

ALBANY, FRIDAY, NOV. 19, 1875.

Another earthquake visited San Francisco on the evening of the 14th.

The cholera prevailing in Madras, it is doubted whether the Prince of Wales will be able to visit that presidency.

Sixteen suits, commenced against the Bank of California, were vocated on the 13th, and attachments withdrawn.

They call Lowell the "Spindle City of New England, which is no reflection on the shanks of its spinners.

T. C. Woodward, of Iowa, has been appointed chief examiner of the patent office.

It is rumored that Secretary Chandler will offer the place of Assistant Secretary to Gen. Barber, now Third Assistant Postmaster General.

S. S. Fenn, the Democratic candidate, has gone to Washington to contest the seat of Gov. Bennett, the Delegate elect from Idaho.

"Let's retire twenty cents of the redeemable" is the way they now put it in Calhoun, Ky., when they want to "inflate" a couple of drinks.

The big race advertised for last Saturday at San Francisco, didn't come off on account of the rain. Weather permitting the race will be run to-morrow.

Rev. John Mattucks, a well-known Presbyterian clergyman of St. Paul, died on the 13th, of apoplexy. Mr. Mattucks was a son of ex Governor Mattucks, of Vermont.

The boundary line in the far Northwest is being marked by cast-iron pillars, eight feet high, set in the ground four feet, at distances of a mile from each other. The English and American Government set the posts alternately.

A Detroit woman remarked that she regretted but one thing in her life. She said she was always vexed that a tornado didn't strike the twenty-two men who saw her fall on the icy walk, claw around and get up with a lame back.

The severest shock of earthquake ever experienced at Yuma, Arizona, occurred on the afternoon of the 15th. It shattered chimneys and cracked adobe walls badly. There were several shocks, the longest lasting four seconds.

A London dispatch of the 13th says: A tidal wave, ten feet high, swept up Parrot river, Somersetshire, to day. Bridgewater dock gates burst and vessels broke from their moorings. One vessel was sunk and 20 others were more or less damaged. The weather is still inclement and floods increased.

The question of licensing the whisky traffic has long existed and worried the sage and subtle intellect of our wisest solons. It is now suggested that instead of requiring liquor vendors to take out license, it would meet the case exactly to compel consumers to procure a license to drink. The revenue thus derived would be a princely one indeed, far exceeding that now derived from whisky license, affording ample means for the support of the General and State governments, and running our common schools right up to the handle. It's a good idea.

The London Morning Post of October 23d has a Berlin dispatch of the 23d saying: "The depression of trade is felt so keenly by the industrial classes, that the Government has been requested, as a means of preventing acute distress, to resort to a measure successfully adopted in the last two wars, namely: the establishment of loans banks. The Government has not as yet shown much inclination to accede to the request. Serious distress is anticipated among the industrial and working classes during the coming winter, and apprehensions are also entertained of a crisis in financial circles."

A great deal of discomfort rises from oversensitiveness about what people say of you or your actions. This requires to be blunted. Consider whether anything that you can do will have much connection with what they will say. And, besides, it may be doubted whether they will say anything at all about you. Many unhappy persons seem to imagine that they are always in an amphitheater, with the assembled world as spectators, whereas all the while they are playing to empty benches; they fancy, too, that they form the particular theme of every passer-by. If, however, they must listen to imaginary conversations about themselves they might, at any rate, defy the proverb and insist on hearing themselves well spoken of.

MAIL ROBBERY.

One more stage robbery is reported east of the mountains, this time occurring on the morning of the 10th inst., about 14 miles from Boise City, I. T. The stage running between Boise City and Silver City was stopped, on said morning, and Wells Fargo & Co's. treasure box and the mail sacks demanded and given up. There was about \$8,000 in bullion and gold dust in the treasure box. The Superintendent of the N. W. S. Co., at Boise City, Mr. Morris, as soon as acquainted with the fact of the robbery, together with Fred Hillm, the Umatilla driver, repaired to the place of the robbery. They found the empty treasure box and mail sacks, all giving evidence that experienced hands had gone through them. The rain having obliterated the tracks of the robbers, no clue to the perpetrators of the robbery was obtained.

