

EUGENE CITY GUARD.

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OCCIDENTAL NEWS.

Placer Mines Being Reworked in California.

KINDERGARTENS IN OREGON.

The Deepest Sea Soundings Ever Made—Fine Hops Raised in Sonoma County, Cal.

Kindergartens are being opened in many towns in Oregon.

The Grand Ronde has marketed 100 carloads of hops the past year.

Mining operations are being resumed in the Elsie district in Idaho under new terms.

The old Pinacate placers in San Diego county, Cal., and near the San Bernardino border are being reworked with excellent results.

The Oregon Agricultural College exhibit at the State Fair was turned over to the World's Fair Commission of the state, and is now displayed at Chicago's great show.

Judge Ross at Los Angeles holds that a Chinaman to be a merchant must be actively engaged in buying and selling and other duties that merchants are occupied with.

Forest fires in the South country in Washington have driven the congoans and bears out of their dens and into the valley settlements, where they are seen in great numbers.

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Immense coal fields in Sonora, Mexico, are to be worked by San Diego parties, who have obtained a lease from the government.

There is a rumor at Victoria, B. C., founded upon private advice, that the governments of the United States and Great Britain are negotiating to close Behring Sea and the Pacific for two years.

It is reported at Chino that Clara Sprackels has bought 6,000 acres of the Sixty ranch near Westminster, Orange county, Cal., and will plant it to beets.

The Allatross has made the deepest sea sounding ever made. Phosphorus fish without eyes were secured at 2,800 fathoms.

The Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce has passed a resolution favoring the extension of the Geary act for three months and in-dorsing Geary's bill suspending all immigration for five years.

The holders of scrip issued by the canneries at San Jose are alarmed over a notice from the government that this scrip is subject to a tax of 10 per cent.

In Sonoma county, Cal., there will be 10,000 or 11,000 bales of hops produced this year, against 8,400 last year.

The Idaho Wool Growers' Association has offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who have been poisoning a large number of sheep in Owyhee county.

The Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce has been induced by the large influx from the East to pass a resolution stating that "here, as in every other section of the country, several men stand ready to fill every vacancy for work that occurs.

It is reported at San Diego that an Indian outbreak is imminent at Yuma, owing to the trouble between Chief Pasqual and ex-Chief Miguel.

Suspicion is now aroused at San Diego that the body of the man found recently near La Mesa was that of A. C. Warner, who disappeared from San Diego some weeks ago after stealing \$30 from his roommate.

The sugar industry of California for the past year has been very successful.

Thomas R. Sheridan, President of the First National Bank of Roseburg and one of the promoters of the Coos Bay, Roseburg and Eastern railroad, says the remaining sixty-two miles of road has been located from Myrtle Point to Roseburg.

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BUSINESS BRIEVITIES.

There are 90,000 telephones in London.

Russia has more horses than any other nation.

Liberia yearly exports 1,000,000 pounds of coffee.

The bog land of Ireland amounts to 2,800,000 acres.

California wines are said to be gaining favor in Europe.

Over 12,000 persons are employed in London theaters.

Nearly 1,000,000 pianos are made annually in England.

The total cost of the Suez canal exceeded £20,000,000.

The capital invested in English railroads exceeds £600,000,000.

The little Kingdom of Greece finds employment for 27,000 sailors.

The bicycle is expected by an inventor to go a mile in twenty seconds.

The hats worn out in this country annually cost as much as \$20,000,000.

It is estimated that 5,000,000 women are earning wages in the British Isles.

One of the largest barber shops in New York now employs girl barbers exclusively.

The price paid for cider apples at the big mill at Doylestown, Pa., is 16 cents per 100 pounds.

Forty-seven years ago the patent for the first practical sewing machine was issued to Elias Howe.

The State of Illinois will use this year more than 4,000,000 barrels of beer, or enough to float a navy.

The national debt of Great Britain is £680,881,581; \$3,335,407,565; the national debt of the United States is \$777,777,804.37.

Greeley, Col., will ship about 5,000 carloads of potatoes to other States the present year.

The Waterbury Watch Company has resumed operations. The courts ought to have known that it was impossible to wind that concern up.

