TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

EASTERN.

A Rumor of a Plot to Assassinate President Arthur.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28th.—A. M. Bagley, who is employed in the army medical museum, has created something of a sensation in police and official circles by filing a sworn statement with the chief of police that he had overheard a plot to assassinate President Arthur. Bagley's affidavit is in effect, that about midnight last Monday night, while lying on his bed, which was in the lower front room fronting on Missouri avenue, he heard two men talking of the assassination of President Arthur. Bagley states that his window blinds were closed and two men were leaning against a tree box immediately in front of his room; that one man said it would happen in one month; that he, (referring to some man whose name is not mentioned) had sworn to kill President Arthur within that time. That the man who had thus sworn was a Garfield Republican. Bagley said he was so much agitated that he did not know what to do; that next day he informed the chief clerk of his division of what he had heard, and he advised Bagley to report the facts to the police.

No Credence Given the Report.

The reported plot to assassinate the President has put the police on the *qui vive*, although the general impression is there is more imagination than reality in the story. To-night four officers were on duty in the vicinity of the Jones mansion, and visitors were closely scrutinized. The President's household are disposed to ridicule the report. Mr. Reed, private secretary to the President, requests the press to deny the reports the President has suffered from malaria. His health is good, and he has suffered from nothing but fatigue and anxiety during the Summer. He will not occupy the White House until December at the earliest, much preferring Capitol Hill, especially in such weather as that now prevailing.

Upon his advice Bagley filed his sworn statement. The police authorities do not attach much importance to this matter, but have quietly taken some precautions for the protection of the President. There seems to be no doubt that Bagley overheard the conversation he reports, but it was probably some half drunken fellows talking. Bagley is a nephew of H. P. H. Bagley, of Virginia, who was a Republican candidate for Congress last year, and he was appointed to office by Senator Logan. He has written Senator an account of the affair.

The Remains of President Garfield.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 26.—At Mrs. Garfield's suggestion the casket containing the late President has been enclosed in an iron cage, and a cement wall will be built around this of sufficient strength to resist all attempts to remove the body and of dimensions enough to form a foundation for the proposed monument. The mayor of the city has detailed a police force to be on duty continually until final interment.

A Vast Crowd.

It is estimated that 250,000 people were on the streets to day, and that from 100,000 to 150,000 of these people were strangers. Some of the adjacent towns were nearly depopulated.

Train Ditched.

DES MOINES, Sept. 26.—The ditching of a construction train on the Des Moines and Northwestern railroad killed three workmen and injured about thirty more, three or four fatally.

The Chinese Students.

HARTFORD, Sept. 26.—The special Chinese educational commission established in this city several years ago finally closed its doors to-day. The last party of students, 27 in number, have started for China in charge of Commissioner Woo and one of the teachers and servants. The fine building erected here by the Chinese government two years ago will be sold. Yung Wing, attached to the Chinese legation, remains in this country for the present; but it is expected that he will return to China next Winter, after the arrival at Washington of the Chinese minister who has been recently appointed. A large party assembled at the depot to-day to bid farewell to the students, many of whom have been received in the best families of the city and formed very pleasant friendships.

Particulars of the Council Bluffs Explosion.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Sept. 29.—The terrible explosion here last evening proves even more awful in its effects than at first supposed. The scene presented on the grounds is simply beyond description. The round house of the company is totally demolished; the car and repair shops, 90 by 100 feet, were completely leveled, the freight house, 20 by 100 feet, is a total wreck, and about 50 box cars were blown to pieces. Four engines were buried in the round house, but are not greatly damaged. Patrick Barnett, fireman of the engine which was in the house at the time, was in the cab of the engine when the explosion took place, but miraculously escaped, not even being scratched. His coat, which he had hung outside the cab, was torn to shreds. Four or five small frame residences were 60 rods south of the spot, and the occupant of one, Mr. Van Buren, was struck by a large piece of a wheel and will probably die. A rock weighing 400 pounds was blown three quarters of a mile and in falling sunk almost out of sight in the earth. Reports were received by the *Nonpareil* to-day from towns 20 miles away, which state that the shock was plainly felt at that distance, and in many places people regarded it as an earthquake shock. Windows were broken in houses 12 miles from the city. The loss sustained by the Rock Island company will probably be nearly half a million dollars.

