EXPERTS AT WORK.

Exploring Records in the County Auditor's Office.

ON THE COMMISSIONERS' TRACK.

They Are Mysteriously Looking Up Mileage Vouchers and Expenditures for the Poor.

The atmosphere about the county auditor's office is just at present surcharged with mystery. Last Friday two expert accountants, Douglas Young and Jasper Ayres, appeared at the courthouse and secured access to the voluminous records that repose within the big vault. They told no one whence nor why they came, but from the direction which their investigation took it soon became evident that they were camping on the trail of the county commissioners, and in view of a recent supreme court decision it is interesting to note that they have been looking up the records of amounts drawn by the commissioners for mileage. They have also taken more than a passing notice at the vouchers for amounts paid to indigent claimants on the bounty roll of the commissioners, which is worth looking in mind.

In the great rush of leisure that invaded the sunlit heights of the county's seat of justice yesterday, speculation was rife as to what the experts were after and whom they were working for.

"I guess they are after our scalps," said Commissioner Heaton, as he finished telling the clerks in the auditor's office of an elegant plan that had just been made before the board in presenting a claim. "Well, I am perfectly willing that they should turn on all the light. In fact, I have been helping them get at the records."

The reporter went into the dimly lighted room where the experts were, and found them at a desk, with unending files of papers spread out before them. "I regret," said Mr. Young, "that I am not at liberty to tell you more about our work. Yes, we are examining the mileage records, and we are looking up the amounts paid out to the indigent poor since January 14, 1895. We shall also go into the vouchers filed since January 1, 1890. Further than this I can tell you nothing, not even the names of those who sent us here. Our employers have simply instructed us to make certain investigations and report the result to them. I do not myself know their object in having the investigation made, nor what they intend doing with the information thus obtained. My instructions cover other matters as well; but of the nature of these I can, as I said, make no statement."

A good many of the guessers yesterday connected the name of J. L. Woolery with the investigation, and Mr. Woolery, when approached on the subject, appeared fully advised of the experts' movements. From another source it was learned that a prominent law firm had been engaged to start and carry out this investigation, and that the employment of the experts was the first step in an examination that, it is claimed, may bring to light some queer things.

August Englund Insane.

August Englund was yesterday adjudged insane by Judge Langley, and was sent to Steilacoom in charge of Deputy Sheriff T. J. McCorry. Englund is a native of Sweden, 22 years old, and came to this state from Wisconsin. His symptoms of insanity first developed two or three months ago, since which time he has been indisposed to eat or sleep, and has refused to lie down or to sit down. He has shown himself insanely jealous of his wife, and manifests a destructive mania, tearing up his clothing and other property. He labors under the delusion that he has too much food and clothing, when he is really destitute. Drs. Raymond and Kline pronounced him dangerous both to himself and others.

No Wonder.

Judge Langley yesterday admitted a Russian to American citizenship. He was not a bad-looking fellow by any means, but the clerk had to hold the pen for him while he made "his X mark." No wonder he couldn't write his name. It is Cazymer Cranckn. The clerk had to try an extra pen on the record, and the men around the courthouse were offering a prize to any one who could pronounce "Crneckz" correctly.

For Unlawful Detainer.

Judge Osborn was engaged yesterday afternoon in hearing the case of Ella R. Downs vs. Frank LaRoche. The defendant is the well-known photographer, who occupies quarters in the Downs building. He claims a five years' lease of the rooms, on the strength of which he has fitted them up at considerable expense. Mrs. Downs denies such a lease, and sues him for unlawful detainer.

Dispute Over Cement.

Henry Cowell charges that C. H. Barnwell has possession of 1,481 barrels of Portland cement belonging to Cowell, now lying in the warehouse on the south side of Bonair street, at the corner of Railroad avenue, valued at $4,072.75. He filed a complaint to that effect in the superior court yesterday asking for recovery of $300 damages.

"People's Call" Foreclosed.

Judge Langley yesterday signed a decree of foreclosure in the case of Vesta E. Stevens and Edward F. Stevens vs. Carrie J. Knox, M. F. Knox, the People's Call Publishing Company et al., to recover an indebtedness of $359, the mortgage being on the outfit of the Call.

New Suits Filed.

