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TELEGRAPHIC DISPATCHES,
Of the past week condensed.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The issue of standard dollars from the mints during the week ended Nov. 30, was \$659,384.

Owing to the decrease of cholera, instructions have been given to discontinue the services of most of the sanitary inspectors of the marine hospital service attached to the United States consulates in Europe. The inspectors at Mediterranean and Cuban ports will be retained for the present.

It is said at the treasury department that there has been an increase instead of the usual decrease in the public debt during November. Receipts have been light and disbursements unusually heavy. Payments on account of pensions alone amount to \$11,000,000. The department statement will not be issued until Wednesday.

The financial condition of the Northern Pacific railroad is—total debt, \$79,434,211; capital stock, \$87,610,584; total stock and debt, \$167,044,795; total assets, \$167,136,755; surplus, \$91,960. Earnings in 1884, \$12,603,575; earnings in 1885, \$11,234,149; decrease, \$1,369,426; expenses in 1884, \$7,177,754; expenses in 1885, \$6,195,300; decrease, \$981,451.

A Washington special to the N. Y. Post says that both Messrs. Morrison, of Illinois, and Randall, of Pennsylvania, are drafting tariff bills to be presented at the next meeting of congress. The features of neither have been made public. The same paper says that while the president's recommendations on the subject are not known specifically, it is known that he will favor very thorough and earnest revenue reform.

"Gen. Logan cannot be elected president pro tem," said a democratic leader. "He is not eligible, because he has not taken the oath of office. Section 28 of the revised statutes says the oath of office shall be administered by the president of the senate to each senator before taking his seat. Now this means that the president of the senate must be in his chair before the new senators are sworn in, and Gen. Logan cannot be sworn in until there is a president of the senate to administer the oath. This was settled at the extra session in 1881. It was then decided that the president pro tem must be elected before new senators are sworn in. Of course the republicans can elect a man temporarily, and after he has sworn in Logan, make him give way to Logan."

Gov. Squire, of Washington territory, in his report to Secretary Lumar, gives the population of the territory at 129,438, an increase of 36,930 in two years. The assessed value of property is \$50,484,437, and there are yet 23,000,000 acres of public land unsurveyed, of which 16,000,000 are good agricultural and timber land. The governor states that by the territorial census of 1885 there were 3276 Chinese residents in that territory. He says the recent attacks on Chinese in that territory have grown out of the fact that Chinamen are continually coming across the border from British Columbia, in violation of the restriction act. The governor suggests an increased customs force on the border, a revision of the restriction act, and the revision or abrogation of the Burlingame treaty, as necessary for the tranquility of the territory.

Democratic senators object to the election of any body to the presidency of the senate except Senator Edmunds. They say that either Logan or Sherman would be very objectionable, on account of their partisan and sectional prejudices. The democrats will give their complimentary nomination to Senator Harris, of Tennessee. The fact that the senate can elect whom it pleases president pro tem, leaves it in the power of the republican senators to elect Senator Logan before he is sworn, if they are so inclined. Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, who is authority upon the subject of rules, has looked up the point, and is clearly of the opinion that this can be done. A few democrats have a feeble hope that a democrat will be elected, and they expect Senator-elect Mitchell, of Oregon to vote for a democrat, in accordance with his alleged pledge when he got democratic votes. Interest in the contest is increasing every day.

The Work of Vigilantes.

George H. Keach was hanged by vigilantes last Sunday evening, four miles south of Adams, Oregon, in true vigilante style. He was forcibly taken away from the officers who were returning to Adams with him, on a warrant for horse stealing. He was a member of one of the worst gangs of horse thieves in the country. On his back was pinned the placard: "Horse stealing. The rest of the gang take warning."

GENERAL NEWS.

The St. Louis cattle convention adjourned *sine die*, after electing T. Dewitt Smith, of Chicago, president for the coming year.

It is reported in Chicago that Secretary Bayard has determined to present the Tehuantepec canal scheme to congress as the basis of a foreign policy which shall be decidedly American.

The funeral of Peter Donahue took place from St. Mary's cathedral, San Francisco. The procession was the largest ever seen on the occasion of a funeral of a private citizen.

