From the Pacific to the Atlantic.

Rev. Reese P. Kendall, who with his family, left Medford a few weeks ago for Boston, Mass., sends us this week a very terse, well written account of his trip from ocean to ocean, which we print below.

A host of valued friends at the Medford depot wished us God speed which we long remembered. Conspiracies of exigencies even prevented making a final visit upon our chosen friends, and this is a humble apology. The delay of train did not change equilibrium, for we felt that all would come right to the righteous. Even flitting fancies of the road agent in Cow creek canyon did not hinder a good sleep in the well prepared "tourist bunks," for which the sable guardian got his douceur. Smoke, as feared, masked the landscapes, and no view was had further away than half a mile. We rolled up to the Portland depot on time, and were met by Mr. A. D. Charlton, assistant passenger agent of the Northern Pacific, who did all in his power to arrange matters to our satisfaction. Then two old friends were found, with whom the necessary wait seemed too very short. The flight along the southern bank of the Columbia and crossing upon the large ferry kept us busy watching the changing panorama, and then we looked for the much discussed Sound, where was met our first contretempts in a gray haired official requiring us to occupy the smoking car, but which was corrected by telegram from Portland before leaving Ellensburg, where we lay down in comfortable bunks to sleep and ride over one of the best road beds in America. Thereafter no trouble disturbed the even tenor of our ways as long as we stayed under the care of the Northern Pacific, but, "the best laid plans of men and nice gang aft aglee" for all western roads—always alive to the comfort of people of modest means, find themselves bridled, bitted and saddled with the incubus of cod fish as soon as they cross the meridian of the Mississippi and ask the same courtesies extended onward to the Atlantic. Common sense, common decency and humanity ask why the eastern roads should draw a line and say practically, "pay an exorbitant price or you shall have no comfort at all." Well, we don't understand why the very reasonable sum of one dollar per night on a double berth on the Southern Pacific tourists to Kansas City could not be afforded continuously to the Atlantic. No, unless you pay thirteen dollars more for a so-called first-class Atlantic ticket you can't even sleep in a five-dollar-a-night bed, which is twice as much as the dearest hotel in the universe charges. The holder of a second class ticket rides in just as good a day coach as the road owns, right beside a first-class passenger, whose only advantages are, stop off, which not one in ten uses, and is no particle of harm or trouble to the road, and the privilege of being sand bagged by the payment of five dollars per night for a bed no better than the Northern Pacific tourist. I don't care about him, for that is the price he pays for being a cod fish, but I do speak for the hundreds of plain people who are compelled to suffer when they are willing to pay a good price for comfort.

In St. Paul we got aboard the Wisconsin Central for a night's travel to Chicago, and in these cars, we and all our fellow passengers did penance for all our sins, past and future. But, as their affairs have just fallen into the hands of the Northern Pacific, will soon have all as good as their own, unless hoodoed by cod fish. In Chicago your correspondent got lost twice in a five hour's wait.

Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois and Indiana presented scenes of plenty and comfort. Smoke masked nearly all the summits and quite all the prominent peaks, even in the Rockies, and hence we were not rid of it until far out on the plains.

One and a quarter days marked our stay in the Langham, on Washington street, and then we found rooms at 76 East Newton street in South End, Boston. Only two blocks away is the immense west end of the harbor where many vessels are unloading lime, sand, stone, coal, coke and lumber. Three piano factories are near, and to-day we were in the establishment which makes the kind we sold in Medford. Abby tried several of their highest priced and pronounced them no better than Mrs. Morine's. By paying more rent we got gratis the use of a piano with all the heat and light needed—the light from the gas works. The rooms are full furnished and with a free bath room, hot and cold water. But expenses will be more than in Medford, while fish are twice as dear. To-day we went to see the historical common, where the boys complained of the Red Coats to their general, and visited also the gorgeous public gardens, all worth traveling far to see. The California Batallion spent $200 and expenses per capita upon their outfit. About 25,000 Templars for visitors! Overwhelming! Well, Americans don't do anything by halves.

REESE P. KENDALL.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

Vicious Acts of Lawbreakers and Losses by Fire and Accidents.

Seven prisoners overpowered the jailer at the Astoria (Or.) jail and made their escape.

The Northern Pacific depot at Uniontown, Wash., was robbed by burglars recently.

Six employes of the Providence (R. I.) Gas company were suffocated in the cellar of a gas holder.

Henry Helzel shot and killed John Quinn at Louisville, Ky. They had quarreled over a woman.

Andrew Anderson has been arrested at Mill Valley, Cal., on a charge of criminally assaulting a 7-year-old girl.

