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GENERAL EASTERN NEWS.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

Chinese Competition.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The Herald says: Even China can afford to snap her fingers defiantly at the United States flag when it covers a merchant vessel. The Pacific Mail, the only American line of steamers engaged in the foreign trade, is finding a determined competition in the new Chinese line, and as the latter can buy ships for one-half the money that Americans are compelled by our idiotic navigation laws to pay, the fight will last just so long as the celestials care to prolong it.

Cheap Immigration Rates.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The cutting of steerage rates by German steamship companies will have the effect, so superintendent Jackson of Castle Garden believes, of increasing the spring immigration to this country. A poor class of immigrants are arriving this year. In January the total was 8000, against 6000 for the corresponding month last year.

Wife Murderer Hanged.

WINDSOR, VT., Feb. 25.—E. C. Hayet, the Derby Line wife murderer, was executed this afternoon. He said that he died innocent of knowledge or intent of shooting his wife. He acted and spoke quietly and calmly as if at home entertaining friends, while examining the gallows and directing the pinioning of his arms.

The Cremation Story Denied.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The family of Senator Carpenter authorizes the statement that the senator always expressed himself as opposed to cremation. He made no request relative to the disposition of his remains.

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

The Russo-Chinese Treaty Signed.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—The new Russo-Chinese treaty was signed yesterday.

Parnell Again in Paris.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—Parnell's departure for Paris was more owing to severe nervous prostration than the requirements of the land league.

Peace at Last.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—A private telegram states that peace has been declared between Chili and Peru.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

Arizona Wants to be a State.

PRESCOTT, Feb. 25.—In the legislature to-day Haines introduced a bill providing for framing a constitution for the new state of Arizona.

Marvel not that I say unto you, ye must pay the printer. Whosoever neglecteth to pay the printer, hath not eternal life abiding in him. Who hath sorrow, who hath woe, who hath the nightmare! They who forget to render unto the printer his just dues. If a man live many years and payeth not for THE ASTORIAN, behold he shall not die in peace till he hath restored to the printer that which he hath withheld.

—P. Wilhelm, Boss saloon, opposite the Clarendon hotel, Portland, Oregon.

—A nice lot of eastern oysters at Roscoes, arrived yesterday by steamer Columbia. Call around. You will find them first class.

—If you want a good big oyster stew in style, call around to Tom Smiths, next door to P. H. Fox, Main street Astoria, Oregon. Open at all hours.

—Lawyers briefs printed in fine style, at THE ASTORIAN office.

····Blanks, Promissory notes, bonds for deed, quit claim deeds, mortgages and warranty deeds, at this office.

—Have you a lame horse? Call for Kendall's Spavin Cure. Read the advertisement.

—Fresh leaf lard at Warren and Eaton's.

—Salmon bellies, at retail, at Warren & Eaton's.

The Petroleum Interests of California.

Grocer and Merchant.

It has been known for many years that the hills of California contain an abundant supply of petroleum, but the great expense of boring wells, and the difficulty of refining the crude article to the standard of that produced in Pennsylvania, retarded greatly the process of this industry. Struggling on, however, it finally gained the attention of some of our leading capitalists who are now pushing it with great energy. Already the supply of crude petroleum is equal to the wants of the states and territories west of the Rocky mountains for the common grades of oil, and a dozen rigs are constantly employed in drilling wells which are intended to supply the foreign markets with which San Francisco has relations. A refinery, the present capacity of which can be increased to 5,000 barrels per day has been erected in Alameda, and the progress made in the method of drilling as well as in refining, makes it apparent that petroleum henceforth will rank high among the products of our state. The difficulties which attend the initial operations of this company were great, but they have been overcome. A new process of drilling had to be adopted owing to the broken strata of our hills, which were apt to cave on the drillers' tools, making their work profitless. A new method of refining the oil had also to be discovered, for the reason that the dark crude product of California does not easily produce a clear oil like that from the Pennsylvania oil fields. Even new methods of transportation had to be found, for the climate of this coast does not admit of the use of ordinary oak barrels. New packages for distribution had to be devised, and our local petroleum companies now use a barrel made from wood grown in the state. They are metal lined and are said to be as light as an eastern petroleum barrel, as tight as an iron vessel could be made, and not affected by sun or rain. Each package, barrel or half barrel, has a faucet or vent already inserted, and with the use of this safety package the companies are able to sell the oil cheaper than in tin cans. Insignificant as these improvements seem to be, it means nevertheless a large saving on the oil sold in this market annually, besides furnishing a package which can be stored and emptied without diffusing the odor of petroleum. There are at present sample lots of California petroleum on the way to Asiatic ports, and it is not hazardous to predict that before long vessels loaded with the article will follow, and petroleum form a very important addition to our list of exportations.

