H. Lewis, of this city, arrived from San Francisco at 7 o'clock last night. Gathered at the depot was a band of over 100 members of the Endeavor organization, many of them wearing the purple and gold badges. Among those in waiting were John P. Hartman and H. C. Ewing.

As soon as the train pulled in Messrs. Hartman and Ewing boarded the private car "Tiber," in which Secretary Baer's party travels, and welcomed the visitors to the city. As Secretary Baer stepped from the car the Endeavorers, not to be outdone by their fellow workers, who have been traveling all over the country during the past weeks, gave the following yell, which had been rehearsed to a degree of perfection during the wait for the train:

"C! E!
"C! E!
"O See!
"See what?
"Seattle! ! !"

Mr. Baer elbowed his way through the crowd, after expressing his appreciation of his welcome, and followed by the other members of the party went to the Hotel Stevens, where dinner was served. Immediately after dinner the entire party went to the First Presbyterian church, where an immense gathering of people awaited them.

The church was handsomely decorated, the Endeavor colors predominating and being used to bring about attractive results. Suspended over the pulpit was the Endeavor monogram in small electric lights of the requisite colors. On the pulpit were several elaborate floral pieces, including a magnificent bank of perfect roses and a diamond in pink sweet peas.

The chancel was hung with the stars and stripes caught with an immense pin in the form of a monogram, while around the gallery were hung graceful folds of bunting in Endeavor colors, with here and there a convention flag.

In the choir loft was a special choir of thirty singers, with Miss Kellogg at the organ.

The edifice was filled before the hour set for the beginning of the exercises and several hundred were turned away. Every seat in the large church was taken, and over half of the standing room was utilized.

The programme opened with a hymn by the choir, after which Rev. Dr. Hutchison read the lesson and delivered the invocation. H. C. Ewing then introduced Secretary Baer as president of the evening. Mr. Baer was received with a burst of applause, in which was attested the welcome extended him by the Endeavorers of Seattle. His introductory remarks were brief and delivered in short, epigrammatic sentences. He said:

"In behalf of the brethren on the platform here, I thank you most cordially for this splendid welcome. I can say to you that we are very glad for this brief respite from traveling and for the opportunity it affords of meeting you and of enjoying a good dinner this evening. You have come here to get in touch with that great gathering of workers which has just ended at San Francisco. We are here to tell you about it, although you must now know all that was done there through the Post-Intelligencer's most excellent reports."

Mr. Baer concluded by introducing Rev. J. M. Lowden, of Providence, R. I., who was the first speaker.

Mr. Lowden raised a laugh by telling an amusing story of a New Hampshire deacon, whose experiences at a "red-hot revival" meeting he compared with his experience at San Francisco. He said that it devolved upon himself and those who were now on their way home from the convention to carry the influence of that great gathering into every corner of the country and thus glorify the name of Christ and serve Him.

Rev. W. P. Landers, of Middleton, Mass., was the next speaker. Mr. Landers described the convention as the great crusade of modern times and the most magnificent spectacle the world has ever seen. The sermon preached by the convention covered the entire breadth of the continent. The results of the convention were to bring into closer harmony the East and West; into a Christian fellowship and the service of the Master through the younger life of the church.

Rev. H. B. Grose, a Baptist of Boston, followed. He raised a laugh by saying that the first thing he noticed about Seattle was that it had plenty of water. He had attended all but one of the Christian Endeavor conventions, but the last was the more significant than any of the preceding ones. The gospel had been scattered everywhere across the continent, and only in the years to come could the full effect of the convention be seen.

Amos R. Wells, editor of the Golden Rule, followed in an earnest talk of five minutes. Then came Treasurer Shaw, who told several good stories and aroused his audience to enthusiasm by his eloquent peroration.

The other speakers were Dr. Dickinson, of Berkeley temple, Boston; Rev. E. L. Powell, an eloquent divine from Louisville, Ky.; Rev. J. Z. Tyler, of Cleveland, and Dr. Nehemiah Boynton, of Detroit.

Rev. W. H. G. Temple gave a two-minutes' talk, and was received with tremendous applause, attesting the good work done at San Francisco. His tribute to the convention and to Seattle was eloquent in the extreme.

John P. Hartman told of the crowds coming through the state of Washington, and Secretary Baer closed the meeting in a felicitous address of five minutes' duration. After a hymn and the benediction, the immense gathering dispersed.

SIX THOUSAND COMING.

