

BRIEF MENTION.

From Friday's Daily.

W. A. Coleman of Riddle is at the McClallen. F. H. Gwynne of Salem is at the Van Houten. L. Landers of Leland is at the Van Houten. T. W. Younge of Portland is registered at the Van Houten. N. P. Stilson of Union, Or., is a guest at the Van Houten. Richard Fitzman of Oak Creek is registered at the McClallen. Darwin Bristow of Cottage Grove is registered at the McClallen. The rain yesterday and last night has expelled the "beautiful" and now the hills are green again. Mr. D. S. K. Buick who has been confined to his room for several days, has so far recovered as to be at his office again. S. C. Miller, ex-sheriff and prominent candidate for re-election, is registered at the Van Houten, democrat headquarters in Roseburg. S. Van Houten, J. H. Wiles and F. A. McCall have been appointed to assess damages on the Hall and Underwood roadway, and make report next term. No new developments of the Flint, Rice and Shupe mine. They have been busy for several days in their assay office but the ore is refractory; their rocks won't yield the metal as before. Slow Jerry, the jeweler, has moved to Beard's Cigar Store on Jackson street, and hung out his "shingle" where he will be pleased to continue your patronage. Give him a call in his new quarters.

The cheap rates of five dollars cabin and two-fifty steerage including meals and berth are still in effect on the O. R. & N. Co.'s steamers from Portland to San Francisco. Steamer leaves Portland every five days. At a meeting of the common council last night the delinquent license list was ordered to be placed in the hands of the city attorney and that action be taken to force collection. The council means business, and intend to collect the license forthwith. So all having not paid their license will do well to call and settle before a warrant has been issued for their arrest. J. W. Chapman and wife of Billings, Mont., are guests at the McClallen. Mrs. Chapman is a Douglas county woman born and reared in this county. She and her husband are on a visit to their numerous relatives here. Welcome, Mrs. Aifa, to your old home, and may you and your husband have a joyous time with your host of friends in old Douglas.

From Saturday's Daily.

W. V. Hardy of Drain is a guest at the Van Houten. Willis Kramer of Myrtle Creek is in the city today. D. C. Aster of Ashland is registered at the McClallen. J. Kerfer of Everett is registered at the McClallen. C. L. Westenhove of Youcalia is at the McClallen. H. P. Brookhart of Drain is registered at the Van Houten. A. P. Woodard of Port Angeles is registered at the McClallen. C. A. Seibred returned to Roseburg from Salem on yesterday evening's local. Stephen Staats' star shines along the representative path. Stephen is an old war horse in politics and would make a strong and lively canvas if put on the ticket. She—He whistled as he went for want of thought. Of course it was a boy. You wouldn't find a girl whistling for want of thought. He—No; she wouldn't whistle; she'd talk. "May I take this seat, madam?" said the traveling man to a lady in the railroad car. "No, sir," said the female witheringly. "I have been keeping it for a gentleman." L. Schmitt of the Roseburg Bakery has disposed of that property to Wm H. Hueg, who will carry on the business in the future. Mr. Schmitt will soon leave for Southern California. Another unfortunate youngster, who was born last Saturday and will have to wait eight years until his next birthday, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Wyatt, of Lyons, Linn county. Arrangements are being made to ship copper from Grants Pass to Baltimore, by rail. It will be hauled in from the Walds mines in matts, and the copper will be extracted when it has reached its destination. A couple of tramps—a big buck negro and a white boy of about 16 years, appropriated to themselves several articles of underclothing from A. T. Thompson's clothesline and struck out north this morning. Look out for them. E. J. McClanahan, of Eugene, has received an order from a gentleman in Sacramento, Cal., for 20 pairs of Chinese pheasants. The birds will be turned loose near Red Bluff. Mr. McClanahan shipped several hundred of the birds to California last season. The capital building at Albany, New York, has cost that state \$21,607,116 and will require yet to complete it \$1,716,648. It was begun 29 years ago at an estimated cost of \$1,000,000. The size of this building is 300 by 400 feet or 120,000 square feet or about 4 acres of ground.

Final Call.

All persons are hereby notified to make immediate settlement of their indebtedness to the late firm of S. Marks & Co.; otherwise the same will be placed in hands for collection. Please give this call prompt attention and thus avoid additional costs. ASHER MARKS, Administrator of Estate of S. Marks & Co.