—The most beneficial discovery of the century to man is Ammen's Cough Syrup. A wealthy gentleman, who claims that it entirely cured him of incipient consumption, offered $5,000 for the formula and the right to manufacture and sell to the world, which was refused. The Remedy stands upon its own merits. A 15-cent sample bottle will convince the most skeptical of its virtues. Try it. It may save your life. All respectable druggists keep it, at 15 cts., 50 cts., $1.

The Peruvian syrup has cured thousands who were suffering from dyspepsia, debility, liver complaint, boils, humors, female complaints, etc. Pamphlets free to any address. Seth W. Fowle & Sons, Boston.

····Circuit Court Blanks, County Court Blanks, Justice Court Blanks, Shipping Blanks, Miscellaneous Blanks, Deeds, Mortgages, etc., for Sale at THE ASTORIAN office.

—Mr. John Rogers, of the Central Market, has made arrangements to keep all the finest fresh fish, etc., in their season.

—For the Genuine J. H. Cutter old Bourbon, and the best of wines, liquors, and San Francisco beer call at the Gem opposite the bell tower, and see Campbell.

The Mormon Question.

EDITOR ASTORIAN:

Permit me to say, from the reading of Mrs. Duniway's New Northwest in her paper of the 10th of February, and THE ASTORIAN of the 18th, that that excellent lady had what might be called a slight attack of what is sometimes called a motherly attempt to correct a supposed mistake of a truant boy by applying to him pet names, and consoling herself that because her boy had read her paper from her first number down to her tenth volume, he ought to have known better than to think she would not open its columns to a (please excuse if he should call the article referred to a blackguard article) from a newspaper reporter, attempting to show that the person regarded by all christians, and even the Mormons themselves, in their first organization under Jo. Smith, as the second person in the Trinity, i. e. "Jesus Christ himself was a Polygamist."

This noble mother tells us in her introduction of that (shall I call it) blackguard article, that "as we always wish to be fair in discussing any question, we give the remarks made in defense of Polygamy by Bishop Lunt to a reporter of the San Francisco Chronicle." This statement led me to read and re-read what its sprightly, and as I had always regarded as the truest and purest of mothers in Oregon, and that nothing would discolor her paper like the line I have quoted, I am frank to confess I was surprised to find such an article in a paper edited by a woman of so much talent and experience as she has had in her ten years editorial capacity. But she tells us "Mr. G. is needlessly worried, and might restrain his wrath." I do not consider it would be honorable in me to repeat Mrs. Duniway's closing term as applied to me, because I consider in the discussion of any question it does not add to substantial argument. Permit me to repeat the same words I used in my first article in the commencement of this discussion, to see if they were not properly guarded and that no reasonable person could take exception, except one favoring, or being at least willing, to publish such newspaper reporter articles as referred to. I said, and I say it still: when such men as ex-Senator Sargeant, and such an editor as Mrs. Duniway will allow their pens and papers to be occupied, in plain words prostituted, in the interests of men calling themselves a religious sect, and quoting scripture as the father of lies did when he offered the kingdom of the world to the redeemer of mankind if he would worship him, then it is time for some one to refer at least to the origin of the imposters. History informs us that many such have appeared during the past ages.

But I propose in as few articles as possible to show from their own most sacred book the most inconsistency and trickery in the position they now assume. In fact, while they attempt to make the christians bible justify their abomination, I propose to be quite as fair as Mrs. Duniway in showing, from their sacred book, that they not only falsify our sacred book but their own.