John P. Hartman Tells of the Immense Number of Visitors That Will Visit Seattle.

Six thousand Endeavorers, nearly a third of the entire number of people that crossed the backbone of the continent and visited the international convention at San Francisco, will travel East via Puget sound and the state of Washington.

So says John P. Hartman, chairman of the transportation committee for this state. Mr. Hartman returned at 1:20 yesterday morning from San Francisco, where he went to attend the Christian Endeavor convention. He saw very little of the gathering itself, but met thousands of delegates, and with William H. Lewis, managed to steer 6,000 of them East via this state.

To fully estimate the importance of this fact, and the immense benefit to be derived from the presence in this state of such a large number of people, one must know that they come from every section of the Union, and are representative not only of the young church workers, but also of the substantial business element.

Said Mr. Hartman: "One-half of those who came to San Francisco during the convention were business and professional men. They came from every corner of the country. They represent the solid element in our national life—business men of wide experience, whose presence on the Pacific coast was due to the very low Endeavor railroad rate. They are wide awake and observing. They will see all that is possible to see from such a trip through Washington, and will carry their impressions to every part of the country. The value to the state of the visit of these people is beyond computation."

They began arriving yesterday morning, but the influx did not get under full headway until last night at 6:35, when the first section of the east-bound overland reached here from Portland, containing the private car, in which traveled Secretary Baer, Treasurer Shaw, Editor Amos R. Wells, of the Golden Rule; Rev. C. A. Dickson, Bishop Fallows, Rev. H. B. Grose, Rev. Nehemiah Boynton and other notables.

"It was simply wonderful how people would inquire about the state of Washington," said Mr. Hartman, in his office in the Burke building yesterday. "We had 20,000 copies of the pamphlet gotten out by Mr. Lewis, Mr. Fries, Mr. Ewing and myself, but they were all given out, and we might have used more. On the first day I answered inquires from people at the rate of 100 an hour. I attempted to keep a list of those who inquired about Washington. Oregon seemed neglected. From all of the inquirers came questions about Puget sound. I am fully satisfied from figures I made myself and from those I obtained from the railroads that 6,000 people have been routed East via Washington and Puget sound."

Two trains filled with Endeavorers left San Francisco Monday night over the Southern Pacific. One of these left Portland Wednesday afternoon at 5:20 o'clock, including five sleepers and five day coaches. This was the advance guard of the excursionists. The sleepers were hitched to the overland at Tacoma and went East Wednesday evening, the Endeavorers being destined for the Yellowstone park, where they will spend six days.

Mr. Hartman says that the excursionists who will tour Washington during the next week will be wideawake men, who are here for business as well as pleasure, and who will utilize their opportunities for a careful scrutiny of the state's resources to the best advantage. As an indication of the character of the coming visitors, Mr. Hartman gave the names of a prominent wholesale shoe dealer of Nashville, Tenn.; an Omaha grain broker, and other business men from the far East. Among the notable people is Mr. Lawler, the designer and builder of the three famous cup defenders—Puritan, Vigilant and Defender.

Speaking of the convention, Mr. Hartman pronounced it the most remarkable gathering in the history of the country. It was remarkable for the fact that thousands of people were carried over the Rockies and into San Francisco without an accident, from the fact that the hordes of visitors were cared for without confusion or trouble of any kind, and from the further circumstance that every section of the Union was represented.

Mr. Hartman says there were 42,000 visitors in San Francisco, of these the Southern Pacific brought 23,800 through the Ogden gateway in three and one-half days, the greatest feat on record in railroad annals, all without a single accident. The Santa Fe contributed 4,700, and from the Dakotas, Montana and the Pacific Northwest there came 2,400 more. California's representation in the convention aggregated 12,000.

"No one but Endeavorers were registered at headquarters and given badges," said Mr. Hartman. "At least 25,000 were in the conventions. There were over 500 from this state. We gave out over 400 programmes and badges at the Washington booth, which was beautifully decorated.

"Ninety per cent. of the delegates from abroad were located by the 1,000 aides to the reception committee. These were distinguished by wearing white caps. The people of the state gave us a California glad welcome; they know how to do it down there. The weather was as if made to order. Was it any wonder that the whole thing went off without a single unpleasant feature?"

Most of the Washington delegation will reach here Saturday night. On the advice of Mr. Lewis and Mr. Hartman, they decided not to return as a delegation, but mixed up in the delegations from the Eastern states and occupied themselves in the pleasant task of booming Washington. Nearly every delegation from the other side of the great divide has a sprinkling of Washingtonians in it.