TELEGRAPH NEWS

At Havana's Gates.

New York, March 6.—A special from Havana says: Nobody has paid much attention to reports from the field lately. Washington and Madrid have been the sole centers of interest. Yet, within a few days, Gomez and Maceo have achieved other successes in the face of strong opposing columns, which have made the world wonder how it can be done. General Weyler, apparently believing he had driven them to their stronghold in the everglades of Cienaga de Scapata, has been hurrying thousands of troops into Santa Clara by land and sea with one purpose of hemming the enemy in at that point. General Pando, in command in Santa Clara, only waited the arrival of these troops to strike hard blows. But Gomez and Maceo having left in the everglade's hospitals all their wounded and ill, taken east from their raids in the western provinces, strengthened their forces with new troops fresh from Puerto Principe and San Diego, and then, while the Spanish battalions were en route to catch them, they unexpectedly turned west again, slipping past all obstructions with only a few skirmishes. Now Gomez is in the heart of Matanzas and Maceo is once more almost in the gates of the capital. Trains have been fired on just beyond the city on the Matanzas road and Monday night there was a sharp skirmish only three miles beyond the suburb of Jesus del Monte, a settlement to which Havana horse-cars and omnibuses make regular trips. There was no official report of the affair given out.

May Appoint A Commission.

CHICAGO, March 6.—A local paper says: The report that General Wesley Merritt, commander of the department of the Missouri, has been summoned to Washington for a conference with the president and his advisers, on a secret mission of importance, is believed by army men in this city to be true. At army headquarters it is said that President Cleveland contemplates sending a military commission to Cuba to examine into the affairs on the island, and it is surmised that General Merritt is to be intrusted with the leadership of the commission.

No member of General Merritt's staff, however, is willing to be quoted in the matter, as the secrecy that is being observed at Washington enjoins silence. The president, it is said, favors the idea of a commission to Cuba to report on the condition of affairs there. He took this course when there was a question of the true state of affairs in Hawaii, by sending Commissioner Blount there, and he recently obtained the appointment of the Venezuela boundary commission. That the president believes in the wisdom of commissions is further shown by the fact that he favored the appointment of commissioners to an international bimetallic congress to consider the financial situation. Besides General Merritt, several other high officers of the army have been summoned to Washington. It is also possible that they are to consult with the president and secretary of war as to the best means of mobilizing the United States troops in the event of war. It is suggested that if a single commissioner went to Cuba it would be a military man, as his investigation would have to be principally of a military character. It would not surprise those who regard the sending of a commission as probable if General Merritt was selected. He is a great friend of the president. He is third in rank in the army, a distinguished soldier, and, moreover, possesses a judicial temperament.

Refused England's Demand.

New York, March 6.—A special to the World from Caracas says: The 99 days allowed Venezuela to answer the demand for indemnity for the arrest of the English officials, Barnes and Baker, on the Oruan river, in December, 1894, has expired. The government will not speak officially, but the highest authority is given for the statement that the Venezuelan government refused to pay the indemnity, declaring that the question of arrest and boundary dispute cannot be separated. To pay the indemnity would be to recognize British sovereignty over Venezuelan territory. It is believed here that unless Sir Julian Pauncefote and Minister Andrade can arrange the matter satisfactorily in Washington, England will use force to collect the money, treating the arrests as distinct from the boundary.

Approaching Venezuela.

LONDON, March 6.—The Times has information from Curacao, in the Danish West Indies, that the authorities at that place have been advised that a British squadron of five ships will arrive there shortly. Curacao is about 75 miles from the Venezuelan coast.

Is Not Responsible.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The president said to a representative of the Associated Press today: "I see it is assumed in certain quarters that an article published a few days ago on the Cuban question may be taken as defining the attitude of the administration on the subject. I wish you would say that I never saw the statement nor heard of it until I read it in the newspapers, and even then neglected to read all of it, supposing that it represented nothing more than a newspaper guess. I do not know how it originated, nor by whom it was constructed or inspired, but I do know that I am in no manner responsible for it nor in any way related to it. I only desire to say in addition that I do not know whether the publication referred to represent the views of the administration on the Cuban question or

not, and that I never found any difficulty in communicating with the people in a manner which leaves no doubt as to the authenticity of any statement purporting to represent my views."

