

Albany Register.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

A Scotch emigration agent proposes to ship a load of girls to Portland from that country, if \$100 each for their passage is paid to him on their arrival.

The marriages in Portland this year, are stated to be no greater in number than during last year, although the population has increased very much.

A. L. Sweeney was sentenced to six months imprisonment in the County Jail, in Portland, for stealing a goose from a colored man last Sunday, in that city.

The thermometer indicated twenty degrees below the freezing point in Portland last Wednesday forenoon.

On Christmas day, a young man in Portland had the index finger of his right hand amputated. Inflammation from a squirrel bite, the cause.

The ice in the Columbia river prevents the navigation of boats.

Five hundred tons of wheat remained in store at Wallula, W. T., after the boats stopped running.

Wood was from seven to nine dollars per cord at Walla Walla on the 16th inst.

Olympia is selected as the temporary terminus of the North Pacific Railroad.

The roads between Oakland and Eugene were reported, on the 26th, as being worse than ever known at this season.

From the Portland *Bulletin*, we learn that the barn of Rev. Clinton Kelley, near East Portland, burned up on Christmas night, consuming five thousand bushels of apples, five thousand bushels of potatoes, between one hundred and one hundred and fifty tons of hay, and all the farming implements of the place. The loss will be over ten thousand dollars. A spark getting into the hay from one of a number of fires kept burning in the barn to keep things from freezing, was the cause of the fire.

Montana is having a hard winter, but hay and oats are as cheap as in Oregon.

Gen. Palmer in crossing a stream in a canoe with some Indians with whom he was returning from the Coast counties to the Siletz Reservation, was thrown into the stream together with the Indians by the capsizing of the canoe. Seven of the Indians were drowned, and had not timely aid reached him, he would have drowned also. When rescued he was nearly dead. This from the *Statesman*.

A Bible supposed to be about two hundred and fifty years old, owned by Dr. Wm. Royal, of Oakland, was shown to the editor of the *Statesman*, recently.

The hydrants were frozen tight in Salem last Wednesday morning.

The Catholic Church at Soanish was blown down on the 19th by the high winds which prevailed.

The Victorians are enjoying skating facilities on Harris pond.

Charges have been preferred against several of the Victoria policemen for receiving bribes to permit persons to sell liquor to Indians.

An ex-officer has also been arrested for embezzling money paid to him for city liquor licenses.

They were having ghostographs in Sacramento, Cal., on the 13th.

Vallejo is pestered with professional beggars.

John Williams shot and killed Alex Bound, at Mokelumne Station, Cal., on the 14th.

They are having ghostly sensations at San Jose, Cal.

Joe Rawles was killed by a man named Gibbon, at Cloversdale, Cal., recently.

The San Francisco market was over stocked with limes on the 16th.

Granville P. Swift of Green Valley, Cal., has made 35,000 gallons of wine this season.

A railroad hand broke a pitcher over another's head, and raised a rumpus generally in a woman's boarding house, in Jacksonville, was arrested, put in limbo, mollified with a bottle of whisky, taken before the Recorder the next morning, and let off with a reprimand, says the *Times*.

Eugene City in two years has increased in population from 900 to 1,200.

The Salem *Mercury* is printed this week on the co-operative plan, most of the matter having been used in the *Farmer*.

A livery stable in Salem wants to buy one hundred and twenty thousand coon skins.

The hydrants were kept running continually in many houses in Portland, to keep the water from freezing.

A porker weighing 1,140 pounds was on exhibition in Portland last Wednesday.

Asa Winslow kicked a boy in Portland—the Court charged him \$5.

Another man from St. Louis has been found who recognizes "Wrestling Joe" as the simon pure Joe.

Sixty-four money orders were issued at the Portland post office last Saturday, aggregating \$2,000.

Mrs. Victor's work on Oregon, entitled "All through Oregon and Washington," will be issued soon.

A fragment of the lost steamer, *Live Yankee*, has been found off the Oregon coast.

A blacksmith, at the Dalles, exploded his bellows by throwing water on his fires to put them out, says the *Mountaineer*.

The British garrison at San Juan Island invited the American garrison to participate in a grand Christmas festival of their getting up.

A sergeant and two policemen were recently brought before the Victoria Police Court on a charge of accepting bribes to permit the sale of spirits to Indians.

An Indian village on Vancouver's Island was recently entirely destroyed by a heavy gale of wind. They lost all of their winter's provision.

The heaviest storm of wind and snow experienced at Vancouver since 1862, began on last Saturday night and continued until 4 o'clock Sunday forenoon. Nine inches of snow fell and the thermometer was eleven degrees on Sunday and Monday.

During a blinding snow storm on last Saturday night, the American bark *Shooting Star*, bound from San Francisco for Nauaimo, ran on Henry Island, and now lies on a bank of mud.

