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The Postal Telegraph.

The Senate Committee on Post-offices and Post-roads, in their report of Jan. 31st reported back a bill to establish a postal telegraph system throughout the Union, and expressed the belief that the time had come for connecting the telegraph with the mail service. They say that America is the only country in which correspondence is entrusted solely to private corporations. The investment in proportion to the length of the lines is large, the rates are higher, and telegraph less used than in most European countries, though there is no nation where it could be used to so great an advantage.

In all other countries the charges are uniform for the same distance. Here they vary in different sections, and are higher at the South than at the West, and higher at the West than at the East, and therefore discriminate against those sections more from the unfrequency of the mails and the means of communication. The telegraph is most needed. The average cost of constructing telegraph lines in this country is \$279 per mile. The average cost in five European countries is \$75 to the mile. It is not to be asserted that the lines can be built as cheap here as in Europe, but there is no reason for this great difference. High rates are most required in this country to yield fair returns upon the nominal investment. Competition has reduced the tariff between a few competing points, but at an increase of capital and private expense. The only permanent remedy for this evil is a large reduction of capital, the consolidation of competing lines and a reduction of office expenses by uniting with the Post Office, and by pre-payment of telegrams with stamps. This will enable a great reduction to be made in the salaries of employees, with a corresponding reduction of the private expenses on each message, and will extend the benefit of the telegraph to all classes and remove the causes of competing in telegraphing.

The committee give a statement of the capital, earnings and expenses of Western Union Company, and allude to the Belgian and British lines, and say that they do not feel justified, in the present condition of our financial resources, to recommend a Government telegraph which would involve the expenditure of from eighteen to twenty millions of dollars for the lines of but one company, and an annual tax upon all the people for the sake of the few who use the telegraph. The advantages of the system recommended are in the reduced rates, as is shown by the annexed tables, in uniform rates for equal distances, and in fixed rates for press news, and in establishing as a right that which is now enjoyed as a favor. The telegraph companies have already agreed to the purchase of all their lines by the United States, according to an act already passed. The Committee conclude by saying that the postal telegraph system will depend for its success upon the economy with which it is managed.

A BEAUTIFUL SENTIMENT.--In Augustin Daly's great play of "Under the Gaslight," Laura Courtland utters these beautiful sentiments:

"Let the woman you look upon be wise or vain, beautiful or homely, rich or poor, she has but one thing she can really give or refuse--her heart. Her beauty, her wit, her accomplishments, she may sell to you--but her love is the treasure without money and without price. She only asks in return that when you look upon her, your eyes shall speak a mute devotion; that when you address her, your voice shall be gentle, loving and kind. That you shall not despise her because she cannot understand, all at once, your vigorous thoughts and ambitious plans, for when misfortune and evil have defeated your greatest purposes--her love remains to console you. You look up to the trees for strength and grandeur; do not despise the flowers because their fragrance is all they have to give. Remember, love is all that a woman can give--but it is the only earthly thing which God permits us to carry beyond the grave."

HOME EDUCATION.--I should not hesitate to attribute greater importance to home education than to school education; for it is beneath the parental roof, when the heart is young, and melted by the warmth of fireside affection, that the deepest impressions are made; it is at home, beneath parental influence and example, that the foundations of physical, moral and mental habits are laid; it is at home where lasting opinions are formed. School instructions can never supersede the necessity of vigilant parental leading and training at the fireside.

A Dutchman in Toledo, who has been in the saloon business, has been compelled to suspend payment. The typographical fraternity were heavily indebted to him, as his books testified in the following entries: "Der Pig Brinter;" "Der Laim Brinter;" "Der Leetle Brinter;" "Der Brinter mit der red hair;" "Der Brinter mit hair not roost so red;" "Der Pen Patlier Brinter;" "Der Tyfel;" and a dozen other euphonious descriptions.

[Correspondence of the Chicago Evening Post.]

The Trichinæ Casualty in Illinois.

