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NEWS ITEMS.

The Sonoma Democrat of the 17th ult., says: W. S. Hall, who resides on Russian river, about a mile from Geyserville, started to Petaluma in a two horse wagon on Friday of last week to procure a band for the party at Donson and Sweeney's. He stopped at Mr. Low's for some one to join him. While Hall sat in the wagon the lightning struck a tree near by, the horses dropped dead, and Hall fell from his seat stunned, and for the time, lifeless. He was not, however, seriously hurt. The horses had been newly shod with steel pointed shoes. They were struck about the shoulders; the lightning passed over them and exhausted its force on a stump near by, about the foot of which some old iron lay. The horses were valued at \$250. A subscription was afterwards taken up for Mr. Hall's benefit.

It seems to be considered in Europe or at least in England and Germany, that the late Democratic victories in Ohio and Indiana mean repudiation, or that they indicate a popular leaning in that direction. As a consequence German and English capitalists appear to be getting alarmed in regard to their investments in American securities. There is no just ground for this alarm, for it is not at all probable that the people of any State will practically sanction either repudiation or semi-repudiation in which would be involved in the refusal to pay the bonds in gold. At the same time it is not greatly to be wondered at that foreigners, not understanding the intricacies of our politics or the mysteries of a "platform-making," should become alarmed at certain of the "planks" in western platforms, and at the utterances of some of our Democratic stump speakers.

A very interesting experiment was lately made in England, by which a small yacht was propelled by the action of wrought iron electro-magnets upon cogged castiron wheels attached to the shaft of a screw propeller, and attached by wires to a battery in the engine room. Contact was made and broken by levers worked by cams, which kept the magnets alternately in vivid action and reaction, by which the motion was continuous. If one was to take a good many things for granted, it would be worth while speculating upon the probable effect on the coal market should this motor be utilized for marine purposes; but until the experiment gets fairly beyond the small yacht, prices will probably remain as they are.

A Decatur mechanic claims to have discovered the principal of perpetual motion. The name of the mechanic is Geo. E. Patterson, and the Magnet and Tribune writes as follows concerning him and his machine: "When he began his machine, he held no idea of perpetual motion, but entertained the idea of inventing an overer for a sewing machine—something that would work alike on thick and thin cloth. After getting his machine to work, he discovered that by a few changes the motion would continue. All day he worked busily at his trade, and in the quiet hours of the night, he labored to develop the idea. Success crowned his efforts. Perpetual motion was before him in active play. In two months he will give a public display of the motion and its power. Mr. Patterson says he is actually ashamed to show the machine on account of its simplicity. He says everybody will say: 'Tshaw, why didn't I think of that? Its power is immense, giving thirty pounds to every ounce of friction. If all this is true, Mr. Patterson will have the gratitude of an admiring world.'

They occasionally get hold of the wrong man in Kansas when they are hunting for a horse thief, but they do the fair thing with the widow. They give her a lot in the graveyard, buy the coffin, and march in procession, singing "John Brown's body." After that they make up a purse, buy her a shot-gun and two dogs for her to make a living with.

A Minnesota paper says a great many farmers in Bridgewater county have been obliged to dispose of their flocks of sheep, the wolves becoming so plentiful that sheep-raising cannot be carried on successfully. Sheep husbandry had been a very extensive and profitable industry in that section till this unaccountable increase of wolves.

A young lady of Chicago says there is no woman living who could interest her with a lecture on "kisses." She says she could get more satisfaction from the lips of a young man on a moonlight night than a woman could tell in a thousand years.

The Representatives in Illinois were chosen by a plan of commutative voting, three in each district.

The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Breslau was deprived of his income by the Emperor of Germany. The tax collectors, however, demanded from him his usual income tax, which he declined to pay because he had no income. The German Minister, to whom the matter was referred, rendered this decision: That the Archbishop of Breslau stood charged on the books of the Treasury with so much salary; that if it had been withheld by the Minister of Public Worship, the act was in the nature of a penalty; that constructively the salary has been paid, and the usual income tax must be levied. And levied it was, and paid besides.

Mark Twain has resolved not to "go around" any more, and talk sense and nonsense from lecture platforms. In a letter to Mr. Redpath he says: "Your offer of \$30,000 to lecture fifty nights does not tempt me. I mean to live and die at home now. If I starve at it, I love you, but cannot lecture any more."

