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Preaching the gospel in California has brought about many changes. Yuba Dam has been changed to Yuba City. There is something in a name.

CORTHI, the Vineland editor who was shot a year ago by a man by the name of Landis, has finally died and the murderer is under arrest.

Col. Geo. B. Curry, one of Oregon's Pioneers, called on us yesterday. He is a gentleman of more than ordinary legal ability, and is called in Eastern Oregon, the "honest lawyer." We regret to learn that the Col., with his family, is now on his way to Santiago, California, where he expects take up a permanent residence. We wish them a safe journey and success in their future home.

The "organ" of Mr. Coggan, the horse racer at LaGrande, called "Sentinel," remains as flat, stale and unprofitable as ever. That thriving little town should have a paper which would convey the local news matter to the outside world. While Mr. Coggan's stock is good, other items of interest in Eastern Oregon should be noticed, but the boy owned by Mr. C. cannot discern anything beyond that noted race horse.

VERY TOUCHING.

A lady who has been reading the moral and religious articles in the STATEMAN for some time past and does not fully understand some of the theological propositions discussed, encloses two stanzas of poetry, which we append. The first three words of the first stanza delighted us, and we intuitively said, "of course we will," but the last stanza "let us out." Read the poem:

"Let me kiss you for your mother,"
Said a swell, too free of speech,
To an unprotected maiden,
Whom he met upon the beach.

"Let me thrash you for your father,"
Was the maiden's quick reply,
As, with ready sun umbrella,
She chastised him, hip and thigh.

"POLITICAL CREEDS."

A correspondent in Southern Oregon sends us the following for publication. He gets into rather "deep water," for ordinary thinkers, but the article is rather interesting. Read it:

The council of Nice did not settle for all time the Arian controversy; the council of Laodicea the exact number, beyond doubt, of the canonical scriptures; nor did the national conventions of 1850 and the compromise legislation of that period settle the slavery question. All questions within the realm of experimental science are "open questions." Representative bodies attempt to formulate, from time to time, in articles of religious faith, political platforms, or general laws, the popular idea in their respective departments of thought, but counseling the precedents of the barbarous past, as authorities. They always fail to reach the status of men of advanced minds, who will think, write, talk, agitate, until silenced by recognition. An Ecumenical Council may decide ultramontanism but the facts as to infallibility remain and the Catholic world still divided. No power can suppress thought, agitation and consequent progress. In our brief experiment of popular government, some questions have been decided by vote, some by the sword, now finally, only ultimate truth is a finality. Unlike ecclesiastical councils, which assume to decide questions for all time, our political conventions enunciate creeds good for but one canvass, and change with the evolution of ideas or with popular wants and leave an open field for discussion. Thanks to a free government. Our circumstances and necessities, as a nation, have developed finance, as the great question of the present and future, compared with which, every other pales into insignificance. Both political parties seem to be about equally divided on this question. Next year the respective ecumenical councils will affirm the infallibility of Grant, Pendleton and Phillips on this question, and be marked centennial milestones on our pilgrimage toward a just and true government. Leaving out the vote-catching tricks of platform makers, these periodical confessions of political trith are but indications of the progress we are making in governmental science. We may ask each other after a careful retrospective view of the present and on the threshold of the future. How far have we traveled toward the ideal Republic of the great souls who have illuminated history for the century of our national existence? If men loved their country as they do their respective parties or selfish interests, they would investigate the subject of finance with the honesty and zeal of a scientist, regardless of interested leaders, party trammels or historical dogma. A wrong financial policy is more far-reaching, universal and disastrous in its consequences than open armed rebellion and civil war, which we could quite to suppress. But who can foresee and avert the insidious approaches of financial consumption? Let all study finance. J. C.

State Shoe Shop.

A Portland exchange has the following item: The four boys recently sentenced to the Penitentiary from this county have been duly installed, at their own request, in the boot and shoe department of that institution, and they have set to work with commendable zeal to learn the business. Some of them had a passing acquaintance with Mr. E. G. Carson, the factory Superintendent, and under his kind and judicious training they will probably be much improved, and when discharged will be enabled to earn an honest livelihood. Upon entering the shop Mr. Carson discovered that they used tobacco, and he took occasion to dilate at some length upon the injurious effect of the weed upon growing boys, and suggested that they throw away their present supply and ask the Superintendent of the Prison, to commute their weekly allowance of tobacco and pay them the money for it at the time of their discharge. Superintendant Watkinds cheerfully consented, and the boys throwing away what tobacco they had about them went to work with a zeal which augurs well for their future reform.

Naval Combat.