I conceive this to be fair and legitimate and honorable in meeting an opponant.

Ex Senator Sargent admitted in his article, that it was a religious belief, and under the constitution we had no right to interfere with it. The Book of Mormon now before me, chapter 11, pages 124-5, reads as follows:

"For behold thus saith the Lord. this people begin to waxx in iniquity; they understand not the scriptures: for they seek to excuse themselves in committing whoredoms, because of the things which were written concerning David and Solomon, his son. Behold, David and Solomon truly had many wives and concubines, which thing was abominable before me saith the Lord." Wherefore, thus saith the Lord. I have led this people forth out of the land of Jerusalem, by the power of mine arm, that I might raise up unto me a righteous branch from the fruits of the loins of Joseph. Wherefore, I, the Lord God, will not suffer that this people shall do like unto them of old. Therefore, my brethren, hear me, and harken to the word of the Lord: for there shall not any man among you have save it be one wife: and concubines he shall have none: for I, the Lord God, delighteth in the chastity of women. And whoredoms are an abomination before me: thus saith the Lord of hosts. Wherefore, this people shall keep my commandments, saith the Lord of hosts, or cursed be the land for their sakes. For if I will, saith the Lord of hosts, raise up a seed unto me, I will command my people; otherwise, they shall harken unto these things. For behold, I, the Lord, have seen the sorrow, and heede the mourning of the daughters of my people in the land of Jerusalem; yea, and in all the lands of my people, because of the wickedness and abominations of their husbands. And I will not suffer, saith the Lord of hosts, that the cries of the fair daughters of this people which I have led out of the land of Jerusalem, shall come up unto me, against the men of my people, saith the Lord of hosts. For they shall not lead away captive, the daughters of my people, because of their tenderness, save I shall visit them with a sore curse, even unto destruction; for they shall not commit whoredoms, like unto them of old, saith the Lord of hosts."

The statements of this Mormon prophet are continued by affirming that three commandments were given his father Lehigh. He affirms that they knew them before and had done what they ought not to have done.

This is a longer quotation than I desired to make but I believe there is so much ignorance on this Mormon question of their first start, that it seems to fall to my lot to quote their authorized book which, as I before mentioned, was written as a bible romance about the lost tribes, but stolen from the authors' widow, and changed by Jo. Smith as far as he dared to do to suit his purpose at that time.

Respectfully, etc., W. H. GRAY.

Horse Education.

In something written we have an indistinct recollection of having made reference to a general disposition among boys in their teens, as well as boys of maturer years, to enlighten and bless the world with their profound knowledge of the horse and his history. Our books and newspapers are full of this kind of literature, and it varies in style from the production of the child at school, commencing with: The horse has four legs and a tail; up to the eloquent tribute of the scholar when he quotes from Job: That his neck is clothed with thunder and the glory of his nostrils is terrible. He smelleth the battle afar off, the thunder of the captains and the shouting. Between these two extremes of the child at his first school composition, and the professional literature, we have every grade of pretention, and each professing to have mastered the whole subject. As we approach the close of this nineteenth century, we begin to look for something better in this department of knowledge from those who assume to instruct. And it is to be found in Everalls Treatise on the horse, sent by mail to any person for twenty-five cents, postage paid. Apply to THE ASTORIAN office, or address D. C. Ireland, Astoria, Oregon.

—By a recent postal decision men can actually make money by getting their bills and statements of accounts printed. Statements of accounts and bills of sale when made out on paper having printed headings, can be sent by mail for one cent, if the envelope is left unsealed; whereas, if it is made out on unprinted paper, it will cost three cents. Thus by patronizing THE ASTORIAN two cents can be saved on every bill or statement that is sent out through the mail.

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····We desire it to be distinctly understood that those who send us advertisements from abroad, must send the cash with the advertisements if they would have them appear. We have numbers of advertisements sent us from strangers saying, "Please insert and send bill." This we cannot do; the cash must accompany the copy and the order

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