

What's Your Verdict Now?

READ THESE TESTIMONIALS

Dr. Wright's method of painless extraction is certainly a blessing. He extracted two teeth for me and it didn't hurt a bit.
G. P. TERRELL,
Mehama, Oregon.

Salem, Or., Dec. 10, 1903.
Dr. B. E. Wright:
Dear Sir: I most certainly can truthfully recommend your dental work, both extracting and crown work, which was highly satisfactory and thoroughly first class.
C. C. WILSON,
Care of the Statesman.

After having read Dr. Wright's advertisement, I concluded to try him, as I had been almost killed by having teeth pulled by other dentists. He pulled my tooth and I can honestly say that it did not hurt a bit.
MR. A. C. KEENE,
Gervais, Oregon.

Having been advised by a friend to try Dr. Wright's Method of Painless Extraction, I called at his office and had three teeth extracted without pain, and gladly recommend him to any one that wants a tooth pulled.
MR. O. IRETON,
Route 3, Salem.

I had today eleven teeth extracted by Dr. Wright's method of painless extraction and can truly say it is the best way I have ever experienced.
MRS. W. P. MILES,
Stanton, Oregon.

I feel that Dr. Wright's method of extracting teeth is a great blessing to humanity. I had an ulcerated tooth extracted without any pain.
F. H. RAYMOND,
Assistant Postmaster,
Salem, Oregon.

I had heard a great deal about Dr. Wright's Method of Painless Extraction, and finally decided to try it, and can truthfully say that it beats anything I ever heard of. I had four teeth pulled and I didn't feel a bit of pain.
JOS. MOSTILLER,
Yew Park, Salem.

Dr. Wright took my tooth out absolutely painless, and I cannot say too much is praise of the work.
Very respectfully,
MR. B. KAYS,
Salem, Oregon.

To Whom It May Concern:
Adverse to general opinion in regard to pain in dental operations, I can truly say that I had two gold crowns put on by Dr. Wright without any pain.
MR. E. C. SHEPARD,
Salem, Oregon.

I had two gold fillings put in my teeth by Dr. Wright which did not hurt me the least bit. It is a pleasure for me to recommend Dr. Wright's Painless Method of Extraction. Had a very badly decayed tooth extracted and say that it positively did not hurt me.
FELIX MUSEY,
Salem, Oregon.

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I had seven badly ulcerated teeth extracted by Dr. Wright's Painless Method, and can certainly say that it is the best, safest and quickest way of extracting teeth that I have ever experienced. Sincerely yours,
MR. I. H. TONGUE,
Cor. Capital and University Sts.,
Salem, Oregon.

I shall certainly recommend Dr. Wright's Painless Method to all my friends, as I had one tooth pulled and another one filled without any pain.
MRS. CLARA ZWICKER,
25th and Leslie,
Salem, Oregon.

I had two gold fillings put in my teeth by Dr. Wright which did not hurt me the least bit.
MISS E. BLUNDELL,
Salem, Oregon.

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INQUEST IS POSTPONED

INQUIRY INTO DEATH OF TWO MINERS WHO WERE KILLED

IN MICHAEL DEVITT MINE

Will Be Continued on Monday, to Take Testimony of the Employees.

Killing Said to Be the Result of a Battle With Dynamite Between the Miners of the Opposing Forces—Geologist Says Rarus Miners Burned Hay to Smoke Others Out.

BUTTE, Jan. 2.—After examining fourteen witnesses this afternoon Governor Egan continued the inquest over the bodies of Samuel Olson and Fred Divel, who were killed in the Michael Devitt mine last night, it is alleged by dynamite in the hands of unknown persons in the Rarus mine, until Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, when the employees of the Montana Ore Purchasing Company will be questioned as to their side of the alleged underground dynamite battle.

Witness H. V. Winchell, the head geologist of the Amalgamated, today testified to discovering a vast amount of hay in the mine just above the place where the Amalgamated miners were working, and this, he declared, was burned, the stifling smoke being forced in on the Amalgamated men to prevent them from carrying out the bodies of the United States court in making the inquest, the foreman of the Michael Devitt mine, who is alleged to have illegally extracted from the Michael Devitt veins.