Whitman Attempts to Shoot White man in the Court-room.

A Salem on Monday, in County Court during the examination of Whiteman, the prosecuting witness in the case, was testifying when Watkins drew a revolver and fired at Whiteman, missing him, the bullet striking a man by the name of D. D. Orton, a painter by trade, and formerly of Portland, in the left side of the head near the temple, causing a wound from which Orton will probably die. Watkins is the man who was outrageously mutilated by Whiteman, for alleged intimacy with his (Whiteman's) wife, and for which Whiteman was sentenced to the penitentiary for one year. Three shots were fired, one entering Orton's face at one side and passed entirely through his head. What next!

AN OREGON SHIP.—In a late San Francisco paper we observe the following complimentary paragraph concerning a vessel which was built in this State: "The Western Shore is a Pacific coast ship, having been built at Coos bay, a little over a year ago, since which time she has made a round voyage to Liverpool and back, with a full cargo of 1,600 tons, making the quickest passage each way of any vessel in the fleet sailing between the two ports during the season of 1874-5. Last evening the Master Mariners of San Francisco held a meeting, at which a series of resolutions, complimenting Captain McAlle, the master of the Western Shore, on his successful and expeditious voyage, were adopted. The Western Shore is built of Oregon pine, excepting her upper works which are constructed of cedar, the latter being the most durable wood, growing on the Pacific coast and the best adapted for the purpose to which it was devoted by the builders of the vessel." The above vessel is now on the way to Portland.

We have heard of a very distressing accident occurring in Jackson county, West Virginia. It was a house-raising. As is customary on such occasions, chickens had been killed by chopping off their heads. Two little sons of the owner of the house to be raised saw the chickens thus gillotined, and during the day concluded to repeat the operation. It was just at a time when the white men were lifting a heavy log into its place. The father, who was holding one end of the log, casting his eyes toward the little fellows, one of whom had an ax raised to sever the neck of his brother, let go of the log to save the boy, and it fell, killing six men, two instantly, the others living only a few hours. The ax fell before the father could reach the scene, severing the neck of the son. Thus were seven persons hurled into eternity in a twinkling.

The Olympia Courier says: "A farmer, whose name we could not ascertain, residing on the Kittitas valley, started through the Natchez Pass shortly after the fall rains began with 200 mutton sheep. After getting this side of the summit with them, he met a man who informed him that all the little streams were full to the brim, and that it was impossible for him to get through. The farmer knew he could not drive them back the way he came on account of the high waters, so he abandoned them to the storms, wild beasts or starvation, and rode toward home as fast as he could. We imagine the wolves and cougars have provided material for a woolen factory long ere this."

The new county cut off from Walla Walla county by the late Washington Territory Legislature was nominated in the bill creating it, Ping county. The Union suggests the prefix Ah. But the Legislature vetoed the bill. Again the Legislature goes to work and presents a new bill, this time calling it Columbia. Whether the Governor will veto the second bill, remains to be seen.

At Jacksonville it is reported that Lane county gave Lane 70 majority over Warren on a light vote.

The British Minister to China, Mr. Wade, has been knighted.

The new hotel in Holladay's addition Portland, is reported very weak on its points from the abundance of water surrounding it.

Full returns from Curry county show the vote given to be: Warren 75, Lane 62, Whitney 3. Thus it will be seen Whitney still runs ahead of his ticket.

Heavy rain storms are reported in California. The telegraph lines are down, and we have no late Eastern dates.

Lane's plurality in the State is now figured at about 260. When the vote is counted we shall know probably to a dot.

The steamers Ajax and California were detained at Astoria Sunday night on their last trip out, because of a heavy storm at sea and danger of crossing the bar at the mouth of the Columbia.

Dr. Schumaker, of Portland, has been appointed physician at the Umatilla Indian Agency. He is said to be an excellent physician, and well calculated to fill that important place.