Actions were begun yesterday in the superior court as follows:

Adolph Alm vs. George McRae—Motion for change of venue; complaint not filed.

James Hall vs. F. R. Pratt and S. W. Batcheraft—Abstract of judgment, $757.70.

Henry Cowell vs. C. H. Barnwell—Replevin, $4,072.75, and damages, $300.

W. Kloke vs. J. E. Riley, promissory note, $25.

Fischer Bros. vs. I. N. Sill—Promissory note, $96.83.

American Trust Company vs. The City of Seattle—Unpaid warrants, $900.

Lane & Connelly vs. Andrew Lunn—Goods delivered, $258.90.

Court Notes.

William Davis was yesterday appointed administrator of the estate of David P. Davis, with bond at $200.

In the case of John Arthur vs. John Switzer et al., Judge Osborn yesterday overruled the demurrer to the third amended complaint.

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Treasurer P. P. Padden was busy yesterday paying off the county employes, "making everybody happy," as he said, "and replenishing their purses after the Fourth."

Judge Langley's time was taken up yesterday in hearing the applications of a number of creditors of the Seattle Coal and Iron Company to have their claims declared "preferred."

Judge Langley yesterday appointed R. G. Eskridge receiver in the suit of Saville S. Crossley vs. Gerhard Grotenhuis et al., with bond at $200. Eskridge took oath, giving bond with George Donworth as surety.

In the case of the German Savings and Loan Society vs. Joseph F. McNaught et al., Judge Langley yesterday signed a decree awarding the society judgment for $9,634.30 against Joseph F. McNaught and Annie E. McNaught and ordering foreclosure and sale of lots 1, 2, 4, 5 and 8, block 49, Terry's first addition; all of block 89, D. S. Maynard's plat, except a strip on the north conveyed to the C. & P. S. railroad, and lot 4, block 94, D. S. Maynard's plat.

Bilious Colic.

Persons who are subject to attacks of bilious colic should try Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy. It always gives prompt relief and if taken as soon as the first indication of the disease appears, it will prevent the attack. The 25 and 50-cent sizes are for sale by druggists everywhere.

SELLERS OF CIGARETTES.

A Bogie Man Is Examining the Records for Dates of License Expirations.

Some amateur detectives were at the office of the city comptroller yesterday securing a list of dealers of this city to whom cigarette licenses have been issued from time to time, under the state law. There can be no doubt of the intention of these embryo Sherlock Holmeses, as they also jotted down the dates upon which the licenses expire, as well as the names and places of business to which the permits were issued. If any dealers have allowed the time for renewal to slip by, they would better look into the matter or cease selling cigarettes, as the bogie man, in the persons of a few Old Sleuths will be after them.

The part of the "cigarette act" which appeals alluringly to informers of its violations is as follows:

"In addition to the penalty above provided for the sale or giving away of cigarettes to a minor under the age of 18 years, the parent or guardian of such minor or any individual or association suing in behalf or for the benefit of such minor, may prosecute in a civil action, any person so violating this act, for the penalty of two hundred and fifty dollars ($250) and the costs of the action, one-half of which amount shall be paid to any person as his moiety share who furnished the information upon which the action is brought and penalty recovered. Any person convicted of a violation of this act, who has a license, shall forfeit his license, and the same shall be revoked and canceled by the board or council having jurisdiction, and no license shall thereafter be granted any person whose license has been forfeited and revoked as provided by this act."

A half dozen dealers who, perhaps innocently, have allowed the time to elapse since the expiration of their licenses would make up the tidy sum of $1,500 penalties, which divided in half would make $750 for the informers.

New Masonic Temple at Fall City.

On Friday the new Masonic temple at Fall City was dedicated by the Grand Lodge of Washington. A large number of Masons and people of the vicinity assembled and were pleasantly entertained by Fall City Lodge, No. 66, which is the owner of the building. About two years ago the lodge had its paraphernalia destroyed by fire, but the zealous Masons composing it did not despair, and with combined efforts they have finished a very nice little temple, which is free from debt.