It is said in Washington that a meeting will shortly take place between Governor-elect Hill, of New York, and Governor-elect Lee, of Virginia, at the residence of the latter. The object, it is stated, is to boom themselves for the presidential race in 1888.

The leading cigar manufacturers of San Francisco have signed a contract to discharge their Chinese employes, and hire in their stead white workmen, paying the union prices of New York. An agent will be sent east to employ the necessary number of white cigarmakers.

A number of prominent democrats throughout Washington territory have recently taken measures to secure for Hon. J. G. Thompson the position of secretary of the territory. Mr. Thompson was formerly sergeant-at-arms of the United States house of representatives, and is at the present time timber agent in Washington territory.

Judge Dawne, who was removed by President Cleveland shortly after his appointment, "for cause," has disappeared from Alaska. He left Sitka on the 2nd of November in an Indian canoe, and is believed to be somewhere in British Columbia. As a matter of fact, he has been seen on the Skeena river. It is said he is wanted at Portland for an unsatisfied claim of \$30,000.

The president has adopted a new plan in preparing his message—he seeks information from men not connected with the administration. It is thought that his tariff policy will not alarm the protectionists, though the revenue reformers claim his sympathy. In regard to the silver question, it is known that he will adhere to the position taken in his letter to the silver men, which he wrote before his inauguration. It is expected so that he will recommend the removal of the tax on the circulation of national banks, and ask congress to amend the banking act, so that banks can issue notes to the amount of the par value of bonds deposited to secure their circulation.

In regard to interstate commerce, Senator Harris, of Tennessee, member of the commission investigating the question is credited with saying that he is in favor of the establishment of a national commission, which shall have no power to fix rates, but to which any complaints concerning discriminations could be made. Then proceedings against the railroads complained of could be instituted at the expense of the federal government. He was hopeful of the enactment of a law forbidding less charge for a short haul than a long one, and compelling railways to post their rates and stick to them. He was opposed to "pools" altogether, in which he differed from most of the committee. The chance for legislation on the subject of interstate commerce, he thought, was good.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Rev. John Butler, of the American Presbyterian mission at Ningpo, and his eldest son, died from cholera October 11.

The Bulgarians have captured Piro. A Belgrade dispatch says: "An armistice between Serbia and Bulgaria was concluded at 3.30 this afternoon. The cessation was brought about by efforts of Count von Khevenhulder Metrich, Austrian minister at Belgrade."

A story is current in the clubs of London that Gladstone has intimated to Lord Salisbury a willingness, in the event of conservative success at the polls, to give the whole liberal strength to the support of the government on "all reasonable measures, in order to prevent the necessity of yielding to the ruinous course of placing England under Irish dictation." No doubt is entertained that the liberal leader's proposal, if it really has been offered, has been accepted.

The steamer Greyhound, trading between Hong Kong and Fokoi, was recently seized by pirates, disguised as passengers. The captain was murdered, and the other officers were imprisoned in the hold, excepting the chief officer and the assistant engineers, who were compelled to navigate the vessel. Later three junks came alongside, and plunder valued at \$10,000 was transferred to them from the steamer. The Chinese authorities have captured two junks containing property pilfered from the Greyhound, and six men who were concerned in the outrage. They have been taken to Canton, where they will probably be beheaded.

Closing out Sale.

The closing out sale at C. H. Whitney's is attracting many buyers who are attracted by the very low prices—a real cost for goods. This is a genuine closing out sale and as the stock is a well selected one and first-class, the people should not fail to improve the opportunity.

New Laws.

The Oregon Legislature passed the following laws during the last session:

HOUSE BILLS PASSED.

Prosser, No 10—To facilitate transportation of freights by railroads.
Story, 68—Providing for lighting public buildings with electric light.
Leinenweber, 9—Amending charter of Astoria.

Veatch, 13—Amending section 27, title 11, chapter 8, miscellaneous laws, relating to boundaries of counties.
Story, 14—To preserve order at watering places of public resort.
Henkle, 47—Amending charter of Philomath.

Morrow, 7—Changing name of Alkali to Arlington.
Lewis, 41—Creating Seventh Judicial district, and providing time of holding court in that and the Sixth Judicial district.

Cole, 42—Amending act relating to fees of sheriff of Columbia county.
Bourne, 63—Providing uniform system of books and certificates for registration of votes.