GREAT CONVENTION AT END

Stirring Scenes at the Close—The Homeward Journey to Seattle.

Special Correspondence.

ON TRAIN, homeward bound, July 15.—Well, the great convention is over, and I seem to be standing on its shore watching the waves of its enthusiasm still tossing. Certainly San Francisco has never seen such a company, such a multitude of young people on its streets, in its public parks, at its favorite resorts, in its homes and churches, as the vast throng that the Christian Endeavor movement has brought through its gates.

The whole affair has been a surprise to the average San Francisco mind. It has never before been called upon to contemplate such things in just such a way. Religious conventions have gathered in one of its great halls, but none has ever assumed such vast proportions, 25,000 strong. Other conventions have come, representing some great division of the Christian church, but none that has included over forty denominations meeting in the truest loyalty to their own separate principles, and yet for the time being willing to be forgetful of them that their general fellowship might be the more complete.

No sooner was the final benediction pronounced and the sixteenth international convention of Christian Endeavor declared closed, than the disintegration of the forces began. There was a homeward swing in the rhythm of the songs they sang as they walked along Market street in companies of a hundred or more, or filled to overflowing the different lines of cars. The trunks that had toiled for days the best attempts of their owners to find them, went off decorously on the return journey, their lids closed against all temptation to similarly misbehave themselves.

The leaders in the great movement looked tired after their intense labors, but grateful and happy. There was an expression of relief on their faces that betokened the relaxation of the great strain that had been upon them for several days. Properly interpreted, it mean thankfulness that no serious accident had happened, that no great loss had been sustained, that such a high tone had pervaded all the sessions, that such a spirit of loving harmony had everywhere prevailed.

The closing services in Mechanics' pavilion on Monday evening were impressive beyond description. At 6 p. m. the halls and corridors were cleared, that the auditorium might be districted for the evening session. From the registration records it was an easy matter to get the proportionate number representing each state and territory of the Union, etc. Standards were then placed at proper points all over the room containing the names of the various states, in order that the state delegations might sit together. Washington occupied a fine position on the incline upward from the center of the hall toward the rear. The doors were not opened again until nearly 7:30.

In the meantime fully 12,000 people were crowded all along the street in front of the convention building. A more orderly concourse of people could not be imagined. No impatience was shown, in the vicinity of your correspondent, on account of the long wait or the inevitable crowding. Smiles enwreathed all faces, and jokes and good-natured sallies helped to pass away the time. It seemed natural to sing. When we were wedged in the tightest somebody struck up "There Is Sunshine in My Soul." Laughter and melody vied with each other for the moment, but the song and the sunshine won.

I passed in through the narrow door through which the choir, the ministry and the press were privileged to go—you must not forget this trinity of power—and inside the scene was increasingly interesting. Streams of humanity were surging through the main entrance and finding their way, splendidly guided by the ushers, to their respective state quarters. No sooner would a few from any special state get together than the words of their own peculiar song would float out upon the air. Sometimes several were going along together without any apparent interference. Ohio was specially happy in its state cry:

"Rah! Ra! Re!
Who are we?
We're from the state of
The buckeye tree!
O-H-I-O—
Ohio!"

The Massachusetts cry was somewhat more ambitious:

"Rah! Rah! Rah!
Who? Who? Who?
We're from Boston,
Who are you?
Rub-a-dub dub—
We're from the Hub,
We're from the Hub,
Boston, Boston, with a will.
Plymouth Rock and Bunker Hill,
Tea in the harbor steeping still!"

In apparent confusion worse confounded the 10,000 people who filled the auditorium found really with great ease their respective places, and the 5,000 people who were not able to get in bore their disappointment with Christian Endeavor good will.

Dr. F. E. Clark presided at the closing meeting in the Mechanics' pavilion. He introduced Rev. Dr. Dille, of San Francisco, one of the committee of '97, who has done good service during the preparatory period of the convention, and he read the

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platform of principles on which the work of Christian Endeavor stands. The official registration was then given:

Outside of California	11,224
California	12,694
Juniors	2,500
Total registration	26,418

Besides these there were many who did not register, being too late to get badges, and many who were not Endeavorers, but took advantage of the excursion rates to visit the Golden Wset. Dr. Clark asserted that fully 40,000 people had attended the convention, without any doubt. Of the state delegations, Illinois carried off the banner with 1,683; Iowa, 920; Pennsylvania, 823, with Ohio closely following with 814. Washington's registration was 261. Hawaii had 20, England 4, Japan 4, France 3, India 2, Ceylon 2. The grand aggregation of persons attending all the meetings has been nearly 400,000.

