

THE OREGON SCOUT

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UNION OREGON.

The winter classes throughout the country have already begun their work.

No neighborhood is too small or too poor to have a club of this kind.

The pleasure and profit they give cannot be measured. Carefully followed up, they will in time transform an ignorant person into a thoroughly intelligent one.

Yet another section would look into the history of the country, another would investigate the people themselves, their physical characteristics, manners and customs.

It may be remarked in passing that most of the information sought may be had from a careful reading of newspapers.

Music in Chicago.

The new opera house which Chicago calls the Auditorium is one of the handsomest in the world.

Chicago will make, this winter, the experiment of having an Italian opera season of her own.

If Chicago can resuscitate Italian opera in this country, she will be doing what New York could not or would not do, and is indeed to be congratulated.

If you want to make your city, town, village or neighborhood moral, clean it up. Drain the ground, make solid, slightly streets, keep them clean and plant them with shade trees.

Andrew D. White, ex-president of Cornell, has been abroad this season and seen some things worth noting.

Boxing matches among gentlemen will probably go out of fashion in England now, because the London authorities have decided to prohibit them.

Spain has a line of ships to Mexico, also to the Argentine Republic.

CONGRESSIONAL.

GEO. A. STEEL PORTLAND'S NEW POSTMASTER.

Harrison to Name the Consuls Himself—Embezzlement Extraditable. Some New Appointments. The Clayton Case.

The Senate has confirmed Geo. A. Steel as postmaster at Portland.

Senator Stanford has made his customary Christmas present of \$5 to each page in the senate.

A double daily mail service has been arranged for by the department between Portland and Albany.

Public buildings are asked for at Helena, to cost \$250,000; at Salt Lake, \$500,000; at Cheyenne, \$150,000.

Hermann has third place on the river and harbor committee and the chairmanship of the Indian depredations committee.

Senator Beck is still an invalid, and his physicians tell him he must do little or no work during the present session of congress.

The president has approved the joint resolution for repairing damages caused by the floods in the Sacramento and Feather rivers.

A bill has been introduced appropriating \$100,000 for the resurvey and establishment of the boundary line between North and South Dakota.

The bankruptcy bill introduced by Senator Hearst is what is known as the Torrey bankruptcy bill, approved by the commercial convention at Minneapolis last fall.

The wealth of the Nevada and California senators is now estimated as follows: Jones, \$2,000,000; Stanford, \$30,000,000; Stewart, \$1,000,000; Hearst, \$10,000,000.

Congressman Hansbrough has introduced a bill asking for \$500,000 to build locks and dams in the Red River of the North, to facilitate navigation and irrigate the low lands.

The senate committee on territories has reported favorably Senator Pier's bill appropriating \$15,000 to reimburse North Dakota for holding the constitutional convention.

It is stated that Postmaster-General Wanamaker has determined to push the Philadelphia millionaire sugar refiner, O. C. Harrison, for appointment as United States minister in Russia.

Representative Wilson has applied at the postoffice department to have the postoffices of Cheney, Palouse, Puyallup, Snohomish and Whatcom made presidential offices and expects favorable action.

Senator Mitchell has introduced a bill to facilitate the allotment of lands on the Umattila reservation, and to provide for the sale of the balance of the lands which were ceded to the government by the Indians.

Secretary Tracey has authorized the naming of the sea-going torpedo-boat, now nearing completion, as the Cushing, in honor of Commander Cushing, U. S. N., who blew up the Confederate ram Albatross in 1864.

It is said at the White House that no more important appointments will be made until after the holidays.

A resolution has passed the house, on motion of Lacy, of Iowa, directing the committee on elections to inquire into the contested election case of Clayton against Breckinridge, of Arkansas, Clayton having been assassinated while preparing his case.

President Harrison has asked for information showing the exact quota each state is entitled to in the consular service. It is believed from this action that Mr. Harrison intends to take the matter out of the hands of Mr. Blaine and name the consuls himself.

President Harrison has transmitted to the senate the extradition treaty with England, referred to in his message, negotiated by Secretary Blaine and Sir Julian Pauncefote, British minister. By its terms the number of extraditable offenses is largely increased, the most important addition being that of embezzlement.