Cox, 76—Incorporating Milton.
Bilyen, 93—To amend section 6, title 5, Civil Code.
Chandler, 89—Establish evidence of certain records destroyed by fire in Baker county.

Keady, 37—To prevent the sale of liquor without license.
Miller, 72—To amend section 6, charter of Jefferson.

Leinenweber, 62—To provide that the president of the Board of Pilot Commissioners be recorded as managing owner new pilot schooner.
Porter, 15—Appropriating \$10,000 for bridge over Rogue river.

Jolly, 24—Increasing the salary of the Treasurer of Grant county from \$400 to \$500.
Bourne, 1—Providing for a bridge over the Willamette river at Portland.

Geor, 59—To suppress prize fighting.
Riddle, 29—That a board be nailed below the top wire of wire fences west of the Cascade Mountains.

Bilyen, 90—Amending section 6, an act to empower the Governor, Secretary of State and Treasurer to compute the State levy of taxes in the several counties.
Gilbert, 28—Relating to compensation of clerks of school districts.

Hays, 71—To protect Mongolian peasants.
Brown, 87—Amending act amending the charter of Portland.

Abshire, 19—Annexing a portion of Grant to Lake county.
Veatch, 91—To amend section 86, chapter 3, Civil Code.

Geor, 25—Protecting fish in fish ways.
Cox, 32—Providing for assessment and collection of taxes upon rolling stock and railroads, and repealing section 13, title 2 of chapter 57, of Miscellaneous Laws.

SENATE BILLS PASSED.

Simon, N, 22—Amending registry law.
Rinehart 32—Incorporating the town of Summerville.

Carson, 34—Amending Portland charter.
Prim, 43—Amending Ashland charter.
Siglin, 50—Permitting women to practice law in the courts of Oregon with the same privileges as men.

Carson, 60—Creating a Board of Commissioners to examine into matters of assessment and taxation.
Hirsch, 62—Amending section 13, appropriation bill.

Burch, 39—Regulating passage of traction engines, bicycles, etc.
Burch, 51—Regulating sale of spirituous liquors.

Simon, 53—Authorizing contracts for conditional sale or lease of R. R. rolling stock.
Burch, 7—Changing time of holding court in the Seventh Judicial district.
Coleman, 10—Requiring receivers of railroads to repair bridges.

Miller, 37—Amending section 571, criminal code.
Siglin, 25—To construct dyke across the Isthmus Slough.

Reed, 27—Incorporates town of Ranier.
Lee, 23—Appropriating \$250 toward a monument to J. W. Nesmith.
Bilyen, 29—Amending school laws.

Siglin, 40—To provide against the indiscriminate sale of opium and the smoking of the same.
Simon, 15—Fixing fees of justices and constables of Multnomah county.

Haines, 63—Supplying barned records of Baker county.
Weatherford, 61—Amending the act incorporating Brownsville.

Hare, 36—Amending section 701, chapter 8, title 3, of the civil code.
Miller, 55—Amending section 49 of act providing for registration of voters, and repealing title 1, chapter 14, miscellaneous laws.

Simon, 44—Amending section 143, title 16, chapter 1, civil code.
Cauthorn, 19—Confirming location of the Agricultural College at Corvallis.

Rinehart, 26—Appropriating \$15,000 for Pine Creek road.
Coleman, 11—Amending laws governing the Oregonian R. R.

Simon, 65—Amending Registry Law.
Simon, 65—Amending charter of Portland by creating a police Commission.

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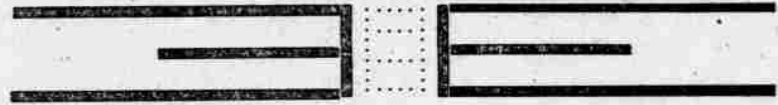
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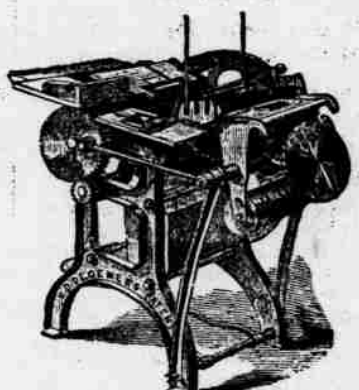
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