DELVIDERE, ILL., Jan. 1.

I am enabled to send you, this morning, a detailed and accurate account of the terrible cases of trichinæ spiralis now existing in the town of Hampshire, Kane county, about eighteen miles south-east of this city. Various statements have been published in relation thereto, nearly all of which contain errors.

The farm on which these cases originated is owned by M. S. Molony, Esq., who resides the greater part of the time in New York city. Mr. G. W. Downs, of this place, has charge of various pieces of property belonging to Molony, among them this Kane county farm. Mr. Downs has been absent for a week at this frightful suffering, engaged in attending to the wants of the afflicted people as far as possible, and returned last evening. From him I learn what follows:

The family living on Molony's farm, as also the families on several of those adjacent, are Germans. Last fall the former turned in a sow to fat, the animal being one and a half years old, and which had dropped a litter of pigs in the summer. She was killed about three weeks ago, and was in fair condition, neither poor nor very fat, and apparently healthy. A part of the animal was cut into hams, and a portion made into Bologna sausages.

The family began eating the meat, and gave some to the neighbors, all using it without cooking. In three or four days, several members of the family were taken sick. Dr. Messick, of Marengo, was called, but after a few days, as he was at a loss to determine the character of the disease, Dr. Green of the same town was employed, who immediately pronounced it trichinæ. In two weeks ten persons had been seized with the malady. Four have died, five cannot possibly live, and one has but the very faintest show for recovery.

After the death of a young woman Dr. Green dissected a piece of flesh from her thigh, and also obtained a piece of the meat identical with that eaten, and took the parts to Elgin, where they were placed under a magnifying glass, with an enlarging power of six hundred times, and subjected to a searching examination. The parasites were discovered in innumerable quantities. It is estimated that they existed to the number of a million (?) to the cubic inch. As seen under the glass they appear to be an inch long, flat and with heads.

The patients suffer fearful agony. They have their senses and describe the sensation they experience, to be like the acutest rheumatic pains. When moved in the slightest manner their sufferings are intense. Their eyes are glassy and protruding, and their mouths parched.

Seven physicians from Elgin, Marengo, Sycamore and other places, have visited the dying victims. The attending physician, Dr. Green, an experienced and able practitioner, says there is no ascertained method of treating trichinæ, and that whatever is done must be of a nature wholly experimental. He has little hope of curing those under his care, but may be able to arrive at results which will benefit future sufferers.

The trichinæ are taken into the stomach with the food in a dormant condition. In about three days thereafter, being vitalized, they are found to have made their way into the muscles of the patient's body. There they commence the work of destruction, and continue it until the muscles are consumed. They breed and die every three days, and multiply by thousands. The only time when the patient is free from pain is during the hours when the change is taking place. The duration of the sufferer's life is measured only by his capacity for endurance, being usually from three days to a week.

IMPURITIES OF THE ATMOSPHERE.--The close attention which has been paid of late to the constituents of water, as bearing upon the health of towns and cities, has been productive of important results in preventing, or at least mitigating, the attacks of certain forms of disease. Similar investigations that have been undertaken in regard to the atmosphere, promise equally useful results. Few persons realize the extent which the gases of manufactories and other agencies vitiate the atmosphere. Thus, in the examination of rain water, at Manchester, about eight grains of sulphuric acid to the gallon were detected; and near certain alkali works in that city, the number amounted to over fifteen grains per gallon. It is not surprising, therefore, in view of the presence of this ingredient, that stone, employed in buildings or out-of-door statuary, in manufacturing towns, should so readily become decayed.

A drunkard was found lying in a Pottsville graveyard, and when taken in charge by an officer, he claimed to be a petrified giant.

An Irish absentee is said to have sent this comforting message to his steward: "Tell the tenants that no threats to shoot you will terrify me."

State News.

Salem.

[Daily Statesman, February 13th.]

Yesterday afternoon, the residence of Mr. McAlpin took fire in the roof. It was fortunately discovered by some of the neighbors, who succeeded in subduing the flames before much damage was done, and without calling on the department for assistance.

