

EUGENE CITY GUARD

LATEST NEWS SUMMARY.

BY TELEGRAPH TO DATE.

The wool market at Boston is good, prices advancing.

The Georgia Pacific railroad is completed to Anniston, Alabama.

The village of Hallestad, Sweden, was totally destroyed by fire recently.

The Arkansas river is on the rise at Little Rock, and danger anticipated.

Oliver Moffat was elected premier in the province of Ontario on the 28th ult.

Ex-President Diaz and party, of Mexico, arrived at New Orleans on the 28th ult.

Christine Nilsson visited the tomb of Garfield on the 27th ult., and was greatly affected.

The United States government intends to establish a consular agency at Essen, Germany.

The silver wedding festivities of the crown prince and princess took place on the 28th ult.

Redmond, teller of the Dominion bank, Toronto, decamped on the 27th ult., being short \$75,000.

The senate has ratified the supplemental extradition treaty between the United States and Spain.

Bridget Bullen, of Ontario, Can., aged 70, cut the throat of her husband, aged 90, and set fire to the dwelling recently.

The cotton exposition buildings at Louisville will cover fifteen acres of ground, and are expected to be completed in July.

A paper bomb, charged with powder, was thrown into the court yard of the Austrian embassy at Rome recently. No one hurt.

Charges are about to be made against the public printer at Washington, a deficiency of \$50,000 in his accounts are reported.

In New York city, Feb. 27th, Caroline Bernheimer fell from a skylight directly upon a rapidly running rip saw, and was cut in two.

The national temperance society asks the legislature of New York to submit the people a prohibitory constitutional amendment.

The Mark Lane Express (London) of the 27th ult. says: The wheat market is slack and prices falling; flour cheaper; barley, steady.

A true bill has been found against A. B. Williams, counsel for Dorsey in the star route trial, on the charge of receiving stolen goods.

An earthquake shock was felt in parts of Rhode Island and Connecticut on the 28th ult. At the time of the shock a bright meteor was seen to flash across the sky.

Five hundred and ninety-two bills are reported by the house committee on military affairs, the most notable is the Grant retirement bill and the Fitz John Porter bill.

In a sleighing party recently at Hawley, Pa., the sleigh slid off the icy road down an embankment of forty feet and into a canal. Six of the party were injured seriously.

Receivers of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad and coal and iron company recently surrendered to the officers of the companies control of the property of those corporations.

Lawrence Barrett was recently accorded a flattering reception at Washington, the theater being densely crowded, the President, cabinet officers and many other high officials were present.

Red Cloud is on his way home from Washington. He seems satisfied with his visit to the capital, and expects to get \$14,000 to compensate his tribe for the ponies taken from them by the military in 1876.

A Boston dispatch of Feb. 28th says: The house defeated, 127 to 69, the bill giving female citizens the right to vote for city and town officers, to hold city and town offices, and to vote in town meetings.

Strikers and rioters are causing considerable trouble to the Chicago & Evansville railroad in Chicago. Three hundred of the men on the 28th ult. tore up 500 feet of track, twisting the rails out of shape.

Langtry, on being asked how she liked this country, said: "Very much. I think it a great country. Chicago I liked best of the cities. It is a great town, full of life and thrills. I found western society able and well informed in regard to dramatic matters—better than those of the south. I liked New Orleans, but think it a stagnant, sleepy city. The weather was so hot."

A Milwaukee dispatch of Feb. 28th says: The investigating committee in the Newhall House catastrophe came in with a final report to-day. The finding is lengthy, and is synopsized as follows: Fire incendiary; combustion rapid; all lives lost within 30 minutes after discovery; hotel constructed as any other at the time of its erection; John F. Antisdel did not employ sufficient help; was careless in not guarding the hotel more carefully after so many attempts had been made to burn the house; of the employees only Engineer Wm. Lineham exerted himself properly to save life; Coroner Kuepper was brutal, harsh and indecent.

