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Hams, Bacon, Lard. ASK FOR F. B. Co. BRAND. Made in Seattle.

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EXACT SIZE AND SHAPE OF "LA FLORIDA" CIGAR. A GENTLEMANS FLORIDA HAVANA CIGAR 5 CENTS.

Tied Down - the woman who doesn't use Pearline. Beware. PEARLINE. James Pyle, New York.

AT THE SEASIDE. Where the Overdue Steamer Strathnevis Probably Is. CARGO FROM TACOMA SMALL.

Suicide of a Rich Canner and Mill Owner on Skeena River. The Supreme Court Decides Against Judge Staup, and Holds That the Water Bonds Are Valid—Major Oiler Doesn't Know Whether He Ought to Resign.

The Hopping Divorces. Tacoma, Nov. 29.—Special—Samuel H. Hopping, whose wife brought suit for divorce several days ago, alleging extreme cruelty, today filed his reply. He denies in toto the statement made by Mrs. Hopping that he had abused the baby or limited the supply of milk for his consumption.

The Railroad Track to Old Tacoma. Tacoma, Nov. 29.—Special—The harbor and water front committee of the city council will report tomorrow on a bill of \$300,000 for the construction of a 30-foot roadway.

Tacoma's Interest Money Deposited. Tacoma, Nov. 29.—Fifty-two thousand dollars was today deposited by the city of Tacoma in the savings bank of New York, to pay the interest maturing December 1 on the water and light bonds of the city.

THE WATER BONDS VALID. Supreme Court Decision in Stalcup Case, From Tacoma. Olympia, Nov. 29.—Special—The supreme court has today rendered its decision in the case of John C. Stalcup, appellant, vs. City of Tacoma, respondent.

Oliver May Not Resign. Henry Oliver, of the Columbia National bank, whose resignation as a member of the school board is greatly desired by some members of the board of commerce, was today advised that his resignation will not be accepted.

Brief Tacoma News. Tacoma, Nov. 29.—Special—The officers of the Philadelphia will be entertained at a dinner tomorrow night by the members of the Country Club.

The Columbia National Bank. Tacoma, Nov. 29.—Special—The Columbia National bank, returned Wednesday from the East, after an absence of several weeks.

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BUSINESS NOT BETTER.

The People Waiting to See What Congress Will Do.

RESERVE DOWN TO \$79,000,000. The Gold Shipments for the Week Smaller Than Expected.

Iron Prices Still Falling, and the Prospect for a Rise in Wheat Not Good Because Europe is Not Buying—Not So Many Failures.

New York, Nov. 29.—Bradstreet's weekly review of the stock market says: Three causes contributed to a better speculative feeling this week, with a partial recovery in stock prices.

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