Ten wooden business houses and 50 Chinese dwellings were destroyed by fire at Vacaville, Cal., causing damage of $30,000. Insurance, $15,000.

John Richards, a patient at the Indianapolis hospital for the insane, killed Nathan Dnihoo, another patient, by hitting him on the head with a chair.

Edward Wilson and Samuel Sorten, who passed counterfeit money at Los Angeles, have been sentenced to serve two years each in San Quentin prison.

Howard Castle, alias Castello, alias Raymond, the notorious check forger, has been arrested at Chicago. He is wanted in nearly every state in the union for forgery.

Elmo Headley, aged 18, is under arrest at Fresno on a charge of horse stealing. He was a member of the notorious James and Dillwood gang which was recently broken up.

Attorney C. A. Stonesifer fired two shots at S. L. Hanscom, wounding him slightly, as the men were passing each other in buggies at Modesto, Cal. The lawyer surrendered and was released on $2,000 bail.

Siegfried Nagel, a mining operator of Gibbonsville, Idaho, has been arrested at New York charged with obtaining $10,000 by false pretenses in procuring promissory notes on worthless warehouse receipts.

A Los Angeles high school boy, aged 18 years, began a career as a highwayman last week at the west end of San Bernardino county and ended it behind the bars. His name is Vadim Demens, is 6 feet 2 inches high, an athlete and the star player of the Los Angeles high school football team. His father is worth $500,000 and was for many years second vice president and general manager of the Orange Belt railway in Florida, owned by the Drexels of New York. Fear of the yellow fever drove him to Southern California a few years ago and he got rich in real estate. The boy is wild and had come under his father's displeasure. School closed the first week in June and he was sent to work on his father's ranch at North Cucamonga, San Bernardino county. He worked until last week, when he got a notion to visit Florida and determined to get money to travel on by robbery. He stole a revolver and held up D. Kilgore, the Santa Fe station agent at North Cucamonga. Then he held up a grocery keeper and a lone traveler.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

THE GIST OF THE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS AS TOLD BY TELEGRAPH.

Interesting Items From Europe, Asia, Africa and North and South America, With Particular Attention to Important Home News.

Hog cholera prevails to an alarming extent in Indian territory.

The Anaheim (Cal.) irrigation district, formed under the Wright act, has disorganized.

Grand Army members have been invited to attend the opening of the exposition at Atlanta, Ga.

The twelfth annual convention of the Association of Agricultural Chemists has opened at Washington.

Additional tests on the armor plate of the battle-ship Iowa will be made with shots from a 13-inch gun.

The German Methodist Episcopal conference of Ohio is opposed to admitting women to the general conference.

Railway passenger agents in Chicago report that the amount of Grand Army business will this year be smaller than usual.

The plug tobacco manufacturers held a meeting at New York to devise means to fight the American Tobacco company.

Mrs. Sarah Carlin of Chicago, while looking for her child, was caught under the ruins of a falling building and seriously hurt.

The cruisers of the White Squadron have sailed for Fisher's island, off the Massachusetts coast, where gun drill will be held.

A boiler which ran the electric light dynamo in the Chicago postoffice building exploded the other night. No one was seriously hurt.

The twelfth annual Interstate exposition opened at St. Louis Sept. 4. Governor Stone and Mayor Walbridge delivered addresses.

The New York State Republican League convention in session at Binghamton indorsed the enforcement of the Sunday closing law.

The battle-ship Indiana will be taken to Halifax to be docked and cleaned. None of the docks in the United States are ready to receive her.

The old United States ship Minnesota is to be put out of commission and the men aboard are to be transferred to the Vermont, lying at Brooklyn navy yard.

San Bernardino will celebrate the eighty-fifth anniversary of Mexico's independence with a fiesta, commencing on the night of Sept. 15 and continuing four days.

The American Loan and Trust company has commenced suit to foreclose two mortgages for $4,482,000 against the Omaha & Republican Valley railroad.

The New York Bankers' association will take a consensus of opinion of the bankers of the country as to the advisability of establishing a national association.

A big fight is on in Kansas between the stockmen and Governor Morrill over the operations of the stock commissioners, whom the stockmen want removed.

The Silver federation at Oakdale, Wash., is arming to resist foreclosures by the mortgage companies and serious trouble is threatened between settlers and officers of the law.

A house to house canvass will be made at San Jose in the interest of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday school and the work of evangelization is to be systematically prosecuted.

Captain Sumner of the Columbia has made his defense to the charges against him at Brooklyn. He claimed the ship was injured at Southampton because of the carelessness of the dock officers.

To prevent train robbery Governor McConnell of Idaho suggests that congress should enact laws making all railroads responsible for the safe delivery of their passengers and valuables.

