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A Strange Specimen of the Finny Tribe.

A peculiarly strange specimen of the finny tribe was caught by M. C. Axton, in the bay last Sunday evening. The fish was about eighteen inches long, with fins extending the entire length of the vertebrae, and large flabby fins about three inches long and one or two inches wide, one situated on each side of the body immediately in the rear of the gills. The mouth was located under the head, and provided with sharp teeth. The eyes were large and of a bright transparent green in color. But the strongest feature in the anatomy or "make-up" of the fish was the fact that it was provided with two legs, situated immediately in the rear of the fins on the lower and rear part of the body. There was also a horn-like protuberance that extended from the nose about an inch in length. The color of the fish was variegated, apparently a spotted green. Old fishermen, who have examined it, say they have never seen anything like it either in Puget Sound waters or elsewhere. It is presented to the Young Naturalists of this city, in whose rooms it may be seen. They have certainly obtained a rare specimen.—Seattle Chronicle.

New Light on the Gulf Stream.

Commander Bartlett's discourse on the Gulf Stream attracted much attention and seemed especially interesting to eminent strangers here. Commander Bartlett has been for some years investigating the stream in connection with the coast survey, and he hastened here without taking time to prepare a paper to give the result of his last work. In brief, he showed that the Gulf Stream does not flow out of the gulf, that it does not flow over a bottom channel with ridges and valleys parallel with the Appalachian system, but that there is a wide plateau extending along the coast from Bermuda banks; that the stream flowing over this sweeps it clean to its hard coral bottom; that beyond this the bottom slopes rapidly downward and is cozy with the wash from the plateau; that it is not a stream of warm water flowing over cold; that the Arctic current does not run inside; and in short he breaks a good many scientific idols pretty thoroughly. The unscientific were glad to know that a bottle of champagne sunk 100 fathoms had no air space when withdrawn and that a bottle sunk 1,000 fathoms was taken up still properly corked and wired, but with hardly a taste of wine remaining. At the conclusion of the address Dr. Carpenter expressed his admiration of the work and added that it pleased him to know that the results were obtained with English instruments. To this Commander Bartlett replied that Sir William Thompson did invent an apparatus and kindly forwarded it to the coast survey, but it wouldn't work. Yankee ingenuity then invented an attachment which made it so efficient that soundings of 3,000 fathoms can be made in thirty minutes and without deflecting more than a fathom from the perpendicular.—New York Tribune's American Science Association Report.

In Alaska the Greek church has eight priests, ministering mostly to the old Russian population. The Presbyterians and Methodists have six missionaries. The Roman Catholics have one priest stationed at Wrangle, and the Church of England is said to have one missionary near the head waters of the great river Yukon.

Northern Pacific Progress

The Northern Pacific advancing from the east, has just crossed the Yellowstone at Billings, and there lies fifty-six miles of completed grade ready for the track-layers before another bridge is required. The end of September will see this point reached, and then another bridge, all completed and ready to put together, will be thrown over the river. Then follows another completed piece of grading fifty-eight miles to a second crossing, which will occupy the track-layers during October. After this second crossing is a third completed piece of grading, which will bring the road to its last crossing of the Yellowstone at Benson's landing, about the first of December. If the winter is as open and mild as the last, the track will still advance, and Bozeman is as likely to be the winter goal as Benson's landing. There will be no delay to await the completion of the tunnel, but a temporary track over the divide will allow the work to progress steadily.

Do You Know.

That wild mint will keep rats and mice out of your house.

That flowers and shrubs should be excluded from a sick chamber.

That lime sprinkled on the fire places during the summer months is healthy.

That a little water in butter will prevent it from burning when used for frying.

That pennyroyal distributed in places frequented by roaches will drive them away.

That oil-paintings hung over the mantle-piece are liable to wrinkle with the heat.

That a little saltpeter worked into butter that has become sour or rancid will render it sweet and palatable.

That leaves of parsley, eaten with a little vinegar, will prevent the disagreeable consequence of tainted breath by onions.

That five quarts of boiling water poured on a package of pearlina makes an excellent soft soap! Let it remain over night to harden.

That Spanish brown mixed with a little water, will make the hearth's look pretty. A pound costs ten cents and will last two months; use a little at a time.

John Sawk, of Missouri valley, Iowa, is a wealthy farmer and stock-raiser, estimated to be worth \$30,000. Recently he deeded all his property to his son, on condition of the latter taking care of the old people for life. Young Sawk took possession, but at the end of six weeks violently and cruelly ejected his parents, telling them to go the poor house. The old gentleman came to town crying, and his wife went to a neighbor's. The deed had not been recorded. The old man went back and begged on his knees for only one more night's shelter. It was granted. During the night the old man crept to the bureau-drawer, obtained the deed and burnt it up. The light from the flames awoke the son, who, realizing that the game had turned and all was lost, piteously begged for mercy; but the old man threw him out of doors, got a constable to remove his furniture and took possession of the estate.

The number of salmon eggs taken at the United States fishery, on McCloud river, has only reached 650,000 so far this season. It is expected that 3,000,000 eggs only will be sent east this year, which is about half the annual shipment.

Farewell to Arabi.

ALEXANDRIA, Sept. 14.—Toulba Pasha has sent a flag of truce, offering to surrender, and General Wood telegraphed to General Wolsley for instructions. A detachment from Cairo is at Kafr El Dwar, waiting to come in. The enemy have opened the canal and water is coming in rapidly. Orders have been issued that the dyke at Melks into Lake Mariotis be closed. The conditions of surrender are not yet known. The general opinion here is that the natives will deliver up Arabi Pasha to the British. British troops have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness to take possession of Kafr El Dwar.

