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## TELEGRAPHIC.

Plymouth Church is still in trouble about the expulsion of Tilton. Lack of discipline is charged against Beecher.

Effernal machines have been revived again. The latest was a box full of powder, balls and lucifer matches, sent to Comptroller Green, of New York. Fortunately its character was discovered before it was opened.

On the evening of the 24th ult. two young men, named E. Duam and Clark, entered the house of a man named Meyer, near Lexington, Mo., and insulted the ladies of the family. Meyer and his son-in-law fired on the young men, killing both. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide.

The first mortgage bondholders of the St. Joseph and Denver Railroad instituted a suit at Topeka, Kansas, Nov. 25th, for the purpose of foreclosing the mortgage on that line, and selling the road and its land. The February to August interest for 1873, due and unpaid, amounts to \$340,000; amount of bonds, \$7,000,000.

At New York on November 25th, the Wall street market was excited by the reduction in the Bank of England rates to 6 per cent., the gain of 1,065,000 pounds of bullion by the Bank for the week, an advance in securities in London, a decline in money to 4 1/2 per cent. in open market, and by more peaceful reports on the Spanish question. All this causes a buoyant feeling on Exchange. Prices have advanced on leading shares 1/2 to 3/4 per cent., with large dealings. After midnight a change was brought about by realizations in the Stock Exchange, and vague rumors about Sickles leaving Madrid.

Ex-Governor and ex-Senator Richard Yates, of Illinois, died suddenly on the night of November 27th, at Barnum's Hotel, St. Louis, Mo., at the age of 55 years.

A fearful tragedy occurred at Harrodsburg, Kentucky, November 27th. The trial of a suit, in which P. B. Thompson, Sr., was principal on one side, and Theodore Davis, Sr., on the other, was in progress, and each principal was attended during the whole trial by his sons, fully armed. At the close of the testimony, while the lawyers were preparing instructions preparatory to commencing the argument, a son of Thompson and a son of Davis moved towards the door, followed by five others, and in a moment firing commenced—by which party it is not known. Many shots were fired. Theodore Davis, Sr., and his son Larry were instantly killed, and Theodore Davis, Jr., mortally wounded. The latter has since died. P. B. Thompson, Sr., and his two sons, P. B., and J. B., are slightly wounded.

Two of the "Tammany Ring," have been convicted of forgery and sentenced to imprisonment. Jas. H. Ingersoll, convicted of forgery upon the county during the Ring rule, was sentenced, November 28th, to five years in the State prison at hard labor. John D. Warrington, for the same offense, was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment.

Ballinore, Md., completed taking her census November 26th, which shows her to have a population of 802,893.

The great Hoosac tunnel was opened on Thanksgiving day.

It is announced for Massachusetts that should the times continue as they have been during the past two or three weeks, all the mills of the State will be running again by January, which will be joyful news to operatives.

At Washington, November 28th, the young colored man, Henry Young alias Charles Williams, convicted of the murder of Frank Hohn, was hung in the jail yard.

Tony Griswold shot and killed his brother George with a Henry rifle, a few days ago, at Camp Grant, Arizona. Both under the influence of liquor.

At Gold Hill, Nev., on the evening November 27th, Wm. Grant, while waiting for the passenger train to Virginia City, accidentally stepped off the platform, a distance of five feet, breaking his hip.

From Gold Hill, Nevada, under date of November 28th, we have this: At about 8 o'clock this morning three men, including the foreman of Silver Hill mine, in Lower Gold Hill, met with a most miraculous escape from death. They had barely stepped on the cage at the top of the shaft when they were precipitated with great rapidity to the water in a jump at the bottom, a distance of 330 feet. Notwithstanding the imminent peril in which the party were involved, Mr. Ford, the foreman, had sufficient presence of mind to throw up one side of the bonnet of the cage, thereby pre-

venting the men from being buried under 1,200 feet of wire cable, weighing at least a ton. His prompt action in the matter saved the lives of the entire party. The men who were in the center compartment of the shaft escaped drowning by crawling through into the pump compartment, from whence they were hoisted to the surface of the mine.

Boss Tweed was taken to the Penitentiary on Blackwell's Island November 29th.

Frank L. Tainter, defaulting Cashier of the Atlantic Bank, New York, was sentenced on the 29th ult. to seven years in the penitentiary.

In New York, on the 29th ult., Judge Davis fined Graham, Fullerton and Bartlett, senior of Tweed's counsel in the late trial, \$250, after giving them a sharp lecture for breach of morals in handing him a paper giving reasons why he should not preside at the trial. The junior counsel was let off with a reprimand. The court was densely packed with distinguished lawyers, and Judge Davis' remarks were frequently applauded.