In performing the dedication ceremonies the following officers were the acting grand officers: L. H. Wheeler, grand master; William, McCord, deputy grand master; E. L. Whittemore, senior grand warden; H. L. Renick, junior grand warden; S. D. Gustin, grand treasurer; Joseph Blair, grand secretary; A. L. Rutherford, grand chaplain; W. E. Gibson, grand lecturer; Richard Saxe Jones, grand orator; Harry C. Gordon, grand marshal; C. Nelson, senior grand deacon; Arthur Long, junior grand deacon; Hector McCallum, grand standard bearer; F. G. Sweet, grand sword bearer; E. H. Thompson, grand Bible bearer; T. H. Ellis, senior grand steward; W. G. Fowler, junior grand steward; George W. Tibbetts, grand tyler.

The grand lodge convened in the Odd Fellows' hall and went in procession to the Masonic temple, where the ceremonies were performed. Richard Saxe Jones especially distinguished himself by his eloquent oration. After the dedication some speeches were made manifesting the cordiality existing between Fall City lodge and the lodges of Seattle. Those from Seattle who attended greatly enjoyed their trip, and each will attest to the true Masonic spirit prevailing in Fall City Lodge, No. 66.

Land Office Decisions.

A decision was received at the local land office yesterday from the department of the interior, disposing of the case of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company vs. Ole Olsen Moen. The case has been hanging fire for a long time and the final decision reverses the general land office and confirms the decision of the local office. The conflict involved lot 6, section 1, township 27 north, range 8 east, in Snohomish county. The railroad company had based an indemnity selection to other tracts on this lot, and the final decision allows both the indemnity selection and the homestead entry of Moen.

Secretary Hoke Smith has sustained the action of the commissioner of the general land office, who rejected the application of Adele C. Leonard for leave of absence from her homestead entry No. 15,722, in the Seattle land district. The commissioner held in his action that poverty and inability to earn support on the land was not a "casualty" within the meaning of section 3 of the act of March 2, 1889.

AMUSEMENTS.

Society Out in Force.

The members of the Seattle 400 turned out in force last evening to witness Col. W. J. Fife's latest venture in the amusement world at the Madison park water palace. The comic opera of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," which is a decided novelty in this part of the world, went much smoother than on the first performance. Miss Rosalie Southern, as Topsy, showed that she had well earned her high reputation. Miss Alice Roseland, Guy Evans and W. E. Asken showed talent of a high order, while La Petite Lillie, as Eva, captured the audience by her sweet singing and clever dancing. Among the society leaders who were noticeable were: Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice McMicken, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Kittinger, Gen. Gilbert Meem, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Furth, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Stimson, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Emmons, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Holmes, Dr. and Mrs. A. P. Mitten, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. H. Green and Capt. W. D. O'Toole.

Mr. Goldsmith Wrongly Quoted.

In the interviews with local Democrats published in the Post-Intelligencer yesterday morning from the New York World of the same date, James S. Goldsmith is made to say, probably by a telegraphic error: "If our party adopts a silver platform I shall certainly vote the Democratic ticket." The form of the answer is sufficient to show that Mr. Goldsmith declared that he would not vote the Democratic ticket in that event.

BREVITIES.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Relief Society will be held this afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce at 2 o'clock.

Nathan Phillips, who was shot by David Leroy at Monte Cristo last week, is slightly improved and it is now thought certain that he will recover.

Fred Ohse died yesterday at Providence hospital of pneumonia and will be buried today by Bonney & Stewart. The deceased formerly lived at Snoqualmie. He had no relatives in this city. The interment will be at Duwamish.

No Warning.

Judge.

"How did Charlie get out of that scrape caused by his knocking the old woman down with his wheel?"

"Easily. He proved that the woman, who was walking on the sidewalk, carried neither a bell nor a lantern."

The Royal Restaurant is setting out a business men's dinch for 25 cents that beats anything ever given in Seattle. The lunch served from 11 to 2 consists of soup, fish, roast duck, vegetables, ice cream, strawberries, etc., all for 25 cents. And from 4 to 8 o'clock the Royal serves a dinner for 25 cents that is without equal at any price in the city.

A cool glass of refreshing lemonade beats ice water all to pieces, particularly when you can buy choice lemons today at 12½ cents per dozen. Cooper & Levy, 104 and 106 Commercial street.