A Yankee poet thus breaks forth: Old the snore the beautiful snore, filling the chamber from ceiling to floor! over the coverlet, under the sheet, from her wee dimpled chin to her pretty feet! Now rising aloft like a bee in June; now flute-like sub-siding, then rising again, is the beautiful snore of Elizabeth Jane.

General Howard, Military Commander of the Department of the Columbia, is now on an official tour of the Sound, accompanied by Colonel Green, a veteran officer.

Every act passed by the recent Legislature has been signed by the Governor and filed with the Secretary of State.

Mr. Christian K. Ross, father of the abducted child, Charlie Ross, is reported to be in a dying condition. It is said that for several days past his reason has been growing fainter.

Pacific Slopers.

The Alden Fruit Drying Company, of Salem, has purchased 15,000 bushels of apples to start on.

The regular meeting of the Board of School Land Commissioners is postponed until Wednesday, the 25th inst.

A well known Salem jeweler has invented a new water wheel to run his machinery used in his business. The wheel only requires a stream one-eighth of an inch in diameter.

A Good Templars' Lodge in Polk county was dismissed summarily by a storm which shook the building so in which the body was sitting that the members left without the benediction.

The late rains have raised the Yamhill river about four feet, and cleared out the debris from the effects of blasting, so that boats can now go up to the warehouse at Lafayette.

At a party in the "Grubby-End" of Chehalis, recently, there were two "knockdowns." Too much bad "stamantula juice" appears to have been the cause.

Lewis county is reported to have given Jacobs about 25 majority, and to have elected nearly or quite all of the Republican ticket.

With the last week's issue of the Vancouver Register, the connection of Mr. U. E. Hicks with that paper ceased. Mr. Hicks goes to California to reside permanently. His successor is not yet announced.

The total vote in Thurston county by precincts was as follows, at the late election: Olympia, 391; Tumwater, 78; Coal Bank, 68; Grand Mound, 29; Yelm, 32; Union, 15; Black River, 11; and Chambers Prairie, 11. Total, 651.

An immigrant family has arrived in Seattle over the mountains, via the Snoqualmie Pass, whose mule team gave out, and being destitute, assistance had to be sent to them. Mr. John Baker collected \$30, sent a team with supplies, and brought them in safe.

A short time since, a farmer in Thurston county, desiring to sell his place, advertised it in a New York paper. A gentleman living in Pennsylvania saw the advertisement, corresponded with the farmer, and eventually purchased the place, and is now living on this farm. His coming has induced a number of gentlemen in his vicinity to come to Puget Sound.

On Monday night of last week a messenger arrived in Baker City from Rye valley to procure a physician to go to Rye valley and dress the wound of Wm. Blane, who had been shot by a man by the name of Scott. The only particulars that we have heard are that Scott, who was somewhat under the influence of liquor, was put out of the house by Mr. Blane, and that he drew his revolver and shot Blane, the ball taking effect in the lower portion of the bowels. Scott was arrested.

The Olympia Transcript says: "Indian Harry, the savage that killed one of his tribe about a year ago, got on a big drunk on Tuesday night, and severely injured, by beating about the head, an old Indian called one eyed Bob. Marshal Mossman arrested him and put him in jail. The next morning he was taken before Judge Elder and fined \$65 and costs and sent to jail until paid."

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the railroad company, was held at their office, in Olympia, on Monday, Nov. 24. There were 234 shares of stock represented. It was decided to reduce the number of trustees to five. The meeting was adjourned to the 12th of December, when, if nothing definite is known respecting the negotiations pending for the building of the road, the trustees will be chosen.

Some time back one of the chiefs on Neah Bay Reservation got drunk and became very obstreperous. The agent thereupon put him in irons and locked him up in Port Townsend, there to hold him until he referred his case to superior authority. When Gen. Howard visited that place the other day the imprisoned Indian was very penitent, and on promise of future good behavior he was released from close custody and sent back to the Reservation.

The Dalles Mountaineer says: "A snake was killed one day last week on the farm of Mr. Horace Rice, on Fitts-ten-mile creek, in this county, that had its head encased in the shell of the egg from which it was hatched. The snake was about two years old. The question for naturalists to determine is, How did his snakehood grow and fatten?" We guess he hadn't had that shell on his head all that time—it is too thin.

