

The people of Douglas county are considerably excited over the prospects of a railroad from Roseburg to Coos bay.

On Tuesday last in the United States district court, Judge Deady fixed the time for the trial of W. H. N. Stiles (now under indictment of perjury) on the 21st of November.

The opposition between the two steamship lines to San Francisco is becoming warmer and fare is still further reduced. We learn that next Thursday passengers hence per steamer Ajax can obtain cabin tickets for \$5 and steerage tickets for \$2 50.

The Bee informs us that a representative of the Portland, Salt Lake and South Pass railroad company is enroute for Washington city at the cost of the company, and as we are informed, as soon as his business affairs will admit of his absence from Oregon, Dr. J. C. Hawthorn, President of the company, will go to the national capital, there to represent the interests of the company.

Mr. J. H. McCartney, engineer of the Blue Mountain and Columbia river railroad and a full corps of hands left La Grande last week, Thursday, for Umatilla landing, where he is to begin at once setting grade stakes on the road. The graders will soon follow them. The directors are receiving bids for making and hauling ties for the first ten miles of the road, which it is their intention to have graded and tied by January 1st. This looks like business.

Richard Boling, of St. Paul, Ind, was awakened by a burglar Friday night, who, armed with an ax, entered the house and demanded to be shown such financial deposits as the house might develop. Mr. Boling politely escorted the thief around the premises and finally pointed out a bureau supposed to contain rich evidence of debt. The burglar instituted an investigation and while at Mr. Boling struck him over the head, killing him instantly, and then went back to bed, where he slept peacefully until morning, when he communicated the details of the tragedy.

The Holladay will suit is on trial in New York before Judge Van Voost. It was brought in the name of Mr. Ben. Holladay's youngest daughter, Madame de Busierre, to recover her share of the property left by her mother, Holladay's first wife, which will be set aside in favor of an earlier will leaving the same property to her husband. The latest will was claimed to have been made when the testator was of unsound mind. It is a well known fact that Madame De Busierre brought this with exceeding unwillingness, being constrained thereto by her husband for whom her father has always manifested feelings of extreme dislike and contempt. There is little possibility for any judgment for the plaintiff in the suit.

The Guard relates an incident which occurred in Eugene city lately: "A tramp who appeared very feeble, and hobbled along leaning upon a cane, went to the residence of St. John Skinner. The doors were shut, but he was seen through the window before he came to the house. To discover whether he was as feeble as he pretended, St. John gave a large dog which was lying by the door, the word, and he started to interview the fellow, who dropped his stick and bundle and made better time than Rye Straw's best, till he came to a tall gate post, up which he went with the agility of a cat. When the dog was called off, concluding that he had mistaken the house, he left without making his errand known."

THE NEWS.

The Australian steamer arrived at San Francisco Wednesday morning with British mails two hours after departure of the overland train. The mails were put on a special train with instructions to overtake the express train, and by making close connection at New York Wednesday it is expected to deliver the Sydney mails in London in 39 days.

Near Oroville, (Cal.), on last Wednesday night as five Chinamen from Laporte were entering Oroville in a wagon a man with a rifle in his hands stopped them and demanded their money. The driver said he had no money, whereupon the man fired, killing a Chinaman who tumbled off the wagon to the ground. The horses started to run and the man continued firing at the Chinamen in the wagon. On the body of the dead Chinaman was \$1,000 in money which the robber obtained. The deed was committed a short distance above the bridge across Feather river and within half a mile of Oroville.

According to a Russian official bulletin Mukhtar Pasha was decisively defeated Monday and the Turkish army utterly destroyed as a fighting body. On Sunday, the Russian division turned Mukhtar's right, and on Monday, General Heymann, with 10,000 infantry, carried Olga Tepe, the key of the Turkish position, by assault, cutting the Turkish army in two. The centre and left wing, under Mukhtar Pasha himself, retreated upon Kars, and succeeded in gaining the cover of the fortifications, after a fearful rout, during which the Turks lost a great number of men in killed and wounded, several thousand prisoners and four guns. Three divisions, constituting the Turkish right, had meantime been surrounded and attacked and driven from their fortified camp with a great loss. Finally, at 8 o'clock Monday night, a remnant of Mukhtar Pasha's army surrendered with thirty-two guns and a great quantity of material. Among the persons captured are seven pashas. Mukhtar Pasha is in Kars. The Russian loss is stated to be relatively slight.

The Texas Pacific.