Dr. George F. Pentecost, of Yonkers, N. Y., preached the convention sermon in the larger pavilion. Dr. Chapman did the same service in Woodward's pavilion. Rr. Pentecost's effort was exceedingly happy. He took for a text Mark xiii:34—"To every man his work." It was a difficult place to put the distinguished preacher in. He is used to preaching about an hour and a quarter. It generally takes him half an hour to get thoroughly under way, and here he was expected to do it all up in less than thirty minutes. That he was equal to the occasion it is needless to remark. He painted in the broad style that evening. He, with a single illustrative stroke, gave us enough to think of for a lifetime. The individuality of the Christian Endeavorer's responsibility was powerfully put. The necessity of and the influence of work were emphasized as though a sledge hammer had driven the truth home. There was a great deal in the sermon particularly encouraging to timid and inexperienced workers.

The closing consecration service was exceedingly impressive. Dr. Clark is at his very best when handling and guiding such a meeting. A few words of introduction, a hearty message of thanks to all who had helped to make the convention a success, a few moments of silent prayer, a final appeal to God for the presence of the Spirit, without whom there could be no consecration, and the roll of states was called. Each responded with a Scripture passage voicing the sentiment of the delegation, and quite generally following it was a verse of the particular state song. Washington's response was Romans xii:5—"We, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another."

"We are taking for our motto:
'Washington for Christ, the Lord!'
We shall never cease our labors
Till we triumph in His word.

Chorus:
"Yes, we come as true Endeavorers,
Praising Jesus and His love,
While our hearts with faith are pleading
For His blessing from above."

This song was sung to the tune of "I Will Sing the Wondrous Story," and was very effectively rendered.

A very touching part of this service was when two Ceylonese young women, dressed in native costume, responded to the name of their country with a passage from the Bible and a native song.

At 10:15 the immense throng rose, and, with bowed heads, received the apostolic benediction from Father Endeavorer Clark, after all had repeated together the Mizpah benediction of the society: "The Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another."

On Tuesday the whole scene of the five previous days was beginning to be reversed. Many took advantage of the Oakland reception and demonstration at noon.

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Many more found it necessary to prepare for home. Your correspondent was fortunate in receiving an invitation to return in the special car in which the officers of the society traveled across the continent, and which, remaining over tonight at Seattle, will proceed with them via the Canadian Pacific as far as Banff, and via St. Paul back again to the Atlantic coast. When I say that, off duty, they are like a lot of frisking colts let loose, I am not saying anything detrimental either to their mental or moral makeup.

Dr. Nehemiah Boynton, of Detroit, Mich., is the anecdotal inflictor of the crowd. Stories proceed as naturally from him as beams from the sunrise. He can emit them as easily as a conjurer can take innumerable articles from his sleeve. He also occupies the enviable position of being our original and only soloist. His falsetto voice is particularly inspiring. At the first preliminary "toot" the whole car gets in prompt listening attitude.

The Rev. H. B. Gross, of Boston, editor of the Watchman—the official organ of the Baptist denomination—is our punster. There is probably no successful rival to him within the limits of the known world. He will speak at the meeting tonight in Seattle of C. E. Attle, and assure the good people of the twin cities that the whole company will Tacoma splendid impression of our great Northwest. Puns bubble, spout, leap, tear like mad from his fertile lips. He must either pun or bust!

Secretary Baer and Treasurer Shaw are always ready for geniality and overflowing neighborliness at any time. Editor Amos R. Wells, of the Golden Rule, is as boyish as any. An indefatigable worker, he is, most all this trip, and at this very moment, writing away for dear life the "copy" for a near issue of his beloved paper. Bishop Fallows, of the Reformed Episcopal church, Chicago, has lent some but not overmuch dignity to the special car. He also has a twinkle in his eye which is almost a sine qua non of the trusteeship of the United Society of Christian Endeavor. Drs. Lowden, Tyler, Powell and Landers, of Providence, R. I., Cleveland, O., Louisville, Ky., and Middleton, Mass., respectively, have behaved very well, considering the company they have been in. Dr. Charles A. Dickinson, of Berkeley temple, Boston, is, I believe, the only trustee who has attended all the conventions from the very beginning. His great work in his institutional church, drawing upon every particle of his vitality, has thoroughly taxed his spendid powers of endurance as well as his ingenuity of method in his chosen field of work. With an exceedingly winsome disposition, he unites a certain seriousness of manner, which make him much beloved by all his brethren. He has been quiet and thoughtful, as is his wont.

