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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

LECTURE.—Mr. Sylvester C. Simpson, of Salem, delivered a lecture at Portland on Tuesday evening, before the Young Men's Christian Association. The lecture was largely attended, and the papers of the city praise the lecture highly. The subject was the "Geneva Conference." The *Herald*, in its notice of the lecture, said the speaker used the theme mainly as an illustration of a certain humane Christian progress, in the science of international politics. He argued that the characteristics of the Conference indicated that the disposition to substitute peaceful for warlike methods, in settling international disputes, is taking a firm and substantial form. Incidentally Mr. Simpson considered the question of indirect damages, arguing in favor of the American case.

THE RAILROADS.—The *Portland Commercial Reporter* says "the Oregon & California Railroad is being pushed forward with renewed vigor. Stages make a connection at Ward's, on Pass creek, in Douglas county, and it is safe to say connections will be made before thirty days at Oakland. The trains, both freight and passenger, have all they can well do.

Of the Oregon Central Railroad we are not so fully advised, but from reports we should think the road, as far as now completed, is paying better than the company expected."

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.—The body of the drowned man recently found at Tumwater, near Olympia, has been finally determined to be the remains of Dick McCann.

A number of emigrant families have taken up farms on the Palouse and Spokane during the past four months. These valleys are filling up rapidly.

In the case of the Territory against Charles Watts, a writ of error has been granted, and an order has been made instructing the sheriff to stay the execution of Watts and to safely keep him until the next regular term of the Supreme Court of this Territory. The case has been appealed.

Bird, the soldier who killed an officer on the revenue service, at Sitka, a year or two ago, and who had several trials, was arraigned at Vancouver a few days since, and, owing to the absence of witness, the trial was continued until the next term of the District Court. A motion was made to release Bird on his own recognizance, which was taken under advisement.

WASCO COUNTY.—The Republicans have nominated the following county ticket in Wasco: Z. F. Moody, State Senator; G. W. Waldron and John Darragh, Representatives; Thos. Gordon, County Judge; John T. Storrs, Sheriff; Captain L. Coffin, County Clerk; George Buch, Treasurer; E. Wood and—Lester (of Ochoco,) Commissioners; W. P. Watson, Assessor; Thomas Condon, School Superintendent.

INDIAN AGENCY.—Mr. L. S. Dyer has turned over the Grande Ronde Indian Agency to Mr. P. B. Sinnott, and has returned to Salem preparatory to leaving for the Klamath Agency. He will start some time this week, leaving his family, for the present, at Salem.

YAMHILL COUNTY.—From the *West Side* we learn that a wagon and machine shop has been started at North Yamhill—also a planing mill, the latter got up entirely in Oregon.

A MAN MISSING.—William Alexander, of Washington Territory, is supposed to have been robbed, murdered, and thrown into the Willamette river, from Flander's wharf, Portland, on

Saturday night last. His stepfather is Capt. R. C. Fhy, of Whidby's Island, W. T. The missing man has two children, now with their grandparents.

JOSEPHINE.—The *Times* says that great activity in the wool market prevails in Josephine county. Parties from San Francisco have been in that county offering prices ranging from 50¢ to 60 cents a lb. for this Spring's clip. The spring term of the Circuit Court in Josephine lasted only two days.

JACKSON.—From the *Times* of the 13th inst., we learn that a stratum of coal has been discovered at the Meadows. The vein is two and a half feet thick and becomes more solid as it bears into the hill.

The miners are busily engaged in cleaning up the sluicings, with fair prospects of good success.

CLACKAMAS.—We clip the following from the *Enterprise*, April 12th: The following is a summary of the business transacted at the Oregon City Land Office for the month ending March 31st: acres sold for cash 628; original homestead entries 2423 acres; final homestead entries 881 acres; pre-emptions filed covering 1600 acres.

Mr. Edgar Foster, living in Eagle Creek precinct, one day last week cut his hand nearly off with an ax. It was cut across the back of the hand from the first knuckle joint to the wrist, nearly severing the hand. He will probably lose the use of it.

The largest blast of the season was discharged on the Locks on Tuesday. Fragments of rock were thrown into Main street, and many buildings were shaken by the force of the concussion.

The machinery for the new Pail and Tub Factory has all arrived and is now being placed in running order.

DOUGLAS COUNTY.—We copy the following from the *Plainsdealer*: On the 7th inst., a son of Rowland Flournoy fell from a hay stack and fractured the thigh bone at the lower third.

Watson and W. K. Mynatt, were arrested last week on the charge of burning the Cow Creek School House. The preliminary examination was held before Justice Dean at Canyonville last Saturday. There did not appear to be any evidence to sustain the accusation and they were discharged.

On the 6th, an affidavit was filed before Justice Rose, of this precinct, accusing Minter B. Miller of the crime of stealing \$1,960 in coin from Lewis Miller. The money was stolen in Lane and brought to this county. A warrant was issued and placed in the hands of J. D. Van Buren. When the attempt at arrest was made, Miller turned and fled, and is now at large.

By private letter we are glad to learn that there will be a considerable emigration from Pennsylvania to the Umpqua valley this summer.

