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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The French Ministry, having kindly consented to remain in power temporarily, the French Government will go on for a few days longer. A majority of the members of the Diplomatic Corps have tendered President MacMahon their congratulations on the prolongation of his term.

The First National Bank of Washington (Jay Cook & Co.), it is announced, will pay fifty cents on the dollar to depositors. If this be true, Andy Johnson's deposit of \$70,000 in the bank will only cost him the little sum of \$35,000. However, if he gets fifty cents on the dollar, he will do well.

No sooner is there a chance for a bit of war with Spain, than up goes the price of breadstuffs. If the mere chances of a little brush with another nation has such an elevating effect upon wheat and such, what may we expect if "stern visaged war," or words to that effect, does come?

The Spanish-Cuban news has set our people to talking fight at a good round rate. Everywhere, from every section of the country, comes the demand, from all parties, that Spain must give the fullest reparation for her recent conduct, or immediate and bloody satisfaction will be had at the cannon's mouth.

It is announced that Wells, Fargo & Co. have imported a number of blood-hounds, intending to organize them into a detective corps for the purpose of going after the numerous "road agents" who have depredated so frequently of late upon their express boxes.

Great suffering is reported among the people of Osceola county, Iowa. Twisted hay and seed grass is the only food that nine-tenths of the people have, while their goods and clothing are insufficient for the actual wants of life. Several women have died in childbirth from want of proper food and exposure to the cold. Many families are leaving on foot, having sold their horses and cattle to keep them alive.

Jacksonville, Canyonville, Roseburg, Ashland, Corvallis, Eugene City, Harrisburg, Portland and other places throughout the State, speak of the shock of an earthquake that shook them up kindly on the 22d. All these places should take warning, and their inhabitants commence laying in a supply of coaling draughts for the "hot times" which are evidently approaching and about to engulf them.

Although the prospects for an honorable and peaceable settlement of the *Virginus* difficulty with Spain still continue fair, yet Government will continue preparations in anticipation of unfavorable results. Work in the different navy yards still continues to be vigorously prosecuted, and a month more will find us prepared to "go" for anything in sight.

Wonders will never cease. New York telegrams state that Boss Tweed was sentenced on Saturday, November 22d, by Judge Davis, to twelve years imprisonment in the county jail, and to pay a fine of \$12,700. This is much better than at first reported, and comes nearer being adequate to the crimes committed, while at the same time it takes everybody by surprise, as nobody expected such a result.

Vice-Presidents of the United States, it is stated, have been in the habit, for years past, of absenting themselves from the last day's session of the Senate, in order that that august body may elect a president "pro-tempore" in the absence of the Vice-President. The object of this is that there shall never be a vacancy in the chief executive office; for, should either the President or Vice-President of the United States die, the President of the Senate could keep up the momentum of government.

Spanish News.

A serious misunderstanding has occurred between our Minister, Gen. Sickles, and the Spanish Cabinet. When Secretary Fish telegraphed the news of the execution of the *Virginus* prisoners, Mr. Sickles demanded a stay. The Spanish Foreign Secretary answered that he did not believe the report, and questioned Mr. Sickles authority to act. Mr. Sickles then, in the name of the United States, protested against the inhuman butchery and the insult to the American flag, and demanded that Spain should enforce obedience to her orders in Cuba. The Secretary also declined to permit Mr. Sickles to discuss municipal affairs in Cuba, and the interview ended angrily. A mob, infuriated by the press of Spain, collected before the United States Legation, and threatened Mr. Sickles with violence. The authorities succeeded in dispersing the mob. This incident would indicate the existence of the utmost hostility, on the part of the people, against the United States. The Spanish Government will print official statements showing that the further execution of the *Virginus* prisoners was suspended as soon as the order was received from Madrid. While this fact does not mitigate the first atrocities, it gives a more favorable showing for Spain. A telegram received on the 21st at New York from Madrid, says a second attempt was made to assassinate Minister Sickles by the Spanish mob, and that our Minister received a painful wound. Of course, the reception of such news created the wildest excitement everywhere. Our Government intends acting speedily and promptly in the matter, and it is believed that if Spain does not make full and ample reparation for both the execution of the *Virginus* prisoners and the insult to our flag, war will be declared by Congress at once. The greatest activity prevails in the Government navy yards, a large number of naval officers have been ordered to duty at once, and twenty of the most powerful vessels of our navy will be in Cuban waters in less than thirty days.

"POCKETS" DISCOVERED.—Late news from the Yakima mines state that several "pockets" have been discovered in the diggings on Swank creek, which had revived the waning interest in the Eldorado. Of course we wish those who have gone to the new placers the best of success, but we fear the majority will have only their "labor for their pains" to compensate them.

Jacksonville advices state that August Walters, the man who stabbed and killed Parker, one of the Wilson circus troupe, at Ashland a short time since, was convicted of manslaughter at the present term of the Circuit Court, and on the 21st was sentenced to three years in the State prison.