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Duwamish Dairy ice cream, pure cream only; retail, 35c quart; wholesale, 75c gallon.

FOOD FOR THE RATS.

The Mutilated Body of Charles Wilson Found in a Barn.

THEORIES OF SUICIDE, MURDER.

Corpse Discovered by a Friend Who Went to Talk With Him About a Mining Deal.

A death about which there is an atmosphere of mystery was reported yesterday afternoon at police headquarters by George Matthews, of this city, a miner by occupation, who stated that he had gone to a barn at the rear of the residence of Daniel K. Baxter, at Fifth avenue south, between Yesler way and Washington street, for the purpose of calling on Charlie Wilson, another old miner, to talk over a mining project in which both men were interested. Upon reaching the barn loft where the old man lived Matthews was oppressed by the silence of the place, having felt sure that he would find Wilson there, and suspected at once that something was wrong. Pressing his investigation further he was assailed by a foul stench, and upon pushing the door of the little room open the half nude body of Wilson, in a fearfully decomposed state, was found lying on the floor, the upper part being below the bed of filthy rags over which vermin crawled, while a colony of rats scampered away into the gloom of the loft.

Matthews hurried to police headquarters to report his gruesome find. Chief Reed and Officers Phillips and Willard immediately repaired to the barn, accompanied by Matthews, when a careful survey of the premises and the body was made. On every side were evidences of poverty and squalor. The miserable pallet on which the dead man had slept was wretched in the extreme, and such clothing as partly covered the body was in rags and tatters. Upon an examination of the remains portions were found to have been devoured by rats, one side of the face being almost entirely eaten away. Other portions of the body had been gnawed at, and the whole interior of the room presented a sickening spectacle. The matter was at once communicated to Coroner Askam, who ordered the remains carried to Butterworth's undertaking rooms, where an inquest will be held today.

Several theories as to Wilson's death have been advanced, Chief Reed believing that the death was a case of suicide pure and simple. Others, however, have suggested a possible murder. While the police discredit the idea of murder, that contingency has not been overlooked in their inquiries, and no stone will be left unturned in their efforts to unravel the mystery surrounding Wilson's death. An argument in favor of the theory of murder that was advanced yesterday was that only last Friday Matthews was discussing a mining scheme with Wilson in which he had taken a great interest, and the visit that lead to the discovery of his dead body was to continue a conversation that both expected would lead up to matters of material profit.

There was an old knife found near the body that the adherents of the suicide theory advance as an argument in their favor. This knife, Chief Reed says, would not have cut anything, and its use as an implement for self-destruction could not be countenanced. What is alleged to have been a cut on the throat was a simple parting of the tissues in the process of decomposition.

Wilson was about 55 years old, and it is not unreasonable to suppose that his death was the result of natural causes. His poverty and necessary denial of comfort, coupled with the fact that he was not young nor particularly strong, would present an argument in favor of natural death. Decomposition in such an advanced state was the result of the fearfully hot weather, under which the body may have lain for four days. The presence of rodents and vermin did not assist in making the corpse presentable, and it is now likely that unless suicide or murder is proven the real cause of Wilson's taking off will never be known.

Wilson was at one time very prosperous, but lost his fortune in mining speculation. It is said that his losses in the Cariboo district alone exceeded $25,000. In the earlier days of mining speculation Wilson used to prospect with Matthews, between whom and the deceased there existed the close ties of friendship cemented by common interests and a common pursuit.

SLASHED LIKE A MADMAN.

A Man and a Woman of the Tenderloin District Badly Cut.

One of those affairs that the best elements in a community do not understand, but which to members of the half world are almost a daily item on the bill of fare of life, occurred yesterday morning at a little after 3 o'clock in rooms over the Canal saloon, a particularly unsavory place in a most unsavory quarter of the city, resulting in the cutting into ribbons of one of the denizens of the tenderloin district, and the slashing of her even lower paramour.

