SPORTS AND PASTIMES

The Seattle Rod and Gun Club held its handicap medal shoot of the season at West Seattle yesterday afternoon. The atmospheric conditions were favorable, the traps worked well and the shooters had "their eyes" with them.

The star of the day was Hood, with old war-horse Joe Hardy second. Neither Stevens nor Ellis were quite up to their old-time form. In the handicap medal shoot Stevens shot from scratch, missing eight out of fifty. He started in well, killing his first two without trouble, but made a clean miss on the third, seventh and eighth. The thirteenth also fooled him. Then he caught everything that flew up to the twentieth. This made his score 45 dead, 5 missed. From this time on he shot in magnificent form, killing 25 straight without any signs of a strain. Then he missed one, following it up by missing three straight. In the last four things went against him again, and he lost two of them, closing his string of fifty with 42 dead birds to his credit.

Ellis fell considerable below Stevens' form in the handicap shoot, missing frequently throughout. Only once did he show regulation speed, and then he let down after killing eight straight. Jack Hoque scored 38 out of 50, his best string being nine straight. Occasional misses knocked him out of a high score. Bige Hill narrowly escaped being ruled off the grounds for killing birds so regularly. The talent thought him "dead easy" and allowed him a handicap of twelve. He started in by killing one and followed it up with a miss that even Col. Treat, the imposed president of the Saw Mill Club, would have felt ashamed of. This was just a bit of stratagem, however, because he wiped out his old flint lock, got some double B's and went to work. After he had killed thirteen straight somebody stepped on a dog's tail as he was about to fire, and the result was that Bige came very near knocking the lining out of a cloud. He got even later by killing ten straight and eating up all the sandwiches.

Hood showed up in great form with no one having been in practice to any extent. He killed thirteen straight at the start, missed one, got the next six, and then was fooled on a sailer. Then he got seven straight. In the last twenty of the fifty he missed only two. His total score was 46. Joe Hardy had a day on, and as is always the rule on such occasions, he did some very clever work. After missing his second bird he did not let anything get away from him up to the nineteenth. Then he killed straight to the thirtieth. In the last twenty he lost only three, making his total actual score 44.

In the scores it is well to remember that the first figures represent the actual score, the second the number of birds killed out of the handicap allowance. The scores:

Handicap Medal Shoot, 50 Targets.

Hoque	10111111101111110111101110011 11111110100111001111—38	*0—38
Stevens	11011100111101111101111111111 11111111101111001111—42	*0—42
J. Hardy	01101111110111100111001010011 11001011100111011011—32	*5—37
Ellis	11100011100101110011011111101 11000010101101011111—30	*2—32
Hill	10111111111111001111101101110 11111111101100001111—39	*7—46
J. Hardy	11101111111111111101111111101 11111100111111101111—44	*0—44
Atkinson	11110001111111111111111001111 10001011111100000001—34	*9—43
Reed	11111111111101111101111111111 10111111111101111111—46	*0—46

Following is the handicap allowance, figures following names indicating the number of birds allowed. Under this system no matter what handicap a man is allowed he is compelled to shoot at the birds. He kills two out of a handicap of five, so is the number that is added to his actual score instead of five as one would imagine on first thought:

J. Hardy	8—11100110
Hill	12—001010111011
Ellis	4—0011
J. Hardy	2—00
Atkinson	15—011010010011111

Fifteen Singles, Pool.

Stevens	010000100000011— 4
J. Hardy	111001111111100—11
Reed	110111111010001—10
Ellis	001010101111101— 9
Hoque	001110111000111— 9

Ten Singles, Pool.

Stevens	0001110110— 5
Reed	1100111011— 7
Stevens	1110111011— 8
Ellis	0111110001— 6
Reed	1111111111—10
Stevens	1101011111— 8
Reed	1111110111— 9

Ten Singles, Practice.