FOREIGN.

London Services.

LONDON, Sept. 26.—Memorial services were held this evening in the church of St. Martin-in-the-fields. Long before the commencement the approaches to the church were crowded with English and American mourners. Both sides of the building were soon packed, and not an available inch of room was left. Lowell, the American minister, was present. Archbishop of Canterbury officiated and delivered an address. The union jack and stars and stripes conjoined were wrapped with crape and half-masted, hung in many parts of the city, and the west end of the whole balcony of the Conservative club of Liverpool was draped.

Services at Paris.

PARIS, Sept. 26.—Service was held to-day in the Protestant chapel of Rue St. Honore. The church was draped and the whole American colony was present, together with Say, president of the senate, Barthelmy St. Hilaire, minister of foreign affairs, Gen. Farre, minister of war, Firard, minister of agriculture and commerce, and Cochery, minister of posts and telegraphs, Gen. Pittier, President Admiral Preston, minister of marines, and president of the Paris Consistory. M. Beballin and Bishop Dudler delivered eloquent addresses recalling Gen. Garfield's eloquence and honesty, and the deep sorrow which has fallen upon the widow and mother. The speaker laid strong emphasis on the ties uniting the two republics and referred to the presence at the present moment of a French delegation for Yorktown. Recallin conjured Americans to exterminate all party divisions so there should be no longer North and South but one people. The diplomatic body also called on Minister Morton and offered condolence.

ITEMS BY TELEGRAPH.

The *Evening Commercial* says: The fact that Blaine will go direct home to Maine from Cleveland, furnishes ground for suspicion that he will not return to Washington until the President announces his intentions.

An immense procession followed the remains of President Garfield to the grave at Cleveland on Monday. The day was appropriately observed in every city in the United States, and many beyond our boundaries.

Nearly 50 freight cars were destroyed at Omaha on the 27th, by the explosion of the car of gunpowder. The loss will be hundreds of thousands of dollars. The cause is a mystery. It dug a hole in the ground 15 feet deep and 40 in diameter.

A three days' conference of the International Federation of the Free Thinkers opened at London on the 26th, Bradlaugh presiding. Bennett, of America, boasted that there was millions of Free Thinkers in the United States.

An Auburn dispatch says: A. S. Niles, whose arrest on suspicion of having murdered James Singleton, near Lincoln, and concealed his body in a well five years ago, was recently reported, committed suicide recently by cutting his throat.

A Berlin correspondent to the *Post* says: Dr. Von Schlaczer, plenipotentiary to the United States, takes with him to Washington the autograph letters of Emperor William and Prince Bismarck, expressing their heartfelt condolence with the widow of the late President.

A meeting of one hundred and fifty Americans was held at the U. S. legation and resolutions were passed deploring the death of President Garfield as a national calamity, denouncing the murderer as a blot on humanity and reaffirming their faith in the free institutions of the United States.

The *Stats Zeitung*, in a leading editorial, says it is deeply humiliating to American Germans that neither Emperor William nor Bismarck has found time to send a personal dispatch of condolence to Mrs. Garfield to express their sympathy with the United States over the severe affliction which has befallen them.

A stockholders' meeting of the Nevada and Oregon Railroad was called at Reno on the 27th, for the purpose of electing directors. When the meeting was called to order Frank F. Fowler stated that it was a stockholders' meeting, and requested all others to retire. No one moved and he pointed at ex-Judge E. D. Wheeler and James McMechan, of San Francisco, and Treasurer Coffin, of Carson, and told them that if they did not go out they would be put out. They still remained, and a rush was made, pistols drawn and fired rapidly, and S. C. Scoville, secretary, and D. W. Balch, of San Francisco, were wounded, the physicians think fatally.

Clarke County Agricultural and Mechanical Society.