The Postmaster at Pendleton has received a letter from Chico, Cal., dated October 25th, which says: "Did a band of horses leave your place for here? There has been a party murdered in the mountains by Indians, and they were from Umatilla county. Let us know and we can give you more information. One of the men was here three weeks ago, and went back to meet his train. A large party have gone to look for them." Mr. Benjamin Despain left Pendleton last Aug. with a band of good horses. He intended to go through California in the neighborhood of Chico, and it is quite probable that he and his men and horses are those referred to in the letter.

The Salem Statesman of Saturday says: "The usual quiet of Eugene City was disturbed on Thursday evening by a fracas in which a well-known citizen of that county, named Al. Hembrie, received an injury, from the effects of which he has since died. He was in the city, and had, we are informed, been drinking some. While standing in front of a saloon, another party named Chit Brundt, who claimed that Hembrie owed him a small debt, came along and without the least warning, struck him a powerful blow with his clenched fist just below the right ear. Hembrie at first paid no attention to it. He was leaning against the building at the time, and gradually slid down until he reached the sidewalk. After considerable delay he was taken into the saloon, where restoratives were applied, and he recovered sufficiently to mount his wagon and drive home, a distance of four miles. The spectators gave it no further thought until yesterday, when news reached the city of Mr. Hembrie's death shortly after his arrival home."

The Eugene Guard gives the following particulars of Sol. Kulin, who committed suicide at that place on Thursday night of last week. Mr. Jones, who was assisting in his store, came down on Friday morning unlocked the store, went in and was preparing to open up when Mr. Bettman came in and asked where Kulin was. In company they proceeded to his sleeping room, in the rear of the store, and on opening the door were horror-stricken at the sight. Everything was covered with blood. He had been troubled with bleeding at the nose at night, and it was at first supposed this was the cause of his death. An examination, however, revealed the true state of affairs. His throat had been cut, leaving a most ghastly wound, which commenced near the left ear and extended to a point about midway between the windpipe and the right ear, everything being cut to the neck bone. There was found in or near his bed a bowie-knife about a foot in length, a small dagger and two razors, all more or less besmeared with blood. From the bed to the show-case in the front room were traces of blood and also in the show-case, and it would seem that he first attempted to take his life with the dagger, then went to the show-case and got the razors.

The Statesman is informed that the Harvest Feast and Ball of the Butteville Grange, advertised to come off at that place to-morrow evening, has been postponed until Friday, December 4th, owing to the recent death of a member of the Grange.

Charity Grange No. 76, Willamett Forks, Lane county, has a new hall which will be completed and dedicated November 20th, exercises to commence at 10 o'clock A. M. The Grange is in a prosperous condition and will be very comfortably fixed when the new hall is ready for use.

The Marion county poor farm, some twelve or fifteen miles distant from Salem, having proven a bill of expense to the county authorities, the commissioners recently sold it to N. Hass, for the sum of \$1,920.

The November term of Court will convene in Olympia Monday, 16th inst.

The total vote in Mason county, W. T., was 95. Sharpstein received a majority of 34.

The Right Rev. Bishop Lootens, of Idaho, it is said, will be the successor of the late Bishop O'Gorman, in Omaha.

There are a good many persons sick with the scarlet fever in Yamhill county at present.

More real estate changed hands in Marion county in October than in any previous month during the year.

Miss Irene Smith is Presidentess of the excelsior Educational Society of Corvallis. Miss Lou Taylor is Treasurer.

D. R. N. Blackburn, Esq., of Lane, was last week admitted to practice in the courts of the Second Judicial District.

The Marion county Council of Patrons of Husbandry is called to meet in Salem on the third Friday of present month. Delegates and Masters are requested to be present, as special business of importance is to be transacted.

The Yreka Journal says several teamsters from Oregon were in town last Saturday with heavy loads of flour, which they offered at \$2 25 per 100 pounds, by the quantity. Rogue river flour, of course.

Mr. Put Smith, of Walla Walla, lately purchased in Umatilla a band of 1,500 head of sheep at an average of \$2 per head. They will be brought down the river and placed on Saucie's Island and fattened for the Portland market.

