

News Department.

Telegraphic News.

Gen. Miles has wound up the Apache war already; the Indians who have committed murders are captured, and will be punished as they deserve.

A great fire in the Chicago stock yards destroyed \$1,250,000, principally the property of the Chicago Packing Company. One fireman was killed and several injured. It was a terrific blaze. Six hundred hogs were burned alive.

Some newspaper fiend got up a paragraph that Jeff Davis disapproved of the order for the return of the rebel flags, but the old ex-rebel denies it, and stands by the order—of course he does. Attorney-General Garland disapproved of the order, and said only Congress had the right to dispose of them. Secretary-of-War Endicott, who is a Mugwump from Massachusetts, first suggested this disposal of the captured flags, and the President is said to be very angry at him for getting him into such a scrape and lowering his popularity, as has been the result.

The Warm Springs reservation, in Crook county, Oregon, is to be divided among the Indians in severalty, but there is but very little good soil on that reservation.

The Fidelity National Bank, of Cincinnati, has failed, in consequence of the break up of the Chicago wheat deal, though it was not reliably sound before that. Its officers are under arrest, charged with fraud.

One hundred thousand Catholics, in mass meeting at New York, telegraphed to Rome their protest against the threatened excommunication of Dr. McGlynn. They stand by him and deny the right of church interference with the political rights of American citizens.

Dr. McGlynn calls the church at Rome the "Romish machine," and says Americans send "Peter's pence" to support an army of lackeys and flunkies who surround the Pope with barbaric pomp equal to a despotic court.

Wm. K. Vanderbilt will sail around the world with a select party, in his steam yacht, the "Alice."

A British ship of war is ordered to Honolulu, and if any revolution arises after its arrival, it will protect the existing government.

The directors of the Panama canal have sent a competent man to examine the work, and his report is unfavorable. There is little on hand, and no possibility of completing the work with any means possible to command. No doubt this will prove a failure, and the Nicaragua route will be worked by American capital.

The Mayor of Dublin has been superseded because he ran up the black flag on Jubilee day, when all England rejoiced.

Catholics bishops of Ireland denounce the coercion bill now on its passage.

King Otto, of Bavaria, is hopelessly insane, but has not the sense to drown himself, as his brother, King Leopold, did.

On Friday, a panic, almost, took place in Wall street, New York, and stocks declined 5 to 15 cents on the dollar, causing much excitement, but towards night the market grew stronger, and stocks advanced again.

This June was the rainiest ever known in the history of New York city.

Prof. James Freeman Clarke, the Unitarian minister of Rochester, is dead at 78 years of age.

The N. Y. Star suggests that the rebel flags be deposited in the Grant monument whenever it is built and ready to receive them.

A sensational story comes over the wires about a French baron, who is imprisoned in the old country by relatives while on a visit. It seems he had declared his intention of becoming an American citizen.

\$5,000,000 gold will be shipped to England within the next ten days.

Blaine is being entertained by the Queen in London.

Employees of the Standard Oil Company are on a strike, and unless amicably settled will keep 20,000 men out of employment.

The San Francisco Examiner says that there are prospects for another trans-Pacific steamship line from San Francisco to Victoria. The Canadian Pacific railroad cannot obtain dock room desired, so are about completing arrangements with the Pacific Coast Steamship Company.

A San Francisco dispatch says that man-of-war ships are heading towards Honolulu, evidently expecting trouble.

Mrs. Langtry has called upon the U. S. Commissioner at San Francisco, and has declared her intention of becoming an American citizen.

Marshfield, Wis., has been entirely destroyed by fire. Loss, \$3,000,000.

Mrs. Langtry is in San Francisco, and crowded houses are greeting her. She is reported as not much improved in acting since her last visit.

A stage robber in California, near Forest City, ordered a stage driver and one passenger to halt. Not halting, Mr. Robber took a shot at them and wounded the passenger. No arrests.

It is estimated, says an exchange, that there are fully 200,000 sheep in Yakima county, which, at the average wool yield for this year of 7 1/2 pounds a head, would amount to 1,450,000 pounds, and at 20 cents per pound, a valuation of \$290,000, or from this source alone there would be a wealth of about \$83 per capita in the county.

State and Territorial News.

Some young men are determined to illuminate Mt. Hood this time, as they will take up 100 lbs. of red fire to be fired off Fourth of July evening. They will start for the mountain Friday.

