

Oregon City, Oregon,

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Saturday : : : Dec. 5, 1868.

-The Erie Railroad suit is a big thing in New York.

-The Oregon Herald is using its "influence" to abuse Frank Blairthe defeated candidate of the Demo-

cracy for Vice President,

-The new rebellion in Mexico promises to be lively this winter. down the revolution.

-The funeral of the rioters shot Sunday. Great crowds were in the of paying the bondholders in gold," streets and the procession had fully eight thousand.

-The younger members of the Democratic party of New York, are -preparing to organize upon the basis great lever on which the Democracy of the Tammany party, ruling out from the leadership old fossils like Beriah Brown who are not alive to present issues.

Cause, has come to grief, and died in his boots, on the streets of Richmond. Va., last Monday. Shot by a man named Grant, for slander of the lat-

served in Portland on the 30th, by a number of the Scotch residents of of Oregon City were invited.

-On Sunday morning last a land slide of 40 acres took place at Westbrook, Maine. One hundred hands are thrown out of employment by the suspension of the Cumberland paper mills at Westbrook. The loss by the slide is stated at a hundred thousand dollars.

told us they were in favor of internal improvements. Now they revert to their time-honored opposition to such measures, and the Oregon Herald calls the Government subsidies to the Pacific and other railroads "the most gigantic swindles of this, or any other

-The French government continues the prosecution of the press with unrelenting severity. The editors of five journals were summoned to appear before the civil tribunal yesterday to answer charges for pro- land. James Buchanan was not moting a subscription for the Bon- Bond-holder, nor is Jeff Davis. dine monument.

-The stage robbers have all been sentenced to terms of labor in the Penitentiary, varying from two to ten been made : years each. The U. S. authorities will probably contract with an adjoining State for their keeping, as the Oregon laws do not admit convicts under laws of Congress, to our State Penitentiary.

-The Oregonian is "pitching in" -to the Nez meth wing of the Republican party, in Oregon. This is right-there is a large number of politicians who never do a visible thing for party benefit until success officious, and go after the spoils vo. raciously. We shall not be fastidious about these things, but hope to see justice done by men who are qualiged to fill responsible places, and to have broken near Newfoundland, who are deserving of them.

by the Bureau of Statistics, a line of coute is laid down for steamships from San Francisco to Honolulu, thence to to the Fejee Islands, to the southward of New Caledonia, and on to Sidney. The time on the voyage is set down at twenty-eight and a half days. This would beat all other routes in point of time, and the ad vantages to commerce would be difficult to over-estimate.

-Forty-eight cities, being all the administrative centres in Spain, adhere to the Junta and monarchical principles. Seven cities denounce the clergy, and all denounce the religious orders. The meeting of the Cortes has been fixed for December 15th, so that representatives from Cuba and Porto Rico may appear. The army will be exempt from the new tax about to be levied. The Carlist demonstration.

-Sunset Cox, of New York, once he defends the carpet-bagger. "Ev. Jersey. erywhere," says Sunset, "time has developed the truth that the people of America are locomotive. We

JUST BECAUSE.

It is decidedly amusing to one in a healthy state of mind to read the causes of the defeat of Democracythrough their leading organs. Here are a few of the reasons assigned. One says:

"The action of the New York Convention paved the way for defeat, and had wiser counsels prevailed there, all the subsequent disasters might have been avoided. To take the Convention to New York-the great focus of political corruptionin the first place, was a mistake, and all that followed was only a series of

So new York is the "great focus of political corruption." That is satisfactory. But we do not agree that all that followed were blunders.

"The platform embodying the financial views of Pendleton, who had innoculated the people with the idea Escobedo says he is not able to put that the Government indebtedness should be paid in the currency of the country, was strangely inconsistent half miles distant from the one now with the nomination of a candidate at the occasion of a Fenian demon- for the first place on the ticket who stration, in London, took place on had just proclaimed himself in favor

> This strange inconsistency was ar dently advocated by Democrats, however. Farther:

"The financial question was the expected to carry the election, but when they went into the canvass with a greenback platform and a bondholder candidate, the inconsistency was too great to deceive anybody, -H. Rives Pollard, of the Lost and as a consequence the people were indifferent as to the result."