Early on the morning of November 29th, in East St. Louis, there were burned Livingstone & Co.'s planing mill, lumber yard, wagon and blacksmith shops and several small tenements. Loss, \$100,000 to \$150,000.

A dispatch from St. Albans states that Anson J. Crane, of Burlington, Assistant Collector of Internal Revenue for the Third District of Vermont, has been declared a defaulter to the amount of \$17,000. Senator Edmunds is one of his bondsmen, who are expected to make good the default. Crane says Jewell, former Collector, embezzled the money.

Democratic members of the House, in caucus, have determined to nominate Representative Cox for Speaker.

General Maxwell will contest the seat of Cannon, Mormon delegate from Utah, on the ground of the latter's ineligibility, because he is living in violation of a Congressional law prohibiting polygamy, and that Cannon is not a free moral agent, having taken an oath, which he considers binding, that he will obey the Mormon revelation with reference to polygamy and orders from Brigham Young, upon certain pain and penalty of death for disobedience. All the votes cast for Cannon were under this oath. There are nineteen other reasons against Cannon.

Special dispatches report between sixty and seventy cases of smallpox in Toronto, only twelve of which are at the hospital. A man who died from it the other day, received a public funeral; hence the disease spread. It is also reported to be spreading in several Provincial towns and villages.

From Amsterdam we have the following: The steamer *Konig Wilhelm*, from New York, which arrived at Southampton on the 26th, and proceeded for Bremen, has gone ashore near Nieuve Diap, on the coast of Holland. Passengers are all safe. Two tugs are trying to haul her off. It is expected she will have to be unloaded before she can be got afloat.

The bullion in the Bank of England, has increased £1,065,000. The bank rate is reduced to six per cent.

The Rothschilds announce a Russian loan of \$75,000,000.

Telegrams from Madrid, Spain, dated November 27th, state that: Cartagena was bombarded by land batteries eight hours yesterday. The town and the man-of-war *Meniz Nunez* repelled with vigor. The outlying fort Don Juan was silenced by the fire of the besiegers. It is reported that its commandant and several other officers were killed. The insurgent fleet in the harbor got up steam to-day, what purpose has not yet been developed. Rebel leaders, through the admiral's of foreign squadrons, have requested a truce of two hours. It is believed that propositions for the surrender of the city will soon be made.

Washington dates to November 28th say: There is great activity at the Navy Department to-day. The Secretary of the Navy has returned and had a conference with several heads of bureaus. A large number of officers are being ordered to duty. There is great unwillingness to give information at the present stage of negotiations, although it has been repeatedly denied that Gen. Sickles has left Madrid for Paris, and that the *Virginian* has been scuttled. These reports are persistently circulated to-day, and are believed by many. The reluctance of executive officers to converse on the subject is regarded as calculated to lessen the hope now entertained of a peaceful solution of the difficulty; but at present nothing official has been made known to warrant a definite statement concerning it. It is stated on good authority that our Government has extended the time for Spain to make definite reply to its ultimatum.

Dispatches of an elaborate character were received from Madrid November 27th giving an account of an interview between Sickles and the Spanish Minister of Foreign Affairs. Orders have been given to recruit the marine corps up to the full standard provided by law.

It is rumored in Naval circles that Admiral Porter will command the West Indian squadron, but there is no official knowledge of the matter.

On the 23th the following dispatch arrived in cipher, from the New York Herald's correspondent in Madrid: The situation is a grave one. On the 19th inst. Gen. Sickles, by order of President Grant, delivered a formal ultimatum to President Castelar, demanding prompt and vigorous reparation for the insult to the U. S. flag; the restoration of the *Virginian*; the release of surviving prisoners; indemnity to families of the murdered and the punishment of the murderers, and also a guarantee against further outrages in Cuba. The demand was couched in a kind and sympathetic tone, but no alternative was given. Gen. Sickles was so instructed to say that if Castelar did not comply with the demand in a week, he should ask for a passport and leave Madrid with the legation. The time expires to-day and no answer has yet been received. Everything at the legation is packed up ready for immediate departure. Sickles has no hope that the ultimatum will be complied with. He telegraphed to Paris yesterday to have all his official correspondence that might be there kept for a few days. Sickles in conversation, said he did not see how war could be avoided, as Castelar can give no assurances that his orders will be obeyed in Cuba. The public feeling is also opposed to concessions. Unless Castelar responds this evening, Gen. Sickles will leave immediately.

All American ships in the Mediterranean have been ordered to Key West. In the event of Gen. Sickles leaving, the British Minister will probably protect the archives and American residents. Castelar is personally anxious to accept the British Minister's good offices to effect a compromise, but there is no hope to-night.

