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TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

PORTLAND POINTS.

Miss Annandale's Generosity and Its Reward—Cleveland Money Still Plentiful and Untaken—The Democratic Rally—Sol Abrams Wins a Suit.

PORTLAND, Nov. 4, 1888.—The big suit of Sol Abrams vs. the Oregon & California Railroad Company terminated yesterday at 11 o'clock, when the jury brought in a verdict for the plaintiff for \$3,623.88. The amount asked for was \$23,958.33, for services as right of way agent and for lumber and supplies furnished at time of construction of the above road.

Portland Democrats wound up the national campaign, so far as this city is concerned, with a big rally last night. It was conducted under the auspices of the Iroquois club and Tammany society. After a magnificent street parade a crowd of at least 1500 people congregated at the Tabernacle, where the most enthusiastic political meeting of the campaign was held. Splendid speeches were made by Col. Effenger, Governor Ponnover, Ex-Governor Grover and Fred V. Holman.

Betting on the national event is still lively in this city. Fully ten thousand dollars was put up yesterday. Bets are now even on the general result, \$100 to \$75 that California will go Republican, and \$100 to \$85 that New York will go Democratic. But Cleveland money goes begging in Portland, there is no doubt about that. Mr. Gunst informed your reporter yesterday that there was \$5,000 in his hands to bet on Cleveland, and that he was not hampered by instructions to make nothing less than \$1,000 bets as parties are who claim to have so much Republican money. "Bring me one of those fellows, who profess to have \$2,000 or \$10,000 Harrison money with the 'nothing less than \$1,000' string on it, and I will guarantee to make him take water every time."

Miss Lizzie Annandale, one of the prima donnas of the Emma Abbott Opera Company, made herself dear to the telegraphers of America during the great strike of 1887 by turning over to the relief committee of the Brotherhood of operators the proceeds of a concert which she gave, amounting to \$3,000, and her personal check for \$500. Since that time Miss Annandale has been held in grateful remembrance by operators in every nook and corner of the United States, and has received many substantial tokens of their appreciation. At the matinee yesterday, during the production of "Martha," a magnificent floral piece was presented to Miss Annandale by the grateful operators of this city. The design was unique, original and very beautiful, being a floral representation of a telegraph pole, about four feet high, constructed of white cypress-branches. Over the top of the pole was a horse shoe of lovely pink and white roses, and depending from the cross arms were the figures in heliotrope, "73", which, with operators, is "accept our compliments." The base which supported the pole was of tea roses and smilax, in which was neatly worked with different colored flowers the letters "P. O."—Portland office. Just as Miss Annandale was about to respond to an encore, the tribute was pushed upon the stage. The prima donna stepped close up to the box at the right, where were seated a number of operators, smiled sweetly, bowed in grateful acknowledgment, gazed a moment on the beautiful gift, and proceeded with the performance.

MINE EXPLOSION.

Fifteen Men Killed, and Others Fatally Injured.

LOCK HAVEN, Pa., Nov. 5.—An explosion occurred last night in the Kettle Coal Company's mine, three miles west of this city. The explosion occurred in a new drift, in which twenty persons were at work. As soon as possible after the explosion, the mine was entered, and fifteen dead bodies were taken out. Four other men were badly injured, and have been since found, one of whom has died. Others are likely to die. The force of the explosion is shown in the fact that bodies were blown clear out of the mouth of the drift.

CALIFORNIA.

Both Parties Claiming a Victory—The Estimates of Leading Papers.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 5.—Comparatively speaking this is the eve before election. Advances from different parts of the state are to the effect that the campaign virtually ended last night with large public demonstrations. Representatives of both parties have given estimates of the result, and both claim it has a large majority. The Chronicle estimates Harrison's plurality at 16,000. The Examiner prints an estimate gathered by correspondents, and says the Democratic plurality will be 2635.

A HORRIBLE CRIME.

A Drunken Man Kills His Wife While Sitting Up with a Dead Child.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 5.—Thomas Kane fatally stabbed his wife yesterday. The woman was sitting up with a dead child. Kane, who had been drinking heavily, came into the room and accused her of laughing. She denied the accusation, but without further argument he drew a knife and thrust it into her abdomen.

A Murder Near Pasadena.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 5.—A young Italian was shot dead in Sycamore canyon last night near Pasadena. Two young men named Cashin and Smith are under arrest for the deed. The trouble arose about hunting on private grounds.