Adigrat in Danger.

ROME, March 6.—Popolo Romano this morning refers to the fact that considerable anxiety is felt for the safety of the Italian garrison at Adigrat. The troops there have only three days' supply of provisions and are surrounded by the Shoon army. Unless promptly relieved Adigrat must fall, and a further massacre of the Italians follow.

Rioting Continued.

ROME, March 6.—Rioting caused by the anger of the people at the conduct of the Abyssian campaign was continued last night in nearly every large city in Italy, although a rainstorm cleared the streets of the capital. At Milan the mob marched through the principal streets, smashing windows right and left, and yelling execrations on Crispi and the ministers. The rioters went to the railway station with the intention of preventing the departure from Milan of the army reserve of that city and neighborhood belonging to the class of 1872, but the authorities kept the men in the barracks and sent a regiment of infantry to guard the railroad station. These precautions only increased the excitement of the mob leaders and an attempt was made to break into the depot. Sharp encounters followed. The soldiers and carabinieri were pelted with stones, and bayonets and swords were used to drive back the crowds. Some soldiers and policemen were injured. Scores of rioters were slightly wounded. The disturbances continued until 2 a. m., when the troops at the point of the bayonet had cleared the railroad station and the neighborhood of rioters, and established a cordon of soldiers about it, while guarding, with strong pickets, all approaches. There is today a marked improvement in the demeanor of the populace. A proclamation by the mayor, enjoined the inhabitants to be calm and avoid assemblies, which would tend to develop riotous demonstrations. Business is proceeding as usual and the only evidences here of the recent disturbances are the strong additional guards of soldiers about the palace and all public buildings. There was serious rioting at Parma last night. The municipal buildings were besieged by angry mobs, windows were smashed and the troops fired a volley over the heads of the most riotous of the mob. The rioters then scattered, pursued by the carabinieri, who succeeded in capturing several leaders of the disturbances. They will be kept prisoners until the popular excitement subsides.

Russian Opinion.

New York, March 6.—A special to the Herald from St. Petersburg, says: The Novosti says the defeat of the Italians at Adowa has knocked another hole in the triple alliance, and that Italy and Spain are engaged in futile wars. The Novoe Vremya casts the entire blame for the disaster upon Signor Crispi, who overrode the war office and the military staff. It says that General Baldissera arrived on a scene of disorganization and discouragement. A Frenchman's Opinion. New York, March 6.—A special to the World from Paris says: No living Frenchman has suffered more for the cause of liberty than Henry Rochefort, the veteran editor of the intransigent. Few French writers exercise so widespread an influence over the masses of their countrymen. In an interview he said: "I do not think the people of the United States would stand idly by and see, under Weyler, a repetition of the former 19 years' tragedy. If the recent resolutions in congress really represent public opinion, President Cleveland cannot postpone action indefinitely. The whole body of intelligent people in France is with the insurgents. The gallant fight made by the Cubans endears them to all lovers of freedom. Everything in France that now counts for anything is on their side. "One thing seems certain; the loss of Cuba and the expense of the war will bring about a revolution in Spain. The dynasty has been tottering for some time. An unsuccessful struggle against the United States will certainly result in the overthrow of the Spanish monarchy."

POPULIST DELEGATE CONVENTION Convention met in Grange hall at 10 a. m. J. F. Gazley, Jr., was elected chairman and Carl Hoffman, secretary. A committee on credentials was appointed. While the committee was examining credentials, speech making was in order. Hon. D. W. Stearns of Oakland suggested that a caucus meeting be held to discuss a delicate question which ought to be considered in private or only amongst populists. Dr. Kent wanted to know if they wanted to hold a secret session to consider the question? He wanted to know who are speaking at their door for admission? The petition raised a laugh—it would be time to consider that question in caucus. H. P. Brookhart of Drain moved to hold an executive session after dinner; carried. Convention adjourned till after dinner. After dinner there was a secret session and the press was excluded. In open session the following delegates to the state convention were chosen: J. F. Gazley, Jr., H. P. Brookhart, Carl Hoffman, F. A. McCall, Jas. Byron, I. C. Kent, H. M. Martin, Mike Lemmer, J. Green and L. A. Kent.

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