Hill	1101101111— 8
Ellis	0101011010— 5
J. Hardy	1010011110— 6
Reed	1010101111— 8
Hoque	1011101111— 8
Stevens	1111110101— 8
J. Hardy	1001001111— 6
Atkinson	1011101111— 8
Reed	1110001101— 6
Stevens	1111001111— 8
J. Hardy	1010000101— 4
Hill	1010001011— 5

Amateur athletics in this city have suffered greatly since the Klondike excitement. The Seattle Athletic Club could turn out a respectable track team on moderate notice to save its very existence. The Y. M. C. A. has suffered in no small degree by the exodus to the north. The same is true of the U. of W., in a lesser degree, however. Matters are made still worse by the fact that Prof. E. E. Green, physical instructor at the Y. M. C. A., and E. Larsen Blanck, the all-around champion athlete of the Y. M. C. A., will also go to Alaska on the steamship Queen next Friday. Prof. Green became inoculated with the gold fever some time ago, and handed in his resignation. The directors of the association, recognizing the splendid work he has done, did not like the idea of having him sever his connection with the local association, and so effected a compromise by which Mr. Green is allowed a leave of absence of eleven months. Blanck, who has been assistant superintendent of the association, has resigned unconditionally and will accompany Mr. Green. They intend to go as far as White Horse rapids before the ice breaks up. They will build boats and in the spring float down the Yukon river to Dawson. As yet they have not decided what mining district they will go to; in fact, they will be guided by what they deem expedient. The departure of Mr. Green and Larsen Blanck will be a severe blow to local athletics. W. E. Hawkins will take Blanck's position, but as yet no one has been selected to assume the duties of Mr. Green.

Unless there is a decided change in conditions there will not be enough athletes in Seattle in a month from now to get up a kindergarten meet. I thought it was enough to announce that Prof. Green and Larsen Blanck were stricken with the gold fever, but I have learned later that Tracy James, E. C. Sharpe and Carl Hoblitzell, all prominent Y. M. C. A. athletes, have decided to go to Alaska next month. James is the son of Alderman James. He is one of the best wrestlers and football players in the city, and if he could spare time from work to devote special attention to any one branch of athletics he would be a star. Sharpe is a good pole vaulter and above the average high jumper. From his work in jumping last year I thought he would come to the front faster than ever with another season's work. He changed his style a year ago, and it worked a wonderful change in his average performance. Instead of running at the bar from the side he followed the system adopted by Kerrigan, of Multnomah, and approached at right angles. If Seattle or Tacoma produces a champion running high jumper on the lines followed in the past five years I will be greatly surprised. Kerrigan, of Portland, is so far ahead of all of our best men that there is no chance for discussion. Gould, of Tacoma, is a more natural jumper than Kerrigan, but his system is wrong. With proper training Gould ought to clear the bar at six feet without any unusual effort. Hoblitzell, the third of the trio which will go north, is known better in baseball and football than track and field athletics.

Tonight at the Young Men's Christian Association gymnasium the regular Monday evening sports will be held. The Skaguays will play the Gold Nuggets and the M. E.'s will play the United Presbyterians. Close and interesting games are looked for. All are welcome to witness these games. The teams will line up as follows:

Skaguays.		Gold Nuggets.
Russell	Forward	Case
McDonald	Forward	Hill
Hawkins	Center	Kahle
Cook	Guards	Phelps
Jones	Guards	Price
or Sheehan.		

M. E.		U. P.
Sharpe	Forward	Bruhst
Hall	Forward	Ewing
LeGate	Center	Johston
Murphy	Guard	M. Bruhst
Havens	Guard	Hartnett

The officials for the evening are as follows: Referee, Frank Dimmock; umpires, Prof. E. E. Green, F. M. Spinning.

Secretary Cookingham is still corresponding with different athletic organizations in the East concerning an athletic instructor. Since the failure of the club to secure the services of Arthur Crane, who developed that phenomenal sprinter, Maybury, there have not been any developments even approaching the securing of a satisfactory instructor. No matter how rapidly matters are pushed along now it will be rather late to turn out a good track team for the spring games. Crane will come to the S. A. C. in May. Rather than wait that long the club will take the man who is best fitted to carry on general athletic work. If he does not do wonders there will be a howl, because Crane is the man that was wanted.

William H. Lewis, the father of athletics in the local Y. M. C. A., is expected back from the East next Saturday. In view of the present condition of affairs it will be interesting to know whether he will persist in his determination to refrain from all things athletic.