Ira P. Thrasher, who worked on the Salem and Astoria Road in 1859, went to San Francisco in '60, returned to Oregon in the following spring and has not been heard from since. Any one who knows anything about him, whether living or not, will do a good deed by writing to this office.

A friend from Dalles informs us that one day last week three young men of that place, having procured a bottle of whisky, stole some chickens and repaired to an Indian camp near by, which was occupied by an old Siwash and two squaws. They wanted to cook their chickens by the fire, but were denied the privilege. Becoming enraged to find these poor creatures more honorable than themselves, they set upon the Indians with clubs and the bottle and beat them severely. The squaws escaped to a neighboring farm house, gave the alarm, and the men of the family when they reached the camp, found the old man nearly beaten to death. Two of the actors in this disgraceful scene have absconded, the third preferred a charge of assault against himself and was fined by a Justice of the Peace.

While a party of little boys were playing about the water of North Mill Creek, yesterday afternoon, Wiley Moore, son of Hon. I. R. Moore, fell in the creek. The stream at that point is rather deep and very swift, and the little fellow was carried down a distance of nearly a hundred yards. Mr. J. Q. Wilson, who was near by, heard the cries of his comrades and ran to the spot, but before reaching him, the boy had been carried to a shallow spot near the town bridge and had gained a footing. As he was chilled through, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Clagget wrapped him in a blanket and carried him home, where a dry suit of clothes and a liberal dose of ginger tea had so good an effect that before night Wiley reported himself at this office all right, and the cheerful possessor of that unpopular article among little boys--a well washed face.

The workmen employed at removing the old buildings from the new hotel site have taken the middle part of the building to pieces. The ends are two separate frames which were simply shedded together. They will be hauled away immediately.

Dr. J. R. Bayley, Supervisor of Internal Revenue, passed up the river on yesterday's boat. He has been to Washington in connection with the duties of his office, and has returned to look after the interests of his Uncle Samuel in those parts.

Marshal Glover arrested a man yesterday afternoon as a nuisance, and consigned him to the quiet and seclusion of the Hotel de Reynolds until this morning, when he will be brought before the Recorder. The man was pretty drunk, but had too much sense to tell his name.

The Postmaster and Deputy say they are glad that the 14th only comes once a year. They were both kept busy as they could well be, all day yesterday receiving and delivering valentines. We suppose that, as usual, the love-letter business will take about a week to taper off, but the bulk of the receipts for postage stamps are no doubt in by this time.

Our fellow townsmen, Earhart, Miller, Nichols and the rest of them who have been East and returned on the last steamer, came up on the boat yesterday. We were too busy to interview any of them, but learn that travel seems to be a healthy occupation for Oregonians, judging from the appearance of this delegation.

We see by the Gazette that the Common Council of Corvallis has taken pattern from the Ordinance recently passed in this city forbidding the furnishing of intoxicating liquors to those who are formally proclaimed drunkards. This is a sensible move, and we expect ere long to see the experiment tried in still other towns. No taxpayer desires to support those who by their confirmed habits have become imbecile in this respect as long as there is any way to enable them to support themselves. We believe the honor of originating this idea in Salem, belongs to Alderman Wade, and think he has reason to congratulate himself on his head being level.

Portland.

[Daily Herald February, 12th.]

Robert J. Ladd, Esq., is fast recovering from his late terrible injuries, and his stumped arm is nearly healed. Mr. L. is able to walk around his house, and appears like a person in full health. His city friends, as well as those throughout the State, will be glad to meet him in propria persona again.

Palmer and McBrighbee, charged with robbing a man named Peterson, were discharged this morning, the officers having found it impossible to serve a subpoena on the complaining witness.

Coakley, charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct, was fined \$5 and costs, which he paid, and was discharged from custody.

