

INTO THE COWLITZ.

BLAVER AND HUGHES, OF CASTLE ROCK, BURIED BY A LANDSLIDE.

One is Drowned, and the Other Escapes by Clinging to a Skingee Boat—Rescued After Drifting Two Miles—Accident on the Northern Pacific.

KEILSO, Dec. 8.—Special.—Monday night about 10 o'clock, while a crew of eight men were clearing the Northern Pacific track of a landslide at a point seven miles north of here, Charles Blaver and Andrew Hughes were hurrying into the Cowlitz river by a slide that occurred while they were working. Warning was given that dirt from the bluff was coming, but they could not get out of the way.

Blaver was struck by a log and was killed. Hughes was not so fortunate. He was carried down the river two miles, being rescued by a log and was taken to a boat. He was brought ashore Hughes could not walk and was almost killed by a log. Blaver was a member of the A. O. U. W. He leaves a widow, but no children.

BERING CLAIMS COMMISSION.

Testimony as to Gates Made by Bering Schooner.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 8.—Before the Bering sea claims commission this morning William T. Bragg was examined as to the probable catch. He said he is a member of the Bering sea claims commission, and produced a book containing a memorandum of the catch. On June 23 they began the hunt in Bering sea. The various catches made by several hunters and the number of days occupied during each month in the hunt.

William Thomas was the next to testify. He said he was the pilot on the Caroline in February, 1886. When they went to Eucantallet to get an Indian crew for the schooner. They landed supplies for the Indians, but not being able to get a crew, took the supplies aboard again and came to Victoria, where Thomas and William Warren were then. He testified that the total catch of the Mary Ellen in Bering sea in 1886 was 2,386 seals. To Mr. Warren the total catch of seals captured previous to the seizure of the schooner was not true.

A question as to the credibility of the witness was then raised by the United States consul. Mr. Dickinson then quoted from the American case which was tried before the Bering sea claims commission. He testified that the total catch of the Mary Ellen, which was 2,386 seals, was not true. He said he was lost of over three months.

Victor Jacobson, master mariner, said he was not in the Bering sea during 1886, as he was then hunting on the Mountain side, on the coast. In 1887, he said, he went in the Mountain side to Bering sea, leaving on the return trip about August 15 or 16, as he was frightened by hearing the many mountains. He said he was not in the Bering sea during 1887, as he was then hunting on the Mountain side, on the coast.

An adjournment was then taken for lunch, after which Victor Jacobson again testified. He said that the extract read by the United States consul, which was "guesswork." He said that he never kept any record of his catch in the log book. To Mr. Peters he said that the statement in the Bering sea claims commission, which was that the Mountain side was owned by Messrs. Outman & Frank was an error, as he was the owner of the Mountain side schooner from the Indians at Nana river, who had built her. He ultimately sold the schooner back to the Indians.

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THE NEWS OF TACOMA

SMUGGLER JUMPS FROM A TRAIN GOING AT FULL SPEED.

Drugs With Him Deputy Sheriff Nettleton, Who is Injured—Sheriff Makes His Escape—Stallion's Decision Welcomed by City Employees, Who Will Now Be Paid in Cash.

TACOMA, Dec. 8.—Special.—The daring ring-leader of a big opium smuggling gang, who has been successfully operating on the Sound for a year past, was arrested at Tacoma this afternoon with \$500 worth of dope in his possession. He was placed in charge of Deputy Sheriff C. A. Nettleton, of Roy, and brought to this city on the train from Portland. While passing through a high gulch on the outskirts of the city the smuggler attempted to break away from the officers and jumped from the front platform of the smoking car, dragging Nettleton with him. The chance was one in ten thousand that both would be killed, as the train, being late, was running at full speed toward the city.

Nettleton got off with a severe scalp wound on the forehead, but he was not affected by the sewage when the water reached the Leach home.

SIDNEY PERKINS HOME AGAIN.

Assistant Secretary of the National Committee Reaches Tacoma.

TACOMA, Dec. 8.—Special.—S. A. Perkins, assistant secretary of the National Committee, returned this morning from the East and is registered at the Tacoma Hotel. He has been in Washington, and then will return to Cleveland, Ohio, and later to the national headquarters in New York. Mr. Perkins said today that he regretted very much that the state of Washington made the mistake of falling into the Bryan trap in the late election. He said that he had no doubt that the state would fall to reap the benefits which would have accrued had its electors voted for McKinley. He said that he had great faith in the people of Washington, and that he believed that the state would have great progress and development in the future.

REARER OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF FEDERAL PATENT IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON.

Mr. Perkins' plans for the future are not fully determined as yet. After leaving for Chicago, where he is soon to be married to one of the society belles of the Windy City, he will return to Tacoma, where he will be in charge of the national committee.

TO RECOVER TRUST FUNDS.

TACOMA, Dec. 8.—Special.—Suit has been brought by Receiver Tidlow, of the Bank of Tacoma, to recover trust funds. The suit is in the Commercial Bank and Bank of Tacoma, Clerk of the Superior Court.

REDUCTION IN RAILROAD RATES.

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SUIT AGAINST THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

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AWARDED HIGHEST HONORS—WORLD'S FAIR, GOLD MEDAL, MID-WINTER FAIR.

DR. CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

"The worst cold I ever had in my life was cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes W. N. ... "This cold left me with a cough and I was expecting all the time. The Remedy cured me, and I want all of my friends when I have a cough or cold to use it, for it will do them good." Sold by Druggists.

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