A carpet loom has been devised which runs two sets of needles, and the inventor claims that it will produce a square yard of carpet material in one minute.

The consumption of beer in the United States is now half a barrel per capita, and is doubling about every eight years.

At the beginning of the next century it promises to be a barrel a head.

The Tribune states that the 1,103 millionaires of New York city alone could, if they choose, buy up the whole real estate of the entire Southern States and evict the population by due process of law.

According to the official report for the past twelve months the American people drank only 8,383,720 barrels of beer in 1875, while last year we drank 31,374,819, and this year 53,876,406, an increase of 2,480,540 barrels.

The nail machine was invented in 1775. At the present day it is estimated that 4,000,000,000 nails are annually made by machinery in Great Britain alone, and from a fourth to a half of this number in the United States.

Eastern Switzerland manufactures annually nearly 430,000,000 worth of native-made iron articles. The United States alone have imported as high as \$7,700,000 worth of these articles in a single year, and the business seems to be increasing.

General Black holds his pension by grace of a special act of Congress.

Inspector Williams of the New York police was arrested the other day by one of his men, who was convinced that the inspector was a confidence man.

Mrs. Crook, the widow of the Indian-fighting General, is a very fine-looking woman, with snowy-white hair that is in striking contrast to her youthful and vivacious spirits.

Tennessee has seven living ex-Governors. In the list of official successors these are as follows: Isham G. Harris, P. W. Newberry, James D. Porter, Alvin G. Hawkins, William B. Bate, Robert L. Taylor and John P. Buchanan.

It is stated that as soon as the Archduke Francis Ferdinand d'Este returns from his journey round the world his betrothal will take place with Princess Elizabeth of Bavaria, a granddaughter of the Emperor Francis Joseph and of Princess Regent of Bavaria.

Don M. Dickinson of Michigan, ex-Postmaster-General of the United States, has been retained by the Canadian Pacific to defend President Van Horne and other officials of the road charged with violation of the interstate commerce law.

The trial comes up in November at Tallahassee.

Ex-President Benjamin Harrison writes a friend that he will arrive in San Francisco about the 1st of next February. His lectures at Stanford University will be largely historical, and will treat of colonial characters down through the confederation to the adoption of the United States constitution.

Dr. Thomas Hoazle Park, the physician who accompanied Stanley through the Central African forest in his search for Emin Pasha, is dead. The explorer showed much affection for Park in his book, for the physician pulled Stanley through when he was attacked by sickness at Fort Koko and also performed excellent services for the other members of the expedition.

Lord Roberts was passed over recently in favor of the Duke of Connaught, and the latter was given the important command at Aldershot. The incident has caused a great deal of bad feeling in the English army. Lord Roberts is the foremost English General, while the Duke is simply the son of his mother and has no more military ability than the average Columbian Guard lad.

Contrary to the general belief, it is said that Li Hung Chang, the Viceroys and real ruler of China, is most kindly disposed toward the Christians. Two of his daughters were educated in Massachusetts, and both were converted to Christianity. Subsequently one married a Frenchman and the other an Englishman. Their influence has made their father very tolerant of their colleagues.

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EASTERN MELANGE.

A Firebug Conspiracy Discovered in Chicago.

HE LOVED A COLORED WIDOW.

Destitute Farmers of Western Kansas Appealing to Governor Lewelling for Aid.

Of fifty-six Indian agencies twenty are now in charge of army officers.

Massachusetts is credited with having 100,000 cyclists, including both sexes.

The water supply is limited in New York, and the price of milk has gone up.

Gold-mining in Colorado has been much stimulated by the decline in silver.

The town of Perry in the Cherokee Strip is rapidly assuming city proportions.

There are said to be about five contestants for every claim in the Cherokee Strip.

There are about 750 hotels in Chicago, which have accommodations for 150,000 guests.

Three billion cigarettes were smoked in this country during the fiscal year just ended.

It is said good moonshine whisky can be bought in Eastern Tennessee for 50 cents a gallon.

The clergymen of Kings county, N. Y., are denouncing the proposed Corbett-Mitchell fight.

State officials, in buying up newspapers in close counties in Kansas.

