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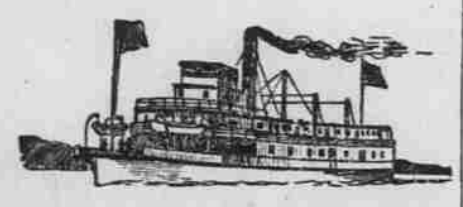
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Special to THE CHRONICLE.]

DENVER, Dec. 5.—Whatever railroad fares may be charged to Chicago fair next year, it is evident that the workmen and farmer are to be favored. As low a rate as \$3 for a trip of 458 miles for this class of travel was suggested at the meeting of general passenger agents Saturday and was received without dissent. The suggestion was significant, coming from the source it did, because passenger agents are not supposed to be philanthropists. The explanation came later when a member of the convention remarked that the wage-earners and farmers control legislation nowadays and must be hauled cheap, regardless of profits. While the ultimate charge for transportation may not be as low as outlined, it is cause for congratulation that railroad representatives are so obviously aware of the public demand for reasonable fares.

The proposal to charge full rates on eastern trunk lines for first-class traffic is open to criticism. A passenger may want to travel in comfort, and yet may think himself unfairly treated if he is charged the old price when all other classes of travel have reduced fares. That is a matter, however, that will right itself. If the figures keep travel of the first-class trains, rates will go down. To the outside observer it would seem that the eastern lines with their short haul and densely populated territory could afford to make as low rates as the Pacific coast lines with reversed conditions. Yet Pacific coast people will have the round trip for one fare, and that on first-class trains. The convention had no power to act finally on passenger matters. The various associations have yet to promulgate official tariffs. The success of the exposition depends on those tariffs.

In Striking Contest.

Oregonian. A striking contrast and one not entirely insignificant as to the reason why the churches are in many cases losing ground, has been seen the past week in the presentment of religious intelligence in the daily press. Side by side in many of the leading papers have been presented two articles of news that came under this head. The one has related to the Presbyterian church in its dealings with ministers charged with disloyalty to the creed. The other has concerned the Salvation Army and its methods of evangelical work. A representative body of each of these two organizations is in session. The business of the Presbyterian gathering in Cincinnati is the trial of Rev. Henry Preserved Smith of Lane theological seminary, for heresy. The Salvation Army congress has interested itself in such themes as these: "What shall be done to increase and strengthen the work in the smaller towns? How to lessen the number of drunkards in the country? How to ameliorate the condition of the poor in the crowded tenements?" There is as much difference between these subjects under consideration as between darkness and light, yet both organizations march under the banner of the cross. No theologian is needed to tell the world which of them follows more closely the example of the Christ who went about doing good, since he who runs may read.

Replies to the Oregonian.

Condon Globe. Great Scott! What have we done that this section should get such unpleasant notoriety? We have never known a more peaceable community than this. It may be that there are people here, like in every other place; who are bad enough to steal horses, etc., but our sheriff and his deputies are capable of arresting any of them. The Oregonian gives us a great name, and paints Gilliam in loud colors; but Portland really ought to feel ashamed of the crowd that came here under the name of "detectives." People here thought they were hobos of the lowest type.

Sinking Into a Mine.

A dispatch from Hazleton, Pa., says the wildest alarm was created in Honeybrook Saturday by the dropping of the surface of the earth, directly over Honeybrook mine, which has been burning for more than a month. Since the outbreak of the fire it was rumored that an extensive cave-in was imminent, and the village would be destroyed. The battle with the flames went on for weeks. The surface disturbances were not manifest, and the fire was gradually extinguished from the last gangway. A week ago it was thought to have been entirely extinguished. Preparations for continuing the work in the mines were made. The men who left the village came back to secure their old places, and speedy resumption was looked for. Monday fire was again discovered in one of the breasts above the gangway. It had already made such headway that the workmen were forced to flee for their lives, and the work of flooding the mine began. At about noon Saturday the dreaded symptoms of a cave-in were noticed. The men working in the slip rushed hastily to the surface, and soon afterwards the crash came. A settling of the surface took place immediately after, and the people rushed excitedly from their homes. The affected parts cover several acres, but fortunately but few of the dwellings were over it. Order was again restored in the village, and the people returned to their homes, but are living under terrible apprehension.

Owe a Reparation.

