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The Western Union Will String Another Copper Wire From Albuquerque to Barstow.

Footpads are doing a profitable business at Phœnix, A. T.

Ships may now enter and clear for all foreign ports at Port Angeles.

More than 20,000 sheep are feeding on Table mountain, Nye county, Nev.

The survey for a ship canal to connect Lakes Union, Washington and Dwamish, Wash., is to be begun at once.

Stevensville, Mont., on the Bitter Root Valley branch railroad, is reported to have suffered greatly from a conflagration.

Arizona is being overrun by cattle buyers from California, and large shipments are being made to Southern California.

The copper mines of the Seven Devils district in Idaho are claimed to be second only to those of the Lake Superior region.

City Justice Walter C. Lockwood has been indicted by the Los Angeles grand jury on the charge of embezzling county money.

The new battle ship No. 3, which is to be built by the Union Iron Works at San Francisco, will probably be named the California.

Three boys, scarcely 20 years old, are on trial at Salem, Or., for arson. They burned in July the cabins of Chinese railroad hands.

The Portland Chamber of Commerce wants the Oregon Legislature to appropriate $250,000 for the State's exhibit at the World's Fair.

Lumber vessels plying between Eureka and San Diego ballast with watermelons and pumpkins on the northern trip. A large trade has been established.

The Western Union Company will string another copper wire from Albuquerque, N. M., to Barstow, Cal., following the line of the Atlantic and Pacific.

Washington is determined that the new State shall be ably represented at the World's Fair, and that the exhibits shall be as complete as they can be made.

Mrs. Frank Dickman is under arrest at Seattle, charged with having three husbands, all living, to whom she was legally married, and from neither one of whom has she been divorced.

The President has appointed Charles A. Garter of the firm of Garter & Chipman, Red Bluff, United States District Attorney for the Northern district of California, vice Carey resigned.

The condition of the strike of miners at Great Falls, Mont., is unchanged. The season is late, and the contractors can cease work without much loss; therefore, it is believed the strike will fail.

The stage from Solomonville to Bowie, A. T., was robbed by two Mexicans the other day near Kreigh's ranch, seven miles from Bowie. The mail was rifled, but the passengers were not molested.

In San Marcial, Sonora, Mexico, a coal seam six feet thick has been struck seventeen feet below the surface; at eighty feet the drilling is in a solid anthracite body six feet deep and not through the vein.

The American ship City of Philadelphia, which has just arrived at Astoria, 216 days from New York, struggled for forty-one days off Cape Horn in an almost continuous gale, with blinding snow storms, hail and sleet night and day.

The Federated Trades at a meeting at Sacramento, Cal., condemned the action of the proprietors of the Bee, and will stand by the printers "in whatever action they may hereafter take to preserve their rights and principles as union men."

The appropriation of $154,000 made by the last Legislature for running the Oregon Insane Asylum for two years is expended. All work done or supplies furnished will be paid for in certificates, which will be cashed when funds are provided by the Legislature.

In regard to the construction of one of the coast-line battle ships Irving M. Scott, President of the Union Iron Works Company, who is now in Washington, has intimated to the Navy Department that he will undertake the contract on the terms proposed by the department.

Charles H. Thorne and George B. Shinn, the two criminals who escaped from San Quentin, have been captured in Chicago. Thorne, it will be remembered, in company with Patterson robbed the Moore's Flat stage in 1879. Patterson was hanged for killing Banker Cummings of Nevada City at the time, and Thorne was sent to prison for life.

The force now employed in grading the Coos Bay and Roseburg railroad from Marshfield to Coquille City will be increased in a few days by the addition of 500 Chinese from San Francisco. Rails for thirty miles of road are now on the way from the East, and the company expects to have thirty miles of road running by April 1. Rails for the other sixty miles have been arranged for, and will be on hand in due time.

EASTERN ITEMS.

Combination-Safe Robber Caught in Chicago.

The Plans for the Proposed New Ram Completed—Colonel Shepard Apologizes.

New York has 50,000 Russian Hebrews.

La grippe has reappeared at Burlington, Ia.

The wages of New York Central engineers have been advanced 25 per cent.

It is intimated at Washington that Attorney-General Miller will succeed Justice Miller.

The Farmers' Alliance of the Southwest is to establish independent stock yards at Kansas City.

Chicago property owners are beginning to feel alarmed by the inroads the lake is making upon their real estate.

The survey of the Pennsylvania ship canal has been completed. It is estimated that it will cost about $25,000,000.

