

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1884. THANKSGIVING DAY.

THANKSGIVING Day means much or little as one views it. No proclamation of president or governor can make to-day one of thanks unless the cause, motive or desire exist, nor would thanks be wanting in the minds of those disposed to never a proclamation published. Men are thankful not according to their sense of gratitude but to their sense of dependence. If a man thinks that all he has, owns or enjoys is a gift from on high he is thankful and almost devout in his manifestations of thanksgiving: if he takes it all as a matter of course he is correspondingly indifferent.

The ruling motive in the observance of Thanksgiving Day throughout the nation is not so much a strict desire to "give thanks," as a concession to the feeling that after all there is something to be thankful for and that as we have so few American holidays it is right that we add to the scanty list. The holiday part of it has more significance than the "thanks."

Not the least among the pleasant observances of the day is that of family reunions. On to-day poor indeed is the hearth around which do not gather the old and the young in social joy. It is this that causes the most pleasing recollections of the day; recollections as pleasant as they are sacred and eternal. There are words and faces and places that never lose their hold upon the heart. They may be words that we seldom hear amid the whirl and competition of life, faces that we may never see on earth again, places that we are but seldom permitted to revisit; but they were once the scenes, the associates, the joy of our life; they had a controlling influence in training our aspirations, and in shaping our destinies, and they can never be wholly forgotten. The flight of years cannot sully their innocence nor diminish their interest, and eternity will preserve them among the dearest reminiscences of earth. We may meet and love other faces, we may treasure other words, we may have other joys and mingle in other scenes and form other associations, but the old familiar faces and the old familiar scenes remain invested with a fadeless beauty, sacred in their exemption from oblivion and decay.

Few there are among our readers who have not something to be thankful for. A thousand little unnoticed blessings drop into our daily lives as gently and as genial as the kindly rain that comes but to give life and vernal beauty to the glad earth it falls upon. We all of us can find abundant reason for thanks, some for health, others for prosperity, a few for both, and many that "things are no worse."

A new style of ballot-box was used in Massachusetts for the first time on the 4th. The voter deposits his ballot face downwards on an inclined plane, and the turning of a crank carries it between a pair of rubber rollers, and the ringing of a bell announces that the ballot is within the box. On one end of the box is a registering machine in plain sight, containing numbers, the register advancing one every time a ballot goes through. This arrangement seems to cover about all the requisites of a convenient and desirable ballot-box, and there is no apparent reason why the whole country might not adopt it with advantage.

The Chicago Current thinks that the Northern Pacific, which earned \$12,000,000 last year, and with all the possible peculiarities of railroading likely to be concealed in \$7,000,000 of "operating expenses," had \$5,425,820 left as a tribute, ought to be making money, and it would be if it were not paying interest on misspent money. The Wabash, a bankrupt road in receiver's hands, earned seven millions and paid out only two millions for labor. The Current finds the explanation of these industrial absurdities in the colossal fortunes piled up so rapidly and so recently in Wall street.

Word comes from the East of men who are making extensive mistakes. They are registering rash vows not to shave nor cut their hair till Blaine is elected president. That will be never. He had his chance and lost. Three times and out.

All signs point to an exceptionally severe winter in the east. This is cold comfort for those who have staked their all on the election and failed to hedge.

A WASHINGTON special says: An Indianapolis lawyer who arrived here to-day says it is the impression among members of the bar of that city that nothing will be heard of the libel suit of Mr. Blaine against the Indianapolis Sentinel; that the belief is that it has been dropped by general consent, as the similar suit against a Maine paper was allowed to die out twenty years ago.

The Welcome asks: "Why don't the Democrats of Oregon hunt around for an independent sort of Republican who has a few votes in the next legislature and who will agree to vote to confirm all Cleveland's appointments in gratitude for Democratic support? In other words, why don't they try to Conklogize the next legislature after the programme proposed by the unterrified of New York."

It is rumored that St. John says he is "still running." The great prohibition leader should be more careful in his choice of words, for there are some evil-minded persons who might think he was running a still.

HANGING a defeated candidate in effigy and then burning the figure should be considered cruelty to tramps and scarecrows. Old clothes are too valuable to be thus ruthlessly wrecked.

THERE'S one thing that Blaine got; he got the biggest amount of free advertising for his book of any author or any book from B. C. 26 to the present date.

THE honeymoon in Germany is called "Flitterwoche," literally the "spangled week." This is a veritable "Flitterwoche" for the Democracy.

THE most miserable men in Washington are the clerks who sacrificed their "voluntary contributions" on the altar of politics.

THE respective conditions of the two great political parties at present may be expressed in two words—feast and funeral.

JOHN SHERMAN is already nominated by a Cleveland (Ohio) paper for the Republican presidential nomination in 1888.

CLEVELAND will celebrate his forty-eighth birthday in the White House next March.

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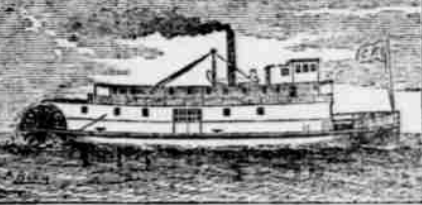
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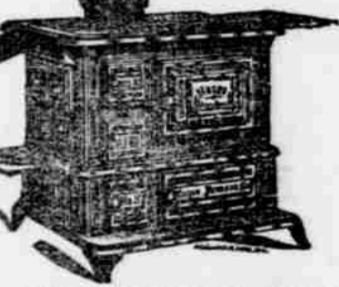
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