In his message, the Governor claims a population of 36,000 for Washington Territory, and says the emigration for the year was 5,000. The Governor advises the organization of a Board of Emigration, a wise suggestion.

A reporter at Helena, Montana, Oct. 28th, sent this: "Steres was hanged at noon to-day. Everything passed off pleasantly. He made no speech. 'What an idea of pleasantness! And think of a man just about to be hung not making a speech on such a pleasant occasion!'"

SCANTY ATTIRE.—It was an affecting case. It was in Indiana: and she applied for a divorce. "Did he give you clothing enough?" said the Judge. "I lived with him nineteen years," said she, "and all the clothes he ever bought me were a bunch of hair-pins and a tooth-brush."

AN INCONGRUOUS REMARK.—They were walking arm in arm. The moon was shining brightly on the water, and he said, "how beautifully the silver moonbeams touch the dancing wavelets, their motion throwing off the beams in a flood of tremulous light. How sublime the effect, Emily!" "Yes, Henry, she answered; "and only just see how ridiculous that slim woman looks in a pull-back dress!" Henry groaned.

Here is a Frenchman's pre-cription for curing warts, which is said never to fail: Take a small piece of raw beef; steep it all night in vinegar, cut as much from it as will cover the wart, and tie it on it; if the excrescence is on the forehead, fasten it on with strips of sticking-paster. It may be removed in the day and put on every night. In one fortnight the wart will die and peel off. The same prescription will cure corns.

The steamer tug *Goliath* arrived at Port Townsend on the 13th from Cape Flattery, having on board the body of one of the female passengers of the *Pacific*. The lady was very tall, about five feet seven inches in height, with black hair. She had evidently been in bed at the time of the collision, as she had on only her underclothing and an astrachan jacket, while her shoes were unlaced. She wore three plain gold rings, one of which had on it the letters "O. H." The ear-rings were round gold enameled, without pendants, with a cluster of small pearls. She is supposed to be Mrs. Hellmuth, the daughter of Mrs. Farg-Ally, of Portland.

General Gomez, who has command of the Cuban patriots, announces to his government that he can prolong the struggle for independence another seven years in the island in spite of the reinforcements promised Valmaeseda from Spain. He has entered upon a fresh campaign and is burning sugar estates fast as the torch can be applied.

The oldest nation in the world does honor to the youngest. The land of the Pharaohs shows its respect for our people by appropriating \$65,000 to pay the expenses of its representatives at the Centennial Exposition next year. All the arts, products and industries of Egypt will be represented, as well as many things pertaining to her ancient history.

The Salt Lake Tribune says: "It may be of interest to the large number of young gentlemen and ladies in this city, just now, to know that there is no marriage law in the Territory. Simply standing by in the presence of your mother-in-law and saying, 'Sal, let's hitch,' or 'Jerusalem, let's go pads for life,' constitute a legal marriage and don't cost a cent."

Mr. Patrick Laird, of Pleasant Hill, Lane county, raised a Chester, white hog which weighed 777 pounds net when killed at two years old.

Charles Francis Adams, Jr., propesies that all the railway systems of the country will be consolidated into one powerful monopoly, and that ultimately they will become a department of the Government, just as the Postoffice now is. He thinks that Scott, Vanderbilt and Garrett are bringing this about.

IMPORTANT DECISION.—The Department of the Interior decides that an administrator or guardian cannot relinquish the homestead entry of a deceased person without authority from the Probate Court.

Pacific Slopers.

A protracted meeting we understand is in progress at Bethel under the auspices of the Christian Church. The owners of the cinabar mines on Applegate creek, Southern Oregon, have just finished burning a kiln of brick, of which they will construct a furnace for their works.

Chester P. Barden, indicted for the murder of Daniel McMahon, was last week arraigned at Jacksonville, and will perhaps be tried ere long. He was carried into court and presented a rather emaciated appearance.

