

The Daily Astorian.

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People who use the success of the French loan as an argument that this country might borrow all the money it needs at three per cent. either forget or conveniently neglect to mention the fact that the French loan is issued at fifteen per cent. below par. When the United States raises a loan it wants to receive one hundred cents on every dollar, and we had better, if need be, pay a little more interest than depart from the statutory rule laid down. Perhaps a three per cent loan would be successful, but there is nothing in the experience of France which proves as much.

Following the mass meeting of the anti-monopoly league, at Cooper Institute, February 21st, the New York Tribune published an editorial condemning in severe terms the purposes of the league, and stigmatizing them as "befitting the reds and communists of a bygone day in Paris, rather than the free citizens of the United States." Feeling that this was eminently unjust, Mr. F. B. Thurber, an officer of the league, sent a communication to the Tribune controverting the ground taken in the editorial; but after ten days delay it was finally refused insertion. Thomas Jefferson said: "Error of opinion may safely be tolerated when reason is left free to combat it." But when sinister influences obtain control of a public journal, which ought by all past associations to be the defender of public rights, and a hearing is denied to those it condemns, we feel that the only resource left the citizens of a republic who believe in free speech and free institutions, is an appeal to that portion of the press which is still free from the control of corporate ownership, patronage and influence. Although Mr. Thurber does not exchange with us, we shall give both the Tribune article and his letter to the public, because we are a practical believer in the principles of fair play.

It is very amusing to read the comments of eastern journalists; and indeed, for that matter, some nearer home; upon the Billings-Villard fight. For instance, as a sample cut, read the San Francisco Chronicle: "It was the purpose of Billings to run the line of the road from a point near the mouth of Snake river northwesterly through a large and rich agricultural region, and through the most available pass in the Cascade range of mountains to Tacoma, or some other place at deep water on Puget-sound. This, of course, would strike a severe blow at Portland, on the Willamet, and sooner or later take from it most of the trade it now controls. The blow would fall with equal or greater force upon the Oregon Steam Navigation company also. The road terminating on Puget-sound, and tapping all the vast interior above The Dalles, would divert from the Navigation company's lines of river boats and its lines of railway leading down the river to Portland most of the traffic they now have and all that they hope to gain eastward by defeating the Billings route of the Northern Pacific." Having said this much the Chronicle draws into its shell with "this is the fight as it stands." The Chronicle ought to know that the most available pass referred to has not been found, and that the Oregon Steam Navigation company was lost about three years since. Mr. Billings has been president of the Northern Pacific company long enough, surely, to have done something more than to avow his purposes. Mr. Villard has been with us but a brief period of time, yet he has almost finished the accomplishment of opening a new route across the continent, a continuous line, not from lake Superior to Puget-sound, but from the Pacific ocean to the Atlantic.

Terrors not so Terrible.

The St. Petersburg tragedy has proved an incentive to the sensation mongers of Europe. Ever since that startling event the news-gatherers at the various capitals have been emulating each other in the attempt to produce something which will excite the sated appetite of the public. As samples, we have the certainty of England being dragged into a war with Turkey, the determination of the czar to engage in hostilities against Germany, bomb-throwing in Madrid, a republican revolution pending in Spain, a conspiracy against the pope, and great alarm felt by the British ministry at the quietness of Ireland. This class of intelligence is given one day, and that is the last of it; nothing more is heard of the matter.

The affairs of the world go on in their usual way. The Oriental war-cloud is dissipating, the understanding between Germany and Russia is apparently unbroken, the petard-throwing in Madrid is a mere manifestation of disgruntled gamblers. Alfonso rests secure in the palace of his ancestors, and Leo XIII continues on in the even tenor of his ways. Gladstone's cabinet has got over its fright over the preternatural calmness of Ireland, if ever it were disturbed. There will soon be an end to this thing. The bewildered public will cease to believe or take interest in surmises, and the news-gatherers will fall back on facts, cold, dry facts; which, after all, give most satisfaction.

Stockmen on the Missouri river near Benton, Montana, have been puzzled this winter at the disappearance of so many of their cattle. A few weeks ago one of the herders, who was stationed at a point on the river bank where the cattle have been in the habit of drinking, solved the puzzle. At that point ice had formed while the river was high, and after the water had receded there was a long slope of ice, an ice chute, which ended in an air hole in the channel of the river. The herder saw several hundred head of cattle approach the place. The leaders of the herd stopped at the head of the chute, but they were crowded forward from behind, started down the chute, lost their feet and disappeared in the air hole. Before the herder could interfere nine of the herd had been sent into the river.

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