

**PLEURO PNEUMONIA.**

The Peace River District in Canada Said to Be Affected.

PRINCE OF WALES OFF THE TURF.

Storms in the United Kingdom Increase in Their Severity.

OF IMPORTANCE TO MARINERS.

A Letter From the Pope—The Door-keeper Knocked Down—Tales off Portugal.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—A great sensation has been caused in the agricultural world by the report of a serious outbreak of pleuro-pneumonia in the Peace-river district in Canada. If the report be true the outbreak will greatly affect Scotch farmers, who largely import Canadian stock cattle in preference to Irish cattle, owing to their immunity from disease. The Prince of Wales has decided to close his connection with the turf. All his entries have been cancelled for three months. He had several remarkable horses in training and a handsome profit was expected for the first time in the history of his stables.

TACOMA, Feb. 21.—During the coming summer, Bishop Paddock will perform the ceremony of uniting in marriage Miss Elizabeth P. Ferry, the eldest daughter of Gov. Elisha P. Ferry, and Hon. John Leary, of Seattle. A telegram first announced the engagement, which Mr. Leary, who is in the city, readily confirmed when seen this afternoon. "The arrangements for the wedding are not yet made," said Mr. Leary in answer to a question. "However, it will take place sometime during the summer, probably in Trinity Episcopal church, Seattle, but possibly in Tacoma, if the bishop is unable to leave this city." The engagement is very recent, having been made but a few days ago. They have known each other ever since Gov. Ferry removed to Washington, twenty years ago, and Miss Ferry was a frequent visitor at Mr. Leary's home during the life of his first wife, who died two years ago. She finished her education on the coast, and has traveled extensively in this country. For many years her time has been largely devoted to church service and works of charity in both Seattle and Olympia. Hon. John Leary is 56 years old, a reputed millionaire, and is connected with many of Seattle's leading business enterprises. He came to Washington when a young lawyer, and by enterprise and thrift has gradually risen to the top round of the ladder of success in professional and business life. In 1884 Mr. Leary was elected mayor of Seattle, and served one year. Last night he was again nominated by the republicans for mayor of that city, and his friends claim that his nomination means his election at the March municipal election by a majority of at least 1000.

Society Life at the Capital.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Mrs. Harrison gave a public reception this afternoon, which attracted more people to the White house than ever assembled there before on a similar occasion. Sixty-one hundred people entered the mansion, and when the reception closed, hundreds awaited admission. Mrs. Henry Green, of Portland, who has been the guest of Mrs. Senator Dolph for several weeks, has had an unusual amount of social attention paid her, a number of luncheons and dinners having recently been given in her honor. Recently Mrs. Dolph and Mrs. Green attended a luncheon given by Mrs. Senator Stanford, which was superb in all its appointments. The night before they dined with Secretary Tracy and Mrs. Wilmerding, who are connections of Mrs. Green. Ex-Senator and Mrs. Kelly, of Oregon, gave a dinner last week in Mrs. Green's honor.

Mrs. Richard Nixon, Senator Dolph's married daughter, assisted Mrs. Harrison to receive at the White house reception yesterday, and looked charming in yellow brocade, with violets and amethyst ornaments.

No Moss on the Back of Salem.

SALEM, Feb. 22.—Of the \$10,000 capital stock necessary for the incorporation of a baseball association to back Salem in the Pacific Northwest league, \$7000 has already been subscribed. The soliciting committee will make thorough and final canvass today, and to night the stockholders will meet to perfect an organization, prepare articles of incorporation and elect officers and a manager. The citizens are taking hold of the matter actively and there is no doubt that Salem now will have a league team.

Smuggling Chinese.

EL PASO, Feb. 21.—Late last night Customs Inspector Duval captured Thomas Machuca, a Mexican who was attempting to smuggle a Chinaman from Ciudad Juarez to this side of the river. Both were arrested and held to appear before United States Commissioner

Gibbs today. Machuca acknowledged at the trial that he had been paid to dress the Chinaman in Mexican fashion and conduct him past the guards at the river. He was bound over in the sum of \$500, and the Celestial ordered to return to China. This border is so poorly guarded that Chinamen in number are reported crossing into the United States at different points without trouble. The Rio Grande is scarcely knee-deep most of the year, and affords no protection, and there are not a dozen guards between Nogales, Ariz., and Presidio del Norte, Tex., a distance of about 600 miles.

