

The Daily Astorian. ASTORIA, OREGON: FRIDAY, MAY 18, 1882 Well Stated.

EDWARD FREEMAN, an English gentleman of culture and broad views, has been lately visiting this country and in a book giving his impressions, he evinces a knowledge of our political system as pleasing as it is rare. Speaking of the two great political parties he says: "I often asked my American friends of both political parties what was the difference between them. I told them that I could see none; both sides seemed to me to say exactly the same things. I sometimes got the convenient, but not wholly satisfactory, answer: Yes; but then we mean what we say, while the other party only pretends. Certainly, when I was there, the difference between different sections of the Republican party was much clearer to an outsider than the difference between Republicans and Democrats. I found it easier to grasp the difference between a Stalwart Republican and a Republican who was not a Stalwart than to grasp the immediate difference between a Republican and a Democrat. There are abiding differences between them, differences which have been important in the past, which may be important in the future; but just now questions which would bring out those differences are not uppermost. It is simply because there is no such burning question at present stirring that the two parties seem largely to say the same things, and yet to be as strongly divided as ever. I may speak on this matter as one who has made the nature of federal government an object of special study. It strikes me that, as the doctrine of States Rights was pushed to a mischievous extreme twenty years and more ago, so there is danger now of the opposite doctrine being pushed to a mischievous extreme. The more I look at the American Union the more convinced I am that so vast a region, taking in lands whose condition differs so widely in everything, can be kept together only by a federal system, leaving large independent powers in the hands of the several States. No single parliament could legislate, no single government could administer for Maine, Florida and California. Let those states be left to a great extent independent and they may remain united on those points on which it is well that they should remain united. To insist on too close a union is the very way to lead to separation. I know of no immediate reason to fear any attempt at centralization, such as might thus lead to separation. But it does seem to be a possible danger; it seems to me that there are tendencies at work which are more likely to lead to that form of error than to its opposite. In discussing this matter I must cleave to some doctrines which I know are in some quarters looked on as absolute. I must even cleave to the phrase 'Sovereign States,' though I know it may offend many. For a state is sovereign which has any powers which it holds by inherent right, without control on the part of any other power, without responsibility to any other power. Now every American state has powers of this kind. The original thirteen states did not receive their existing powers from the Union; they surrendered to the Union certain powers which were naturally their own, and kept certain others to themselves. And the later states were admitted on the same terms and to the same rights as the original thirteen. There is therefore a range within which the state is sovereign; within another range, within the range of the powers which have been surrendered to the Union, the Union is sovereign."

Pointers. ONE hundred negro men in Oktibbeha county, Miss., were asked to name the president of the United States and not one could tell. The hangman's rope used in Mississippi is the same size as is purchased for tying up cows. If the victim prefers a log-chain he is told that no man in this world can have everything he wants. An island in Vermont bay, on the coast of Louisiana, has a solid mass of salt at a depth of twenty feet, so hard that it requires to be mined with dynamite and ground in steam mills. About 200 tons a day are taken out. Mr. Samuel Plimsoll, who for many years past has rendered so many services to British seamen, is soon to receive from the seamen of New South Wales a solid silver medal of a three-masted vessel, weighing forty-five ounces, as a testimony of their regard. A Pennsylvania protectionist was shocked when he went to church the other day and heard the minister announce that salvation was free. Next day he sat down and wrote to his congressman asking why in the mischief he allowed it to escape the tariff bill. A siempre viva plant is on exhibition at Santa Rosa, Cal. It measures twenty-seven inches in circumference. It is an exotic hardy—a native of Mexico—very hardy, a veritable curiosity, and as found in the driest and most sterile portions of the country. Its peculiarity is that it lives forever. The Chicago Tribune gives these figures: Chicago has 300 churches, against 5,242 liquor saloons; 400 clergymen, evangelists and lay-readers, and 5,500 bartenders; only a half dozen art galleries, and 350 variety theaters. Out of 100,000 buildings 8,000 are used for immoral purposes; \$1,500,000 are spent for schools, \$15,000,000 for liquor, \$800,000 for police, perhaps \$1,000,000 for religious worship and charity; \$15,000,000 for that which destroys body and soul. They have got it very bad in Modoc county California, where the original sea-serpent is now sporting himself in Upper Lake. He has added to his familiar outfit of saucer eyes and glittering scales, a pair of fore-legs eight feet long, developed according to the Darwinian theory by the difficulties of the journey from the Pacific ocean to his present habitat. His conduct and appearance bear striking testimony of the quality of whiskey most popular in Modoc county, and suggest most interesting problems for the study of the internal revenue department. Major Burke, the editor of the New Orleans Times-Democrat, is a very ambitious journalist. He has a good newspaper property in New Orleans, but he sighs for other worlds to conquer. He contemplates establishing a newspaper at Dallas, Texas, which he will run by special wire from New Orleans, supplying his own news and editorials each night. Dallas is a good railroad point, and the enterprise promises well. But this is not all. His great scheme is a daily newspaper in the city of Mexico, also to be run by special wire. This is a more doubtful plan, for it does not appear that there is yet sufficient English-speaking population in that city to support a daily paper. That he cherishes such plans as these, however, is a striking indication of the development of American ideas in the southwest. London is in a sad plight. A paper published there thus comments on the state of affairs: "We are, so to say, in a state of siege; certainly under the very strictest military and police surveillance. As night comes on we see all the public buildings delivered over to soldiers, gates are closed, sentinels with rifles loaded with ball cartridge pace rapidly to and fro and some large apartment is for the nonce turned into a guard room. This has a truly martial aspect absolutely quite picturesque and worthy of being commemorated by some enterprising Royal Academician; soldiers are gathered around the blazing fire, arms are glistening in the light, the toy drummer boy is waiting to beat to arms and all are on the alert, ready to rush into the street and do some bloody business there. This, be it remembered, in the heart of London in 1882."

