

Fork Packing—Oregon and Chicago.

In a recent letter from our townsmen Thomas Cross, Esq., to Mr. T. B. Rice, Mr. Cross gives his experience in fork packing at Chicago, and the reasons which induced him to make that port the seat of his operations. He says that price controls the fork market of west, and he judges from what he says that a man can sell a hog in Chicago for less than he gave for it and yet make money, on a reasonable scale of business...

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EUROPEAN.

Paris, March 9.—In the French Assembly Paris has proposed to give the people a free right to hold meetings and form associations. The expenses of the new Parliament is stated at 1,100,000,000 francs. Victor Hugo tried to make a speech defending Garibaldi, but was interrupted by a great tumult.

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LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

San Francisco, March 9.—The colored citizens are dividing as to whether they shall return to military array on the anniversary of St. Patrick. A new side-wheel steamer is being built for the Puget Sound route, and the iron steamer 'Prince Alfred' is being refitted for the Victoria trade...

Miscellaneous.

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SUNDAY.

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STATE NEWS.

The Herald yesterday did not make its appearance in town. The Bulletin says that until further notice the Oregonian will make but two trips a week to Walla Walla. The Ordinances, now due, is expected to sail on the 14th inst. The wire fence having been duly tested, a new lot is to be built for the State St. Ferry, to have neither paddle wheel, nor starting apparatus, to run on the cable-way by simple propulsion...