"Kid" McCoy will be one of the attractions at the L. A. W. meet at Indianapolis next August. The now famous middleweight is a Hoosier and a resident of Indianapolis. He was in that city last week and evinced great interest in the meet and the plans of the '98 Meet Club. The "Kid" is a member of the L. A. W. and readily promised to lend his services for the success of the meet, and will probably take an active part in the all-night smoker which will be given during the week. Mr. McCoy said he would be there next August unless he had a fight on with Fitzsimmons or Choynski and was in active training at the time. His brother, Homer Selby, who is his manager, promised to arrange his dates so the "Kid" could spend the week of the meet in Indianapolis. McCoy is an enthusiastic wheelman and uses the bicycle regularly in his training.

"Doc" Payne, McCoy's sparring partner, learning that the "Kid" intended going to Indianapolis next August during the week of the meet, said that he wanted to be declared in on the event. "If the 'Kid' don't hammer me into mincemeat before that time I'll be with him and we will give you a red-hot go. One of us will take a nap before it is over." McCoy and Payne joined the "Pacific Mail" company this week in Brooklyn.

Fred Hansted, who is better known all over the United States as "Prof. Young Dutchy," is in Seattle. He is looking well; says he feels as well as he looks and likes the Puget sound atmosphere. As an all-around athlete Hansted has a first-class record. He is also a champion heavyweight lifter. I had a chat with him a few evenings ago and found him possessed of other qualities than an athlete. He is well informed on sporting matters in general and takes special interest in pugilism. He thinks that one of the coming men is Jack Carter, whom he styles as a light heavyweight. "Carter is open," said Mr. Hansted, "to meet any man in his class on the Pacific coast."

John Lawson, who is known in the bicycle racing world as the "Terrible Swede," was in Seattle last week with the Ole Olson company. When he is in a race all the cracks keep an eye on him. He holds the following world's records in competition: 268 miles in 15 hours and 3 seconds without dismounting from saddle, Washington, March 3, 1897; 88½ miles in 4 hours, Chicago, Ill., May 18, 1897; 1707 miles in 6 days and nights, Chicago, February 21-27, 1897; 875 miles in 48 hours, Washington, January 2, 1897; 1 mile, standing start, 2 minutes 1 second, Baltimore, Md., May 11 1897; 10 miles against 20 horses time 23 minutes 5 seconds, Baltimore, Md., July 1, 1897. Against time, unpaced, all world's records, from 25 to 50 miles, time 2 hours 16 minutes, Memphis, Tenn., November 17, 1896. World's ice skating records, from 10 to 50 miles, time 3 hours 12 seconds, Washington, February 5, 1897. Indoor records—1 mile, flying start, 48 1-5 seconds, Chicago, December 6, 1895; 2 miles flying start, 1 minute 37 seconds, Davenport, Ia., December 20 1897; 5 miles, flying start, 6 minutes 45 seconds, Portland, Or., January 11, 1898.

According to Patsy Mulligan, a well-known sporting man who recently arrived in Seattle from New York, all the lightweight pugilists in the East have heard of Dick Case, and wonder who will be the one to stop his cyclonic career. Less than a year ago "Kid" Lavigne, the acknowledged lightweight champion of the world, would have laughed at the idea of giving Case an opportunity to win his title. Things have changed, however, and even Lavigne does not think it beneath him to consider the lad from North Yakima. "I saw Lavigne before I left New York," said Mulligan, "and he said that he was willing to meet Case at 135 pounds, provided a good purse could be obtained. The 'Kid' is anxious to visit Seattle during the Klondike rush and see what is going on. I would like to see Lavigne and Case meet in the ring and will offer them a purse of $4,000. Lavigne does not underestimate Case. He realizes that he is a hard hitter and capable of standing punishment, but is willing to meet him at 135 pounds."

Case is back in Seattle from Portland, but could not be found yesterday afternoon. He said in the past, however, that he was not averse to meeting Lavigne, and there is no reason to think that he has changed his mind. At present Case is getting ready to give "Young Cuoynski" a rattle. The bout will be for six rounds and will take place in Seattle within a week. "Choynski" has expressed himself as anxious to meet Case and now has an opportunity. Measures will be taken to avoid too hot a go, but from the nature of things there is sure to be a hot time when the referee starts the ball rolling.

