

Tri-Weekly Astorian

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—Caleb Cushing had been confirmed as Minister to Spain.

—It is considered certain that Gen. Crooks nomination will be confirmed.

—Major Cornoyer, of Umatilla Reservation, has recently lost two children by death—his sons Edmund and Willie. His friends sympathize with him in so great a bereavement.

—The Democratic State Central Committee is to meet in Portland, on Thursday, the 22d, for the purpose of designating the time and manner of holding a Democratic State Convention.

—The proposed Continental Railway is almost an air line from New York to Omaha. It starts from Jersey City, reaching Omaha by a beeline of the Chicago Rock Island and Burlington railways. The road never goes out of its way to reach a town or city.

—Tom Scott says "the Northern Pacific Railroad Company don't want any more British gold; that the country will produce all that is needed, and when the road goes through Montana the mines thus opened will produce more than we want.

—Secretary Fish denies that his son-in-law, Mr. Webster, who is the Spanish Attorney in New York, and who held this position two years before Mr. Fish succeeded to the portfolio of the State Department, has ever communicated with him on the subject of Spanish relations.

—Making San Francisco simply a port of call on the voyage from Hongkong to Panama, is a serious blow to that port, and withdraws large patronage from the overland railroads, and transfers the same to the Panama railroads. The entire mercantile community of San Francisco are chagrined and disgusted at the policy announced by the Company.

—Mr. Daniel D. Tompkins Moore, publisher of Moore's Rural New-Yorker, has failed, and his Weekly has gone into the hands of a Receiver. Mr. Moore is well known as a veteran publisher, and has many friends throughout the country. He was wrecked by too much confidence in New York speculators, with whom he had been trying to exist for some six years past.

—The Baker City Herald says: It is estimated that there has been something like a ton of prospect rock pounded up in this city during the past two or three weeks. All the old pots and kettles in the country have been brought into requisition. It is said that one fellow got "quartz on the brain" so bad that he sat up till 10 o'clock at night, engaged in pounding a sage brush root—through mistake, of course. The excitement has been up to fever heat.

—A Chicago dispatch of the 8th says: "The telegraphic situation is not changed for the better this morning, and there is scarcely a possibility of getting anything through from the East before to-night, if even then. A few dispatches got through at an early hour this morning, but they came via Richmond, Va., through the Carolinas, through Atlanta, Louisville and Cincinnati. The storm appears to extend from the Lakes on the north, Tennessee on the south, and how far east cannot be definitely stated.

—Senator Kelly of Oregon, has introduced a bill in the Senate to donate the Steilacoom Military Reservation to Washington Territory, for the use of the Insane; also, a bill to authorize Thurston county, Washington Territory, to issue bonds for the construction of a railroad from Burrard Inlet, Puget Sound, to intersect the Northern Pacific Railroad at Tenino. Referred to the Committee on Territories.

THE CHIEF JUSTICESHIP.

A Washington dispatch of the 8th has this: The message of the President to the Senate, withdrawing the nomination of George H. Williams as Chief Justice, states that it is done at his own request. Williams remains in office as Attorney-General, and the nomination of Col. Bristow for that position, is, in another brief message, consequently withdrawn. Following is the letter of Attorney-General Williams requesting the withdrawal of his nomination: "Sir: You were kind enough, without my solicitation or any knowledge on my part that you contemplated any such thing, to nominate me for Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Since that time the flood gates of calumny in all directions have been opened upon me, my abilities have been disparaged, my integrity brought in question, and as it seems to me that the stage of public opinion, adverse to my appointment, has been reached which might hereafter embarrass your administration and perhaps impair my usefulness upon the bench; with a perfect consciousness that I have performed with clean hands and upright purpose all the duties of the various public offices to which I have been called, and trusting to time and to a just public mind when better informed for my vindication, I respectfully ask you to withdraw my nomination."

Another dispatch says: The President nominated Caleb Cushing to be Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. It is probable a stormy debate will take place on the confirmation, as his nomination does not give satisfaction to the politicians here.

Later dispatches inform us that "There is bitter opposition to the confirmation of Cushing. Common objections are urged only on political grounds. The chances are in favor of his confirmation. The New York Times denounces him as devoid of any political principles." Williams was denounced for not being "devoid of any fixed principles." Cushing is denounced, for being the opposite. This illustrates a very curious state of affairs in Washington. What has the Chief Justice of Supreme Court of the United States to do with politics. Has it come to this that only the "politicians" are to have a voice in the affairs of this government—are the people to be no longer regarded as anything more than tools in the hands of politicians? Verily there is need for political reformation in the land.

—Nesmith is pushing the bill for a breakwater at Port Orford.

—The case of pneumonia ambolism in East Portland, is improving.