The case in point sends up from one of the mushroom beds of vice a testimonial to the effect that there are quarters of the town and people living in them that require expurgating. Annie Fessler, a notorious woman, had an altercation with a lodger, named Lindola, who roomed in the third story of the building in which the Canal saloon is located, and ran downstairs to the protection of Frank Fessler, with whom she is living. She was followed to her room by Lindola, who was frenzied with liquor, and who demanded the return of money that he claimed she had robbed him of. The woman refused and the madman commenced striking and kicking her. Fessler, who was in bed, sprang up with the intention of defending her, when Lindola whipped out a long pocket knife and began stabbing right and left, with the result that he soon converted the place into a shambles. Fessler ran into the street and across to Closson & Kelly's drugstore, where a patrol alarm was turned in. Lindola left the room after the affray and went down the back way, where he found Officer Barbee awaiting him. All of the contestants were loaded into the wagon and taken to police headquarters, from which place Fessler and the woman were removed to Providence hospital. Lindola was locked up. Last night the injuries of both Fessler and the woman, whose real name is said to be Hunter, were reported as not being serious and both were resting easily. No charge has been entered against Lindola, the police deciding to await developments regarding the injuries of the pair. Fessler was repeatedly stabbed in the back, neck and arm, and the woman in the shoulder and breast.

The knife that did the cutting was found in the hall of the building near the place where it was used with such terrible effect.

In the Police Court.

The last batch of offenders whose shortcomings are directly attributable to the celebration of the Fourth of July was up before Judge Glasgow yesterday, checkering the records of the municipal court with charges varying from that of "suspect" to the chronic and perennial drunk who, many times, seems only to have stepped from that portion of the court room given up to spectators to the narrow inclosure where the ones on trial are penned off, so nearly alike are they.

The case of D. S. Galoway was the first called, and passed owing to the absence of the defendant, and that of Henry Carlst was taken up. Christ was charged with exploding a bomb July 4 in an employment office on Washington street. Officer J. C. Wickman, who made the arrest, and the clerk of the office where the offense is alleged to have been committed testified that Christ entered the office Saturday and "bought a job," paying $1.50 for it. Shortly after he came back and demanded his money, saying that he didn't want the job. Upon being refused he touched off a bomb a foot long and four inches in diameter, blowing some plaster off the wall and the clerk into the air. Christ went to the "tank" for twenty days.

Cornelius Aust was run in by Officer Barbee for begging. His case was set for 2:30 this afternoon, upon his plea of not guilty.

Bartender Fairbanks was taxed $3 for blackening the eye of John Johnson, and Johnson was released, as he had been in jail since Friday.

John Roberts, a train dispatcher and telegraph operator, was arrested for carrying concealed weapons, the offending evidence being a huge slungshot. Roberts gave a consistent story of his doings for several years past, and of his possession of the slungshot. He says that he left his station at Dayton, Mont., where he was employed as a train dispatcher by the Great Northern, and went to Spokane, where he intended having his eyes treated. When he got to Spokane he fell in with the Philistines and got drunk, and remembers very little until he came to himself at the police station in this city. Judge Glasgow suspended sentence until this afternoon.

The case of D. S. Galoway, who was charged with carrying milk to town in an open wagon, for the purpose of retailing it, was set for this afternoon. The case of Oscar J. Treen, for assault and battery, comes up this afternoon.

PIERCE COUNTY POLITICS.

An Abundance of Candidates for All of the Offices.

Tacoma, July 6.—Special.—The withdrawal from the race for the gubernatorial nomination of Judge William H. Pritchard has set the politicians all at sea. Judge Pritchard's strength had grown to considerable proportions, and of course his friends are more or less at a loss for a programme. There has been considerable speculating as to whom Judge Pritchard's following would unite on, but it may be confidently said it has not centered on any one yet, and is not likely to do so.

Other Pierce county men have been talked of in connection with the nomination, but, with perhaps one exception, there has been little or no effort made by the friends of the possible candidates looking to the solidification of Pierce county's strength in their interest. Ex-Mayor George B. Kandle, Maj. O. B. Hayden, James C. Fairchild and William H. Snell have been talked of, but none of them is an avowed candidate for the nomination, and all disclaim any intention of entering the race.

Prosecuting Attorney B. W. Coiner has developed into an aggressive candidate. Considerable work is being done in his behalf, and he will have a large following in the convention. H. H. Warner, president of the city council, has been spoken of often as a candidate, but, like the others, he has done little yet to secure the delegation from this county. Senator W. P. Sargent is also in the race.