They "expected" to carry the Southern Confederacy, but they did not. Their inconsistency was more apparent when fighting with bullets -The sixth anniversary of St. An- under Stars and Bars was left off for drew's Day was appropriately ob- fighting with ballots, under the old Flag. But another excuse is that-

"The Democratic party is a party that city. Several prominent citizens of principle, and whenever principles are abandoned for mere expediency, defeat is sure to follow."

True, the Democratic party was once considered a "party of principles," but that was when three-fifths of the present Republican party were styled Democrats. Once more:

"The double dealing of the New York Convention, lost to the party the hearty sympathy of the mass of -The Democracy have for months the people, and in return for their loss nothing was gained. The bondholders, from the necessity of their position, were in full sympathy with the radicals, and contributed largely from their means to elect the radical

Yes, you are right, the bondholders did contribute to elect the radical ticket, and the bondholders wil continue to do so-when, as we are told by the N. Y. Sun, and others, that the bondholders are from the rank and file of the yeomanry of this

to another apology, but at the same time an admission, which, under no other circumstances, would have

"The radical party has now been in power for the full term of eight years, and all history shows that the long possession of power inevitably leads to corruption.

. It was the boast of Copperhead orators, during the canvass, that De mocracy had wielded the administration for more than a quarter of a century. If it be true that "long continued possession of power inevihas crowned the efforts of the people tably leads to corruption," what a - when suddenly they become very deep-dyed and utterly corrupt party must the Democracy be, upon its own confession.

-The Atlantic cable is supposed

-During a riot at Bear River City -In the map laid before Congress Dakota, the office of the Frontier Index was destroyed. The Index was

tions in bankruptcy had been filed up to October 1st, and 3,000 in Norfolk. Nearly all the petitioners in Oregon have been Democrats. Yet the "perjured scoundrels" at Washington passed the act.

-Wells, Fargo & Co. have opened offices at Forest Grove, Hillsboro, Lafayetce, McMinnville, Butteville valley, and carrying it thence up and Dayton. They will dispatch an express every Monday and Thursday morning, carrying treasure, freight and packages.

position of the United States Senate Junta has removed the Bishop of will amount to a virtual extinction of Huesca and the Bishop of Urgel, who the Northern Democracy in that are accused of having aided in the body. The only Democrats from Northern States who will sit in that body after the 4th of March will be one from each of the States of Ohio, of Ohio, has written a letter, in which Minnesota, California and New put into operation about four weeks

quainted with George B. McClellan, came from abroad, all of us. Col- writing to a friend, says that Little umbus began the business. The im- Mac has been appointed civil engimease immigration which has illus- neer of the Stephens Battery, retrated the past century, and which in cently bequeathed to the State of these years is kept up at the rate of the Search of the se in the world's annals. International phens to complete it. So he has a law, which is said to be the world's better position than keeping school conscience, ought to conform to this for the Democrats of California. He new condition. New codes are re- has taken up his permanent residence at Hoboken.

RAILROAD PROGRESS.

The railroad era has fairly commenced in Oregon; no one can doubt it who inspects the enterprises now in progress. The east side road is actually graded for a distance of seventy miles. In this distance the short inthousand feet between Oregon City and Canemah to be completed, and two or three short points near Rock Island. With these exceptions the grading is finished nearly to the Santiam river. Owing to the rains this part of the work has been discontinued for the winter; but work will be carried on with vigor in the company's mills and shops. A large saw mill has been put in operation two miles east of Milwaukie, which will run during the winter cutting ties for the road. The mill is every way complete and substantial, and is expected to cut ties sufficient for half a mile of road per day. It is established in an excellent body of timber, and is doing good work. Another mill is being erected about one and a in operation, which will be employed exclusively in cutting timber for bridges and trestle work. It will be so constructed as to saw timber one hundred feet in length, when such timber is required. As fast as sawn, the timber will be framed and put together, and as the track is laid it will be carried to the places for which it is designated. It is intended to prepare at this mill all the timber needed for the road as far as the head of the Wallamet valley. A considerable force of men are at work in the car shops near East Portland; and continued without interruption. Near one hundred and fifty men will be kept employed during the winter. It is the intention to have the road ready for the rails by the time the iron begins to reach here in June government ! next. After the rains cease next organized and this part of the work