An immense meeting was held in Salt Lake City on the evening of the 21st, in which speeches were made by the principal citizens, both Mormon and Gentile, demanding the immediate vindication of our flag in the Spanish affair.

WANTED HARD ONES.—A fellow wandered into a Sunday School, and took a seat among the "Primer" scholars, when the teacher accosted him with: "Why, John, do you know what condition you are in?" Yes, ma'm—in the gall of bitterness, 'n the bonds of 'niquity. Ax me a hard qesh'n."

A GOOD JOB.—Mr. Morgan is doing a good job of work in the way of cisterns for the city, two of the three under contract being about finished.

WORK—Is being rapidly prosecuted on the last section (through the city) of the Santiam Canal.

WEATHER—Cloudy, with an evident intent to "mist" at an early day. A good rainfall is what the millers want.

TO-MORROW—Is Thanksgiving Day—if it don't rain.

COLD, DENSE FOGS—For two or three mornings past.

MOIST.—The air was full of moisture yesterday. It was a dark day.

Latest News.

Germany sends two ironclads to her fleet in Spanish waters. Col. Wm. Farrar, formerly U. S. Attorney at Portland, died at Washington, on the 24th.

Tweed is said to be utterly broken down by his sentence. He occupies the murderer's cell in the Tombs. The majority of Congressmen at present in Washington are opposed to war. New York also protests against it.

In the Charleston Navy Yard 2,100 men are at work, and 1,300 at the Washington Navy Yard.

Robert Crozier has been appointed U. S. Senator, by Governor Osborne, of Kansas, to fill Cadwell's vacancy.

Wm. Belge, a young lawyer, Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association at Columbus, Ohio, on the 24th was arrested for forgery.

The New York wool market is firm at 25@27c for Fall. Boston wool market—for California, 25, 32, 36, 37c; Oregon, 25, 35, 48, 50 1/2c.

From San Domingo it is announced that Gen. Mauzetta and three other Generals have been shot, by order of President Baez. They were implicated in recent revolutionary movements.

The full vote of Wisconsin shows that Taylor beat Washburne for Governor, 15,411. The Legislature will stand—Senate, 17 Republicans to 16 Reformers; Assembly, 59 Reformers to 41 Republicans.

The Spaniards claim that the *Virginus* was not an American vessel; that Ryan was not an American citizen, and that the vessel was engaged in an unlawful expedition at the time of her capture.

The reports of violence offered Minister Sickles by the Spanish mob, are denied. There is much talk of submitting the affair of the *Virginus* to arbitration, the Emperor of Germany to be the arbitrator.

A Parsons, Kansas telegram of the 24th, says that Walter S. Grayson, a wealthy farmer, living in the Indian Territory, on Friday last, was robbed of \$30,000 in coin. The band of robbers nearly killed him by hanging, to force him to disclose where the money was concealed.

The Canadian rivers are all frozen over. Cold, freezing weather there.

James Linen, the poet, contributor to the *Knickerbocker*, died in New York on the 21st.

HEARD FROM.—Messrs. Morgan and Miller had reached the Dalles early last week, en route for Swank creek.

Sunday was a most delightful day, and almost everybody was out enjoying the clear, bracing weather.

The Grangers of Lane county celebrate at Junction City on the 4th of December. Mr. John Henry Smith is to deliver the oration.

Ingersoll, of New York, has been committed to the Tombs to await trial on the ring indictment, not being able to furnish bail.

A new line of steamers will be laid out between San Francisco and Sidney, it is stated, about the middle of next month. It will be under the control of Britishers.

S. J. McCormick has received full supplies for the holidays at his place in Portland. Orders for all kinds of goods promptly filled by Mac.

See fourth page for brown sugar, etc., says the *Astorian*. We searched the fourth page, but saw no sugar. What kind of behavior are those, Ireland?

A brigade of infantry, two regiments of cavalry and three batteries of artillery have offered their services to the Governor of Illinois for the "Cuban War." Illinois is on it.

The California Legislature meets next Monday. The *Alta* thinks Booth's chances for the U. S. Senate are slim; that the Democrats will have their own candidate, and will get about a dozen votes for him from "Independents."

The Secretary of the National Grange says that 438 subordinate Granges were instituted during the first half of the present month. The total number of Granges now in the United States is 8,262, with a membership of 619,650.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Gold in New York, 109 3/4.
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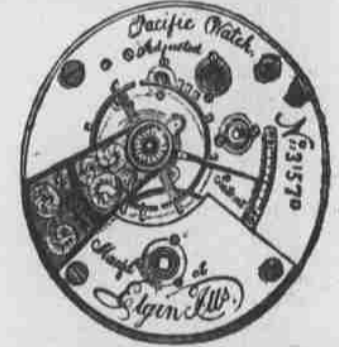
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