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#### Four Men Killed in a Railroad Wreck Near La Grande.

### THE RAILROAD BLOCATED.

#### Keely is in Luck—A New Political Party—Miss Sherman is Married.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—Yesterday's storm was unquestionable the 'heaviest of the season, nor was it in any sense local. It spread with equal force over nearly the entire Pacific coast, at least, from the extreme north even including Montana, to as far south as Tehachapi, and to some extent in Southern California.

The centre of the storm is located by the weather bureau as being in Northern Washington. In San Francisco the velocity of the wind was but twenty-two miles yesterday morning. What it was at the Healds the bureau could not report, because at that point the wires are also down. At Sacramento the wind's velocity was 23 miles, at Red Bluff 40 miles, Carson 32 miles, at Winnemucca and Walla Walla 44 miles, and at Helena, Montana, 34 miles an hour. Rain fell in a monotonous drizzle all day. For the fourteen hours preceding 7 o'clock in the morning, the local fall was 1.06 inches and for the 12 succeeding hours up to 8 o'clock in the evening it was 1.09, making the storm total in this city 2.12 inches, a remarkably heavy fall.

Reports to the Southern Pacific head quarters, show that the storm has been general in north California and Oregon, and while the damage has been considerable, no trains have been detained.

On the Shasta division the snow fall was heavy, accompanied by high wind in some localities. In the Siskiyou mountains the snow is deeper than ever before at this season of the year, reaching a depth of 18 and 20 feet in many of the cuts along the Shasta route, between Colestin and Steinman on this division. The snow plows are keeping the track clear with considerably difficulty. For 12 hours before 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the telegraph wires were down on the other side of Red Bluff, but at that hour communication was established and the track north was reported as clear. At Gold river it snowed furiously for nine hours preceding 7 a. m. At Blue canyon twelve inches of snow fell during the night, and at 7 a. m., they had two feet of snow on the ground. Emigrant gap had the same snow fall and the same depth on the ground, and Cisco is reported with a snow fall of twelve inches, and four and a half feet of snow on the ground outside of the railway station. Nine feet of snow covers the ground at the Cascades. Four and a half feet was on the ground at the summit, with a fall of a foot more during Monday night.

**The Fireman and Engineer Killed.**  
LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 30.—The fast mail train, No. 1, on the Union Pacific, which left here at 8:30 p. m. last night met with an accident which caused the death of Engineer R. E. Low, Fireman George Miller, a tramp named Zuminski and fatally injuring another tramp by the name of Siger, when about two miles west of this city. The train was drawn by two engines, the head one being one of the huge ninety ton hogs. It is supposed that in rounding a curve the head engine caused the rails to spread, precipitating the second engine, mail and baggage cars into the river below. Engineer Low and Fireman Miller were instantly killed. Mail Agent Holoway had a miraculous escape, although his car plunged into the river from an elevation of not less than fifty feet. He got out with but a slightly bruised arm. None of the passengers were injured.

**The Railroad Blocked.**  
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Dec. 30.—Both the Santa Fe and Atlantic and Pacific roads is troubled with a serious snow blockade. No eastern mails have been received here over the Santa Fe route for four days. The passenger trains are blocked in the Koton mountains and in the vicinity of Springer. The blockade on the Atlantic & Pacific between Grants and Chaves, about one hundred miles west of the city. The snowstorms

in the mountains are reported as something unheard of for several years and stories of great suffering among towns and in the mountains are in circulation.

**Keely in Luck.**  
SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Dec. 30.—A rumor in reference to a patent being received by Hon. O. S. Keely, covering the entire electric street car system now in general use, has caused a vast amount of speculation in this city, Keely's home. By a decision of the supreme court of the District of Columbia and by the receipt of letters of patent December 15, last Keely, it is asserted, becomes the possessor of all the features, appliances and principles used in the electric street car system manufactured by the Thompson & Houston Co., Westinghouse Co. and all others.

**A New Political Party.**  
LANSING, Mich., Dec. 30.—A new people's party for independent political action has been formed here by the federation of all the industrial organizations of the state. It was christened the "People's Party" and is pledged to independent political action and opposition to traffic, and intoxicating liquor as a beverage. The rest of the platform is a copy of the Indianapolis platform, except that it favors a par diem pension law.

**Miss Sherman Married.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The marriage of Miss Rachel Sherman, daughter of the late General W. T. Sherman, and Dr. Paul Thorndyke, of Boston, was solemnized at high noon today, at the residence of Senator Sherman, in the presence of a large number of friends and the high officials from here and all parts of the country. Father Sherman, a brother of the bride, performed the marriage ceremony.

**More Base Ballists.**  
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—The Inquiry this morning says a baseball league has been organized to take the place of the American association, and already has clubs and grounds in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Columbus, Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Louis. The new organization is not intended to be antagonistic to the twelve club league.

**Died From Fright.**  
SALEM, Or., Dec. 30.—Monday's wind-storm raged furiously up in the mountains on Luckeanute near Fall City, in Polk county. Several houses and a number of trees were blown down. A new comer from Dakota named Pugh, died from fright, his house having been blown from its foundation. He had heart disease.