Gun Accident.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 5.—Yesterday, near the Four Mile house, on the Mission road, Jennie White accidentally discharged a shot-gun, and blew the whole top of her head off. She playfully picked up the gun, saying she wanted to be a man.

A One-Sided Game.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 5.—Fifteen thousand people witnessed the baseball game between the Americas and Chicagos yesterday. It was very much a one-sided victory for the Americas, the score being 14 to 1.

A Ladies' Seminary Burned.

GODFREY, Ill., Nov. 5.—The Monticello Ladies' Seminary burned yesterday. All pupils escaped. The loss is one hundred and fifty thousand dollars; insurance seventy-five thousand.

A TRIP TO THE COAL REGIONS.

An East Oregonian Representative Visits the Regions of Coal, and Gives a Lengthy Description of His Travels and Experiences—What the Future May Bring.

Friday morning, a party consisting of A. D. Stillman, Charles Chapman, C. J. Carlson, and an EAST OREGONIAN representative, armed themselves with overcoats, guns, and a rig, and proceeded in the direction of the coal mines on the head of Butter creek, some forty-five miles from Pendleton.

At least the above were the names of members of the party in every-day life; but on this trip they were known by different "cognomens." Stillman became the poet of the party, and was dubbed "Shakespeare," a title which he fully earned by going into elegant and eloquent rhapsodies over everything which could serve as a stimulus for his poetic imagination. Chapman was the "expert", and well did he deserve his name by delivering a series of lectures on the different formations, burned and unburned districts, volcanic upheavals, etc., evidenced in the country as the party passed along. Carlson was the "weather prophet" of the expedition, and was always predicting a ceasing of the rain and a rising of the fog, with a patient persistence, which was only equalled on the first day of the trip by the facility with which the rain didn't cease, and the fog didn't raise at his bidding. But the E. O. representative must not be forgotten. He was called "Doctor Clark," and the name stuck to him during the whole journey.

In fact, it was a jolly crowd, and its members turned every incident of the trip, bright or dark, into a means for enjoyment.

The journey from Pendleton through Pilot Rock to Nye postoffice was made without incident, save the disagreeable one of a drizzling rain. Nye was found to be a "town" which consisted of a postoffice, grocery store and hotel, all combined into one building. It has the honor of being named for one of Pendleton's prominent citizens, A. W. Nye, and also the futher distinction of being the only place of that name in the whole United States. Here the party stopped for dinner, and were cordially welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wright. The E. O. representative was introduced as "Doctor Clark," and the good housewife was told that the doctor was going to Mountain valley to see a patient, and was in very much of a hurry for his dinner. The ruse was a successful, and the meal, a splendid one, by the way, was soon forthcoming. The doctor was assigned to the head of the table, and treated with utmost deference and courtesy by the host and hostess, who evinced an anxious desire to learn the name of the patient he intended to visit; but the doctor for many reasons was unable to satisfy their curiosity. He in all respects, however, conducted himself in a manner becoming an experienced physician who had a reputation to sustain, and was thereafter introduced as "Doctor Clark" at every place visited, to give tone and importance to the party and its members, and indeed the doctor needed only such a title to become a very distinguished-looking personage.

Leaving Nye, the trip was through a succession of hills and valleys and canyons, some of the land on what is known as the "Ridge" being as level as a billiard table, and seemingly suited for all purposes of husbandry. Stock and sheep-raising were of course the main pursuit of settlers in the region visited, with agriculture in the background. The luxuriant bunch-grass, famed for its nutritious qualities, was noticeable for its absence on unfenced ranges, the cattleman's enemy, the sheep, having cropped the grasses down to nothingness, and kept them there. Once in a while, on a piece of pasture stoutly fenced, the bunch-grass would loom up with a faint portion of its former attractiveness, but such places were few and far between.

After passing over a succession of ridges and valleys, assailed the while by a ceaseless rain, sometimes quite violent, the expedition reached Mountain Valley and rest.