Two jolly sons of Neptune, says the Oregonian, of the British ship Baron Aberdure, who were somewhat the worse for imbibing too much grog, got into a quarrel on board ship yesterday morning and as they were not allowed to fight on the ship, concluded to settle their differences on terra firma, according to the rules of the P. R. Accordingly, the combatants, with a number of their shipmates, came ashore and very soon a ring was formed and the pugilists stripped for the conflict, one of them particularly stipulating that his opponent should not strike "below the belt." A large crowd soon gathered on the wharf, and the antagonists stood up and fought like heroes; but before either had sent his opponent "to grass" the police appeared on the scene and the fight was brought to a speedy and inglorious termination.

Arrest for Contempt.

The Oregonian says: Isaac Cohagan, who, according to a recent dramatic production from the pen of a well-known member of the Portland bar, "is always tired," was arrested last Saturday afternoon for contempt of court. Cohagan was prosecuting witness in the case of State vs. Mike Meshel, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon. The case was set for examination before Judge Adams, at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, but the prosecuting witness failed to make his appearance, whereupon a bench warrant was issued for Cohagan's arrest. He will be required this morning to show cause why he should neglect to obey the summons of the court.

Newest thing out. Call and see the Pocket Cook Stoves at J. W. Crawford's.

FROM WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

COLFAX, W. T., Nov. 5th.

EDITOR STATESMAN.—After a long delay I proceed to communicate a few Palouse items, and as heretofore am constrained to give a glowing account of its prosperity.

The busy season of harvest is now over. In a few instances threshing was delayed on account of a prolonged spell of rainy weather. The farmers in this vicinity seem well pleased with the yield of wheat, oats and flax, and the vegetable crop is all that could be expected in any country. All are very busy preparing for winter, and remembering the sad experiences of the past, have judiciously prepared a sufficient amount of feed for stock of all kinds.

The weather record for the past season will compare favorably with that of any of the delightful countries on our coast. With the exception of the past two weeks we have had one of the most enjoyable seasons, as far as the natural virtues of the country are concerned, that I have ever experienced. As the days of "Old Autumn" recede changes occur which we could scarce but expect. So we need not be surprised that those pleasant autumn days we so much enjoyed should be replaced by blustering storms succeeded by frosty nights.

Well may the schoolboy grind his rusted skates, and the romantist put the sleigh so long idle in good repair, for the sun sinketh far towards the southern hills and maketh the shadows long. The wild geese whose delight it has been to skim the placid waters of the Palouse, have seen fit to repair to the genial skies of a more southern clime. As winter approaches Colfax puts on her liveliest appearance. Schoolboys and girls of all grades and ages can be seen playing on every corner during the noontime.

Three schools are now in full force here, under the supervision of the following persons, viz:

	No. pupils
Dist. school, J. C. Cash, teacher	35
Private school, O. L. Wolford, teacher	30
Private school, J. E. Edmiston teacher	30

From present appearances they all bid fair to meet with deserving success.

Colfax is steadily growing, the population somewhat exceeding one hundred. Many families would move to town but for scarcity of houses. A brass band made the leadership of Prof. P. D. Brunell, make music such as one likes to hear. Besides there are two organs and one piano here, which add much in the way of musical entertainment. Although remotely situated, the inhabitants of this backwoods village enjoy life to the greatest possible extent.

The privilege of winter sports such as skating, etc., are much greater here than in the Willamette Valley. A lake 100 feet wide within 30 steps of Main street and extending the whole length of town, affords one of the finest skating privileges immaginable. We also enjoy good sleighing for at least three months in the year. The different branches of business carried on here are briefly as follows: Two variety stores, respectively J. Ewart, and W. H. Davenport; one drug and book store, Smith and King; one hotel, Jas. Ewart; one saddle shop, L. T. Bragg; shoe shop, O. Bordeau; one carpenter shop, S. D. Woodard; two blacksmith shops, respectively Jas. Kenedy and W. Wisner; one feed-stable, King & Baker; one meat-market, E. M. Downing; one grist-mill, J. C. Davenport; one steam sawmill, Beach & Co.

The moral aspect of Colfax is something that must not be overlooked. But one case of drunkenness has as yet been known in the village, although the inducement to carry on the liquor business in this place would be sufficient to justify the enterprise, yet no man is willing to sacrifice the respect of his fellow citizens in return for such self degradation, May such spirit ever abide. MORE ANON.

PASSENGER LIST.