All evidence adduced at today's hearing would seem to place the blame entirely on the men employed by the Rarus company and probably in particular on Nick Trehan, the foreman of the Rarus, and Thomas Knowles, the shift boss of the same mine.

FOR COUNTY CONVENTION.

Liberty Farmers Declare in Favor of County Good Roads Convention Soon.

The Liberty Good Roads Club held its regular semi-monthly meeting last night in the Liberty school house. A large number of farmers were in attendance, and the meeting was very enthusiastic, showing that the good roads movement is growing in that section, and great things are destined to come of it.

The principal feature of last night's meeting was the starting of a movement to hold a county good roads convention next spring. The farmers in that district are very enthusiastic over this project, and there seems no reason why their hopes should not materialize. With the president of the State Good Roads Association a resident of Marion county, making this county the center of the movement for the state, and Judge Scott one of the most effective workers for the cause in the United States, why should not a rousing convention be held in Marion county this spring, and each spring thereafter?

One cause for the jubilant feeling of the Liberty farmers, which is the bedrock of the movement, is the splendid condition of the roads which were built last summer of crushed rock, and rolled with the county steam road roller. This road has so far stood the test in a very satisfactory manner, and there is left no doubt but the road is permanent and as near perfect as such roads could be.

A complete report of the year's work was made at the meeting, including the names of all those donating work or money, and Bruce Cunningham was

elected president of the club, vice John H. Daniel, whose resignation was accepted.

PROMINENT DEAD.

ATLANTA, Jan. 2.—General James Longstreet, soldier, statesman and diplomat, and the last Lieutenant-General of the Confederate army, with the exception of General Gordon, died in Gainesville today from an attack of acute pneumonia. He had been ill two days.

"Good Princess" Dead.
Paris, Jan. 2.—Princess Mathilde, the only daughter of Prince Jerome Bonaparte, died tonight. The death of Princess Mathilde has caused sorrow throughout France, not only because she was one of the last of the Napoleons, but because she was always known as "the good Princess."

SLAVE TRADERS

IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS THINK THEY HAVE PNEATHED A BIG RING IN SEATTLE.

Ah Son, a Chinese Girl, Who Has Been Sold Into Slavery Three Times and Has Eluded the Officers Up to the Present, Is Captured With Two Chinamen.

SEATTLE, Jan. 2.—Ah Son, a Chinese girl, 16 years old, who has been sold as a slave three times in the past three years, is in jail here and two Chinamen who were charged with aiding her to elude the immigration officers are also under arrest.

The girl was first sold to a Chinaman in Ellensburg, she was spirited away from there and sold to a Chinese merchant in Portland and then escaped to Seattle, where she was married to one of the men now in jail. The officers believe they have uncaptured a ring that has been trafficking in slave girls.

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WILL FIGHT IT OUT.

Shingle Men of Washington Take a Determined Stand Against Wage Reduction.

BELLINGHAM, Wn., Jan. 2.—It is understood that the strike of the shingle men now progressing here against a reduction of wages amounting to 10 per cent, will be fought to a finish. The mills here, in order to prevent an attempt at reduction in other sections of the state, which it is believed would follow the success of the shingle men here, are determined to fight it out.

Denies the Report.
Salt Lake, Jan. 2.—President Joseph H. Smith and his advisers in the first presidency of the Mormon church have telegraphed President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, denying the church has taken a stand against union labor.

Throat Sore?
There's no telling what a sore throat will do if you give it "right of way." Uncertain remedies often cause dangerous delay. Make a cure sure with Painkiller, known for half a century as a specific for sore throat, croup, coughs, and all kindred troubles. Keep it by you for an emergency. It never fails. Avoid substitutes, there is but one Painkiller, Perry Davis', 25-cents and 50 cents.

W. E. Anderson, of Spokane, is in the city on business.

WAR SEEMS INEVITABLE

DIPLOMATS OF PEKIN CONVINCED IT IS HOPELESS CASE.