Our special car in which W. H. Lewis, wife and little Margey—who, by the way, has been a universal pet—Rev. Thomas Coyle, of Everett, Wash., and your corspondent, beside some ladies from Massachusetts, have been guests—our special car, the Tiber, will long re-echo with the pleasant fellowship of this return trip. From San Francisco to Portland it has been attached to the Connecticut excursion special. There it left its New England companions and was attached to the regular northernbound train. At Portland we were met by a delegation of Endeavorers and shown every courtesy. An elegant souvenir of Oregonian scenes was presented to each one of our party.

Now, in closing this rather extended letter let me quote from some of our fellow-travelers their impressions of the great convention just ended. These are the results of your correspondent's several interviews:

Secretary John Willis Baer—Taking it all together, this sixteenth convention has been the greatest in the history of the movement. In the numbers who have crossed the continent to attend it, in the cordiality of our reception by the citizens, in the arrangements of the committee of management, in the attention of the press, it has been a magnificent success.

Amos R. Wells—No convention in my memory has influenced in so marked a degree so large a stretch of country, especially of new country. In no convention has the character of the meetings been any higher or any better sustained.

Dr. Charles A. Dickinson—I have been impressed with the universal spirit of harmony in all the arrangements and all the meetings, with the remarkable hospitality of the Pacific coast, and with the exceedingly high average of the speeches from beginning to end.

Treasurer William Shaw—It has been marked by a very deep spiritual fervor. The Sunday services have been the greatest in my experience of Christian Endeavor conventions. I have never seen such interest in religious meetings shown by those who apparently have no interest in such things.

Rev. J. Z. Tyler, D. D., chairman of "Cleveland '94"—In my opinion, the very best convention in the practical character of its conferences. I would also emphasize the helpful character of Prof. Willett's daily Bible studies. The evident conclusion of all must be that Christianity is neither decadent nor gloomy, but aggressive, practical and joyous. The Western welcome has been particularly cordial.

Dr. E. L. Powell, Louisville, Ky.—It has been my first international convention. In point of size, enthusiasm and inspiration, all other kinds of conventions are as "moonlight unto sunlight."

Rev. J. M. Lowden, Providence, R. I.—I am impressed more and more, as I attend these conventions, with the vital spiritual power that pervades them, and can see that it is steadily on the up grade.

Rev. H. B. Grose, Boston, Mass.—This convention, more than any other, has been significant in that, having drawn its trains of light and blessing from the Atlantic to the Pacific, it has impressed the thought of a vital and radiant Christianity upon an entire continent.

Rev. Warren B. Landers, Middleton, Mass.—I have been wonderfully impressed with the fact that multitudes of people have crossed this continent for the purpose of attending a series of purely religious meetings. It is certainly a new migration superior to any other this country has seen.

Dr. Nehemiah Boynton, Detroit, Mich.—A very strong impression of the San Francisco convention has been concerning the summons of the young people to ample and symmetrical Christian life. Religion, as engaging the entire company of human capacities and aspirations, has been presented as a divine power adequate in every respect to put a soul at its best. The subtraction of the formal and the unreal, which so often masquerades beneath cant and hypocrisy; the addition of the genuine and the sincere to the Christian life—these have been ideas which in every conceivable way have been declared, reiterated and thrust home. If the convention fulfills its prophecy, and we believe it will, it will result in a revival of ennobled Christian living among our young people which shall be sensible, and therefore superfinely spiritual.

I can only add my confirmation of all these independent views, and my supreme gratification at being privileged to sit and let the enthusiasm of it all surge over my soul and perpetuate itself, I trust, in a fuller and more faithful life.

W. H. G. TEMPLE.

NO STOP-OVERS ALLOWED.

Settlement of Railroad Differences as to Endeavor Rates.

