

FOR SOUND DEFENSES.

BIDS OPENED FOR THE FORTIFICATIONS AT ADMIRALTY HEAD.

Maney, Goerz & Rydstrom the lowest bidder—they want \$84,950.25 for the work—The appropriation is \$125,000—Nine bids in all were received—The work will require ten months to complete and will consist principally of concrete, steel work and excavations—Contract to be let in four weeks.

Bids for the construction of the fortifications at Admiralty head, on the Sound, were opened yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Henry Taylor, captain of United States engineers, in his office in the Burke building. There were nine bidders for the contract, the appropriation for which is \$125,000. The lowest bid received was put in by the contracting firm of Maney, Goerz & Rydstrom for \$84,950.25.

The firm with the second lowest bid was Nichols & Carothers of Tacoma, who offered to do the work required for \$7,785. Although no award was made, the probability is that the contract will be let by the war department to Maney, Goerz & Rydstrom. After an inspection of the terms of the bids, and an examination of the amount asked for the different kinds of work, it was found that the firm mentioned had tendered the lowest bid. The aggregate of the bids of the other firms has not been computed yet, but will be in a few days. The other bidders for the contract were: W. L. Frazer, Goerz & Co., of Portland; Hale & Curran, Contracting Company, Cotton & Healy, Walter Cough, Pacific Bridge Company, of Portland; Nichols & Carothers, of Tacoma, and Hugh Foy, of this city.

The work at Admiralty head to be done by the contractors includes the excavation of a site for the armament of the fortifications, consisting of gun emplacements and magazine rooms, hoisting machinery, pipes and steel work. A large part of the work will consist of 12,000 cubic yards of concrete emplacements. In the grading it will be necessary to handle 40,000 cubic yards of dirt.

The successful bidders are well known Pacific coast contractors. Messrs. Maney and Goerz reside at Everett, where they have done a large amount of work. They have recently been engaged on government work at Astoria. Mr. Maney was superintendent of the contractors that built one of the coal bunkers at Tacoma in 1889. He was also superintendent at the construction of the Northern Pacific bridge over the Columbia river at Fasco. Mr. Rydstrom has lately entered the firm. He was formerly a Northern Pacific civil engineer, and later served five years as a member and chairman of the board of public works at Tacoma. He is known all over the West as a most competent engineer.

It will require from three weeks to a month for the contractors to examine the bids and transmit the preliminary business before formally awarding the contract to the successful firm. In the specifications ten months is given in which to complete the work. This is considered ample, and it is possible that the contract will be performed in even less time.

Band Concert Today.

Every one who desires a rare musical treat at no expense and a rest from the Clondyke excitement should visit Madison park this afternoon and listen to the charming music to be rendered by Wagner's band. Following is the programme: March—"Ragged Rascals" (New). H. Bell Occurrence—"Era Diavolo"—Alber Spanish waltz—"Andalusia"—Therea Spanish waltz—"Bamboula"—Rameau "Rigodon de Dardanus"—Rameau Descriptive—"A Hunt in the Black Forest." Synops: Daybreak—Birds omniscient singing—Rooster crows—Huntman's call to arms—Chanting—Huntman's horns in the distance, to assemble—They mount and start—Call to halt and dismount as the music of the hunt—Call to assemble—They assemble, drink and sing the Champagne song—Huntman's horns and glasses jingle—They mount and start—Huntman's call to arms—Huntman's horns in the distance, to assemble—Huntman's horns in the distance, to assemble—Huntman's horns in the distance, to assemble.

Lescht Park.

Grand concert this afternoon at 3 o'clock by Langer & Luben's band. The following programme is tendered: 1. March—"Col Wellington" D. W. Rogers 2. Waltz—"Promenade" J. Gundl 3. Overture—"Post and Parson" J. Suppe 4. Air Varié, for Solo—"Hills and Valleys" Hatman 5. "Won't You Come to My Tea Party" New York by Electric Light 6. "Conny Island" March—"Ferry Boat" Selection—"H. T. Trotter" Yoecker 8. Song—"Loving" Ambrose 9. "I Would That My Love" Mendelssohn Duet, for two cornets Messrs. Bieher and LaMotte. 10. Waltz—"On the Rhine" Kela Bela 11. Two-step—"The World's Best" Brown Concert every Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Miners, Do Not Break Your Backs. Packing sugar when you can buy three ounces of Saccharia refined. Equal to 100 pounds of sugar. It is 800 times sweeter than the best sugar made, absolutely harmless, and is not subject to any changes in the weather. Will cost you \$1 for three ounces.

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A GREAT PIANO DEAL.

D. S. JOHNSTON, OF TACOMA, BUYS OUT WINTER & HARPER. Chickering and Kimball Pianos Have Headquarters in Seattle—A Splendid Stock of These Widely Celebrated and Matchless Instruments Will Enter the Store Monday at 903 Second Avenue, and Be on Sale by Tuesday.

There was quite a sensation in Seattle musical circles yesterday when the sequel to the great closing-out piano and organ sale of Messrs. Winter & Harper became public.