The postoffice department issued an order, in response to Representative Hermann's efforts, publication of a proposal for carrying the United States mail three times a week from Grant's Pass to Williams via Murphy, in Josephine county, Or. The advertisement for proposal will be issued from the department in February.

The bill introduced by Senator Mitchell restricting immigration compels every person visiting our shores to produce a passport in English, such as required of travelers by foreign monarchs.

Senator Mitchell has presented a memorial from the Washington legislature asking for legislation declaring the forfeiture of the Northern Pacific land grant between Wallula, Wash., and Portland, Or. The memorial sets forth that no lines have been built between these points, but the right of way is occupied by other roads, and there is valuable land there which ought to be opened to settlement.

Representative Hermann has submitted to congress a series of resolutions, passed by the Oregon legislature, urging the forfeiture of the Northern Pacific railroad grant between Wallula and Portland, Or. The resolutions recite the various difficulties which the grant puts in the way to the development of the country.

The president has transmitted the following nominations to the senate: Andrew M. Crawford, receiver of public moneys at Roseburg, Or.; Frank M. Footie, receiver of public moneys at Evanston, Wyoming; Fremont Wood, United States attorney for Idaho; Willoughby Cole, of California, United States attorney for the southern district of California; George E. Jard, of California, United States marshal for the southern district of California.

THE PACIFIC COAST.

A TRUSTED EMPLOYEE AT PORTLAND ABSCONDS

With \$1150—Attempt at Suicide in Seattle—Portland to Have a Mardi-Gras Display—Earthquake at San Francisco.

The wreck of the Idaho is being pilaged.

The Signal is to replace the lost Idaho.

Salem has organized another Odd Fellows lodge.

Mount Hood is covered unusually deep with snow.

Sandy Olds will be tried for a third time at Portland.

Walla Walla has been having plenty of good sleighing.

Portland's Italians have organized a mutual aid society.

A Trinidad, Col., \$50,000 livery stable was destroyed by fire.

San Francisco had four slight earthquake shocks last week.

Portland has just paid \$11,000 for an addition to her county jail.

The Tacoma Globe has received a double cylinder Hoe press.

The reports of the fall rains are encouraging from all sections.

The Lurline was damaged \$1000 by high winds at Rochester Rock.

The Oregonian's New Year's edition will contain thirty-two pages.

Pendleton is building two new bank buildings at a cost of \$60,000.

The Floods are building a \$100,000 mausoleum at San Francisco.

About 350 Chinese left San Francisco for home on the last steamer ship.

Archbishop Gross says the pope spoke highly to him of the United States.

Portland is to have a Mardi-Gras display from the St. Paul ice carnival.

Tom McCarthy beat Joe Connelly at San Francisco in four rounds for \$400.

The schooner Barbara was wrecked at Shelton Cove. The crew were all saved.

Shipping circles at Portland and Astoria are astir with boarding-house troubles.

Albert Southwick was trampled on by a horse at Seattle, and narrowly escaped death.

Corvallis has incorporated a street railway company with a capital stock of \$50,000.

Preparations are making in Portland for building a magnificent Masonic temple.

The Oregon G. A. R. is agitating the matter of establishing posts of Sons of Veterans.

The Crocker Estate Company will buy Sutter Fort and present it to the city of Sacramento.

The owners of City View Park will allow it to be used for another spring and fall as a race course.

Five county supervisors at San Diego are charged with malappropriating \$100,000 of public funds.

Davis, a Seattle convict, has recently made two unsuccessful attempts to escape from the penitentiary.

The Mayflower Milling and Mining Company, of Idaho, has incorporated at Portland with \$200,000.

Two employees of the steamship Geo. W. Elder quarrelled while drunk and one was fatally stabbed.

John Flynn sued the real estate company he had been working for at Portland for \$18,047, and got nothing.

A complete set of burglar's tools were captured with two burglars at Seattle, before they had begun operations.

It is proposed to double the present National Guard armory at Portland, which already covers half a block.

Domestic trouble made Mrs. Drawick, of Seattle, attempt suicide by drowning. Bystanders saved her.

A party of Denver capitalists have purchased the great Ryan smelter of Tacoma. The purchase price is unknown.