We are in receipt of a list of premiums to be awarded at the first annual fair, which will be held commencing in Oct. 11th, and continuing four days at the Society's ground, near Vancouver, W. T. The list of premiums are extensive and cover every department of agriculture and mechanism. The speed programme is as follows:

Tuesday, Oct. 11th—RUNNING.—2 o'clock P. M. One mile and repeat. Purse $75. $50 to first, $25 to second.

Wednesday, Oct. 12th—TROTTING.—Gent's driving horses; best 2 in 3, to buggy or road wagon; to be driven by owner. Purse $15. $10 to first, $5 to second. Professional trotters excluded.

Same day, 3:20 class, best 3 in 5 to harness and to rule. Purse $35. $25 to first, $10 to second.

Thursday, Oct. 13th—PACING RACE.—Best 2 in 3. Purse $50. $25 to first, $15 to second, $10 to third.

Friday, Oct. 14th.—Slow Mule Race, riders to be changed. Purse $10.

Clarke County trot, for horses raised and owned in Clarke County, 2 in 3. Purse $25, $15, $10.

Suicide.

Coroner Ream, of this city, received a dispatch from Junction City, Monday, says the Eugene *Guard*, informing him that a suicide had been committed at Owen Creek, about ten miles west of that place. He at once repaired to the place and held an inquest, as required by law. It was found that the unfortunate person's name was Frank Mowder and that he had in a fit of melancholy insanity shot himself in the forehead, which, it is supposed, killed him instantly. He was discovered by W. J. and James Williams, who were out deer hunting, in a small stream called Owen Creek, with the shot gun between his legs, and himself lying on the bottom of the creek, the water not quite covering his body. It was supposed that when found he had been dead three or four days. A razor and a few buckshot were found in one of his pockets. After the inquest the body was taken charge of by the uncle of deceased, Mr. Wm. Pitney, and given a Christian burial.

Fire at Stayton.

At about half-past two o'clock on Wednesday morning the alarm of fire was sounded, which brought the citizens of Stayton out on the double quick. When first discovered Geo. Rittenour's boot shop was in flames. The flames were soon communicated to A. D. Gardner's drug store, and in less than one-half an hour five buildings were consumed. The following are the losers: Kays saloon building, insured for $500 which was more than it was worth; 1,500 pounds of hops belonging to E. A. Jones; A. D. Gardner's drug store, $2,500; insurance $1,000; Geo. Rittenour's boot shop, $500; no insurance; McKinzie & Jones' meat market, $250; no insurance; G. W. Caspell, blacksmith shop, $300; no insurance. All the material, etc., in the post office was saved by a scratch.

Fatal Accident.

About 1 o'clock on Friday afternoon the middle span of the Oregonian Railway Company's bridge across the North fork of the Santiam, 260 feet in length, was blown down, instantly killing A. L. Reed and badly injuring Frank Compton and John Bates. This bridge is being constructed in three spans of 160, 260 and 95 feet in length, respectively. The span of 160 feet has been completed and the span of 260 feet was partially up resting on false works. This span was carried away by the wind with the fatal result mentioned. A large force of men were engaged at work on the span at the time it was carried away. Trains have heretofore been passing on the false works on a temporary track. The falling of the span tore up the track, which occasioned only about twelve hours' delay. This bridge is being built by contract for the Pacific Bridge Company. This is the same bridge company of which C. H. Gorril is President, and which undertook to build the bridge across the river here from the foot of Morrison street. Perhaps it is well that they did not carry the work any further.

Fire at the Penitentiary.

