## The Daily Astorian.

## ASTORIA, OREGON:

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## Extortion.

THE San Francisco Chronicle is doing good work in ventilating the present outrageous system of court clerk fees in California. It publishes itemized bills rendered litigants and the statements of prominent attorneys relative thereto. It looks like a swindle on the part of officials, and if it cannot be reached by criminal process the evil can at least be stopped. The Chronicle gives one instance wherein an attorney says:

"If you will promise not to pub- States says that the federal govlish my name I will tell you an ernment has no power to keep a instance of how exorbitant and state from repudiationg its debts unjust the charges in the circuit or violating its contracts. In the court are. Some time ago I had a abstract the decision is a sound case there and desired to obtain one, but the application will have copies of the testimony. I had the unfortunate effect of justifying made arrangements to have it the dishonesty of shortsighted copied at a cost of \$25. When I commonwealths.

asked for the original in the clerk's office, I was refused on the ground that the copying was one of the perquisities of that office. I then Davis an united party of one disapaked what the cost would be, and, pears from American politics. to my utter astonishment, was told that it would exceed \$300. American union ninety-two years. of pleading hard I succeeded in mitted into the union, March 4, getting it reduced to \$200. Again, 1791. why should the courts here be allowed to charge double fees? Living expenses here are no higher United States ride free over than elsewhere and half that amount would be ample compen- of reform will still have work sation. But please don't mention to do. my name, for it would expose me to great trouble. The circuit conrt of the United States, you must know, are a law unto themselves, from which there is practically no appeal. It takes five years to push a matter through the supreme court, and but very few and only the richest litigants care to undertake an appeal to people, and to reach whom he has that tribunal. It is a matter that been obliged to travel 448,000 cries loudly for reform.

INFORMAL publicity is given to the fact that a movement is on foot in Hongkong to organize a regular steamer service between that place and northwestern ports of the Pacific coast. It is also stated that the venture is purely will go to wreck now that he has experimental, and that final action been discharged from the crew. would depend largely upon the success attending the return of the first steamer from the proposed route. With a view of testing its opportunities for the direct shipment of merchandise between the ports above named, the steamer C. T. Hook was sent out from Hongkong with a miscellaneous cargo of Chinese goods and a large number of coolie laborers for the Canadian Pacific railroad. On the return of the steamer to the home port the advisability of establishing a line of steamers was considered, and it was finally concluded to establish a new route by the sailing of monthly steamers. The

more than \$15,000 a mile, or \$18,- been appropriated there seems to ing passage through two ranges of should not be completed as speedmountains, may cost an average of ily as possible. \$35,000 a mile or \$42,000,000-a Here is a picture of affairs in total probable cost of \$60,000,000, Chicago, drawn by the Tribune of of which the government pays that city. It goes ahead of any \$25,000,000, leaving for the com- delineation over made by an unpany but \$35,000,000, which 7,- friendly hand: This city swarms 000,000 acres of their land grant with the bacteria of social disease. from Winnipeg westward will pay. It is a carbuncle of corruption. They will then have left their en- Our municipal administration is tire capital stock and 18,000,000 the menstruum through which the

equipments, and for the creation prostitutes, gamblers and inebriate of connecting lines of steamships makers stimulates the fester. Unfrom Montreal to Europe.

In a learned discussion the supreme court of the United

Pointers. WITH the marriage of David Vermont has been a state of the I protested vigorously, and by dint She was the first new State ad-

The Post thinks so long as nearly all the law-makers in the most of the railroads, the besom

The Philadelphia Press lays down a rule for the use of the postal card. It says the card should never be used except to convey information that may be shouted across the street.

John B. Gough has already lectured 8,450 times to 8,500,000 miles. He is now 65 years old and in the forty-first of his career as a lecturer.

A Jersey paper says Robeson will present a melancholy sight as he walks alone on the Jersey coast watching for the fragments of the ship of state, which he is certain FOR GRAY'S HARBOR. When it comes to a choice between starvation at home and a The I. S. N. Co.'s Steamer seven-by-nine office on the frontier, an ex-congressman accepts the Will leave Astoria for Gray's Harbor, latter with thanks, and it is astonishing to see the facility with which a great man will adapt himself to a small place.



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E. R. HAWES,

route has been considerably changed from that originally contemplated, with the object of bottom are being used as places of securing an available return of refuge by the people. They must freights, and so much of the course as applied to the direct route from Hongkong to Victoria has been recently altered so as to embrace a stoppage at Portland on the return voyage; thence to San Francisco, where those wishing to visit which last but a day.

their country would be taken back, and those coming from China, and having the proper certificates, would be landed from that port. The vessel would next visit the Sandwich Islands, making Honolulu the last outside stopping place, and then sailing for Hongkong.

IT is published that the Canadian Government has outdone the United States in making land and, when one side was cut, the grants and conferring other benefits upon its Pacific road. The he had been a griddle-cake, and Canadian Pacific railray company cut the other side; which is unis one of the richest corporations questionably one of the biggist in the world. It started out with tarradiddles ever told, even in a grant of 756 miles of road built Washington.

and in operation; another grant of The Philadelphia Press wants 25,000,000 acres of land, said to be the work of publishing the pension worth on the average \$5 per acre, lists hurried up. Just why the and a government guarantee of publication of the pension lists the clear gift of \$25,000,000, to be should be delayed till congress aspaid by instaliments, so much upon sembles next winter is not apparthe completion of each section of ent. If there is any use of their twenty miles. Its charter exempts publication at all it is that frauds the road, equipment and capital may be detected. The people are stock from taxes forever, and it a good deal more likely to detect has free right of way, with all the the frauds than any congress, and materials for construction and the sooner the lists are published equipment free from duty. The and in the hands of the people whole mileage to be built by the the sooner the frauds will be company is less than 2,400 miles. detected, if there are any. As The eastern half of it will not cost the money for the publication has

Two propositions go to the voters of Ohio to be decided at the next fall election. The first authorizes the general assembly to provide for levying special taxes or assessments on the liquor traffic. The second forever prehibits the manufacture and traffic in intoxicating liquors in the state.

Once more the mysterious mounds of the Mississippi river have been built largely for that very purpose-as a place of safety for both living and dead-and are curiously servicable to the very men of our civilization who almost ruin themselves making levees,

> "They say" that the president's idiosyncracy is the cut of his trousers; that he had a tailor on from New York to cut him a pair and was so pleased with the immaculate fit of them that he made the man cut eight pairs before he left; also, that the material was first

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