The Oregon Steamship Company's steamer Oregon came sailed from San Francisco for Portland Saturday with the following

LIST OF PASSENGERS:

Mrs L W Lillie, A Deisgor, H C Stevens, L C Henriksen, F S Peacheole, Mrs Ijams and 2 children, S G Whipple, U S A, wife and servant, L Lachman, G B Gray, Mrs S Reed and child, E Kantern, H B Wolf and wife, Mrs M L Taylor & 9 ch, T Hall, Mrs L Webber, Miss J Jones, B L Morrison, H Benedict, G E Powell, Mrs F Warren and 3 ch, F Schittie and fm'ly, J Sebine, Mrs Delor and five children, H Easterbrook, J A Gibson, J Allison and wife, Mrs P Richardt, Mrs T W Harris, T Lowengart, W Lippitt, Carl Ailler, A N Bush, J Dole, F Mercier, Mrs E A Burton, L Hall, Mrs E Taylor, miss M E Johns, Miss J Davis, L W F Stewart, U S A, L Bowmad, T H Dupre, R B Lesley, I Ball and wife, Texas Jack.

The Eugene Guard has the following particulars of burglaries lately committed in that place: "On Monday morning our town became excited over the announcement that several houses had been entered during Sunday night. Between 2 and 3 o'clock A. M. Rev. I. Wilson was awakened by a brilliant light in his room, the lamp having been left dimly burning. As soon as he attempted to get up he was cautioned to remain quiet, the burglar threatening to shoot him if he did not. Here the robbers got $8 in coin and a silver watch. Sometime during the night the residence of S. H. Friendly was entered, the robber effecting an entrance through the pantry window. Mr. Friendly was awakened and on the first shout the robber fled. The residence of Mr. Nicklin was entered without disturbing any of the family and a $20 greenback taken from the Doctor's pocket. Mrs. M. Shelley's house was entered and $15 in coin taken. Mrs. Shelley, however, thinks the robbery was committed the evening before while the family was at church. The residence of Mrs. Dr. Hanchett was entered on Sunday evening and a pair of gold spectacles and a gold belt buckle stolen."

Double Outcase.

Two brothers by the name of Stewart, who have for a short time been residing in Salem took occasion to appropriate some of Colonel Cooper's oats for their own use, for which offense he had them arraigned before Esquire Johnson who fined them $25 and costs of suit. They were re-arrested on a charge of stealing some clothing from some young men who are attending the Willamette University and were held over to court in $300 bonds. Failing to give the bond they were locked up.

Fixing Up.

The store formerly occupied by Breyman Bros., in Moores' brick block, is now undergoing a thorough overhauling by carpenters, preparatory to being occupied by Messrs. Terrell & Gillingham. Show windows have been added to the front and other material improvements made, and the store will soon only need the large and elegant stock of this firm to make it compare favorably with any in Salem. The new store will be occupied about the first of the month.

Capt. L. S. Scott has sent one of his elegant hacks and a dray to Albany under the supervision of Dick Kays, who on a fair patronage is ready to serve them.

LATEST FROM THE PACIFIC

The Pacific Sunk by Collision with the Orpheus.

The Orpheus a Total Wreck.

The Crew of the Orpheus Found on an Island.

PORT TOWNSEND, Nov. 12.—The revenue cutter Oliver Walcott returned to this place at 9-45 o'clock this morning. She brought Neil O'Hanlen quartermaster of the Pacific, but no other survivors, nor any trace of any others.

They buried at Neah Bay the body of Robert Jones, one of the under steward.

The cutter experienced very severe weather; in fact a gale has been blowing ever since 12 o'clock the night of the wreck. The coast south of Cape Flattery was searched for twenty miles by the aid of Indian canoes at Neah Bay. Barclay Sound thirty-five miles north of Vancouver Island, was searched by the cutter, and on Copper Island they found Captain Sawyer, of the Boston ship Orpheus, with his crew encamped on the beach. The Orpheus was the ship with which the Steamship Pacific collided. She was struck abaft the fire chains and all her starboard gear carried away. She lay hove to until Friday afternoon, repairing damages, and then made for the land, and mistaking the light on Cape Beale for Tatoosh, the ship ran ashore about 6 o'clock Saturday morning. She will prove a total loss. Captain Sawyer, his wife and twenty-one men were brought here by Lieutenant Sherwood, commanding the Wolcott. The first mate of the Orpheus was left by the ship until the owners can be heard from.

The search has been prosecuted with energy and thoroughly in the face of the extremely bad weather and high winds, and there is but little hope that any more lives will be saved, unless possibly some may have been picked up by passing vessels and carried to other ports.

SEATTLE, Nov. 13.—The operator at Port Townsend informs us that the tug Goliah has just arrived at that place from Cape Flattery, having on board the body of a woman from the wreck of the Pacific. A ring was found on her finger lettered "O. H." The line broke north of Port Gamble before particulars could be obtained. [Supposed to be Mrs. Hellmuth, daughter of Mrs. Fargally, of Portland.

PORT TOWNSEND, Nov. 14.—The steamer Goliah arrived here from Cape Flattery, having on board the body of one of the female passengers of the Pacific. The body was very tall, about five feet seven inches, with black hair. She had evidently been in bed at the time of the collision, as she was clothed only with her underclothing and an astrachan jacket; her shoes being unlaced. She wore 3 plain gold rings marked on the inside "O. H." The earrings were round gold enameled, without pendants, with a cluster with small pearls.

