

Contrary to expectation in business circles, there were over three thousand miles of railroad built last year in the United States.

Port Townsend, W. T., Jan. 10th.—Revenue Cutter, Oliver Wolcott, arrived here to day, with a ton and half of opium which had been confiscated at Alaska. It is valued at \$44,000, and is the largest seizure ever made by Customs authorities on this coast.

During the year 1885 the Linkville postoffice issued 1561 money orders and 911 postal notes, amounting in all to \$46,161.29. For the same period it paid orders and notes to the amount of \$14,388.88, and registered 952 letters and parcels. 471 registered letters and packages were received.

Hermann, of Oregon will introduce a resolution of inquiry into the House at the first opportunity, asking the Postmaster-General to inform Congress what alterations he had made in the mail service in the West and his reasons therefor. It is said that the extent of these reductions will be a great surprise to Congress.

The man who can move away from a newspaper account is a fool, says an exchange. The postmaster, on reporting that the paper is not called for, gives the new address of the delinquent, and one of the first things he sees in his new home is the newspaper bill in the hands of a lawyer. This is calculated to give a good send off in a new community.

A meeting was arranged for Thursday between Second Assistant Postmaster General Knott and Senators Stanford, of California, and Mitchell of Oregon, and Representatives Woodburn, of Nevada, Healy, of Idaho, and Henley, of California, for the latter to protest against the recent curtailment of the star service on mail routes in northern California, Oregon and Idaho. The mail service has been largely reduced, to the great detriment of the interests of people living in those sections.

The vicissitudes of stock speculation are shown by the confession of Jim Keene that he had no property of his own and no income. And yet these wrecks of Wall street manage to eat a good dinner every day, washed down with wine, who helped to ruin so many confiding people and who was said to be stripped of everything, lives like a millionaire. The broken speculator, like the fugitive bank defaulter, has a snug reserve fund, which generally keeps him in all creature comforts.

Though Hermann, of Oregon, lost his gallant fight for a place on the river and harbors committee, he has been placed on two committees—territories and expenditures in the postoffice department. The vicious policy of the postmaster general in curbing the mail service in the west, and especially in northern California, Oregon and Washington territory, gives Hermann's place on the committee on expenditures of the postoffice department special value. Hermann says he will have mail routes on the frontier restored or he will oppose in every way appropriations for the department.

Congressman Hermann is actively engaged in rushing the claims of Oregon's bays and water ways for appropriations for improvements. He has already introduced the following bills, and will appear in a few days before the committee on harbors to urge appropriations: For canal and locks at the Cascades, \$750,000; jetty work at the mouth of the Columbia, \$1,330,000 Yaquina bay, \$160,000; Coquille river, \$75,000; Coos bay, \$160,000; harbor of refuge, Port Orford, in addition to the former appropriation, \$2,000,000; Willamette and Columbia rivers, below Portland and Eugene, and Yamhill rivers, \$47,000; Upper Columbia and Snake rivers \$50,000.

The growth of the prohibition movement, says an exchange, has assumed such proportions in several Border States of the South, that it has been the subject of special investigation by the New York World. Its correspondents foresee great trouble for the Democratic party if the movement is not checked. Prohibition is making great strides in Kentucky, and the World's correspondent there says: "Kentucky sentiment is rapidly taking a firm stand for prohibition. The vote being 39,405 out of a total of 277,000. The prohibition workers have declared they mean to submit to the coming Legislature a general law placing the issue squarely before the people, and plans are being considered to nominate a full state ticket in 1887.

Crater Lake Park.

The Crater Lake National Park scheme is now fairly before Congress and the country, bills having been introduced setting apart a reservation for this purpose. The park, in many respects, is one of the most attractive spots in the world for tourists and lovers of the wild and unique in nature. "The News" has repeatedly directed attention to the many objects of interest to be found within its limits, and Congress will do a most creditable piece of legislation if it passes the bill introduced setting apart the reservation for the purpose specified.

It will also be a most desirable thing for Oregon to have so attractive an object within its limits. Eastern tourists will, through its agency, in connection with Yellow Stone Park, make Pacific Coast excursions on a large scale. A more entertaining tour than that via the Northern Pacific, including Yellow Stone Park to Portland, thence down the Oregon & California Road, including Crater Lake Park, and the sublime scenery in the Siskiyou Mountains, which Senator Sherman pronounced the grandest in the world, to San Francisco, and thence by the Southern Pacific back East, could not possibly be decided. European tours have become tame and monotonous to most travellers. This tour would afford them new and novel experiences. That such excursions are destined to become the most popular with travellers who admire nature in its freshness and wildness, there is little doubt, and "The News" is glad to know that steps have been taken to make a national park in Oregon rival that in Wyoming—"News."

