

MAY COME HERE.

Branch of Bath Iron Works May Be Established In South Portland.

Representatives Looked Over Lovell Arms Plant Friday.

Location Struck Them Favorably It Is Said.

Proposition To Build Spur Track of Maine Central to Works.

The abandonment of the John P. Lovell bicycle factory, giving employment, as it did, to hundreds of worthy artificers, was a hard blow to South Portland and to Portland as well. It will be remembered that under the stroke of the auctioneer's hammer the plant was sold not long ago, and the purchaser has held it in the market as an inviting opportunity for the promoters of various industries, such as automobiles, etc., which are springing up with surprising rapidity in various sections of the country. Since the time of the assignee's sale rumors have been widespread that the valuable plant would fall into the hands of such and such companies, whose representatives have from time to time come to South Portland to inspect the premises, but nothing up to yesterday had taken such tangible shape as to be worthy of special note.

Yesterday, President E. W. Hyde and others representing the Bath Iron Works, in company with J. F. Proctor of Portland, visited the old Lovell plant with a view of establishing a branch of the Bath Iron Works there. It is understood that the location was considered in most respects favorable, but that it would be necessary to increase the number of acres of land which now belong to the original plant. The parties even went so far as to consider the railroad connections which it would be necessary to establish in order to facilitate their business, and consulted with George F. Evans, vice president and general manager of the Maine Central railroad as to the feasibility of constructing a spur track which would connect the proposed works with the main line.

The increasing business of the works of which Mr. Hyde is president, having the contract of a new United States battleship, has rendered necessary the enlargement of the works at Bath, and it has been found almost impracticable to enlarge the plant in that city to meet present necessities. The coming of President Hyde on his party to South Portland excited the liveliest interest, and a path through the snow from the main road to the former bicycle factory was hurriedly made on information that the visit was expected, for it was seen at once that if the result of his visit should be the establishment of a branch of the Bath Iron Works in South Portland that it would be fraught with great material interest to South Portland and Portland as well.

In this connection it can be stated on good authority that negotiations having in view the establishment of a branch of the Bath Iron Works in Portland or vicinity have been in progress since December last.

CONFIRMED IN BATH.

The Lovell Plant Strikes Iron Works Folks Favorably.

Bath, Me., February 8.—The Bath Iron Works received contracts for the construction of a United States battleship, to be named the Georgia, from the Navy Department at Washington this afternoon. President E. W. Hyde was in Portland today looking over various sites with a view to establishing a branch of the Bath Iron Works there. The Lovell plant, containing several acres at South Portland, is considered a good location. President Hyde says that more room must be obtained for their building.

PE'NSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

WASHINGTON TOURS.

Visiting Philadelphia En Route. Personally \$23. Conducted \$23. Expenses. Will leave Boston February 11 and 25, March 11 and 25, April 8 and 22. Chapter for Ladies, unaccompanied by escort. Stop-over privileges and side trips. Detailed Itinerary of D. N. Bell, Tourist Agent, 200 Washington St., Boston. J. E. WOOD, GEO. W. BOYD, Gen'l Pass. Agt. Asst. Gen'l Pass. Agt. Jan 24/01

operations, and that a branch established elsewhere will not interfere with the Bath plant.

STEALING GRAIN.

Boys Boring Holes Into G. T. Cars At East Deering.

More boys have been engaging in the business of stealing grain from the Grand Trunk cars in East Deering. The company has been missing grain and on investigating discovered that the boys had been boring holes in the bottom of cars and thus securing about twenty bushels of grain. The guilty parties have not yet been caught.

In connection with the matter the police authorities said last evening that they had for several years been accustomed to receive complaints of boys stealing grain from the Grand Trunk cars but that for the last six months these complaints had not been so numerous. About a year ago a gang of boys were arrested on this charge and convicted. Since then the depredations in this line have not been as numerous as formerly.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

At a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen yesterday afternoon, by the request of General Manager Goudy the Dirigo Telephone Company was granted an extension of time in which to begin construction in wards 8 and 9. Mr. Goudy said the company have extended their service largely in Androscoggin, Franklin and Kennebec counties, and to Oxford and Cumberland counties toward Portland. Its subscribers have been nearly tripled within the last three months. The company is ready to take into its fold, under its broad charter, any and all small, independent telephone companies that desire to get the benefit of its special privileges, especially in western Maine, throughout which its lines are rapidly being extended. No royalties will be charged for instruments or rights to use of its lines by such companies as desire to avail themselves of its privileges, which includes the right of eminent domain. Mr. Goudy thought this tender of the Dirigo Company ought to preclude the necessity of the legislature's granting special charters without number, to everybody and any body that seems to think it a good field to speculate in.

