

our eastern Oregon exchanges a diatribe against Jay Gould, and a de-

from the machinations of the wily Jay, when it is a patent fact that that clever man has been trying for the last three years to dispose of his telegraph stock to the U. S. government at a price far beyond its real value.

terprise in the gathering thereof is to be commended, but it looks like a stretching of the matter to telegraph. as in yesterday's Oregonian, the fact that a couple in San Francisco, not otherwise notorious, had "given up housekeeping and taken rooms at the Weller, "What hof it?"

IT would be interesting to know what will be the issue between the summer's presidential fight. It looked for a while as though the tariff were looming prominently, but at this writing something to quarrel about seems to be as scarce as presidential candidates. In the meantime the country is safe.

written a letter of thanks to a Portland fish merchant, handsomely acknowledging the receipt of a beautitul Columbia river spring salmon. Little do the swimming millions of sea nurtured salmon now en route for the river realize the splendid advertisement that Gotham's foremost man has given them.

THE mortgage tax and Judge Deady's recent decision thereon furnish all the state papers with themes for discussion. The tax is like all sumptuary legislation. An attempt of wisdom that the state is now clamorous for its repeal.

time may show the Bismarck snub to be the best lesson our statesmen have well to have painted and hung up in the national capital a large picture of the Bismarck snub.

debt is a national blessing," a good fast. It is, however, our private debts that worry the most of us.

WHEN the spring time comes the with the emperor of Germany. He will observe great caution, for he loaded to the muzzle.