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PACIFIC COAST.  
Indictments Dismissed  
Against Mormons.

HIGHWAYMEN ROB A STAGE.  
Oregon's Board of Equalization Raises  
the Total of Taxable Property—Other News.

The grip has firm hold at Sacramento and Los Angeles.  
All danger of floods in Oregon from the Willamette is now passed.  
The ice-men at Truckee have been fighting hard to keep their ponds clear of snow.

Anaheim is satisfied its sugar-factory project is a success, and the factory will be in operation next fall.  
Stockists here have four flouring mills running, they having a combined capacity of 5,000 barrels per day.

Chinese fishermen are charged with peddling in the streets of Sacramento fish caught in the foal waters of Sutterville Lake.  
Annie Campbell, who passed counterfeit money at Boise City has been found guilty by a jury. Her male accomplices made their escape.

The certainty of the completion of the gap in the coast road by the Southern Pacific is causing the pulse of the land owners to beat stronger.  
W. A. Arlington of East Portland while hunting attempted to climb over a log, and in doing so the log in the gun was discharged and the top of the head of the young man was blown off.

Highwaymen held up the stage near the Idaho and Montana line the other night, and collected \$6,000 in jewelry and \$100 in cash from the passengers. The jewelry is the property of a Chicago wholesale house.  
Indictments against nearly 100 Mormons in Idaho have been dismissed at Boise City. The accused were charged with violating the election laws, and the case involved the construction of the Idaho canal.

Joseph Flynn of Virginia, Nev., has applied for letters patent on an air ship, which he claims he can hold stationary in space while the earth revolves beneath him, thus enabling him to circumnavigate in twenty-four hours.  
Only seven of the lady bugs sent from Australia by Mr. Koehle are alive. It has not yet been proved that the insect multiplies rapidly enough to be of service; so horticulturists in the south are advised to continue fumigation.

E. B. Campbell, well known in the Sidney E. Bell Jacobson case at San Francisco, has made an affidavit at Truckee, in which he swears he was bribed by the prosecution, and will tell a different story if a new trial is granted.  
Jesus Arviso, charged with robbing the mails last April between Bowie and Solomonville, A. T., has been sentenced to ten years in San Quentin, Cal. Arviso is the last of a gang who monthly robbed stages and the mail in Southern Arizona.

Bishop Hoge of Bear Lake county, Idaho, prominent in the Mormon Church, is on trial before the United States Court for unlawfully cutting timber on public lands. Mr. Hawley, his attorney, says if he is cleared of all it will be on a technicality.  
Reliable information from the Tomesal tin mines, now being operated by the San Jacinto estate, is to the effect that there have lately been opened up large bodies of low-grade ore. The mine is working with a full force, and is producing about two tons of metallic tin per day.  
A suit for damage to the amount of \$12,000 has been begun by Mrs. Nelson Balbridge of Santa Anita, Cal., against the Western Union Telegraph Company in Ohio. A message from her sick husband was delayed one week. When she reached Columbus, O., where he was, he was dead.  
The Oregon Board of Railroad Commissioners finds that the railroad accident on the Union Pacific near La Grande December 29, 1891, in which three persons were killed, was due to the negligence of the company. The board says the engine was not suited to the track.  
Parties who were induced to locate land on St. Clemente Island at considerable expense are disgusted with their information from the land office at Washington that the island is not subject to survey and disposal, and that the government has reserved the land for light-house purposes.  
Relocators of the Benton Consolidated Oaledonia and Knickerbocker mining claims in the Gold Hill district, Nevada, have instructed their attorneys to notify the public not to purchase shares of stock in the above-named companies, claiming that the title to the ground represented by the said stock has been forfeited.  
The Phoenix (A. T.) Gazette of the 2d instant was an excellent paper, and its circulation East will have beneficial returns to the Territory. The agricultural and horticultural possibilities of the Salt River Valley, with the present results so well known, are not exaggerated, but will be a revelation to those who are seeking for a pleasant place for home.

EDUCATIONAL.  
Turning Made Compulsory in All Girls' Schools in Cassel and Berlin, Germany.

Reading (Pa.) workmen have protested against the introduction of cooking into the public schools.  
In the universities of Germany there are 1,960 foreign students. Among them are 453 Americans, 331 Russians, 203 Austrians, 225 Swis and 117 English.  
The new Harvard catalogue shows her whole number of students to be 2,657, and that she has 124 professors and instructors in the faculty of arts and sciences.