Balmaceda Members Arrested.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—A Valparaiso special says that scarcely a night passes in Santiago without a street fight between the dictatorial, as the Balmacedists are called, and the adherents of the victorious party. Army officers are continually subjected to insult in the most public thoroughfares. Matters have reached such a stage that the Santiago judge of crimes yesterday ordered the arrest of six members of Balmaceda's congress. It is rumored that the government is about to adopt active measures to repress in the future these exhibitions of discontent for which, it is said, no good reason exists.

Charge of Stealing Electricity.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 21.—In a criminal case here brought by the Municipal Electric Light and Power company, electricity was alleged to have been stolen by bridging the wires entering a store before the wires entered the meter. The point was raised that electricity cannot be stolen, inasmuch as to steal, there must be an absorption, which is impossible in the case of electricity, as it is not anywhere under control, and therefore not the goods, property or effects of anyone. Judge Claiborne abruptly adjourned the case until he could thoroughly investigate the matter.

Very Narrow Escape.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—Members of sixteen families, occupying a big block on East Canton street had a narrow escape from asphyxiation last night. Early this morning it was noticed that illuminating gas was escaping from the building. The occupants were aroused and it was found nearly 100 persons, more or less, were under the influence of the noxious vapors. The physicians had a difficult work to resuscitate several of the victims. As it is, a number are very ill. But for the timely discovery of the trouble, no doubt many deaths would have resulted.

Double Tax Question.

BOISE CITY, Feb. 20.—A case of peculiar interest to stockmen of Oregon and Washington is that of E. P. Juner vs. Owyhee county, now being heard here. Juner paid taxes on sheep in Malheur county, Or., and soon after drove the animals across the line into Idaho, where he was again compelled to pay taxes under section 1426 of the laws of the Idaho legislature of 1890-91. Juner's attorney holds that the section is void and that Juner having paid taxes on the sheep in Oregon cannot be reassessed in Idaho.

Snow Melting Fast.

BOISE CITY, Feb. 20.—The Union Pacific trains from the east and west arrived in Boise ten hours late today, owing to the serious washout at Ten-Mile Creek, between here and Nampa. The snow in the hills is melting rapidly, and this, together with the heavy rains, make all the streams bank high. The damage to the roadbed is not very great.

East Portland is City Proper.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Attorney General Miller has advised the treasury department that while the law providing for a public building at Portland, does not legally prohibit the construction of the building in East Portland, it is evident the purpose and intent is the building should be erected within the lines of the city proper. The treasury department has not yet acted in the matter.

Mrs. Blaine Wins Her Case.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Feb. 20.—Judge Thomas has granted a decree of divorce to Mrs. James G. Blaine, jr., with the custody of her child, \$1000 to pay the expenses of the suit, and \$100 a month as a permanent alimony. Mrs. Blaine will leave Deadwood for Sioux Falls tomorrow.

Many Pretty Bed Coverings.

There are, and probably always will be, many who prefer the all white bed, and for these many pretty bed coverings are provided. Linen shams, with borders of elaborate drawn work, are used with plain white Marseilles spreads. Antique lace of firm, fine texture is always suitable and makes a dresy bed, used either over white or some delicate color. The figured China and India silks used during the last year or two are also still in favor for bed and bolster coverings, but a newer material for this purpose is the Hollywood sheeting, a fancy double width material of soft, cream-white cotton, whose rough surface is exceedingly effective when wrought with the simple, showy patterns employed for this work.

A very handsome one designed for a white and gold guest-chamber has a conventional pattern scattered over it, worked in shades of yellow and brown. The pattern is first outlined with a long chain stitch, the leaves and shadings marked, then the intervening spaces filled with a simple filling stitch, which is very rapidly done and is yet exceedingly showy. The spread extends over the pillows, and a band of colored ribbon, matching one of the lightest shades of silk, is passed across the bed just below the pillows and tied in a handsome bow.—Chicago Herald.

**JESSE JAMES OUTDONE.**

Sensational Train Robbery on the New York Central.