We learn that there have been two pools made up of 10,000 and 12,000 bushels of wheat, respectively, by some of the farmers storing at Lincoln, and ready for sale whenever a favorable opportunity presents itself. They hold for \$1 clear of sacks.

John R. Tice and others, while on the road to Fort Kalmath from Yreka, with freight, encountered a regular young hurricane last week, which upturned several trees and plays havoc generally. Fortunately no one was hurt, although it was a close call.

Mrs. Caroline Briggs, who was tried for murder in Josephine county several months ago, convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary, but who was given a new trial by the Supreme court, was put on her second trial last week at Jacksonville, a change of venue having been taken.

Hiram Farlow's temporary home on Little Butte creek, Jackson, was one day last week destroyed by fire. He resided alone, and was out hunting at the time it occurred, so nothing was saved. The property consumed consisted of grain, tools, guns, etc., the total value of which was about three hundred dollars.

The Jacksonville Times says: "Mrs. Caroline Briggs, convicted of manslaughter at the last term of the Court and sentenced to five years imprisonment in the Penitentiary, surrendered herself this week, and is now confined in the County Jail. She will be taken to Salem in a few days."

There are at present twelve prisoners confined in Kitsap county (W. T.) jail, of which five belong to that county, five territorial, one to Jefferson county and one to King county.

The Eugene Guard says: Grangers certainly will not grumble at low prices as a general thing for produce this fall. Potatoes have been selling at \$1 per bushel; good butter finds a ready sale at 50 cents per pound and eggs at 50 cents per dozen.

The following named vessels were towed over the bar at the mouth of the Umpqua last Monday morning and cleared away on their destination: The *Sparrow*, Capt. Lawson, commander, and *Bobolink*, Capt. Morse, commander for Lower California. The *Letitia*, Captain Nelson, commander, bound for San Francisco. They were all laden with lumber, and carried away about six hundred thousand feet, from the Gardner mills.

The Roseburg Plaindealer says: The Hancock sisters are now running a saw and grist mill near Scottsburg. They also run a farm, conducting all the works as well as their male neighbors. There are four of these sisters, all single, and although a blight was cast upon their lives by their natural protector, no one who becomes acquainted with them can help pitying and admiring them for their energy, industry and honest dealing with their neighbors.

The late rains have put back the fall work on Tualatin plains considerably. But very little plowing has been done, and scarcely any of the farmers have got their fruit gathered or potatoes dug yet. The frost has kept off remarkably late this season. The tomato vines are green yet, as in midsummer.

Mrs. C. W. Snively, who has been studying the German and Italian opera the past year under some of the best instructors, having been previously encouraged to do so by many of the best musicians of San Francisco, will henceforth follow the opera as a profession.

There are ten prisoners in the Idaho Territorial penitentiary. Only one, a Chinaman, who is cook, does much work. The others are put at light jobs occasionally do nothing.

Large numbers of beef cattle are shipped every week from Olympia to supply the Victoria market.

A letter from Douglas county says the Journal, and also a telegram from the same place report the bridge over the South Umpqua on the stage road between Roseburg and Canyonville to be in danger, more from the drift than the force of the water itself. Nothing was allowed to pass over the imperilled structure on Tuesday.

The village of Hubbard, in Marion county, is putting on city airs, notwithstanding it has only about a dozen families in the burg. They have the railroad depot, three stores, the usual shops, etc., a lyceum in a flourishing condition, and now they have organized a "select school company," which has rented the Methodist church for a term of four years, refitted it and seated it for a graded school room. This company propose to open their school on the first Monday in December—the books being now open for pupils to engage—and it is expected that the first term will be attended by 25 to 40 scholars at an average tuition of \$4 each. They have not yet hired a teacher, but offer a growing opportunity for four years, to any competent man who will come among them for that purpose. Hubbard will grow.

On Sunday (the 7th) afternoon about three o'clock Messrs. M. Longden, Walter Sawyer and George F. Furguson, (who were in the employ of L. Baker, Esq., the contractor for building the lighthouse on Entrance Island,) started from the island in a good sea boat, about 18 feet long and capable of carrying 12 persons, for Nainaimo. When the boat was 200 yards from the island it became necessary to "tack." In doing so Longden, who weighs about 225 lbs., failed to change his position.