A fire broke out in the tannery building at the penitentiary on Wednesday, which was gallantly fought by the Salem firemen and the convicts. The three buildings, namely, the tannery, chair factory and stove foundry, with almost all their contents, were a total loss. The only things of value being saved were the patterns at the stove foundry. The buildings all belonged to the State and originally cost about $15,000. The other losses are as follows: J. Stahley, $8,000, insurance $3,000; Patterson & Duval, $4,000, no insurance; loss on the tannery unknown. These different establishments employed about 30 men, from which the State received a reward of $15 per day. This is a severe loss to both the State and private owners. Messrs. Patterson & Duval and J. Stahley had, through hard work and strict attention to business, just secured for themselves a good paying business, which in one day by the fiery fiend is swept away from them, and many are the expressions of regret at their heavy loss. The fire is supposed to have been the work of one of the convicts employed in the tannery, where the fire originated. One Chinaman—a convict—was caught by the fire in the second story of the main building, and jumped from the window to save his life, getting off with a broken leg. Mr. D. L. Green, of the Capital Engine Company No. 1, sustained quite an injury, having one hand badly bruised while working with the engine. Both engines came home disabled. Tigers without a tongue and Capitals with a broken suction apparatus.

Among the Warehouses.

The Dallas *Itemizer* has recently made a tour of the wheat warehouses in Independence. That known as the Farmers' Warehouse in old town is the largest, being 160 feet long by 60 feet wide. The upper story consists of bins, which are already nearly full. Below, the wheat is stacked in sacks with loose wheat "salted' between. In this warehouse, the gentlemanly agent, Mr. W. P. Connaway informs us, there are about 31,000 bushels of old wheat remaining over from last year. He had received up to last Monday, about 27,000 bushels of new wheat, and had some 40,000 or 45,000 bushels to be received within the next few weeks. Messrs. Riess Bros. & Whitaker are receiving a large amount of wheat. Mr. Riess estimates that he will store between 35,000 and 40,000 bushels. Vanduyn & Smith will have, perhaps, 50,000, and Mr. A. Wolf as much more. The storage of wheat at this place, this Fall, will not fall far short of 250,000 bushels. But very little of this immense body of wheat, held by farmers is insured. This fact strikes us with appalling force. Who can estimate the calamity the burning of one or more of these warehouses would bring not only to the wheat owners themselves but to the whole community. The warehousemen themselves keep the wheat they buy insured pretty generally. Perhaps the danger from fire in all these warehouses is as carefully guarded against as any others in the state, but all are subject to the danger.

The Burning of the Olympus.

Captain W. F. Edwards, of the ship Olympus, burned off the coast of Washington Territory on the 14th inst., arrived in the city a few days ago by the Astoria boat en route to San Francisco to settle up the business matters concerning his ship. He said that nothing definite was known as to the origin of the fire. A hatch had been removed in the morning to get up some stores for the steward, and the only theory in regard to the matter which he could form was that a spark from the galley stove pipe may have fallen down the hatchway at that time. In half an hour after the ship was discovered to be on fire, and knowing from the combustible nature of the cargo that it would be useless to put it out, the hatches were immediately battered down and the ventilators closed. The boats were then got out and the War Hawk being in sight bore down, the Captain's wife, daughter and a lady passenger and the crew were transferred to her. The boats then returned and succeeded in saving the effects of the passengers and crew, but nothing more. In an hour the masts went over the side and in a few hours the ship was burned to the water's edge. The Olympus was launched at Seabeck on the 21st of August, 1880, and was built expressly for the lumber trade between the Sound and San Francisco, in which she proved a most profitable investment, having on her last two voyages netted her owners $1,000 per week. She was valued at $75,000 and was insured for about $42,000.

More Fine Stock.

R. D. Hume is the possessor of a large and well equipped stock ranch near Ellensburg, and loses no opportunity to introduce upon it the best breeds of horses, cattle and sheep. Some time ago he brought up the fine draught stallion "Royal George," and also the thoroughbred Durham bull "Earl of Baden." The services of these animals are tendered to the neighbors round about for charges exceedingly low considering the value of the animals kept. Mr. Hume argues that, since Curry county is notoriously a most healthy locality for horses, the introduction and breeding here of thoroughbreds must be attended with more than average success; that is, that the conditions here are more favorable to the thorough development of the best points attainable in blooded stock than elsewhere within the range of his knowledge, and we believe his conclusions are not without the best foundation. He has lately purchased in California, "Blanche Hull," a thoroughbred flyer, and brought her with a colt by her side sired by "Thad. Stevens." These constitute the first importation of thoroughbred horses into the county.—*Port Orford Post.*

Columbia Commercial College.