The Texas Indians have always had a thorough contempt for the bluecoats. In 1875 the railroad boom began. The builders ran their lines with an army of men in advance to drive back the savages. The railroads have done more to subdue the Indians in Texas than any other influence. Lo can't stand steam. The state in 1874 began to prepare for the immigration influx which followed. Despairing of protection against the Indians from Uncle Sam, the legislature equipped the Frontier Battalion of State Rangers. This handful of scouts attacked the marauders wherever found, and did in six years what the United States troops had not attained for twenty years—drove out the Indians. Recently one of these gallant scouts was asked: "What do you rangers do out here?" "We protect the frontier," answered the ranger. "But," expostulated the inquirer, "I thought the United States troops were sent out for frontier protection." "So they were, and the rangers came out to protect the troops." At Columbia College, N. Y., Henry D. Noy, in a lecture upon the eye, says: "The human eye has its lenses to perform the same functions as the camera obscura of the photographer. There is one tender spot on the retina, the size of a pin-head, on which 13,000 nerves are clustered, and this is the central point of vision. A man reading ordinary type at a distance of fifteen inches has it photographed on the retina only one-twenty-fifth of the size he sees, and a handsome young lady on the opposite side of the street is reproduced in a pretty little picture of about one-sixteenth of an inch. In San Francisco, last Wednesday, Superior Judge Edmunds rendered a judgment in favor of the city and county of San Francisco against the Central Pacific Railroad company for \$848 and interest, due as taxes on harbor steamers. The trial lasted five minutes, being the most speedily disposed of case on record in the superior court. The president has recognized George E. Stanley, consul of her Britannic majesty for the states of California and Oregon, and for Washington Territory, to reside in San Francisco. It is reported that eastern railroad lines are about to cut rates to secure this season's passenger traffic. It will be a good thing for the traveling public while it lasts. The Canada Pacific railroad will be completed by December, 1886, which is four years earlier than the contract stipulates. NEW TO-DAY Wanted. THREE APPRENTICE GIRLS WANTED by Mrs. T. S. JEWETT. Net Lost. ON THE NIGHT OF THURSDAY, THE 16th inst., between Scandia and Sand Island 70 fathoms net 50 mesh net, cods marked W. V. P. A. P. Co. Any one leaving information or the recovery of same at the office of the Point Adams Pkg. Co., Upper Adams, will be suitably rewarded. Net Found. YESTERDAY MORNING, NEAR GREAT REPUBLIC, a net marked J. H. D. & Co. on basis, one buoy on end; net almost new. Lost or can have it by applying at office of COLUMBIA CANNING CO. Net Found. PICKED UP MAY 12TH, ABOUT 15 fathoms 45 mesh net, no mark. Owner can have the same by applying to Scandia Pkg. Co. and paying for this ad. Notice. SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the County Clerk at his office in Astoria, until noon of Saturday, May 19th, 1882, for gas fitting for the Court House, and County Jail. For particulars enquire of the Clerk. The right is reserved to reject any bids. By order of the County Court. R. E. SPEDDEN, Clerk. Astoria, May 19, 1882. Bids WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE UNDERSIGNED, until Saturday noon, May 19th, for filling with earth the basement of the Odd Fellows Hall. Filling to be brought up within seven feet of under side of joists, and smoothed level. Right reserved to reject any and all bids. J. H. BAIN, F. C. REED, Committee. Astoria, May 8, 1882. City Auditor's Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE City Assessment Roll of the City of Astoria, in Clatsop county, Oregon, as returned by the City Assessor, for the year 1882, is now on file in the office of the Auditor and Clerk of said city, where it will remain open for inspection until the 1st day of June, 1882. All applications for corrections or revisions of the same must be filed with the Auditor and Clerk, prior to said first day of June, 1882. T. S. JEWETT, Auditor and Clerk. Astoria, May 16th, 1882. Musical. I HAVE THE AGENCY OF THE BEATTY Organs and Pianos, and will sell the same very low for cash, or on time with the proper security. Persons desiring to purchase an organ or piano, or any other musical instrument, will find it greatly to their interest to call at my residence and ascertain prices. Five years guarantee given if desired. C. H. BAIN.

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