

The "Polaris" truly says that a drouth in Oregon means a half crop while a drouth in California means no crop at all.

We are glad "Old Grant" is not in this section at present. The additional smoke of his cigar would produce a total eclipse.

In legal parlance a "retainer" means a lawyer who squeezes all he can out of his client and retains it. A retainer, therefore, is not a fiction of law but a solid fact.

The striking telegraphers in Portland are receiving contributions from railroad operators and others who have not struck but who are in sympathy with them.

The "San Francisco Examiner" tries to make it appear that all the wealth of the country is among the republicans. Can Tilden's bar be empty and has Bill English impoverished himself by paying his campaign debts?

Henry Ward Beecher is to visit Portland about the last of August and deliver a course of lectures. If he were here now, with the mercury over a hundred he would recant his belief regarding the non-existence of Hell.

Ex-Mayor Kallloch and the son who so cowardly assassinated Charles De-Young in San Francisco have located in Seattle. These two worthies evidently never heard of the "rapid transit" provided for evil doers by the Seattle folks.

In Roseburg there is a man enjoying the name of "Dry" who presides behind the bar of a saloon. Here the "Dry" family are found on the outside of the bars but how a man can always be "dry" when he has ample means of bibulation at hand, is a conundrum.

Abram S. Hewitt, Tilden's chief manager in the attempted Oregon Electoral steal, declares that he has no hankering after the Presidency. Neither did "Jack" hanker for his supper and the people and Mr. Hewitt are in complete accord on this subject.

The American riflemen have been beaten in the international match at Wimbledon, England, by forty-five points. The English seem to have a slight advantage at long range or, perhaps, see better in the fog than Americans. However it is we are licked and ought to stop blowing.

Col. Frizzel, forage master of the O. & C. R. Co. was in town on Wednesday. He has not purchased a ton of hay or a bushel of grain as he says he cannot get farmers to say how much they want and they refuse to sell at prices offered. If forage cannot be had here at reasonable figures the Col. says it will be shipped from the Umpqua just as soon as the tunnel is open.

Criminals are becoming so defiant and hardy and crime is exhibiting itself in so many unnatural and monstrous forms that the public cannot afford to be specially romantic, nor even scientific, in its treatment. In plain truth, the public does not care what the scientific treatment of crime and criminals is—"St. Louis Republican." The proper time for science and sentiment to deal with criminals is after they are hanged.

Our democratic brethren claim that they only want a tariff for revenue. "Revenue is just what the tariff is imposed for and it is hard to perceive how any party could reasonably want any more or any less. Protection is only the incidental result but is the means of increasing American wages and American comforts and it is quite safe to say; that democratic manufacturers enjoy it equally with republicans and, the more protection the better they are suited.

It seems that Gen. Crook's policy of military supervision of the captured Apaches is to have a fair trial. The War Department ought to have control of all the Indians in the country. Fear is the only motive of the red man for respect and obedience and those whose duty it is to subdue the savage are best competent to hold him in check afterwards. The guard house and powder and ball for rebellions conduct are better understood by the savage mind than prayers and moral lectures.

Prof. Condon of the State University was in town for several days this week looking round and gathering fossils for his cabinet. He was taken up to Dunlap's quarry on Jackson creek by Mr. Dunlap and was much surprised at the great number of fossils found in the sandstone. Mr. Condon hopes to be able to bring his class out here in April next to give them practical lessons in geology in this prolific field. While here he was presented with a mammoth tooth belonging to some extinct species by Mr. J. H. Huffer.

POSTAL TELEGRAPHY.

The Northwest "News" has this to say about telegraphers. "The advocates of a Government postal telegraph system are seizing upon the occasion afforded by the strike to argue in favor of their plan. There is, however, a ruling impression that the National Government has enough to do without managing ten or twenty thousand telegraph operators."