The mayor announced the appointment of Frank E. Perry to be a regular policeman and Charles P. Tibbets to be a special policeman to serve until the end of the municipal year.

LAST TIMES OF "NELL GWYN."

The only remaining opportunities to see the great stoic company at Portland Theatre in "Nell Gwyn" are offered this afternoon and night, and it is a safe prediction that the audience will be very large at both performances. The company has made a splendid impression, and nothing that has occurred in theatrical circles this season has occasioned so much discussion as the success of this organization and the splendid production given the brilliant play. The individual successes among the company have been most pronounced.

WILLIAM MOORE DISAPPEARS.

William Moore, a Lewiston boy who has been an inmate of the Home for Friendless Boys, in Deering, has again disappeared from that institution for the fourth time in about as many weeks. Saturday night William was sent down stairs for something, and as he did not return for quite a period some one went to look for him. It was found that he had departed through a cellar window. His footsteps were traced for a ways and then disappeared. This week the authorities at the home learned that he had stopped with a friend at Morrills Saturday and was seen their Sunday and Monday. Willie was located by the police yesterday afternoon at the Salvation Army hotel. He was sent out to the Greeley hospital.

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REPUBLICAN CAUCUSES.

The Republicans of Portland, hereinafter designated, are notified to meet in caucus in their respective ward rooms, on Tuesday, February 14th, A. D. 1901 at 5:30 o'clock p. m., to select five delegates from each ward to attend the Portland Republican Mayoralty Convention to be held at Reception hall, Portland, Maine, on Thursday, February 21st, 1901, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for mayor and a female candidate for member of school committee; also to nominate candidates for each ward as follows, to wit: One alderman, three councilmen, warden, clerk, and two constables; and in Wards 2, 4, 6, 7 and 9 a candidate for member of the school committee; also to select for each ward five members of the Republican city committee for the ensuing year.

The polls will be open at 5:30 o'clock and will remain open until 9 o'clock p. m., and for such further time as any caucus may vote.

A check list prepared by the Republican city committee will be used in each ward, and any person whose name has not been marked thereon as a Republican, is not included in this call and will not be allowed to vote or take any part in said caucuses.

Said check list will be verified by the respective ward committees and all errors or omissions in the marking thereof, will be corrected upon application to said ward committees, who will be in session for that purpose at Republican Headquarters, Room 3, Brown block, 567 Congress street, Portland, from 7:30 to 9 o'clock in the evening, of the 10th and 11th of February, and at any time prior to 3 o'clock on the day of the caucus, but no corrections of any kind will be made after the hour above mentioned. Republicans who register on Monday, and on the day of the caucus, and whose names have not been marked on said list, may vote upon presentation of satisfactory evidence that they have registered and after satisfying the ward committees that they are Republicans.

All Republicans are requested to see that their names are correctly marked upon this list, and to be present and take part in their respective ward caucuses.

A plurality of votes cast in any ward caucus will be required to nominate candidates for office. The official ballot to be used at the several caucuses will be prepared and printed by the Republican City Committee and will contain the names of candidates for delegates to the several conventions and all other ward officers. The names of candidates for said delegates and ward officers will be placed upon these ballots on request, such request to be made to the Chairman of the City Committee on or before 12 o'clock noon on Monday, February 18, 1901, but any other written or printed ballots, not in imitation of the official ballot, will be received.

The chairman and secretary of each caucus will make a record of the names of all persons for whom ballots are cast and the number of votes cast for each candidate, and certify and deliver the same, together with the check list at Republican Headquarters immediately after the adjournment of the caucus.