Floods have done immense damage to crops in Virginia and washed away four large mills on the Rapidan.

The federal grand jury at Birmingham, Ala., has indicted six federal officers for corruption in office.

Deer are more plentiful in the Adirondacks this fall than during any previous open season for a score of years.

An organization of Spiritualists recently met at Liberal, Mo., and raised \$100,000 for a spiritualistic college.

Captain H. D. Spore of Hudson is organizing a bicycle corps for the First Regiment of the Texas Volunteer Guard.

A movement has been started among the A. O. U. W. of Kansas to secure seed wheat for the destitute western farmers.

The big dynamite guns for the defense of New York harbor are to be trained, elevated and depressed by electric motors.

The consolidation of electric railroads tending to show that the truck system in New England is one of the latest schemes.

The Columbian Celebration Company's building at the World's Fair cost \$400,000, and it was sold by the receiver for \$225,000.

A Chinaman at Ottawa will test the constitutionality of Canada's law, which allows a duty of \$50 each on all Chinese immigrants.

The Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers in Pennsylvania has agreed to concede a 10 per cent reduction in the finishers' department.

In Cincinnati there has recently been organized a rent guarantee company, the business of which is to insure landlords against loss by bad tenants.

There have been recent developments tending to show that the Louisville and Nashville railroad will soon absorb the Chesapeake, Ohio and Southwestern.

A Chattanooga electrician proposes to perfect an arrangement by means of which train robbers will be electrocuted as soon as they touch the express company's safe.

Two interesting reports on the manner of living in America among the working people will be transmitted to Congress by Commissioner of Labor Wright within a few months.

The Texas Penitentiary Board is considering the purchase of the Rogers sugar plantation in Brazoria county, Conn. The first year's working it on the shares for several years.

Governor Lewelling of Kansas has received hundreds of letters with appeal for aid from destitute farmers of Western Kansas. They say they must have help or starvation will follow.

The Citizens' League of New Jersey aims at the defeat of those members of the Legislature who voted for the infamous anti-duty bill last winter, in case they are made candidates again.

Louis Simmons, a white resident of Mascoutah, Ill., 43 years old, was ducked in a pond the other day for pretending to want to marry Mrs. Emma Jackson (colored), who weighs 400 pounds.

The announcement that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will arm all its trainmen and that the express companies will supply their messengers with Winchester and shotguns is timely.

A Zulu friend, who has been operating in the West, was arrested in the Zion M. E. Church at New Haven, Conn., while delivering a sermon and placed in jail on a charge of swindling Chicago people.

Already \$5,000,000 have been spent upon the scheme to carry electric power for illuminating and manufacturing purposes from Niagara Falls over the State of New York. The first wires will probably be strung along the Erie canal.

The statistics of the shipping of the world, just published by Lloyd's, show that there is no nation which has made so rapid an increase in the tonnage of steamers registered during the past twelve months as the United States.

Two hundred and one women availed themselves of the privilege of voting for school officials at an election held in New Haven, Conn., on September 18. The ticket they supported was elected by a majority of 1,700 out of a vote of 7,267.

The reports of railroad earnings continue to show a decrease as compared with the earnings last year. There has been a decrease every week for some time, but the weekly decrease has been growing smaller since the middle of August.

A water famine prevails in parts of Encinal and Duval counties, Tex. In the town of Aquilares there is much suffering. Mexican women await the coming of the trains, and with cans and pails catch the drippings under the tender and engine.

The House Committee on Banking has decided to report favorably on Mr. Springer's bill providing that before a loan can be made by a national bank to one of its officers consent must be granted by a majority of the directors.

A great number of banks have come to grief because of the borrowing prohibitions of their directors.

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FROM WASHINGTON CITY.

Ex-Representative George H. Durand of Michigan has been asked by the Attorney General to assist in the prosecution of Federal officials and others implicated in the charges of opium and Chinese smuggling on Puget Sound and vicinity.

It is intimated that the Treasury Department is actuated in ordering the revenue steamers Grant and Perry to the Pacific Coast more by the condition of the Chinese and seal-fishery questions than to aid in the prevention of the smuggling of opium in Puget Sound.

