

FATHER SEEKS HIS LOST SON

To the editor: I have a son, Robert B. Barton, who was in Medford the latter part of last August and wrote me two letters from there, and telling me to write him there to the general delivery. I have written a number of letters to him and they have all been returned unopened. He does not write any more, and I am most anxious to get in communication with him. I am a newspaper man myself, now working in this office, and if you can help me to get in communication with my son I will greatly appreciate your kindness. If you would insert a short notice in your columns, stating these facts and asking him to write and give more explicit directions, and ask other papers to copy it, it might reach him. I am willing to pay for the notice if you will send me your bill.

Respectfully,
J. W. BARTON.
Bartley, Neb., Dec. 9, 1912.

CATHOLICS PLAN STAGE CLEAN-UP

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—To make the cleaning-up of the American stage nation-wide crusade, members of the National Catholic theater movement are today scheduled to hold a meeting here at the residence of Cardinal Farley, who will preside.

The National Catholic influence is to be concentrated first in New York, where plays censured by the movement will not find Catholic audiences anywhere in the country.

The plan is approved by Cardinal Gibbons of Baltimore and O'Connell of Boston; Archbishop Riordan of San Francisco, and the bishops of Newark, Sioux City, Richmond and Bismarck.

DIED.

Mrs. Caroline Elizabeth Damon died at her home on South Riverside Friday night about 12 o'clock. She was 70 years old at the time of her death and had lived in the Rogue River valley for over twenty-five years, being well known among the old residents. She is survived by two sons, L. L. Damon of Medford and M. M. Damon of Oroville, Cal. The announcement of the funeral will be made later.

The Daily Hint from Paris.



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One of the season's changeable taffeta coats, having embroidered applied bands and curled edged edging of the material.—Maison Dukes.

JACOB KAMM, PIONEER, DEAD

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 14.—Jacob Kamm, Portland, San Francisco millionaire, veteran steamship magnate and pioneer, died at his home here today after a prolonged illness. Death was due to the ravages of old age. Kamm being 89 years of age. His wife whom he married over fifty years ago in Portland was with him at the end.

Kamm was born in Switzerland, December 12, 1823, and came to America when eight years of age. With many others he joined the gold rush to California, but instead of mining, took to steamboating on the Sacramento river. In 1860 he helped organize the Oregon Steam Navigation company, the predecessor of the O. R. and N. company and in 1862 aided in the construction of the Celilo portage railroad, the first in the state.

His San Francisco property consists of two lots on either side of Market street in the heart of the business district, their total value being \$1,000,000.

An effort is now on foot to organize all the colored hotel workers of Washington, D. C.

NEW CONCRETE WAREHOUSE BUILDING

The concrete foundation and basement floor for the new warehouse on South Front street is nearly completed. The foundation, or basement walls, are all in up to street level but these are all to be built of concrete four feet above the street. W. H. Maulsby has the concrete work contract.

This building is being put up by the Medford Realty and Improvement company, Chas. Lebo, manager. It is 70x100 feet in size and will be four stories high, including the basement. The three above ground stories are to be of brick with granite trimmings and the work of laying brick will commence just as soon as the concrete work is commenced. S. Childers has the brick work contract.

EXPRESS COMPANIES BROUGHT TO TRIAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The interstate commerce commission ordered today that ever state express carrying company in the country submit before February 1 complete statements of business on certain designated days, and show cause before that date why the commission's low rates, recently submitted should not be declared effective.

COUNTY SEAT WAR NEEDS STATE MILITIA

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Dec. 14.—The controversy over the possession of records of Delaware county, Oklahoma, and to determine whether old Jay or new Jay is the county seat will reach a crisis Monday, according to information received here tonight.

Sheriff Thomason sent a telegram to Governor Cruce making a final appeal for state troops. The sheriff informed the governor he would remove the county records from old Jay to new Jay Monday, and the governor should have the militia there to maintain order.

"Otherwise it will be impossible to prevent bloodshed," the sheriff added. Seventy-five men with rifles are guarding the records at old Jay. At new Jay at the courthouse are about forty armed men.