This evening, John Arnoup, by request of many friends, will deliver a lecture on Spiritualism, at the Taylor Street M. E. Church. Mr. A. will explain some of the main positions he took in his recent debate with the Champion of Spiritualism. Lecture to commence at seven o'clock p. m.

On Thursday evening some very interesting exercises were gone through with, by the young ladies of the St. Mary's Academy, before a congregation of their parents and friends. The entertainment consisted of calisthenics and vocal and instrumental music. The pupils appeared in uniform costume, and exhibited great proficiency, much to the delight of the friendly auditors. The vocal and instrumental music was pronounced excellent, and the whole evening's entertainment was agreeable in the extreme. At the close of the exercises Miss Hattie Gleason recited an address, which is highly spoken of by those who heard it.

Messrs. Henry Failing and B. Goldsmith, being appointed by Corbett & Macley, general agents, in this city, of the Imperial Fire Insurance Co., of London, to adjust the loss by the late fire in Baum Bros. & Co.'s store, at 59 Front street, have completed their labors. They find the actual loss to be \$1,103 40, and damages \$1,116; making a total of \$2,219 40. Mr. Ferry, agent for the North British & Mercantile, which had the heaviest risk, and the agents of the Imperial, are awaiting advice in regard to the report of the adjusters. The loss, which is found to be much larger than at first supposed, will, no doubt, be promptly paid by these standard companies.

Yesterday afternoon, a spirited horse, belonging to the Willamette Dray & Forwarding Co., started from an establishment on Front street, from fright, and made a break on its own account. The driver was around and, being rather long in the legs, also "made a break" for the beast. By a series of kangaroo leaps he managed to jump upon the disappearing vehicle, and stopped the "animale." No particular damage was done, and everything was quiet "along the Front" at last accounts.

A man engaged in cleaning the windows of a store on First street, yesterday, accidentally dropped a large sponge, which he had been using, upon the sidewalk. Two ladies passed soon after, one of whom noticed the sponge. Without stopping to see what it was, she instinctively clasped her hands to the back of her head to see if her "chignon," "waterfall," or whatever it is called, was safe. Finding this was all right, she took another look at the article upon the sidewalk, and went on her way rejoicing.

[Daily Herald, February 13th.]

A new locomotive, for Ben. Holladay & Co., and to be used on the East-side Railroad, is on board the bark Webfoot, which is now due.

H. W. Scott, Esq., Editor-in-Chief of the Oregonian, returned on the last steamer from his late visit to Washington and other points.

W. T. Newby, Esq., laid some yellow Newtown Pippin apples on our table yesterday, which were grown on his farm, near McMinnville, Yamhill county, in 1863. They are still firm, and taste like fruit of recent gathering.

A. J. Moses, notary public, stepped out of his office in the Odd Fellows' Temple, Friday night, and just as he reached the sidewalk he was struck by a slungshot on the left side of the head. As he was rendered partially helpless at the moment, the assailant made off and had not been detected up to the present writing. Whoever the assailing party was it is difficult to surmise.

PRINTING.--The following is given by exchange as a specimen of printer's terms: It don't mean however, as much as it would seem to the uninitiated: "Jim, put General Washington on the galley, and then finish the murder of the young lady you commenced yesterday. Set up the ruins of Herculaneum and distribute the small pox; you needn't finish that runaway match, and have the high water in the paper this week. Put a new head to Gen. Grant, and lock up Jeff. Davis, slide that old dead matter into Hell and let the pie alone till after dinner. Put the ladies' fair to press, and then go and put the Devil at work on Deacon Foggy's article on "Eternal Punishment."

GOOD ADVICE.--If your coat is comfortable, wear it a little longer, no matter if the gloss is off. If you have no wife, get one; if you have, God bless her and you; stay at home with her, instead of spending your evenings in expensive fooleries from home where you would be ashamed to be found by your wife or children, or any other virtuous friend. If you are in debt, be industrious, persevering, frugal, plain, seek contentment and happiness in God, stay at home with your wife and children, and you will soon prosper.

Thomas Boyer