

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1883

Will Help Finely.

The Portland papers are smacking their lips over Villard's letter to the Astoria Chamber of Commerce. The Oregonian rubs it in by expressing regret. The closing sentence of Mr. Villard's announcement is a model of irony, where he says that he is ready to do whatever lies in his power to bring about any course by which the road can be constructed. This is infinitely obliging. Should we of Astoria conclude to build the road ourselves, or enter into negotiations with others to build it, Mr. Villard stands ready to use his potent influence with those hard hearted English and German trustees that the land grant be given up; he is willing, of course, to not only return us the survey papers that cost the citizens of Astoria \$7,000 several years ago and which his satellites retain after a promise to return if they were obliged by a loan of them, but will doubtless turn over the estimates, field notes, and papers which are the result of the survey which his engineers and surveyors have just completed. He will speak favorably of the project and regret that nothing but its extreme cost as calculated by himself prevents him from building the road. This is only a slight percentage of the good he will do us, for he has not declared that he will aid all he can in the work. "For he himself has said it, and 'tis greatly to his credit."

In a series of tax cases brought against the Central Pacific Railroad Company by several counties in California, Justice Field, of the Supreme Court, rendered a decision that under the State Constitution railroad companies shall only be taxed on the value of their property after deducting the amount for which they are mortgaged. These cases have attracted much attention, both as regards the interpretation of the law on this point, as also on the large amount involved. In another case, covering the right of the Railroad Commissioners to regulate fares and freights of steamers and other vessels sailing from California ports, Judge Field decided that all sea going vessels were under the jurisdiction of the United States, and were, therefore outside the control of an individual state government.

The bark Britannia was lost on Sable Island off Halifax last Sunday, and the captain's wife, three children and the crew were drowned, including the first and second mates. The captain and the remaining three seamen have arrived in Newfield. The survivors were three days on the wreck when rescued. They had attempted to reach the shore on a raft, when a heavy sea swept them all off, including the captain's wife and three children. Three sailors were saved, and the captain was able to reach the raft again, carrying with him two of his children, but they died shortly after.

A BILL has been introduced into the Italian Parliament to secure to women the right of suffrage. Under its provisions a woman voter must be twenty-one years of age, pay an assessed tax, never less than five francs, and must be able to read and write. She can vote either in person or send her vote duly certified, in a sealed envelope, by a third person. This bill, which gives Italian women the right to vote, also makes them ineligible to hold office.

The Massachusetts commissioners of emigration report that 39,000 emigrants landed at Boston from Aug. 3, 1881, to June 30, 1883. Of this number, seventeen were lunatics, idiots, or persons unable to take care of themselves. The commissioners say the worst class of paupers they are called upon to provide for come through Canada, and additional legislation is asked for to prevent such an influx.

The postoffice department decides that when the new letter postage act goes into effect in October, a two-cent stamp will carry a letter to Canada, but that three cents will be required on a letter from Canada. The postal agreement between the two countries is that the local rates of postage shall govern.

Sunset Cox's Sagacity.

HENRY VILLARD ought to feel very grateful to Sam Cox. The latter says he started Villard out of Washington, but he was not much more. After a time he got into the rut, and was going on plodding, when Cox stirred him up. "Villard," said Cox, "are you going to stay all your life in Washington?" "I had not thought much about it," said Villard. "Don't you think," says Cox, "that you have been here about long enough picking up mere gossip and news? An entire life of that sort of thing is no life for any one. Don't you think you had better get out of this town?" Villard took this thought and worked it out. He found that Washington had been to him a very valuable school, but that he had gotten about all the good there was out of it, and that if he were ever to make any money he must go to a commercial city. So he closed up his news bureau at the end of the season, and entered speculative circles. There are plenty of men who believe that Villard is the coming king of the street; that while he has not the brilliant, dashing genius of Gould, he is an eminently safe man, who pursues a conservative course more in accordance with the real business requirements of the situation. Brilliance appears to be at a discount at the present time.

It will appear, now that Henry Villard has done one of the wonderful things in this world, and the companies he is in withstand the raids of Wall street and prove their strength, and he has nothing to do but to go on and develop an empire, that quite a number of persons are responsible for him. In truth he had money, and was an expert in using it safely and profitably before he ceased to be a newspaper correspondent.

AMONG the curious lawsuits arising from the Casamicciola earthquake is the following: A couple of married people, G. and F. B., perished under the ruins. They were worth about ten million francs. Now the relatives of G. B. say that he died after his wife F. B. The relatives of the wife say that she died after her husband, G. B. Hence the fight. The examination of the bodies has been ordered, and a staff of doctors will make necropsical examinations in order to determine who died first.

C. P. HUNTINGTON of the Southern Pacific is expected in Washington this week to make an argument before the secretary of the interior, in the matter of the application of the Southern Pacific to the United States for the grant of the Texas Pacific. Secretary Teller has returned to his desk, and doubtless the case will soon be taken up. There is excellent reason for the statement that the decision will be adverse to the claim of the Southern Pacific.

NEXT to New York, Chicago is growing more rapidly than any other American city. Its growth is marvelous. Only half a century old it is already the third city in the Union in population, and claims with show of truth that in a quarter of a century more it will have distanced Philadelphia, and be second only to New York, which great city must always hold preeminence as the New World's metropolis.