Fossil Journal. It is amusing to read in the Portland dailies descriptions of the terrors Cal Hale, Geo. Zachary et al are to the inhabitants of Eastern Oregon. We didn't know that we were living under a veritable sword of Damocles, and always looked upon Hale as a good, peaceable, law-abiding citizen, and on Zachary as about average. Seriously, we think the Oregonian and Telegram have had Sullivan turning the crank and grinding out the copy which exalts himself at the expense of better men, long enough. They should now cast the thief-catcher adrift and let the other side have a turn. These papers have done a number of innocent men a great wrong. It may have been unintentional, but they owe a reparation to the injured parties just the same.

After Horse Thieves.

Fossil Journal. Last Sunday morning three strangers started from Lone Rock with about twenty head of horses which they had gathered in that vicinity, going towards Haystack. Frank Crawford met them and out of the bunch half a dozen of his father's horses, also four head belonging to Mr. Wick. More of Wick's horses being missing, Squire Clark issued a warrant for the arrest of the thieves, and Otho Ward, Dud Flynn, George Perry and several others started out to capture them. They came up with two of the men near Haystack, viz., Gid Rains and a German named Murphy, and placed them under arrest. They said that their companion had gone on with the horses, and part of the posse, armed with Winchester, at last accounts were on the trail.

Queer world! Queer people! Here are men and women by thousands suffering from all sorts of diseases, bearing all manners of pain, spending their all on physicians and "getting no better, but rather worse," when right at hand there's a remedy which says it can help them because it's helped thousands like them. "Another patent-medicine advertisement," you say. Yes—but not of the ordinary sort. The medicine is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and it's different from the ordinary nostrums in this:—

It does what it claims to do, or it costs you nothing! The way is this: You pay your druggist \$1.00 for a bottle. You read the directions, and you follow them. You get better or you don't. If you do, you buy another bottle, and perhaps another. If you don't get better, you get your money back. And the queer thing is that so many people are willing to be sick when the remedy's so near at hand.

## PECULIAR LAND CASE.

Moses H. Scott After a Long Disappearance Tries to Upset a Sale.

THE PROBATE COURT SUSTAINED.

A Reward Finally Offered for the Ashland Bank Robbers.

SHOULD RESTRICT IMMIGRATION.

Mutnomah After a Valuable Slice of Clackamas for Future Taxation Purposes.

OLYMPIA, Dec. 5.—The strange case of Moses H. Scott was decided Saturday by the supreme court. Scott disappeared from Olympia in 1881. After a lapse of seven years, during which time he was not heard from, his estate was probated on the petition of his sister, on the ground that his long absence without being heard from was evidence of his death. A year ago he reappeared and brought suit to eject John McNeal from lands of Scott sold in the probate proceedings. The superior court decided against Scott and the supreme court affirms the judgment. In rendering its decision, the court says: "The defendants, after purchasing the property, took possession of it and made valuable improvements. They stand in the position of innocent purchasers, and the question is, under this peculiar condition of affairs, which one of the parties must suffer? The equities of the case ought to be clearly with the defendants, for, as the matter appears, appellant willfully abandoned the property in question, and he certainly had reason to expect that proceedings of the kind would be instituted, after a lapse of years, in case his relatives and other interested parties should not be able to obtain any information of his existence or whereabouts."

Reward For Bank-Robbers.

VIRGINIA, Ill., Dec. 5.—Considerable excitement still prevails at Ashland, this county, over the recent robbery of the savings bank of that village. The bank books were inspected to-day and show the robbers secured \$3,463 being the entire stock of funds in the bank at the time. The robbers took nothing but money. All the other valuables were found in various places in the bank vault. A reward of \$500 has been offered for the robbers.

A Million Gallons a Day.

AURORA, Ill., Dec. 5.—The new artesian well being bored for the city is proving a great success. Pottsdam sandstone was struck at a depth of 1,800 feet, and the flow of water is rapidly increasing. Today at a depth of 2,240 feet the flow is nearly 1,000,000 gallons in twenty-four hours from a five-inch bore, and still the drill is going down.

PRIESTESS OF THEOSOPHY.

She Declares That Death is but a Legend, a Superstition.

The largest audience that ever gathered to hear a theosophical lecture filled Chickering hall, New York, Saturday, to welcome Mrs. Annie Besant, the great high priestess of theosophy. The audience packed the house and hung breathlessly on Mrs. Besant's words. Even skeptics were moved by the magnetic eloquence of the lecture, "Death After." She declared death was a legend, a superstition, a medieval belief. There is no such thing as death, she declared. What is called death is but a new birth. She condemned the ordinary forms of so-called spiritualism, and declared theosophy did not countenance them. There are spiritual phenomena connected with theosophy, but not what quackery imposed upon people so continually. Among the audience was a young disciple of theosophy who had come to New York from New Zealand just for 10-minute audience with Mrs. Besant. He arrived yesterday and left for London today.

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