The Secretary of War has awarded a medal of honor to Captain Ernest A. Cardington of the Seventh Cavalry "for distinguished gallantry at Wounded Knee creek, S. D., during the Sioux war of the winter of 1890-1." Captain Cardington was badly wounded in the battle.

The Committee on Ways and Means has been considering of the new tariff bill. There is an intimation that the Secretary of the Treasury favors an increase in the internal-revenue tax on whisky, and that before the next means of raising the additional revenue necessary to meet the increasing deficits of the government.

In consequence of the new restrictions for conducting the official trip of naval vessels contractors will find it more difficult in the future to earn premiums for an excess of speed. Beginning with the Montgomery, soon to be tried, the contractors will not be permitted to maintain a pressure above 5 per cent in excess of the standard speed. Hereafter the contractors carried steam to a dangerously high pressure.

It is highly probable that the Committee on Territories will report a bill for the admission of Utah to Statehood soon. Joseph, a member of that committee, said that such a bill will be reported in the next session bills for the admission of Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma will be reported favorably from his committee. He expressed great confidence that all four will become laws.

In response to a resolution of inquiry the Secretary of the Interior sent to the Senate a statement concerning the discommodities and congestions of the coal-traffic, showing the following among the consolidations: California, Independence with Visalia; Nevada, Eureka with Carson City; Wyoming, Lander with Buffalo. This statement said the reason for the consolidations was the inadequacy of the appropriation and to prevent a deficiency.

The Postoffice Department has accepted the offer of the North American Navigation Company to carry mails for Mexico and Central America. The new arrangement is not a contract, but a designation of the company as the official mail carrier under the general laws. According to the offer the steamers will carry mail once in twenty days to those ports at which they are compelled to stop by provisions of the company's contracts with the Central American States, leaving the postmaster to fix the compensation.

The annual report of Governor W. T. Thayer of New Mexico states that the population of that Territory has not materially changed during the past year. The total Territorial indebtedness is \$911,712, and the cash balance in the treasury \$121,000. Stock-raising has decreased as a result of the four years' drought.

Many mines are closed on account of the decrease in silver production and the market stringency. The annual production of precious stones is rapidly increasing. Governor Thornton recommends the approval of Congress of a legislative act of the Territory providing for a County seat in every county where the county seat has a population of 2,000 or more.

The report of the special agent on the production of tin in the plates for the quarter ended June 30 shows an aggregate output of 41,890,942 pounds, of which slightly more than 40 per cent was from American block plate. Manufacturers during the fiscal year 1891 aggregated 87,371,711 pounds, of which 9,296,523 were from America. During the fiscal year of 1893 there were 91,919,202 pounds manufactured, of which 45,569,724 were from American plate.

The report on the imports and exports of plate indicates that the entire consumption by the United States during the fiscal year 1893 was 45,000,000 pounds, of which more than 15 per cent was of American manufacture.

Secretary Herbert has given to the press the correspondence relating to the removal of Captain Higginson from the command of the Atlanta. The statements that Secretary Herbert apologized for "duty and offered to resign" him from his command on his own application are not borne out by the facts, and are especially denied. Captain Higginson is entitled to the credit of having disclosed to the department the condition of the Atlanta while the vessel was ordered to sea. The letter which set forth the full history of this well-known case, and the conclusion of the matter is that Secretary Herbert accepts the apology and explanation of Captain Higginson, and says his connection with the matter will be selected by the committee, three representatives to be selected by the speaker of the House and three persons to be selected by the President, subject to confirmation by the Senate.

The commission shall organize by the election of one of its members as President, and the President is to hold a session in the capitol and in such other places as the majority shall direct, and employ necessary stenographers and employees, and may administer oaths and send for persons and papers. The commission is charged with an examination into the fiscal and monetary condition of the government and the people of the United States, with a view to devising means for the betterment thereof, and is given full jurisdiction. It is charged to specially examine any report upon by one or more bills the following subjects: The full and proper reorganization of the government, with a view to the prevention of discrimination between various descriptions of money; State-bank tax repeal with necessary revisions; the cause of the present paralysis of trade and the necessity of legislation to protect national banks from abusing their power. The second section of the resolution instructs the Secretary of the Treasury to set apart and retain in the Treasury so much of the silver bullion now in the Treasury as will be sufficient to redeem the outstanding Treasury notes in coin, with the terms of the act of July 14, 1890, and provides that the remainder of the bullion shall be set apart and coined, and the Secretary is required to coin it at the rate of not less than 4,000,000 standard silver dollars per month, which when coined shall be consigned to the Treasury, and while this coinage is in progress the purchases of silver bullion under the terms of the Sherman act shall be suspended.