Mr. D. S. Johnston has been a frequent visitor to Seattle for two or three months past, ostensibly looking for a suitable piano and organ store in which to establish himself in this city; but no one suspected that he was after capturing the piano and organ business built up by Messrs. Winter & Harper.

About eight years ago Mr. Johnston came to Washington from Cincinnati, but made the mistake of locating in Tacoma instead of Seattle.

At that time Tacoma apparently had the lead Seattle having been laid in ashes by the great fire.

The intention is to send an organized corps of prospectors into the Yukon country, and also to engage in trading, transportation or in any other line of business found to be profitable.

Chickering & Sons' pianos being by far the most popular of the old standard makes, was made the leader. Chickering's pianos are also well known to the musical public both in this and foreign countries that anything we might say in their praise could add nothing to their highly honored reputation.

At that time they were unknown and comparatively without reputation, but Mr. Johnston so well understood the ambitious purpose and colossal financial strength of the Kimball Company, and what their pianos would eventually be, that he made no mistake.

The rapid march of the Kimball piano to the front ranks of pianistic fame is well attested in piano history, and today it is used and endorsed by hundreds of the greatest musicians living.

Yesterday we saw a Kimball piano catalogue, containing photos of ninety-nine of the most renowned musical celebrities of the world, and what they all say in praise of the Kimball piano.

With the three stores, Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane, and such a matchless line of instruments, he will control the piano business of Washington and Northern Idaho.

He has already sold over 2,000 pianos and organs in this state, all of which are giving the most unbounded satisfaction, and all people speak in the highest terms of his fair dealing. We welcome Mr. Johnston to Seattle, for he is a hustler and will make a typical Seattle man.

"Yes, I have sold out my entire stock and the good-will of the business," said Mr. Harper yesterday. "D. S. Johnston, with the Chickering and Kimball pianos, has secured fully the entire stock of the piano business of the state, and I concluded that so far as I am concerned he is welcome to all of it."

The fact is, there is nothing in the piano business any more. They are sold so near the factory cost of production that no one except a manufacturer can compete with the low selling prices and pay expenses, and I propose to bring them before the public.

"I shall make arrangements with the leading European manufacturers, who produce the finest instruments in the world for much less than can be done in this country, to import on a large scale for a jobbing and retail trade, to be conducted in the present large store. Mr. Johnston will occupy half the store with his success, and shall turn my attention to the small musical instrument business.

BID FOR ELECTRICITY.

TERMS ON WHICH TACOMA CAN SECURE THE SUBTLE FLUID. Cheaper to Buy Than Make It—Tacoma Railway Company the Only Bidder—Northern Pacific Officials in Tacoma—Politicians Keep Senator Wilson Busy.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer, TACOMA, July 31.—The commissioner of public works opened bids today for the furnishing of electricity for the term of five years to operate the city's electric light and power service. The Tacoma Railway Company put in the only bid, accompanied by a certified check for \$9,000 as a security that the contract will be signed in case it is awarded to that company.

The Tacoma Railway Company estimates that it will cost upwards of \$7,500 to re-arrange the buildings and machinery to accommodate the city's dynamo, which are to be used to furnish the electricity. It is estimated that it will cost the city paying \$100 towards making the necessary building changes, the railway company agreeing to pay the balance of expense and to stand the cost of repairing the 1,000-horse power engine, which is not needed by the company for its own work, and which will not be repaired unless the contract is made with the city for electricity.

The Tacoma Railway bid 1 1/2 cents per kilowatt hour for the electricity in case the city pays \$7,500 toward the cost of building and machinery changes, or Charles Bruhn will charge 8 1/2 cents per kilowatt hour for the electricity and stand the entire expense for all changes and repairs. This extra charge of 1/2 cent for the five years is supposed to be equivalent to \$300 in interest on the company's proposition that if the contract is continued longer than five years, the charge will not be greater than 1 1/2 cents per kilowatt hour for the electricity in case the city pays \$7,500 toward the cost of building and machinery changes, or Charles Bruhn will charge 8 1/2 cents per kilowatt hour for the electricity and stand the entire expense for all changes and repairs.

The intention is to send an organized corps of prospectors into the Yukon country, and also to engage in trading, transportation or in any other line of business found to be profitable. The company's office rent is free, the office draw no salaries, and strict business economy will rule.

The capital stock is \$100,000, and there are but 2,000 shares. The shares can be had for \$50 each, cash or in monthly payments of \$10 each, all payments to be in by March 1.

The prospectors will be directly interested in all discoveries made by each other, and hence, being mutually interested, will most zealously guard the interests of the company. Each and every prospector carries legal authority to locate 100-acre claims of goods made expressly for the Alaska and far north trade. Being jobbers and very heavy buyers they are enabled to quote prices that are far below the regular retail dealer.

Where to Buy Your Outfits. J. Berkman & Bros., wholesale and retail clothing, 114 First avenue south and 1212 Occidental avenue, corner of Washington street, have the largest stock of "miners" clothing in the city. They have laid in an immense line of goods, made expressly for the Alaska and far north trade. Being jobbers and very heavy buyers they are enabled to quote prices that are far below the regular retail dealer.

