

The Daily Astorian.
ASTORIA, OREGON:
TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1884
THEY WERE SHARPER THAN HE.

Is this sympathetic way the New York Sun editorially comments on Henry Villard's downfall: "Estimates of the cost of great works of public improvement almost always fall short of the figure actually reached. When Mr. Villard was approaching the completion of his great enterprise he found that it had gone far beyond the liberal margin allowed by engineers and railroad experts."

The situation was one of great embarrassment to Mr. Villard, personally and otherwise, particularly as in the early part of the summer the urgent need of ready money began to be oppressive. He did not feel that he could go to his directors and associates, at any rate formally and officially, and lay the facts before them. To do so would have been hazardous in the extreme, because it would have led to defections among the more selfish of them, and because any steps that they might have taken in their corporate capacity to raise more money would have defeated all of Villard's projects which were attendant upon the completion of the road under conditions of greater or less eclat.

Mr. Villard, full of courage, confident in his own personal resources and in the ability and energy which had enabled him to sustain his whole following and all his dependencies against the general current of financial affairs during the year, determined to borrow the money privately, using the securities of the company as collateral.

He went to certain able and brilliant gentlemen who, from a prosperous ascent with the market a few years ago, had later cleverly translated themselves to an even more prosperous decline, and he laid the matter before them. The property, he averred, was all right, as they very well knew. Had they thought or known otherwise, they would, in their capacity as bears, have speedily assailed it and added it to one or two wrecks about them, to which they were able to point with pride. He knew they had made a great deal of money, and that little opportunity for profitable employment of it was just then to be discerned; and would they let him have a matter of five millions or so, in order that he might feel at ease to go out west with his friends and excursionists and complete and open the road? When he came back matters would be very easy indeed, and he would be happy to reciprocate in any way. As to the security, why, there were no better judges of its value than themselves.

The able and brilliant gentlemen put their heads together and agreed with alacrity to let him have the money. The stocks and things were handed over to them and locked up in their safe, and they saw Mr. Villard safely and comfortably off to the west with his friends, resisting on their own part any inclination to join the party that they might have felt.

Mr. Villard had not been very long gone when there was apparent a very singular discrepancy between the ostensible buoyancy of his enterprises and the facility with which any speculative demand for stock in them could be satisfied.

The able and brilliant gentlemen, knowing what they had in their safe, and that as long as Villard was away and it remained where it was, it was practically impossible that the market should be sustained—even by the boom which Mr. Villard was so successfully conducting at the time—these bosom friends in the hour of need, began a raid on the Villard stocks. They knew they were secure; they had the power and they used it. After Villard came home he redeemed his pledges with his own and his wife's fortune. His immense wealth, his splendid home all the accumulations of a career of wonderful success—everything was swept away.

TWENTY-NINE of the thirty-eight states of the Union are at the present time supremely happy. They have no legislature in session. The nine unfortunate ones are Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland, Ohio, Iowa, Kentucky, Mississippi and New York. The commonwealths not set down in this list are nearly all in the bloom and blossom of prosperity. Their crops are in the ground awaiting the showers of April and the sunshine of the summer. Their statesmen are at peace. The "burning questions" before them are all in the future, and, like the correspondence of the First Napoleon, they will have all solved themselves before the next elections come around.

What the people of this country would like to know is whether when a congressman is arrested at Washington for intoxication his name is recorded at the police station as an "Hon." or a plain "Mr."

The actor Forrest's costumes have been sold at auction, and there is a general inquiry among the press as to what actor obtained his mantle.

An Iowa editor has a lengthy editorial entitled "A Month of Horrors," and he was married only about six weeks ago.

The debate which has begun in the senate at Washington on the Mormon question promises to be very amusing. It has brought the Constitution to the front once more. There is not a word in that venerable and time-honored instrument about slavery, and yet the advocates of the "peculiar institution" appealed to it, quoted, tortured and twisted it for the purpose of proving that under it a white man had the inalienable right to own a black man. In the same way it is cited now to prove that a white or black man, a native or a foreigner, has the right to roll back the civilization of nineteen hundred years and marry as many women as he pleases. Some one should organize a society for the protection of the Constitution.