The population of Duluth, Minn., increased in the last decade from 2,614 to 32,725, an increase of 1,137.24 per cent.

At the request of the New York Board of Education two of the railroads in that city have granted low fares to children.

Western sportsmen are thinking of introducing the kangaroo family into the Yellowstone park, if the government will permit it.

Mr. Pulitzer has withdrawn from the editorship of the New York World, and the control of the World has been vested in the executive board of its principal editors.

A petition to the Governor General, praying that the sentence of death passed upon Burchell be commuted, is being circulated at London, Ont., for signatures.

Descendants of the Pottawatomie Indians want $400,000 from the government for what was a part of their reservation—now the very heart of Chicago, Cook county, Ill.

The Attorney General of Illinois holds that express companies who do a carrying business for a lottery company are thus constituted its agents and may be prosecuted.

A temporary injunction has been issued by the New York courts to prevent the sugar trust reorganization from parting with any assets or stock certificates of the company.

A Presbyterian minister, Rev. A. B. Cruchet, has been leading a double life at Montreal. He was popular and accomplished. His expulsion from the church is assured.

The government at Washington has notified the Italian government that no Italians who have been sentenced in Italian courts will be allowed to land at United States ports.

The Boston Aldermen have revoked the license of the Park theater, where Sybil Johnstone has been appearing in tights and a jersey as "Iza" in the "Clemenceau Case."

A full-blooded Sioux Indian is foreman of the grand jury in the United States Court now in session in South Dakota. This is the first instance of the kind in this country.

The Navy Department has been informed that the recent test at the Annapolis proving ground of the rapid-firing four-inch gun, mounted on a carriage, was satisfactory.

The plans are completed for the proposed twin-screw, armor-plated, harbor-defense ram upon the design of Admiral Ammen. Advertisements for proposals are now in course of preparation.

The State of Louisiana has a population of 1,116,828, an increase of 176,882; the State of Illinois, 3,818,536, an increase of 740,665; the State of Mississippi, 1,284,887, an increase of 153,290.

The New York Sun and Journal have a report from Washington that the President will appoint Gresham to the Supreme Court to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Justice Miller in order to remove political competitors.

Dr. Walton M. Fleming has been arrested at New York on the charge of grand larceny in accepting money to give expert testimony as to the insanity of Alonzo Stephani, the son of a wealthy Cuban widow. Fleming was admitted to bail.

Colonel Elliott F. Shepard has apologized to the Union League Club of New York for publishing the names of members posted in the club rooms for delinquency in dues. The Executive Committee recommends the suspension of of the Mail and Express editor for ten days.

Lady Dilke, wife of Sir Charles Dilke, is taking active interest in labor organization in England, and has recently addressed crowded meetings of women. She urged them to form unions, but warned them against deserting the cause as soon as their wrongs had been righted.

The Mississippi Constitutional Convention has adopted an anti-lottery section. It reads: "The Legislature shall never authorize any lottery, nor shall the sale of lottery tickets be allowed, nor shall any lottery heretofore authorized be permitted to be drawn upon tickets sold therein.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Great Distress Prevailing in Southern France

The German Authorities Continue Very Vigilant in Their Outlook for French Spies.

The Spanish papers unite in attacking the McKinley bill.

The Queen of Roumania is to write a poem about Queen Victoria.

Tests of new and remarkable guns are being made all over Europe.

Cholera has entirely disappeared in the Italian possessions of Africa.

The German government will adopt some means to restrain emigration.

The prominent Irish residents of London are to have a club of their own.

The Portuguese papers at Lisbon abuse England with greater violence than ever.

London hotel officials are said to continue their insolence to American patrons.

The statement is made that an American has made an offer to buy Warwick castle.

General Booth of the Salvation Army has decided to form a great matrimonial agency.

Uruguay has increased import duties 5 per cent., and export duties have been restored.

The government of Brazil has favorably received France's proposal for a copyright treaty.

The British government has forbidden the importation into England of live cattle from Holland.

The scheme for the duplicate of the Eiffel tower in London is understood to have been abandoned.

The Egyptian corn crop this year is the largest since 1885, thanks to a more effective system of irrigation.

Two hundred deaths have occurred in connection with the recent heavy floods on the Turco-Bulgarian frontier.

The Baptist Assembly of England has adopted a resolution condemning the Irish policy of the government.

Because Emperor William prohibited women from laboring in government factories Berlin Socialists have protested.

