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GEO. M. JOHNSON

THE "TILLAMOOK PARK" FAKIR KILLED HIMSELF

Geo. M. Johnson the man who was
the principal promoter of the "Tilla-
mook Park Addition" swindle, killed
himself in Portland the 18th of last
April.

P. McIntosh, who knew the man well,
was in Portland at the time. Johnson
tended bar at the Perkins hotel last
winter but became involved in some af-
fair with a woman and to end matters
blew his brains out with a pistol. He
was a tough character, and had been in-
to several confidence schemes in his
brief career.

Mr. McIntosh, the creamery man here
knew Johnson first in Ontario several
years ago. Johnson was a cheese mak-
er. Mr. McIntosh met him again in
1889 in Oregon, and the now deceased
fakir worked for awhile in McIntosh's
cheese factory at Freeport Wash.

Johnson was born in the state of New
York, of highly respected parents, but
associated with bad company after he
left home. He was mixed up with sev-
eral opium deals. Several others were
associated with him in the "Park Addi-
tion" scheme, but the exact where-
abouts of the other guilty parties are not
known. Mr. McIntosh is sure how-
ever, that he saw the body of Johnson
in the morgue at Portland last April.

A man named Geo. R. Kingsley filed
the original plat of Tillamook Park. Ad-
dition in the county clerk's office, and
afterward deeded the lots to Johnson.
There is no question but Johnson and
Kingsley were pals, and it may be some
of the gang are still in Portland.

Big Bonus Business.

The county pays a big bonus on its
warrants.

A man who built a bridge recently for
the county says that he contracted his
warrants in advance at 85 cents on the
dollar, and this is more than bridge
warrants have been bringing.

This contractor, of course, based his
bid to build the bridge on the value of
the warrants. He couldn't do other-
wise.

Here the county pays 15 cents on the
dollar, or 17½ per cent for the use of
money. The warrants draw 8 per cent,
which makes 25½ per cent the county
pays the first year.

In four years this amounts to as much
as the principal. This is not the worst
of it. Often times orders have sold as
low as 60 cents on the dollar.

Thank goodness, though, this worst
condition is about over. Orders now
sell at 87½ to 90 cents, and before tax-
paying they will be much higher. The
debt is decreasing, many warrants are
held by outsiders who think 8 per cent
interest a good investment, and orders
will never be as low again as they are
now.

They will soon remain at 95 to 99 and
will draw only 4 per cent interest, if
proper financing is done. The next
legislature should fix it so counties
could change their indebtedness on out-
standing warrants to bonded indebted-
ness. This would give the county a
chance to get its work done at cash
prices and save a great deal on interest.

About Lumber.

The Wisconsin lumbermen who re-
cently came to this coast went back
without buying any timber land be-
cause they could not get it at a ten or
fifteen cent stumpage. C. S. Holmes,
of Renton, Holmes & Co., San Francis-
co, has but recently bought several
thousand acres in Mason county, Wash-
ington, paying seventy-five cents stump-
age. This purchase was made by a man
who is well posted and heavily interest-
ed in the timber and lumber interests of
this coast. It is indicative of healthy
conditions and a notice to the world
that the timber lands of this coast can-
not be gobbled up by speculators at the
low prices which once prevailed in the
other timber districts of the United
States.

The two states of Oregon and Wash-
ington have more standing timber than
all the rest of the United States put to-
gether; they have ten times as much as
Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota
(the white pine states) all combined;
more than 400 times as much as the
great lumber state of Maine and more
than 600 times as much as the state of
New York. The nine largest lumber
states of the south have only one-third
as much as these two forest Kings of
the Northwest. The woods of Oregon
and Washington would make a girdle
round the earth three miles wide. If
all the other forests of the Union were

to go up in smoke these two states
could meet the present demand until
these forests were regrown. At the
present rate of consumption, and not al-
lowing for new growth, the forests of the
United States will be exhausted in 120
years. The woods of Michigan, Wis-
consin and Minnesota will be exhausted
within ten years. Then Oregon and
Washington will be the chief source of
supply for the whole Union.

Foul Play Suspected.

Benj. was found dead near the road-
side the other day, and the circumstan-
ces indicate there has been foul play.

Benj. is (or was) Dan Bowers' off ox,
and he had another cog, which was Har-
rison. He was named after the ex-
president.

Benj. went away early in the morn-
ing, apparently in good spirits, and his
folks suspected nothing wrong with
him. His finances were in good shape,
his health was good, and his family re-
lations had never been questioned. The
theory of suicide has been advanced,
but the character and habits of the
deceased don't warrant it.

There were no outward signs of vio-
lence on the body, excepting a few long
marks, and the theory that he was
goaded to self destruction will not hold.

The autopsy revealed the fact that his
liver was in a rather healthy condi-
tion. His stomach was full, indicat-
ing he had partaken of a bountiful re-
past recently prior to his sudden demise.
There was a slight contusion near his
left breast which might have been caused
by a varicose vein, and there were a
few small tubercles in his kidney. No
microbes or bacilli were found. His
epigastric glands were caked, and the
serum in his gall cyst was slightly coag-
ulated.

His hide was distended with oxygen
and there was a slight swelling near his
vest pocket.

The verdict of the loggers jury was
that he was dead.

The finger of suspicion points strong-
ly towards Frank Linville. Frank ex-
pects to prove an alias, but gives con-
flicting stories regarding his where-
abouts on the afternoon of the murder.