CHICAGO, July 15.—The trouble over the east-bound rates from the convention of the Christian Endeavorers at San Francisco seems to be over and the chances are that Chairman Caldwell will not find it necessary to reduce any rates after he reaches San Francisco. All of the Colorado-Utah roads, with the exception of the Colorado Midland, have notified the executive committee of the Western Passenger Association that they will not allow the stop-overs on their tickets, and it is not likely the Colorado Midland officials will be able to create a very great amount of trouble. The Southern Pacific, which had agreed to allow stop-overs at El Paso for such excursionists as desired to make a trip to the City of Mexico, has announced that it will not allow them.

Many Endeavorers at Portland.

PORTLAND, July 15.—Today was the busiest one ever seen at the Union depot. Seven train loads of Christian Endeavorers poured through it and enlivened the city for a few hours with their presence.

Elegant offices for rent low. Sullivan building.

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

It will go...
Right to the spot

Ayer's Hair Vigor will go right to that bald spot and begin to bring the hair back.

It Makes Hair Grow.

NEWS FROM TACOMA.

TEATS AND TOMLINSON CHARGED WITH WHOLESALE BOODLING.

Charges Filed With the City Council—Affidavits State That Demands for Money Were Made, Under Penalty of Removal if Refused—Tomlinson Has a Wordy Interview With Mayor Fawcett—Fusion Much Weakened by the Revelations.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

TACOMA, July 15.—The rumors that have been flying about the city hall for several days that charges were soon to be preferred against Civil Service Commissioner Teats and Secretary Tomlinson have been made realities. The looked-for documents being laid before the city council tonight. The data submitted to the council is, technically speaking, not charges, but affidavits from several of the city's employes have been filed stating that Teats and Tomlinson extorted money from them by reason of the power held by them as members of the commission. Assistant City Attorney Wolfe prepared the affidavits and turned them over to Mayor Fawcett, who in turn submitted them to the council.

If the charges are true, Teats and Tomlinson are guilty of corruption such as would put to shame members of the old Buckley gang who operated in San Francisco several years ago. According to the different affidavits, Teats and Tomlinson made no efforts to beat about the bush in order to secure boodle, but came out openly and stated that they needed the money, intimating that if it was not forthcoming official decapitation would follow. According to one affiant, P. M. Dabro, Tomlinson secured money from him on the pretense that Mr. Sahms, president of the commission, was hard up, and unless $100 was raised, he would resign, leaving no one to fight for them. He was to pay so much every month until Mayor Fawcett got his seat.

Detective Jack Ellison swore that he was approached by Commissioner Teats with a demand for money, but that he told Mr. Teats that his "bluff did not go." Chief Deputy Controller Jackson swore that Teats was guilty of gross irregularities in the examination, his affidavit setting forth these irregularities in a pointed and lucid manner. Denny Dwyer, a police officer, swore that Teats had demanded money of him and insisted that he lay the matter before the other policemen. He said: "D——n it, Denny, it's my bread and butter." This statement and several others caused a satisfied grin to light the faces of several of the councilmen.

At the conclusion of the reading, Mr. Sampson promptly moved that the communication be referred to the committee on law and conduct of public officials.

The news that Mayor Fawcett had carried out his promises to bring to light any crookedness spread rapidly about the city tonight, little knots of politicians gathering on the street corners and in resorts to talk over the charges. Many "I told you sos" were heard to emanate from Republicans who have predicted some such condition of affairs, and the opinion was expressed several times that the expose would do much toward weakening the fusion cause at the next city election.

In this connection it may be said that the council refused to confirm the appointment of S. F. Sahms as clerk of the municipal court, to which office he was appointed by Mayor Fawcett a couple of weeks ago.

Mayor Fawcett's Communication.

Mayor Fawcett submitted the communication of M. D. Wolfe and the affidavits to the council by the following communication:

"Tacoma, July 15.

"To the Honorable City Council, Tacoma, Wash.—Gentlemen: I herewith hand your honorable body for investigation and consideration, communication of M. D. Wolfe, with some sworn statements attached. Yours truly,

"A. V. FAWCETT, Mayor."

Peter Dabroe, a civil service graduate, made the following affidavit:

"I am a resident of the city of Tacoma; have resided in the city for thirteen years last past. Am now in the city employ. Have been so employed since March 5, 1897. Some time in April last I met Mr. Tomlinson, the secretary of the civil service commission, on J and Twenty-third street. In conversation with him he then said that Mr. Sahms was hard up and needed money. That he had put in his time as a commissioner without pay and was now threatening to resign, and the only way to keep him in was to raise money for him, for if Sahms and he (Tomlinson) resigned, the boys would have no one to fight for them, and that we must keep him in until Fawcett gets back in power. He said that we must raise $100. If we could raise that amount this month that two of the clerks that were to go into office would pay $50 each next month. He then wanted me to see the boys to take up a collection. I told him that I was not the proper person; that heads of departments were the proper persons to use their influence in that direction, and as he was afraid of Mr. Wright he got Mr. Crapp, my helper in the service wagon, to take up a collection from the city employes.