Penitentiary Superintendent Bill Watkins reached San Francisco on the 28th, to bring back Bargeman, alias Schultz, captured in California recently, an escaped convict from the Oregon Penitentiary. Mat. Biedsoe accompanied Watkins to the jail, and both recognized the prisoner as the man wanted. Schultz seemed dejected at his capture, and stated that he did not expect any light treatment on his return to Salem.

## PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

R. R. Thompson's steam plow has been at work on his Yamhill farm, and is said to perform well.

The Swinomish flats are described as being the best lands in Washington Territory. The flats are ten miles long and five or six wide, and are caused by the overflow of the Skagit, and are rich to the bottom—that is, deep down, and no one has yet been able to reach it. The flats have all been taken by actual settlers, and there is no land now vacant. Every place is dyked, and the sloughs thus formed are navigable at high water. Farmers require no roads off their own lands, but sell to sloops and schooners on the slough, or else boat their own produce to market. During the past fall two threshing machines have been constantly employed, and have turned out an immense amount of grain. Oats and barley are the chief productions. Sam and Tom Calhoun had 130 acres in, and reaped a harvest of 10,400 bushels. On another farm 3,700 bushels were taken from 40 acres.

Stockton, California, dates to November 28th, give this: At the Garden race course in the trotting yesterday, mile heats, 3 in 5, there were three entries—Hazard, Culver and Snowstorm. The race was closely contested. Considerable money was staked. Culver won the first two heats, when the backers of Hazard demanded a new driver, and the third and fourth heats were won by Hazard. Owing to the darkness the race was postponed until to-day. This afternoon, when the horses got the word, Culver led all around the track, but was closely pressed on the home stretch by Hazard, when Snowstorm indulged in a run and passed Hazard, running over his leg and pocketing him, thus giving Culver the heat. As Snowstorm passed the judges' stand his driver, Charley Blood, was greeted with curses and a shower of missiles, and the driver of Hazard, without dismounting from the sulkey, commenced a vigorous chase, with a horse whip. Snowstorm was run like a quarter-horse to avoid his punishment, but Hazard's driver followed

him to the quarter-pole, giving the whip over his face, head and shoulders without mercy, the crowd crying out, "Kill him," "Give it to him," etc. The judges gave the heat, race and money to Culver, and severely reprimanded the driver of Snowstorm and ruled him off the track for one year.

More permanent improvements have been made in Seattle this year than for some time previous. A goodly number of dwelling-houses—some of them very costly—two public school-houses, and much road work, have gone toward the mentioned improvements.

In the U. S. Circuit Court at San Francisco on the 28th, in the case of the officers of the ship *Sunrise*, convicted of horrible cruelty to sailors on a recent voyage, Capt. Clarke was sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,000 and to go to the county jail for eighteen months; first mate Harris sentenced to the State prison for four years at hard labor, and second mate, Maloney to sixty days in the county jail.

A volcano has broken out in the Pinto mountains, ten miles east of Eureka, Nevada. Heavy black smoke constantly issues from the crater.

Track-laying re-commenced on the Northern Pacific railroad on the 25th ult. Track is being put down at the rate of one and a half to two miles a day. Tacoma is expected to be reached by the 15th inst. Hands are paid off every Saturday.

Barcelia Frugli, a native of, and recently arrived from Italy, was arrested November 28th, on a charge of rape on the person of Francisco Richea, a child of eight years of age, and daughter of an Italian violin player. A medical examination has been made which proves that the offense has been committed.

A dispatch from Wilmington, Del., Nov. 14th, says: Gov. Pender to-day appointed ex-United States Senator Willard Salisbury to be Chancellor in place of Judge Bales. The ex-Senator is brother-in-law to the Governor. His reputation while in the Senate is well known to the country, and his habits since he left it have by no means improved; on the contrary his constitution has shown signs of being seriously shattered, and his health has become so impaired that he has been under medical treatment in Philadelphia for several weeks, returning home to Delaware within a few days. The appointment will give great public dissatisfaction, though it has been to some extent anticipated.

The town of Dayton, W. T., is only a year and a half old, and has a population of several hundred, with schools, preaching, brick buildings, roads, and other good things far in advance of towns of its age. The only woolen mill in the Territory is located there, and is just fairly starting on a splendid business. The first blankets and stocking yarn were turned out a few days since, and very shortly the factory proposes to monopolize the clothing business of that section by furnishing a better article at a lower rate. The town is ten miles from Walla Walla, twenty from Walla Walla, and fifty from Wallula. It is located in the midst of a splendid agricultural region, and grain, fruits and stock are the principal productions. Beef is very low—3 1/2 cents a pound. Wheat is worth only 30 cents a bushel, and at Wallula, to which place it has to be hauled for steamboat transportation down the Columbia river, 50 cents.

