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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Eastern States.

The Woodruff scientific expedition which was to make a tour of the world, collapsed on the 8th, owing to want of support.

The race to decide the superiority of the champion scullers of Yale and Harvard, took place on the 9th at Lake Quinsigamond.

Pacific Coast Dispatches.

More Indian trouble has taken place near Winchuck and has resulted in the killing of three Indians and wounding of one white man.

The new constitution has been carried in California. It provides that no corporation doing business in the state shall employ Chinese labor, and the legislature is required to enact such laws as will enforce it.

Postal Facilities.

Editor's Advertisement.
In times like these people have a good opportunity to appreciate the accommodations of the post-office. When the railroads are all running on time, when all the machinery is smooth, and the mails come and go to the minute, people accept the work of the post-office without stopping to think how much it does or how well it does it. It picks your letters up from the front of your residence, sends it to its destination, gets the answer in the same manner, brings it back and deposits it in your own hand in your own house. It has not been necessary for you to step out of doors, except so far as the street letter box in depositing your letter. With such exactness and certainty does it do this one may calculate, if his correspondent is prompt, the precise day and hour when the carrier will appear at the door with the answer, even though the distance traveled is thousands of miles. But now the storms are on, the post-office is in confusion. No one knows when the mail will come, nor what they will contain on arrival. The contrast with the usual and ordinary regularity is sharp and disagreeable. Anxiety takes the place of confidence. Business is changed, social and family matters are thrown into confusion. We look at the postman afar off with eager eyes, and watch his approaching footstep with new interest. He comes and goes, but he leaves nothing behind. Tedium and monotony reign. In a newspaper office it is like the coming of the end of the world. The great mountain of exchanges has melted and gone, and nothing now stands in its place. The editor is as helpless as an army cut off from its base of supplies. He brandishes his shears, but nowhere do they find anything to cut. He looks into vacancy, scratches his head and thinks. Nothing comes. There is no substitute for ample mail. The paper is due in the morning. Time refuses to wait, and something must be done. Rain or shine, snow or frost, the paper knows no cessation. In the absence of something, it must be made out of nothing. Three or four days can't be tided over, but a week, or a month. The result would be fatal. The postoffice owes much to the press, and the press is equally indebted to the post-office.

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H. B. FERGUSON,
Fish Commissioner.

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ALBERT T. STREAM.

NORTH COVE, W. T., Feb. 17, 1879.

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will not only send money in this way throughout the United States, but to all places in England, Ireland, Scotland, the Dominion of Canada and the German states. To all points where there are no money-order offices, the registered letters will carry money and valuable documents with almost equal safety. It is as safe to send money in a registered letter as it is to go and carry it yourself. The government does not guarantee the mail against robbery, and it does not guarantee you from highwaymen. It will pursue and punish the criminals in either case, but it does not make up the loss. That, if any, the individual must suffer. But bolts and bars and safes and vaults are not more secure than the post-office transmission of money when secured in any of the ways which the post-office provides.

The post-office also acts as an express company. It will take packages of merchandise, within the limit of four pounds in weight, to any part of the country for sixteen cents a pound, and in exactly that ratio for fractions under. A diamond ring, weighing one ounce, will go to Alaska for one cent, and for ten cents more will be received for and registered. For the limit of weight and for short distances the express companies are cheaper, but for long distances, to western or southern states, or across the continent, the post-office charge is so insignificant as to be almost ridiculous. The new system of registration for such packages makes them absolutely safe, and they are handled with as much care as letters. The time is coming when the post-office will build elevators for people and lift them over mountains. Its accommodations to-day, as compared with what they were even ten years ago, are wonderful.

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