We believe the advocates of the postal telegraph are right and that its establishment will be forced on us as a necessity sooner or later. To say that the Government could not manage twenty thousand telegraphers as easily as it could a like number of clerks or postmasters; by paying them a fair equivalent for their skill, is to acknowledge its imbecility. There is no trouble in Great Britain in managing the army of telegraphers. They have been employees of that Government for nearly ten years. They discharge their duty faithfully, there are no strikes and the service is performed at a cost to the public of two thirds less than in the United States. The British Government has just as much to do as ours and the difference between us and our trans-atlantic cousins is: that they perceived the danger of allowing any corporation to control so important a service while we are yet stupidly blind. There is certainly far more danger in permitting a corporation, always able to buy up opposition, to control the whole telegraphic business of the country, measuring their tariffs and the rates of compensation to fourteen thousand hard worked employees only by the dividends desired. It would be as cogent an argument to say: that because the Goulds and Vanderbilts can manage the telegraphers better than the Government could; the postal service should also be turned over to them with power to fix their own rates of postage. The telegrapher's strike never could occur under a Government system and whenever such a system is established the commercial world will have a solid assurance that there will never be any interruptions. There is a rising spirit of hostility to corporate power, not confined to the "sand lot" by any means, and an honest press should hesitate before taking sides with a corporation more rapacious and exacting than any other in the civilized world.

A Talk with the Farmers.

The forage master of the O. & C. Railroad Co. has, so far, been unable to purchase any hay or grain in this valley at prices the company is willing to give nor has he yet received any reasonable propositions to sell. He says the farmers appear afraid to fix an asking price for fear they may underrate the value of their commodities. This does not look like business sense but it is the farmer's business and they must abide the consequences. It is our business to tell them that there is an excellent crop in the Umpqua and that baled hay is being delivered at the cars for 12.00 per ton, barley sacked at 50 cents and oats sacked at 45 cents per bushel. Now the matter of transportation is nothing to the company and, practically, the Umpqua is as near to them as this valley is and, perhaps, it will be well for our people to consider whether it is best to sell at a fair price or "get left." There is probably a surplus of five thousand tons of hay in Rogue river valley, cut in anticipation of a good market, and it does seem that it would be wiser to sell at a fair price than to hold it over for a better market. The price offered by the company is \$12.00 per ton, baled and delivered along the line. This will allow \$10.00 after baleng and the question is: whether it is better to sell now or hold for \$11.00 next year, the latter price being interest added. Many of our people have cut nearly their whole crop for hay with the idea, maybe, that the locomotive and the railroad bosses, the Chinese and white laborers were all to be fed on forage and; as we are stating facts, they must look the question of selling or holding square in the face and find out which will be most profitable.

That was a pungent bit of sarcasm; when the striking telegraphers in Portland solemnly met and with becoming gravity informed Superintendent Lamb that, after a faithful service of twenty-five years for the Western Union, he received less than a book-keepers salary for his arduous labor. It was the more keen because it was so true and showed that the rule of the company was the most labor for the least pay. But the time scarred Sphinx, whose face for four thousand years has been washed with the burning sand of Egypt, never showed more ineffable cheek than those boys did when they extended a cordial invitation to Mr. Lamb to join in the strike. There is pluck and genius in those young fellows that will keep them afloat if they never open a telegraph key again.

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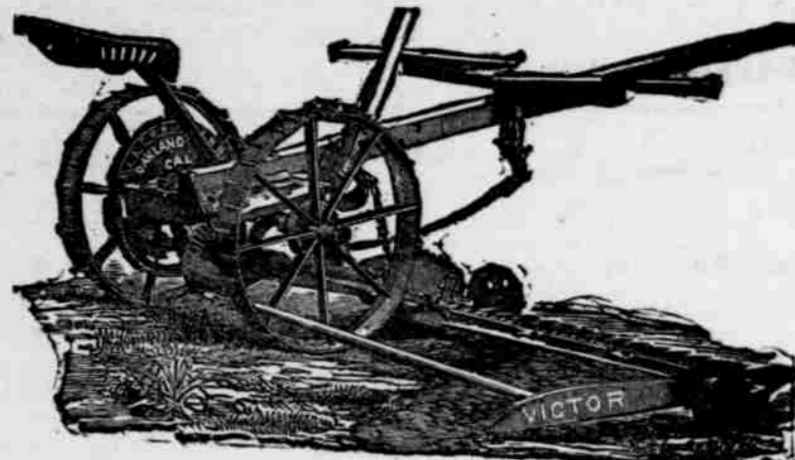
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