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United States Senators Elected.
 General Miller was elected by the Sacramento assembly on Wednesday to fill the vacancy on Senator Booth's expired term. This news comes to us in the Stillwater-Post of January 15th. Fair is also elected in Nevada.

The Telegraphic Deal.
 It is understood the telegraphic combination was effected on a basis of \$80,000,000 capital for the new company of which the Western Union is to have \$58,000,000; American Union, \$15,000,000; and the Atlantic and Pacific, \$7,000,000. The present capital of the Western Union is about \$41,000,000; of the American Union, \$15,000,000; of the Atlantic and Pacific, \$14,000,000. Thus it will be seen that Western Union gets a scrip dividend of 40 per cent. The American Union goes in at par and the Atlantic and Pacific is put in at 50. It is undeniable says the Graphic, that this movement has been engineered throughout by Jay Gould, who to-day holds a greatly preponderating control of the entire telegraph system of the country. It is a movement in which he has checkmated his opponents completely, and it is estimated that his profits sum up into the millions. The present movement in telegraph stocks was begun in the latter part of November by Vanderbilt, who ran the stock up from about par to 104 1/2 to enable him to unload, which he did all the way down to 90, as he saw the preparations the rival line was making for a severe and protracted competition. From 90 the stock was carried down some 13 per cent. by Gould's short sales. The speculative movement lay dormant for a few days, but assumed activity by the sale of one block of 20,000 shares at 78 1/2, seller 60 days, and another of 10,000 shares on a similar option at 78. Wall street was mystified as to the purport of the transaction, but the speculators generally were induced to put out heavy lines of shorts. From this point the stock began to advance, and immense transactions were the order of the day. There is little doubt but that Gould and Vanderbilt have been acting in concert in a buying movement, although it is believed that Gould is by far the largest buyer, as he appears to have dictated the settlement which was made on the 13th. The first section of the new American Union cables will probably be laid in May, and the whole system be finished in November. Whatever is the upshot of the amalgamation project of the land lines here, says a New York dispatch of the 14th, these new cables will certainly be laid, as there is a demand for more wires to Europe, and the property will always be in request, owing to the increased demand for cable facilities. The old cable companies have offered the projectors of new cables every inducement to discontinue their plans.

The opal mines of Queensland bid fair to rival at no distant day the far-famed depositories of that gem in Hungary. Opals have been found in many localities, but have not yet been worked to a profit. Those obtained from Listowel Downs were beautiful in appearance, but too thin and sealy to possess much market value. A resident of Winton has recently discovered some opal ground which promises to be really remunerative, and has found some specimens, among which is a solid angular cream-colored specimen on which great reliance is placed. It is said to indicate great heat, and to afford strong grounds for believing that large-sized commercial opals will be found beneath the surface.

The Chinese Treaty.
 Following is the text of the treaty signed at Peking on September 17, 1880, by the commissions plenipotentiary of the United States and China, respectively. The first, which provides for the future regulation of Chinese immigration, is in these words:
 Whereas, in the eighth year of Hsiang Feng, A. D. 1858, a treaty of peace and friendship was concluded between the United States of America and China, to which were added, in the seventh year of Tung Chih, A. D. 1868, certain supplementary articles to the advantage of both parties, which supplementary articles were to be perpetually observed and obeyed; and

Whereas, the government of the United States, because of the constantly increasing immigration of Chinese laborers to the territory of the United States and the embarrassments consequent upon such immigration, now desires to negotiate a modification of the existing treaties which shall not be in direct contravention of their spirit, now

Therefore, the President of the United States of America has approved James B. Angell of Michigan, John F. Swift of California, and William Henry Trescott of South Carolina, as his commission plenipotentiary, and his Imperial Majesty the Emperor of China, has appointed Pao Chun, a member of his Imperial Majesty's privy council and superintendent of the board of civil office, and Li Hung Tso, a member of his Imperial Majesty's privy council, as his commissioners plenipotentiary, and the said commissioners have conjointly examined their full powers and having discussed the points of possible modification in the existing treaties, have agreed upon the following articles in modification:

Article I. Whenever in the opinion of the government of the United States the coming of Chinese laborers to the United States, or their residence therein, affects or threatens to affect the interests of that country or to endanger the good order of the said country or of any locality within the territory thereof, the government of China agrees that the government of the United States may regulate, limit or suspend such coming or residence, but may not absolutely prohibit it. The limitation or suspension shall be reasonable, and shall apply only to Chinese who may go to the United States as laborers, other classes not being included in the limitation. Legislation taken in regard to Chinese laborers will be of such a character only as is necessary to enforce the regulation, limitation or suspension of immigration, and immigrants shall not be subject to personal maltreatment or abuse.

Article II. Chinese subjects, whether proceeding to the United States as teachers, students, merchants, or from curiosity, together with body and household servants, and Chinese laborers who are now in the United States, shall be allowed to go and come of their own free will and accord, and shall be accorded all the rights, privileges, immunities and exemptions which are accorded to the citizens and subjects of the most favored nations.

Article III. If Chinese laborers, or Chinese of any other class, now either permanently or temporarily residing in the territory of the United States, meet with ill treatment at the hands of any other persons, the government of the United States will exert all its power to devise measures for their protection, and to secure to them the same rights, privileges, immunities and exemptions as may be enjoyed by the citizens and subjects of the most favored nations, and to which they are entitled by treaty.

Article IV. The high contracting powers having agreed upon the foregoing articles, whenever the government of the United States shall adopt legislative measures in accordance therewith, such measures will be communicated to the government of China. If such measures as enacted are found to work hardships upon the subjects of China, the Chinese minister at Washington may bring the matter to the notice of the secretary of state of the United States, who will consider the subject with him, and the Chinese foreign office may also bring the matter to the notice of the United States minister at Peking, and consider the subject with him, to the end that mutual and unqualified benefit may result.

In faith whereof the respective plenipotentiaries have signed and sealed the foregoing at Peking, in English and Chinese, being three originals of each text, of even tenor and date, the ratification of which shall be exchanged at Peking within one year from the date of its execution.

Done at Peking this seventeenth day of November, in the year of our Lord 1880. Kuang Hsu, sixth year, tenth moon, fifteenth day. Signatures of Chinese commissioners.
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 WM. HENRY TRESCOTT.

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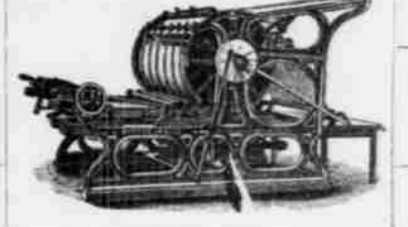
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