Mrs. Hoffman, an inmate of the Salem asylum, escaped and died in an unoccupied house from exposure and starvation.

The secretary of war will be memorialized by citizens of the Board of Trade to increase the military force at Fort Walla Walla.

The last carload of Salem's woolen mills machinery has arrived and the mill will begin operations in about two weeks.

Governor Waterman, of California, has appointed Charles F. Bailey, of Port Townsend, commissioner of deeds for California.

Max J. Henderson, a trusted employee of Z. T. Wright, of Portland, absconded from Port Townsend with \$1150 of his employer's money.

An alleged correspondent of the Inter-Ocean has been sentenced to the Salem penitentiary for a year for fraudulently obtaining money in Portland.

Annie Sommers, 7 years of age, died in San Francisco from the effects of a kick from a horse. She was struck on the temple and her skull broken.

Some of Portland's capitalists are buying land in the Chinese quarters, and gradually encroaching on Chinatown by the erection of fine business blocks.

A timber claim agent named Beaver opened an office at Spokane, but was promptly arrested on a telegraphic order from Tacoma, charging him with irregularities there.

J. J. Dorris, of Albany, died of heart disease while walking home at night, and was found by his sons lying in a pool of water on the street where he had fallen face downward.

Four cars were derailed at Pendleton depot by a defective switch. The cars were badly damaged, but the passengers escaped without a scratch. The locomotive did not leave the track.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Tacoma has decided in favor of circulating a petition to the state legislature asking the appointment of police matrons in all cities having a population of 10,000.

EASTERN ITEMS.

COLORED BROTHERS AT KANSAS CITY CROSS RAZORS.

Clan-na-Gael Policemen Removed in Chicago—Hanlan Challenges the World—Cigarmakers on a Strike.

Minneapolis is excited over a smallpox scare.

Whittier has just celebrated his 82d birthday.

The European influenza has appeared in New York.

Hanlan has challenged the world for a sculling match.

A Buffalo elevator worth \$220,000 burned to the ground.

Chicago is removing the Clan-na-Gael men from its police force.

General Mahone has taken a house at Washington for the winter.

The baseball pitcher's box will be enlarged next season to 6x4 feet.

A general readjustment of Northern Pacific officials is on the tapis.

William S. Harrison, a nephew of the president, has just died at Chicago.

George Guther, of St. Louis, was beaten to death by his 17-year-old son, Emil.

Oliver L. Barbour, the eminent legal authority, died at Syracuse, aged 79.

The city clerk of Council Bluffs gambled away \$1000 in city funds and resigned.

The more silver men study Secretary Windom's new plan the less they like it.

Judge Thurman's wife is prostrated on account of grief at her daughter's notoriety.

The Allen House burned at New Orleans. Lodgers escaped in their nightclothes.

Yale will hereafter row only against Harvard. She is declining other challenges.

Governor Lowry has refused to allow Kilrain to pay his imprisonment penalty by a fine.

Robert Dalton, of Toledo, fell on electric light wires and was roasted to death by electricity.

The Keokuk, Iowa, grand jury has returned forty-two indictments against saloon keepers.

Barrett has cancelled his engagements and will probably be unable to go upon the stage again.

Dr. Daniel Ayres, of Brooklyn, gives the Wesleyan University an endowment fund of \$250,000.

Five prominent Mormon officials at Salt Lake are under indictment for appropriating public moneys.

It is said that the Northern Pacific has decided upon a Canadian route from St. Paul to the Atlantic ocean.

A. Meyer, Wells Fargo's defaulting agent at Phoenix, Arizona, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment.

It is now said that W. Scott Gifford, who married Judge Thurman's daughter, already has a wife in the East.

Kilrain's sentence was \$200 fine and two months' imprisonment. He is out on \$5000 bail pending an appeal.

The commissioner of public works in New York city is cutting down the poles of the electric light companies.

The destitution in North Dakota is not so serious as feared. Help is coming in, and the people are in better spirits.

A discharged drunken cook set fire to the Oklahoma House, at Kansas City, and one lodger was burned to death.

As far as can be learned, no trace has yet been found of the present whereabouts of absconding Cashier Silcott.

Key West cigarmakers are out on a strike. Shipments are only fifty cases per month instead of the customary 1800.