They are raising money at Gervais for the purpose of building a steam grist mill. \$2,000 is now contributed.

At San Francisco last week a naval officer died from the effects of falling down stairs.

Convicts of the Idaho Penitentiary threaten to leave the institution unless tobacco is furnished them.

The locomotive and tender of a passenger train were thrown from the track a short distance below Canby, last Wednesday. No damage done.

The carriage used by the Grand Duke Alexis at New York is the private carriage of Mr. Van Rensselaer, and is probably the handsomest vehicle in the United States. It is a clarence, lined with maroon silk that costs \$16 per yard. The carriage, with its outfit, cost \$5,000. Admiral Posselt says: "It is the prettiest thing I ever rode in."

In Constantinople there are some fifty Greek merchants who are the richest in the city, and whose combined fortunes are put down, in our currency, at nearly \$100,000,000.

The "oldest inhabitant" of Berkshire, Mass., unhesitatingly puts it on record that Thursday was the coldest Thanksgiving on which he ever ate his chicken pie—6 degrees below zero.

The *North American and United States Gazette*, of Philadelphia, completed the one hundredth year of its existence, and the eighty-seventh of its continuous daily publication, on the 30th ult. It is the oldest daily newspaper on the American continent.

RELIGIOUS.

Do you ask, Why not do away with the Church, if its members make so many mistakes? Would you take away the lighthouse, because careless mariners, through wrong observations, run their ships high and dry upon the shore? Would you put out the lamp in a house, because moths and millers burn their wings in it?—*Beecher*.

The Presbyterian Synod of Kansas embraces 117 churches and 101 ministers. Twenty-five new churches have been organized, and fifteen new buildings for church purposes, erected during the past year.

It is proposed that the next General Conference of the M. E. Church shall appoint a committee of laymen and ministers to visit the General Conference of the Southern Methodist Church with fraternal greetings, and a proposition for the appointment of a similar committee fully empowered to settle every grievance between the two bodies, with a view to organic union.

Krummacker illustrates simplicity by the following beautiful fable: The angel who takes care of the flowers, and sprinkles upon them dew in the still night, slumbered on a spring day in the shade of a rose-bush. When he awoke, he said: "Most beautiful of my children, I thank thee for thy refreshing odor and cooling shade. Could you now ask any favor, how willingly would I grant it?" "Adorn me, then, with a new charm," said the spirit of the rosebush in a beseeching tone. So the angel adorned the loveliest of flowers with simple moss. Sweetly it stood there, in its modest attire, the mossrose, most beautiful of its kind. So the costliest ornaments are often the simplest. There is no gold, nor jewel, nor sparkling pearl equal to the "ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is, in the sight of God, of great price."

ACT WELL YOUR PART.—Mr. Spurgeon, the well-known English theologian, says:

There is not a spider hanging on the king's wall but hath its errand; there is not a single nettle that groweth in the corner of the churchyard but hath its purpose; there is not a single insect fluttering in the breeze but accomplishes some divine decree; and I never will have it that God created any man, especially any Christian man, to be a blank and to be nothing. He made you for an end. Find out what that end is; find out your niche, and fill it. If it be ever so little, if it is only to be a lever of wood and drawer of water, do something in this great battle of God and truth.

Catholics in Switzerland have held a general meeting to renounce their connection with Papacy. Papal infallibility is rejected, congregations choose their own priest, and forced celibacy is abolished.

The health of Dr. Breckenridge, of Kentucky, is steadily declining, and there is scarcely hope that he will live to the end of the year.

The Rev. Mr. Nevin is now in the United States endeavoring to raise \$40,000 toward building an Episcopal church in Rome. He expects to obtain seventy thousand dollars more among the worshippers in that city.

Many a hundred sermons have I heard in England, many a dissertation on the mysteries of the faith, on the divine mission of the clergy, on apostolic succession, on bishops and justification, and the theory of good works, and verbal inspiration, and the efficacy of sacraments; but never during these thirty wonderful years, never, one that I recollect on common honesty, or those primitive commandments, "Thou shalt not lie" and "Thou shalt not steal."—*Froude*.

The total number of members and probationers in the Methodist Episcopal Church for 1871 are reported to be 1,421,325.

The Baptists have twenty-four organized churches and the same number of native ordained preachers in the Creek nation proper. Four of the ministers are employed by the Domestic Indian Mission Board. The rest need no help.

The *Golden Age* learns that James Gordon Bennett, founder of the New York *Herald*, has so greatly failed in health and strength that he now takes almost no interest in anything, and is gliding gently into helplessness and second childhood. For months past there has been an unusual rifeance concerning him by the press at large. He has ceased to be sneered at and abused. His name still stands at the head of the great newspaper which he called into life and power, but his contemporaries, who for many years gave him a daily blow, now refrain from kicking the sick lion. Old age and weakness thus comes not unattended with compensation after all.

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