Dal Hawkins has written a letter to Tom O'Rourke in New York, telling him that he is ready to fight Frank Earne at any time. The fight will probably take place some time this month.

The English press has been indulging in slurring comments on athletics in this country. This follows the decision of the body that governs English track and field athletics to co-operate with the A. A. U. The experience of the English athletes in New York city when they failed to win an event may have something to do with this. The A. A. U. evidently made a mistake in offering to co-operate with the Englishmen, who are always grumbling about athletics in this country and forgetting the conditions at home.

The Seattle Athletic Club's bowling team made a phenomenal record in Portland, one that has brought sorrow to the heart of every member of the club. Out of eight games the team won one. A S. A. C. man witnessed the match with the Oregon Road Club team and he confessed that the team did the rottenest bowling he ever saw. It will be interesting to hear the excuses offered, but to one up a tree it looks as if the Portland men were too fast for us. The record shows that the S. A. C. did as well as she did last year. She finished the tournament at such a remarkably fast pace that no one could be found to dispute her title to the last place. The Seattle team needs practice or nerve, perhaps a liberal allowance of both. Multnomah and the Oregon Road Club gave the S. A. C. and T. A. C. a good whipping, and that is all there is to it. The Portland teams tied on percentage of games, but Multnomah was awarded the championship, as she made a higher total score of pins, by 53. Following is the record of the clubs at the close of the tournament:

	Won.	Lost.	Pr Ct.
Multnomah	14	10	.583
O. R. C.	14	10	.583
T. A. C.	12	12	.500
S. A. C.	8	16	.333

PEE BEE.

Fitzsimmons Still Declines.

DETROIT, Jan. 30.—Fitzsimmons and Julian declined to consider Corbett's challenge today. Considine, of this city, who had undertaken to have the fight pulled off for a purse of $25,000, held an interview with Julian and Fitzsimmons, with representatives of the press as witnesses. The latter declared that Corbett was no longer in Fitzsimmons' class, and would not be until he had whipped Maher.

Murderer Sentenced for Life.

DARTFORD, Wis., Jan. 29.—Judge Honnell today sentenced Julius Zuelke to life imprisonment. He was found guilty of murder in the first degree on Thursday in the trial for the killing of Edward Davids near Markesan on April 6, 1896.

DR. J. B. LOUGHARY, Bailey building. Special attention given diseases of brain and nervous system.

CASTORIA.

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

POPULIST MAYOR WANTED.

MIDDLE-OF-THE-ROADERS STAND OUT FOR THIS CONCESSION.

Want No Fusion on Any Other Terms, While Mayor Fawcett and His Following Are on a Still Hunt to Control Things in His Interest.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

TACOMA, Jan. 30.—Local Populists of the Third ward held a meeting last night, and today the air is aflame with declarations regarding certain proceedings held at said meeting. As is often the case at a gathering of People's party disciples, the programme as outlined in the call for the meeting was not followed to the letter, or, to make more explicit, a move was made that was not down on the bills, and the result is the old-time howl. The meeting was called to reorganize the ward club, and this was done by the selection of Judge William Henry Harrison Kean as chairman, and Frank Halstead as secretary.

Here their formal duties should have ended, according to the views of the howlers, but instead of stopping, the club blundered right along and named a city committeeman to succeed Committeeman Rogers, resigned. M. F. McMillan, of the courthouse contingent, was elected to this place, but from what is today to be heard the committee may not allow him to qualify, as it is said a meeting was set for February 4 to fill this vacancy. There are vacancies from two other wards to be filled, and on the whole it is not improbable the work of naming successors may end in a hot squabble. The move of last night is dubbed by the fusion-inclined as a trick of the middle-of-the-roaders, but as the result of it is yet a matter of doubt, its true inwardness remains in question.

