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OREGON CITY, OREGON, DEC. 19, 1873.

A New Pacific Railroad Lobby Scheme.

It has been hinted about for some time among the knowing ones that Tom Scott, of the Southern Pacific Railroad, and Jay Cooke, of the Northern Pacific, with all their retainers, henchmen and forces generally, are about to make an onslaught on Congress for aid to carry through their lines. It has been said, too, that there is an alliance, offensive and defensive, between these chiefs, and that whether they move together or separately the campaign has for its object the benefit of both. This, we say has been the current talk, whether true or not. And now it appears Colonel Scott is in Washington sounding the depths and shoal of Congressional consciences. He has had interviews, it is said, with several members of Congress already. The report is that an application will be made to Congress at the ensuing session for aid to both these Pacific railroads, but that it is not proposed to ask such aid as will add to the public debt. What is exactly meant by this we do not know, but imagine it means a large slice of the public lands, and also perhaps, the loan of bonds, such as was made to the Union and Central Pacific roads. That may not be considered by such financiers as adding to the public debt. True, the government and people of the United States are bound to pay these bonds, and do actually pay interest on those of the Union and Central Pacific. Still, they are not reckoned by the Treasury Department as a part of the public debt. Can any simple minded citizen fail to see the difference between being responsible for and actually paying a debt and not being burdened with it? That, at least is the way in which the Pacific railroad managers and the Treasury Department make it out. But have we not had enough of this kind of financiering and extravagance on the part of the government? If people will make railroads before they are wanted, or, as has been said of Jay Cooke's from nowhere to nowhere, let them do so at their own risk. Let not the people have to pay for them either by the loan of bonds or by appropriations of the public lands. The inheritance of the people—of future settlers—has been shamefully squandered away upon railroad companies. Let us have no more of that. We protest in advance against any more reckless waste of the people's property.—*N. Y. Herald.*

DRINKING HARD WATER.—Hard water has sometimes been thought unhealthy, and people have taken great pains to build cisterns in their houses, where rain water pirilial might be had for the table. But nature rarely makes mistakes, and spring water is almost uniformly hard. It is found, on extensive and careful inquiry, that hard water is more healthy than soft. The body needs some of the salts held in solution in hard water, and suffers if they are not supplied in some way. In England the counties where hard water abounds are more healthy than those where soft water is used. The same fact appears in cities, where the mortality is least in sections supplied with hard water. Contrary to the general impression, soft water acts on lead pipes more powerful than hard, and induces danger. Those who have built rain water cisterns, thinking them more healthy than wells, will need to study the wiser method of nature.

The following are examples of a few of the jobs Washington officials will urge on Congress this winter, and insist they shall be quartered on tax-payers. Most of them are officially announced:

Govern ment purchase and control of railroads.

Purchase and control of telegraphs.

Building of about 1,000 miles of canals.

Subsidizing some forty river improvement companies.

Control of education; control of post office banks; control of insurance and express business; subsidizing lines of ships to run without cargoes; authorized official dabbling in the money market in aid of stock brokers and gamblers; payment of debt of District of Columbia; added power to monopolies, and increased taxation to the people. The number of the schemes is legion, and they increase almost daily.—*Pioneer.*

TO BE REPEALED.—A Washington dispatch says that Hon. O. P. Morton, of Indiana, has prepared a bill which he proposes to introduce immediately on the meeting of the Senate, to repeal the Bankrupt Act and make its repeal cover all cases under it since the financial trouble commenced in September. He pronounces the involuntary clause in it, an infamous provision, and anti-republican in character. He expects to carry the repeal bill without opposition.

According to the *Statesman*, Patsey Flynn, whose name has frequently appeared in the police docket, since the State Fair, has been arrested on a charge of having robbed Wm. McCarty, a late employe on the State Capitol building, of $15 in coin. The evidence was sufficient to bind him over to the Grand Jury in $150 bonds, in default of which he was sent to jail.

A PROFESSOR, explaining to a class of young ladies the theory according to which the body is entirely renewed every seven years, said:—"Thus, Miss B., in seven years you will be no longer Miss B." "I really hope I shan't," demurely responded the girl, casting down her eyes.

CHICAGO wants to have the next world's fair held there. "In the first place," says the Boston *Post*, "It is not at all certain that the next world will have a fair, and in the second place those who would be most likely to attend would prefer a more pious town than Chicago.

THE GRANGES.—The Farmers' Granges and the Democratic party have a similar tone of sentiment, common objects, and substantially the same mission, and they must ultimately be found fighting side by side against the common enemy.

They have some very smart business men in New Jersey. Last week a young man was struck by lightning in a field near Trenton, and when the people began to flock to the spot to look at the victim, they found a man standing by the corpse trying to sell lightning rods to the crowd.

A young lady, of Elmira, N. Y., spent four years in learning Greek, Latin, French and Spanish, and then married a vegetable peddler.

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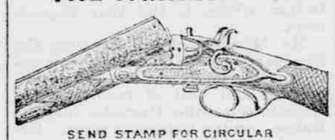

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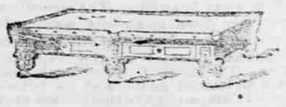

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