

Editorial Correspondence.

CLARENDON HOTEL, PORTLAND, May 5th, 1879. The Hayward reached Kalama to-day ten minutes ahead of the starting time of the train for Tacoma, and eighty minutes ahead of the arrival of the train from Tacoma; this gave us an opportunity to interview the terminus. Kalama is a very dull place, without hope of revival. Gen. Sprague has again taken the supremacy of the railroad and had just returned from a trip of observation. He is now puzzling his head over a somewhat perplexing matter, to-wit: the durability of timber. Can any one explain why it is that timber cut in the same day, from the same tree, so to speak, varies so much in durability in the same bridge, on the same line of ties? Also, why is it that railroad iron in a certain portion of the track will actually creep up a hill, at the rate of an inch a month, twelve inches in a year, seven feet in seven years? Such are a few of the perplexing things one meets with in the office of Superintendent of a railroad.

We were very much entertained this afternoon in conversation with two gentlemen who were traveling companions from Kalama, Judge A. B. Levisse, and Col. W. A. Gavett of the United States treasury department. Judge Levisse, for a long time prior to the war, and up to within two years past, was a resident of Louisiana. He recites some of the bitter experiences of the war which have driven thousands of good men from the south political exiles, and is the cause of the present exodus of blacks. In answer to our inquiry as to whether he should return to Louisiana to live, his reply was that in the slave crossing the river at Detroit, "there's a vacancy down there; you are welcome to it." He will not return to fill it any longer. The leading men and the public press of the south, are making fatal mistakes by their bulldozing, and it will soon be apparent to them. Would that we had a thousand or two of those faithful negroes here in Oregon, to take the places filled here now by the much despised celestials. But of this more anon.

The weather has been very delightful to-day, all nature seems to be rejoicing, and this beautiful city is truthfully "sitting like a fat duck upon the pearly edges of prosperity," a saying credited to us in 1865 about to be fully realized. To-morrow we are to visit the city with Mr. Van B. De Lashmut, of D. & O. the "Retail Bankers," and observe the march of improvements from his buggy seat. The present railroad talk means business, and when the Utah Northern, Central Pacific, and Northern Pacific all terminate in Portland as they must, and will, very soon; Astoria will get a benefit. It is a great pity that the resources of eastern Oregon and Washington were not known ten years ago, before the Northern Pacific Railroad company put so much to idle purposes in a line from Kalama to Puget-sound. Bat day light is dawning for us all, and there is room for all, let all say come. D. C. I.

—Wm. E. Baker offers to donate property valued at \$200,000, provided the sum of \$110,000 additional be guaranteed, for the benefit of the Massachusetts Public Health Association, for the purpose of carrying out recommendations of boards of health by inspection and advice as to improvement in house ventilation and drainage, for the suppression of adulteration in food, and for the establishment of schools of cookery and diet kitchens for the sick.

—Forty-nine failures were reported in New York in April, in which the total liabilities amounted to \$1,199,883, and the assets were estimated at \$633,121. Compared with the preceding month, this shows a large increase in liabilities, March having forty failures, with liabilities of \$480,449, and assets of \$211,754. In April, 1878, there were seventy-three failures; total liabilities, 9,890,000.

Kindness to Animals.

The Lieutenant Governor of Michigan writes to the Elumra Husbandman concerning the treatment of fractious animals embodying the following excellent ideas: It is a matter that I have tested thoroughly in practice, and I have learned that animals that are treated kindly are not apt to be vicious or ugly. Treat them kindly, young or old, let them know that you will not hurt them; and more, teach them that you are their best friend. It is very easy, and also a very pleasant thing to do, and if you do it the chances are that your cows will be kind and gentle, your steers and oxen and your colts and horses will be so also. If it is found that any animals can not be made useful by kind treatment it is best to get rid of them. Treated kindly from the start they yield to it easily. Prof. Miles, when going around with me to see my sheep, said: "What is the matter with your sheep? They do not run when they see you!" I could only say in reply that they knew me, and had come to regard me as their best friend. I should feel that something was wrong with me if my domestic animals did not welcome me and appear pleased at my approach.

—The coroner who put out in a small boat and chased a body five miles down the Mississippi river only to find it was Paul Boyton, says such nonsense ought to be stopped. He thinks Boyton has no right to fool with the best interests of the country.

It is related of the late Mme. Bonaparte that she never adopted the new-fangled notion of gas, but always used candles, and she would not allow a carpet to be laid on her bed-room floor.

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