The deeper into the pre-election work the fusionists get, the plainer does it become that a determined effort is being made by the Populist wing to command the situation. If their declarations based upon their hopes are worthy of belief, a Populist will head the fusion ticket. But on this point they are very thin-skinned, from the fact that there is some reason in the statement made by the other wing of the alliance, that there is not a suitable man in the Populist ranks to name for mayor who would stand any show of election, or who can bring the three-sided party into line with sufficient enthusiasm to keep them there until election day.

Should the present feeling continue to the time of the convention, it will not prove surprising if a Silver Republican is selected to head the ticket, as a compromise between the Populists and Democrats. It is quite plain that Mayor Fawcett will not allow his name to go before the convention unless he has good reason to believe he can get the nomination. As yet he has held off when questioned as to his candidacy, but his stubborn opposition to the work of certain Populists, which is occasionally heard of, shows that he is not passively idle or by any means an easy mark for the People's party adherents who are so anxious to see his scalp dangle from the belt of their leader. The mayor is evidently closely following a policy which he and his supporters have decided to adopt, a salient feature of which is to do their work without display and to keep their own counsel.

From the manner in which his opponents within the fusion ranks talk of him, they do not openly credit him with any great amount of strength, but his attitude seems to fret them nevertheless. The fact that the mayor and his followers have nothing to say does not tend to assure the other side, and although the latter poo-hoo the mayor's chance for renomination, their actions contradict such declarations.

Thus far the Republicans have not been heard from, except in a few instances of would-be candidates for the mayoralty, who have their friends out "boosting" for them. As a party the Republicans have barely become started in the campaign, and are devoting their attention to registration of voters. Anything definite as to candidates for the council or the choice for mayor is yet far distant. The factional differences made plain in the fusion ranks is like a tonic to the Republicans, and the latter cherish the hope that the dissension will continue until a stage is reached where actual consolidation of forces will be impossible.

Some talk is to be heard as to the advisability of a formal combination between the Gold Democrats and Republicans of the city. Several prominent Republicans favor the coalition, and have suggested that the local party invite the Gold Democrats to join with them in the coming election. Whether anything to this end is done will probably depend largely upon who the fusionists decide upon as a candidate for mayor. Should such a combination be effected, the Republicans would be benefited by the assistance of some clever politicians, who have worked in this field for many years.

FUNERAL OF JUDGE EVANS.

Many Pioneers, as Well as Masons and Members of the Bar, Attended.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

TACOMA, Jan. 30.—The last tribute of honor to the memory of Hon. Elwood Evans and of sympathy to his family was appropriately tendered at the funeral ceremonies over the remains held this afternoon at the family residence on North E. street. Besides a host of friends of Judge Evans during his lifetime, including many of the early pioneers of this section, there was present a large representation of the local bar association and of the Masonic lodges of the city.

The service over the remains was that of the Episcopal church, conducted by Rev. Mr. Church, pastor of the congregation of which Judge Evans' family are members. The beautiful and impressive ceremony was participated in by a large gathering of friends of the deceased, and the handsome casket in which the body was deposited and the room in which it stood were decorated with a mass of flowers, several beautiful set pieces being among these offerings.

At the conclusion of the service at the home of Judge Evans' family, members of the Masonic order and those of the bar association divided the honors of escorting the remains to their final resting place. In full regalia the Masons preceded the hearse bearing the body, prominent attorneys of the city acting as pallbearers beside the hearse. Carriages bearing relatives and friends of the family followed and bore the occupants to the cemetery. At the grave the service of the Masonic order was held.

HAD TOO MANY GIRLS.

Omer Thompson Comes Into Notoriety for the Second Time.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

TACOMA, Jan. 30.—Omer H. Thompson was arrested this morning by police officers, charged by Miss Cora Steel with seduction. The warrant for his arrest was issued by Justice of the Peace Smalley, before whom the complaint had been sworn to. Thompson, who recently returned to Tacoma, is a brawny young fellow about 24 years of age, and has been in the employ of the street railway. Cora Steel is a prepossessing young girl, dark complexioned, and has resided at the home of her mother on South I street.

The details leading up to the complaint against Thompson are not known. Thompson stated upon being placed in confinement that he is anxious "to fix up the thing," and will do anything he can to prevent further trouble. From what is to be learned, there is nothing out of the ordinary case of this nature in the trouble in which Thompson is entangled, but the fact that he not long ago came before the public in the role of an intended husband fleeing from his fiancee adds interest to the matter.