FOREIGN FLASHES.

Great Progress in the Study of the Monkey Language.

THE ABOLITION OF KNOUTING.

Wasp Plague in Sussex, England—Assassinations in Italy—The French Vintage.

Another native war in Southern Africa now seems inevitable.

Succi, the faster, is insane, and is now in an asylum near Paris.

Harvesting operations in Roumania show a satisfactory result.

The revision of the Belgian constitution has been accomplished at last.

A caravan of 10,000 camels and 4,000 slaves left Timbuctoo for Morocco recently.

The doctors to Chinese royalty were recently fined a year's salary each for incompetence.

Train-robbery in Spain is guarded against by stationing two soldiers in every railway car.

Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria's latest project is the establishment of a medical faculty in Sofia.

Paris has a new storage-battery street-car line that has been in successful operation several months.

Dr. Cornelius Herz of Panama canal notoriety is recovering his health at Bournemouth, England.

The average number of assassinations and attempts at assassination in Italy is said to be fully 5,000 a year.

France is the only European country which has to-day fewer able-bodied men than it had thirty years ago.

The China volcano in the Peruvian Cordillera has become active after being in a quiescent state for many years.

Kaiser William, Dr. Mequel says, has taken for his motto, "The Emperor is the first servant of the people."

The London section of the National Liberal Federation has declared for the abolition of the House of Lords.

The wasp plague is still very bad in Sussex, England, and the destruction in the orchards has been very great.

During the reign of Victoria the Indian government has coined £2,000,000 of gold and £200,000,000 of silver.

The latest estimate of the Russian wheat crop is 272,000,000 bushels. Last year's crop was 250,000,000 bushels.

A peasant living on one of the Greek islands recently dug up a statue, for which the British government has paid \$32,000.

The tariff war between Germany and Russia will force the former country to buy enormous quantities of grain in this country.

Russia is said to be about to acquire a naval station in East Africa at which to repair and coal the vessels of her Pacific Squadron.

The phylloxera has at last touched every wine-growing district in France, the Champagne vines being the last to be harmed.

Christine Nilsson has her dining room papered with hotel bills which she has paid during her professional tours. The sum total is enormous.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the London Central News says that an imperial ukase will shortly be issued abolishing the practice of knouting by the police.

The recent army maneuvers of the Austro-Hungarian troops were not satisfactory. Emperor William was not very favorably impressed with the work of the Generals.

In Switzerland all the telegraph lines are controlled by the government. There are 1,411 offices and 12,385 telegraph operators. The annual profit derived above all expenses is \$250,000.

The quantity of fruit in South Lincolnshire, England, this season exceeds all previous years. Owing to the markets being glutted, growers have a difficulty in disposing of the crop.

There has been so great an increase recently in the growth and exportation of Jaffa oranges that that town now stands next to Beyrouth in importance among the ports on the Syrian coast.

Mr. Gladstone has offered against tradition in appointing Sir Henry North Governor-General of India to succeed Lord Lansdowne. The rule has been to appoint nobody but a peer to that post.

The Duke of Edinburgh, although he has expatriated himself and has become a German princeling, does not propose to relinquish his right to the annuity of £25,000 which he draws from the Imperial Treasury of Great Britain.

In order to stay the cholera it is stated that two Jewish women, merchants' wives, arrived from home to house in Galicia with a pair of scissors cutting the women's hair, which many have allowed to grow in unorthodox fashion.

A letter from Prof. Garner, dated from his steel cage, which has named Fort Gorilla, has been received in England from Fernandez Vaz, Africa. The professor claims to have made great progress in his study of the monkey language.

Mr. Burns-Jones, the English artist, is