

History from the Records of the Organization and Opera- Portland Bituminous Paving and Imtions of the Trinidad Paving ,Ring and the Connection of the Publishers of the Orogonian Therewith.

"STO K" WAS PLACED WHERE IT WOULD DO THE MOST GOOL

They Have Already Involved the City to the Tune of \$10,000 on Their First Contract, of Which the Oregonian said contract in defiance of law, equity Says Nothing.

Bituminous Paving & Improvement (Special Correspondence.) PORTLAND, Sept. 21 .- In your issue Co., "allied corporations" desiring to of sept. 10 you published the following obtain contracts for the improvement the courts: republished, as the connecting link in a cuisted a petition to the common coun-further exposure in the operations of the intimate rela-tions of the publishers of that there is a connecting link in a cuisted a petition to the common coun-the improvement of said street by lay-tions of the publishers of that the travet ing a revenuent of Trinker Direction to the cuisted Richt Trinker by the city of Portland, praying for the improvement of said street by laytions of the publishers of that raper ing a pavement of Trinidad Pitch Lake with the worst gang of plunderers that has ever been organized on the Pacific chast. Chast. Masshalt, "ACCORDING TO SPECI FICATIONS FURNISHED BY SAID TRINIDAD ASPHALT PAV LNG CO."

Following the factics of the "pick- ING CO." pocket," they ery "Stop thief !" to divertationtion while they have their own hands in the public "crib" up to the elbows, and are trying to get their feet in, also. ,

THE LETTER.

PORTLAND, Sept. 9, 1895.

EDITOR JOURNAL :-- The solicitude of the editor and publishers of the Oregonian for the "dear people" in the to be so improved." matter of the paving of our city streets, is very "touching," as evinced by the following editorial squib backing up some more lengthy diatribes in the news columns:

"The common council has passed au ordinance for "improvement" of Burnside street with asphalt, but care bas been taken not to specify the kind; so the street is open to a job of any rotten asphalt that "promoters" may have to offer. But the city cannot expect to be rid of these rotten jobs till it gets a sound common council

But when it is known that the editor of the Oregonian and his partners, the Messra, Corbett, Falling and Pittock, are the principal stockholders in the "Trinidad" Asphalt Co. their solicitude can be better understood, and their anger at the common council appreciated. For it was through the efforts of the Oregonian and its allies, that vitrified brick paying was defeated, and now to have a muliah, stubborn council leave the letting of the contract open in such a way that they will have shall be dug or taken directly from the

But in splin of the above protest in is mixed with inferior asphalt and total disregard of the rights of said many other causes of action are alleged. remonstrators, the city of Portland, This is the record of the "Triuidad" through its committee of streets and Asphalt Paving Co., that the Oregonublic property entered into a contract, ian publishers and their allies are on the 23rd day of June, 1883, with the the owners of. This is their record; a said Trinkad Asphait Co. and the record of fraud and corruption.

And ye the Ocegonian has the efprovement Co for the improvement of frontry to editorialy lampoon the memdiff rest portions of Sixth street ac- bers of the common council, because cording to ordinance 8327 and the they would not, at the dictation of this specifications therein contained, SAID man Scott and his gang, the "Trini dad" Asphalt Co, make the specifica-SPECIFICA FIONS HAVING BEEN tions so that no other paving company FURNISHED BY THE SAID TRINcould stand any show in open compe-IDAD ASPHALT Co.

practices.

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unloaded

tition with them. As a result of the action of the The Oregoniau and Its allies are not

"sound" common council in letting the or common decency a suit was begun by numerous property owners to restrain the city from collecting the assessments levied for the proposed improvement. Said suit being still in bankrupted the city of Portland. This

Mary J. Brist., w lots 2 and 3 block 40, amount

ar areased 2001 31. The Congregation & Mavi Sholon a corpora-tion w 80 feet lot 7 block 69, amount assessed 2674.81. A. E. Borthwick and Wm. Shewers wiglots and 6 block 82, amounts assessed \$567.44, and P.A. Marquam lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 block 178, g2,079,18 vs. (ne city of Portland and C. H, Hunt chief of police of mid city of Portland. Total amount assessed \$10,185,38.