A Washington dispatch of Feb. 27th says: Nominations: Register of land offices—Jos. Ferguson, Walla Walla; E. L. Smith, The Dalles. Receivers of public moneys—A. O. Marsh, Vancouver; John G. Pillsbury, Oregon City; Caleb N. Thornburg, The Dalles; George L. Davenport, Indian agent of the Sae and Fox agency. Confirmations—Samuel C. Wingard, associate justice of the supreme court, Washington Territory; John W. Foster, of Indiana, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Spain; Wickham Hoffman, minister resident and consul general to Denmark; Dwight T. Ried, secretary of legation and consul general to Madrid; S. G. W. Benjamin, minister resident and consul general to Telheran, Persia; W. P. Sutton, consul general, Matanzas; L. H. Took, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Corea. Indian agents: P. B. Hunt of Kentucky, Kiowa, Comanche and Wichita agency, Indian territory. Army postmaster: Wm. E. Dargie, of Oakland, Cal.

John N. Irwin, of Iowa, is the new governor for Idaho.

It is thought that the tariff bill is dead in the house for this session.

By a runaway at Bennington, Vermont, one man was killed and eight injured.

Senator Cameron, of Pennsylvania, is seriously ill at his residence in Washington.

On Feb. 26th 200 feet of Mullett's tunnel, on the Northern Pacific, Montana, caved in.

Byrne has been arrested on a direct charge of assassination in the Ireland troubles.

Three bodies were stolen from the dead house in one of the cemeteries at Montreal on the 1st.

A fire at Paris, Ky., recently, destroyed property to the amount of \$75,000 to \$100,000.

The London Times says: Parnell is on the decline, many of his leading followers deserting him.

Senator Davis, president of the senate, resigned March 3d. It is supposed Edmunds will be his successor.

It is contemplated to introduce cable cars in New York the same as those in San Francisco and Chicago.

Exports of wheat for the cereal year from San Francisco aggregate 12,000,000 cents, valued at \$21,000,000.

A freight train on the Oregon Short Line at Shoshone jumped the track on the 27th ult., killing three men.

There are now but thirty miles to complete on the Denver and Rio Grande railroad between Salt Lake and Denver.

On March 1st the gas was turned off the street lamps of San Francisco, the city treasurer unable to pay previous bills.

A party of ranchmen attacked an Indian camp in Chihuahua, Mexico, a few days ago, capturing 25 squaws and killing 10 bucks.

The Cleveland Furnace company, operating shops at Steubenville, Ohio, failed on the 1st. Liabilities, \$90,000; assets, \$40,000.

Sufferers of the recent floods along the Ohio are still in great distress, and earnest appeals are made to all parts of the country in their behalf.

At Oakland, Cal., on the 28th ult., Dan Cook's large and fine stable of horses were sold—sixty in number, and amounting to \$50,000.

At Fresno, Cal., on the 28th ult., a dead man was found on the track, his head severed from his body. It is supposed to be a suicide.

Papers in the suit of John Gilbert against the owners of the Newhall house have been filed. The amount of damages asked is \$20,000 for the loss of his life.

In the house on the 1st Van Voorhees, of New York, fiercely attacked Page, of California, using abusive language towards the Pacific coast representative.

Senators Bayard and Beck retired from the conference committee on the tariff bill on the 1st, and Senators Mahone and McGill appointed to fill the vacancy.

John Heigle, merchant, living in North Leavenworth, Kansas, was found dead in his bed recently. His throat was cut and the money drawer robbed of its contents.

The appropriation bill for the building of dry docks on Mare's island, San Francisco, was raised from \$200,000 to \$350,000, through the efforts of Senator Miller.

Confirmations at Washington announced C. Wade chief justice of the supreme court of Montana and John B. Allen United States attorney for Washington territory.

James McVey, a blacksmith, living in Omaha, was arrested for counterfeiting and "shoving" silver coin. A large quantity of the bogus coin was found in his possession.

Gouverneur Morris, collector of customs at Sitka, is given two months to close up his accounts and step out. Ex-collector Shannon, of San Francisco, is recommended to fill the vacancy.

The work of pumping the Diamond mines at Braidville, Ill., progresses slowly. Twenty-four feet of water still remains in the mine. The relief fund for the sufferers amount to \$11,000.

In a quarrel in a saloon at Chicago on the 1st between Jas. Elliott, pugilist, and Jere Dunn, a well known sporting man, resulted in Dunn killing Elliott. Both men fired several shots at each other.