It was now nearing night, and the party found supper and indescribable comfort after the trip through the rain at the house of Mr. J. S. Gurdane in the Little Potts, a hospitable old gentleman of whom the country furnishes the only type. After supper, the evening was spent in story-telling, in which accomplishment the host was an adept. He had been a soldier, a sailor, a trapper, and a hunter, during his career, and had many and varied experiences to relate. Chapman was the only one in the party who could hold a candle to the old gentleman in relating anecdotes. The prophet tried it, fell back in dismay, and Chapman was compelled to take up the

endings, and draw on his imagination for assistance whenever needful, a process which was repeated quite often. The old gentleman came out victorious, however, although the expert struggled nobly and acquitted himself admirably. It was a very pleasant evening, and one which will be long remembered by those who participated in the jesting, laughter, mirth and jollity. Many of the stories told would be well worthy of preservation, should space permit.

Morning opened, bright, frosty and clear, in marked contrast to the drizzling, disagreeable rain of the previous day. The bracing mountain air imparted an exhilaration to the being and filled the soul with cheerfulness. After breakfast the party proceeded toward the objective point of the trip, the coal regions.

All the previous day the expert, and indeed, every one, had been watching the formation of the country, and the quality of the rock visible along the route. It was noticed that it was evidently a "burnt" formation, heated in ages past, until the rocks, formerly sandstone, became cracked and broken. It was now observed that the features of the country had entirely changed on entering Mountain Valley. Here and there were discovered monster ledges of sandstone, in its original state, and the presence of slate in large quantities underneath the soil became another evidence that the soil and its contents had not been burned by volcanic eruptions. This, according to the expert, was an indication of coal, an opinion borne out by that of other persons who have visited that region, including a geological sharp sent out by the government. His sayings are well remembered by the people of Mountain Valley, who are much interested in the coal question.

The old White sawmill was soon reached, and a short distance from here was the coal claim of the Carlson brothers. A prospect hole had been excavated here, uncovering a well-defined coal blossom and also several veins of the black diamond, three or four inches thick, composed of a black mass, seemingly sparkling and pure, but crumbling at the touch. It was pronounced by the expert to be a good quality for a "blossom," and led him to believe that coal in considerable quantities might be discovered a distance beneath the surface, and underlying portions of the whole unburned district. This could only be proven, however, by excavating or drilling into the soil.

From here the party visited the mine of the Umatilla County Coal Company, four or five miles further back into the mountains, and situated in a heavily timbered country. At one place along the road, in a little gulch, a small ledge of good-looking coal cropped from the mountain side, and other evidences of the presence of the black diamond were not wanting. The mine was reached after a trip through the thick forest, the beauty of whose splendid trees called forth many expressions of unbounded admiration from the poet, which indeed were not without foundation. While the glory of spring, with its fresh green grass, forest flowers of innumerable variety, and verdure-carpeted earth, had flown, there was left in its place the solemn, mystic grandeur of a forest in autumn, and the tamarack trees, with their golden-hued verdure, were not without a certain beauty also.

The mine consisted of a log cabin, an unworked tunnel, filled with water, stretching some 130 feet into the depths of an over-throwing hill, and a windlass and drill. The latter has lately been in operation, and with it, about thirty feet below the surface, a thick vein of coal had been struck, its width, however, being unascertainable by the means employed. It is believed to be the intention of the company to sink a shaft into this vein, by which means its extensiveness can be fully discovered. The tunnel here is not the only one in the neighborhood, there being two or three more scattered among the gulches, showing that the country had been examined considerably by coal-hunters. In each case it was learned that the workers unearthed a very small vein at the start, and that it widened gradually on being followed into the mountain side, although the tunnels were invariably discontinued before coal was found in paying quantities. That of the company, the longest one driven, was started with a three-inch vein, which widened by degrees into eighteen inches of solid coal before operations ceased, after one hundred and thirty feet had been driven.

All things considered, it seems that there is coal in unknown quantities, scattered in the region visited. If it can be shown that the black diamond is present in extensive quantities, a railroad tapping that region is not an improbability of the future. And coal would not be the country's only resource to be developed by the iron horse. The innumerable sandstone ledges found among the hills would make the finest quarries in the world. Immense slabs of solid stone could be easily unearthed for building purposes, and the supply would be practically inexhaustible. The timber, too, which is found in almost inexhaustible quantities, would be another consideration. It is alike to many another region which only needs a railroad to open its resources.

Well, having served its purpose, the party of prospectors went home the way they came, to dream of the not improbable possibilities of the future in the way of extensive coal mines, magnificent lumber fields and colossal stone quarries, all tributary to Pendleton, and bound to the metropolis of Eastern Oregon by parallel bars of steel, serving as a race-course for the iron horse. It is an air-castle, but may some day be realized.