"Crapp laid off one day in order to see the boys. I paid Crapp $5, Mr. Mullen $4.50, John Runkle $5, Hammerson $5, the city blacksmith, Mr. Forbes, $2.50, and several others paid smaller sums. Mr. Crapp told me he succeeded in getting $52, or thereabouts; that he was told to pay the money over to one of the men, who was to pay $50 over next month, and that he was to have a clerkship, and that he did so.

"Some time in April following Mr. Tomlinson said to Dabroe, 'We have got to have more money, and if the boys do not put up when it is needed they would have to be weeded out and men got on that they could depend on.' I then asked him how he intended to give the money to Sahms without offending him. He said he had studied up a scheme by which he could get it to him, and that the same would be acceptable. Mr. Crapp told Tomlinson in my presence that he would pay $5 or $10 per month until next spring, provided he kept his job. Tomlinson told him that things would be so arranged that he would pull through all right.

"Mr. Hanson and some of the others refused to put up and Mr. Crapp said that they were slated to go. Mr. Hanson was laid off."

Ellison Would Not Pay.

Detective John Ellison's affidavit is as follows:

"I am of the age of 42 years; I am now and for fifteen years last past have been a resident of the county of Pierce, state of Washington. I am now engaged on the police force; have been so employed more or less, for six years last past; am acquainted with Guynor Teats and Mr. Tomlinson; both are members of the civil service commission of the city of Tacoma. I took the civil service examination some time during the month of July, 1896. Some time in the month of May I met Mr. Teats on the street. He stopped me and said: 'Ellison I think you are on the list, and I want some money.' I told him I could not pay him anything at that time. He said he did not think I would pay, and used language intimating unless I paid him some money I would not be able to hold my place. I then said to Teats that he could not play any bluff on me. He stated in reply that he was not trying to bluff, but that others had paid him, and that I was as able to pay as they were."

A Queer Examination.

The affidavit made by Chief Clerk L. G. Jackson, of the controllers' office, is:

"Know all men by these presents: That I, L. G. Jackson, depose and say that at the civil service examination held for clerical positions for the city of Tacoma, I was the only one who was requested by Commissioner Teats to state positively the position applied for; asked for the examination as to fitness for deputy or assistant controller. That since the examination I have been informed by Chief Examiner Tomlinson that two others were booked for the same position, namely: Horsher and Eschelman.

"That the said chief examiner further stated to me that he regarded the examination as having been a mix-up, or bulled, and that in fairness it should be reopened, by reason of the interference of the commissioners during the examination. To illustrate: I was excused at 11:30 a. m. by Chief Examiner Tomlinson and told that I did not have to complete my second sheet of mathematical calculations by the noon hour, but to report back at 2 p. m sharp, as at that hour the examinations would be resumed.

"On my return at 2 o'clock the commissioners stated that those not having finished their calculations would have thirty minutes to do so. When I protested I was asked by whose authority I had left the room. When I told it was by the authority of the chief examiner, Commissioner Teats replied that I might work until told to stop; at 2:40 I was requested to take up my bookkeeping, and deposit my sheet in arithmetic, which I did—at least one other was allowed until 5 o'clock p. m. to complete his sheet of mathematical calculations. After completing the first sheet in bookkeeping I applied for the second or final sheet, and was informed that it did not belong to my examination, and that they were through with me, although I had been told previously that I would be examined in all grades and beyond those required for ordinary positions."

Tomlinson Pleads Ignorance.

The news that affidavits had been filed during the afternoon was broken to Secretary Tomlinson by newspaper reporters. He claimed to know nothing whatever of the alleged charges against him or any one else connected with the commission. He said that Peter Dabroe tells a deliberate lie when he states that he (Tomlinson) ever approached any one for money, and for 2 cents he would have Dabroe arrested for perjury. He never solicited money from civil service employes to give to Mr. Sahm or to any one else, and he characterized the whole affair as a fabrication gotten up by enemies. He said he courted an investigation and would fight up hill and down dale.