In the course of our remarks yesterday concerning the re-election of Mr. Randall as speaker of the House, we stated that this was a railroad victory. We intended to say a Texas Pacific railroad victory. His success it was admitted previous to the election would be a sign that the majority of the House favor the trans-continental railway enterprise of Colonel Thomas A. Scott. The south is supposed to be a unit on this question. The Maryland democratic state convention a few days ago, under the supervision of Senator Whyte, adopted a resolution against government subsidy of any kind to railways or for any other purpose. Scott's scheme asks the government to guarantee the interest on company bonds so that the company may be enabled to borrow the money needed at a low rate. The government is now floating a large loan at 4 per cent. Its 5 per cents are away above par. With the government guaranteeing the interest the company could probably float its 5 per cent bonds at par; but without that backing it would be difficult to sell company 5 per cents at 90 or even 80. The Central Pacific company had to sell many of their 6 per cents as low as 60, which accounts in part for the enormous cost of their road. If Colonel Scott can procure the endorsement of his company bonds by the United States, he will be able to build and equip two miles of road at no greater cost in gold than the building and equipment of one mile of the Union or Central Pacific. The election of Randall as speaker would indicate that the house favors a competing line; his defeat, that the Central Pacific forces had won a victory over Colonel Scott and his company.

MARRIED.

In this city, Oct. 17, 1877, by the Rev. T. A. Hyland, Miss Louisa M. Schmeier to Mr. Lewis B. Burg.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

All persons are hereby forbidden from putting any one on my account as I will not be responsible for such debts without a written order from me. N. M. KIMBALL, Astoria, Oregon, Oct. 17, 1877. dt-122

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

OREGON STEAMSHIP COMPANY

For San Francisco Direct. Carrying the United States Mails and Wells, Fargo & Co's Express.

Passage, Cabin, \$7 50 | Steerage, \$3 Freight, per Ton, \$2

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Will leave W. T. & L. Co's dock Astoria for above port on SUNDAY, October 21, 1877. At 6 o'clock, A. M.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the office of the W. T. & L. Co's company. C. P. UPSHUR, Agent.

NOTICE.

We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by Ordinance No. 224 and 225 to assess the benefits and damages caused by the widening of Chenamus and Chenamus streets, do hereby give public notice, that we shall proceed to view said proposed widening and to assess said damages and benefits on the 24th day of October, A. D. 1877; and that we shall meet at the office of the City Attorney at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, when and where all parties interested will appear and attend.

JOHN HOBSON, C. A. MCGUIRE, ALMARIN MONTGOMERY. Astoria, Oct. 12, 1877. dt-14

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THE UNDERSIGNED TAKE PLEASURE TO ANNOUNCE TO THEIR PATRONS AND DEALERS IN GENERAL THAT THEY HAVE LATELY LARGELY INCREASED THEIR FACTORY AND ARE NOW PREPARED TO FURNISH AN GOOD AN ASSORTMENT IN THEIR LINE AS ANY HOUSE ON THE COAST.

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"NIL DESPERANDUM."

Lime, Brick, Sand And LATH, ALSO Plaster and Marble Dust AS CHEAP AS CAN BE LANDED IN ASTORIA.

Can be had in any quantity at my wharf. Agent for sale of San Juan Lime. PETER RUNEY, Astoria.

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JUST ARRIVED: 40,000 BRICK; 100 WINDOWS; AND 200 DOORS;

WHICH WILL BE SOLD AS LOW AS ANY HOUSE IN OREGON. BAIN & FERGUSON, Astoria, Oregon.

Wagon and Carriage Shop.

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Repairing promptly attended to none, but the best material used. All work warranted. Blacksmithing and ship work promptly attended to.

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Wholesale and Retail Dealers in all kinds of Fresh and Cured Meats!

A full line of Family Groceries, CANNED FRUIT, VEGETABLES, ETC. Butter, Eggs, Cheese, etc. constantly on hand. Ships supplied at the lowest rates.

OREGON BAKERY,

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WILL BE SERVED TO PATRONS of the Oregon Bakery of which C. Binder deceased, was proprietor, the same as usual, by Mrs. CHARLES BINDER.

First Class Baker employed, and perfect satisfaction guaranteed. All orders, large or small, promptly filled on short notice. Patronage of the public is respectfully solicited. MRS. CHAS. BINDER.

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NEW STORE!

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At a considerable reduction from previous prices, many kinds AT COST!

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All work in our line, heavy or light, done with neatness and dispatch. HORSESHOEING, WAGON, AND Farm Work a Specialty.

HAVING SECURED THE SERVICES OF Mr. S. A. Gaines of Ky., an experienced Farrier of 25 years in the business, and well known to Astoria horsemen, we are prepared to do shoeing in a manner to cure lameness or prevent it in horses entrusted to our care. All work warranted and at reasonable rates.

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AUCTIONEER and COMMISSION AGENT CHENAMUS ST. ASTORIA, OREGON. Consignments respectfully solicited, bills collected and returns promptly made.

Regular Sales Day, Saturday. Refer by permission to C. S. WRIGHT, WARREN & MCGUIRE, HOS. J. Q. A. BOWLEY, A. VAN LEESEN, J. W. GEARHAULT.

E. C. HOLDEN, Auctioneer.

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The table will be supplied with the best the market affords. Accommodations to suit the times, from \$1 25 to \$2 50 per day.

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THIS HOUSE HAVING BEEN newly re-painted and furnished throughout is now open to the accommodation of the public.

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