This institution, although of only recent advent, is fast receiving and filling up with scholars. Their facilities are good and by no means meagre. Their rooms are situated on the southwest corner of Front and Washington streets, in a brick building. Their suit of rooms consist of a large, airy and comfortable room, which is the school room proper; across the hall is the business office and reception rooms. Everything is arranged for the convenience and comfort of the pupils. The course of study consists of commercial studies and book keeping. Each branch included in the course is thoroughly taught so as to give the student an idea of practical business operations. We were pleased, in looking through the rooms, with the general appearance of comfort. Mr. W. S. James, assisted by Mr. Hawes, comprise at present the corpse of instructors. The gentlemen are both quite well known throughout our State. The scholarships in Columbia college are placed at $50, and are good for six months tuition in the day school or one year's tuition at the night session. Send for circulars per advertisement in this issue.

WE read that there is an early demand in various directions for dried fruit, and as the fruit crop of the Eastern States has suffered greatly in the recent long drouth, we may reasonably expect that good dried fruits of all kinds will bring a fair price. So those who have them can afford to hold them awhile, as that is a product that is sure to be in demand later. The apple crop is smaller with us than usual, but for all that thousands of bushels will go to waste unless made into dried fruit. As this year promises to see a greater demand than usual in this direction we hope those who have dryers will keep them in use. Any who are not provided already may do well to address J. W. Crawford, Salem, Oregon, who manufactures the improved Plummer dryers of all grades.

WE call attention to the card of the Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company, A. McKinnie, agent, which appears to be doing the chief business in life insurance at this time. Mr. McKinnie is a wide awake business man and is making a great success of life insurance. It is, we think, a duty every man owes to his family to make some provision in case of his death, and if he has not means to leave them independent the best thing he can do is to take out a policy in some first class company, for sufficient to benefit them, within his means of course. If you wish to insure we can recommend the Pacific Mutual as worthy of your consideration.

WE call the attention of persons interested, to the advertisement of Wm. Lee, veterinary surgeon, who is now filling his appointments in this valley. Mr. Lee has extraordinary success in the particular line he operates, and as there are many "ridgling" horses in the world and they are an annoyance in that condition, men who own them will no doubt be glad of an opportunity to have them altered, especially when by an experienced surgeon who not only makes a sure and certain operation with little danger of loss, but gives the animal back ready for work. Mr. Lee considers it an advantage to have the animal kept at regular work.

THE latest novelty in insurance is a Marriage Insurance company; and for further particulars see their advertisement. They seem to have rushed directly into a great business, as they claim to have taken policies for $5,000,000 in the first month. The way it is, the insured pays $1.50 per month on each $1,000 he is insured, not to exceed $3,000, and he is not to marry within six months, but when he shall marry after that he gets his money to the amount bargained for. For particulars send an inquiry to A. S. Gross, Secretary, Portland, and you will get full particulars direct.

WE are in receipt of a complimentary invitation to the Union County Agricultural Association, which holds its ninth annual fair on the grounds of the society, near La Grande, beginning October 10th and continuing five days. The racing programme is good and the display of produce in that section is always good, and there will be an extensive display of live stock. We shall be there.

MR. WM. WELLS, of Buena Vista, in a letter to us under date of September 22d, has the following to say in regard to the hop crop in that section: "The hop crop is all harvested and the yield and quality is fully up to the expectation of growers. The weather has been favorable during the harvest."

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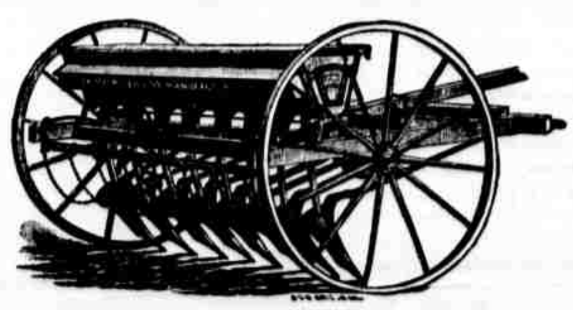

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