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PACIFIC COAST.

Value of Last Season's Orange Crop.

The population of Alaska is reported at 31,795.

The olive crop in Southern California is very large.

Santa Fe, N. M., is rejoicing because Fort Marcy is to be occupied by troops.

There are eighty-seven miles of graded and gravelled streets, nine miles of paved and seventy-nine miles of cement sidewalks at Los Angeles.

The manufacture of printing ink from petroleum has been regularly commenced at Santa Paula, and an ink department added to the refinery there.

United States Marshal T. H. Parsons, of Utah, is charged with assault and battery on female prisoners, and the charge will have official investigation.

The burglar who robbed the Cathedral at Los Angeles has been captured and turned out to be a noted professional crook and convict from the East.

Mrs. E. B. Crocker of Sacramento has just presented the California Museum Association the nucleus of a library. It consists of nearly 200 volumes in a large handsome bookcase.

There was to be a tug-of-war between Yuma Indians and Chinese at Los Angeles the other night, but when the time came for the pull the Indians drew the color line and backed out.

The State Railroad Commissioners have completed their annual inspection of the Union Pacific, Southern Pacific and Oregon Pacific railroad lands in Oregon, and find them in excellent condition.

An official investigation by the Coroner of King county, Wash., will probably be made as to the death of the man dug up from the landslide on the Northern Pacific railroad at Canton, in the Cascade Mountains.

During the past season there have been packed in Oregon over thirteen million pounds of salmon, valued at \$1,500,000. There are in the State thirty-two canneries and 1,500 men were employed in the industry.

The Whyte Brick Company of Pomona has begun suit against the Chino Sugar Company for \$38,000 and interest for one year on the same. The complaint alleges violation of contract and favoritism to Los Angeles brickmakers.

The Southern Pacific Company is becoming tired of legal squabbling, and begins to show a disposition to strip, and sue on the tax question. Overtures are said to have been made to Attorney-General Hart to secure a settlement.

The District Court at Dayton, Nev., has given A. Fred, a piddler, \$300 damages against L. M. McNeely, the Mason Alley Constable, who without a warrant arrested him for peddling without license. The costs and all amount to nearly \$1,000.

The value of last season's orange crop in Southern California is estimated at \$3,000,000. The yield of seedling oranges this year is light, that of navels normal. The increased acreage in raising will probably make up for the decreased yield.

An order from Secretary Tracy re-voled at Mare Island concerning hours of work, attendance and efficiency of employes has created quite a stir, and is put all hands on their good behavior.

The Anaconda Mining Company of Montana has decided to increase the stock from \$12,500,000 to \$25,000,000 and to issue 1,000,000 shares of \$25 a share at \$1,000,000 a share at similar value; also to pay off all cash of the mortgage bonds outstanding or authorized, aggregating \$7,500,000 at value.

In San Diego county Fall Brook irrigation district, formed some months ago, was voted by a large majority to issue \$400,000 worth of bonds; Linda Vista, the nearest district to San Diego, voted to issue \$1,000,000 worth of bonds. The vote in Otay district, embracing over 50,000 acres, re-ulted in a large majority in favor of forming the district.

A Mexican vaquero from Campo gave an exhibition of his skill in horsemanship in San Diego the other day. He was a little the worse for liquor, but succeeded in picking his last, handkerchief and other articles from the ground while riding his horse at full speed. He drew a big crowd to see the show until arrested for fast riding in the street.

A man has brought to Fresno from a mining camp on the San Joaquin a mass of gold weighing nearly one pound. It has run a tunnel under Table Mountain and has reached a bed of gravel underlying the lava. This locality is three miles from Millerton and thirty miles from Fresno. Miners believe the findings in the gravel will become valuable.

Edwin E. Phelps, a wholesale jeweler of San Francisco, has commenced suit in the United States Court at Seattle against Judge & Niblock of the First National Bank of Port Townsend, and Charles Thomas Jackson and Harry Eisenbeis to enforce judgment of about \$431 obtained several months ago against Judge & Niblock. Defendants are all of Port Townsend, and are prominent business men.

There is a bear skin on exhibition in Dublin's gun store in Po land that takes the cake. It is 9 1/2 feet in length and 8 1/2 inches in the widest place. The bear that wore this skin was a grizzly, and he lived in far off Alaska. Judging from the size of the skin, he must have been as large as two ordinary cows, and could not have weighed less than 2,500 pounds. It is by far the largest bear skin that has ever been in Portland, and even old bear hunters who are told of its dimensions shake their heads in an incredulous manner until they see it with their own eyes.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Morris, the English Poet, is Spoken of as Successor to Tennyson in the Laureateship.