The National Association of Letter Carriers has prepared a bill providing for the payment of pensions to all carriers injured in the service and retirement on half pay after 20 years' service.

A big meeting of representative Choctaw Indians took place at Atoka, I. T., lately, there being 170 Indians and about 1,000 non-citizens present. Various resolutions relating to Indian affairs were adopted.

The Pawnee Pass Reservoir company has filed with the Colorado state land board a request to be sent to the secretary of the interior to segregate 800,000 acres of land in Logan county for reclamation under the arid land act.

The manager of the Beaver tin plate mills at Lisbon, O., says it will be impossible much longer for the tin plate makers in this country to compete with the foreign manufacturers, because of the rise in the price of steel billets.

John Ekebon has sued August Wehrspon, a rich lumberman of Guerneville, Cal., for $8,000 damages alleged to have been sustained by Ekebon while working in Wehrspon's mill. Ekebon had a thumb and one finger cut off by a saw.

An action has been instituted by Thomas McKown of Benicia, Cal., against Joseph Oberti, a well-known winemaker of Cordelia. McKown demands judgment for $15,000, alleging that Oberti maliciously caused his arrest on a charge of having stolen a horse. At the trial McKown testified that he had found the animal loose and the court decided that the charge against him was unfounded.

The United States canal commission sent to Nicaragua to study the canal question will soon make a statement favoring the project and showing that Colorado bar, near the mouth of San Juan del Norte river, could be opened to permit the entry of heavy draft steamers. It will recommend a radical change in the proposed line of the canal on account of obstacles. The work could be finished in six or seven years and the estimated cost is $110,000,000.

PERSONAL.

Richard Mansfield, the actor, is seriously ill at New York with malarial fever.

Ex-President Harrison will buy some land in the Adirondacks in New York and build a summer home.

Volney B. Cushing of Maine delivered the address to the New York Prohibition convention at Saratoga. For campaign purposes $7,200 was subscribed.

Rev. Robert Fulton died at Santa Clara college recently of apoplexy. He was a distinguished member of the Jesuit order and had filled many of its highest offices. He was nearly 70 years of age and had been ailing for several years.

Dorothy Walker, the 6-months-old child of Edith Scott, an actress, and John M. Walker, has been adopted by N. C. Creede, the Colorado millionaire. The child was born in the Sisters' hospital at Los Angeles after the desertion of the mother by her husband.

It is announced that Archbishop Corrigan of New York will issue a circular to the priests of the archdiocese of New York, instructing them to set aside Friday, Sept. 20, the day of the fall of the Quirinal at Rome, as a day of prayer in the Catholic churches for the restoration of the temporal power of the pope.

Cardinal Gibbons delivered a sermon at Baltimore on Sunday outlining his observations on his recent visit to European countries. He said that despite the pope's great age he is still able to do a good deal of work. The cardinal remarked that in the different nations he had generally found the people comfortably clad, happy and contented, in spite of the heavy burden of taxation caused by the standing armies. He observed also that the agricultural districts are not being abandoned for the cities.

Keir Hardie, English socialist and ex-member of parliament, was invited by the Methodist ministers of Chicago to address them. Hardie said: "The early Christians were crucified and burned at the stake, and they felt it an honor to die in the cause which they indorsed. Is it not possible that the men (the anarchists) hanged at Chicago a few years ago may have been pioneers of a new gospel?" A minister interrupted Hardie and said: "They ought to have been hanged." General excitement followed, but Hardie concluded his address without trouble.

FOREIGN NEWS.

President Diaz of Mexico is in favor of closer commercial relations with the United States.

It is reported that the town of Abazolo, Mexico, containing 800 inhabitants, was washed away by a flood. Other villages in that section suffered heavily.

The revolution in Cuba continues to cause great destruction of property and the opposing armies seem to equally share in the success of battles. From Spain 4,000 troops and 350 cavalry arrived lately.

It is reported that a party of 20 Americans have started a secret society in Hongkong, China, for the purpose of wrecking the Hawaiian government as an act of revenge against the present officials, who caused the dethronement of the queen.

Fresh outrages are reported to have been committed by brigands in Armenia. It is said that minor Turkish officials have formed an anti-Christian society to kill Christians if the sultan accepts the scheme of reform insisted upon by the Enropean nations.

Postoffice Inspector Flint has been investigating a supposed land swindle in Kings county, Cal. The tax collector of the county has received many letters from the East inquiring about the town of Lakeview. The site of this alleged town, according to the maps, is under Tulare lake. It is believed that many Eastern people have been swindled by this scheme.