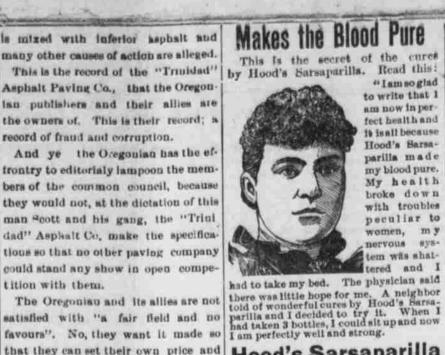
"As a cause of action, plaintiffis are informed and believe and therefore allege that the said Trinidad Asphait Paving Co. and the said Portland Bituminous Paving and Improvement Co, falsely and fraudently conspired with each other and certain property

owners upon said street against the rights of these plaintiffs, whereby in pursuance of their fraudulent scheme it was agreed between them, that in consideration that certain property wners sign said petition and cause it to be circulated and signed by others,

that said companies would allow them a rebate on their assessments to be levied to pay for said street improvement, amounting in some cases, plaintiffs are informed and believe, as to the whole amount to be assessed for

This is the same gang that, through the performing of said work," and the columns of the Oregonian, brands various other causes are alleged too numerous and lengthy to be all quoted every man that attempts to thwart here. They then proceed to show the any of their schemes, a thief; and every (to say the least) faulty if not fraudu- thief that will do their dirty work, a gentleman lent nature of the petition for said im-God save the mark.

Railway.





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Usually has a bad liver. He is bill ous, constiapted, has indigestion and by the city of Portland. This is the dyspepsis. If there is no organic same gang that built the city hall and trouble a few doses of Parks' Sure Cure will tone him up. Parks' Sure Cure s the only liver and kidney cure we

over a militon of dollars of the people's sell on a positive guarantee. Price money was somendered by corrupt \$1.00, Sold by Lunn & Brooks. 19-4

Call for Warrants. Notice is hereby given that I have is the same gapg that funds in hand to pay all outstanding warrants and accrued interest up to the Morrison street November 1, 1894, and that interest on bridge on the city at more than three same ceases from this date. JASPER MINTO. times its value, and at the same same

Treasurer Marion County, Oregor. September 7 1895.

City Warrants. have a 20 year contract for crossing the Notice is hereby given that I have funds applicable to the payment of all bridge with its cars, at one-tenth of warrants of the city of Balem drawn on what it is worth. This is the same the "general fund," and endorsed be fore June 22, 1895. Also warrants gang that, in order to get their own numbered 2487, 2488, and 2489, endorse c nefarious steal through the last legison the 22d. Interest will cease on sa lature for the purchase of the Morrison warrants from the date of this notice. E. J. SWAFFORD, street bridge on the terms proposed by

them, tacked (as they confessed, them-Salem, Sept. 7, 1895, selves), the purchase of the Stark street There arel177755 miles of railroad i

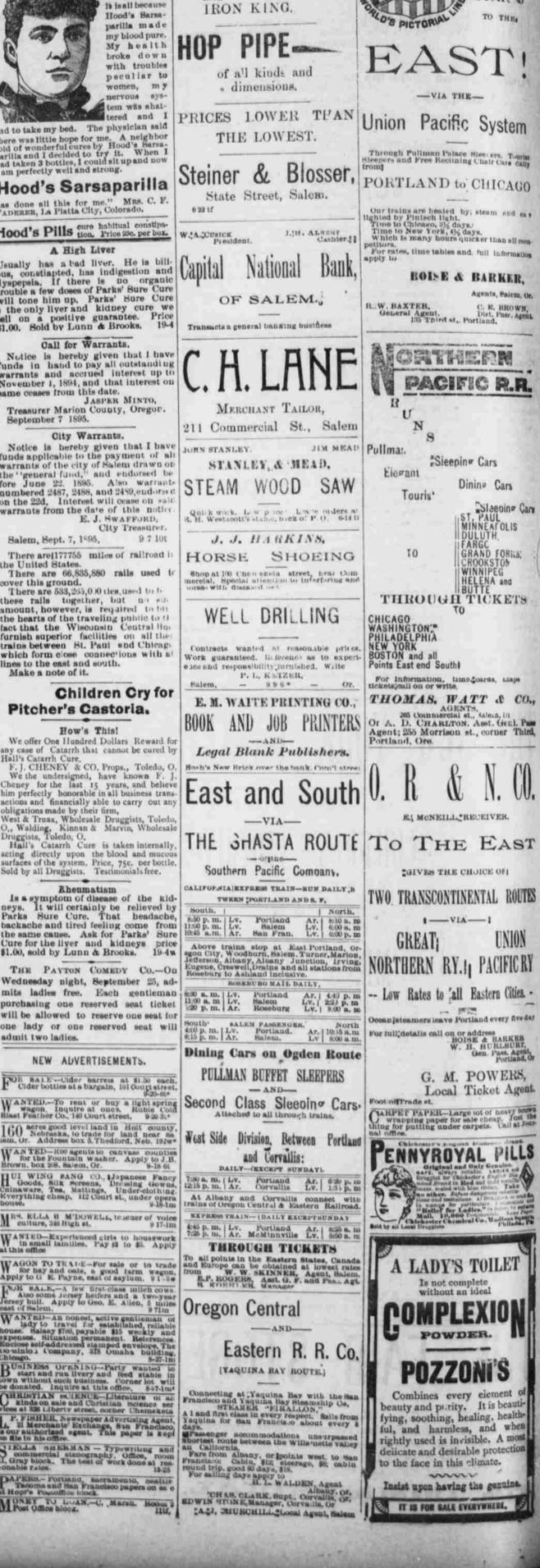
ferry, at \$40,060, (an absolutely worththe United States. There are 66,835,880 rails used less piece of property to the owners, if