Eugene.—Oregonian.

operations of rival railroad companies in Oregon, it is somewhat difficult to judge exactly what may be done with regard to the Oregon and California linger in a few hearts, but they will Railroad. The Oregon Legislature not control the public sentiment. have recently voted the subsidy of lands and bonds to what is termed the East Side Railroad Company. This, we had supposed, meant a line of rails the Central Pacific Railroad, in accordance with a bill introduced into the last Congress; but we are informed by gentlemen conversant with the of Salem, means the California and Oregon Company and a railroad up the Sacramento valley. We are further informed, from an equally credible source, that the representatives of the California portion of the road Comment is unnecessary. Listen propose to build one hundred and fifty miles of the California and Oregon line within the next two years. We can only hope that this may prove correct, and that the railroad era for Northern California is indeed

so close at hand." Your information, not your supposition, is perfectly correct. You may state farther that 150 miles of the East Side Oregon, Central will be complete and equipped within seven months from this date, and that Oregon is almost certain to accomplish as much in the way of Railroads within the next two years as in California. The reason of this is, that we have California capital and enterprise associated with our interests, now, to a ment, the Record says:

"We believe the Central Pacific Railroad Company own the land grants and franchises of the California and Oregon Railroad. And we have been informed that Stanford, not occasioned by political disputes. Railroad Company, declares it to be his purpose, as soon as the overland -In Richmond, Va., 5,000 peti- road is completed, to commence and push forward with the utmost vigor the California and Oregon road. This should be the case. But we are interested not merely in having the road built at an early day, but still project to divert the road from the line of the Elliott survey, after reaching the upper end of the Sacramento through the Pitt River valley and out to Goose Lake, to connect there with a projected road from Oregon across to the Humboldt. This scheme should be watched closely and defeat--The changes in the political com- ed if possible. If it should be adopted we will be left without railroad communication for an indefinite period to

> -The O. C. R. R. Co. are buildcounty, about one mile from the one light, and rather ornamental. since. The work of getting out ties men employed at this camp have been force employed.

-Young ladies at Saratega take daily lessons in the " Grecian Bend." Young men at the same place practice the American Bender.

-A Naples dispatch of the 23d, the safety of the adjacent villages. noise.

Letter from Rev. G. H. Atkinson.

WESTFIELD, N. Y., Nov. 18th, 1868. D. ENTERPRISE : While waiting at the depot for the

train to Buffalo I cut a few slips from the Pittsburg Commercial of the 13th. which I enclose to you. The followtervals of unfinished work are not in- ing facts about Belgium and England cluded. There remains about one impressed my mind with great force :

"Belgium is in urgent need of schoolmasters. Seventy per cent. of the inhabitants of Roulers possess no schooling whatever. The schools of priests. In the majority of the districts, the proportion of uneducated people varies from 31 to 48 per cent. Not one artisan in ten can read and

England and Wales contain a million of paupers. The persons regis tered as belonging to the dangerous or criminal classes are 112,404. Of these the known thieves and depredators are 22,889; prostitutes, 25. 619; suspected persons, 28,378 vagrants, 32,558. Of these various classes, 15,109 are under sixteen

The poor law of England is said to be a failure. It does not remedy the On the contrary, it has created instead of preventing panperism. It has encouraged improvidence, early marriages, and increases population. It has diminished parental responsibility. No country in Europe has the same burdens of pauperism and

If it be true that 70 per cent, of the people of Belgium need to be supplied with school facilities, what a wretched degree of ignorance must at all these places the work will be prevail, If England and Wales contain a million of paupers, and if their poor laws fail to reach the masses, what distress must be suffered there. and what a comment it is upon their

spring the grading force will be again have room for all the poor of the we are glad to observe that our friend item—in fact, in a few years we may world-if they will work. And they Walter Moffitt had a few thousands expect to see the great ship yards of furnished for the track. The enter- are coming. The new era is to be an prise seems to be in a favorable con- era of immigration to our shores from dition, and we expect to go to Salem the east and from the west. Our by rail next year, and possibly to broad land is to be filled with a busy population. We shall welcome all, -The California Butte Record, and be able to give all employment half inquiringly publishes the follow- at a fair rate of wages, and educate all. We are new working as a nation "Not precisely understanding the for mankind, and honor. The day of caste and of tyranny has passed, and we trust forever. Its dregs may

It is a pleasing fact that Mormondom feels the pressure of civilization. and that Brigham Young has a new road from Portland, Oregon, to Cen- revelation, which forbids polygamy. terville, in Nevada, to connect with He prepares for change, and it will come. He and his subalterns have gathered multitudes from the poorer classes of Europe, and their industry question that the East Side Company, in rearing a State in the desert, for which we shall soon repay them with schools, churches, etc., is grand.

