

THE NORTHWEST NEWS.

This is the name of the new daily paper which is to be published in Portland and which will issue its first number next Monday. This paper begins its existence under the most promising auspices. Not to mention the capital by which it is supported—no inconsiderable item by the way—the paper will be conducted by gentlemen of great enterprise and ability, and well schooled in the news paper business. It will begin with a large subscription list and plenty of advertisements. But one of the greatest advantages which it will enjoy is, that if it is conducted in the manner which the character of the gentlemen connected with it gives promise, it will, in real truth, fill a long felt want. The Republicans of this State want and need a leading paper. A bold, upright, honorable, outspoken, independent, progressive, Republican news paper. A paper that will labor for the true interests of Oregon, and the great Northwest, and will independently represent the best Republican sentiment of the State. A paper that will help to harmonize the party, assist in lifting it up into higher and better fields of usefulness, and in leading it to battle, if possible, to success; and that too, not because of any hope of reward or fear of punishment, but from an honest conviction that the triumph of the party is the best for the state and the nation. A paper that does not shape its course in the interest of personal and selfish ends or debase its columns to the satiating of individual malice. If the Northwest News shall prove to be such a paper, and we hope and believe it will, there can be no question as to its success. Such a paper deserves to succeed anywhere; and the measure of its success in this State will, we are sure, greatly surpass the expectations of its founders.

Langtry, as a news paper celebrant promises to rival a certain celebrated anti-rheumatic oil and a widely known patent medicine woman. Every paper one picks up is filled with accounts of Mrs. Langtry, Mrs. Labouchere and a soft pated dutchman who, if he had not more money than brains, would be working for a dollar a day and board and glad to get that too. One moment, the wires are trembling with the astonishing intelligence that this young dutchman has actually written his name on the register of the same hotel at which Mrs. Langtry is stopping. This is succeeded by the blood curdling announcement that Langtry and the dutchman had breakfast alone together at precisely one o'clock. Out here we would call it dinner, but the dispatch says breakfast and breakfast it is. No sooner has the country become reconciled to this terrible calamity, and settled down to something like its accustomed tranquillity, than the telegraph tells a terrible tale of how these two people actually got into a carriage together behind a span of spirited bays. Now if they had only got in before the bays, or if the bays had been spirited, or if they had not been bays at all, but had been blues or greens or yellows instead, or had not been a pair or — but the situation becomes quite too terribly awful for contemplation. We are persuaded that the country is in a desperate condition but can see no possible means of relief. It is a pity though, that the good people of Massachusetts cannot pen up their lunatics and not let them follow this lady around like a crowd of urchins after an elephant.

The post office appropriation bill has passed the House. The Senate for the past week has been engaged in the discussion of the civil service reform bill. On Saturday last an adjournment was effected until Wednesday when the bill, by agreement, was to be taken up and disposed of. There is very little doubt of its passage and this, or some similar bill will surely soon become a law.

Senator Edmonds has introduced another bill to prevent political assessment.

The discussions upon the civil service bill has been rather bitter at times and has been marked by an exhibition of a great deal more political feeling than the character of the measure seemed to call for; but it has been particularly interesting as showing that the sentiment of the country on this question is beginning to be better understood. Though much of this discussion seems out of place and unnecessary it may result in securing more general and careful examination of the subject and assist in strengthening that moral sentiment which will insure the enforcement of the law after it shall have been passed.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Oscar Wild has gone home. Thank you Oscar! There had got to be too much of a tooness about you and we delight to see you vanish but if you had only taken Langtry with you the utterness of our obligation would have extended unto the unfathomable depths of the inexpressible. As it is, we can only emit an aesthetic sigh and sadly say, speed the departing, endure the remaining, guest.

Notwithstanding the multitude of predictions to the contrary, DeLesseps appears likely to succeed in his Panama canal scheme. The largest dredger ever built in the world was recently launched at Philadelphia having been built especially for use in constructing the canal. The loud and oft repeated assertions that this canal will never be built sounds very like what was said about the Suez canal and seems to make about as much impression upon the enterprising old Frenchman. DeLesseps, in his way, is the greatest man of this age, and his reputation is written in much more substantial characters than press dispatches or newspaper editorials.

The secret reason why the Riddleberger-McCarty duel did not come off has at last leaked out and has sadly spoiled the high moral aspect of the affair. McCarty is a dead shot and would be almost sure to kill his adversary, Mahone says he has had hard work to carry Virginia and get Riddleberger elected and he does not now propose to have a vacancy created by McCarty's bullet. He accordingly exercised his influence upon the frey Virginia Senator, assuring him that he had not the slightest objection to his being killed as an individual, but that as a Senator he could not possibly spare him. Thus this duel will be postponed until there will no longer be any occasion for it.

There is a lamentable lackness, so to speak, in candidates for President. There really are no candidates for this office. No sooner is a man spoken of as a possible aspirant for Presidential honors than he immediately arises to assure the country that he cannot possibly consent to serve it in that capacity. Verily, it begins to look as though the country would be compelled to insert an ad in the "wanted" column or the White house will be "to let." Perhaps, when the time rolls round for a candidate to step into the traces and draw the car of State through another four years, some of these modest gentlemen who seem so anxious for the shades of seclusion, will consent to do the country the honor of being its President.