There are a number of influential Republicans in this county who are not at all anxious to see the head of the state ticket given to Pierce county. They have various reasons for this. There is unquestionably a feeling here against Pierce county asking for the governorship. This may be the reason why no work is being done to bring about a centralization of forces in the interest of any of the candidates named. It may also be the reason why the friends of Congressman Doolittle threw a little cracked ice at Judge Pritchard's boom.

A well-known politician a few days ago gave as a reason why Pierce county should not put forth a candidate for governor that it would strengthen the ticket to choose a man from some other part of the state, Eastern Washington, for instance. He said that in view of the fight that is to be made this fall on the silver question, it would be wise for the Republicans in the state to use the greatest care in choosing a standard bearer. Of course this gentleman's opinion is merely his own, and must not be taken as representing the sentiment of all the Republicans of Pierce county.

Another reason why Pierce county may not have a gubernatorial candidate is that it may interfere with her intentions in other quarters—possibly that Pierce may want other things at the hands of the state which she could not ask for were the governor chosen from this county.

P. C. Sullivan's opinion does not harmonize with that of the gentleman quoted. He thinks Pierce county will ask for the governorship when the right man is named for the place. Mr. Sullivan said that it was too early to say who that man would likely be.

In county politics there is considerable stir. Pierce county will have three senators and ten members of the lower house to elect this fall. The retiring senators are Campbell, Foss and Sargent. To succeed Senator Campbell, Dr. J. W. Cloes, Stanton Warburton, F. H. Murray and ex-City Attorney James Wickersham are candidates. In the Thirty-fourth representative district, which was represented in the last legislature by Ed Miller and T. C. Van Eaton, Frederick A. Brown, Cyrus Mentzer and Fred Merrill are candidates for the lower house. Mr. Brown's friends are doing a great deal of work in his interest. He is one of Tacoma's brightest lawyers. In the Thirty-fifth, Walter Harvey and H. K. Moore are being groomed to succeed Almon Woodworth. F. R. Baker, Populist, was elected two years ago in the Thirty-sixth by a small plurality over John Meads. The latter desires to again make the race.

Candidates for superior judge are thick. Judge Parker desires a renomination, and Judge Pritchard may decide to run again. Justice of the Peace J. L. McMurray has a weather eye out, and if the skies seem propitious may enter the race. Beside these, Johnson Nickeus, Charles Bedford, M. L. Clifford, F. D. Nash, Charles A. Murray and Thad Huston are something more than possibilities. Any one of them is qualified for the bench.

Sheriff Samuel Parker has the opposition of W. H. Paulhamus, of Sumner, his former deputy, and Lincoln Davis, ex-chief of police. Both of these are in the field for the nomination and are making an active canvass. Sheriff Parker's friends are watching over his interests as well.

County Assessor Hunt desires a renomination, as does Clerk W. A. Fairweather and Auditor Lloyd. Neither of these has any opposition to speak of. Capt. Harry Winchester and Robert Rigney are candidates for county commissioner. For prosecuting attorney Frank Cushman and L. C. Dennis are talked of. County Treasurer Hedges desires to fill his office another two years. Richard Meath is out for the nomination, as is School Clerk C. W. Mock.

Washington Postoffices.

Washington City, July 6.—Special.—About 150 citizens of the Eureka mining district, in Stevens county, have petitioned the postmaster general for a postoffice at the town of Eureka, which is situated about the center of the north half of the Colville Indian reservation, which was recently opened to mineral entry. Eureka is about thirty miles south of the British Columbia line, about forty miles directly north of the Columbia river, and about eighty miles by road west of Colville. The nearest postoffices are Clarks, in Lincoln county, about forty-five miles south; Oro, in Okanogan county, about forty miles west, and Kettle Falls, Stevens county, sixty miles east. It is set forth in the petition that there are at present in the Eureka mining district about 1,000 to 1,500 white men, and that sufficient claims have already been located to insure its permanent population of fully that number. It is therefore asked that the postal route from Wilbur to Clarks be extended to Eureka, and that a postoffice be established there with J. C. Keller as postmaster. The attention of the postmaster general is directed to the fact that the shortest and most practicable route is from Clarks by way of the Sans Poil river road. The Central Washington railroad carries mail to Wilbur, and a route from Wilbur to Clarks already exists. There is at present a horse trail from Clarks to Eureka, and a wagon road between these points is in course of construction. As soon as the wagon road is completed, which will be soon, a stage line will be established.