The revenue steamer will continue to cruise in the Straits.

Neil O'Henley, the quartermaster who was saved, is doing well in the Marine Hospital, under the care of Dr. Minor.

Some of the crew of the wrecked ship Orpheus have been sent to the hospital.

[From the Oregonian.]

SHIP BUILDING INTEREST IN OREGON

Yesterday the following articles of incorporation were filed in the county clerk's office:

Know all men by these presents that we the undersigned incorporators, all residents of the State of Oregon, do by these presents associate ourselves together as a corporation, under and by virtue of the general incorporation laws of the State of Oregon, approved October 14, 1862, and amendments thereof, and for such purpose we do jointly and severally agree to and with each other to the following articles:

Article 1—The name assumed by this corporation, and by which it shall be known, is "The Oregon Shipbuilding Company."

Article 2—The duration of this company shall be unlimited.

Article 3—The enterprise, business, pursuit or occupation in which the corporation proposes to engage is the building and repairing of steam and sail vessels and steamboats of every description, with power to acquire, own, hold, use, dispose of or mortgage the same or any portion thereof, as well as to lease, purchase, use, acquire and dispose of real and personal property of whatever description, and to borrow and loan money for the purposes of this corporation, and to do any and all other things pertaining to a ship building company.

Article 4—The place where the corporation purposes to have its principal office or place of business is at Albina, in the county of Multnomah, and State of Oregon.

Article 5—The amount of the capital stock of the Company is hereby fixed at $50,000.

Article 6—The amount of each share of such capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at $100.

In testimony whereof, and of our adoption of the foregoing articles of incorporation, we, the undersigned corporators, have hereunto set our hands and seals, in triplicate, this 11th day of November. 1875:

(Signed) EDWIN RUSSELL,
W. S. LADD.
ALEX P. ANKENY,
DONALD MACLEAX.
WM. REID.
B GOLDSMITH.
CHAS. HODGE

This important enterprise deserves a full measure of success, as it develops a new branch of industry in our State which in a short time we hope to see grow up into to large proportions and give employment to many hundred men. The company propose, as soon as organized, to procure orders for two or more vessels of large carrying capacity to be in readiness for the wheat crop of 1 76. The timber will all be cut and seasoned during the coming winter and be carefully selected from the best yellow fir grown at and below Cathlamet. The buildings will be purchased at the lowest cash prices in the east, and sent here around the Horn, by which method they can be laid down at the company's yard at a fraction of cost only over that paid by eastern ship builders.

Term engagements will be made with a number of experienced shipwrights, who will be brought out direct from the East, as the number of good men on this coast is limited at present. By adopting these common sense measures, the company have no doubt of their ability to build first-class sea-going vessels at a cost at or at out Eastern prices.

In point of fact, it is to the advantage of ship-owners here to have their vessels built in this State, even although the first cost be somewhat higher, and for this reason: A ship built in Maine is on expenses from the day she is completed until she arrives at Portland. She has to go to New York in ballast and remain a month or more before she can be placed on the berth for San Francisco and then has to accept an unremunerative freight. From San Francisco she again has to sail at a loss to reach this port and arrives here with her bottom foul from some eight months' exposure to salt water, unoppered. On the other hand, a ship built here can be launched and fitted for sea, just in readiness for the grain season, can secure the highest rates current and is not under a dollar of expense until she is loaded and her captain and crew engaged. Such a vessel starts off bright and new and is not at all damaged by her four or five months voyage to Liverpool, at which place she receives her sheathing of metal. All ships built by this company will be constructed under the survey of the Bureau Veritas, commonly known as the French Lloyds Associations.

FURTHER OF THE PACIFIC.

STATEMENT OF CAPTAIN SAWYER OF THE SHIP ORPHEUS.

The Orpheus Run Into by the Pacific.

CULPABLE NEGLIGENCE.