NEITHER Babylon, Rome, Athens, or any of the other much-boasted cities had a sewer, a decent house drain, a gas-jet, a door-bell, a grate or knew how to make oyster soup, or buckwheat cakes. You didn't lose anything by waiting.

THE Boston Globe hits the government pet a heavy lick. It says: "Let those disgruntled Washington clerks report on a newspaper for two days and they would consider eight hours' employment in a government office a paradise."

THE late styles of wall paper are so gorgeous that a family can no longer take comfort wearing out old boots and split-back vests around the house. Everybody sort of feels as if he was away on a visit.

THE report that Jim Keene, the speculator, had become very poor is denied. He admits that he went to see the Niagara ice bridge, but explains that he took his own carriage with him.

"THERE are no birds in last year's nests," sings a poet. No, and there are no pigeons in last year's pigeon-holes. The only thing in them that even suggests pigeons is a lot of bills.

CATO did not begin to learn the Greek language until he was eighty-four years of age. The excuse for his beginning on it then was that he had entered his second childhood.

WHEN the custom house authorities classed sponges as perishable property it paved the way for a custom house in Maine to class Canadian ax handles as works of art.

IT takes a giraffe about twenty days to recover from the sea sickness of an ocean voyage. That is, ten to get the feeling all the way down, and ten more to bring it all up.

SIX persons who climbed the icy mountains of Switzerland last year were overtaken by fatal accidents. It is by far safer to stay at home and climb a greased pole.

IN spite of all the talks and jokes only one patron in twenty-two beats his tailor, while no tailor gets a good fit on more than two men in five. It's about an even thing.

IT has been discovered that there are only two lawyers in the New York senate. The rest of 'em in that state must have been laying for congress.

A FACTORY at Pittsburgh turns out 300 bushels of corks daily. These corks are all needed to keep Monongahela whisky safely juggled until used.

IF you have a boil, roast a carrot and make a poultice of it. If the boil is on another man let him grin and bear it. It's good for the system.

UP at Portland the laborers blast the rocks, the rocks blast the houses, and the citizens blast the laborers. A sort of blasted time all around.

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J. W. HUME and family.
WM. HUME and family.
MRS. H. H. NEAL and family.

Stockholders' Meeting.
A MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS of the Cape Fox Packing company will be held at the company's office in Astoria, January 25th, 1884.
By order of the Board of Directors
W. F. MCGREGOR, Secretary.

Notice.
OFFICE OF THE OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION CO., Astoria, Oregon.
All parties interested in the salvage of goods picked up from the Steamer Queen of the Pacific, in September last, are hereby notified that settlement will be made on or about Feb. 15th, at this office. No claims will be paid without surrender of the receipts given by this company. The amounts to be paid will be 50 per cent. of the net proceeds, as per bill of sale.
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NOTICE TO PILOTS.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL whom it may concern that there will be a meeting of the Washington Territory Board of Pilot Commissioners for Columbia River and Har, held at Tracoe, W. T., on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1884, at 10 o'clock A. M.
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C. A. REED, Secretary.
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December 25th, 1883.
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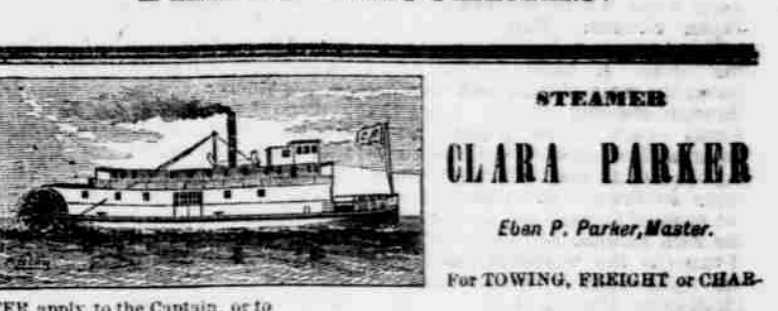
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