The new official danger and distress storm signal code, for signal service sea-coast stations and mariners, has been published by the chief signal officer at Washington, with full instructions for day and night signalling. In using these lights the letters of the international code are made by burning single and combined lights, corresponding to the latter.

The amended liquor law in Arkansas included cities of the first and second class in its provisions. By a majority vote of the inhabitants the sale of intoxicating drinks may be prohibited within three miles of any church or school house. Women are allowed to vote on the question.

The postmaster general says the reduction on letter postage will cause a loss to the government of over \$2,000,000.

THE French government has withdrawn its orders to an English firm to construct river gun boats for service in Tonquin on account of inability to agree upon the terms of the contract. The *Republique Francaise* urges that it is to the material interest of all European powers to make common cause with France against the raising by China of barriers to commerce.

SIXPENCE will send a telegraph message from any point in England to any other point in the same country. Several large manufacturing firms celebrated the reduction by wholesale sending of telegrams, one chandler sending 50,000 telegrams the day the cheap rate went into effect.

THERE has been a great deal of excitement over the proposition to open Shakespeare's grave at Stratford, but the design will not be carried out, the Mayor having published the determination of the Common Council to throw any one attempting the act into the river Avon.

THE city of Devil's Lake, Dakota, known to the postal authorities as Croelsburg, is not yet 100 days old, but already choice lots in it are sold as high as \$2,000 apiece. It has seven large hotels, two banks, two papers and many shops and factories.

SITTING BULL attended the Capitol corner-stone laying at Bismarck, and did a thriving business by selling his autographs to the Englishmen and Germans of the Villard party at \$1.50 apiece as souvenirs of the chief who killed Custer.

It is said that kerosene oil is extensively smuggled from Pennsylvania into Canada. A raft is made up of a number of oil barrels which is towed across Lake Erie to some secluded spot on the other side.

THE elder Booth, famous as a tragedian a generation ago, died at Manchester Mass., last Monday. His son J. Wilkes Booth, was President Lincoln's assassin.

SAN FRANCISCO Democrats have bought the *Alta California* for \$50,000, and it will hereafter be run as a Democratic newspaper.

YELLOW fever is decimating Guaymas, Mexico, and all who can are fleeing from the plague-stricken city.

A COMPANY has been organized in San Francisco to work mines in Alaska.

DIED.

At Netarts, Tillamook Co., on the 3rd inst., John O'Hara, of scarlet fever, aged 13 years, nine months and twenty-nine days.

BORN.

On the 17th, to the wife of J. M. Johnson, a daughter.

NEW TO-DAY.

L. I. Johnson, Has re-opened his CIGAR AND TOBACCO STORE, On the Broadway, near his old location. He will keep the stock of the choicest Cigars, and Tobaccos, and a full line of smokers' articles, including the finest meerschaum pipes. He will be pleased to see his old friends at his new stand.

DR. N. C. BOATMAN, Physician and Surgeon. Rooms 9 and 10, Odd Fellows Building, ASTORIA, OREGON.

FOR GRAY'S HARBOR. THE Str. GEN. MILES Will leave Astoria for TILLAMOOK, on TUESDAY, SEPT. 25th, 1883. At 6 o'clock A. M.

Returning, will leave Garibaldi at 1 P. M. For particulars inquire of CLAUDE THAYER, Tillamook, Capt. Whitcomb, on board, or J. H. D. GRAY, Agent.

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Water Street Assessment. NOTICE is hereby given that the assessment made by ordinance No. 548 of the City of Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, and which ordinance passed the Common Council of said city on the 28th day of August, 1883, and was approved on the 1st day of September, 1883, for the proposed improvement of Water street, in the City of Astoria, as laid out and recorded by John M. Shively, from the West side of West 6th street to the West end of said Water street in the manner provided by ordinance No. 534, of the City of Astoria, and which ordinance passed the Common Council on the 24th day of July, 1883, and was approved on the 24th day of July, 1883, on each of the following described lots fronting on said portion of said street is now payable at the office of the City Treasurer in U. S. gold and silver coin, and unless paid within five days from the expiration of this notice, viz: Friday, September 21, 1883, the Common Council will issue warrants for the collection thereof. The assessment is as follows:

Table with columns: Name of Owner of Lot, Assessed, and Amount. Lists various owners and their respective assessed amounts.

CITY OF ASTORIA. Crossing of Water and West 9th Streets. \$ 19 00 Crossing of Water and West 7th Streets. 250 00 By order of the Common Council. T. S. JEWETT, Auditor and Clerk. Astoria, September 4th, 1883.

NORTHERN PACIFIC EXPRESS COMPANY Are Now Ready For Business. Office with Bozorth & Johns. E. A. NOYES, Agt.

City Taxes. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE city assessment roll for 1883 is now in my hands for collection, and all persons that are indebted for the same may save five per cent by paying said taxes before October 14, 1883. J. G. HUSTON, City Treasurer.

NOTICE. ALL PARTIES INDEBTED TO THE firm of Prael Bros. are requested to call and liquidate their indebtedness. PRAEL BROS.

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