

NEWS OF RIVER AND OCEAN

BY WIRE

After a passage of 97 days from San Francisco, the British ship *Muskoka* has arrived out at Queenstown. This is the fastest passage of the season from any port on the Pacific Coast.

During the past week 19 sailing vessels and three steamships went to sea from the mouth of the river, where a portion of them had been delayed for some time on account of bad weather.

Today the tug *Sampson* will start towing barges loaded with rock from Astoria to Gray's Harbor for the jetty which is being built there for the government.

The French bark *Henriette*, which sank at Astoria with a cargo of redwood, and subsequently purchased by Hale & Kern, is now at Fisher's Landing above Vancouver. Her injuries consisted of a crack across the bottom plates, and a small hole further forward. She will be towed around to Puget Sound for repairs.

The British ship *Speke* arrived in Saturday, after a passage of 107 days from Adelaide. This makes the third big carrier in port on the disengaged list. The other two are the *Gord Shafesburg* and the *Brinell*. As freight rates are exceedingly low at present, with no prospect of their early improvement, the vessels are likely to remain disengaged for some time.

The Austrian steamship *Maria*, after loading a consignment of 1,500 barrels of flour at the Portland Flouring Mills, has moved to the Albina dock, where she will receive 2,500 additional barrels. Clear-

ances of both wheat and flour will be heavy this week, as the *Torridale*, *Dove*, *Hall* and *Ernest Le Gouye* will all be ready for the sea.

Workers are busy on the German ship *Carl*, which is anchored at the sand dock, cutting posts preparatory to taking on lumber.

Captain Hanson of the German ship *Barmbek* was in the city yesterday from Astoria. He reports that the damages to the *Barmbek* will soon be repaired and that the vessel will be ready for the sea by next Wednesday.

After having taken on 700 tons of wheat at the *Messy* dock, the *Davenbury Hall* has moved across the river to the Oceanic dock, where she is completing her cargo.

A horse was killed near the Albina ferry Saturday in a peculiar manner. It was tied to the rear end of a wagon which was going down the incline, when the animal became frightened, made a frantic plunge in the air and came down on its head, breaking its neck and dying almost instantly. Philip Schneiderman had just bought the horse and was taking it home when the accident occurred.

The repair work on the British steamship *Quito* is getting well under way. The starboard bow is already closed in with steel plates, and the port side is about completed. The vessel is being repainted and renovated throughout and the engines overhauled. When the finishing touches are applied the big steamer will look like another ship.

DESPERATE NEGRO

His Own Life Paid the Penalty of Crime.

(Journal Special Service.)
CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., April 7.—At the small town of Tusculum, Ala., in the northern part of that state, the tragedies of yesterday will, it is believed, culminate in a war of races that may mean the sacrifice of many lives.

Sheriff Cassaway of Tusculum yesterday attempted to arrest Will Reynolds, a young negro, at his home in the negro settlement of Knardtown, a short distance from Tusculum. Reynolds was accused of obtaining merchandise under false pretenses. The sheriff's brother, Will Cassaway, a deputy, accompanied the officer and together they proceeded to Reynolds' house. The negro approached them and immediately opened fire on the sheriff and his brother, who had remained about 300 yards behind. Both were fatally wounded and Reynolds then retired to the cellar of his residence. This was located in a small clearing surrounded by brushy timber, affording ample protection from attacking parties without.

As soon as the assault on the sheriff and his brother, the deputy, became known in Tusculum every man in town who could procure a gun turned out to avenge the outrage. Captain Simpson of the Wheeler Rifles, with 12 guns and 1000 rounds of ammunition, was with the party, but, entrenched in the cellar of his home, Reynolds easily held all of them at bay. Whenever a white man appeared in the open, crack went Reynolds' rifle and the enemy was either instantly killed or wounded. After four hours of skirmishing buildings adjoining the one occupied by Reynolds was set afire, which quickly communicated to his place of hiding. He then took refuge in a shed, from which he killed Bob Wallace and wounded Jesse Davis, shooting him through the jaw. As the last wound was inflicted the Wheeler Rifles poured a volley into the shed which riddled Reynolds with bullets. He fell, quivering, to the earth and a rush was made for the culprit and his yet breathing form was thrown into the flames. Three horses were killed in the melee.

At the conclusion of the battle it was found that Reynolds had killed Hugh Jones and Bob Wallace and mortally wounded Sheriff Cassaway, his brother, Will Cassaway, and P. H. Prout; seriously and probably fatally wounded John Payne and fatally wounded Jim Finney, shot through right shoulder; Robert Patterson, shot through leg, and Jesse Davis, shot through jaw.

Every shot fired by Reynolds took effect. Probably 500 bullets were discharged by the attacking party.