Thompson is the young man who during the last holidays was hunted for by a Miss Nellie Cole, of Sumner, this county, who had made all necessary preparations to marry him. A day or two before the time set for the marriage Thompson left the city, and after Miss Cole had prosecuted a vain search for him about the Sound, she returned to her home, announcing she would give him up, and that she had discovered she did not love him very dearly anyhow.

A day or two after Thompson's return to Tacoma the police were sent for by a lodging house keeper to take charge of one of the lady lodgers. The lady proved to be Miss Cole, and inquiry developed she had seen Thompson the night before. She was violently hysterical when the officers reached her room, and it was at last necessary to put handcuffs on her wrists to control her without undue violence. She was kept under surveillance by friends until the next day, when she grew more rational and is said to have returned to her home.

Thompson will be arraigned before a justice of the peace tomorrow to answer to the seduction charge preferred by Cora Steel, unless in the interim something is done to alter the present programme. His wish to settle the trouble in any way possible may lead to an amicable arrangement that will make prosecution unnecessary. A number of Thompson's friends have called on him at the city jail today, and all express the hope that the affair may be satisfactorily settled out of court, which is interpreted to mean his marriage to Miss Steel.

HAS A GOOD CONTRACT.

Chilkoot Railway Co. [illegible] 200 Tons for Canadian Government.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

TACOMA, Jan. 30.—Hugh C. Wallace, president of the Chilkoot Railway Company, now under construction from Dyea to Lake Linderman, is authority for the statement that his company has just closed a contract with the Canadian government to carry Klondike supplies to the mounted police of that district. He states that there is something like 200 tons of this freight now in sight, and that the contract price is 15 cents a pound, or $300 a ton. At this rate the amount of supplies estimated to be carried for the Canadian government will result in a gross revenue to the new road of $60,000 within a short time after the completion of the line.

Last season the price of moving supplies over the same road was 40 cents a pound. President Wallace says the first section of the road will be from Dyea to Canyon creek, a distance of eight miles. The next section, one of eight miles also, is from Canyon creek to Crater lake. C. Henry, of Seattle, who is one of the line, and the power house will be located at Sheep Camp.

It is also officially announced that H. C. Henry, of Seattle, who is one of the prominent stockholders of the new company, will manage its business at Seattle. He has been formally chosen manager at that point.

ROBBED BY A WOMAN.

A Prospective Klondiker Complains of the Loss of $160.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

TACOMA, Jan. 30.—A prospective Klondiker named Broeberg came to police headquarters today with a tale of woe, which, summarized, was to the effect that he had been robbed of $160 by a woman in a variety show some time during last night. The details of his story are the same old particulars, and from his statements a detective came to the conclusion that a certain Miss Allen, of vaudeville fame, might prove the guilty person.

The woman in question was early this morning rudely routed from slumber and carted off to the city station, where she was confined in the women's ward. She denies the charges made against her, but the officers believe they can prove them. A. J. Marshall, the supposed husband of Miss Allen, called at the police station to see the woman, and was there arrested and booked with "suspicion." Broeberg is a carpenter and has been engaged in sled building.

WILL START WORK EARLY.

Wheelmen Will Commence Improving Paths in February.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

TACOMA, Jan. 30.—Local wheelmen are this year to begin the work of improving roadways earlier than was the case last year, and the moment the weather will permit of it work will be commenced. A meeting of the wheelmen has been called for February 8 to discuss plans for laying out and building new wheelways and for improving the wheel reservations now in use.

The fund derived from the licenses on wheels will this year be larger than ever before, if the predictions of prominent wheelmen prove true, and will furnish ample means for building new roads. An estimate of the income will be made, and the whole will be appropriated to different uses, as may be decided upon by the wheelmen. Some of the money will go to repairing old roads and some to the construction of new wheelways.

TWO BOYS DROWNED.

Broke Through the Ice While Skating on Lake at Fort Sherman.