The rivers are nearly on a stand, and it is hoped they will not rise higher. The water in Portland is within about two feet of front street floors, and the backwater so far has done little harm.

While sailing on the Columbia at the Dalles, owing to the boat being crowded and some of the parties acting too rough, the boat upset, and Eddie Snipes and Mollie Hay, each 20 years old, drowned. The rest clung to the boat and escaped.

Seattle is to have free delivery, if inspectors of the Postal Department report in favor of the same.

The Canadian Pacific is making lower rates from San Francisco East for many articles, and getting liberal orders.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission will soon come to the Pacific coast.

Some Portland men have incorporated to construct a cable road, probably to climb the hills back of the city.

One hundred elk skins came in one lot from Gray's Harbor last week.

A fire at Dayton, W. T., last week caused a loss of \$115,000.

A disastrous fire at the Comstock mines in the Gould & Curry claim, imprisoned a large number of miners, and it will take several days to run a drift to strike them, as it is through hard porphyry rock. Little hope is felt that they will be found alive.

Young peaches are so numerous in the orchards of Ashland that the owners are obliged to pick them off to save the trees from breaking.

Josephine county will have a three-fourths crop of peaches and about the same of apples. Many orchards in favored localities are not hurt by frosts.

Grant's pass paper: Grain and hay crops are better in Josephine county this year than last, and grass is much better.

All along the road leading from this place to Waldo there are the best crops of grain we have ever seen in this country, says the Grant's Pass Courier. Rye is particularly good. Of fruit there will be enough for home consumption.

Stockmen are more inclined to decrease the stock on the ranges this year than formerly, says the Baker City Democrat. They see the necessity of devoting more care to their herds, and also are beginning to understand when they are receiving a fair price for their commodity.

Wasco Sun: Extensive coal croppings have been found on the west bank of John Day river.

A prohibition league has been organized at Milton.

Gen. E. L. Applegate will deliver the Fourth of July oration in Ashland.

The fruit crop in the vicinity of Hubbard will be somewhat below the average of former years.

The hay crop about Hubbard, Marion county, will be scant. The clover crop will average with the crops of former years.

Rev. G. W. Gibney, of the Princeton Theological Seminary, has accepted the charge of the First Presbyterian church at Lebanon.

In the vicinity of Damascus, Clackamas county, fruit crops will be short. Pears are almost a failure, and some of the trees are injured.

Bunchgrass Blade: The Blue mountain ranges are covered with sheep, and the usual summer mixing and quarrelling has commenced.

The straw in the grainfields toward Arlington will be short this year. The heads, however, are plump and well filled. The harvest is ripening slowly, which pleases the farmers and insures good returns.

Elvin Miller killed a white deer on Brushy Ball, says a Curry county paper. The hoofs are also white. Mr. Miller has refused an offer of \$10 for the skin. These skins are very rare, and pass among the Indians for big money.

A great deal of wheat which last year was intended for the granary, went into hay stacks, says the Milton Eagle. This year the reverse is true, and a great deal of the volunteer crop, intended for hay, looked too fine for that, and is destined to go into sacks.

The editor of the Dalles Times-Mountaineer learns that John A. Aldridge has been shot by L. C. Perry, a sheep man on the Deschutes river, above Prineville. The wound is supposed to be fatal, and the sheriff and a physician had left for the scene of the shooting. The trouble arose over land matters, and has been of long duration.

Helix correspondence of the Western Leader: The June rains have caused everything in this vicinity to look green and beautiful. The outlook for an abundant harvest never was better in these parts.

Anthracite coal in quantity has been found near Lake Kaches, Kittitas county.

The stockholders of the Klickitat County Agricultural Society have decided to hold the next annual fair on the 28th, 29th and 30th of September.

The meeting for 1887 of the Whitman County Agricultural Fair Association, will be held on the grounds near Colfax, beginning October 4th and ending October 8th. The speed programme is one which will insure the attendance of some fast horses, as purses to the amount of \$3,110 will be hung.

A fierce fire at Pullman, in the Palouse country, destroyed \$60,000 worth of property, which is quite a set-back to the growing town.

THE OREGON PACIFIC.

The Proposed Connection of this Company at Boise City—Work Begun—Amount of Business.