The Mount Holyoke Alumnae Association of New York has raised \$45,000 for an educational project in memory of Mary Biglum, the first President of the college.  
Vassar's share of the Fayerweather bequest (\$50,000) is to be used in building the new dormitory, which the increase in the number of students has made necessary.  
The Brook memorial at Princeton College is to take the form of a recreation field, and the plans as decided upon contemplate one of the finest series of such grounds in this country.

Thomas H. Swope, a wealthy resident of Kansas City and a graduate of Center College at Danville, Ky., has sent that institution a check for \$25,000 to be used for any purpose designated by the faculty.  
Seven girls have passed examination at Brown University, and will take up the freshman studies under the privilege of the co-education law recently enacted by the corporation. The class will number over 12 members.  
There are at present 133,000 colleges and schools in India for men, with 3,625,300 students, but there are only to be found a few hundred schools of low vernacular standards and half a dozen colleges for women, with 294,201 students.

In Reykjavik, the capital of remote Iceland, a chivalric lady has erected on her own land a high school for Iceland girls. Needing more funds for teaching salaries, books, etc., than her private income would cover, she has sold her family jewels, many of them heirlooms 700 years old, in order to obtain the money for her enterprise.  
In Denmark and Sweden it has been the custom for many years to weigh and measure the school children every year. The results were as follows: "In the seventh or eighth year of life boys grow considerably in height and in weight, after which a delay sets in, which reaches its maximum in the tenth year and lasts till the fourteenth year, when a considerable acceleration of growth again sets in. This acceleration lasts till the end of the sixteenth year. Its maximum is at first in height and later on in weight, gaining its maximum in the latter in the sixteenth year. At the end of the nineteenth year, bodily development of youth seems to end. In general the course of development is quite different. The decrease in growth after the eighth year is not so great as in boys, and yields in the twelfth year to a rapid increase in the height. The acceleration in the increase in weight comes later, at the seventeenth or eighteenth year, the increase is but slight. The increase in weight, however, sinks to zero almost in the twentieth year, when the growth in women may be regarded as ended." A remarkable thing is that boys grow faster than girls, in weight and height till the sixteenth year, then faster again. With slight variation these relations obtain all over Sweden and Denmark.

NATIONAL CAPITAL.  
Bill Introduced to Admit Free to the World's Fair All Who Served in the Union Army.

Representative Pickler introduced a bill conferring the privilege of free admission to the World's Fair on all who served in the Union army or navy during the war.  
Representative Stump of Maryland introduced a resolution requesting the President to lay before the House any definite and positive information in the possession of the State Department relative to the famine in Russia, with such recommendations for action as is within the power of the government.  
Representative Eyles of Tennessee has introduced a bill amending paragraph 199 of the schedule tariff law of 1880 so as to provide that lead ore and lead dross shall pay a duty of 3/4 cent per pound, provided ores containing silver and lead, in which silver is of greater value, be considered as silver ores and be admitted free of duty.  
Representative O'Neill of Missouri has introduced a bill for the enforcement of the eight-hour law in all departments of the government and extending its provisions to laborers under government contract; also a bill prohibiting the use of convict-made goods or materials in the departments or public buildings or under contracts with the Indians.  
Senator Allen's speech on the Nicaragua canal has attracted a good deal of attention and elicited very favorable comment. He said it was the wish of his constituents that this canal should be built, and pointed out the many advantages that would accrue. Speaking of what the Pacific Northwest could send through the canal in deep-water ships, he referred to the gigantic forests, the walls of coal and iron, the immense quantities of lumber, Oregon and Washington had a cereal belt surpassing any part of our country or in the world. The speech contained all the points in his recent interview on the same subject.  
Representative Wilson has introduced a bill for a lightship, house and flag signal at Gray's harbor, appropriating \$150,000 for the purpose. He also introduced public-buildings bills for the three principal cities of Washington; one appropriating \$500,000 for a building and site at Tacoma, another for the same amount at Seattle. The bill for Spokane appropriates \$300,000, and it is the only one which can possibly be got through this session, as Representative Sweet of Idaho, who is a member of the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, says that he will favor Spokane above the other different sites, and it is not possible for one State to get more than one building during this Congress. Mr. Wilson will introduce a bill for a public building at Walla Walla, and will let it take its chances in the House.

EASTERN ITEMS.  
Perkins Appointed Senator From Kansas.

CHICAGO HOTELS CROWDED.  
Secretary Tracy Promulgates a New Order—Formation of a Huge Glass Combine.