SPOKANE, Jan. 30.—A special to the Spokesman-Review from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, says: Oscar and Ammi Joslyn, aged 10 and 12 years, sons of Musician Joslyn, of the Sixteenth infantry band, stationed at Fort Sherman, were drowned at 3 o'clock today while skating on the lake. Two other boys went through the ice with them, but were rescued. Oscar Joslyn was taken out unconscious and removed to the post hospital, where all efforts to resuscitate him proved unsuccessful. The accident occurred near the mouth of the river and the body of Ammi was carried under the ice by the current before assistance reached him. The rapid current of the river has prevented its freezing over and parties are searching for the body.

Prof. Agassiz' Party.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 30.—Prof. Agassiz and a party of scientists, who left San Francisco for Australia some few months ago, to make a geological study of the country, were passengers on the Warrimoo to Honolulu, where they embarked to continue their research. They expect to spend two or three weeks on the Hawaiian islands, and will then return to New York.

MINE CONFERENCE OVER.

New Scale of Wages, With 10 Per Cent. Increase, in Effect April 1.

CHICAGO, Jan. 30.—The last of the delegates to the recent conference of mine operators and miners left the city today. Nothing remains now but to wait until April of this year, when the agreement signed here is to go into effect, to see how many operators will abide by it and pay 10 cents a ton increase.

In the interim between now and April 1 the officers of the national organization will move their headquarters from Columbus to Indianapolis. They will turn their attention to inducing the Ohio operators, who were not parties to the agreement, to get in line. It is said that if a failure is made in this attempt, a strike will surely be inaugurated in the Hocking valley, Jackson county and other Ohio coal fields within ten days after the time the new agreement is to go into effect.

NORTHWESTERN NEWS NOTES.

The jail of Benton county, Oregon, is empty for the first time since April last.

A. J. West, of Aberdeen, tells the Bulletin that he "will cut 40,000,000 feet of lumber this year."

F. H. Harris has been held in $2,500 bonds in Colfax to answer the charge of having fleeced Farmer Mills, of Whitman.

A gun carriage and three eight-inch rifles were received at the fortifications at Scarborough head this week. The guns weigh fifteen tons each.

John Van Pelt and Link Van Pelt, of Curry county, Or., have given bond to answer the charge of killing A. I. Coolidge, and Thomas Van Pelt, jr., expects soon to furnish his bond.

Coyotes are more numerous around Vale, in Malheur county, Or., than ever before in the history of its settlement. Persons feeding cattle report seeing as many as twenty and twenty-five daily, and one person reports having seen fifteen in one band.

John Graham was given a verdict in the superior court at Colfax Wednesday against the Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company for $8,000. The suit was the result of injuries received while riding on a train. The railroad company will appeal the case.

Postmaster F. A. Losecamp, who will soon turn the Leavenworth postoffice over to his successor, has held the position six years, being the first and only incumbent of the office at the old town of Icicle, moving the office and effects from there to Leavenworth in the fall of 1892.

C. A. Day, who recently purchased the Kingston shingle mill at Sumas, started work yesterday. The mill was thoroughly overhauled and new machinery added, making the daily capacity 15,000. Mr. Day has plenty of timber to keep the mill busy for several years at its present location.

Oswald Steel, of Fairhaven, will go to San Francisco in a few days to purchase machinery for the fish cannery, which is being doubled in capacity. Mr. Steel's company is going to construct two new fish traps in order to have a supply that will keep the cannery going to its full capacity next season.

Oscar Maley and William Meek were hunting wild geese on the John Day river, west of Ajax, last week, when Maley rode into the river to get a goose they had shot. His horse fell on top of him in deep water, and it was almost a miracle that he escaped with his life. He nearly froze to death before reaching the nearest house, which was ten or fifteen miles away. And, to make it all the worse, he did not get the goose after all.

A man named Nicholson, working in a Clallam county logging camp, was returning from work, and in climbing over a windfall caught his heel in the crotch of a small tree. He gave a heavy jerk to release his foot and broke a tendon in his right leg, immediately above the heel. The pain was so severe that he fainted, and was not released until some hours afterward, when his comrades found him. He will probably be crippled for life.

