October 23rd and fatally shot the second officer and thrice wounded the captain. They seized life rafts and left the ship in mid-pacific. The mutineers were W. A. Hobbs, Earnest Sears and Albert Turner, all of San Francisco. Captain Peattie says he looked next day for the raft but could not find it. He says he was just going to sleep on the night of the mutiny when Earnest Sears, an able seaman, called him and said a man had broken his leg. The captain went into the cabin when there entered W. A. Hobbs, another seaman, who slipped up to him and said, "Now then captain," at the same time firing a revolver and hitting the captain over the heart. Peattie clinched with the man and was again wound-

ed, this time in the arm and battered over the head with a club. The second mate who attempted to assist him was shot through the heart by Hobbs. When help arrived Hobbs ran out of the cabin, shooting as he ran. Captain Peattie sustained five revolver wounds, and other injuries.

The first mate took charge and called the men aft and determined to secure the mutineers. The men remained aft until it was discovered that the life raft was afloat and was carrying Hobbs, Earnest Sears and J. S. Turner.

James Turner's home is in Portland, Or., Earnest Sears hails from Pocatello, Idaho. All three shipped at San Francisco.

## WRIGHT RESIGNS POSITION As Better One is Offered Him Thinks Great Central all Right

Portland, Dec. 5—Allan A. Wright has resigned his position as Vice President and General Manager of the Great Central Railroad. His resignation was presented Nov. 11, but the fact was not made public until yesterday.

Mr. Wright says he was moved to this act by two things. One was a business offer which promised to be much better than working for a salary; the other was that he did not like the idea of changing his residence from Portland to Roseburg. B. C. Daly, chief clerk in the general manager's office will continue to conduct the affairs of the office for the present. It is possible that the office of general manager of the company will remain vacant until Spring, when active construction is expected to be entered upon.

Mr. Wright says he has great faith in the Great Central Railroad enterprise and believes the road will be built through between Salt Lake and Coos Bay, but it takes time to accomplish a work of that magnitude. He has no doubt but dirt will fly right lively in the spring.

## A COUGH QUESTION?

Knowing as you do of the danger which lurks in every neglected cough, would you neglect yours if you knew of a remedy like this? A remedy that has cured hundreds of cases. One that is perfectly harmless. One of which you get a liberal quantity for the price. One that costs you nothing if it fails to cure. There is such a remedy. It is Sengstacken's White Pine Expectorant. It cures promptly and always cures thoroughly.

Price 25 and 50 cents.