PENNOYER STOCK IS RISING.

His Name Prominently Mentioned for Vice President.

TROUBLESOME TIMES IN CHILL.

Stealing Electricity—Union Pacific Revolution Threatened—Bad State of Affairs.

ROCHESTER, Feb. 21.—The shooting of an express messenger on a New York Central train, the rifling of a safe, the flight of the robber on the engine of another train from which he had driven the crew at the point of a revolver, a running fight from the engine for miles, followed by another engine filled with railway men, and the final capture of the desperado by a sheriff's posse in a swamp, after a wild pursuit across the country, are some of the sensational features of the most desperate attempt at train robbery in the history of the Central railway, and which cast in shade, as an exhibition of coolness and nerve the famous exploits of the Jesse James band or the other outlaws of Western fame. The train left Syracuse at 5 this morning in charge of Conductor Emil Laas, with Caleb Cherry as engineer. The coach was on the rear of the train and the money car just ahead. When the train was near Westport the conductor thought he heard the air whistle sound very faintly. It aroused him to the belief that something was wrong on the express car. Going out on the platform he climbed into the car, and looking through the hole which the bell cord comes through he saw the upper part of a man, whose face below was concealed by a red flannel mask. The messenger he could not see. He went back and set the air brake and called his two trainmen. Suddenly the man's form appeared at the side door of the express car. Revolver bullets whistled past their ears, and a voice was heard commanding them to signal the engineer to go ahead or take the consequences. The trainmen were unarmed. The conductor told one of his men to jump off and run back to Jordan, and telegraph along the line to Rochester that they had a train robber on board. An exciting chase followed his discovery, in which he attempted to get away on a stolen locomotive, and afterwards on horseback, but he was finally captured and has admitted he was the man who attempted the robbery. He is believed to be the much-wanted Oliver Curtis Perry, who robbed Express Messenger Moore near Utica last fall. The car showed signs of a desperate struggle. Money packages and jewelry were lying scattered about, and everything was stained with blood. Messenger Melney was lying bleeding from several wounds and almost unconscious.

Pennyroyer Talked Of.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Since Senator Hill is liable to be the democratic candidate the friends of Gov. Pennyroyer are beginning to think of him as a vice-presidential candidate. Legislative clerk Gilfrey, of the senate, who is a democrat and an Oregon man, has been asked about Pennyroyer and has spoken rather flattering terms of him. Negotiations are being conducted between Hill's friends and the people of the various states, and Oregon is one of these, which is to be looked after. Hill's idea, is to have the few votes which Oregon will cast at the Chicago convention, taken away from Cleveland in any event, and placed in his credit, and in return Pennyroyer is to receive some vice-presidential votes from some states controlled by Hill. The purpose in bringing out Pennyroyer is to get the votes not only from Oregon but from the other Pacific coast states, and consequently break the Cleveland combination. Hill has said some very flattering things about Pennyroyer, and remarked upon his vote getting power, and that the party might do a great deal worse than to have him the vice-presidential candidate. Gilfrey speaks of Pennyroyer as a man with erratic ideas, which make him popular among a certain class of people in Oregon, and indicates that he would be apt to pull at least one if not more, Pacific states into the democratic column, if he were the vice-presidential nominee, with Hill at the head of the ticket, and free silver as a cardinal principle of the democratic platform.

Temporarily Suspended.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 21.—The imperial prohibition of the exportation of grain is about to be suspended in favor of the owners of the 10,000,000 poods of oats now lying at the Baltic ports awaiting shipment.

Another Candidate.

MANCHESTER, Feb. 20.—Ex-United States Senator Henry W. Blair, who has been counted as an advocate of President Harrison for renomination, has declared himself a presidential candidate.

LONDON THEATER TOUTS.

How Patrons Are Made Miserable by Cloak, Programme and Other Fiends. You have scarcely put your nose inside a theater before you are seized upon and called to stand and deliver. First it is your coat. Men and women rush after you and pester you for your coat. They would rejoice if all were foolish enough to yield to their importunate demands, and risk colds, coughs, influenza and bronchitis for the rest of their natural life. Why, it is madness to venture into the stalls without a draft protector. Modern theaters are so constructed that they are mere draft traps. If you are seated near the door you risk a stiff neck. You must wrap your cloak around you and be careful to protect your legs from the blasts of wind that pour in from every crack and canny. If you are in the center of the stalls, at many theaters directly the curtain is raised a tornado of wind rushes across the footlights and catches you by the throat. I often think that women are mad who venture into theaters with low dresses in winter time. It is bad enough for men.