The Colfax Gazette says that Attorney General Winston has been requested to ask the supreme court of the United States for a mandate in the case of Jack Leonard, who is under sentence to be hanged, and that if the attorney general does not attend to his business Leonard will be hanged anyhow, as the local officers are tired of the attorney general's dilatoriness. The Gazette says that the clerk of the United States supreme court has telegraphed that a mandate in Leonard's case will be issued upon a request from Winston.

While on his way to Dayton from his farm, two miles up the Patit, both ears and both cheeks of I. N. Montgomery were frozen. When Mr. Montgomery arrived in Dayton his face was perfectly livid, notwithstanding that the city's thermometers registered above the freezing point. The most plausible explanation of this peculiar happening is that Mr. Montgomery encountered an extremely cold streak of wind in making the journey to town, something that was not general in its effect.

News has been received in Vancouver from Battle Creek, Mich., of the death of Judge W. B. Wells, which occurred in a sanitarium in that city last week. No particulars are known. Judge Wells left Vancouver for Battle Creek last November. He was extensively interested in Clark county real estate. He was at one time American consul at Dundee, Scotland, having been appointed by President Garfield. He was honored at different times by election to offices of trust and honor. Judge Wells left a widow and one son, who live in Vancouver.

The 10-year-old son of Hans Christian Simonsen, living four miles south of Philomath, Or., was killed by a falling tree Wednesday. The little fellow and two elder brothers were chopping cordwood while a tree was being felled. As the tree began to fall, all started for a place of safety, but in some unknown way the younger lad was caught. The only apparent injury was a small hole in the upper portion of the skull, supposed to have been made by a sharp snag or piece of a limb. The funeral occurred this afternoon.

Messrs. Headington, Walton and O'Neill, of Howard county, Iowa, have been at Davenport for several days looking over the country, with a view of moving west in the spring. Mr. Headington says that they represent a number of farmers of that state who are desirous of coming to this country, and that he expected to be back about the first of April with fifty or sixty families. These gentlemen have been all over the eastern part of the state and have decided that the Big Bend offers the best inducements for immigration, on account of the plentifulness of land and the low prices. Mr. Headington said that they would return to Iowa at once and prepare for removal in the spring.

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J. J. Kerns, a prominent druggist of Portsmouth, O., was put off a Chesapeake & Ohio train at South Portsmouth while under the influence of cocaine, and was found frozen to death next morning.

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VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 30.—Steamer Warrimoo arrived today from Australia via Honolulu, after an uneventful trip. She did not bring as many Klondikers as was expected, the majority of those going to the northern gold fields having decided to wait till later in the season.

The Adelaide Steamship Company and the Australian Steam Navigation Company, of Sydney, N. S. W., are advertising steamers to run direct from that port to Dyea and Skaguay, carrying first-class passengers for about £35 and second-class travelers for £20. Each company will start their services with one steamship and will dispatch them north about the middle of February.

Interest in the all-British cable has been revived in Australia by the announcement that the British government has appointed a committee to inquire into the laying of a cable via the Cape. Opinion is divided in Australia on the advantages of the Cape and the Pacific routes, the amount of subsidy to be paid being the chief consideration.

The Salvation Army has proposed to the New South Wales government to establish a farm as a reformatory for boys and girls.

Bush fires have caused terrible havoc in Tasmania. At Longely twenty-two homesteads were entirely burned out, including several hotels, stores, etc. At Kilbing twenty-one homesteads were destroyed. At latest reports it was known that six people had perished.

The export and import trade of New South Wales for the past year showed an increase of £1,070,000. Exports of gold showed an increase of £970,145.

Regarding the question of federation, the Daily Telegraph says that though two conventions have been held during the past year and another is to take place this month, the movement cannot be said to have advanced.

On the anniversary of Robert Louis Stevenson's death, a wreath and cross of heather sent from Scotland were placed on his grave.

Poisoned Her Sister.

WOODSTOCK, N. B., Jan. 30.—Mrs. Canavan, of the parish of Kent, becoming jealous of her sister, Minnie Tucker, purchased strychnine, steeped it in a decoction and gave it to her sister, who drank it, became violently ill and died. The coroner's jury accused Mrs. Canavan of murder and she has been arrested.

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