

EUGENE CITY GUARD.

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ACCIDENTAL NEWS.

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The Fort Bragg Lumber Company will build a short railway line from Fort Bragg on the coast to the coal fields near Round Valley, Mendocino County, Cal. Thomas L. Johnson and General Russell Alger of Michigan are behind the scheme. The coal fields which are to be opened were sold by James L. Flood and John W. Mackay to the lumber company for \$400,000.

Since Rogue river in Oregon has regained its normal stage of water, a deep channel is being cut straight out to sea, while the north spit has moved out to sea fully half a mile. At low tide a long spit can be seen reaching out from the McCormick rock in a semi-circle, the ends do not believe there is any prospect of such shipment, while others hold the opinion that with a stiffening of rates of exchange such exports are altogether probable. This belief is general, however, that if such shipments are induced in New York banks would not come to the relief of the Treasury to any considerable extent and thus prevent a depletion of the gold reserve.

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FROM WASHINGTON CITY.

The pension office has decided that in view of the act of Congress of December 21, 1863, it no longer has the right to withhold the pension of Judge Long of Michigan, and has directed he be again placed on the pension rolls.

The Secretary of the Treasury has sent a communication to Congress in which he estimates that an appropriation of \$7,280,000 will be necessary to defray the expenses of collecting the revenue from customs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1865. At Port Townsend \$62,500 will be necessary to defray the expense of collection.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company after February 1 will form a once-a-week mail service between New York and London instead of thirty-six trips a year. A four-year's contract with the government requires the company to make thirty-six trips a year during the first two years and fifty-two a year during the latter half of the period.

Representative Maguire has introduced a postal telegraph bill providing for an issue of \$25,000,000 in bonds to be expended in the erection of telegraph lines, starting at thirty-two of the largest cities in the country. The tolls are fixed at 10 cents for ten words, and the Postmaster-General is authorized to arrange for a rate of 20 cents per 100 words for news dispatches.

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EASTERN MELANGE.

Marshall Field's Grand Gift to the Columbian Museum.

PILOT CHART OF NORTH PACIFIC

Receipts and Expenses of the Land Department of the Northern Pacific for 1893.

Chicago has a deficit of over \$3,000,000.

Pittsburg's relief fund amounts to \$600,000.

Chicago is now claiming a population of 2,000,000.

Philadelphia is to try water-gas making on its own account.

The Indians are costing the government \$7,000,000 per year.

Reports from the winter-wheat sections show a much smaller average than last year.

Another wonderfully rich streak of gold quartz has been struck at Cripple Creek, Colo.

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