PORT TOWNSEND, Nov. 12.—All day Tuesday a terrific storm raged and it was impossible to go outside of the Cape, so all the labor of the two steamers was devoted to searching the north and south shores of the Straits, with only the results above indicated. On Wednesday the weather moderated and the commander of the Walcott determined to search the shore of Vancouver Island as far north of Barclay Sound, 35 miles from Cape Flattery. At about the same time the steamer Telfair started in her search to the southward. During the passage along the Vancouver shore all the Indians seen were communicated with, but further than the fact that some light timbers, deck buckets and boxes had been found, nothing was ascertained. Steaming up Barclay Sound, the first Indian village was hailed, and a canoe came off containing a white man, who came aboard and introduced himself as the first mate of the ship Orpheus. He stated that he had been run into to Thursday night previous by a steamer, and was wrecked on the following Saturday morning on an island near by Copper Island. The captain and crew had got ashore safely and were encamped further up. Proceeding in the direction indicated, another canoe approached, in was Captain Sawyer, of the ship Orpheus. He gave the following account of the disaster: On Thursday evening he was approaching the Cape, and was, by his reckoning, about twenty miles off, with a fresh southeast breeze, steering about northwest, before the wind. His man at the wheel first saw the steamer's headlight off the port bow, and then immediately after straight ahead. He could not make out which direction she was coming. He put his helm astarboard and turned his ship's head off shore. The light came nearer, and he continued to starboard his helm till his vessel had turned around; sails were flat aback and his ship hove to. The steamer, by his time, had got very near his ship and blew one whistle, and in less than one minute after, her bow struck his ship a glancing blow just abaft the fire chains, crushing in the rail and breaking his planking down to near the copper. She surged alongside of her, scraping and grating along his starboard side, carrying away all his starboard braces and rigging on that side and his foremast and topgallant mast. Capt. Sawyer states he hailed the steamer as she surged past and called to them to lay by him, and send him a boat, as he then supposed his ship to be in a sinking condition, but no one answered his hail, neither did he see any one on her deck. She drifted, or steamed away, he was not certain which and he afterwards saw a flash light, which he took for a signal at that time—they has heard his hail and would lay by him. He saw her no more, and his ship at that time demanded all his attention. He lay to the remainder of that night and nearly all day Friday repairing his riggin, and that afternoon got under way and again made sail for the land, allowing for two knots northerly set off the current for his position, from which he had first hove to. Soon after dark he made a light, which he took for Cape Flattery, not knowing that there was a light on the coast further north, nor did his latest sailing make none of any. He allowed five miles clearance for Duncan rock, and considered himself safe after entering the straits of Fuca, when about 5 o'clock Saturday morning, his ship scraped over a reef, and immediately after struck her bow on a rock, stuck fast and filled. The light he mistook for Flattery is on Cape Beale, the entrance of Barclay Sound, 35 miles north of the former. How the ship escaped dangers passed before she struck is a mystery to all who have examined the admiralty chart of Barclay Sound. The ship will prove a total loss. Capt. Sawyer got all the valuables he could out of her, and encamped on the shore with his wife and crew in tents made of her sails. He had hired a canoe from the Indians and started his mate to Victoria for help, but the weather was so bad that the Indians would not venture out on the voyage, so they were found when the Wolcott arrived. Lieut. Harwood took them aboard of his vessel with the most valuable portion of the goods leaving the mate of the Orpheus in charge of the wreck until her owners could be consulted. All were landed safely at Port Townsend on Friday morning. Nothing was heard of or seen in Barclay Sound of anything pertaining to the unfortunate Pacific. So ends the sad story of the loss of a steamer with only two lives saved and four bodies recovered and a fine ship wrecked, forming in the combination one of the most melancholy catastrophes occurring in this part of the Pacific coast. Too much praise cannot be given to Capt. Harwood and the other officers and crew of the Wolcott for their energy and activity shown on the occasion and also to Peter Thompson, a pilot, who volunteered his services, as he was well acquainted with the shores of Vancouver Island and the surroundings of the Straits of Fuca, and also to Mr. Huntington, the Indian agent at Neah Bay reservation, and, in fact, all with whom we came in contact.

Capt. Harwood and Pilot Thompson went to the wreck of the Orpheus and examined it carefully. They say that the ship was undoubtedly struck by the steamer, just abaft the forward rigging.

IN MEMORIAM.

Resolutions of respect to the memory of Sister Ella Cranston, G. I. G. of the Grand Lodge of Oregon, adopted at a meeting of Lake Lodge No. 218 I. O. G. T., on Saturday, Oct. 30, 1875:

WHEREAS, Through the mysteries of the will of Divine Providence our beloved Sister Ella Cranston departed this life at Klamath Agency, Oregon, on the 23th inst., therefore be it

Resolved, That in the death of Sister Ella Cranston the Order has lost a kind and faithful member, respected and beloved by all for her many excellent traits of character.

Resolved, That we offer to the beloved relatives of our deceased sister our heartfelt sympathies and commend them to Him who doeth all things well for comfort and consolation in this hour of sad affliction.

Resolved, That in token of respect to her memory the hall of this Lodge and regalia be draped in mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the relatives of our deceased sister; that they be entered in full upon the minutes of our proceedings and that copies be furnished to the OREGON STATESMAN, Farmer, Mercury and Star for publication.

JOHN GOTHARD.
W. J. SMALL.
R. B. HUTTON,
Committee.