Thousands of people are dying from cholera in the Red Sea country, and their bodies are being eaten by dogs and vultures.

Those quarters of Berlin wherein the workingmen have their strongholds were brilliantly illuminated in honor of the return of expatriated Socialists.

Great distress prevails in the regions of Southern France recently visited by flood, and the French Chambers will be asked to do something for the sufferers.

The Spaniards sent to punish the natives of Papua for the recent massacre of a boat's crew, killed 150 natives, and lost seven killed and nineteen wounded.

King William III., who has ruled the Netherlands since 1849, is now declared unfit to longer control affairs. He is more of a misanthrope than an invalid.

A party of Armenians and Druses attacked the barracks at Silensia, Syria. Forty Turkish soldiers were killed, as was also the Governor and treasury robbed.

It is announced at Madrid that Spain will exclude American breadstuffs if the tariff restrictions imposed by the McKinley bill are not taken off West India tobacco and sugar.

There is a famine in the rubber market this season, owing to the failure of the South American crop. The newly-explored Congo country is a future source of supply, at present not easily accessible.

The Roumanian Prefect, who for a sum of 2,500 roubles in gold delivered up to the Russian police a Polish refugee named Limonsky, has been sentenced to one year's imprisonment and deprived of all his honors.

Ex-Consul Dr. Knapp of Samoan fame, whom Bismarck made a scapegoat when Germany found it advisable to back down before England and the United States, and who has accepted the German plantation companies' managership in South Africa, has been received by Chancellor von Caprivi, who had a long conversation with him.

The mortality in Austria in 1889 was much less than in any one of the ten previous years. The total number of cases of death was 646,787, being 39,786 fewer than in 1888, and only 27.25 to the 1,000. On the other hand, the births numbered 898,350, or 8,449 more than in 1888.

The Duke of Nassau has written letters that he will never resume the regency of Luxembourg. This removes all possibility of a contest over the succession to the throne of Holland in the event of the King's death, which seems imminent.

Victor Emanuel, the heir apparent to the crown of Italy, assumed a fictitious title while traveling in Russia and Germany not long ago. The title happened to belong by heredity to an impecunious Italian, who has now sued the Prince for compensation for its use.

It is understood that the French government has decided not to renew its commercial treaties with foreign countries expiring in February, 1892. It is also understood that a new general tariff law will be adopted, reductions in customs rates being granted to those countries facilitating French commerce.

PORTLAND MARKET.

WHEAT—Trading in the local market continues light. Shippers quote: Valley, $1.22½; Walla Walla, $1.17½.

FLOUR—Quote: Standard, $3.90@4.00; Walla Walla, $3.60@3.80 per barrel.

OATS—The market is firm. Quote: White, 48@51c; gray, 44@48c per bushel.

MILLSTUFFS—The market is firm. Quote: Bran, $17.50@18; Shorts, $21@22; Ground Barley, $32.50; Chop Feed, $25 per ton.

HAY—The market is steady. Quote: $16@18 per ton.

VEGETABLES—The market is firm. Cabbage and potatoes are the principal vegetables in the market, and are plentiful. Cucumbers are about finished. Quote: Cabbage, $1.50@1.75 per cental; Cauliflower, $1.25 per dozen; Onions, 2c per pound; Carrots, $1 per sack; Beets, $1.50 per sack; Turnips, $1 per sack; Tomatoes, 50c per box; Potatoes, 80c@$1 per cental; Sweet Potatoes, 2c per pound.

FRUITS—Grapes, apples and pears are plentiful. Cantaloupes and California Quinces are out of the market. Watermelons and Peaches are scarce, and will be out of the market very soon. Quote: Tahiti Oranges, $4.50 per box; Sicily Lemons, $8.50@9 per case; Pears, 1½c per pound; Apples, 60@85c per box; Grapes, 75c@$1 per box; Pineapples, $3.50@4.00 per dozen; Bananas, $4 per bunch; double, $6; Peaches, 90c@$1.25 per box; Watermelons, $1.50@2 per dozen; Quinces, $1.25 per box.

CHEESE—Quote: Oregon, 11@12½c; California, 9½@10c; Young America, 14@15c per pound.

BUTTER—The market is firm. Quote: Oregon fancy creamery, 37½c; fancy dairy 32½c; good to fair, 27½@30c; common, 22½@25c; choice California, 28@30c per pound.

EGGS—The market is firm, and stocks have been falling off the last few days. Quote: Quote: Oregon, 30c per dozen.