over this ground. the Morrison street bridge was made There are 533,265,0 10 cies used to b these rails together, but un su amount, however, is required to but the hearts of the traveling public to th This is the same gang that now, havfact that the Wisconsin Central line ing paid out the people's money for the furnish superior facilities on all the trains between St. Paul and Chicagferry, propose to send it to the bone which form close connections with at lines to the east and south. yard and let "the people" walk, or ride Make a note of it. on the cars of the City & Suburban

Hall's Catarrh Cure

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

How's This! We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for



is the same gang that have for years

time let the "City & Suburban Rail-

way Co." (owned by the same gang)

water works where in the two deals money was squandered by corrupt

to "compete" in order to get the work is truly exasperating, and the council will be made to suffer, as they should, for daring to oppose or throw any obstacles in the way of the "Great I am" or any of his allies.

The "Trinidad" Asphalt and Paving Co. was organized in 1892. Early in that year a prospectus was issued by the "promotors" of the scheme, which mailed to many of the WBB prominent business men of Portland,

several other well known financiers

the superiority of "Trinidad" over "TRINIDAD" ASPHALT CO. other asphalts, and then explained the advantages to accrue to the stockholders by having the stock held by a the "Trinidad" Asphalt Co, and prelarge number of stockholders in different parts of the city.

one of the principal streets payed with Trinidad ashphalt and Sixth street was selected as the street to be so im-



'Pitch Lake" OWNED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF GREAT BRIT-AIN IN THE ISLAND OF TRINI-DAD, and shall be thoroughly refined and shall not be mixed or adulterated in any manner with any

"On the 3rd day of May, 1893, said

petition was presented to the common

council of the city of Portland, The

petition represented that the signers

hereon were the owners in fee of more

than one-half of the property affected

by said improvement and abutting

on said portions of said street proposed

On the said 3rd day of May, 1893

Portland had what is te.med by the

editor of the Oregonian a "scund"

So the said "sound" common counci

by resolution of that date caused the

auditor and clerk of said city to give

notice of the proposed improvement of

said Sixth street from the north line of

Morrison street to the south line of

Hoyt street, excepting the intersec-

tions of Washington and Glisan streets,

according to the following specifica-

tions, "FURNISHED BY SAID

"1. Pavements of Trindad asphalt

shall have a total thickness of 81 inches,

composed of concrete foundation (

inches, asphalt surface 2) inches.

All asphalt used in this pavement

TRINIDAD ASPHALT CO."

common council.

asphalt from any other location, nor with any of the products of coal tar, nor with any other inferior bituminous materials of any kind.

The contractor to whom the work is but especially to attorneys and dealers let will be required to furnish an offiin real estate for reasons that will be cial certificate that the asphalt to be explained later. At the head of the used is genuine "Trinidad" Pitch lake proposed company, as organizers, ap- asphalt," etc. By having a "sound" peared the name of W. S. Ladd (now common council they had made certain deceased), H. W. Corbett, Henry Fail- that no would-be competitor could bid ing, H. W. Scott, H. L. Pittock and on the work with any hope of being able to comply with the specifications.

The prospectus went on to explain FURNISHED BY THE SAID As a matter of fact the petition that had been circulated by the agents of sented to the "sound" common council was not a legal petition, in that it did

Bo that when a job of paving was to not, "in fact" contain the names of be let, their would be a large number one-half of the legal owners of the of people who would be interested in property affected by the proposed imhaving "Trinidad" asphalt specified provement. And before said contract as the kind of ashphalt that must was let to the said "Trinidad" Asphalt be used. Judging from the amount of Co., and the Portland Bituminous space that the Oregonian has used to Paving Co., a remonstrance was filed boom the interest of the "Trinidad by certain property owners with the Asphalt Co.and to denounce all others, said "sound" common council protestthey must have quite a large "block" ing against the letting of the contracts the stock. Immediately after the to the said companies on the ground Trinidad Co, was organized, an agita- that the price was exorbitant with tion was begun through the columns other grounds, the remonstrators allegof the Oregonian and otherwise to have ing that the said Trinidad Asphalt Co. and the Portland Bituminous Paving & Improvement Co.s had fraudulently conspired together to prevent bidding proved. About April 1, 1893, the for the said contract and to obtain Trinidad Asphalt Co. and the Portland contracts for said improvements at a

grossly excessive price, whereby it was agreed between them, that in pureu ance of their fraudulent purpose said contract would be divided between them and that each of said companies would bld for and receive the contract for the improvement of alternate blocks and parts of said streets; all of which was well known by the committees said common council.