IT MAY OCCUR AT ANY TIME

Indications of the Imminence of a Conflict Is Also Felt in San Francisco.

Japan Demands the Same Rights in Corea as Russia Claims in Manchuria, but the Latter Will Not Recognize Japan's Interest in Corea as a Parallel Case.

PEKIN, Jan. 3.—Information in the possession of the best informed diplomats in Pekin convinces them that war is inevitable, possibly within a few days.

San Francisco, Jan. 2.—An indication of the imminence of war in the Orient is shown by the refusal of the German underwriters of this city to insure vessels bound for the far East.

Russia Will Not Submit.

Washington, Jan. 2.—The Associated Press learns from an official source that Japan, in her last note to the Russian government, announced that the minimum proposition which she can accept from Russia as rights in Corea equal to those claimed by Russia in Manchuria. In return, it is said, Japan agrees to recognize the supremacy of Russia in Manchuria. To this proposition the Russian government will not give approval, feeling that Japan should content herself with modifications in the form of concessions in Corea for her commerce.

The Russian government has not abandoned the hope of a diplomatic settlement of the question in view of the powerful pressure which Great Britain and France are bringing to bear upon Japan to consent to a continuance of the negotiations, but it is emphatically stated that Russia will never admit a parallel between her position in Manchuria and that of Japan in Corea.

Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, thinks the far Eastern situation "gloomy, but not without hope of salvation." At the Japanese legation tonight it was intimated that Japan is convinced of Russia's intention not to accept her proposals. The Tokio government, it is declared, will not hesitate to take the initiative and assume the responsibility for making war.

Says Japan Is Not Ready.
Rome, Jan. 2.—Notwithstanding the pessimistic news from the far East, the official circles it is not believed that war is near, as Japan before the opening of hostilities will certainly desire to have in the far East two warships she purchased at Genoa from the Argentine Republic. The crews for these vessels have arrived at Genoa.

Russia May Yield.

Paris, Jan. 2.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald says that, as a result of a consultation between the Emperor and his officials, a plan has been worked out which may avert a war. The plan, the correspondent says, contemplates a guarantee by Russia of the integrity of China with the understanding that her protectorate over Manchuria be recognized and in return Japan be allowed to fulfill her wishes with respect to Corea.

JACKSON THE WINNER.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 1.—Young Peter Jackson, of this city, knocked out Cyclone Bill Larry, of Philadelphia, (both colored) in five rounds tonight.

VARIETY OF NEWS.

EVERETT, Wn., Jan. 2.—The "Forty-Five" mine was sold today by the sheriff on foreclosure proceedings to Arthur W. Pinkham, of Boston. The property was bid in for \$102,688.

G. T. Blanchard, a Great Northern brakeman, fell from the train this morning near Merritt and died from his injuries. He leaves a family in this city.

Mistaken for a wild cat, Mrs. Breed, of Edmonds, was shot today by two hunters. Her hand was shattered by an explosive bullet.

Claude J. Irvine, a miner employed by the Big Index Company, was terribly mutilated by an explosion of dynamite. The left ear and eye were destroyed; arm and leg frightfully lacerated.

SHE IS INNOCENT

COUNTESS ESTERHAZY SUEW FOR DAMAGES FOR ALLEGING A MAN'S AFFECTIONS.
Mrs. Laura De Lang, of Virginia, Says Her Husband Left His Happy Home to Be Near the Countess—Friends of Countess Say Latter Was Not Aware That He Was Married.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The Countess Esterhazy, widow of the late Count Maximilian Esterhazy, at one time secretary of the Austrian Embassy in Washington, is defendant in a damage suit for \$100,000, brought by Mrs. Laura De Lang, who charges that the Countess alienated her husband's affections.

The papers were served on the Countess here tonight. Mrs. De Lang says her husband left their home in Virginia on August 3 and has since spent much of his time in company with Countess Esterhazy in Washington. Friends of the Countess said tonight that Mr. De Lang had been received by her as a friend and that she had no knowledge that he was married.