Albert Bierstadt has sold his great painting, "The Last of the Buffaloes," for \$50,000.

Mr. Blaine's grand children, the Coppinger boys, are named respectively Blaine and Garret.

General Wade Hampton, it is reported, shows no signs of the physical breaking up recently reported of him.

General Butler's sore year is yielding to medical treatment, and it is supposed that he will be around again shortly.

Admiral Walker of the White Squadron has taken for his Secretary Ensign Niblack, son of Judge Niblack of Indiana.

The death of George Henry Hayden, the Australian explorer who made the first crossing from Melbourne to Gippsland, is reported.

The Cleveland and the baby with a big hair have moved to their cottage at the New Jersey resort, Lakewood, and are settled for the winter.

Sir Edward Arnold says that the late Lord Lytton was the best after-dinner speaker he ever heard and superior to our own Dr. Dewey at his best.

The late Governor Hovey of Indiana left enough manuscript verse to make a volume. It was mainly in ballad form, and may sometime be printed.

Sir Edwin Arnold glories in the fact that he has written at least 8,000 editorial leaders, each of which has been over half a column in length.

John Palmer, Commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., thinks the government ought to buy Mount McGregor and put a sanitarium there for consumptive soldiers.

Rev. R. Rudolph S. Field, whose accession from the Church of Rome in an act, 1870, made a considerable number died the other day in Reading, England.

Another portrait of Columbus has been discovered at a cabinet belonging to the Duc de Talleyrand. A photograph of it has been sent to the French Geographical Society.

A son of Powers, the sculptor, has a studio in Denver, where he is engaged on a work entitled "A Closing Era." It represents a lonely Indian standing over a prostrate and dying buffalo.

It is on the cards that Lord Stanley intends to resign the Governor-Generalship of Canada. If he does, it will be the first case on record in which a Stanley of Preston resigned a good thing.

A London cable dispatch says her royal highness, Princess Helen Angusta Victoria, has given her consent to be President of the English Committee of Women's Work for the Columbian Fair.

The late ex Confederate to claim the honor of being the youngest veteran is William S. Raymond of Fairmont, W. Va., who says he was a courier on the staff of General Imboden in 1862, when he was but 10 years of age.

The Garfield boys are fitting for lead ers' places, as did their father. I. M. Garfield has been elected Captain of the foot-ball team at Williams College for next year. He is a strong and plucky athlete. Williams graduated the ex-president and his elder sons, James and Larry.

A recent paragraph in Harper's Weekly stated that General J. A. Haideman of Kansas was "the only American whom the King of Siam has ever despatched to wear the decoration of the Sacred White Elephant." It seems, however, that this was an error, the same honor having been conferred upon Colonel Thomas W. Knox, the famous "Boy Traveller." Of English speaking persons, Queen Victoria has never distinguished by the favor of the Oriental King.

NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Senator Stewart of Nevada Introduces His Free-Coinage Bill the First Thing in the Senate.

Representative Wilson has had a consultation with the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, going over the articles of agreement with the Colville Indians for the cession of a portion of their large reservation.

Senator Mitchell has introduced a number of bills. Among them was his old boat-railway bill, appropriating \$2,800,335 for building a railway around the dunes. This passed at the last session. Also the payment of \$3,783 to Astoria for property taken for a public building. The Senator has a number of other measures which he intends to put in as soon as he finds time.

An effort is being made to consolidate all appropriations with the committee in the House. This is in the direction of scaling down all appropriations to the smallest possible amount. It is not liable to occur, however, as there are too many members who are looking for appropriations for rivers and harbors, Indian affairs and other interests, who would not feel like giving their interests with one appropriations committee, especially if Objector Holman was to be Chairman, which now seems probable.

Senator Allen did not introduce the Washington State public-buildings bill, as it was deemed best to hold them until the delegation had a consultation as to the best plan to pursue. Representative Wilson does not believe in the site plan, and thinks that the bill may be put through for a building in one town, and he naturally wants it at Spokane. The other cities are somewhat ambitious, but there is no possibility of getting four site bills through. That was tried last winter, and it will meet with more opposition in this Congress.

The order for introducing bills in the Senate had been scarcely uttered when Stewart of Nevada, was with his free coinage bill. Whether it will pass the Senate or not is not known. The statement is made that enough Democratic Senators, who last year favored free coinage, will oppose it this year and prevent it from going through, but it is hard to see how such action can be prevented unless the Republicans arrange the finance committee in such shape as to smother any silver bill. It is generally conceded that the house will pass a free coinage bill and that President Harrison will have to disapprove of such measure before the conventions nominate Presidential candidates.