A report was current during the day that Tomlinson had endeavored to refund the money received from Dabroe back to that individual. When asked if such were the facts, the secretary got very angry and asserted that he had not seen Dabroe at all during the day. A little later on he remembered that he had seen Dabroe at the restaurant during the noon hour, and had a conversation with him on some unimportant matter. There was an air of anxiety about the secretary, which showed that he did not particularly relish the turn that affairs had taken. This same feeling was apparent in the demeanor of Mr. Teats.

Sahms Will Not Resign.

President Sahms had but little to say, but he said that little strongly. He expressed himself as being tired of the squabbles that are constantly coming up. As to the present matter and the affidavits filed with the mayor, he knew nothing. If any one solicited funds for his benefit he knew nothing whatever of it. He authorized no one to do any such thing. He says he has been compelled to fight people all his life, and he does not intend to stop now. As for the report current that he intended resigning from the commission, he would say that it was positively false. He does not intend to resign.

Tomlinson Threatens Vengeance.

Secretary Tomlinson and Mayor Fawcett met in the corridor leading to the latter's office a few minutes after 5 o'clock. The secretary gave his whiskers a few twirls, and sidling up to his excellency, said in tones that could not be misunderstood: "What does all this mean?"

"I don't know what you are talking about," answered the mayor.

"I understand," said Tomlinson, "that there have been charges preferred against me."

"Yes," the mayor replied, "I understand that a certain party has made some affidavits concerning you."

"Well, what does it mean?"

"I don't know anything about it," was the mayor's retort.

The party by this time reached Pacific avenue and Seventh street, when Tomlinson suddenly demanded of the mayor whether or not he had investigated the charges.

This made the blood rush to the mayor's face, and he retorted hotly that he had nothing to do with the matter nor did he know anything about it until the affidavits were presented to him.

"Well, I'll tell you, I am going to fight," answered the chief examiner of the commission.

After walking along for about half a block Tomlinson turned to the mayor and said: "I have a reputation in this place, and I want you to go slow. This thing is not going to end with the council. There is going to be a hereafter and you had better beware."

This remark angered the mayor, who told Tomlinson that he was not the investigator and did not propose to be drawn into the matter in that light.

The mayor and the secretary parted at Eleventh street, the latter not losing the occasion to remark before getting out of range: "There are some things that I can bring out. This matter is going to be pushed, and I may send some one to the penitentiary."

The mayor evidently paid but little attention to the remark, as he stopped to converse with a friend at the cigar store on the corner.

EXPERIMENT IN CONVEYORS.

Combination Steam and Electric Device to Be Tested.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

TACOMA, July 15.—Steamer Pelican, with tea, matting and curios from China, is expected in port tomorrow morning with a consignment of over 3,000 tons. On her arrival a new experiment will be used in discharging the cargo. It is a combination steam and electric conveyor, recently patented by Charley Anderson and Mr. McCabe. Should its working prove satisfactory, it will greatly facilitate the unloading of ocean vessels.

Unstamped Letters Sidetracked.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

TACOMA, July 15.—Postmaster Case is desirous of calling the attention of Seattleites who mail letters on the postal cars at train time to the fact that many of them fail to stamp the same. These unstamped letters are dropped off in this city and are kept here until word can be sent to their destination that there is postage due on them. In this manner letters are delayed several weeks, and it is for the convenience of Seattle absent-minded letter writers that Postmaster Case makes these facts public.

Tacoma Endeavorers Disappointed.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

TACOMA, July 15.—There was considerable disappointment expressed about the city that the Eastern delegates to the Christian Endeavor convention at San Francisco had concluded not to visit the Sound, but to continue eastward via the Yellowstone park. Arrangements had been made to entertain the visitors and make their stay in Tacoma one of the pleasantest during the trip.

Supreme Court Decisions.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

OLYMPIA, July 15.—The supreme court has handed down decisions in the following cases:

State ex rel. the Manhattan Trust Company, petitioner, vs. the Superior Court of King County, respondent—Application for a writ of prohibition; denied.

Bellingham Bay Improvement Company, respondent, vs. the Fairhaven & Northern Whatcom Railway Company, appellant—Appeal from Whatcom county; affirmed.

Suicide at Spangle Poor Farm.

SPOKANE, July 15.—In a fit of temporary insanity this morning Andrew Mack, aged 59, an inmate of the county poor farm at Spangle, committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor.

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