Parnell cabled to friends in New York that if he fails to get a second reading of his land bill for Ireland, he will come to America to attend a proposed convention in Philadelphia in behalf of Ireland.

The governor of Virginia with a company of the state militia made an attack on Maryland fishermen in Virginia oyster beds, capturing six negroes as prisoners, and one vessel out of the 20 vessels in the forbidden waters.

The Oregold mining company at Benson, Fulton county, N. Y., "cleaned up" about 200 tons of gravel recently. The amalgam from this clean up gives about \$150 in gold. The metal is a bright yellow, and more closely resembles Australia than California gold.

Frederick Langer, aged 75, one of the pioneer railroad men of the country, and one of the oldest and most experienced engineers in the west, died at Davenport, Iowa, on the 1st. He ran one of the first locomotives built by George Stephenson, and the first passenger train out of Philadelphia, and the first train that ran into Georgia, and the first train that ran into Indianapolis. In 1876 he visited the centennial exposition as the guest of Tom Scott and other railroad magnates in the east, and though a man of considerable means, worked a way going and coming among the engineers and on the foot-board.

A St. Paul, Minn., dispatch of March 1st says: Advice from the front, on the line of the Northern Pacific, show that the end of the track running west is now within 10 miles of Boneman. The end of the track coming east is at the mouth of the Missouri river, leaving a gap of about 290 miles to be laid, all of which is in Montana territory. Work is progressing at both ends, there having been no cessation of labor during the entire winter. The grading of this 290 miles is nearly completed. Work on the tunnels is being pushed at the rate of 12 feet per day, that is, six feet from each end of each tunnel—the Boleman and the Mullen. The latter will be finished by July, at which time the two ends will be joined.

An Old-Fashioned Lyceum Lecture.

Reader, didst ever deliver a lecture at a country "lyceum?" If so, read the following. It is good. "We have been there."

Mrs. Brown having a lecture upon the Parthenon, was invited to deliver it before the lyceum of Walnutville. Knowing of Walnutville only that it was fifteen miles from a railroad, Mrs. Brown suggested a more popular subject. No; Walnutville wanted the Parthenon. At the station named in the letter of direction Mrs. Brown saw a stage, and soon its driver said:

"Be you the lecturer for Walnutville?" "Yes."

"Wa'al, git right in; and you hain't no need to pay no fare neither, for I'm the committee that wrote you."

Mrs. Brown was the only passenger, and the driver cheered the long and lonely way by telling her, "Folks was thinkin' a sight about seein' on her, lots on 'em rememberin' her grandir." They were four hours on the road, and when the time for the lecture came Mrs. Brown was escorted to the hall by the same gentleman. On the way he exhorted her to speak up, and not be like "them Methodist women, who mumbled so folks did not know when to say 'Hallelujah.'"

The hall, an unpainted building, consisted of a great room with an enormous outside door opening directly into it. There were seats against the wall upon two sides, which the stage-driver explained as being the place where "the old men sot town-meetin' day." The people who were in their seats turned round and gazed at Mrs. Brown while she took off her wraps and put on her gloves. Telling her escort she was ready, he said he "warn't a-goin' upon that rostrum to make a fool of himself; the minister had got to do that."

While waiting for the minister and enduring the stare of the audience, Mrs. Brown diverted her mind by wondering why a row of men were seated at the back of the platform. Finally curiosity conquered.

"What are those men up there for?" "Them? Why, they're the Walnutville Brass Band, and they're goin' to play. Don't they have no bands where you came from?"

Fortunately Mr. Snow, the minister, appeared then, and Mrs. Brown trailed meekly up the aisle after him. Obedient to his gesture, she sat down, and he said, "We will unite in prayer."

That exercise disposed of, Mr. Snow proceeded: "The Walnutville Brass Band will favor us with 'Columbia, the gem of the ocean.'"

The performance was stunning, deafening; but before breath or hearing could be regained the agile clergyman was again on his feet:

"The chorister of the Baptist church will now delight the audience with a song—'There's a good time coming, boys; wait a little longer.'"

The chorister walked slowly to the steps of the platform, and waited, looking severely at Mr. Snow.

"I forgot to say," shouted that much-afflicted man, "that he will be accompanied by his daughter on a Mason and Hamlin instrument."