-Hon, J. H. D. Henderson of Eugene City, Messrs, Anderson Cox, Joseph C. Painter, and C. Moore, of Walla Walla county, W. T., Mr. A. S. Gross, agent of the Manhattan Insurance Company, Mr. S. P. Drake, late of Pitsburgh, Pa, and several other gentlemen of Oregon, and late arrivals from the East, have called worthy of special mention that a become civil zed, we can conclude upon us this week. The relations of seem to be approaching a very close that-was being cast and finished connection. Mr. Drake is a railroad for California, where it will be used this I might remark that it is a matthe line of both roads now being ufactures. The bed plate (weighing out by the Government to select land constructed in Oregon, and assures 4500 lbs.) of a boring mill for the for agricultural purposes, in the alus upon his word as a man, that there | works, was hardly cold from the Holladay & Co., are doing. He itself is one of great invention; it is nois and one to Michigan. They all large extent, and others are seeking to does not speak so well of the West calculated to swing 12 feet. The invest. Of the Humboldt arrange- side—and says that in his estimation Company are manufacturing heavily be some land suitable for agricultural condemned before it is used.

> -A new method of heating railroad cars was tried on the Connecticut River Railway the other day.

the New Haven Journal : ed air escapes."

ing a new steam saw mill in this and not liable to get out of order, is

-On Tuesday last, for the first

-The Oregon Iron Company at Oswego, have been for some time waiting for water sufficient for power to again begin operations. We preume they have it now.

-Mr. B. G. Whitehouse, late of Arrigoni's, is now clerk for the Portland Gas Light Company. He also retains the agency of the Overland Stage Company, at Portland.

-The Portland Homestead Asso-Belgium are still in the hands of the ciation is a decided success. The officers are from among the most reliable business men of Portland, which explains the fact that the whole stock of the association has been taken, and that 12 shares were bid for on Saturday night.

-Mr. Fred Muller, well-known in Oregon as the original Paxaratta, has originated another new idea at Portland-which promises to become as famous in course of time, as his coffee. This new project of his is no less than that of putting up pig's feetsouse, for table use. It is the best appetizer we ever used, and comes in most appropriately for luncheon. Call upon Fred, or order a can of his production. It is nice.

-In climate and soil, in its general adaptability to the purposes of agriculture, no portion of the North American continent surpasses Oregon. On the Pacific coast, co-equal with California it is the extreme limit whither the "star of empire takes its way." Yet superior to California as land where the farmer may floursh-scarcely a year but what he will have a bountiful supply of rain to moisten, and ample sunshine to mature and garner his crops-a soil that will repay many fold for its culture.

-After expending several thousands in brick stores, warehouses, and It is pleasant to know that we wharf, for the benefit of Portland, careful observer of the situation of made good investments, we feel it pleasant to congratulate him that his him good. Property that is now worth from \$50,000 to \$60,000 in Chicago, was but a few years ago offered to Mr. Moffitt for \$400. You'll never eatch him twice in that way.

-The hardy, toil-worn laborers of Europe and our own country, seeking a home where God will bestow upon them, as a recompense for started in earnest,-and I believe all men, are best entitled, can find no such home as they would in sparsely settled Oregon. Here, with little labor, their table will be supplied abundance; and with strength they exhaust in one day in Europe, they might enjoy the luxuries of life for a month-and with a few years of such labor as that thro' which they are necessitated to pass in the old countries, they would become independent, and free from all want.