Frank says he was present at roll call,
but the other loggers can't remember
seeing him, and it is possible some one
answered for him. When arrested
Frank had a strange looking purse, and
some rings which probably came from
Benj's horns. A logger saw Frank
enter the woods on the fateful evening
with the ox, and took particular notice
of the circumstance because he thought
it was some fellow with his wife.

Time will tell, and fix the crime on
the guilty party.

Benj. was of good family. His record
will be found on page 2476 of the stock
record and his number is 400024. He
was sired by Hercules IV, and damned
by everybody. His upper front teeth
were gone.

Good For Nehalem.

The Astorian says: It is stated upon
good authority that the sum of \$15,000
has been raised by parties who already
have land bonded back of Nehalem, and
that the entire amount will be used to
develop one or two coal claims in that
vicinity. It is known that a certain
prominent O. R. and N. official who re-
cently visited that section, has secured
a bond on two of the best claims there,
and is looking much like that that com-
pany were going to go the bottom and
find out if coal exists on the Nehalem
in paying quantities. A diamond drill
will be shipped to Nehalem by steamer
soon, to be used in developing the tun-
nel already started back of Necarney
mountain.

Wide Planks.

The West Coast Lumberman says:
Eastern lumbermen do not hesitate to
send orders to this coast for clear cedar
plank four feet wide. That's what
comes from lying about our timber.
Some mills may accept orders of that
character but they do not accept them
the second time.

They ought to send to Tillamook,
where they can get the clearest, widest
and longest cedar in the world.

Besides, such dimensions can be ob-
tained in any quantity from fir and
spruce here.

There is better timber in Tillamook
than there is in the state of Washington.

Rev. Dollarhide holds church every
Sunday in the Fearnside building.

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envelopes, printing and
postage will reach 2500
people probably.

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umns will lay that same
matter before the same
2500 people.

TIMBER IN MINES

IMPORTANT FACTOR IN THE LUMBER TRADE.

But few lumbermen realize the im-
mense amount of timber annually con-
sumed in the mines of the world. For
years vessels have been loading on Pu-
get Sound with timber for the mines at
Port Pirie, Australia, and so frequent
are these shipments they make but little
stir. With the view of ascertaining
some facts on this demand the West
Coast Lumberman recently addressed a
letter to The Broken Hill Proprietary
Company at Port Pirie; This was kindly
answered by Mr. F. M. Dickson, sec-
retary of the company at Melbourne.
From this letter is gathered the follow-
ing points of interest.

The annual consumption of lumber in
the mines of this company reaches the
enormous amount of 15,000,000 feet.
The first fir lumber sent from this coast
was in 1889. Mr. Dickson says that it
has not been in use long enough to en-
able an opinion to be formed on its dura-
bility; it therefore shows no age defects
in the six years test it has been put to.
As fast as the timber becomes unneces-
sary in a mine it is removed and used
elsewhere. The largest single order
ever placed for fir was for 10,000,000
feet—this order, we believe, was placed
in 1893 with the Puget Mill Company at
Port Gamble, Washington.

Mr. Dickson labors under the error
that nearly all the timber they use is
from Oregon, when in fact it all comes
from Washington. This error occurs
from the ancient name of Oregon Pine
used by the foreign mill shippers in cor-
respondence and billing.

One essential point in mining timber
is strength. In this respect fir stands
at the head. The Comstock Mine, of
Nevada, uses large quantities of yellow
pine and has found in many cases that
this wood has been greatly compressed
by the immense weights put on it. Some
one estimates that the Comstock has
\$55,000,000 invested in timber in its
mines.

The Australian mines take a wide
range in timbers running up to sticks so
large they could only be cut on the Pa-
cific coast. The St. Paul & Tacoma
Lumber Company, of Tacoma, is now
loading some 18x18 and 20x20—80 feet
for Port Pirie, which is nothing unusual
in cargoes for that port.

[The Lumberman ought to claim that
all the timber in the world grows in
Washington. It is safe to say the edi-
tor of that paper never saw the forests
of Oregon, and knows little of this state.
Some of the newspapers of Washington
are trying very hard to change the
name of "Oregon Pine" to "Washing-
ton Fir," but their efforts will be like
their attempt to change "Mt. Ranier"
to "Mt. Tacoma."]

Oretown.

Many new settlers have moved in on
Siab creek and also up the South Fork
of the Little Nestucca.

On account of the unusual dry weather
this fall the Little Nestucca toll road is
still passable for wagons, although it is
very muddy in places where the brush
is overhanging the road. It has been
estimated that the Little and Big Nes-
tucca roads have taken in about five
thousand dollars this summer and
autumn.

John Craven has gone to the valley
with his son who will attend school in
Salem.

J. Meyer has gone to Salem on a bus-
ness trip.

Mrs. Frank Franklin has a young son.

The sound of wedding bells is antici-
pated in this neighborhood.

Mrs. Rock and family have returned
from a visit to Salem and Portland.

Capt. Crim is filling up his store. It
will be a permanent business house if
people will encourage home industry.

A majority of the neighborhood spent
two or three weeks in the hop yards this
fall and have returned home well sat-
isfied with the pleasure and the fullness
of the purse.

Says The Corvallis Times: "There
ought to be added to the taxation laws
of the state of Oregon a provision for a
rebate to the taxpayer who pays his
taxes promptly. Under the present
system prompt payers are called upon
to pay not only their own taxes, but in-
terest upon the taxes of slow payers, as
well as interest and principal of taxpay-
ers who do not pay at all. A system of
graduated rebates for prompt payers and
penalties for slow payers would solve a
vexed problem, and make it important
to all taxpayers to be prompt." This
system has been in force in Kansas for
many years.