It is reported that the Rogue River Patrons of Husbandry propose the construction of the proposed wagon road from the head of Illinois Valley to Chetco harbor, on the coast, and that the surveyors are now making out the line of the road.

A member of the Suginaw county bar, was recently in one of our thriving interior towns on professional business. In the office of the hotel he was accosted by a very agreeable gentleman, evidently of the genus drummer, who wanted to know "where he was from." The legal gentleman not exactly relishing the stranger's familiarity, answered shortly, "From Detroit." The next question was "For what house are you traveling?" For my own. "You are! May I ask your name?" "You may." Pause—enjoyable to the lawyer, embarrassing to the other. "Well desoperately. What is your name?" "Jones." "What line are you in?" "I don't understand you, sir." "What are you selling?" (impatiently). "Brains," (coolly). The drummer saw his opportunity and looking at the other from head to foot, he said slowly, "Well, you appear to carry a deuced small line of samples." Blackstone says he owes that drummer one.

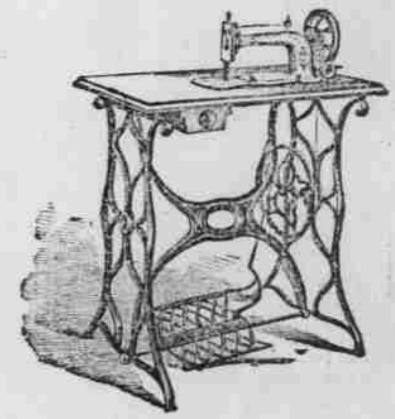
THE GAME OF DRAW POKER.—It was Mr. Simmons' deal. I was the oldest man, and the blind was three, calls seven. Ike Ruggles saw it then it was risen by Jones to fifteen for to play. Brown came in and also the dealer stayed. Then it took twelve to make it good, which I put up, and I remarked to the society that it would cost only twenty-five more to draw. Every last gentleman stayed, but it was not risen any higher. Then the dealer says to me, "How many will you take?" Says I, "a card." I had aces and kings, and got an ace in the draw. Ike took three and Jones two, but Brown had enough, and told the dealer to help himself, which he took only five. There was now about 190 chips on the board. Ike bet one, Jones went ten better, and Brown raised it to twenty, because he stood pat. The dealer said that his'n was valued at twenty more. Then said I, "How many does it take me?" Some one said "forty chips," which I invested likewise, with sixty better. Then all passed up to Brown, and I wanted him bad to stay with his steal, but his hand gave out, and he passed. Says the dealer to me, "How many did you draw?" Says I, "a card." "Well," says he, "I don't want to lay down this hand; I will bet sixty more than you." Now the dealer was a stranger like to our party. He was from the country, and did not know much about D. P. So I thought it was my charitable duty to let him down easy, and I only call him. "What have you got?" said I. "Two pairs!" said Mr. Simmons. Then it was my turn to be sorry that I had an ace full on kings. "But," said the genial Mr. Simmons, "Mine is two pair of jacks!" Then I said "O!" and put on my hat and went down on to the street to look for Christmas. As I went out of the door, Brown asked me "how many I took?" But Brown always was a person who will kick a man when he is down.

One of our Yankee cruisers, the Ashuelot, has sailed up the Yang-tze river, in China, over 1,000 miles, or more than 300 miles above Hankow, an considerably above the point hitherto reached by foreign vessels. At one stage of the steamer's progress the assemblage along the banks of the river was computed at 50,000 to 60,000, immense numbers, having repaired to Ichang from the districts around to see the extraordinary visitor.

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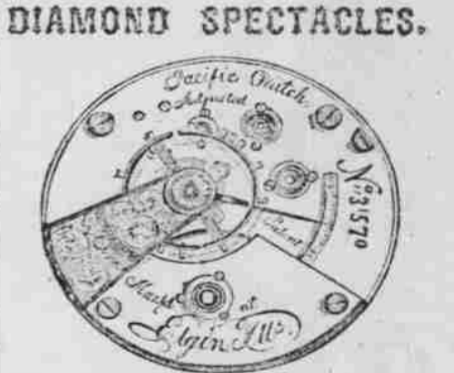
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