It will cost \$950,000 to put the desired wings on the White House.  
Baltimore ministers have taken a firm stand against Sunday funerals.  
Duluth's receipts of wheat since September 1 have been 32,173,043 bushels.  
The Massachusetts naval battalion is to be armed with the new Lee repeating rifle.  
Death notices in the Philadelphia newspapers fill from four to five columns daily.  
Chicago expects to have her South Side elevated railroad in operation by April 1.  
Contributions to the four fund for the distressed Russians now reach 700,000 pounds.  
Kentucky's State Treasurer thinks \$3,000 is too small a salary, and he has resigned.  
Texarkana (Ark.) School Board is alarmed about gambling among the school children.  
All the type foundries in the United States are said to have been so d to an English syndicate.  
Congressman Outting is the father of a bill to promote the efficiency of the militia of the country.  
Mixed-blood Indians are organizing to demand the same treatment the government gives full-bloods.  
The failed New York firm of Henry E. Titus & Co. is found to have \$5,000 of assets and \$30,000 debts.  
Maine sustained a bigger loss by fire during 1891 than for several years past. The losses foot up more than \$1,000,000.  
The strike of the Southern express messengers on the Illinois Central threatens to extend over the whole South.  
The total number of murders committed in this country during the past year was 5,906, as compared with 4,290 in 1890.  
Many Congressmen favor the digging of the great ship canal from Niagara river to the Hudson, to cost about \$40,000,000.  
At Philadelphia the work of destroying the dies used for making coins during 1891 has commenced at the United States Mint.  
Joseph Pulitzer is back of an enterprise to publish the Chicago World, which is an incorporated company proposed to establish.  
It is almost impossible now for Chicago hotels to accommodate the tide of travel setting thither from all parts of the civilized world.  
Georgia cotton factors have called a convention of all those interested in growing cotton to take action on the proposition to reduce the acreage of cotton next year.  
Representative Fitch of New York introduced a bill fixing the following rates of duty: Barley, 10 cents per bushel; barley malt, 20 cents per bushel; hops, 3 cents per pound.  
The total value of the freight passing the " Soo " canal, leaving out of Lake Superior, last year was \$128,178,208, which is an increase of \$30,000,000 from the aggregate of 1890.  
It is stated that the National Cordage Company, which controls the manufacture of binding twine in this country, intends to raise the price of its product 1 or 2 cents a pound next year.  
Representative Pettion of Ohio has introduced in the House a joint resolution amending the Constitution by making the Presidential term five years and declaring the incumbent ineligible for re-election.  
Representative Newberry of Illinois introduced a bill authorizing the Secretary of War to detail for special duty in connection with the World's Fair such officers of the army as may be required for the purpose.  
At Wheeling, W. Va., preliminary steps have been taken in the formation of a powerful glass combine to oppose the United States Glass Company. The proposed capital will be in the neighborhood of \$4,000,000.  
Under the recent decisions of the Chicago courts any person of good character is entitled to a saloon license in that city, no matter where the groggery might be located and no matter how objectionable such groggery might be.  
Twelve breweries in Cincinnati, Covington and Newport have agreed to form a combination similar to the whisky trust for the purpose of improving the quality of the product and reducing the expense of production and delivery.  
Kansas Alliance men are suspicious of the National Union Object, a corporation whose alleged object is to make cheap purchases for the benefit of the Alliance members. They think it is in reality a branch of the Jute Bagging Trust.  
Hassan Ben Ali of Morocco is seeking a concession to make a Morocco exhibit at the exposition. He says he will spend \$50,000 in showing the people, manners, customs, amusements, etc., of his country and in bringing to Chicago a tribe of Berbers.  
The United States Supreme Court has sustained the law of the State of South Carolina, which provides that the expenses of the State Railway Commission be borne by the railroads doing business in the State, each being taxed a proportionate share of maintaining the commission on the basis of the mileage within the State.  
Secretary Tracy has promulgated a new order relative to the classification of rating of vessels. It provides that ships of and above 5,000 tons displacement shall be classed as first rates; those of and above 3,000 but below 5,000, second rates; those of 1,000 and above but below 3,000 tons displacement as third rates, and all those of less than 1,000 tons displacement as fourth rate.

PERSONAL MENTION.  
Cardinal Manning Does All His Literary Work on a Pad, Which He Rests on His Knee.