Today it is feared that the whites of the neighborhood will yet attack a second time the negro settlement of Knardtown, and a company of state militia is held in readiness to defend it.

Great excitement prevails and there is no telling what an hour may bring forth.

A FUNERAL SURPRISE

Numerous friends had gathered at the church of the Seventh Day Adventists on the East Side yesterday afternoon to pay their last tributes of love to the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cuddy, who live at 7 East Eleventh street. Their 10-year-old daughter, Bertie Marguerite, had suffered from acute laryngitis for

more than half her life, and, although the most skilled physicians of the city had been employed, it was found impossible to arrest the disease, and, superinduced by asthma, the end of the tender life came and the funeral was announced to take place at the church on yesterday afternoon. A great concourse of neighbors and friends had gathered and the service was about to begin when an order was received from City physician Zan that a public funeral would not be permitted because it was believed that the child had died of diphtheria. The surprise of the parents can better be imagined than expressed, and those in attendance manifested considerable suppressed indignation. The body was afterwards conveyed from the residence to Lone Fir Cemetery and privately interred.

Doctors Hicks, Fenton, W. F. Hubbard, Clarence I. Darr and Margaret N. Quigley, who had attended the child at different times, pronounced her trouble to be acute laryngitis, but Dr. Zan expressed doubt that such a disease existed and the belief that diphtheria was the cause of death. His interference with the funeral may be carried into the courts in a suit for damages.

WEARY DEMOCRATS.

So Mixed Up They Don't Know Where They Are.

(Journal Special Service.)

OREGON CITY, April 7.—Only a few of the Clackamas County precincts are represented at the Democratic county convention today, as the majority of the precinct Democratic organizations joined the anti-Brownell Republicans and Populists in the Citizens' primaries held Saturday. The Citizens' convention will be held tomorrow. The minority, or Brownell, Democrats are anxious to nominate a ticket today, but the majority are in favor of adjourning and joining the Citizens' movement, after electing delegates to the state and congressional convention. Following are the city delegates to the Citizens' county convention:

Oregon City No. 1—E. D. Kelly, F. A. Miles, T. F. Cowling, J. E. Jack, George W. Grace, C. D. Latourette, J. W. Powell, H. C. Stevens, A. Luelling, J. W. Norris, D. C. Ely, E. H. Cooper, H. E. Straight, George E. Hargreaves, F. A. Toepelman, S. S. Mohler, Shirley Buck.

Oregon City No. 2—C. W. Kelly, W. E. Carl, H. J. Harding, J. P. Lovett, Mark Chapman, J. E. Medges, A. W. Cheney, Pat Finnucan, Chambers Howell, W. C. Green, M. C. Strickland, O. W. Eastham, W. Wilkinson, J. M. Price, E. E. Charman, O. A. Cheney, Fred C. Gadke, F. C. Burke, William Kidd, E. Lacy, John Gleason, E. Roberts, A. L. Beattie.

Oregon City No. 3—Fred Ely, S. V. Francis, C. M. Mason, Elmer Dixon, Fred J. Meyer, William Blayne, Henry Cooke, A. P. Fairclough, Dan Lyons, George Purifill, R. B. Beattie, Mat Justin, E. B. G. Seol.

West Oregon City—E. Mass, William Jones, Jefferson Shaw, E. Parker, J. B. Beavans, W. R. Ream, Charles Moehnke, E. D. Olds, John Townsend, Walter Ford, Jesse Miller. Nearly all the delegates elected to the Democratic county convention also were elected delegates to the Citizens' county convention.

Lack of Confidence

"Why do men flock after the widows?" "Because," explained the sweet young thing, "not without a touch of bitterness, 'the average man lacks confidence in his own judgment, and in case of a widow he feels that he is merely backing the judgment of another man.'"—Chicago Post.

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TELEPHONE NORTH 2191.

General Funston will reach Denver tomorrow to take command of the Department of Colorado.

The Danish government has dispatched the cruiser *Valmyrie* to St. Thomas, in the Danish West Indies.

There is great stagnation in the German money markets. Like reports come from London concerning British finances.

Peter Lund, a prominent mining man of Nelhart, Mont., dropped dead of heart disease, aged 45.

Ex-Congressman C. A. Newcomb died at St. Louis, aged 75.

James Broderick, an attorney and newspaper man, formerly of Chicago, died at Los Angeles of morphine poisoning. He had become a slave to the drug.

By imperial command Ernest Sharpe, the American basso, sang American and modern German songs before Emperor William and the Empress last Wednesday evening at the palace.

At a football game at Glasgow, Scotland, Saturday afternoon a spectator's stand collapsed, killing 21 and seriously injuring 15 other persons, several of whom will die.