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Marshfield, Oregon

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

US to Chas E A Siestrem lots 4 and 5 s 2 t 23 r 11, 128 46-100 acres.  
John D Sunderland and sf to Lydia E Woodward, lots 7 and 8, blk 15 and lot 8 and 5 ft off a side of lot 7, blk 14, Marshfield \$1200.  
Emerson E Ferrey to Ernest W Smith portion of lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 blk 10 Railroad add Marshfield \$10.  
US to Geo. H Herron, e2 of ne4 and e2 of ne4 and s2 of nw4, s 23 t 23 r 9, 160 acres.  
W W Endicott and wf to J J Roberts a strip 15 feet in width on the East end of lots 2 and 3, blk 31, Brown's add to Myrtle Point. \$15.  
S E Decker and wf to Jacob M Endicott, lots 1 and 2 blk 1, Decker's add Myrtle Point \$20.  
W P Beckett to F A Everden. 7 1-2 acres in s 2 t 27 r 13. \$250.  
R D Sanford, executor of est of John Mevinish to James M Vowell, e2 of se4, s 8 t 25 r 16. \$795.  
US to Mary A Norton sw4 of s 9 t 26, r 11, 160 acres.  
US to James H Barklow, lot 4 s 3 and lots 1 and 2, s 4, t 29 r 14 and sw4 of w4 s 4, t 28, r 14, 150 100 acres.  
James H Barklow and wf to R H Ross lot 4, s 3 and lots 1 and 2, s 4 t 29 r 14 and sw4 of sw4, s 34, t 28 r 14, 150 1-10 Acres \$250.  
Nathan E Barklow to R H Ross, set of s 33 t 28, r 14, 190 acres, \$1.  
Geo M Dyer and wf to R H Ross, land near Bandon. \$15.  
US to Wm H Schroeder nw4 s 21, t 29, r 13, 160 acres.  
Oloff Reed to Amelia Lafferty, 113 acres in s 6, t 29 r 12 \$1.  
Amelia Lafferty and hus to Oloff Reed 113 acres in s 6 t 29 r 12. \$1.  
John McKenna and wf to Fannie J McNames, e2 s 24, t 29, r 15, 320 acres \$2000.  
John Gimes to John Yonkam e2 of ne4 and e2 of nw4 s 28, t 27 r 13, 160 \$1125.  
A E Seaman and wf to J D Sunderland e2 of lots 7 and 8 blk W Western add Marshfield \$10  
Cora Noble and hus to L J Simpson, lot 1, se4 of ne4 and e2 of se4 s 4, t 27 r 12 160 acres. \$800.  
A A Werley to Rosa Gray lots 1 and 2, blk 38 East Marshfield,  
O H Merchant and wf to Chas. Mountjoy, lots 7 and 8 blk 32 Railroad add to Marshfield, \$100  
Albert S Dibble and wf to W O Williams nw3 of ne4 s 27 t 25 r 13 \$2500.  
A E Borthwick and w to A S Dibble, lots 7 and 8 blk 12, Belmont add ac \$250.  
Robert E Shina to Albert S Dibble nw4 of ne4 s 27, t 23 r 13 \$4000.  
W H Nosler and wf to Issiah Hacker, strip of land 10 by 100 feet off n side of lot 3, blk 43 Elliott's add Coquille City \$50.  
US to Chas E A Siestrem lots 4 and 5, s 6 t 23, r 11, 128, 46-100 acres.  
John D Sunderland and w to Lydia E Woodward, lots 7 and 8 blk 15 and lot 8 and 5 ft off a side of lot 7 blk 14 Marshfield \$1200.  
Emma Noble and hus to Simpson Lumber Co., a corporation sw4 of nw4 w2 of sw4 s 25, set, of se4 s 26 t 23, 160 acres \$850.  
Chas Noble and wf to L J Simpson lots 1 and 2, e2 of ne4 s 2 t 27 r 12. \$800.  
L Harlocker to D L Watson e2 s 27, ne4 of ne4 sw4 w2 of nw4 s 31 t 27 r 14, 600 acres \$4200.  
Edwin G Baker and wf to Ferdinand H Schettler set of sw4 lot 7, s 6 t 2 of nw4 s 7 t 25 r 12, 160 35 acres. \$1000.  
George Wallf and wf to E N Smith 40, 10 acres in secs 16 and 17 t 29 r 12 \$5000.  
Hubert Fetter to Frederick A Krille ne4 of nw4 w2 of ne4 s 32 t 29 r 10, 130 acres \$1200.  
O H Merchant and wf to A W Neal, lots 18 and 19, blk 41 Railroad add Marshfield, \$250.  
William Fox to John Moran, lot 6, blk 47, Empire City. \$150.  
Edward G Flanagan & wf to L J Simpson, Blanche E Short to L J Simpson, ne4 s 12 t 25 r 11, 160 acres. \$500.  
Ellton Hinch to Henry Sengstacken w2 of nw4 s 34 sw4 of sw4 s 27 ne4 of ne4 s 33 t 26 r 14, 160 acres \$1.  
Alfred A Johnson and wf to Andrew lot 7, blk 21, lot 42, blk 48, lot 7 blk 49, Elliott's add Coquille City, \$100.  
F J Deevne and w to George Ayre, lot 6 blk 8 Marshfield, \$1,900.  
Samuel Eickson and John Porter to John Colvin ne4 of nw4, s 13 t 23 r 13 \$400.  
W H Wilson to James W Mast ne4 of nw4 s 18 t 28 r 13. \$400.  
L W Dayoe and wf to N G W Perkins lots 3 and 4, blk 1, Dixon's Park add Myrtle Point \$550,  
son, w2, s 12 t 26 r 11. \$1000.  
Emerson E Ferry to Ernest W Smith portion of lots 1 2 3 and 4 blk 10 Railroad add Marshfield, \$10.  
Lyman M Noble and wf to Edward Willis Russel, Wm C Schulze, Albert F Groese and Harry H Campbell, nw4 of ne4 s 21 t 25 r 13, 40 acres \$4000.  
US to Herbers Geddes nw4 of set ne4 of sw5, lots 7 and 8, s 6 t 26 r 11, 160 acres.  
J C Haynes to Alice E Arrington, lots 5 and 6, blk 8 Coos City \$1.  
Samuel Centers to L J Simpson, w2 of nw4 w2 of sw4, s 20 t 27 r 11, 160 acres \$800.  
A Osborn and w to L W Dayoe, lots 3 and 4, blk 1 Dixon's Park add, Myrtle Point \$700.  
Letitia R Symons and hus to L J Simpson blk 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 20, 11 12 and 13, all of blk 15 excepting lots 25 and 28; blks 16, 17 and 19; all of blk 18 excepting lots 9, 10, 24, 25 and 28, lots 3 to 22 inclusive, blk 20, lots 8 to 15 17 to 23, blk 21 all of blk 22 excepting lots 7 8 19 and 20 all blk 23 except lots 10 11 20 and 21; blks 24 25 26 and 28 all blk 27 except lot 6 all blk 29 excepting lots 3 and 6 all blk 30 excepting lots 12 and 13, blks 31, 32 34 35 36 37 38 and 39 blk 33 except lot 24 blk 40 except lot 9, blk blk 41 and all blk 42 except lots 2 and 3 Yarrow part of lot 4 s 10 lot 1 s 15 lot 2 s 5 and 6 of s 15, t 25 r 13 part of lot 3, s 10 t 25 r 13 tide land fronting lot s 10 and lots 1 and 2, s 15 t 25 r 13 \$25000.  
  
A TIMELY SUGGESTION.  
This is the year when the prudent and careful housewife replenishes her supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is certain to be needed before the winter is over, and results are much more prompt and satisfactory when it is kept at hand and given as soon as the cold is contracted and before it has become settled in the system. In almost every instance a severe cold may be warded off by taking this remedy freely as soon as the first indication of the cold appears. There is no danger in giving it to children for it contains no harmful substance. It is pleasant to take—both adults and children like it. Buy it and you will get the best. It always cures. For sale by John Preuss.