

The Von Pegert Insurance Case.

Mr. H. C. Wilmarth, special agent for the State Insurance Co. of Salem, Oregon, has been in this community for several days for the purpose of adjusting and paying the loss sustained by Mr. Von Pegert in the destruction of his dwelling by fire on the 18th day of June last.

Mr. Von Pegert owned about the best house on the river; it was substantially built and remarkably well finished in every way. It was insured in the State Insurance Co. for \$1600, and was a total loss. Mr. Von Pegert's character and reputation being as good as any man's in the community, he naturally enough has the sympathy of all who knew him. When the special agent of the company arrived here, he at once satisfied himself that it was a total loss; that it was not over insured; that Mr. Von Pegert stood well in this community; that he had the sympathy and kindly wishes of his neighbors, and after taking the usual proofs transmitted them to the company recommending the payment in full of Mr. Von Pegert's claim against the company. On the receipt of special agent Wilmarth's report the company at once transmitted to him the sum of sixteen hundred dollars with which to pay the loss. In the mean time Mr. Wilmarth had taken the precaution to write to the clerk of the court at Empire City asking for a mortgage certificate on the property of Mr. Von Pegert. The mortgage certificate from J. J. Lamb, clerk of the county court, and the \$1600 from the company arrived about the same time. The mortgage certificate disclosed the fact that notwithstanding Mr. Von Pegert had stated to the agents who took his application that there was no mortgage on his property, and had also made an affidavit to the same effect on the arrival of the company's agent, there was, as a matter of fact, three separate and distinct mortgages on his property amounting to \$1323 when he insured it; were on it at the time of the fire, and as we are informed, still cover his property.

When this discovery was made by special agent Wilmarth, he at once returned the funds to the company and so informed Mr. Von Pegert, and there the matter rests. So far as we are informed the adjustment was a liberal one and the payment of the loss would have been an exceptionally prompt settlement had it not been for the timely arrival of documentary evidence which has much surprised and astonished this community.

We much regret the loss which Mr. Von Pegert has sustained, and deplore the unfortunate attitude in which he has placed himself, but no one seems to blame the company for withholding the payment, or Mr. Wilmarth for returning the money to his company.

From such sources of information as we have it seems to be perfectly clear that Mr. Von Pegert has only himself to blame for his unfortunate situation, and the payment of an illegal or unjust claim by any institution should not, in our opinion, be a recommendation of it.

Four hundred thousand wage workers are organized in New York city to shatter the political parties in the coming fall elections. This is as it should be. If the political parties do not help the wage workers, they should help themselves.

The passing of the Mexican pension bill will be hailed with delight all over the country. Congress has been a long time in recognizing, in a substantial way, the services of these veterans which were of so much good in the time of peril.

The Huffman warehouse, Virginia City, with 1200 tons of grain was destroyed by fire on the 14. Loss \$275,000.

Power of the Knights.

On the fourth of July petitions containing over 60,000 signatures were received in Washington at the headquarters of the national legislative committee of the Knights of Labor. It was estimated by Mr. Ralph Beaumont, chairman of the committee, that petitions with 1,000,000 signatures would reach the committee to be presented to Congress during the next ten days. The Knights of Labor demand in these petitions the forfeiture of all unearned land grants, the passage of the alien land bill, the adjustment of railroad land grants, the bill to open the great Sioux reservation, and a bill to pay out the treasury surplus. The committee have asked Messrs. Carlisle, Morrison and Randall, the Democratic caucus committee to bring these measures up before action this session, as demanded in these petitions, and it is understood that the majority of Congress responsible for the fate of these legislative measures, this is a move in the right direction. The Knights can wield a political power that will command respect if it is properly managed, and utilized. They have been unsuccessful in many of their strikes, and have had many checks but on the whole they are advancing, and will soon make the power of their organization felt in a way that will force politicians to choose between capital and labor, a dilemma they have heretofore escaped. The Knights of Labor can determine the character of the fiftieth congress and the administration of the government after 1888, if they will. Ex.

An Oklahoma boomer is trying to, and will succeed in another invasion of that renowned country. He says: "To wait for congress to open Oklahoma, or any other government land to settlement, is absurd. Did the people wait for congress to open Illinois to settlement, or Missouri, or Kansas, or California, or Colorado, or even the Black Hills, which was Indian land and Indian country, if there is any in the United States?"

