Rocky Point,

Multnomah County, Oregon,

April 16th, 1894.

To the Hon. Mayor and Common Council

of the City of Portland, Oregon,

Gentlemen ;

Your relators would respectfully represent to your Honorable body, as follows :

lst. That they are property owners and residents in the vicinity where is situated the Crematory recently erected by the City of Portland for the purpose of consuming, or reducing to ashes, the garbage, dead animal bodies, and other refuse matter from the city.

And. That, from the enforced experience we have had, for the past forty days, during which time these works have been in operation, as to its offensive effects in the community, we have to state that if it was the intention of the city to erect an establishment that would destroy this refuse without annoyance to the people in the vicinity, then it is a most complete failure, as the atmosphere for miles around is charged with noxious gases, and is laden with a most insufferable stench.

3rd. That the fact that these works, as they are being operated, are a public nuisance, can be readily established by positive and undeniable proof.

4th. That it is the practice of the operators to throw into the river, tin cans, scraps of iron, the ashes, and also large quantities of liquid-creosote-which drains from the flues, as well as portions of the garbage which is washed from the barges, and dump boxes in the river.

5th. That the transporting of the material in open bar-

ges a distance of sixteen miles on the river, is obnoxious to the many people who travel by steamboats to and from the city, and those travelling the public road in the vicinity of the works are likewise offended.

6th. That, if continued, a number of those residing in close vicinity of these works, will be compelled to abandon their homes, which they have enjoyed unmolested so many years.

7th. That this is the only instance, as we believe, in all this broad free land, where a reputable city has thus attempted to impose upon a country community.

8th. That we are constrained to urgently request the City Council to make a full and earnest investigation into this matter, to the end that this nuisance may be abated without delay.

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Respectfully submitted,

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To the Hon. Mayor and Common Council of the City of Portland, Oregom,

Gentlemen: - Yoy have advertised for proposals for a crematory site and as several tracts near the city on the St. Helen's road are being discussed we as property owners and residents in the north end of the city do most Emphatically Protest against the selection of any of the tracts offered in that direction. The city physician's report long since showed the existing and

constantly increasing danger to the health of the city from the present location of the crematory and RECOMMENDED that the garbage should be taken down the river on scows and disposed of at a sufficient distance to remove all danger from our midst.

We also protest against the establishment of a crematory in or near any other quarter of the city as it would be a discrimination and gainst and an injustice to any section to locate in their midst an institution which from its very nature must become a nuisance;

We also respectfully protest against the transportation of all the collected filth of our city exclusively through the streets when the the river is most accessible for all. Forty teams could easily convey to the river all the garbage now moved by sixty teams. A saving could be made to individual citizens of \$70 per day if some accessible point on the river wore selected. One or two barges could transport the accumilated matter to a crematory pocated down the river a proper dis-tance for a small part of the \$70 per day that would be saved. City ordanances are now in force forbidding the erection and

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