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TELEGRAPHIC.

EASTERN STATES.

Washington, May 17.—Senator Bayard is understood to hold the following views on the proposition to use diplomatic means to induce European nations to join in a conference to regulate the silver difficulty.

General Sherman says that military affairs were never so well arranged in the West as now, and that General Sheridan has reduced everything to an admirable and effective system.

In response to a letter addressed by Secretary Schurz inquiring what amount of funds can be made available monthly for the payment of arrears due upon pensions allowed prior to January 25, 1879, the secretary of the treasury states that including the amount already paid, \$2,500,000 will be available prior to July 1st, and \$3,000,000 monthly thereafter.

Ex-Secretary Geo. C. Gorham and family left Washington to-night for San Francisco, where they will reside.

Springer's amendment, giving the profit of silver coinage to the government as amended by Ewing, was defeated—yeas, 58; nays, 121.

The House Committee on Foreign Affairs has authorized Wilson to report with favorable recommendation, his joint resolution of April 21st, providing for further treaty negotiations with Mexico.

Subscriptions to the 4 per cent refunding certificates to date, \$15,808,720.

New York, May 18.—William Gordon, a mail clerk in the employ of M. R. Clinton & Co., has been arrested charged with swindling his employers of nearly \$6,000.

Easton, Pa., May 17.—John and Robert Boas, miners, were buried a hundred feet beneath the surface this morning by the caving of ore.

Philadelphia, May 18.—The bay mare Nettie, by Rydyck's Hambletonian, dam by American Star, with a record of 2:18, died yesterday from blood poison caused by picking up a nail.

Providence, May 18.—The steamer Ashland, of the Clyde line, from New York for Fall River, in ballast, was totally wrecked on Point Judith last night in a fog. The crew was saved.

Richmond, May 19.—The convention of colored delegates met here to-day for the purpose of considering matters connected with the welfare, rights and improvements of the condition of their race.

Boston, May 19.—A special session of the New England Reform League has begun. Socialistic ideas in the most radical form are embodied in the resolutions.

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matter what agitation might for a time effect at home, the American people would treat the Chinese with kindness and justice, and not deny to the free and deserving people of that country, the asylum they offer to the rest of the world.

A Busted Revolution. The steamer Alps which arrived to-night brings Panama dates to the 10th.

Louisville Races. Louisville, May 20.—The race, mile heats, between Perry, King Faro, Miss Rowell and Victoria, was very exciting and some fast time was made.

Cabinet Change. Washington, May 21.—It is stated that Secretary McCrary has decided to accept the position of United States circuit judge for the 8th district, to be made vacant by the resignation of Judge Dillon.

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California Crops. SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.—Crop reports received to-day from all parts of the State are very promising.

Policeman Shot. Regular Police Officer P. K. Rogers, a native of New York, aged 60, shot and killed himself at his residence, No. 123 Ellis street, this morning.

Attempted Wife Murder. SANTA ROSA, May 21.—Mrs. John Ashcroft was found wounded and insensible in a barn on her ranch in Rincon valley this morning.

THE DALLIES ON FIRE! The Business Quarter of the City Almost Entirely Destroyed—The Flames Still Raging at the Last Report.

The following dispatch was received in Portland Wednesday evening by Capt. J. C. Ainsworth at 10 o'clock P. M.:

THE DALLIES, May 21, 1879. A heavy fire is now raging at this place. Nearly all the business part of the town is consumed.

The town is almost burned down. The O. S. N. Co.'s office and engine house are totally destroyed. We think the fire is now under control.

The precise hour the fire broke out is not known; but it is supposed to have started between 8 and 9 o'clock in the evening.

The destruction of Trenchard & Uphur's building at Astoria, Monday, brushed from that city an old landmark.

It was built in 1862 by Capt. Flavel, and enlarged in 1867. At that time it was one of the best wooden structures in the city.

The safe was opened Monday and the contents found to be in average fair condition. A pearl cross, made from a string of pearls presented to George Washington by Napoleon, was among the property saved.

The string of pearls became an heirloom in the family of the Uphurs, and to our fellow citizen, C. F. the cross descended. It was in splendid condition—unphased by heat or smoke.

The first engine on the ground was No. 2; the first water was from No. 1. The Wonder and the Ordway were ready to serve the public with their steam pumps if necessary.

Mr. G. W. Hume had steam up on his pumps, and Celestials ready with buckets to protect that part of town.

Knappton saw the blaze and Captain Cousins came to the rescue with a sloop load of friends, followed by the Quickstep.

It seemed like an hour to Mr. Rowe, the watchman, before a policeman put in an appearance after he first sounded the alarm. But it was only a few moments possibly. We didn't hear the fire alarm bell, but "that dog of ours" made us hear him, and we went to the fire.

WHAT IS NIHILISM?

The word evidently means the annihilation of the government and institutions of despotic Russia. Ten years ago the intentions of those, so called, were not well defined. Now they are accurately determined and contemplate a Republican system, with social structure without caste distinctions; encouragement of industry and due consideration for labor.

In an interview with a reporter of the New York, the fact was elicited that principles of Nihilism do not admit of formal ranks and distinctions, and that the community of ideas and unity of purpose are due to the constant dissemination and interchange of views which have been going on for many years.

No liberal minded man pretends to doubt the abstract justice of the cause of the people as expressed by Nihilism. The objection to this mighty movement of humanity against barbarism lies in the method adopted. Assassination is hateful to any cause.

The following is the order of the President establishing a new Indian reservation in Washington Territory. EXECUTIVE MANDATE, April 19, 1879.

It is hereby ordered that the tract of country in Washington Territory, lying within the following described boundaries, viz: Commencing at the intersection of the forty mile limits of the branch line of the Northern Pacific Railroad with the Okinakan river; thence up said river to the boundary line between the United States and British Columbia;

thence west on said boundary line to the forty-fourth degree of longitude west from Washington; thence south on said degree of longitude to its intersection with the forty mile limits of the branch line of the Northern Pacific Railroad;

and thence with the line of said forty mile limits to the place of beginning, be and the same is hereby withdrawn from sale and set apart as a reservation for the permanent use and occupancy of Chief Moses and his people, and such other friendly Indians as may elect to settle thereon with his consent and that of the Secretary of the Interior.

R. B. HAYES.

Cataract! POSITIVELY CURED! Many who have suffered for years with this disease (Cataract) and been pronounced incurable, have been restored to perfect health by my treatment, and when testimonials can be seen at my office. I also treat all chronic and private diseases, and female weakness. Medicine sent to all parts of the country, and all proper questions answered through the mails by enclosing two stamps. Office consultation free. DR. JAMES REED, 135 First St., Portland, Oregon. Post Office box 289. Cut this out and send it to your letter.