The Cherokee Indian commission failed to secure the willingness of the Indians to sell their land and have returned to Washington.

Owing to large sales of land in Minnesota, the Northern Pacific road officially announces that it will retire 10,000 shares of preferred stock.

At the session of the Pan-American conference President Blaine appointed various committees, and the conference adjourned until after the holidays.

The Rev. Dr. W. S. Rainsford, of St. George's Protestant Episcopal church, New York, has paid \$27.75 for shooting a Long Island quail out of season.

Mrs. Richard A. Proctor, widow of the astronomer, who was carried off by yellow fever, is gaining a livelihood by delivering her husband's lectures.

Julius Hoffer teased Louise Epperson, of Bakerville, Mo., until she was exasperated beyond endurance and she shot him in the head. He died instantly.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch prints the names of several Missouri state senators whom it charges with having been bribed to vote against the dressed meat bill.

A farm hand named Gilmore, near Grand Rapids, Mich., tried to persuade the wife of his employer to elope with him. Failing in this, he shot fatally both the woman and himself.

Frank B. Gowen, a wealthy lawyer and railroad man, and at one time president of the Reading road, shot himself fatally in Wormley's hotel, Washington, D. C. No cause is yet known for the act.

George W. Evans, alias William Franklin, a noted bank thief, was arrested at New Orleans while trying, in company with a confederate, to steal a \$10,000 money package from an express office.

Sales of Chemical bank stock were made last Saturday in New York at \$4000 per \$100 share. It is said to be the highest price for any bank share in the world.

Thomas Potter, a well-known citizen, died in Washington, aged 83. He was one of those who drew Lafayette's carriage into Washington from Baltimore in 1824.

The Hon. Proctor Knott is said to be making a strong campaign for the succession to Mr. Blackburn as senator from Kentucky. The election will occur next month.

The American federation of labor elected for president Samuel Compers, of New York, and secretary P. J. Maguire, of New York. Detroit will be the place of the next meeting.

IN FOREIGN LANDS.

THE INFLUENZA STILL RAGING IN ALL EUROPE.

Prince Murat and Miss Caldwell Come to an Agreement—Prince Albert Victor in Great Disfavor. Earthquake in Spain.

The influenza has reached Rome.

Cardinal Gaulebawer, archbishop of Vienna, is dead.

Germany is agitating the introduction of Chinese labor.

The epidemic has attacked little King Alfonso, of Spain.

The American squadron of evolution has arrived at Lisbon.

Three of Baghri's head men have been hanged at Bushmyro.

Emiz Pasha has passed the crisis of his illness and will recover.

There has been fresh fighting in Crete. Many persons have been killed.

Seven thousand men are out on a strike in the Saar mines of Westphalia.

An earthquake shock created a panic in Grenada, Spain, Sunday night.

The striking printers of Berne, Switzerland, have been completely defeated.

Bismarck declares his intention to dissolve the Reichstag about February 15th.

Mrs. Booth, wife of the commander of the Salvation Army, is dying of a cancer at London.

The king of Corea desires to abdicate in favor of Prince Hin Yung Gyikard.

An artillery officer and a sailor have been arrested in St. Petersburg for an attempt on the life of the czar.

Parnell made one of the greatest speeches of his life before many assembled thousands at Nottingham.

The Bulgarian budget shows a deficiency of \$1,600,000, but there will be no reduction in military expenditures.

A hundred thousand Parisians are suffering from the epidemic influenza. Doctors cannot explain the cause of the disease.

Prince Murat has patched up his differences with Miss Caldwell and the marriage will proceed.

William O'Brien's motion for a new trial in the suit against Lord Salisbury for slander has been denied.

The strike of employees of the South Metropolitan Gas Company, London, is a failure, the company having filled all the strikers' places with non-union men.

The bodies of five of the missing thirteen persons belonging to the steamer Cledly, which was sunk off the Isle of Wight, have been washed ashore.

The three men, Nicolet, Darbelay and Hensl, who were arrested on a charge of issuing an anarchist manifesto, have been acquitted at Berne, Switzerland.

There has been an explosion in the Kelmec mines, near Madrid. Fifteen injured persons have been brought out. The number of the dead is yet unknown.