Just as the Tacoma sawmill had commenced work on the 24th a very bad smash up occurred, necessitating the shutting down of the establishment for a week or ten days. The main shaft was a little sprung, and, in descending, struck the piston-rod, and forced it clear through the cylinder, shattering the heavy iron cylinder-head all to fragments.

Beaver Lodge No. 33, Odd Fellows, of Astoria, will celebrate the anniversary of the institution of the Lodge, December 22d, 1873, by a social reunion at the hall; and on the evening of the 31st by a second meeting, of similar character, to bid the Old Year adieu and welcome 1874, at both a happy, joyous, festive occasion may be anticipated.

A meeting will be held at Victoria early in the coming week to take steps to organize the long-talked of militia force. Lieutenant Roscoe, of the old corps, has been appointed Captain, and Adjutant Winter, Lieutenant.

A new gold mining district has been discovered. It is called by the Indian name of Sastrite, and is on the head waters of the Skeena, above Bear Lake. The gold is fine and bright, and it is said that from \$5 to \$10 per day to the man can be made.

The beaver-dam land in Washington county is attracting attention for its great richness, one acre of it being

worth ten acres of the best prairie land. From two hundred to two hundred and fifty dollars per acre is the usual profits on beaver-dam onions; one to two hundred dollars on carrots; and other roots and vegetables in proportion; fifty to eighty dollars per acre on hay, etc. It will raise from seventy-five to one hundred bushels of grain per acre, and the expense is limited to the seed, borrowing and harvesting—no plowing is necessary. Beaver-dam land is a muck heap—a vast deposit of pure vegetable mold, with its unequalled fertility increased beyond calculation by irrigation from a stratum of water, underlying and not far below the surface of the soil. Five hundred dollars per acre has been offered and refused for a small tract owned by L. P. W. Quimby, near Beaverton, on the West Side railroad.

On Thursday night thieves entered Ferguson & Bird's store at Lafayette, and—they went out again.

Mollalla Grange No. 40, Clackamas county, was organized the first of last month—P. S. Noyer, Master, and P. J. Howard, Secretary. It now has twenty-four members, with prospects of a large increase.

The P. C. Advocate announces that Rev. C. W. Shaw has succeeded in accomplishing a noble work for the Willamette University, of which at present he is the agent. We learn that, after casting aside as worthless notes amounting to more than \$14,000, he has succeeded in regarding a sum more than sufficient to liquidate all indebtedness, and has more than doubled the interest-bearing endowment fund of the University within the past six months.

The *Mountaineer* says: "Many of the settlers of this county, some time ago, received notices from the Land Office informing them that the land they were living on belonged to the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. These parties will be glad to know that this Company have ascertained the fact that it cannot build the road with the land grant, and, as a last resort, they intend asking Congress, at its next session, to pass a law guaranteeing the payment of the interest on their bonds. In consideration of this the Company gives up the land grant and the same reverts back to the Government."

Frederick Holte, a lad of about 13 years of age, while out hunting on the 22d ult., about one mile below Kalama, was killed by the accidental discharge of his gun. His body was not found until the following day, as he was entirely alone when the disaster occurred.

The Kalama *Beacon* is reliably informed that the mill machinery and the entire construction outfit of Mr. J. B. Montgomery, along his last contract on the Pacific Division, last week were attached by Messrs. Stone & Davis, who saved the timber material required for the line between Tenino and the Sound.

Mr. Blackwell is busy at the Kazuo Hotel in Kalama boxing furniture, rolling carpet, etc., preparatory to removal of the outfit to the Terminus Hotel at Tacoma so soon as the first through train reaches there, which is expected to be about the 10th instant.

Hon. J. M. Short, one of the pioneers of Owyhee, says the *Acadiane*, has closed out business at that place, having amassed quite a little fortune—\$50,000—and gone to San Francisco, where he will wed an estimable young lady and go on a bridal tour to the Atlantic States.

The dwelling of Mr. Henry Houghton, a resident of Lewis River, W. T., was burned on the 14th ult., with all its contents, including winter supplies of all kinds for the family.

Nov. 29th, legal tenders were 92 1/2c in Frisco.

At Belmont, Nevada, November 28th, D. M. Hall, convicted of the murder of John Copeland, alias Black Jack, suffered the penalty of the law. Hall acknowledged the justness of the sentence.

Anne Eliza, Brigham's nineteenth wife, left for the East on the 23th ultimo.

Myers, editor of the *Corrinne* (Utah) Reporter, who committed suicide Tuesday last week, was impelled to the rash act, it is said, by hallucination, superinduced by an interview with a spiritual medium named Foster, from New York.

The principal reason Cassery offers for resigning his Senatorship is that his health has been greatly impaired by his public duties.

Jas. T. Stratton, of Oakland, will probably be appointed Surveyor General for California.