POULTRY—Quote: Old Chickens, $4.50; young, $2.50@3.50; old Ducks, $6@6.50; large young, $7@7.50; Geese, $9 per dozen; Turkeys, 14@15c per pound.

The Merchandise Market.

The market is firm, and business is good in all branches.

SUGARS—Quote: Golden C, 5⅛c; extra C, 5⅜c; dry granulated, 6⅜c; cube crushed and powdered, 6⅞c per pound.

DRIED FRUITS—The market is firm. Quote: Italian Prunes, 12½@14c; Petite and German Prunes, 10c per pound; Raisins, $2.75 per box; Plummer-dried Pears, 11@12½c; sun-dried and factory Plums, 11@12c; evaporated Peaches, 24c; Smyrna Figs, 14@16c; California Figs, 9c per pound.

BEANS—The market is firm. Quote: Small Whites, 3½@4c; Pink, 3¾c; Bayos, 4¾c; Butter, 3½c; Limas, 5½c per pound.

CANNED GOODS—Market is firm. Quote: Table fruits, $2.25, 2½s; Peaches, $2.50; Bartlett Pears, $2.25; Plums, $1.65; Strawberries, $2.50; Cherries, $2; Blackberries, $2; Raspberries, $2.55; Pineapples, $2.75; Apricots, $1.85. Pie fruit: Assorted, $3.75 per dozen; Peaches, $1.42½; Plums, $1.25; Blackberries, $1.65 per dozen. Vegetables: Corn, $1.20@1.50, according to quality; Tomatoes, $1.20@3.50; Sugar Peas, $1.40@1.60; String Beans, $1 per dozen. Fish: Salmon, $1.25@1.50; sardines, 80c@$1.40; lobsters, $2@3; oysters, $2@2.75 per dozen. Condensed milk: Eagle brand, $8.25; Crown, $7; Highland, $6.75; Champion, $6 per case.

HOPS—The market is firm. Quote: 30@35c per pound.

HIDES—Quote: Dry Hides, selected prime, 8@9c, ½c less for culls; green, selected, over 55 pounds, 4c; under 55 pounds, 3c; Sheep Pelts, short wool, 30@50c; medium, 60@80c; long, 90c@$1.25; shearlings, 10@20c; Tallow, good to choice, 3@3½c.

WOOL—Oregon Wools in Boston are in good demand, but not at any increased cost, and are quoted all the way from 15@27c per pound. Quoted here: Eastern Oregon, 10@16c; Valley, 16@18c per pound.

NUTS—Quote: California Walnuts, 17½c; other varieties, 15c; Peanuts, green, 12c; Almonds, 17c; Filberts, 14@15c; Brazils, 13@14c per pound; Cocoanuts, $1 per dozen.

CRANBERRIES—Quote: Wisconsin, $9.50; Cape Cod, $12 per barrel.

COFFEE—Quote: Costa Rica, 22½c; Rio, 25½c; Arbuckle's, roasted, 26¾c per pound.

PICKLES—Quote: $1.15c 3s; $1.25 5s.

SALT—Quote: Liverpool, $17, $18, $19; stock, $11@12 per ton in carload lots.

COAL OIL—Quote: $2.23 per case.

RICE—Quote: 5¾c per pound.

NAILS—Base quotations: Iron, $3.20; Steel, $3.30; Wire, $3.90 per keg.

SHOT—Quote: $1.85 per sack.

The Meat Market.

The meat market is firm. Quote:
Beef—Live, 2½@3c; dressed, 6c.
Mutton—Live, 3@3½c; dressed, 6c.
Hogs—Live, 4½@5½c; dressed, 6c.
Veal—5@8c per pound.
Lambs—$2.50 each.

SMOKED MEATS AND LARD.

The market is firm. Quotations: Eastern Hams, 13@14c; Breakfast Bacon, 11@11½c; Sides, 9@10c; Lard, 8½@10½c per pound.

The American a Glutton.

The average American, although a colossal eater, does not at present know how to dine. This is a home truth which he resents extremely, and contradicts with vigor; indeed, he is apt to introduce comparisons between the restaurants of his own and other lands which invariably leave a large balance in favor of Delmonico's. Still, spite of an occasional exception, the American born gastronome is as rare a bird as the American born chef of any serious pretensions.—Cornhill Magazine.

The paradise of railway traveling must be Lower Hungary, where the companies are planting hedges of Provence roses.