"There is nothing in Oklahoma to legislate for but cayotes. No Indians have been there since 1866. Settle the country and legislation will follow, all in the proper order. Nobody but the cattle men ever objected to its settlement, and if they should, it's none of their business. They received their pay in full for it, and were it not for the white men west of the Mississippi river it would not be worth a penny an acre.

"It was bought with the people's money for the Atlantic & Pacific railroad company, composed principally of congressmen, who have forfeited their right to it, and now it belongs to the people." The invasion will take place on the 1st instant.

Dona Helen.

Fine weather for haying and making love. Did you see that fine wagon of C. Heller's? E. Weekly draws him this day for Eastern Oregon. Success, Ed.

Dona Cemetery association meets to-morrow. M. Krantz has found a bee tree. Wm. Cleveland back again. Look out, boys, for another Silver Tail with longer ears and better muscle.

Mr. Ward and Mr. Cole are making quite a stir among the people at their meeting held at Gravel Ford.

Wm. Johnson has been quite sick; but is able now to be around. Harvest is near at hand. I. E. Rose lost a fine colt the other day.

Train your trotters if you don't want Capt. Slight to wear the card. Don Rex.

Dona, July 12. Attorney-General Garland, it is said, will retire from the cabinet.

John Whalen, aged 20, died in S. F. on the 13th from the excessive smoking of cigarettes.

Possibility that a New Money Plan May be Spurred on the Country.

Washington, July 12.—A feeling is growing in congressional circles that some such scheme as Mr. Morrison proposes will be adopted one of these days, by which the country will be flooded with money and the doors of the national banks made to bang. He proposes to keep the surplus in the treasury at not over \$100,000,000, and to call in bonds representing the indebtedness of the government with the accumulation of time to time with all in excess of that amount. This would at once throw something like \$100,000,000 on the country and decrease the capital stock of national banks to the extent of perhaps two-thirds the amount. This, of course, contemplates some other bases of security for national banks—a cash deposit of a 2 per cent. bond exclusively for the banks.

It has come to the time already when government bonds are an impracticable investment for idle money. The premium is too great and fluctuating, and their liability to be called in too constant. With money in government bonds the investor is only sure of one thing after the date at which they may be redeemed has passed—he is sure of the face value.

Obituary.

DEPT.—On Crab creek, Lincoln county, W. T., on the 21st day of June, A. D. 1886, Mrs. Matilda E. Frederick, wife of A. E. Frederick.

Mrs. Frederick's maiden name was Matilda E. Leneve. She was the niece of Noah Willey, one of the pioneers of this county, who is well known to our oldest settlers. Mrs. Frederick was the daughter of Dr. S. L. Leneve of Vermillion county, Illinois. Her father came to Oregon in 1851, and practiced his profession for many years in the counties of Douglas, Benton and Coos, where he was well and widely known. The mother of Mrs. Frederick was a native of Vermillion county, Ill. Deceased was born in Douglas county, Oregon on the 20th day of March, A. D. 1862, and had therefore just passed her 24th year. She was married to A. E. Frederick on the 29th day of May, 1877. She leaves husband and one child, a boy nearly four years of age. She was a patient, contented, faithful, loving wife and mother. "Time, the leveler in human affairs, will at last award her a crown of glory, which, like the stars, shall shine forever and forever.

W. H. S. in Sprague Journal.

Struck by Lightning.

George S. Edwards, who was struck by lightning while crossing Iron Hill on the 4th instant, is slowly recovering. His case is a most remarkable one, and is attracting considerable attention from scientific men. Edwards, after the flash, lay unconscious for fifteen minutes before receiving assistance. Lightning struck him on the left cheek, knocking out a number of his teeth. It then passed diagonally across his breast to the right side, thence to the feet, coming out of the right foot, having passed entirely through the foot, leaving a hole very similar to one made by a bullet. His clothing was torn into fragments, particles being found a distance of 200 feet from the spot, and one of his boots, both of which were torn into shreds, was found sixty feet away. Immediately under where the man was standing the ground was torn up for a considerable distance. Its course along the body is shown by a black streak one and a half inches wide. The worst effect is injury to the lungs, the immediate result being severe hemorrhage, by which a quart of blood was lost. In addition to these injuries, the surface of the body is almost completely covered with blisters, the result of severe burns. This is the first authentic case on record of a person being injured by a stroke of lightning at an altitude of over 10,500 feet, and where the person affected internally as Mr. Edwards, was not instantly killed. Leadville Special to Daily News.

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Coming, Coming, Coming!!!

COQUILLE CITY!

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J. A. DEAN, AGENT, Coquille City. M. J. McDONALD, PROP., San Francisco.

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