Mrs. Frank Littlefield and two children, aged 6 and 8, of Spokane, Wash., and Mrs. James Thompson were burned to death in the dwelling of Dr. Boyne at Boyne City, Mich.

At Le Mars, Iowa, fire destroyed the Le Mars Post printing office, Barron Bros' drygoods and grocery store and the Grand Rapids Furniture Company's store.

Seventy-nine arrests were made in New York yesterday of liquor dealers accused of violating the excise law. It was a "dry" Sunday in that city.

Spring is opening in Alaska, the earliest in years.

Henry Amerman, aged 51, the wealthiest man in Jackson County, Oregon, died at the residence of J. Patterson, four miles north of Ashland. He had never married and his only heirs are nieces and nephews in Ohio.

A letter from Idaho says that Indian Creek, to which Thunder Mountain prospectors are stampeding, is about 35 miles south over the divide at the head of Monumental Creek, in what is designated the Bear Valley slope. Some locations were made there last Fall and some good ore found. The discovery that has caused the stampede was made by Al Turner and William Hays from Elk City.

Several persons have arrived at Seattle from Nome, 80 days by land and water on the journey.

The stub of a cigar or cigarette started a fire in the office of the Baker City Democrat that did \$1500 damage to paper and job stock. The loss is covered by insurance.

Fred Nouman, while attempting to board the revenue cutter *Manning* at the Puget Sound Navy Yard, fell into the water and drowned.

Over 1000 fruit trees shipped to North Yakima fruit growers have been condemned because infected with vermin. Montreal Catholics are ordered to boycott the Passion Play.

The silver jubilee of Pope Leo XIII. was celebrated Sunday throughout the Catholic churches all over the world.

Citizens of Illinois are collecting large sums of money for the suffering Boer women and children, which funds are sent to President Roosevelt to be forwarded to the Transvaal.

ANNULMENT ASKED.

The suit of John B. Frost vs. the Pacific States Savings, Loan & Building Company was presented to Judge Sears in the State Circuit Court this morning. The claim is assigned by Jason J. Corey, who secured a loan of \$1000 from the company, agreeing to pay therefor the sum of \$12 per month on the principal, for a period of seven years, and \$5 per month interest. The loan company afterward got Corey to make a bid of \$1000 for the privilege of borrowing the money. Subsequently a mortgage of \$500 was executed and delivered to the company, as a substitute for the original debt. It is claimed that \$1130 was paid in, but that the plaintiff was given credit for only \$500. Wherefore the plaintiff prays that the mortgage be declared usurious and in violation of the interest law of Oregon, and that the several sums paid and received thereon be applied on and in satisfaction of the original loan of \$1000; and that the mortgage of \$500 be declared by the court to have been procured as a substitute or renewal of the principal, for a period of seven years, and \$5 per month interest, and without consideration passing between the parties; and that the mortgage be canceled and annulled.

A suit of H. H. Harrington against the same company, of similar nature, was also assigned to Judge Sears.

UNAVOIDABLE.

No One to Blame for Marie McPherson's Death.

An unavoidable accident caused the death of 8-year-old Marie Etta McPherson, who was killed by falling under the wheels of a Portland Railway Company electric car Saturday evening.

From the evidence adduced at the coroner's inquest this morning, it seems that the child became frightened at a cow and, not seeing the passing car, ran directly into it and fell underneath, the rear wheels passing over her body, causing injuries which resulted in death 75 minutes later.

The jury in its verdict held H. A. Circle, the motorcar on the car, to be entirely blameless for the accident.

HAY SUIT.

Circuit Judge M. C. George this morning gave a decision in favor of the defendant, in the case of V. A. Billon vs. Silas Bennett. Billon sued Bennett for non-performance of contract. Bennett contracted to deliver a quantity of hay to Billon, if the latter should furnish a car at Hillsboro within a certain time. The car was not ready until after Bennett had sold

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his farm, and with it all his hay. He claimed it was understood that the car should be furnished before the farm was sold. The case was first tried in the Justice Court, and the plaintiff took an appeal.

OREGON SHEEP AND CATTLE

Big Shipments for the Chicago Livestock Market.

Tomorrow morning the O. R. & N. Company will begin loading 20 cars with grain-fed cattle and 10 of sheep at Echo, for the Chicago market. Two weeks ago E. Boettcher of Pendleton shipped from that point 17 cars of lambs for the same destination. It is reported that these brought the highest price of any offering of the kind made in the Chicago market this season.

Chicagoans have always had an epicurean appetite for the products of Oregon ranges. The Journal makes this statement on the authority of C. J. Mills, livestock agent for the O. R. & N. Company, and he ought to know.

