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The Extradition Question.

LONDON, April 29.—The government will, it is understood, ask the United States for the extradition of twelve Irish conspirators, now in America. One report states that the request has already been made at Washington. Officials already have had the matter under consideration for some weeks, and it is tacitly understood that whenever the English government shall make the request it will be unhesitatingly granted.—*Oregonian special.*

IT is possible but by no means probable that the United States government will refuse to grant protection to its citizens and will do the bidding of a power that strangely enough has with one exception dictated to this country on questions of public policy for ninety years. Adams was the only minister that the United States ever had at the court of St. James that had sand enough to him to declare true American principles. Our present minister, James Russell Lowell, though a fine poet and a splendidly educated man, is too much imbued with snobbery, is too deeply versed in "Burke's Peerage" to more than mildly suggest that our country is not a sack of mucus; that it has an alleged backbone. He is now making speeches to show how all good Americans love and revere England; he is applauded by his auditors. So was Gladstone applauded at Newcastle-on-Tyne, when Laird was turning out English vessels built in English waters, manned by English crews, made terrible by English cannon, bought by English gold and which swept American commerce from the sea. The "grand old man" said:

"We know quite well that the people of the northern states have not yet drunk of the cup they are still trying to hold from their lips—the cup which all the rest of the world see they nevertheless must drink. Jefferson Davis and other leaders of the south have made an army; that they are making a navy, and that they have made what is more than either, *they have made a nation.* (Loud cheers.) We may anticipate with certainty the success of the southern states so far as regards their separation from the north. (Great applause.)

This was gleefully prophesied when our distracted country was in the agonies of internecine strife. It well becomes our "government" to beg for instruction from over the sea, and almost anticipate English wishes in its zeal to get the good opinion of the "mother country." It would seem as though had Lowell, Frelinghuysen, and Arthur been in power in '68, that the United States of America would have offered an abject apology to England for such presumptuous suggestion as "the Alabama claims."

Insurance.

YESTERDAY'S *Oregonian* "gives away" a clever and secret little scheme of San Francisco insurance managers to put up rates in Portland and give them absolute control of the entire business. This matter of insurance is one that has always affected Astoria in a proportionate degree. Our business men feel that a business which is worth carrying on is worth insuring; but the rates which we are now compelled to pay are outrageous. "But look at the risk!" say the companies. Well, look at it. Were Astoria to burn up this morning the insurance companies would be ahead. There is no city on the coast that has paid insurance companies as well as Astoria has. The rates, singularly enough are higher to-day with the best fire department north of San Francisco, than than they were when Astorians depended on the bucket brigade and the climate. Were we to buy another engine the ratio would suggest putting on an additional two per cent.

EXTENSIVE crop reports from all parts of California show that the wheat is in excellent condition. It is thought that despite the partial drouth increased acreage will bring the crop up to fully that of last year.

THE loaded steamship *San Pedro*, crashed into the New Tacoma wharf last Sunday, and damaged it $2,000 worth.

ON account of the rapid increase of trade a vessel will hereafter sail every Friday from San Francisco for Victoria.

Pointers.

IN the St. Johns river, Florida, a 1,000-pound sun fish has been taken. A big fish for a small river.

The Mexican government denies the report that Americans cannot acquire land in that country.

An eccentric steamboat on the Mississippi is called The Good Rule, because it works equally well both ways.

When a politician declares positively and with exceeding warmth that he is not a candidate, somehow his friends don't know what to think about it.

The house of lords is composed of hereditary land owners, who collectively own 14,258,527 acres of land, whose collective incomes are about £15,000,000.

The big redwood trees of California are overtopped by the peppermint trees of Australia, one of which, according to recent measurement is 480 feet high.

The New York *Times* and *Post*, the Albany *Journal* and the Buffalo *Express*, four of the most influential republican newspapers of the empire state, favor a radical reduction of the tariff.

It is estimated that there are 18,000,000,000 feet of white pine now standing in the lower peninsula of Michigan, while in the upper peninsula there are probably not less than 5,000,000,000 feet.

The postal cards are made at Holyoke, Mass., by forty men, who turn out a million daily. They have diminished the consumption of writing paper by from $12,000,000, to $15,000,000 a year.

The highest trestle on the line of the Northern Pacific is that across Coriacan defile, about twelve miles west of Missoula, M. T. When finished the track level will be three hundred feet in the air.

The Republican party has had charge of the treasury of the United States for over twenty-three years. The $100,000,000 the treasury contains has just been counted and was found to be short one single nickel.

After July 1st the commissioner of internal revenue will return checks and drafts imprinted with the two cent stamp, with the word "Redeemed" stamped upon each. This will enable banks to use the stamped checds after their redemption.

According to recent London advices the winter in Iceland has been remarkably mild and favorable for stock farmers; the alleged famine has not made its appearance, the fishing in all parts of the island has been and continues uncommonly good, and Hecla is not in eruption.

The Galveston *News* is convinced that the democratic party can have nothing but discomfiture and confusion before it in 1884 unless it is marshaled by clear-headed and steady-handed leaders who will save it from the blunderers and professional hacks, under whose management it has so often met disaster and defeat.