SACRAMENTO NIL

THE PACIFIC COAST BASEBALL LEAGUE MEETING OPENED IN PORTLAND.

Tacoma Has Been Admitted to the Pacific Coast Circuit in the Place of Sacramento—Playing Rules of the American Association Are Adopted for the Coming Season—New Officers

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 2.—The annual meeting of the Pacific Coast Baseball League commenced tonight, with the following delegates present: Harris, San Francisco; Ewing, Oakland; Cohen, Seattle; Swigert, Portland; Fisher, Sacramento; Mosley, Los Angeles. President Moran resigned and Eugene Bert was elected to fill the vacant office, and Lou Cohen, of Seattle, was chosen vice president. Secretary Anderson and Treasurer Goodwin were re-elected. The American Association playing rules for 1904 were adopted for the coming season. It was decided to admit Tacoma to the league next in place of Sacramento.

Says Curtain Was Good.

Boston, Jan. 2.—The asbestos curtain at the Brinkley Theater, of Chicago, which was manufactured in this city, was declared today by the secretary of the manufacturing firm, to have been made of the best grade of asbestos cloth. It is asserted the curtain was destroyed by the explosion and not by fire.

Statesman's classified ads being quick results.

THEY MAY GET INTO TROUBLE

THREE YOUNG MEN OF RAINIER FLAG PASSENGER TRAIN.

HAD IMBIBED TOO FREELY

In Intoxicants at New Year's Dance and Were Looking for Some Fun.

Railroad Officials Notify the Authorities and Detectives Are Working Upon the Case—Flagged Passenger Train With Lantern, Then Put Out Lights and Fled on Horseback.

OLYMPIA, Wn., Jan. 2.—The officials of the Northern Pacific Railway Company today notified the authorities of this county of an attempted hold-up of passenger train No. 4, from Portland to Tacoma, at Rainier early this morning. An investigation of the attempted robbery reveals a hoax perpetrated by three young men who had attended a New Year's dance and imbibed too freely of intoxicants. They thought it would be a joke to flag the train, and accomplished their purpose with the aid of two lanterns. When the train stopped they extinguished the lanterns, mounted their horses and rode rapidly away. The men were seen by the train crew, who supposed a robbery had been planned, but that the courage of the robbers failed them at the critical moment. Detectives are searching for the jokers. Superintendent Albee says they will be punished if apprehended.

Helena, Mont., Jan. 2.—Three informations were filed in the district court today against Isaac Gravelle, who was found guilty a few days ago of sending threatening letters to the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. Two of the informations charge him with sending blackmailing letters from Helena and the other charges burglary in the first degree. The penalty on conviction of the first degree of burglary is imprisonment from 10 years to life.

WE'RE BOUND OVER.

Massey and Jeffries, the Mill City Saloon Keepers, Unable to Furnish Bail.

The two saloon keepers of Mill City, L. D. Massey and Lee Jeffries, who were arrested last Wednesday and are now in the county jail, taken in charge of by Sheriff Colbath. They desired to return to Mill City and secure bail, but this privilege was denied them by Sheriff Colbath. John Jeffrey represented the defendants in the trial and District Attorney C. L. McNary conducted the prosecution.

Their bail was fixed in the sum of \$100 for each, but they were unable to furnish this amount, and so are now in the county jail, taken in charge of by Sheriff Colbath. They desired to return to Mill City and secure bail, but this privilege was denied them by Sheriff Colbath. John Jeffrey represented the defendants in the trial and District Attorney C. L. McNary conducted the prosecution.

How and Mrs. E. M. Croison expect to depart for Los Angeles for a month's visit with friends and relatives in California, principally in Los Angeles.

COUNCIL WAS IN SESSION.

Deferred Reports of City Officers Referred to Ways and Means Committee.

An adjourned meeting of the city council was held at the police court room, in the city hall, last evening, for the purpose of reviewing the annual reports of the city officers. The report of the street commissioner was read and adopted, which showed that

the total amount of money collected in this department of the city during last year was \$3004.75.