Tomorrow the company will load 18 cars of sheep at Elgin. These are likely to bring high prices, for Walla Walla mutton sheep have a reputation in Chicago of being top-notchers.

As the company is interested in seeing that shippers get their stock started out right, Mr. Mills leaves tonight for Echo, where he will oversee the loading of the cattle and sheep there tomorrow. It is his intention to attend, while away from here, two meetings of the Montana Round-Up Association, one to be held at Miles City, April 15, and the other at Helena, April 21.

PRYER'S JOB.

Now Superintendent of the O. R. & N. Dining Service.

A short time since The Journal announced that on April 1 the O. R. & N. Company would resume control of the dining car service on its lines. It formerly conducted its own diners, but two years ago or thereabouts gave the contract to the Pullman Company. A circular issued from General Superintendent O'Brien's office under date of April 1 is the first official confirmation of The Journal's announcement. It states that R. Pryer has been appointed superintendent of the new dining car service, with headquarters at Portland, and that he will have charge of the operation of dining and composite cars.

General Passenger Agent Craig stated this morning that the present state of affairs was due to the fact that the contract with the Pullman Company had expired. The O. R. & N. did not think it expedient to renew it, believing that it could give the public better service by handling the dining cars itself. It is understood, also, that the change is made so as to bring it within the general plan in vogue on all the Harriman lines.

AT IT AGAIN.

Bob La Grande Once More Arrested for Forgery.

Robert La Grande, at one time a well-known hack driver of this city, and later on an expressman, has been taken to Seattle to answer a charge of forgery.

It is not much over a year ago that La Grande was arrested here for passing a forged paper on a local saloon man, but his friends came to the front and made good the amount of the check and thereby "squared" the case.

Saturday Chief McLaughlin received a wire from Chief Sullivan of Seattle to the effect that he wanted La Grande for forgery and it did not take Detectives Day and Wiener long to locate and arrest the man. Detective Tennant came down from Seattle yesterday for the prisoner, and the latter returned with him, waiving the formality of requisition papers.

The local detectives say that La Grande only recently completed a nine-months county jail sentence in Seattle for bicycle stealing.

Another instance where children sing without understanding the meaning of a song: In a Sunday school the children were taught to sing "Pull for the Shore, Skiller." A little 4-year-old, who had attended the class, came home and was heard to sing it this way: "Bull frogs ashore, sailor. Bull frogs ashore."

THOUGHT THE COLOR RUBBED OFF.

A colored child was a new arrival in the kindergarten, and one day he chose Willie, a chubby little German boy, to skip with him. Willie refused to accept the invitation, until finally the teacher said: "It isn't polite to refuse when we are asked to dance." So he reluctantly accepted and took hold of the colored boy's hand. When the skipping was over and he had returned to his place on the circle he looked at his hand carefully

and said: "Well, I didn't get any of it on my hand this time."

BLUNDERS OF CHILDREN.

Teacher—Children, how would you like to learn a new song this morning? Now listen while I sing it a number of times, and then perhaps you can learn it by hearing me sing it.

"This is the mother so kind and dear,
This is the father so full of cheer,
This is the brother so strong and tall,
This is the sister who plays with her doll,
And this is the baby, the pet of all."

"Now, who thinks he knows it? James, you try."

James, triumphantly—
"This is the mother so kind of dear,
This is the father so full of beer,
This is the brother so strong and tall,
This is the sister who plays with her doll,
And this is the baby, the pest of all."

"America" is a favorite song in a North Side kindergarten. One morning while singing it the kindergarten heard a little one who sat near her singing:

"Land where my father died,
Land where the pilgrims died."

A GENTLEMAN.

(None but college-bred are gentlemen—Mrs. Astor.)

What is a gentleman?
A man who reads and perhaps can speak
Some French, some German, a little Greek?

A proud product of a costly school—
Sometimes a sage, or sometimes a fool?
A man who by nature is rude or gruff,
But who boasts a degree—is that enough?

Is that a gentleman?
What of the men who paved
Their way through life on a noble plane
And built on virtue without a stain?

And what of the men who loved mankind
With all the strength of a courtly mind,
And lived alone for the good in life,
Angels of peace in a world of strife?

Their virtues all self-taught?
What of the man who dried
The tears that welled from a broken heart,
And gave the failure another start,
Or lent his hand, in their deep distress,
To those who'd swoon in the mighty press?

Is there no place for this gentleman
Within this very extensive clan?
Must he remain outside?

Show me the simple man
Whose gentle speech is a soothing balm
To aching hearts, and whose quiet, calm
And gentle manners dispel the cloud
That hangs o'er life like a gloomy shroud?

What boots where he got it? Why hunt
For the source?
He may have omitted the college course
And yet be a gentleman.

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