Then the father and daughter mounted the stage, the organ was wheeled into its place, and the performers had a good time, if nobody else did.

The audience was indifferent to an alarming degree, looking to Mrs. Brown like scores of duplicates of the goddess Pasit who sits and glares at people in the British Museum.

Again Mr. Snow: "Mrs. Brown will now read us a piece on the Parthenon."

Mrs. Brown stepped to the front, and amid stillness so profound that she could hear the breathing of persons near her, read her piece. It took an hour, and during all that time the death-like quiet was broken but once; and then a boy who had climbed up on the outside, and peeped in at a window, informed his companion in a hoarse whisper that "she warn't no great to look at, anyhow."

Not a hand stirred nor even an eyelid moved when the Parthenon was ended; but Mr. Snow allowed no time for embarrassment, for he was at once on his feet:

"The chorister of the Methodist church will sing 'Rocked in the cradle of the deep.' He will accompany himself."

The same masterly indifference while the Methodist chorister rocked himself violently backward and forward, and while he was wiping his heated brow after he had returned to his seat. But indefatigable Mr. Snow knew no weariness:

"The band will again delight us with 'Marching through Georgia.'"

"Hark! from the tombs," would have suited the temper of the audience equally as well—to all appearance, better. Finally, the minister concluded:

"These exercises will close with a benediction."

He had hardly spoken its last words when the stage-driver shouted:

"Here, marm, is the money we've took. You can take your pay out on't."

Mrs. Brown, not accustomed to approving herself, declares she rose to that occasion, for she turned all the money into her pocket handkerchief, and told him she would settle on her way to the train. One or two people walked solemnly up to her, limply shook her hand, and said, plaintively, "We have enjoyed your lecture," but with these exceptions the awful silence was not disturbed. To this day Mrs. Brown is in doubt if they think the Parthenon an improved sewing machine or a new kind of hay-spreader.

[Editor's Drawer, in Harper's Magazine for March.

Queen Anne's Nose.

A bust without a nose gives the counterfeiter presentment a rather ghastly appearance. A statue of Queen Anne was some time ago placed in front of St. Paul's cathedral in London. As a work of art it never gave credit to its sculptor. The figure was not one to be admired, and has been an eyesore to passers by. Somebody not long since, for some reason best known to himself but that can be suspected by others, knocked the nose out of the effigy. Since then the effigy, with its whitish blotch, has exhibited a decidedly ghastly appearance, much to the distress of everybody who passes the adjoining churchyard. A momentous question has arisen in England. Who is to replace that lost nose for a new one? The face of "Queen Anne" is destroyed. "Her Majesty" is daily insulted by the public appearance of her mutilated

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Home from the seaside: "I suppose you have settled down to quite your old home life again, hey?" suggested Fitzjoy to his neighbor. "Yes, pretty much; but the family brought back a little too much seabreeze with them. They are blowing about something all the time."

"What's the crowd about?" queried a stranger, as he noticed a stream of visitors going into a fashionable residence. "It's a silver wedding," obligingly replied his informant. "What's a silver wedding?" "Why, a chap's been married twenty-five times, and he's a celebratin' of it."

A number of young women in upper East Tennessee have announced as their motto, through the Blountville Star: "Total abstinence or no husbands." It is said to think that these young women have looked so much into the wine when it is red in the cup that their matrimonial prospects are marred.

An exchange announces in a tone of surprise: "The Czar and Czarina have been dancing at a ball." There doesn't seem to be anything out of the way in such conduct. That is what balls are for. Now, if they had danced at a prayer-meeting comment would have been in order.

There are 1943 establishments in the United States engaged in the manufacture of agricultural implements. The capital invested amounts in round numbers to \$63,000,000, and 40,000 hands draw in wages \$15,350,000, while \$31,530,000 is paid annually for lumber, iron, steel and unspecified materials. The total value of the annual product is placed at \$68,690,486.

A GRADUATE.—An Indiana avenue lady dropped in on one of her neighbors for an afternoon call. "How is your daughter?" she inquired. "Splendid. She has just got back from the State Normal school where she cyphered clear through from ambition to chemical fractures, and then she took up pottery and joggery, and says she can speculate the internal calculations."

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