**The Coldest for Years.**  
RENO, Nev., Dec. 30.—Nine inches of snow fell last night and with a wind would play havoc with travel. This brings the season's water fall up to 2.60 inches. This has been the coldest and stormiest December that has been known here for years.

**Will They Get It?**  
MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 30.—At a meeting of prominent ex-Confederates, a resolution was adopted appointing a committee to present to the next general assembly a bill appropriating \$1000 annually as a pension for Mrs. Jefferson Davis.

**Another Panic in a Theater.**  
LIBERTY, Ind., Dec. 29.—During the performance in the Grand opera-house this evening the building caught fire. A panic followed. The crowd rushed for the windows, and before prevented, several jumped but it is thought none were seriously injured.

**Waiting to Catch on.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—There is a dearth of war news at the department today. Secretary Elkins arrived here this morning but will not undertake the discharge of his duties as secretary of war just yet.

**It Was Loaded.**  
MILWAUKEE, Dec. 30.—William and Albert Walters were killed, and one man seriously injured by an explosion of dynamite which they were thawing out.

**Weather Forecast.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—Forecast for Oregon and Washington: Fair in Washington, scattering rains in Oregon and southerly winds.

**Chicago Wheat Market.**  
CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Close, wheat, firm; cash, .90%; January, .90% @ .91%; May, .95% @ .96.

**Portland Wheat Market.**  
PORTLAND, Dec. 30.—Wheat, Valley 1.82% @ 1.05; Walla Walla 1.57% @ 1.60.

**San Francisco Wheat Market.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—Wheat, buyer, year, 1.80%; Season, 1.87%.

**More Snow.**  
TRUCKEE, Calif., Dec. 30.—Two feet of fresh snow fell last night.

### RATHER NOT TESTIFY.

#### The Victims Decline to Appear Against the Counterfeiters.

### A CHANGE OF MINISTERS.

#### The Governor of Victoria Closes the Parliament.

### DEVOTED TO BRITISH INTERESTS.

#### A French Fishing Steamer Lost—An Explanation Wanted—A Bank President Arrested.

BOISE CITY, Dec. 29.—The trial of Annie Campbell, the woman recently indicted for having circulated spurious money, was to have begun today, but the case was postponed until tomorrow. It is very hard to secure witnesses against the woman. She was proprietress of a house of shady reputation in a small town in Kootenai county, and it is known that she passed a great many counterfeit \$5 pieces upon the dagoes working on the Great Northern grade. She is prepossessing woman of 30 years, and was looked upon as a superior being by the poor dagoes, who now, much as they deplore the loss of their money, decline to appear against her. Hence the delay in the trial. Officers are confident they can prove the woman was the agent of a gang of Montana coiners.

### A Change in Ministers.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—The North German Gazette says it learns from reliable sources that Dr. Von Hollenbum, at present German minister to Japan, will be transferred to Washington, where he will represent Germany in place of Count Arcovally, who died some time ago. Baron Von Gutschmid, who is now German minister to Chili, will be transferred to Tokio, to take the place made vacant by the transfer of Dr. Von Hollenbum. Dr. Von Winckler, now holding the position of secretary of the German legation at Constantinople, will be appointed minister to Mexico.

### The Colonial Parliament Closed.

MELBOURNE, Dec. 29.—The governor of Victoria prorogued the colonial parliament today. His excellency, in closing the session, said he regretted difficulties had arisen in dealing with the commonwealth bill, but he believed the federation of the Australian colonies was only delayed, not defeated. He added that the financial prospects of the colony were promising and good reports were received concerning the harvest.

### Devoted to British Interests.

NAGPUR, India, Dec. 29.—The Indian national congress opened here today. Eight hundred delegates were present. Expression of the most earnest love and loyalty to Great Britain was made at the opening. The Marquis of Lansdowne, viceroy of India, has been making a tour of the country and is every where received with the warmest expression of loyalty and devotion to the British interests.

### French Fishing Steamer Lost.

PARIS, Dec. 29.—An account of a wreck and loss of life has been received from Arcachon fisheries, a post thirty-five miles from Bordeaux. The French steamer Albatross, engaged in oyster fishing at Arcachon, was wrecked and eleven of her crew, in fact, the whole crew, with the exception of one man was drowned.

### An Explanation Wanted.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 29.—The officers of the National Exchange Bank at Lexington have been summoned to appear before the United States court at Frankfort to explain an overdraft of \$40,000 made by W. H. Cheppu, a bookmaker. The capital stock of the bank is \$100,000. The institution is solvent.

### Another Bank President Arrested.

ELLENDALE, N. D., Dec. 29.—There are many ugly rumors in connection with the recent Farmers' and Merchants State bank failure. President Barrat has been arrested on the charge of receiving deposits when he knew the bank was insolvent. He waived an examination and was bound over.

### Bush Fires in South Wales.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 29.—Extensive bush fires have swept over the districts of Albany, Wigga Wigga, Temora and Mudgee, causing immense damage to crops. A large number of livestock were burned to death.