HEAVY ROBBERY.—One night last week, the safe containing the Treasury funds of Walla Walla county, W. T., was robbed of all the money it held—about \$20,000. A meeting of the County Commissioners was shortly afterward held, and on Saturday a complaint was filed in the District Court against the Treasurer, Mr. Kyger, and bondsmen, and their property was attached to abide the result of the suit, which is to come off in May. It is intimated by one of the papers that there is a "Tammany ring" on a small scale in that county, and this raid upon the treasury can be traced to the operations of this "ring." The people seem disposed to ferret out the rascality. The County Treasurer has resigned his office, and R. R. Rees has been appointed in his stead.

INFORMATION WANTED.—Of Wm. D. W. Yeager, who left Comanche, Iowa, in May, 1863, in company with Wm. Welch and family. Any person having any knowledge of him will confer a great favor by communicating the same to his mother, Mrs. Angeline Yeager, Quincy Ill.

DOMESTIC NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK, April 13.—Haytien advices report the arrest and imprisonment of the American Consul at Port-au-Prince because of his having given protection to General Batteria, the leader of the insurrection, who escaped from the custody of his guards and took refuge in the Consul's office while on the way to be imprisoned. The Consul has conferred with the Minister on the subject, who, it is understood, will apply to the Haytien Government for his release.

NEW YORK, 15.—Another wholesale poisoning case is reported from Leesburg, Virginia. Mrs. Emily E. Loyd, a respectable lady, is suspected of having poisoned a whole family—husband, four children and an elderly female relative. Arsenic was found in the stomach of a child, and the Coroner's jury gave a verdict of poisoned by its mother. Another child is to be distended and examined. The object of the woman is supposed to be the removal of obstacles in the way of a new lover.

NEW ORLEANS, April 13.—Fred Douglass arrived last night and presided at the Colored National Convention. A resolution was reported by the Committee on Resolutions to demand the enforcement of the law on the subject of civil rights. They demand equality in public conveyances, hotels, etc. The resolution was referred back to the Committee, and made the special order of the day for Monday next.

WASHINGTON, April 15.—A renewal of the Goat Island struggle is expected to-morrow. The managers of it, after consultation with the California members of Congress, consented to further modifications, prohibiting warehousing charges, subjecting the property to local taxation, and requiring the bridges to be according to the plans of the engineers, with long spans. These provisions and the requirements of a Government rental, it is claimed, will obviate all objections to the measure.

In the Senate, Trumbull presented a memorial protesting against the exactions on freight and travel by the managers of the railroad bridge at Omaha.

The Supreme Court rendered a unanimous decision in the Mormon case of Clinton vs. Englebrecht, reversing the judgment of the Supreme Court of Utah on the ground that the jury which tried the case was not selected in conformity with law; that, therefore, the summonses were invalid, and it follows that indictments against Mormons for lewd and lascivious cohabitation are illegal, and all proceedings against them must fall to the ground. The decision sustains the position taken by District Attorney Bates of Utah.

A Washington special says that the Spanish Government offers to release Dr. Howard as a friendly act to the United States, but is unwilling to admit the least injury done him by the Spanish Government.

WASHINGTON, April 16.—Dispatches say that the reply to Earl Granville's second note is ready to go out on Wednesday steamer. It will not be made public, the Secretary deeming it inexpedient to do so. It is conceded that one side or the other must recede within the next two months, and Reverdy Johnson is given as authority for the statement that the President regrets that the claim for consequential damages was put in our case. As to the present aspect of the matter it is stated that the Department will not commit itself further than declare that the Secretary is satisfied with the position in which the present dispatch leaves our side of the question.

NEW YORK, April 16.—A London special says the British counter case was delivered to the Geneva Conference under protest.

BALTIMORE, April 16.—Reverdy Johnson is defied to show authority for the statement that the President regrets the insertion of claims for consequential damages in our case against England.

DENVER, April 16.—McKean Buchanan died in this city at 1 o'clock p. m., of apoplexy.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—The reply of our Government to Granville's last note will go out by to-day's steamer. A copy of the American replication to the British case was received by the

State Department and laid before the Cabinet yesterday, but not read or discussed.

Secretary Fish has instructed our Consul at Bucharest to remonstrate against outrages committed on Israelites in Roumania.

A World special says that the note accompanying the English replication submitted at Geneva to-day, explicitly declares that England will not consent to have indirect claims arbitrated. Cushing says that the note is worthless and that the arbitration must proceed.

EUROPEAN.

LONDON, April 14.—The *Observer* says Lord Tenderden and Caleb Cushing will present the counter cases of their respective Governments at Geneva at to-morrow's sitting of the Board. This will be very brief. Cushing, Davis and Everts, counsel of the American Government, will prolong their stay in Paris till June. The Board of Arbitration is bound to adjudicate the Alabama claims after the delivery of the counter cases, even should one of the litigants withdraw.

GENEVA, April 13.—The British and American gentlemen connected with the tribunal of arbitration have arrived here and will be present at the opening. The counter case will be presented to-morrow.