Beach, the oarsman, has accepted the challenge recently issued by Hanlan for a rowing match, and is willing the race should be rowed over the Paramattin course.

The Hawaiian government has granted a liberal concession for fifteen years to English capitalists provided they lay a cable to Vancouver, B. C., within two years.

Salisbury has called upon the Portuguese government to repudiate the action of its agents on the Zambesi river, and that the British flag lowered by them be hoisted again.

An English syndicate with a capital of ten millions has been formed to buy out the business of British carpet manufacturers and work their establishments on American patents.

Emil Ronk, one of the directors of the prefecture of the Seine, Paris, has been murdered by M. Regod, his former secretary. The murderer had a grievance and could get no redress.

The Comte de Paris will spend the remainder of his days in England. The comte has had a touch of gout of late. For a time he is more interested in his toes than his manifestoes.

Some questions having arisen as to the burial of Browning in Florence, the Dean of Westminster has renewed his offer to have the remains of the poet placed in Westminster abbey, and it has been accepted.

Robert Browning's new volume came into the world on the day its author died. The poet had just time to hear that his last volume of poetry had received cordial greeting from his countrymen when the summons came.

Sir John McDonald, in a speech at the Queen's jubilee at Kingston, declared that a majority of the people favored British connection. Rain and misfortune, he said, would follow severance of Canada from Great Britain.

In the chamber of deputies at Rome abolition of differential duties against France was approved—179 to 35. Premier Crispien said Italy in taking this action desired to show that she did not wish a tariff war with France.

The steamer Leerdam, bound from Amsterdam to Buenos Ayres with 400 passengers, and the Gan Quan Sia, bound from Calcutta to Hamburg, collided in the North sea and both sank. All on board the two vessels were saved.

Captain Trovier, the French explorer, has arrived after crossing Africa from Loango, on the west coast. He traveled by way of the Shire river. He states that the Portuguese are displaying extraordinary aggressiveness along the river.

Prince Albert Victor is in great disfavor in Britain on account of his connection with the West End scandals. It is openly proposed to deprive him of succession to the throne, which would be his upon the death of the Prince of Wales.

The grand jury has found a true bill against Parke, editor of the North London Press, for libeling the Earl of Euston. The alleged libel consists of an article charging that the earl was implicated in the West End scandal.

PORTLAND MARKET.

Trade generally has continued to move along quietly but very evenly, the only activity being that incident to the holiday season, but the volume of business throughout has been very well maintained, notwithstanding that the close of the year is very close at hand and there is less disposition to enter into fresh operations of any magnitude.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

Table listing agricultural implements and their prices, including Breaking Plow, Broadcast Seeders, Binding Twine, etc.

BAGS.

Table listing various types of bags and their prices, such as Burlaps, Gunnies, Potato bags, etc.

Green.

Table listing green goods and their prices, including Guatemala, Java, Mocha, etc.

Roasted in Bags.

Table listing roasted goods in bags and their prices, such as Arbuckle's, Clisset & D., etc.

Wool.

Table listing wool and its prices, including Eastern Oregon, Valley, etc.

Vegetables (Fresh).

Table listing fresh vegetables and their prices, such as Asparagus, Beans, Beets, Cabbage, etc.

POULTRY.

Table listing poultry and their prices, including Chickens, Ducks, Geese, etc.

FRESH FRUIT.

Table listing fresh fruit and their prices, such as Apples, Bananas, Grapes, etc.

GRAIN.

Table listing grain and their prices, including Barley, Corn, Oats, etc.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Table listing dairy products and their prices, such as Butter, Oregon fancy creamery, etc.

CHEESE.

Table listing various types of cheese and their prices, including Oregon full cream, etc.

EGGS.

Table listing eggs and their prices, such as Oregon, Eastern, etc.

FLOUR.

Table listing flour and their prices, including Portland patent roller, etc.

Grass Seeds.

Table listing grass seeds and their prices, such as Timothy, Orchard Grass, etc.

Miscellaneous.

Table listing miscellaneous goods and their prices, including Canary, Flax, Hemp, etc.

FEED.

Table listing feed and their prices, such as Bran, Hay, Ground Barley, etc.