The reports of the other officers were not all ready to be acted upon, so an order was made by the council to the effect that all deferred reports of city officers be referred to the committee on ways and means, to be finally reported upon at the next regular meeting of the council, to be held on Tuesday evening of this week.

The annual report of Recorder N. J. Judah will show that during 1903 the total revenue from the business transaction in the office and courts under his charge, including fines, license fees, street assessments and miscellaneous receipts, was \$11,414.90, all of which has been turned over to the city treasurer. The report will also show a total warrant indebtedness for the year of \$23,650.03.

TO COLLECT DEBT

GUARD SMITH OF PENITENTIARY SUEW IN JUSTICE COURT ON JUDGMENT.

An interesting case came up in the justice court yesterday afternoon which promises to cause a great legal battle before it is ended. The law passed by the Legislature of 1903, providing for the garnishment of state and county officers for the collection of employees of the state and county. R. Keene, of this city, brought action against Z. T. Smith, a guard at the penitentiary, for the collection of an old judgment, amounting to about \$100. Justice Horgan issued a writ of execution and the constable served notice of garnishment on the Secretary of State for wages due Smith from the state.

Secretary Dunbar refuses to recognize the constitutionality of the Kay law, which was set aside in the circuit court last summer, when William Haydon, a guard at the penitentiary, was sued for debt and his wages garnished. Taking this case as a precedent Secretary Dunbar feels justified in resisting the garnishment proceedings, and returned by a motion in the justice court to dismiss the proceedings. Deputy Attorney General D. R. Parker appeared for the state and argued the case, and Attorney Frank Holmes made the plea for the plaintiff. Justice Horgan took the matter under advisement, and will render a decision some time Monday.

It really matters little which way the justice of the peace decides, as in either case it will be appealed to the higher court, and the constitutionality of the law will finally be settled in the supreme court.

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Colonel Bryan and Count Tolstoi must have found many agreeable things to talk about in their interview. Both are statements of universal renown, authors of wide repute, and successful farmers, and both have worked the "common people" racket to an ornate frazzle.—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

Two More Identified.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—The suggestion of the coroner for a public funeral of the unidentified dead is well received and meets the approval of the mayor; also the suggestion that a monument be erected by the city in honor of the unidentified. Two more bodies were identified. The total unidentified is now ten.

DEATH LIST ESTABLISHED

NUMBER NOW REACHES FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN.

TWELVE ARE UNIDENTIFIED.

Every Theatre in Chicago Was Dark and Its Doors Locked Last Night.

Mayor Harrison Is Determined to Have Every Letter of the City Ordinances Lived Up To Despite the Entreaties of the Theatre Managers for a Delay of the Edict.

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—The total number of dead from the theatre fire is definitely established at 587, of which but twelve remain unidentified.

Tonight every theatre in Chicago is dark and its doors are locked. Not one of them will be open to the public until their managers have complied in the fullest manner with every section of the ordinances regulating play houses. The order compelling theatres to close was issued this afternoon by Mayor Harrison after a conference with Corporation Counsel Tolman, who assured the mayor that ample legal ground existed for his action.

There was a hasty rush of theatrical managers to the office of Mayor Harrison in an effort to secure the withdrawal or at least postponement of the order, but were informed by the mayor that the inspectors had reported in the case of every one of them that they had violated the law and he was determined that it should not stand hereafter that the city had neglected anything which could prevent a repetition of the horror of last Wednesday afternoon.

It was announced that every theatre in the city must hereafter comply with the following provisions before they will be allowed to re-open: "Steel roll curtains, wide exits, no combustibles of any kind in the house furnishings, fire-proof scenery, no calcium or spot lights to be used in the stage, skylights above the stage provided with automatic lids to permit the egress of smoke, fire and gas, separate stairways, each exit having its own stairs leading to the street."

Miss Celeste Linton has returned from a visit to Portland.

R. W. Belshe, of Sherman county, is stopping in the city.

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