And yet these attendants get quite offended if we do not leave behind us the only garments that will protect us from sudden death. Remember that no one is free from the theater highwaymen. Even those who go in with orders cannot get out of the cloakroom or programme tax. At last they must pay. I remember once going into a theater with a friend who had a keen sense of the ludicrous. I think it must have been W. S. Gilbert. It was a morning performance and he was attacked in the usual way:

"Coat, sir!"  
"What do you want with it?"  
"To take it off."  
"Very well," he murmured innocently. The highwayman prepared to strip off his coat, and behold! my friend, who had prepared for the dodge, walked away in his shirt sleeves! He had only put on his overcoat, with nothing underneath it.

Unconcerned he was preparing to enter the stalls coatless, when the attendant rushed after him.

"Look here, sir, you must not go into the stalls like that!"

"Why not?" he asked with a bland and innocent air. "You asked for my coat. You have got it. What more can you want?"

The coat and cloak fiends having been disposed of, you encounter the second rank of touts. Now it is a programme for which you must pay. They insolently bar your passage. They dun you and din into your ears. "Programme, sir!" It is not a civil request to know if you would like a programme or not, but a demand with an implied threat. The implication is that you are a stingy person, who has no right to be seen in the stalls.

But this is not all. Having gone through the first easy stages of theatrical purgatory, you are worried all the evening with ice sellers and chocolate vendors and stale cake providers. If you are in the stalls, safely wrapped up from the drafts, these touts edge in between the very narrow and uncomfortable stalls and generally make hay. They tread on your toes, they disturb the little nest you have made, they make havoc with the ladies' back hair, pulling out confiding hairpins and crushing the result of the maid's handiwork. They don't care if they dig you in the eye with an ice tray or powder you with the refuse of sponge cake or bury you under chocolate boxes.

Their duty is to make as much money as possible for the speculating contractor. It is not their fault, poor things. They all get a commission on their wares and it is their duty to tout.—Clement Scott in London Graphic.

Sense in National Proverbs.

There is a deal of sound sense in the proverbs of a nation. Earl Russell defined a proverb as being the wit of one man and the wisdom of many, and the aptness of this is well shown in the following from the Spanish, "Since we cannot get what we like, let us like what we get." The thought is as old as the race of mankind, but ages passed before one man hit upon the happy expression of it. This saying, from the Chinese, is a whole homily on pride in one sentence, "When a tree is blown down, it shows that the branches are longer than the roots."

For a concise expression of the lofty aspirations of youth and the sober achievements of riper years, take this sentence from Henry D. Thoreau, "The youth gets together his materials to build a bridge to the moon, or perchance a palace or temple on the earth, and at length the middle aged man concludes to build a woodshed with them."—E. A. Heydrick in Brains.

The Planchette.

The planchette was the popular craze in the year 1887 in Japan. The instrument used there consists of three pieces of bamboo of a specified length tied in the middle to form a tripod, over which is inverted a shallow circular tray of lacquered ware about a foot in diameter. The legs are 1 foot 6 inches, Japanese, in length. All present put their hands gently on the tray, and the cokuri, as the object is called, or cokuri san, san being honorific, is politely asked to answer the proposed questions by raising one leg for "yes" and another for "no." Or for "yes" by turning around, many such devices being used. The operation will be seen to be more closely allied to "table turning" than what we know as the planchette.—Philadelphia Ledger.

It Went Off.

One of my fellow students once bought an old gun, which he intended to use in some private theatricals he was producing. Several of his fellow comrades were in his room one night and the gun came up for criticism. One of them picked it up and pointed it, pulling the trigger. The others followed suit, but after six or seven of them had tried it, the next one pulled the trigger, the gun going off and blinding one of the poor fellows for life, as well as disfiguring him.—London Tit-Bits.

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