The Tucson, (Arizona) *Citizen* heads a list with $90 for a fund to be placed in a bank at Tucson as a reward for the recovery of little Charley McComas, son of the late Judge McComas. Charley was captured by the Apaches after they had murdered his father and mother at Thompson's station, New Mexico, on the 28th of March last. Contributions are solicited throughout the Pacific states and territories.

A fresh Boston *Transcript* reporter was sent out among the fishermen to get "points" as to the season's prospects, etc. He returned late at night with a countenance highly illuminated with spring smiles and bringing the single piece of information that the reason why a fisherman carries a flat bottle with him is that he may wait for a bite with baited breath.

This from the Boston *Transcript* contains a conundrum that puzzles many a philosopher through life: "A father was advising his very small son not long ago against the sin of selfishness—that he must never hesitate to grant favors and be generally obliging whenever he could. The boy listened, then said: "I would like to do everything you tell me, father; but there's a fellow at school just like what you've described. Everybody says he's an obliging fellow, but nobody—not even the teacher—treates him as if he was any account. Now I don't want people to take me for a no-account fellow!"

One characteristic of this queer world is brought out in colors by the Philadelphia *News* when it says: "Herr Most talked for an hour on Saturday night on the beauties of murder, arson and robbery, receiving for his labor $38.50. Had he preached a sermon on faith, hope and charity he might have raked in 75 cents or probably 85 cents."

ENGLAND is doing in a more humane manner what Cromwell suggested 250 years ago. The steamer *Catalonia* which arrived at Boston from Liverpool last Sunday, had 1,200 steerage passengers, most of whom had their passage paid by the British government. The Allan line brought 800 to the same port, the same day. Five hundred of the last mentioned were Irishmen. Pixley will have to get out a supplement for the *Argonaut* when he hears this.

SECRETARY Lincoln is too officious. He declines to authorize the improvement of certain California rivers. This gentleman is talked of as a probable republican candidate. If nominated he will be a good man to beat, no matter what ticket he should be on

IT is thought that the snubbing of the dynamite faction at the recent Irish-American convention at Philadelphia will result in calling another convention, where the extremists will take care to exercise parliamentary control.

THE Mexican government refuses to let Gen. Crook cross the boundary in pursuit of the Apaches, to the delight of the latter and the just disgust of the former.

NEW TO-DAY

Girl Wanted.

A GOOD STEADY GIRL CAN FIND EMployment at good wages, as waitress, at the New England Restaurant. Apply immediately 1t

Net Lost.

125 FATHOMS NET. A little above Tongue Point, on Thursday night, April 26. No marks except that there was old net on each end, and untanned new net in the middle.
WILLIAM PETERSON,
1-3t Cook's Cannery.

Notice.

THE TAXPAYERS OF SCHOOL DISTrict No. 1, are notified that the assessment for 1883, is now being made. Nearly all of them have been supplied with blanks; these they are requested to hand in at once as it will greatly facilitate the work of assessing, and save them the trouble of appearing before the board of equalization to correct errors in assessment.
J. O. BOZORTH,
3t Clerk of School District No. 1.

Notice.

THE ASTORIA GAS LIGHT CO., ON OR about May 1st, 1883, will furnish Gas to consumers at the following rates: Up to 5 M feet per month, at the rate of $4.25 per 1 M cubic feet. From 5 M to 10 M feet per month at the rate of $4.25 per 1 M feet, less 10 per cent. rebate. Over 10 M feet per month, and to all manufacturers who use gas for heating or mechanical purposes, at the rate of $4.25 per 1 M feet, less 20 per cent. rebate. All bills will be payable monthly unless special contracts are made.
CHAS. S. WRIGHT, President.
C. H. PAGE, Sect'y.
Astoria, Oregon., April 14th, 1883. tf

Notice

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD of Pilot Commissioners for the Columbia and Willamette rivers will hold their semi-annual meet'ng at Astoria on the 1st of May.
d1wk J. A. BROWN, President.

Net Found.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, OUTSIDE the bar, 200 fathoms net marked J. L. Owner can have it by applying to the mate of the tug Pioneer, Main street wharf.
Astoria, April 28, 1883. 3t

To Let.

TWO FURNISHED ROOMS, SUITABLE for man and wife. Apply to
THOS. LARSEN,
Opposite W. E. Dement's residence.

FOR TILLAMOOK.

The new Steamer

A. B. FIELD.

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FOR SAILING DATES AND PARTICUlars apply to J. G. HUSTLER, Main street Wharf, Astoria; ALLEN & LEWIS, Portland; J. L. STORY, Tillamook.

TO GRAY'S HARBOR.

THE STEAMER GEN. MILES, OF THE I. S. N. Co., will sail for

Gray's Harbor,
On TUESDAY, May 8th.

J. H. D. GRAY, Agent.

Furnished Rooms to Let.

AT MRS. GEO. HILLER'S, NEXT TO Weston Hotel. tf

Notice.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECeived until noon of the first Monday in May next, for iron work on the Clatsop County Jail; bids to be received at the office of the County Clerk, where plans and specifications may be seen.
By order of the County Court.
R. R. SPEDDEN, Clerk.
ASTORIA, April 12, 1883. dtd

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