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### STRIKING ARTESIAN WATER

Causes Withdrawal of Land From Settlement

Four Townships in Morrow County Held Out by Department

The Dalles, Feb. 27.—(Special) A short time ago, in boring for oil in Klickitat county, in Eastern Washington, at a point near the Columbia river and opposite Castle Rock, a flow of 400 inches of artesian water was struck. This caused considerable excitement and there was a rush to locate lands, not only on the Washington side of the river, but many locations were made in the north-eastern part of Morrow county. News of the matter evidently reached Washington city, for Wednesday the department of the interior withdrew four townships in Morrow county from settlement, and so notified the officers of the land office at The Dalles. At the same time it was intimated that further withdrawals would be made.

#### In Police Court.

Judge Judah this morning passed on a "drunk" and a "vag," giving the former five and the latter 10 days in the cooler.

St. John, N. B. Feb. 27.—Three young women and four men have arrived here after a 15-mile trip across the ice floes from the imprisoned steamer Minto. One of the young men was exhausted. Two of the women had to be assisted. They passed the night on Pictou Island. All were in a state of extreme exhaustion.

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### CHAMBERLAIN'S BATTLEAXE FALLS

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poeg, and the improvement of the same, and appoints an agent to disburse money appropriated for that purpose. It provides for the general repairs, improvements, etc., of the buildings and grounds of the State Board of Agriculture, and for the purchase of water pipe and payment of the necessary expenses of laying, connecting and installing the same to and through the grounds and buildings of the State Board of Agriculture. It provides for the payment of claims of various counties growing out of the scalp bounty law, and the claims of about 39 persons growing out of services alleged to have been rendered in connection with the escape of Tracy and Merrill. It provides money for the purchase of an artificial limb for one Frank Ingram, who was wounded at the time of the escape of Tracy and Merrill, and for the purchase of an executive mansion, including the lighting and heating of the same at the expense of the state. It gives authority to the state treasurer to credit on the note of C. M. Starr the sum of \$662, accrued interest, pending litigation concerning the state's title to mortgaged property securing said note. It authorizes the State Land Board to refund to one W. H. Waldron \$98, and provides for other things concerning which there is no intimation or suggestion in the title of the act.

"There are some claims therein in which there is merit, and with respect to these they ought each to have been included in a separate and special appropriation bill. There are others in which there is absolutely no merit, and which would not have been considered by the legislature for a moment if they had been contained in separate and special bills, as the constitution requires. It is unnecessary to particularize. It is sufficient to say that some attention ought to be paid to the constitutional mandate requir-

ing that every act should embrace but one subject, and that subject expressed in the title. If obedience had been given thereto, the subjects embraced within the bill under consideration would have been included in a half-dozen or more separate and distinct bills, and there is no question but that most of them would in such event have failed of securing the necessary vote in the legislature to have secured their passage.

"I hesitate to veto an appropriation bill in which there is much of merit, but the practice of including in such a bill items which ought to be included in special appropriation bills is to be deprecated and condemned, and I know of no better way than to call the attention of the people to the reprehensible system in vogue of making inroads upon the treasury by unconstitutional methods than by vetoing such measures as the one now under consideration. The responsibility which compels me to take such a course must rest with the legislature and not with me.

"I therefore return said bill with my veto, and trust that when it reaches the executive office again it will be separated into as many bills as there are subjects embraced therein. If such a course is followed, there will be an end to much legislative extravagance."

#### The Mining Bureau Bill.

The other and last bill to receive the governor's veto was senate bill No. 227, for the creation of a state bureau of mining, a state mining inspector, and an appropriation of \$20,000, and the governor's veto is as follows:

The bill is intended to provide for the establishment, government and operation of a bureau of mines of the state of Oregon, and to appropriate moneys for the maintenance and support thereof; to develop the mineral resources of and to promote the welfare of mineral industries in the state of Oregon; to prescribe rules and regulations for the equipment, management and operation of mines and mining and metallurgical plants, and to provide penalties and punishment for

the violation of the terms of the act. Twenty thousand dollars is appropriated for the purposes of the act.

"Numerous bills were introduced in the legislature having for their object the creation of a bureau of mines, or else for the development of the mining industry in the state, and all thereof seem to have been referred to the committee on mines and mining, with the result that the act in question was reported in lieu of the others.

"I was at first disposed to approve the bill under consideration for the reason that its passage was so persistently urged and fought for by Hon. J. H. Robbins, from the Sumpter mining district, and others, in whose judgment I had and have great confidence as to the needs of the mining regions, but a lengthy protest by wire there against from almost all the mine owners of Baker county, and telegraphic and written protests from most of the business men of Baker City, from the presidents of the Chamber of Commerce and Commercial Club of Portland, and from many of the expert examiners and engineers and many of the business men of the same place, have led me to scrutinize the bill more carefully than I did at first.

"I cannot but feel that there should be established in this state a mining bureau for the purpose of promoting the industry, and for the better protection of the men engaged therein, but the bill under consideration, whilst in some respects it would be promotive of much good, is too drastic in its terms, too minute in its details, and while it furnishes the employees protection to some extent, has not that for its main object. There is much force in the argument of those who are most largely interested in mining enterprises in the state that the industry would be very seriously crippled, and capital seeking investment in such industries prevented from coming into the state if the bill should be crystallized into a law.

"It is claimed that those who have vast amounts of capital invested in mining throughout the state did not have an opportunity to investigate the provisions of the law under considera-

tion, and hence could not urge the objections against the passage of the act which they have urged before the executive.

"Mining is in its infancy in Oregon, and, while some legislation may be necessary, radical measures at this time ought to be avoided. A bill should not be hastily framed, but it should be drawn upon the part of both the employer and the employed, and between this time and the convening of the next legislature it is probable that those most interested in the development of the mining industries of the state will be able to get together and present then a measure which will meet requirements for many years to come.

"Because of the numerous protests which have been made to me against the law in question, and fearing that the drastic features thereof might have a tendency to retard the development of industry, which it is in-

tended to promote, I return said bill with my veto."

#### Vetoes Are Discussed.

The vetoes filed by Governor Chamberlain are generally sustained by the people of Salem and surrounding country. All give the governor credit for boring into the intricacies of legislation more thoroughly than any of his predecessors, and wielding his pen generally to good effect. Many consider the veto of the special appropriation bill a mistake, while some uphold it. The ways and means committee, that framed the appropriation bills, is generally commended as the best committee of that kind that was ever organized. Similar bills have passed at every legislature that ever sat, and the bill this year the smallest and most carefully constructed that has ever been drawn up. In spite of these criticisms, the governor's work meets with general approval.



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- Has it long levers?  
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- Have you the rear wheel controller which not only holds the wheel, but by means of a lever used from seat swings it right or left, or at the ends is tripped

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If not don't buy it!
- Have you a tried and tested four horse abreast equalizer that works your horses four abreast, the off horse in the furrow?  
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- Has your plow the detachable beams, that enables you to build up a 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or any other number of discs, and have a finished plow in any stage?  
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