Death of J. M. Smith. J. M. Smith, a well-known and respected citizen of Seattle, and who has friends in all parts of the state and abroad, died yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the Russell house, in this city, of dropsy of the heart, aged 64 years. Mr. Smith was for many years master mechanic of the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company at The Dalles, Or. Since coming to Seattle he has been engaged in the real estate business. Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made.

Horses to Dred and Skagway. E. E. Cairns will contract to transport 200 horses to Skagway, Inquire Arlington dock.

Perkins on His Vacation. Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer, TACOMA, July 31.—S. A. Perkins returned to Tacoma today to spend his summer vacation. He is accompanied by his wife, and has taken apartments at the Tacoma hotel. A number of friends met him at the train and bid him welcome to the home, among the number being Postmaster and Mrs. Cass, who accompanied them to the hotel in a carriage. Mr. Perkins looks as dapper as of yore, and, considering the hard work he has been subjected to during the recent election in Ohio and the session of congress, is in excellent health. He did not have much to say on the political situation, as the purpose of his visit is to secure a well-earned rest.

A limited number of first and second passages for Alaska are left on the steamship Willamette.

Good Outlook for Wheat Traffic—Winter Not Talked. Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer, TACOMA, July 31.—President Winter of the Northern Pacific, and party arrived in the city this afternoon at 1 o'clock and repaired at once to the Tacoma hotel. A special luncheon was prepared for the party, after which a ride to Point Defiance park and other places was enjoyed. After his toilet, President Winter was ready to talk to newspaper men, to whom he told everything except that which was wanted. He is enthusiastic over the wheat outlook in the state, remarking that the crop this year would be larger than ever before in the history of the state. He said the Northern Pacific is well able to handle the output, having all the rolling stock necessary. He figured that about 12,000,000 bushels will be shipped from the coast.

A McClure Memorial. Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer, TACOMA, July 31.—Rev. Joel Martin, of New York, who was one of those making an arduous journey from New York to this week, returned to his city last night, and says that after considerable thought given to the matter it has been proposed to erect a McClure memorial hall on the side of Mount Rainier near the spot where Prof. McClure lost his life. It is proposed to make it a house of refuge for those making the ascent, so that climbers may remain on the mountain without being compelled to hurry back in the darkness to Paradise valley and meet such dangers as have threatened a number of mountaineers this year. The proposition will be taken in hand by Mazamas and mountain climbers generally.

Death of James Redman, Jr. James Redman, 37 years of age, died at 1:30 o'clock this morning after a brief illness.

Plans have been drawn for a group of twenty-eight magnificent stone buildings to be erected for the University of California on a narrow strip of land near the coast, but there is enough money on hand to build the work for ten years.

HOBBS PREDICTION COMES TRUE.

During the Past Three Weeks There Has Been in Seattle a Great Reduction in the Sufferings of Those Afflicted With Kidney Ailments.

Some Retail Druggists Estimate This Reduction as High as Thirty-three Per Cent.

Hobbs Sparagus Kidney Pills Are Doing Heroic Work.

The great mass of testimonials received in favor of Dr. Hobbs Sparagus Kidney Pills must, as a matter of course, be held sacredly confidential, but many of the cured patients from different sections of the country are anxious to have their letters published for the benefit of others who are suffering from kidney disease as they did.

In the face of the convincing evidence that has appeared in these columns in favor of this harmless but highly efficient remedy, and the general publicity that has been given to the matter, it would appear to the average person that any one who was suffering from kidney disease would by this time have taken advantage of Dr. Hobbs grand discovery and thoroughly proven specific.

However, for the benefit of those who may still doubt the curative powers of Dr. Hobbs Sparagus Kidney Pills we herewith append to this article more convincing proof:

One of the Best Known Men in Michigan Indorses Dr. Hobbs Sparagus Kidney Pills—Say They Work Like a Charm.

A reporter called on Col. A. T. McReynolds, of 325 Madison avenue, Grand Rapids, and found a man ninety years of age, remarkably well preserved, and in reply to his question told the following interesting experience: "I am ninety years old and have lived in the state of Michigan for sixty-three years, holding many political positions during that time. I suppose I am one of the best known men in this state today. I have not known what it was to be sick or have a doctor until a year ago last winter, when I was taken with the grippe which, after getting over the acute stage, settled in my kidneys and bladder, causing me a great deal of pain and trouble ever since. My feet and ankles were swollen to twice their normal size. I thought old age had a good deal to do with my condition, and had resigned myself to remain a sufferer for the rest of my life. But I noticed where the newspapers were to test Dr. Hobbs Sparagus Kidney Pills, and thinking I was a good subject, I applied for a box, which they sent me. I started taking them at once, and to my surprise, as well as satisfaction, I began to improve from the very start. I am now using my first regular box that I got from my druggist after the samples were used up. I find that the pains in my kidneys and bladder have left me entirely, and the swelling has disappeared from my feet. In fact, all the weakness and other symptoms have gone, and I cannot find words to express my gratitude to the Hobbs Remedy Co. for bringing before my notice a remedy that does the work in such a satisfactory manner as Dr. Hobbs Sparagus Kidney Pills. They work like a charm, and I take great pleasure in being able to tell my friends what they have done for me."

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