This caused the weight to be on one side, and the boat filled and turned bottom upwards. The three men managed to get on the keel of the boat. In a short time Sawyer slipped off and was seen no more. After the boat had drifted about a mile in the direction of Lighthouse Island, Longden was seen to drop into the chilling waters. The boat, with Furguson still clinging to the upturned keel, drifted into the Gulf. As the boat disappeared in the far distance the form of a man could be seen upon it. The sea was smooth and the wind light at the time of the accident. Those on the island used their best endeavors to save the unfortunate men, by throwing planks and sticks out toward them, but without avail. There was no other boat on the island. There can be no doubt of the sad fate of Longden and Sawyer, but there is a possibility that the boat, with Furguson upon it, may have drifted ashore on some of the numerous islands, or been picked up by a passing vessel.

On the 24th of October a little sloop, with two men on board, started from San Francisco for Port Townsend, owned by Jack Pugh of Port Discovery, and intended to carry the mail from Port Townsend to Neah Bay. So far as we have learned she has not yet arrived, though no apprehensions are felt for her safety on that account. The little craft is 38 feet long, 5 feet broad, 44 feet deep, and measures 6 tons. It was a foolhardy job, however, to bring her up the coast, that these men undertook and the boat, no matter how costly, was never worth it.

In the races at Victoria last week, on the first day, the two mile repeat race \$500 was won in two heats by Mr. Bigham's Foster, who beat Mr. Young's Billy Bigham by a length in each heat. The first heat was run in 3:45, and the second in 3:48. The half mile race was closely contested, resulting in favor of Mr. Scoggins' mare Alpha, closely pressed by Mr. H. D. Saunders' Hiram. For the Scoury stakes four horses entered, and it was won by Mr. H. D. Saunders' Back.

A correspondent of the Port Townsend *Argus*, writing under date of Neah Bay, Oct. 27th, says: "On the night of the 23d inst., some Makah Indians were camped about three miles below Crescent Bay on their way down with some horses, when they felt a terrific earthquake, throwing them down and stampeding their horses. They were terribly frightened: one of them has not got over his fright yet. They say the illlabe was awful ma-sa-che." Parties above and below Crescent Bay did not notice it.—The Indians captured a huge whale a few days ago, and were fast to it for several days out of sight of land. It finally drifted ashore at Nit Nat, where it was cut up and brought home with great rejoicing by their friends, who had begun to mourn them as dead. This makes the second whale captured by the Makah Indians this season.

H. M. S. Fontane, 4 guns, commander Long, arrived in Equimault harbor at 12 o'clock Tuesday night. She is about the same class ship as the *Myrmidon*, and will remain on that station some weeks. At the request of the Lieutenant Governor, Commander Long put to sea the next day to assist in the searching for the shipwrecked people.

The owners of the cinabar mine at the head of Little Applegate are confident of rich pay from it.

The Stage Company's paymaster has been paying off the employes along the road south of Roseburg, and the boys are giving the money a chance.

Alex. Martin has a Percheron 2-year old colt which weighs 2,000 pounds. Another strike of very rich gold quartz has been lately made near the head of Little Humburg creek, just over the line in California.

One of the bills allowed and paid by the Whatcom county commissioners last week, was to Mrs. Fouts, (\$5) "for cutting and keeping down Canada thistles in town of Whatcom, to prevent their going to seed and spreading over the country."

The Grand Lodge of Independent Order of Good Templars of Idaho Territory convenes in Boise City on the 16th inst.

A company has been organized in Cheyenne looking to the construction of a railroad from that place to Laramie. The proposed line has been christened the Wyoming Central.

One by one the luxuries of life are becoming so plentiful and cheap as to be within the reach of the poorest. A large lake has been discovered about forty miles west of Laramie, in the bottom of which is a thick layer of epsom salts in almost a pure state.