EASTERN ITEMS.

Low Water Causes the Stopping of Mills.

NEW YORK BANK DEPOSITS.

Doctors Report That the Stigmata Marks of Mrs. Stueckenburg Are Genuine.

The Miantonomah will not leave New York this winter.

The past season on the Erie canal has not been profitable for the boatmen.

Officials implicated in the Cheyenne agency frauds have been suspended.

Subscriptions are being raised in Philadelphia to build a bourse in that city.

The New York Times has decided to increase its price from 2 to 3 cents per copy.

It is said that 50,000 Kansas people have removed to Texas in the past two years.

The Rock Island is surveying routes south through the Indian Territory to Texas.

Next year over \$1,200,000 will be spent in Chicago for racing prizes.

It is said that \$75,000 have been sent to Texas to be used in establishing subtropical organs.

A railroad official says that the Kansas railroads need about 7,000 more freight cars than they have.

In Atlanta there is a strong movement in favor of the founding of a State reformatory for juvenile criminals.

The story that the Chicago syndicate is to purchase the Palace Hotel at San Francisco has no foundation in fact.

The grievances between the Southern Pacific management and the conductors and brakemen have been amicably settled.

The papers published in many of the Southern States tell of the arrival of large numbers of Russian Hebrews there.

Lady Henry Somerset in a speech in New York a few nights ago said that that city was approaching the White-chapel condition.

The Engineering News finds that 918 miles of railroad have been constructed in the far Western States as against 1,325 miles in the whole 1891.

The water in the lakes and streams of Western Connecticut is so low that many mills have stopped running, and others have had to return to steam power.

Special Agent Ouden of the land office will decide against the Kaweah colonists, and will hold that they have no right on the Sequoia Park lands in question.

One rascal lawyer of Mississippi has received his last deserts. He swindled two women out of pension money, and has been sent to State prison for six years.

George Vanderbilt expects to spend \$1,000,000 a year upon his new chateau in North Carolina until it is completed, which will not be for ten years to come.

The South Carolina House of Representatives has passed a bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors except under certain restrictions.

At San Antonio, Tex., Judge King arrested the grand jury and imprisoned the members for contempt for serving in attachment on him while he was on the bench.

Physicians who have been watching Mrs. Stueckenburg, the woman who bears the stigmata marks at Louisville, Ky., report that the manifestations are genuine, but inexplicable.

The deposits of the New York banks are \$427,313,000, against \$378,578,000 a year ago, and the loans are \$412,453,000, against \$384,547,000. This shows a healthy financial condition.

The motion of Joseph Hinkel to declare null and void the patent issued to the Southern Pacific Company for land in the Los Angeles district has been denied by Secretary Noble.

Governor Hill of New York has removed the County Clerk of Onondaga county, who refused to countersign the certificate of election of the Democratic candidates to the Legislature.

There is much excitement in Atlantic county, N. J., over the increase of the tax assessments from \$4,000,000 to \$11,000,000. Farmers and beach-front owners are violently protesting.

One of the New York papers is doing an enlightening work in presenting diagrams showing how the Tammany Excise Commissioners in that city have established a cord of saloons around all the public schools.

St. Paul is now boasting that it will get more advantages than Minneapolis will get from the Republican National Convention, as it has larger and finer hotels and more airy and better located hotels than its rival city.

The private strong box of Frank Jones, President of the Boston and Maine railroad, has been taken from the vault of the Maverick Bank and opened. It was found to contain \$3,000,000 in securities and gold and all was found undisturbed.

A raid in Chicago against immoral publications, which are issued by a score of printing concerns in that city, has been made. The first man arrested was W. W. Knox, formerly of San Francisco. He admitted his guilt, and was placed under bonds.

Out of 280 members of Congress polled on the silver question it is announced that 154 favor free American silver, 171 unlimited coinage, 170 against free coinage, and 54 doubtful. Fifty-four senators favor free coinage, 33 are opposed, 1 (Brice) doubtful. It requires 59 Senate votes to pass a bill over the President's veto.

The report of the committee having in charge the proposed work of the Catholic Congress of 1893, provides that the Congress shall consist of ten general delegates from every diocese, and additional delegates in a proportion of five to every 2,500 of the Catholic population, these delegates to be appointed by a Bishop of the diocese. Each Catholic university, college and seminary shall have the right to invite distinguished laymen.

EDUCATIONAL.