-The Wallamet Iron Works, at Portland, one of the places visited by us this week on our tour, is now one of the institutions of the State. We were very glad to see Messrs Nation, Halleck, and others so well employed. now they are turning out machinery of a high order, and it is a fact the business of railroading for sev- sider a high compliment to the worth the Portland trestle work will be of castings for gang plows. We observed that Messrs Lewis and Wolgamot, of this city, had a large order -A large fountain, near the St.

Mary's Academy, at Portland, will hugely Democratic, but this riot was the President of the Central Pacific The invention is thus described by henceforth attract great attention. By invitation of a friend, on Wed. "A bonnet is placed on the top of nesday last we visited the site and to 18,000,000 bushels of wheat per MAKE YOUR HOMES the car at each end, to catch the were astonished to witness the per- annum, besides all its other wealth of wind while the car is in motion, and fection with which the Portland the air rushes down a pipe in the cor- Water Company are putting in their ner inside, close to a stove which is new reservoir. The one we refer to 1847, hundreds of families would made with a hot-air jacket, and at- is not only useful but it will be a de- strrt out in the spring to look at and tached to the chamber formed by the cided ornament to that part of the settle in the country, and in the fall more in the question of its location. heater and jacket surrounding it. city. We did not take the dimen- many of them would return again On the floor of the car stands a clossions of the masonry, but Mr. Green discouraged from sickness and other ed box partly filled with water. The informed us that it had been calcu- causes-saving that the country was air, whether filled with dust or not, lated to contain 750,000 gallons of not fit to live in and never would be which enters the bonnet, rushes dis water. By this statement the reader settled up. And yet Iowa at this rectly into this water box, where it can form some idea of its dimensions. time contains over a million of inis thoroughly washed, and passing The east side is "faced" up to the habitants, and is one of the most into the heater, is forced in an abso- average height of a one story-build- flourishing of the young States. lutely pure state into pipes that run ing, and the reservoir covers 100 feet These waters assume a still further near the floor, the whole length of square. The masonry has been done importance when it is remembered the car, on each side and under the under the direction of Mr. Richard- that it is the only safe harbor on the seats. At proper intervals theso son, and is of the very best kind of Pacific north of San Francisco. And pipes are perforated with small holes, cut stone, "pointed." Upon this when it is recollected that San Fran. GALLERY! through which the heated and purifi- wall will be a cut stone ornamental cisco is liable at any time to be shak The apparatus is easily governed tasty iron fence. In the centre of as shown by the last shock, capitalists and timber at these mills will progress time since the construction of the The pipes are laid so that Blach to the United States; and that they -A party who is intimately ac at a rapid rate all winter. The white new steam saw mill of Estes & Stim- creek and Carruther's creek will lead lie directly on the line of the great son, Portland, we visited that institu. to these reservoirs. But in case of wealth and commerce of the world ; MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, discharged, as the days are too short tion. It is a finely finished establish. a lack of supply from such sources, and that the distance from Puget and weather too uncertain to keep the ment. From the boom to the lumber a steam pump is being put up on the Sound to New York is 525 miles less yard, including the plainer, lath-saws, margin of the Wallamet, at the foot than from San Francisco to the same box saws, engines and boiler, every- of Lincoln street, which will force place; to Chicago 542 less; to Bosthing about the premises moves along water into reservoirs at a rapid rate, ton 542 less; and even to Baltimore in perfect order. To stand in the through pipes of ten inches in circumit is 400 miles less in distance than basement, during the operation of the ference. Portland may boast of her from San Francisco; and the well shafts and pulleys, one is apt to re water works-or that she has citizens established fact that the mountains mind himself of a violent hurricane in who so liberally expend their means are much lower, the snow much less, eavs that no fears are now felt for the forest, and yet there is but little to supply the city with wholesome and the country much better calculated to sustain a dense population

LETTEB FROM PHILIP RITZ

Puget Sound-its important advantages and promising future reviewed—the Northern Pacific Railroad.

