THE NEW NORTHWEST, THURSDAY, DECEMBE

GENERAL NEWS.

AMUSEMENTS.

The public debt was decreased \$7,249,126 during November.

The Northern Pacific Railroad is completed westward to Fort Keogh, Montana.

Jefferson Davis is a passenger on an Atlantic steamship now overdue at New York.

Twenty-five car loads of steel rails leave Chi-cago daily for extension of the Northern Pacific. Directors of the Mechanics' Bank, of Newark, will contribute \$1,000,000 toward paying off creditors and reviving the bank.

A new manufacturing suburb, called Garfield, is to be added to Chicago. It is about a mile northeast of the city limits.

There is serious trouble in Salt Lake, because Mormons are closing up the saloons of gentiles and confiscating their contents.

Drs. Hamilton, Agnew and Bliss, it is thought, will consider \$25,000 apiece fair compensation for their attendance on the President.

The New York Times says an order has been made to cut off every-other-day trips on the mail route between Redding, Cal., and Roseburg, Ogn.

The Methodist Judicial Conference has refused to entertain Dr. Thomas's appeal, because he has gone out of church, and it has jurisdiction over members only.

Small-pox is raging in Eastern cities, notably Chicago and Jersey City. It is also bad in New York and St. Louis. San Francisco has quarantined against Chicago on account of it.

President Arthur's message has not yet been re-ceived, but the Eastern press speak well of it. It is particularly plain on the Mormon question, and shows a leaning in favor of Campbell's admission to Congree

One cotton and four flouring mills at Minneap-olis were burned on Tuesday. In one of them an explosion, occurred, which killed three persons, one of them being the assistant engineer of the fire department.

Senator Miller of California has introduced an important bill in the Senate, intended to carry the Chinese immigration treaty into practical effect. Representative Page will offer a similar bill in the House.

Becretary Folger is observing and careful. No-ticing that Lord & Williams, of Tucson, Arizona, were large speculators and contractors, he discon-tinued their banking house as a depository for government funds, fearing to trust them longer.

John Hillyard, President of the suspended Me-chanics' National Bank of Newark, has been convicted of conspiracy to defraud and sentenced to eighteen months in the penitentiary. The sen-tence was applauded. He broke down and his wife fainted. Lacy, one of the Directors, was fined \$500.

Bonanza Mackey will sail for Europe on the 14th instant, as "there is nothing for him to do in this country, and he might as well enjoy himself abroad." If he is really anxious for something to do, a subscription might be started to get him a boot-black's kit, and thus enable him to turn an honest penny.

During the year ending November 1st, eighty-six national banks were started, with capital to the amount of \$9,651,000, to which the gov-ernment issued \$5,233,580 in circulating notes. This is the largest number organized in any year rince 1872. Twenty-six suspended during that time, with an aggregate capital of \$2,020,000 and circulation of \$1,285,580. Those now in operation number 2132. number 2132. Several Massachusetts gentlemen propose to revolutionize the methods of building steamships, with the hope of bringing back our lost shipping business. The vessels will have no masts, and will be covered as with a shell from stem to stern. There will be nothing above the deck but the pilot-house and funnels. Rough seas can do no damage by sweeping over. No persons and no freight will be washed overboard.^o The cost of such vessels will be less than the common steam-ships. The enterprise is backed by promineut capitalists. General Keifer of Ohio, was nominated by the capitalists. General Keifer, of Ohio, was nominated by the Republican caucus for Speaker of the House; Edward MacPherson, of Pennsylvania, for Clerk; Col. Geo. W. Hooper, of Vermont, for Sergeant-at-Arms; Walter P. Brownlow, of Tennessee, for Door-keeper; Captain Sherwood, of Michigan, for Postmaster; Rev. Fred. D. Power, of Wash-ington, (Garfield's pastor), for Chaplain. A reso-lution was carried to retain three Republicans and three Democrats, who were badly disabled in the Union army, in minor places. The choice of Keifer is a triumph for the "stalwarts," who op-posed Hiscock, of New York, because of the part he took in the fight against Conkling last Summer. When the House assembled on Monday, the above nominees were all elected.

Carlotta Patti has reached Paris after her tour around the world.

The Mendelssohn Quintet Club has been warmly received in Australia.

Alice Dunning Lingard proposes playing Shak-spearean characters, it is said.

"The Passing Regiment" has proved the only success thus far this season at Daly's Theater, New York.

The story of the production of "The Passion Play" in the near future at a Chicago theater is revived, and the Chicago papers are getting in a passion about it.

Mme. Scalchi is the name of a contraito Strakosch has engaged for next season. She is said to be the greatest now living, and will receive 15,000 francs a month.

It is stated that Gilbert has been employed to write the libretto for a new comic opera, the plot and incidents to be entirely American. Sullivan will be the composer.

The coffee-houses in London, sustained as an offset to the so-called "gin palaces," are now made additionally attractive by the giving of concerts of light music free to all patrons.

McCullough is ahead of his last year's receipts up to this time about \$12,000. Unless something unexpected should happen, his personal profits will be about \$70,000 for the whole season.

Wonder if the great Sheridan's pride has not received a blow this trip? What about the boast on his return to San Francisco that he "could have played in Portland two weeks longer to full houses"? houses"

The Handel & Haydn Society has been re-hearsing "The Bells of Corneville" for some time, and will produce this sparkling opera at New Market Theater on Friday and Saturday evenings, the 16th and 17th instants.

Nat Goodwin wears a lot of brass jewelry and paste diamonds in his burlesque of "Camille," and, during the day, has them displayed in the window of some prominent jeweler, after the style of certain leading actresses.

Fanny Davenport, having exhausted European millinery, now announces that all those rich Parisian costumes in her wardrobe will hereafter be manufactured in America. She believes, she says, in supporting native labor. Worth must go.

It seems to be the fashion now, when a profes-sional is losing grip on the public attention, to talk about the wealth he or she may possess. The latest case is two columns devoted to Janauschek's diamonds—crystallizations of an intellectual goldbearing vein that has pinched out.

Sheridan's season, which closed last night, has not been a great success. His mouthing and rant grew tiresome after a few performances, and his "critics" have ascribed the poor attendance to the weather! Why, the man whose memory can carry him back "twenty-seven years" should have lived long enough to know that the weather never keeps people at home in Oregon. There must have been something wrong with the show.



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