Satisfactory Reports From Secretaries of Chautauque Circles on the Pacific Coast.

Philadelphia now proposes to furnish a free noon-day lunch to the pupils in its public schools.

There are said to be 10,000 children in Chicago unable to attend school because of insufficient clothing.

The New York Recorder says Massachusetts proposes introducing the typewriter into the public schools.

The annual cost of education in the public schools of the United States is \$16.51 for each pupil in attendance.

In some of our colleges a number of young men are taking to study as a result from the monotony of athletics.—Boston Transcript.

A Smith county, Kan., school teacher has been employed for an eight months' term on condition that she will not marry during that time.

Oxford University, England, has expressed its willingness to send a 300 crew to the World's Fair, provided a competition can be arranged with American college crews.

Baltimore has now a Ladies' Athletic Club, under the instruction of one of Dr. Sargent's pupils, and New Orleans has a large gymnasium in connection with its Woman's Club.

Some unnamed Eastern philanthropist has given \$50,000 toward a library fund for the Colorado College at Colorado Springs. Of this \$35,000 will be expended on a building, and \$15,000 for books.

The school for the boys of the Apache tribe, at Mount Vernon barracks in Alabama, is a success. The Apache boys there are taught to speak the English language and to give up all the ways of savagery.

The new Chicago University owns land worth \$2,000,000, and has an endowment of \$2,000,000, but little money to put up buildings. The trustees have issued a call for subscriptions of \$1,000,000 for this purpose.

Advices have been received from Goffe, Sweden, under date of November 11th, that the Parliament of that country has just passed a Temperance-Education law that in all the public schools of Sweden instruction shall be given regarding the nature and effects of alcohol.

No less eminent authority than Sir William Gull of Great Britain has said that the benefit derived from a university education, such as given at New-ham and Girton, makes them and their children stronger and healthier. Also, that the percentage of childless marriages is less with the educated women, and the percentage of children that survive infancy is larger.

Most satisfactory reports are to hand from secretaries of Chautauque circles in different parts of Chautauque, also from Oregon and Nevada. The system of popular self-education continued by the faculty at Chautauque, N. Y., has become pretty well understood by the people. It has brought happiness and interest to many families in homes situated far from the centers of population—in the mountains, along the seashore and scattered through the farming sections of the coast. The studies during the present year are devoted almost exclusively to American subjects, a fact which popularizes it with many who took little interest in the method before. It is a well-received fact that the people know too little about their own country. All those who pursue the course this winter will find themselves next year in the possession of information they never dreamed of before. In San Francisco the course of free popular lectures inaugurated a year ago has been continued, and every evening draws out a large audience. Recent information from the Eastern headquarters is to the effect that more persons are running the readings this year than ever before, and that even in foreign countries there is a growing interest in the Chautauque system.

WORLD'S FAIR NOTES.

The Jewelers of Hanau, Germany, Have Decided to Make a United Exhibit at the Fair.

Pueblo, Col., is raising money with which to equip and send to Chicago a "Cov-joy band."

Ceylon has sent, through Sir Henry Wood, a request for space upon which to build a tea house.

Aquatic fowls of all climes will probably swim about in the lagoons of Jackson Park during the period of the Fair.

Wyoming's building at the Fair will be of the French chateau style of architecture, 55x75 feet, two stories high, and will cost about \$30,000.

Medicine, a new competition, designed as a substitute for brick and building stone, has been adopted for the sidewalks and driveways in the exposition grounds.

There is talk of bringing to the World's Fair the great metal statue of William Penn, which is to surmount Philadelphia's City Hall. The figure is thirty-six feet high.

The great dome of the administration building, which will be the most conspicuous architectural feature of the exposition, and the four smaller domes, will be covered with aluminum bronze, a newly-discovered amalgam which is said to glisten brighter than gold. The contract for gilding the domes has been let for \$54,000.

Some rare odd curios in the way of saddles and ancient harness will probably be seen at the World's Fair. The National Association of Saddlers has decided to raise \$35,000 for an exhibit of their trade at the Fair. This will be expended largely for ancient saddlery and harness, which will be procured through special collectors.

The Consul-General of Japan at New York, Mr. Takahira, writes to Chief Skiff of the mines department that the mining and metallurgical exhibit from that country in copper, gold, silver and lead will be something exceptionally large; also in porcelains, pottery, dyes and bronzes.

Rev. Dr. S. J. McPherson of Chicago, at the instance of a number of associates prominent in religious circles, will correspond with individuals and societies in the various denominations with a view of having a conference of delegates from all parts of the country to arrange for a religious exhibit at the World's Fair.