Two very important amendments to the Army bill, have been proposed in the House. One, by Browne of Indiana, providing for the gradual reduction of the present force of paymasters in the army, and for the final transfer of their duties to the Quartermasters Department. The proposed reduction is to be effected by failing to fill the vacancies as they occur. There are now 17,550 men in the army, and to pay these, there is employed fifty five paymasters, and fifty four the paymasters clerks. During the war, one paymaster would pay almost as many men as there are now in the entire army. The other amendment is similar to that in the Post office bill providing that railroad companies, which received government aid in their construction shall be paid a reduced rate for carrying Government supplies. There appears to be a disposition to compel such railroads to contribute something toward the settlement of their obligations with the United States. This is exceedingly refreshing, even if it extends no farther than securing reasonable rates for the transfer of Government troops and supplies, the U. S. mails.

One of the dishonest dodges known as sharp practice, which has been resorted to by the railroad companies which have secured land grants, is, to delay obtaining patents upon their lands and thus escape the payment of taxes on them. Unpatented lands are not subject to taxation, and by this means these companies have, heretofore, been able to avoid the payment of many thousands of dollars of taxes. Of course this is really, nothing but down right thievery, but being rather cute steading and being done by large corporations it has, so far, met with no substantial obstruction. A bill has recently been introduced in Congress, which provides that all these lands which shall not be surveyed and patented within one year from the passage of this act shall revert to the Government. There are now more than 150,000,000 acres of lands belonging to the Pacific railroads which have never been patented and upon which, no tax is paid. This bill is but compelling the performance of an act of common honesty which no honorable individual would hesitate for one moment to do without an act of Congress, and should receive the assistance of every Congressman, and especially the members from the Pacific coast.

Sugar and Matches vs. Whisky and Tobacco.

It is estimated that this country consumes annually more than 2,000,000,000 pounds of sugar. Allowing, in round numbers, our population to be 50,000,000, this would place the yearly consumption of each individual man woman and child in the United States at 40 pounds. This sort of showing somewhat shakes ones confidence in the accuracy of the figures. But even if this estimate should somewhat overstate the matter it is approximately correct, at least. The revenue derived from imported sugar is now about \$45,000,000 per year. The average duty on sugar is 2 1/2 cents per pound and is equal to about 50 per cent of its value. In view of the fact that the sugar interests which this tax is levied to protect, produces only a small amount of revenue, it is not surprising that the repeal of the duty on sugar and matches and a few other necessities before talking of whisky and tobacco.

Whisky is a most troublesome and demoralizing luxury and tobacco—well, a fellow couldn't enjoy a cigar if he didn't eat and he couldn't eat without sugar nor light his cigar without a match. On the whole it seems pretty clear that whisky and tobacco, and especially whisky, should be compelled to pay a revenue tax. There is no reason for reducing the tax on these, except to reduce the governments income but first let us have the tax removed from sugar and matches and a few other necessities before talking of whisky and tobacco.

Mrs. Duniway, editor and proprietor of the New Northwest has begun suit to restrain the proprietors of the new daily from issuing their paper under the name of the Northwest News. The similarity in the names of the two papers is made the basis of the suit. We do not pretend to predict the result of this suit, but it would seem, to an impartial observer, that Mrs. Duniway is just a trifle too sensitive on this subject. Though the names are somewhat similar, there is, we venture to suppose, very little probability of the two papers becoming confused. The fact that the new paper is a daily would, alone be sufficient to save confusion. Besides, if this new paper assumes any greater similarity with the New Northwest than that of its name it is not likely to be worth the trouble of a law suit. There is only room in so small a State as Oregon for one such paper as the New Northwest and that publication amply covers the field. Mrs. Duniway is a sister to Mr. Scott. Mr. Scott is the editor of the Oregonian.

The people of Nevada are making an effort to reduce the salaries of State officers. The salaries now paid were established when the mining excitement was at its height and were made in accordance with the then prevailing prices. The Governor, for doing almost nothing, receives an annual salary of \$6,000; the Lieutenant Governor gets \$6,100 a year for doing a great deal less than the Governor. The salaries of all the other offices are graded in the same proportion. The mining excitement having greatly subsided, prices have been materially lowered, wages greatly reduced, but the state officers get the same as usual. Taxes are, of course, very high and the state is very deeply in debt and continually getting deeper. At the last elections the candidates of both parties were pledged to the support of such changes in the constitution as would reduce the salaries and curtail the expenses of the state consistently with prevailing prices the present financial condition of the state.

The undertaker who buried the late Senator Hill, appears to have profited by the example of the doctors and attendants of President Garfield. The United States Senate arranged to pay the expenses of the funeral and straightway this enterprising undertaker appeared at Washington with a bill for \$3,100. He offered to reduce the bill to \$1,800, but has not yet received payment even after such a discount. There are a great many very mean ways of robbing the government, but this most modern, of reaching over the corpse of some celebrated, man is about the meanest and most contemptible of them all.

General Sherman proposes a new method of disposing of the Indians. His plan is to give to each Indian 160 acres of land and then sell the remainder of the reservation and invest the proceeds in government bonds. These bonds are to be kept as a trust fund for the benefit of the Indians, the interest on them to be divided amongst them annually.

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