LIVERPOOL, April 14.—Miss Nellie Grant, daughter of President Grant, arrived here yesterday, and was received by Mr. Dudley, American Consul. Miss Grant proceeds to London on Monday.

ROME, April 13.—The Pope to-day gave an audience to many citizens of Rome and four hundred persons from foreign parts. His Holiness gave his benediction successively to all the countries represented by visitors, particularly Ireland, Poland, Holland and the United States of America. He praised France, and counselled forbearance and gentleness toward some intolerant Frenchmen. He prayed for Germany, subjugated as she was by anti-Catholic spirit, and Austria, he said, greatly needed the prayer of the faithful.

LONDON, April 15.—Morning papers review the discussion of the Alabama question. Presentation of the counter cases took place to-day at Geneva. The majority are decided with an expression of opinion that the Ministry must adhere to the position taken against the submission of claims for indirect damages by America.

GENEVA, April 15.—The sitting of the tribunal for the settlement of the Alabama claims opened at 9:30 a. m. to-day, and terminated at noon. None of the five arbitrators were present. Great Britain and the United States only were represented—the former by Tenderden, Taylor and Bernard, and the latter by Bancroft Davis, Cushing and Beaman. Official proceedings were confined to the delivery of documents to the Secretary of the tribunal, who will transmit them to the arbitrators.

LONDON, April 16.—Earl Granville laid before the Lords to-night the counter case and note presented at Geneva yesterday by an agent of Great Britain. He stated that when the accompanying note and protest were delivered, Mr. Davis, agent of the United States, said his instructions did not contemplate the probability of such a note, and this would be further reserved for the Government of the United States, with the right to vindicate the scope of the Treaty of Washington.

In the Commons, Gladstone made a similar statement to that of Granville. The arbitration is at a complete standstill, until the reply is received from Washington to the English protest. The nature of the protest inspires little hope of the success of negotiations.

UTAH.

SALT LAKE, April 13.—The miners in Star, Lincoln, and other districts in the southern part of the Territory, are forming a secret organization to oppose the secret influence of the Mormon endowment houses. Among objects is that of bringing to justice the instigators and perpetrators of the Mountain Meadow massacre. The organization already numbers over two hundred members.

An expensive deposit of crystallized

sulphur has been discovered at Beaver Mountain, about three hundred miles from this city.

Several more snow slides are reported to-day. On little Cottonwood two feet of additional snow fell last night. Snow fell to the depth of six inches in this city last night, and a further blockade of the railroad is feared.

SALT LAKE, April 17.—The Mormon High Council meets to-morrow at the City Hall.

The Englebrecht decision is still all-absorbing topic of conversation. Mormon organs, especially the *Herald*, are very temperate in their comments. The Mormons claim the entire overthrow of all opposition to Church rule, and declare for the banishment of the leading gentiles. Apostate Mormons are much depressed. They anticipate no trouble, but express a necessity for a Congressional act to protect mining and other business interests of the Territory.

"NO MONOPOLY"—OH, NO.—The *San Francisco Commercial Herald* of last Saturday says:

"Great complaints are made respecting a deficiency of steamers on the coast lines. The North Pacific Transportation Company undertakes to do the service and have a monopoly of the steam carrying trade.—Oregonians and others say they are great losers for want of necessary and needed frequent departures.—When a steamer is advertised, and long before she is ready to receive freight, drays of all kinds loaded with goods are at once brought into requisition, and frequently compelled to stand in line upon the street-wharves for a day or two waiting their turn to unload their goods.—These detentions are not only annoying, but costly and expensive. The draymen are paid by the hour when thus detained, and it not infrequently happens that the charge for drayage amounts to double or treble the freight charged to its destination. This ought to be remedied, but yet we fear the dear people will have to grin and bear it. Corporations have no souls, nor are Pacific Coast monopolizers any exception to the general rule."

WASHINGTON, April 16.—The hall of the House of Representatives was densely crowded this evening on the occasion of the memorial services in honor of Prof. Morse. The Speaker of the House presided, assisted by Vice President Colfax. The President, his Cabinet, Judges of the Supreme Court, Governors of States in person or by proxy, occupied seats in the inner semi-circle. Senators and Representatives occupied other seats on the floor. The ceremony was opened by prayer by Rev. Dr. Adams, when Speaker Blaine delivered a brief introductory speech. Resolutions appropriate to the occasion were moved, seconded by Senator Patterson with eloquent remarks. C. W. Field read telegrams from London, Cairo, Bombay, Batavia, Singapore and Hongkong. Dispatches from Boston, St. Louis, San Francisco, New York, Philadelphia, Montreal, and a great number of other cities, were also read. Fernando Wood was the only member of Congress present who voted for the first appropriation in aid of Morse. He gave a legislative history of the electro-magnetic telegraph. Speeches were also made by Representatives Garfield, Cox, Voorhees and Banks. The ceremonies closed 11 p. m.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY.—We have received the "Annual Announcement" for the session of 1872-3 of this institution, and are gratified to learn of its continued prosperity.—The seventh regular course will commence with a public address on the evening of the 4th day of November next, and will continue four months. Dr. O. P. S. Plummer has been added to the Faculty as Professor of Hygiene.