The delegates selected to attend the Mayoralty Convention are requested to meet at Reception hall, on Thursday, February 21, at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of nominating a candidate for mayor, and one female candidate for member of school committee. FRANK I. MOORE, Chairman. HARRY M. BIGELOW, Secretary. Portland, February 1, 1901.

UP TO FRANCIS NOW.

Francis E. Phillips was arrested by the police last evening on the charge of larceny. He attended a pink tea or some other such affair and when the entertainment broke up Martin T. Kehoe was minus a coat and a pair of gloves. Kehoe alleges that Phillips is the party that took these articles.

AGUINALDO SEEN.

Manila, February 8.—It is rumored again in Cavite province that Aguinaldo has been seen at Indang.

For a Cold in the Head. Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets.

The weather today is likely to be fair.



Portland, Feb. 9, 1901.

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We shall also open today the New Spring Stock of Swiss Embroideries, Matched Sets, broad Flouncings, Allovers and dainty Edgings.

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A HUNDRED MISSING.

The Naptha Fire In Russia Extinguished.

Nine Charred Bodies Have Been Recovered.

Not Known How Many People Perished.

It Is Estimated Losses Will Exceed 6,000,000 Roubles.

St. Petersburg, February 8.—Advice from Baku this evening announce that the petroleum fire has been extinguished. Ten factories and five depots were burned, containing altogether 25,000,000 pounds of naphtha and naphtha refuse.

It is estimated that the losses will exceed 6,000,000 roubles. Nine charred corpses have been recovered. One hundred and sixty persons were injured by burning. 41 of these severely and six have succumbed to their injuries. Many victims are still under the ruins and the search is proceeding. It is not known how many of the spectators perished but a hundred persons are still missing.

A committee has been formed by the Caspian and Black Sea company to register the losses of life and property and to provide shelter for the homeless. The Rothschilds firm has applied to Paris for material assistance for the sufferers. The Schibaw and Maktschew factories suffered no damage, although their electrical plant was burned. A hundred homeless families are being distributed and housed in the neighborhood; bread is doled to the employees of the factories at the expense of the authorities and the public is subscribing generously to the relief fund.

MARRIAGES.

In Starks, Jan. 30, Herbert J. Myrick of Waterville and Addie L. Holbrook of Starks. In Falmouth, Jan. 27, Baxter Woodbury and Jennie Southard, both of St. Albans. In Addison, Jan. 25, Frank C. Crocker of Milbridge and Miss Emma J. Norton of Milbridge. In Falmouth, Feb. 2, Irvin E. Braley and Miss Lizzie Moran. In South Norridgeweek, Jan. 28, Lewis A. Gill of Chesterville and Miss Nettie McIntire. In Cherryfield, Jan. 30, Arthur Tucker and Miss Lila Watts. In Cherryfield, Jan. 30, Walter Kilton and Miss Nellie Wiley.

DEATHS.

In this city, Feb. 8, Robert R. Graham, aged 65 years. (Notice of funeral hereafter.) In this city, Feb. 8, James Fitzsimmons, aged 70 years. Funeral Monday morning at 8:30 o'clock from his late residence, 88 Cumberland street. Requiem high mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 9 o'clock. In this city, Feb. 7, Maria Daily, wife of William Welch. (Notice of funeral hereafter.) In this city, Deering dist, Feb. 8, Peter H. Bradley, aged 64 years 11 months. In Scarborough, Feb. 7, Mrs. Soppie M. Clough.

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Boys' Vestee Suits, that were \$4, \$5 and \$6, now \$3.25, 4.25, 5.00.

Boys' Long Pant Suits, sizes 15, 16, 17, 18, that were \$10, reduced to \$5.00.

Boys' Odd Coats, all sizes, the \$2 ones for 1.00; the \$4 ones for 1.50; the \$6 ones for 3.00.

Boys' Odd Coats and Vests, all wool, the \$4 ones for 2.00; the \$5 ones for 3.00; the \$6 ones for 4.00.

Children's Knee Pants marked down to 19c.

Boys' Flannel Blouses, small sizes, 1.00 quality for 50c.

Boys' Gray Overcoats, 16, 17, 18, 19 sizes, for \$5.00.

Boys' Reefers, \$1.98 to 5.00.

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Men's Fine Melton Winter Overcoats, sold right along for \$25, to close, \$15.

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