LINKVILLE, Oregon, Oct. 30, 1875.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

A correspondent of the Oregonian writing from Vancouver, says:

At the annual school meeting held in this place last Friday evening, James Davidson was elected three years in place of Guy Hayden, whose term of office expired. Davidson's opponent was Judge Petrain. The question of raising a special tax maintaining the school was not voted upon, it being understood that the majority were opposed to it. The following slip of paper picked up after the election, and purported to have been issued by the Catholic parish priest, had evidently had its weight:

Sir: You are expected to be present at the public school meeting this evening, and there to vote against the unjustifiable special tax. Yours hopefully,
REV. A. JUNGER.

Another school meeting has been called for the 18th inst., when an attempt will be made to carry the tax.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Very Latest News Reports.

Defalcation.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—Leonard Cox, cashier of the Western Union Telegraph Company, is a defaulter to the amount of $13,000, according to his own confession. It appears for over a year he has been in the habit of regularly abstracting large sums from cash placed in his hands, and investing them with certain Wall street brokers for speculative purposes.

Ville de Paris.

M. Beden, agent in this city for the Transatlantic Steamship Company, has received the following dispatch from Havre in regard to the accident to the Ville de Paris, of which exaggerated reports have been circulated: The injury is slight; no one hurt; passengers landed at noon. The ship was safely in port and had struck the quay with the bow.

(Signed) VIAL.

Another Investigating Commission.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—The Secretary of the Treasury has agreed on a committee to investigate the affairs of the Second Comptroller's office, with particular reference to the conduct of Bugghort and Wilkowsky's cases, but the names of the commission are not made public.

The Brewers Visit the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

Deputations of U. S. brewers, including Andrew Leache of Chicago, and counsel, had a hearing before the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, with regard to assessments on brewers for malt used in a measure of twenty-one and a half bushels of malt to one barrel of beer, and argued a memorial against the injustice of assessments. The Commissioner reserved his decision.

Confirmation of an Old Spanish Grant in Missouri.

Attorney General Pierrepont has decided that the act of Congress of April 27th, 1816, confirmed to Hugh and John Maxwell the grant of 9,600 acres at the forks of Black river, Missouri, made to Priest Maxwell in 1799, by the Spanish government. This large tract of land situated in Reynolds and Iron counties, Missouri is therefore declared to belong to the claimants.

Heavy Gales—Damage to Shipping

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—Quite a gale prevailed in this section all last night and to-day. A Hudson river steamer drifted ashore high and dry near Poughkeepsie; also a tug boat and a large scow. A sound steamer rounding Point Judith was struck by a sea and had part of her bulwarks flattened and was obliged to put into Newport. Dispatches show considerable damage done ashore as well as on float.

Escape of a Soldier from the Cheyennes.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 11.—The Republican's Kansas City special says one of the soldiers named Burnhardt, reported killed in a fight with a band of Cheyenne Indians near Fort Wallace, Kansas, two weeks ago, was found wandering on the prairie by a band of soldiers who were out hunting. He lost his horse in the fight and hid himself in the grass, but was afterwards found by two Indians whom he kept at bay ten hours with his rifle. They then left him. He was in a famished condition when found.

Rolling Mills Burned.

DETROIT, Nov. 11.—The rolling mills at Wyandotte, owned principally by the estate of the late F. B. Ward, were partially burned to-night. Loss about $25,000; partially insured.

Jeff Davis Accepts a Presidency.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 11.—Jefferson Davis has accepted the Presidency of the American Department of the Mississippi Valley Society of London, tendered him by the parent organization. The object of the movement is to direct attention to the development of the commercial, agricultural and mineral resources of the valley of the Mississippi. Davis will devote his entire energies to the working of this country and Europe, making his headquarters at New Orleans.

Flouring Mill Burned.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 11.—McPhillany & Co.'s flouring mill at Sharpsburg, Pa., burned to-day. Loss, $14,000; partially insured.

Preparations to Receive the Crown Prince.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—A number of German merchants have started to raise $50,000 to defray the expense of the reception of the German Crown Prince in this city and his subsequent escort to Philadelphia on his visit to the centennial exhibition.

Public Health Association.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 10.—The American Public Health Association met this morning. Forty new members were proposed and elected. Dr. J. S. Billings, U. S. A., presented a report of the committee to prepare a schedule of questions for sanitary survey of the United States. The report refers to various attempts by the National Institute, American Medical Association and other societies to obtain data for a comprehensive medical topography of the United States and the causes of failure. The best data on the subject are found in the reports of medical officers describing military posts, of which four volumes have now been published, because in those statistics diseases are given upon a uniform plan. In most papers on medical topography, the medical papers left out the best of them. Only mortality statistics are given.