There seems to be some probability that the old man calling himself Myers, arrested and confined in jail at Malad City, Idaho, about two months on a charge of murdering his traveling companion, and who committed suicide while incarcerated at Malad, was really old Bender, of Kansas.

The Bozeman *Courier* reports the organization of a Yellowstone Transportation Company which will run steamers on the Yellowstone in connection with the Northern Pacific from Bismarck, and in opposition to the Carroll and Fort Benton routes for the transportation of Montana freights.

The Denver *News* says: "Rumors are rife, and with some show of authenticity, of recent wonderfully rich discoveries down in the San Juan region. A mountain of porphyry has been found the entire body of which is richly impregnated with gold, the poorest portions of which yield \$60 to the ton, while the best class goes as high as \$150 per ton."

The Port Townsend *Argus* says that a late assay of a specimen of the sandstone found at the head of Port Townsend Bay, made by Mr. Reichling, of San Francisco, reveals the fact of the existence there of both gold and silver. We have been shown a letter from a party in the above named city, giving some particulars connecting with the assaying of a fragment of the stone, which says: "Two facts in relation to it are certain. First, that close by, and probably within twenty feet, there must necessarily be a well defined lead which carries both gold and silver; second, that the further the lead is followed, the richer it is likely to be."

Two vessels with steel rails for the Canadian Pacific Railway have arrived in Victoria harbor from England. The treasure lost on the *Pacific* was insured in the Ocean Marine, Indemnity Union & Royal Exchange Insurance Companies of London. The amount was over \$72,000.

The following amounts of gold were shipped from Victoria, through Welis, Fargo & Co., on the *Salvador*, on the 10th: Bank of British Columbia, \$17,182; Bank of British North America, \$25,754.

A three-quarter interest in the Van Winkle Co., Lightning creek, belonging to Harry Jones, changed hands last week at \$4,000. Mr. T. R. Patullo was the purchaser. Six thousand dollars were offered for a full interest and refused.

The three principal claims on Lightning—the Van Winkle, Victoria and Vancouver—have yielded as follows for the nine months ending 30th October ult.: Van Winkle Co., \$218,262; Victoria Co., \$202,282; Vancouver, \$54,114.

Telegraphic inquiries were received in Victor from Ottawa and other parts of Canada, California, Nevada and nearly all the Eastern States, and from England and Ireland, as to the fate of persons supposed to be on board the *Pacific*.

Capt. Parsons was on board the *Prince Alfred* when she was wrecked; was on board the *Los Angeles* when she broke her shaft; purchased tickets for San Francisco by the *Dakota*, but was unable to get away in her; sailed in the *Pacific*, and is lost with all his family.

All the repairs done on the Calipooa creek bridge, on the Scottsburg road, were washed away during the last freshet so we have been informed. This improvement was sadly needed, and the bridge must be in a critical condition.

The Eastern Oregon *Tribune* will be issued at the Dalles next week.

The Plaindealer announces that Hon. L. F. Lane will leave for Washington, D. C., this week.

Eugene City has postponed the construction of fire cisterns until next spring. A man walked from La Grande to Pendleton, a distance of fifty-two miles, one day last week, and says he can walk seventy-five miles "between sun and sun," on a summer day.

Col. Larrabee, of Seattle, has lately bought the celebrated Bushy farm, in Crescent harbor, Whidly Island, and proposes to make a model farm of it.

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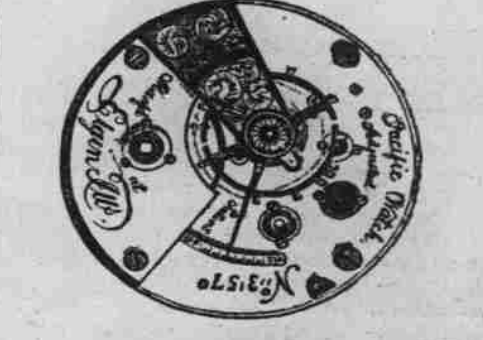
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