There are three educational institutions in Oregon supported by the State or under its patronage, where any person residing in this country can receive an excellent education free of charge. These are the State University at Eugene, the Agricultural College at Corvallis, and the State Normal School at Monmouth. There is also another Normal School at Ashland. Any one desiring to secure an education can obtain it by attending either of these schools, and it will cost nothing.

There is a law department connected with the state university, which is equally open to the holders of free scholarships. The law school is located at Portland. The faculty includes some of the ablest lawyers of the state. Any young gentleman desiring this an exceptionally favorable opportunity.

The only thing necessary to obtain a free scholarship in any of these institutions is to ask for it. All are excellent institutions. They are maintained by the state for the purpose of affording free education to all, and they invite the boys and girls of Oregon to come and receive its benefit. Such an invitation ought not go unheeded.

The trial at Seattle of fifteen citizens of Washington Territory, charged with conspiracy in attempting to repel the Chinese from that city, terminated on Saturday last, as everybody expected it would, with acquittal. The jury was out only ten minutes. The citizens at Tacoma, who are under indictment for libel offense, will probably go clear, there is general rejoicing on the Sound by the people over the Seattle verdict.

Eight years ago Joe Pulitzer, now of the New York World, was hanging around Washington expecting Tilden to give him something when he was declared elected and inaugurated. Now he is the head of two of the most successful newspapers in the country, and the representative in congress of the richest district in New York city. Such are the vicissitudes of life in the newspaper business.

A venerable and very dry codfish hangs from the ceiling of the Representatives chamber in the Massachusetts State House. The fish was put there one hundred and one years ago by a vote of the Legislature, to be "a memorial of the importance of the cod fishery to the welfare of the Commonwealth, as had been usual formerly."

Mr. Cleveland has been made "oblivious" of the fact there is a national debt demanding recognition, and has named his man that holds the box of peanues and directed him to offer to pay something on it, to keep things quiet.

What seventy-five cents did. A farmer in Missouri writes that he has had a tough time. The potato bugs got into his fields; his children had whooping cough, and his wife was crippled with rheumatism. Then he invested fifty cents in a bottle of St. Jacobs Oil, and twenty-five cents in one of R-d Star Cough Cure, and health and happiness returned to his home.

Oregon Land Grabbers.

WASHINGTON, January 18.—In the prodigal days when the public domain was voted away to promote all sorts of enterprises and devious schemes, Congress dohated to the state of Oregon large tracts of valuable lands to be used in aid of the construction of wagon roads in that state. These lands were transferred by the State to a number of corporations organized to build roads, or, as it has since transpired, mainly to obtain possession, or if built, the work was not done in accordance with the terms of the law, or in keeping with the contract with the state.

This condition of affairs has been the subject of unfavorable comment, both in Oregon and Washington, and at the last meeting of the Oregon Legislature a memorial was adopted asking Congress to declare the forfeiture of several of these grants. In furtherance of this desire the people of Oregon, as represented by their Legislature, Senator Dolph to-day introduced a resolution calling for all the papers, maps and reports and documents on file in the Interior Department having reference to these Oregon wagon roads, and also for such information as may show the failure on the part of either the State or private corporations to comply with the terms upon which the grants were made. Dolph was determined, so far as he is concerned, to go to the bottom of this matter, and he is indefatigable in all his undertakings. The so-called wagon-road corporations that have been giving up the public lands without giving any adequate return therefor can expect a full investigation of the matter.

MARRIED.

GOODSELL-BENSON.—In the city of Grant's Pass by Rev. A. H. Sunderland, January 18, 1886, Mr. John Goodsell to Miss Emma E. Benson, sister of Prof. Benson of Dains, Douglas county.

BORN.

PATTERSON.—At Jolon, Cal., December 27, 1885, to Mr. and Mrs. Lair Patterson, twin daughters.

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GALEY.—At the home of his parents near Ashland, January 16, 1886, Ernest C. son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Galey, aged 7 years and eleven months.

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