SPROULE ASSERTS CRITICISM UNFAIR

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 14.—Replying to the recent denunciation of him by Chairman Eschelman of the California railroad commission, William Sproule, president of the Southern Pacific company who is today en route to New York with other officials of the Harriman system concerning the recent decision of the

supreme court, declared Eschelman's statements to be unjust.

"Mr. Eschelman has taken only one paragraph of my statement," said Sproule, "and bases his criticism upon that. It is such misrepresentation as this that makes it almost impossible for railroads to secure justice."

Eschelman took exception to Sproule's remark that for every dollar taken out of San Francisco the Southern Pacific spent \$1.10 and were greatly hampered by legislation.

The rappers of New York City have been organized into a union during November.

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Sumner Honored in New Florida Home

"The Bay of Sarasota" a weekly newspaper published at Sarasota, Florida, contains in the last issue an account of the election of W. A. Sumner, formerly of Medford, as president of the Sarasota Board of Trade. Mr. Sumner is well known here, having for several years directed investments for the Potter Palmer estate and managed local properties. He is now engaged in developing a 100,000 acre tract in Florida for the Palmers.

Mr. Sumner has turned boomer for Sarasota and the Florida country as indicated by the following from the Sarasota paper:

W. A. Sumner, the new president, is what you might call a solid citizen. He has very decided views about things, and is a firm believer in the theory that it is more important to go and do things than to merely talk about them. Therefore he doesn't do much talking. He has a strange hold on that recognized necessary adjunct to successful leadership—silence.

When he does talk, he arranges the crux of the matter in a few well-chosen words, and usually that is final.

"He is a man of well-rounded proportions, and a severe cast of countenance. He looks like a 'watch-dog of the treasury,' ready to bite a piece out of any person venturing to cast aspersions or opaque reflections.

"Let some important discussion come up, however, about the future of Sarasota—important enough to justify a few remarks at the expense of a long and effective silence, while others were saying things—and the real Sumner shines forth. His face beams, radiates, exudes smiles. His voice mellows to that low vibrating quality common to lovers floating with the stream in far-off Italy as they tell each other of the great emotion as the gondola glides through enchanting canals tinted in the glowing colors of love's young dream. His theme is Sarasota and consequently he is speaking out of the warm impulses of his heart.

The severe business struggle with indifferent labor, the burden of producing results from a million-dollar investment in land never occupied since the Seminole Indians retreated from the white plague—the men of brains and bullets and white skins, who died and advanced, died and ad-

vanced, unconquerable, supreme—are forgotten—and he fevels in the facts and figures which even a child can understand, which show that Sarasota is IT. When he gets through—and it only occupies a few minutes—you are aware that it is beyond the realms of possibility and a positive insult to human intelligence to presume that by any possible computation human progress can get around; through or over Sarasota without making of it a great city. When he gets through talking along this line if there is a dog in the room it will go up and lick his hand, and if there is an unfortunate near he will touch him for a loan.

"We tried to get his photograph for this edition, but he never had one taken. He spent thirty years in Detroit, Mich., twenty years in Chicago and five years on the Pacific coast, but never saw any scenery he wished to have his countenance associated with.

"When Mrs. Potter Palmer decided to purchase 100,000 acres of land in Manatee county, Florida, she was aware that she did not need a hundred thousand acres of land for her personal pleasure.

"She, however, had a very high ideal of what was due her country by the possessors of great wealth. In fact, it is a very great mistake on the part of the unthinking to assume that they alone have the true American spirit. No patriot ever conceived a more worthy idea for the welfare of the citizens of this nation than has Mrs. Potter Palmer when she determined to make fertile these vacant lands, and to populate a section of her country necessitating the expenditure of great sums of money. She hopes to live to see this section of the coast of Florida come into its own as the greatest, most desirable winter residence for people who have means to get away from the rigors of a northern winter and appreciate the sciences of agriculture and horticulture more than mere idleness.

"Since the death of the great plant nothing has given more encouragement to the West-Coast of Florida than the advent of Mrs. Potter Palmer.

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