Gen Wolsley telegraphs about sixty guns were captured at Tel El Kebir. He says Arabi has gone to Cairo. Gen. Wolsley hopes the cavalry will occupy Belbays to-day, and infantry will arrive tomorrow. He expects to take possession of Benha to-day, and if all is well, to advance to Kelyook, if not to Cairo, with the guards.

Gen. Wood telegraphs the war office from Alexandria that an officer from Kafa el Dwar brought a letter, saying that all the military chiefs wish to submit to the khedive, and they have given orders to open the canal dam and ask him to reopen the telegraph. They state that the army has stopped all hostilities.

It is reported that Arabi Pasha has been captured near Benha.

LONDON, Sept. 14.—The Times, in an article on the attack on Tel el Kebir, says it is impossible to conceive of anything more successful and executed in a more masterly manner. The whole plan of the campaign was settled by Gen. Wolsley with concurrence of his superiors and hearty acquiescence of his advisers, before he left England. There never was any question about the canal being the base of operations, and before he left England he put his finger upon Tel el Kebir, saying there Arabi would stand, and we should attack him on the 15th of September.

PARIS, Sept. 14.—The minister of foreign affairs has sent a telegram to the French ambassador to London, instructing him to convey to Lord Granville the congratulations of the French government, and assure Granville of the cordial satisfaction he feels at the news of the splendid English triumph.

Rice is a cent a pound in China. Two pounds of rice will keep a family. To this add two cents' worth of oil or fat, with vinegar, and the Chinaman is as happy as the hoodlum would be at Delmonico's. In California the Chinaman eats rice, hog's lights, ears, feet and entrails. A Chinese butcher will supply a hundred customers with a dollar's worth of pork scraps. The oil they eat is cheap fish oil, worth twenty cents a gallon. They import their rice, dried fish and cheap fish oil from China. They bring over their dried shrimps in 200-pound bales done up in palmetto leaves. They drink no milk or sugar in their tea. They live as cheaply and meanly as a Comanche Indian, but work like Cornish miners.

During the month of August, 1274 miles of railroad were built in the United States. This is the greatest number of miles ever built in one month.

Sparkling Eyes. Rosy cheeks and clear complexion only accompany good health. Parker's Ginger Tonic better than anything, makes pure, rich blood, and brings health, buoyant spirits, strength, and beauty. Ladies try it.—Bazar.

JACOBS OIL advertisement with illustration of a man on a horse.

THE GREAT GERMAN REMEDY FOR RHEUMATISM, NEURALGIA, SCIATICA, LUMBAGO, BACKACHE, SORENESS OF THE CHEST, GOUT, QUINCY, SORE THROAT, SWELLINGS AND SPRAINS, BURNS AND SCALDS, GENERAL BODILY PAINS, TOOTH, EAR AND HEADACHE, FROSTED FOOT AND EARS, AND ALL OTHER PAINS AND ACHES.

A. M. JOHNSON & Co., Ship Chandlers and Grocers. Groceries, Canned Goods, Tea, Coffee, Baking Powder, etc.

B. B. FRANKLIN, UNDERTAKER. Dressmaking, Sewing of All Kinds, Boat Building, etc.

BEWARE OF IMITATIONS. THE GENUINE McLANE'S LIVER PILLS... FLEMING BROS., Pittsburgh, Pa.

King of the Blood advertisement with heart illustration and text describing blood purification.

ROSCOE'S FIRST CLASS Oyster Saloon. CHENAMUS STREET, ASTORIA.

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ST. HELEN'S HALL, ART DEPARTMENT. THE CORPS OF TEACHERS LONG ENGAGED IN ST. HELEN'S HALL HAS JUST BEEN REINFORCED BY THE ADDITION OF SIX NEW TEACHERS...

Equalization of County Assessment. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ASSESSMENT ROLL OF PROPERTY LIABLE TO BE TAXED IN CLATSOP COUNTY FOR THE YEAR 1882...

FINLAYSON BUSHFIELD & Co. J. R. JESSON & Co. THE FLAX MILLS. MANUFACTURERS OF THE UNMATCHED SCOTCH TWINES.

S. ARNDT & FERCHEN, The Pioneer Machine Shop. ENGINE, CANNERY, STEAMBOAT WORK, CANNERY DIES, ASTORIA IRON WORKS.

GENERAL MACHINISTS AND BOILER MAKERS. LAND MARINE ENGINES. Boiler Work, Steamboat Work, and Cannery Work a specialty.

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BUSINESS CARDS. E. C. HOLDEN, NOTARY PUBLIC, AUCTIONEER, COMMISSION AND SURANCE AGENT. DR. J. C. SHAFER, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.

BUSINESS CARDS. F. P. HICKS, DENTIST, ASTORIA, OREGON. J. E. LAFORCE, DENTIST, Dental Rooms over Cass's Store, Chenamus Street, - Astoria, Oregon.

BUSINESS CARDS. J. Q. A. BOWLBY, ATTORNEY AT LAW, Chenamus Street, - ASTORIA, OREGON. W. T. BURNETT, ATTORNEY AT LAW, May be found at the Court House.

BUSINESS CARDS. G. A. STINSON & CO., BLACKSMITHING, At Capt. Rogers old stand, corner of Cass and Court Streets. Ship and Cannery work, Horseshoeing, Wagon making and repaired. Good work guaranteed.

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