William B. Rice, general traveling agent of the Oregon Pacific, was in the city Tuesday. Mr. Rice is greatly elated over the prospects of the railroad which he represents. He states that work in earnest has begun on the line from Albany to Boise City. On Monday the apparatus and workmen for work between Albany and the Santiam were taken to the scene of operations. The road will be pushed rapidly to completion, and will be built as far as possible before the winter sets in. The greatest difficulty in the construction is the Cascade mountains. These, however, will not be so hard nor so expensive to cross as was the Coast range. It will be necessary to construct but two tunnels, one something over two hundred and the second over three hundred feet in length.

When Boise City is reached, the Oregon Pacific will then be joined by the western extension of the Chicago & Northwestern. This railroad corporation, possessed of great capital and energy, is rapidly pushing its road west, an outlet to the Pacific coast having been deemed by it necessary. When the roads are joined, this will be the shortest transcontinental line by 400 miles. The advantage which it will possess over its rival lines by reason of its shorter length will be easily apparent.

The contract for the construction of the roundhouse at Albany has been let, and the car shops, which will also be situated at that point, will be built in the near future.

The past season's traffic of the Oregon Pacific has been especially prosperous. Running a through line from Portland to San Francisco, by means of steamboat from Portland to Albany, the railroad to the ocean, and then by steamer to San Francisco, a very lucrative trade has been obtained. The rate per ton so deeply into the trade of the Oregon & California that the latter corporation has been forced in self-protection to reduce its rate to this city to \$2.10 per ton. This reduction, however, has not been sufficient to take from the O. P. any part of its trade. The competition of the O. R. & N. boats, however, is lively. But the Oregon Pacific's boats are of such light draught that the company confidently expects to run the Bentley and, if necessary, the Three Sisters, between Portland and Albany the summer through, without interruption of traffic by reason of low water.

The amount of business done by the company during the past season is surprising. About 1,500,000 bushels of wheat were shipped to San Francisco for one firm alone, besides a very large amount of freight both to and from that and other points. That this road will eventually command by far the greater portion of the carrying for this entire valley, above Portland, there is no doubt.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION.—The railroad commission continued in session yesterday. So far, no business of any importance has been transacted. The board will to-day leave for Hubbard, and will from that point proceed to inspect the road bed of the narrow gauge, a report that the road was in bad condition having reached its ears. The commission will not meet again in Salem until July 5th. The following letter in reference to a communication sent to Wallis Nash, vice president of the Oregon Pacific, touching certain bridges which were reported to be in bad condition, and which Mr. Nash answered as stated, has been transmitted to William Hoag, general manager of the Oregon Pacific: "The board of railroad commissioners desires to be informed if the letter addressed to it by Mr. Wallis Nash, 13th inst., and published by him in the Oregonian of the 12th inst., is intended by your company to assure the board of compliance with its recommendations in regard to the temporary bridges on your line."

NEW ROPE WORKS.—There has been formed in Portland an incorporation whose stockholders are Messrs. W. S. Ladd, C. H. Lewis, H. W. Corbett, Henry Felling, Donald Macleay, and W. B. Ayer, which shall be known as the Portland Cordage company, with a capital stock of \$100,000. All preliminaries have been arranged and the work of building will commence before August 1st. The company has bought the machinery of the Molson Cordage company, which was burnt out last summer. The capacity of the new works will be about one-third larger than the Molson company.

PLANETARY CONJUNCTION.—At 10 o'clock on the evening of July 4th the radiant evening star, Venus, as she moves eastward from the sun, approaches very near the first-magnitude star, Regulus, and will be in conjunction. The celestial picture will be interesting to witness. The western sky will be the scene of the spectacle. At the time of conjunction there will be only 1 degree 14 seconds of blue sky intervening between the two stars. On the 15th of August, Venus, as evening star, will attain her greatest brilliancy, when she may be seen at midday. The Youth's Companion is our authority for the above.

INVITATION EXTENDED.—Governor Penoyer has received from the famous Tammany or Columbian society of New York an invitation to be present on the occasion of the 99th celebration by that order of the anniversary of our national independence, in the great wigwag in New York, Monday, July 4th, at 10 o'clock a. m., and to deliver an address suitable to the event. The governor has been forced to decline the invitation.

MUST PRESENT CERTIFICATE.—The STATESMAN is requested to state that by the new school law, whenever teachers desiring schools make application to any board of directors, such application must be accompanied by their certificate to teach.

Indications are that the imprisoned miners in the Comstock mines at Virginia City are dead.

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