—Colonel George B. Curry and family, who have resided in Yamhill for some years, have removed to Grant county.

—The Oregon Iron Works are to be resold, as Smith Bros., former purchasers at \$40,000, will not take the property, not being satisfied with the title.

—Einstein Bros., boot and shoe manufacturers, of Battery street, propose opening the largest factory in their trade on this coast. They have acquired a lot on Hayes street, between Polk and Van Ness, 136x155, and on a portion of this, 60x120, they are about to erect a three-story building, substantially finished and equipped with modern improvements and appliances. Detached from the main building will be a small structure for an engine, which is to supply power for the machinery. The total cost will be about \$40,000. The firm anticipates that it will employ from five to seven hundred persons, of whom a large number will be white men, women, and children. About four hundred persons are now employed on the upper floor of the Niantic Building, Clay street, and of these one hundred and fifty are Chinese. Einstein Bros., use the McKay sewing machine, and they have a patent in operation which materially lessens the consumption of material in the cutting of uppers for ladies' boots,

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

—Ex-Sheriff Brennan, of New York City, has been sentenced to thirty days imprisonment in the jail for contempt of Court, in allowing Genet to escape.

The Chief of Engineer's Bureau reports against McFadden's bill for the construction of a Military road from Wallula to Seattle, which inevitably kills the project.

—This is the way the subject is broached in Lowell, Massachusetts: "There are rumors that J. Buttrick, cashier of the Wansutta National Bank, has a discrepancy of \$50,000 in his accounts."

—The Democratic Convention of New Hampshire nominated J. A. Weston for Governor, denounced the present Administration roundly, called for a repeal of the salary act, denounced all kinds of monopolies, declared in favor of State rights, offered adhesion to the Baltimore platform of 1872, and adjourned sine die.

—It is understood that the Texas Pacific Railroad Company will ask for no subsidy in money or bonds to aid its road, but will seek to have some way provided by which the interests on its bonds, to extend to the amount of \$40,000 per mile, may be guaranteed, so as to permit negotiations in Europe without a ruinous discount.

The Salem Express now runs to Albany.

Strenuous efforts are making to smother, in the Pacific Railroad Committee, Lutell's inquiry into the Central Pacific contract and Finance Company's proceedings.

Rumor hath it that Attorney-General Williams will be nominated to the Spanish Mission, in case Caleb Cushing be confirmed as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

At last, after a protracted siege and a stubborn defense, Cartagena has fallen. This is the most important victory yet achieved by the Spanish Government over the Carlists, and this comes only after the Government itself appears to have ceased to exist except in a provisional and precarious way.

Senator Mitchell's bill appropriates \$50,000 for the purchase of material and apparatus for a private assay office in Portland, Oregon, and the appointment of the necessary officers for the establishment of a Government assay office.

The claims against the firm of Jay Cooke & Co., bankrupts, are found to amount to over \$9,600,000. There is also published a partial schedule of the debts due them, and of the property of the firm and its members. This is not summed up yet, so that the total of their assets cannot be stated.

Dwinnell & Perkins, of Powder River Valley, during the past season threshed the following amount of grain: oats, 41,893 bushels, wheat, 3,345 bushels, barley, 12,019 bushels. The above was about half the grain raised the past season, and there was less wheat, in proportion, than of any other kind, from the fact that there is no market for wheat. All that is raised is for home consumption.

Houghton's bill on the Chinese question provides for the appointment by the President and confirmation by the Senate of three commissioners, whose duty it shall be to collect and report to Congress all available information relative to the condition of the Chinese of the United States, and the effect of their presence on the white labor of the country. Authoritative data thus obtained will, Houghton believes, facilitate procuring such Federal action as may be found necessary.

—The Statesman has this from Silverton: No tidings have yet come to hand of S. Greathouse, the man who so mysteriously disappeared from here on the evening of the 2d instant. The prevailing opinion now is that he was murdered. To-day a meeting of the citizens was held and W. R. Dunbar, H. D. Mount, T. R. Hibbard, Jennings Smith and John Morely were appointed a committee to take charge of and prosecute the search for the missing man. The country round about, under the direction of the committee, is being thoroughly searched, but so far nothing has been found.

—The Stickeen gold mine fever shows no abatement, but, on the contrary, is growing more contagious, and it is thought that the rush thither will be immense as soon as the weather settles. About 200 miners are awaiting the return of the steamer California to that point to start for Fort Wrangle, and thence for the mines, and about 125 are now at Back's bar, awaiting the opening of Spring. Two well known gentlemen of Portland have purchased the steamer Shoo Fly, and will immediately commence building another steamer of light draught for use on the Stickeen river. Everything indicates lively times in that region during the present year.

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