Edgar Saltus, the novelist, is pictured as a small man with a sturdy frame, a fine head, an observant eye and a mustache black as night.  
Sir Edwin Arnold calls Zola's pen "the poisoned scalpel" of the dissecting room of literature, and yet the poet pretends to admire the novelist.  
Mme. Tateno, wife of the Japanese Minister in Washington, can talk English well enough to go shopping, and, like her American sisters, she greatly enjoys that pursuit.  
The opinion of the eminent French neurologist, Charcot, that all men of genius are to some degree insomniac simply endears a popular belief that has obtained since the beginning of time.  
General E. Burd Grubb, United States Minister to Spain, with his charming young bride, who was Miss Violet Sopwith of Lismore, Argyllshire, Scotland, is the leader of diplomatic entertainers at Madrid.  
Queen Victoria has long been regarded as more or less of a recluse, being notably indifferent to society. But of recent years she has grown more social in her ways, and now shows a fondness for making visits.  
The richest of the new Senators is Felton of California, who is said to have one million to Stanford's three. He was a poor boy at the time of the discovery of gold in California, and made his money in mining.  
The widow of Emile de Girardin, the famous French journalist, died recently in Geneva in obscurity. She was the publicist's second wife, and in first coming to Paris in 1855 went for a time at the Tuileries as a great beauty.  
Lothar Bucher, Bismarck's former private secretary, is preparing his master's memoirs. Bucher was a revolutionist of 1849. He is the author of some of the ablest political pamphlets of the day. He is said to be a man of wonderful ability.  
Charles N. Felton, the new millionaire Senator from California, was a forty-niner. Both in the mining camp and afterward as Sheriff of Yuba county he displayed plenty of courage, but was often severely criticised for his love of clean linen.  
Secretary Elkins has a large family to house in Washington. He has six children with him all the time, the oldest being a daughter by his first wife; but there also is a still older daughter, who is married, that makes long visits with her parents.  
Alexander Dumas is nothing if not original. He has now proposed a tax upon diners out for the benefit of the poor. Most people have run away with the idea that a fit of indignation was all the tax upon a diner out that he could well stagger under.  
The manuscript of "Home, Sweet Home," was given by John Howard Payne to Miss Mary Harlan. Miss Harlan has died, and the manuscript has disappeared, though it is believed to be still in existence, and efforts are being made to discover it.  
Fenimore's a dislike, not to say hatred, of the common people grows on him with his years. His beautiful home at Havellmore is so arranged as to exclude the "propane herd" from a sight of the venerable poet, and it is a rare thing for any outsider to catch a glimpse of him as he strolls about the garden with his long pipe and slouch hat.  
Cardinal Manning does all his literary work on a small writing pad, which he rests on his knee. The famous English prelate is now past 81 years of age and growing feeble. His fine, intellectual face is seamed with the lines that old age brings, and the skin is drawn tightly across his broad forehead. The Cardinal is a very tall man, more than six feet in height when erect, but his slender figure is bent with years, and his white hair shows in scant locks from beneath his skull cap.

WRULD'S FAIR NOTES.  
The President of Ecuador Orders a Complete Display of Women's Work at the Fair.  
The women physicians, pharmacists and dentists of Illinois intend to prepare an exhibit to be made in the Illinois State building.  
The department of electricity is making an effort to secure a complete collection of historical electrical apparatus in order to show the progress of the science from early times.  
The pressure exerted on the Rhinish manufacturers to induce them to exhibit at the World's Fair is likely to be successful. Several prominent ones among them, who at first refused, are changing their opinion.  
The President of Ecuador has ordered that a complete display of woman's work shall be prepared for the fair. This is to include a collection of gold and silver braid work, woven straw and other novelties. Two or three women may be sent to Chicago to take charge of the display.  
L. Takaguti and K. Ikeda, two representatives commissioned by the Mikado of Japan, have been in Chicago, seeking detailed information concerning the exposition. They were greatly pleased and said their country would make a fine exhibit, and that it would be a number of private art treasures of the Mikado.  
In the interest of the Persian participation in the exposition the Persian government has limited the export-duty on all goods which will be sent to the World's Fair from Persia, and it has also lifted the import duty on all goods which will be purchased at the World's Fair and brought into Persia. These concessions have greatly increased the interest taken in the World's Fair in Persia.  
Electricity is to be the motive force in Jackson Park during the construction of the buildings. The electric plant has been completed and steam engines used for power. This is done in order to reduce the fire risk. The saw mills, used in getting out building material, which have been run by steam, are now supplied by electric power, furnished, if desired, night and day. Electrical Engineer Sargent is preparing with a fifty-horse-power plant to supply electric motor service.