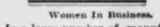
rovement to-wit: The Oregonian Publishing Co. appears upon said petition, signed by H. L. Pittock secretary as signing said petition, said Oregonian Pittock had no authority to so sign

owners of the east 60 feet of lots 1 and 4 of block 45 Couch's addition. That said Godard and Frazler own but an them.

property. That Loyal B. Stearns ap- the United States, in the possession of

said amount of land and several other such faulty or fraudulent signatures to the above mentioned particulars the that the contract has not been complied (Pa.) Dispatch. with, even after adopting the plans and

and Asphalt Co. in that the foundations are not composed of material as called for in said specifications, as the stone was decayed and not of the proper quality or size. That in said foundation damaged cement was used instead of Portland cement, or equilly good cement as called for. That the surbing has crumbled and given away in numerous places, and is falling to pieces and worthless (as anyone can enally see by taking a walk along said street) the asphalt dressing is not 2] inches thick as required and the same,



In a large number of manufacturing concerns in Massachusetts, the affairs the owner of lots 3 and 4, block 177 of which are covered by the latest recity of Portland and on the date of port of the state bureau of labor statisties, there were 43, 803 partners or stockholders in 1893 against 42,735 in 1892. Publishing Co. was not the owner of The number of males included in the said lots or any estate therein and said total for the latter year was greater, however, than that which was covered by the larger figures for 1893. There said petition. That L. A. Godard and were 27, 325 male partners or stockhold-Wm. Frazier signed said petition as the ers in 1892 and 27,211 in 1898. On the other hand, the number of women who had an interest in the manufactories dealt with by the report was 16, 593 in 1893 against 15,410 in the year preced ing. The partners or stockholders were undivided i of said property signed by 63.94 per cent males in 1892 and 27.56

were 28.38 per cent of females and 62. That Louisa P. Vall signed said 19 per cent of males. The change thus petition as the owner of lots 5 and 6 of shown to have taken place in one year block 175 city of Portland, while as a times to place more and more of the matter of fact she did not own said property of the world, and especially of

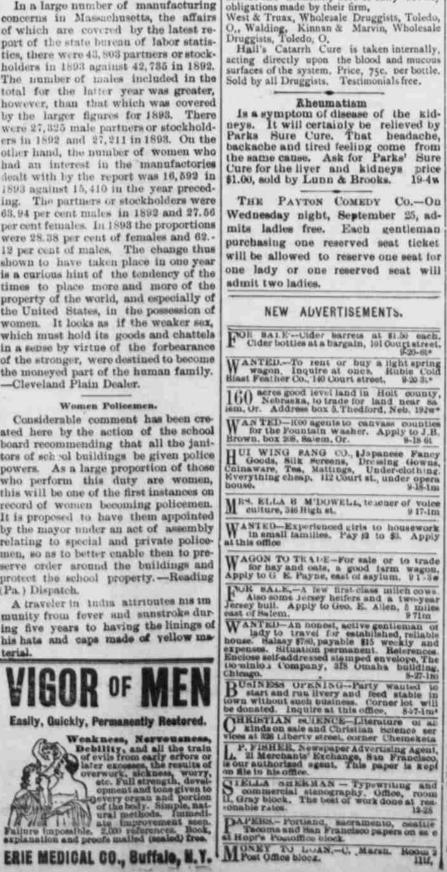
pears upon said petition as the owner which must hold its goods and chattels of lot 5 and the south 20 feet of lot 6 in in a sense by virtue of the forbearance block 173 city of Portland. That said of the stronger, were destined to become Loyal B. Stearns is not the owner of _______ the moneyed part of the human family. __________

Women Policemen

Considerable comment has been cresaid petition appear thereon, all of ated here by the action of the school which the committee of the common board recommending that all the jani council were aware of. But in spite of tors of school buildings be given police the protests of the plaintiffs the "sound" powers. As a large proportion of those who perform this duty are women, common council acted in colluson with this will be one of the first instances on the contractors to defraud the city and record of women becoming policemen. property owners and now the city will by the mayor under an act of assembly have to foot the bill. In addition to relating to special and private policeen, so as to better enable then to preerve order around the buildings and plaintiffs specify as further particulars, protect the school property .- Reading

> munity from fever and sunstroke durhis hats and caps made of vellow ma-





A traveler in india attributes his im specifications of the Trinidad Paving ing five years to having the linings of