Washington Patents.

Washington City, July 6.—Special.—The following patents have been issued to inventors in Washington: Henry A. Baxter, Seattle, assignor by mesne assignments to E. Baxter, King county, car mover. Elisha B. Cleveland, Snohomish, bow-facing oar.

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CALDWELL SHOWS UP

He Gets Two Hundred Dollars From C. G. Heifner.

SENATOR SQUIRE GIVES HIM $125

James T. Lentzy Has a Chance to Make a Loan, but Reads the Post-Intelligencer and Is Warned.

Chicago, July 6.—Special.—C. G. Heifner, formerly of Seattle, is in a great stew, and all on account of William Caldwell, justice of the peace, who unexpectedly took a train for New York city from Seattle about three weeks ago. Heifner says he met Caldwell on the streets of New York, and that Caldwell said he was without money. Heifner says he helped him out by indorsing a draft on the First National bank of Seattle for $200. The draft was cashed by the Equitable Life Insurance Co. Caldwell told Heifner that he had money in the bank at Seattle. Last Wednesday Heifner saw Caldwell take a train for Seattle and thought nothing of the matter until today, when a Seattle man told him of Caldwell's doings in Seattle.

Charles H. Baker, receiver of the Merchants' National bank of Seattle, said Senator Squire had gotten a warrant in New York for Caldwell's arrest. Baker said he understood Caldwell got $125 from the senator. Baker also said Caldwell tried James F. Lentzy, but Lentzy looked up the files of the Post-Intelligencer and said "Nay, nay." Heifner says Caldwell should be in Seattle tomorrow.

Washington Land Decisions.

Washington City, July 6.—Special.—Thos. J. Farris wins his suit involving a homestead entry in the Walla Walla district contested for by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company.

In the same land district Alvan Torrey defeats the Northern Pacific railroad in a contest for a homestead entry.

Sidney E. Finch wins a similar contest from the same company in the Spokane land district.

The Northern Pacific, however, won its contest with John C. Smith, the suit involving certain lands in lots 1 and 2 of section 13, township 27 north, range 37 east; Spokane land district; also its case against George W. Brown for t tract of land in the North Yakima land district.

John Sherer was awarded his land in the Waterville land district, the right to which was disputed by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company.

Jasper N. Roundtree was awarded a tract of land in the Olympia district contested for by the Northern Pacific Railroad.

James H. and Charles C. Clauton defeat the Northern Pacific railroad, according to a rather hazy decision prepared by Assistant Attorney N. F. Millsap, of the interior department. The land is in the Vancouver district.

Secretary Smith has handed down the following decision: "On September 23, 1895, the interior department rendered a decision in the matter of Thomas A. Garrett, and fifteen others, against the state of Washington, affirming the decision of the commissioner of the general land office made April 2, 1894, which sustained the action of the local board at Seattle, in rejecting the application of Garrett and others to make homestead entries for several tracts of land in the Seattle district. The reason of the rejection of the application was that the lands had been selected by the state in lieu of lands lost in place. The department received a motion for review of the decision. The secretary stated that the motion contained nothing in the way of fact or argument that was not presented and considered when the case was before the department on appeal, and added that the department, in view of its repeated decisions heretofore made that the state is entitled to these lands for the use of schools, on May 4, 1895, approved and certified the same to the state; hence the department has no longer any jurisdiction over them. The motion for review was therefore overruled."

Secretary Smith has denied the motion of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company to dismiss the appeal of Allen Y. Tuttle in a controversy involving a quarter section of land in the Seattle district and directs that the case be remanded to its place upon the docket. He took similar action in the case of Alfred F. Eastman against this company in a controversy over a tract of land in the same district.

The secretary has overruled a decision of the commissioner and allowed the entry of Ole Olsen Moen for a homestead entry in the Seattle district to pass to patent. The land was contested for by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

[No communication or question will receive attention unless the writer signs his name, not necessarily for publication, but to show good faith.]

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