Charles Bryant, a negro, was shot and killed at San Jose by Fred G. Wenzel, a bartender. Bryant ordered beer and put a nickel on the bar. He went out, but soon returned and said he had laid down a quarter. Wenzel denied his assertion and the negro began to threaten the bartender. Bryant drew a pistol and reached over the bar to shoot at Wenzel, who had gone behind the safe. Wenzel seized his revolver and shot the negro over the left eye.

At a meeting of the state board of examiners at Sacramento Attorney General Fitzgerald rendered a decision that will affect every official and peace officer in California. The decision was called out by a controversy which arose over the division of the reward offered for the capture of the Ruggles brothers, who killed an express messenger while robbing a stage in Tehama county and who were afterward taken from jail and lynched by citizens. The substance of the decision is that peace officers are not entitled to any portion of any offered reward in making an arrest, and the only redress left them under the decision is by mandamus proceedings in the courts.

The Admission day celebration at Sacramento was a magnificent affair. The monster procession, consisting of allegorical floats and the parlors of the Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West from different cities of California, was one of the finest ever seen in the state. Rowing races on the river and excellent horse racing at the state fair track contributed to the display of the celebration. On the night of Sept. 9 electricity for the illumination of the city was transmitted from Folsom, 22 miles distant, and the state capital building with its thousands of lights shone like a castle on an eminence. On the capital dome was fixed an immense electric searchlight which shed rays of light for miles. The thousands of visitors and residents had good cause for unbounded enjoyment.

Paul P. Lawson, sentenced to be hanged, escaped from jail at Hailey, Idaho. The jailer was held up by two masked men, his keys taken and the prisoner liberated. Lawson's two sons are supposed to have been the liberators.

Ray Latshaw, a 12-year-old boy, while practicing with a rifle, caused the explosion of 600 pounds of dynamite in the cellar of his home, 12 miles north of Dubuque, Iowa. The house was blown to pieces, five persons were killed and three injured.

James Ward murdered Aaron Hunter, his father-in-law, and John Hunter, his brother-in-law, near Sullivan, Ind., by splitting their heads open with an ax and committed suicide by shooting when he was surrounded by a posse determined to lynch him. The double murderer lured his victims to their death. A domestic quarrel led to the tragedy.

A tornado struck Emporia, Kan., and the east wing of the state normal school was reduced to a mass of ruins, causing a loss of $50,000. Four inches of water fell in less than two hours. Many buildings and stocks of goods were damaged. At Hartford and Neosha much damage was done. A Santa Fe bridge with 1,000 feet of track near Reading was washed away. No loss of life is reported.

In the Montgomery mining district, Nye county, Nev., a terrible fight lately took place between miners and claim jumpers. Two of the latter were killed and one wounded by George and Robert Montgomery and their friends. The trouble occurred over the jumping of a mine owned by the Montgomerys, who were in debt for mining supplies to John McArthur, and he threatened to lay claim to the mine if they did not settle. Later the Montgomerys quit work on the mine and McArthur put a force of men at labor, but he told the brothers that when they paid his claim against them he would give back the mine. The Montgomerys became angered, with the above bloody result.

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Secretary Morton has issued an order to prevent the exportation of any beef that has not been inspected and will cause the exporters of horse meat to mark the packages so that the nature of the contents will be apparent. Foreign consuls in this country have made complaint of these products being sent to their governments in bad condition.

The boycott declared by the Knights of Labor some time ago on national bank notes became effective on Sept. 2, but bank notes are as eagerly accepted as they ever were. John W. Hayes, secretary and treasurer of the Knights of Labor, says he cannot tell how long it will take the boycott to begin to show itself, but he thinks that in the course of 60 days bank notes will begin to be turned down by a great many people.

The furnishing of small notes and silver dollars to meet the demand for currency to move the crops is likely to absorb the energies of the treasury department during the next few weeks more than the demand for gold. The demand is not so active this year as it has sometimes been and is not expected to be, because the national banks are better equipped than usual with small notes.

The Chinese minister had a recent conference at the state department with Acting Secretary Adee concerning the progress of the investigation into the riots in China in which Americans were victims. The minister informed the department that he received advices from Peking that the investigation was progressing satisfactorily, and he gave renewed assurances that his government would press the inquiry and punish the perpetrators. The statement made by the minister was in line with information received from Minister Denby and confirmed all he had stated.

The decision by the comptroller of the treasury that the statute allowing double fees to United States marshals, districts attorneys and clerks in Washington, Oregon, California, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, North and South Dakota, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah and Nevada did not apply to mileage has caused much dissatisfaction among the officials. Previous to this decision double mileage had been allowed, owing to the greatly increased cost of traveling in the Western states and territories. The United States marshal of Nevada claims that mileage comes under the head of fees, and he has suggested that the matter be brought to the attention of the department of justice.

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