The American Public Health Association reassembled this morning and admitted 43 new members. Officers chosen for the ensuing year are: President, E. L. Snow, Providence; Vice Presidents, John H. Rauch, Chicago, and Prof. Walker, Yale College; Treasurer, J. Foster Jennings, Yonkere, N. Y.; and an executive committee was also selected.

The Rifle Shooting.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—The National Rifle Association adopted resolutions providing for a series of rifle matches during the summer and fall of 1876, on occasion of the Centennial, and extending invitations to riflemen of all countries to participate.

Missionary Convention.

The general missionary convention of the Methodist Episcopal church was in session to-day, Bishop Jones presiding. All members were present but Bishop Foster and Haven. The report of the Treasurer was read, showing a balance on Nov. 1st, 1874, of $13,283. The receipts of the year were $6,624 85; expenditures, 7,248; leaving a debt on the treasury of $401 80. Besides this there are letters of credit for foreign missions amounting to $1,395 12, making the real debt $1,855 62. In regard to appropriations for the coming year, no action was taken up to recess.

Fatal Fire Damp Explosion.

SERAING, Belgium, Nov. 11.—An explosion of fire damp occurred in Mariaiaye colliery to-day. Ten persons were killed and 100 hurt.

The Queen Recovering.

THE HAGUE, Nov. 11.—The Queen of Netherlands, who has been suffering from fever is now slowly recovering.

Storms and Floods.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—The weather in England and France, during the past week, has been very stormy and heavy. The wind is almost incessant. Rains have fallen and many parts of both countries are flooded. Vast tracts are threatened by the rising rivers.

Spain and the Church.

ROME, Nov. 11.—The Vatican's reply to Spanish note was sent to Madrid yesterday. The Vatican accepts the declaration of the government that it is desirous to come to an understanding and has given the Papil nuncio at Madrid instructions to negotiate.

The Disabled Steamer.

HAVRE, Nov. 11.—The steamer Ville de Paris remains in the same position. It is impossible to proceed with preparation of docking, owing to the continuance of the gale. Preparations are making to discharge her cargo.

Bank of England.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—The proportion of the Bank of England reserve to liability is 42½ per cent. The amount of bullion withdrawn from the bank on the balance to-day was £22,000; decrease, £352,000 the past week.

The Turf.

The Liverpool autumn cup was won today by Activity, beating nineteen other horses.

Bank of France.

PARIS, Nov. 11.—Specie in the bank of France decreased 3,518,000 francs the past week.

Wreck of the Toronto.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—The brig Cantaur arrived from Greytown yesterday. On the 2d of October they picked up a Spanish negro in a boat belonging to the bark Toronto, of Glasgow, wrecked near Navissa; but when and under what circumstances could not be learned from the negro. The crew abandoned the bark in the same boat and all perished except the negro. He was insensible when found.

Mutiny and Murder

A special from London says a telegram from Rochelle, dated the 11th, states that a bottle containing the following, was picked up Nov. 8th, off the coast of Nieuewe Diepe: "The crew of the British Ship Lennie, Capt. Hatfield, from Antwerp for New York, mutinied on the 31st of October and killed the master, mate and boatswain." A telegram from Rochelle, dated Nov. 10th, states that the goverment steamer discovered the British ship Lennie, of Yarmouth, with a boy and five men on board, four of whom are supposed to be accomplices in the mutiny. Six of the crew are Greeks, and escaped in a boat the previous evening.

Steamship Owners to be Prosecuted.

The steamer Waco, burned in Galveston harbor, had on board 300 cases of petroleum. The vessel had no right to carry this oil, being without the necessary certificate, and her owners will be prosecuted.

Searching for Bodies.

GALVESTON, Nov. 12.—The steamship State of Texas, which has been outside today searching for the Waco's people, has returned. She brings no further news. There seems to be little hope of finding any passengers.

Killed by Falling Walls.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 12.—A dwelling house on 39th street, below Market, West Philadelphia, fell to-day, killing three children playing around it.

Tennessee Earthquake.

KNOXVILLE, Nov. 12.—The heaviest shock of earthquake ever felt here occurred at 2 A. M., to-day and lasted ten seconds, causing buildings to sway.

Missouri Constitutional Election.

ST LOUIS, Nov. 12.—Returns from 95 counties in this State show a majority of nearly 71,000 for the new constitution.

Capt. J. B. Howell

MEMPHIS, Nov. 12.—Capt. Jeff D. Howell, commander of the steamship Pacific, lost a few days ago on the Oregon coast, was a brother of Mrs. Jefferson Davis, of this city. He is a native of Natchez, Miss., lived at New Orleans several years, and served as midshipman under the confederate flag, under Admiral Semme. Some months since he was promoted to the command of the Pacific for gallantry displayed in rescuing shipwrecked people during a violent storm. Faint hope is still entertained that he may be among the saved.