WALLA WALLA, October 16, 1868. According to promise, I will send you a few lines, having just returned from Puget Sound and the East. fear that this short letter may not be H. Myers, of the gas-fitting establishinteresting, as there has been so much ment advertised in this paper. A said and written about that country few days ago Mr. Troupe, of the lately that I do not think of much steamer Fanmie Troupe, sank one of now that might interest your read- these wells-literally dug a well with ers. However, there is one item that it, in one day, say 30 feet, at an ex-I have never seen fully carried out, pense of 25 cents per foot. The well I allude to the immense lumber trade is simply an iron pipe, driven into that is springing up on our seaboard, the earth until it strikes water. By and particularly on Puget Sound. It the process of using it, a vacuum is surprises every one on his first visit then formed at the base, and a never to the Sound that such an important failing fountain is the result. business should have grown up so rapidly and vet so quietly. I was

not prepared to find mills there actually cutting over 250,000 feet of lumber in twenty four hours, and yet such is the fact. There are fourteen mills running on that inland sea, most of them night and day, with a capacity of from 20,000 to 250,000 feet per twenty four hours, and an aggregate of over 956,000 feet of sawed lumber every day, besides a large amount of spars and piles, and vet the lumber trade is increasing so rapidly that the mills are not able to supply the demand, and parties are now preparing to put up more and

larger mills.

Besides this vast lumber trade, giving employment to a large number of ships which carry it to all parts of the world, ship building is becoming an important business on Puget Sound. There are at this time twelve vessels, ranging from one hundred and fifty to six hundred tons burthen, in course of construction at the different ports on the Sound, Three of Pamless Extraction of Teeth. this number are steamers. The timber there makes lumber that is admi- street. rably adapted to ship building. When this fact is generally known, and that the lumber can be had so low, ship building will become an important left to put into a residence for him- New York and the Eastern cities self. Mr. Moffitt has been a very transferred to the waters of Puget Sound. This is every year becoming real estate in Portland, and having more apparent, as the forests disappear on our Eastern scaboard gradually, and lumber, rents and food are investments have never failed to make advancing. Ship builders will seek a point where all these can be had to gether, and at reasonable rates.

At this time ships can be built on Puget Sound, and sent around the Horn in ballast, cheaper than they can be built in New York. Then when the great coal beds that are known to exist all along the Sound are opened, and manufactures are the weary past, the blessings they, of from what I have seen that there is enough of coal there to keep up the fires of commerce for ages,-and when the North Pacific Railroad has established the great trans continental artery through which the great wealth of the commerce of the world will flow, and on these waters will the great exchange of the wealth of nations take place, then we may expect to see cities rise as if by magic, and outstrip in their growth anything

that the world has yet seen. A large portion of the land around the Sound appears to be not of the best quality, and only fit for growth of timber, but when we come to look back to the early settlement of our Western States, now teeming in their immense wealth and millions of in-They keep from 35 to 40 men at habitants; that at one time they work during the dull season. Just were considered scarcely inhabitable and that it was the opinion of many persons that the country never would "Shipley Water Wheel"-of Oregon that even this wild looking country Oregon with the Atlantic seaboard invention, and Clackamas county at may vet become the abode of civiliz ation and wealth. In illustration of engineer, and has been employed in on a head of 75 feet. This we con- ter of record in the War Department, that at the close of the war of enteen years. He has passed over of Oregon inventions, as well as man- 1812, four Commissioners were sent most unexplored Indian territory of is not a line of grading in the country flasks when we saw it. This is a fine the far West. One was sent to Arkthat has ever been done better than piece of casting, and the machine ansas, one to Missouri, one to Illireturned and reported that there could purposes found in each of the Terri tories, excepting Michigan. That Commissioner reported that country to be too cold, wet and uninviting to ever be settled by white men. And yet we find the State of Michigan at this time-fifty-six years afterwardcheckered in every direction by railroads, and producing from 12,000,000

And in Iowa as late as 1846 and

fount, and the whole surmounted by a en to the ground by an earthquake, One door south from the corner of First and the reservoir is an iron column 42 are reminded that it is not a very safe feet from the base, with a fountain. In place in which to make permanent addition to this another grand resers investments; and that these waters And buy a few of those Lovely Picvoir is being constructed farther back, extend farther east than any salt to hold 1,000,000 gallons of water. water on the Pacific coast belonging

than on any other route across the AUCTION AND COMMISSION continent, all point with unerring certainty to a great and early future for Puget sound. Respectfully,

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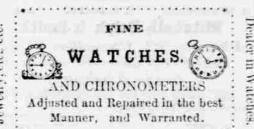
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