President Wilson Better.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—At midnight Vice President Wilson was more comfortable than any time since his illness, and Dr. Baxter thinks in a week he will be able to go to Massachusetts.

More Troops for Cuba.

CADIZ, Nov. 12.—Eight hundred soldiers sailed for Cuba yesterday and 500 more are preparing to embark.

Cardinal McCloskey at the Catholic University.

DUBLIN, Nov. 12.—Cardinal McCloskey assisted at the commencement of the Catholic University to-day. He was presented with an address, to which he replied that the establishment of the Catholic University here was an example for America and all other countries.

Manahaye Colliery Explosion.

LIERAGE, Belgium, Nov. 12.—The loss of life by the explosion in the Manahaye colliery is appalling. Forty-two dead bodies have been taken out. It is thought that several are still in the pit.

Spanish Cabinet in Council.

MADRID, Nov. 12.—An extraordinary cabinet council was held to-day to discuss the reply to a note from the United States relative to the execution of the treaty of 1795.

The Brooklyn Ulcer.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—Mrs. Emma C. Moulton last evening served a paper upon Thomas G. Shearman as clerk of Plymouth Church. In it Mrs. Moulton calls upon Plymouth church to join with her in calling a council of churches before which the action of Plymouth Church in dropping her name from its roll may be brought. In case her request is not granted within four weeks, she states she must ask a council with the co-operation of Plymouth Church.

It was stated yesterday that a meeting of the committee appointed by the New York and Brooklyn Association of Congregational Ministers to inquire into the causes which were brought before the courts, would be called in a few days. A prominent congregational clergyman said yesterday that the recent act of Plymouth Church in dropping the name of Mrs. Moulton and Deacon West from the roll of membership, may result in a call on the part of the churches for mutual council and for an ex parte one in this case should the former be refused by Plymouth Church.

Bowen was called upon yesterday by a reporter in reference to the statement that a movement was being set on foot by some members of Plymouth church to have his name dropped from the roll of members. In the course of conversation Bowen said: "If Plymouth Church has anything against me, I am here to answer, and have been ready to do so ever since the controversy began. I have done nothing which I am either sorry for or ashamed of. If a few restless and unwise people in the church should make a move such as was made in regard to Deacon West and Mrs. Moulton, most certainly I should defend myself, and the result would, in my judgment, be serious to the interests of the church. Ad I ask for is fair and just before God and man. I do not intend to be intimidated or threatened, or driven to adopt any other course than what is right, proper and Christian-like, and I should resent any other course of treatment toward me on the part of the church. Previous to going to the country I attended church. What I shall do in future I have not yet fully determined."

Death of Rev. James Miles.

WORCESTER, Mass., Nov. 13.—Rev. James Miles, Secretary of the American Peace Society, and General Secretary of the Association for the Reform and Codification of the laws of nations, died this morning after a two days' illness. Dr. Miles had lately returned from the Hague.

Reduction of Wages of Mill Operatives.

BOSTON, Nov. 13.—On account of the state of the markets, Amoskeag Mills, of Manchester, N. H., have given notice of a cut-down of from 5 to 15 per cent. on the wages of operatives from Dec. 1.

Visit to the Centennial Buildings

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—Representatives of the New York Stock Exchange, city bank, Clearing House, Fire Underwriters, and National Board of Fire Underwriters and National Chamber of Life Insurance, will visit the Centennial Buildings at Philadelphia on Monday next by special invitation of the National Centennial Committee.

Senator Dawes Injured.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Nov. 13.—Senator Dawes was painfully injured at Pittsfield yesterday while horseback riding. He was letting down some bars when the animal wheeled and kicked the Senator on the leg and left him prostrate.

A Mutinous Crew Arrested.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—A special dispatch states that the British ship Lennie arrived in roads of La Platte on the 6th inst. The cook was navigating the ship under orders from the mutineers to conduct her to Gibraltar. In consequence of bad weather they were obliged to put into La Platte when they were arrested.

Failures and Rumors of Failures.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—Dispatches say there are rumors at London Stock Exchange of failures in the iron trade at Australia and of failures at the Bourse, Paris. There is a failure of more considerable importance of an old Anglo-American house in Manila also rumored in banking circles here.

Not Guilty.

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 13.—In the case of Joseph Lanchbury, indicted for murder of Col. Butler, in Clearfield county, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

The French Assembly.

PARIS, Nov. 12.—In consequence of its triumphs in the assembly yesterday, the conservative party intends to take the lead in favor of a dissolution. It is generally believed that the assembly will dissolve to December, and that elections will be held for senators in January and for representatives in February. President MacMahon has thanked Minister Dutaure for his speech yesterday and congratulated him on his success in the assembly to-day. Dutaure introduced the press bill. By its provisions the state of seige is to be raised, except in Algeria and