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GRANT TWO YEARS AGO.

VANDERBILT believes, as does every one else, that General Grant was an ignorant of Ward's true business as an unborn child, and he tells a story about the visit which General Grant and his son made only ten days before the failure of the brown-stone palace erected by Henry Villard. This house cost Villard about a million and it was turned over to the company and offered for sale. Young Grant actually went through it with the general ten days before the crash with a view to buying, and discussed in a very pompous manner with Villard's lawyers, who now hold the property, the proposed terms of sale. When we come to remember the kind of business done by the firm of Grant & Ward this story is not at all improbable, for the general and his sons reasonably believed that they had struck a gold mine, and that while the receipts amounted as yet only to a few hundred thousand dollars a year, there might be millions before long. General Grant had been for two years drawing money from the firm of Grant & Ward at the rate of \$8,000 a month. A man with such an income might consider almost any house within his means, especially as this income was derived from a very trifling investment of money, and would, of course, be much larger as the years rolled on. Young Grant proposed at the same time, that as there are several other superb houses built on the same plan as Villard's, the series facing on a court, it might be well to buy them all, so that each member of the Grant family might have a home there. The purchase was never made, and young Grant now makes a living by raising roses in some green-houses out at Morristown and selling them to the New York florists. He was a good customer of the florists during the two years that the fun lasted, and thought nothing of spending \$500 upon the flowers for an evening reception. He is getting some of his money back now. Of course there is no real danger of Gen. Grant's treasures ever being taken from him. There are too many shrewd lawyers and rich friends for such a thing to be possible.

A CASE of general interest to business men and to railroad companies has recently been decided by an Ohio court. A business firm brought suit against the Lake Shore Railroad because they were required to pay, and did pay, on the shipment of 58,833 barrels of oil over that road, \$5,550 more than the Standard Oil Company paid the same road during the same time for a transportation of the same quantity between the same points. The court held that railway companies being established for the benefit of the public, the public have a right to their use as such on terms of equality and without unfair discrimination, and that in this case there was such discrimination in favor of the Standard Oil Company; that the plaintiffs were entitled to recover the excess which they had paid, with interest from the date of payment. A verdict was rendered accordingly. By this precedent established, it is not held that all discriminations are unlawful, but that in this particular case the discrimination was unjust and illegal, or in other words that a railroad company may not combine with a great business concern to crush out fair competition on the part of other concerns.

GENERAL BUTLER has brought suit against the Boston Herald, claiming \$25,000 damages for the publication of an article which purported to come from one of the crew of the steamer Mount Vernon, claiming that General Butler caused the arrest of the captain of the transport Mississippi, while the vessel was on the way to Ship Island from Hampton Roads, because he would not put into Hatteras Inlet, and that in consequence of his arrest and assumption of her command by Butler, the Mississippi went ashore and was damaged, and the Mount Vernon went to her relief. The allegations are denied by General Butler.

GENERAL GRANT has received a letter from P. T. Barnum offering him \$100,000 for the privilege of exhibiting the unique and valuable trophies presented to Grant in different parts of the world. He will give the general a proportion of the profits and assume all risk, and give bonds for \$500,000 for their safe return.

The total arrivals at San Francisco during 1884, from foreign and eastern ports, were 727 vessels of 825,000 tons. Of these 416 were American of 429,319 tons.

MUNICIPAL POLITICS IN GERMANY.

A STRIKING feature of the German municipal system is its entire independence of national politics. No issues but those arising out of municipal questions are allowed to influence the city elections. Every male inhabitant twenty-four years of age has a right to vote on municipal questions, provided that he has his own household and is not dependent on father or mother; that he has not received alms from the public funds within twelve years; that he has paid all municipal dues; that he occupies a house or pursues a trade with two employees; that he pays an income tax or a class tax. Under one or another of these five conditions all industrious persons in the city are included. That all votes should count equally is regarded as unbusiness-like. The arrangement adopted to meet this point of view is this: Voters were divided into three classes, each of which elects one-third of the city council. To the first class are assigned so many of the largest taxpayers as pay one-third of the taxes assessed; to the second so many as in the aggregate pay the second third of the taxes; to the third class belongs all not included in the first and second. Each of the three classes elects forty-two members of the council, its influence upon questions of finance being kept in strict equality with its tax payments. The city council of Berlin has long been conspicuous for the educational and financial standing of its members. Election to it is accounted an honor to which the ablest men of the city aspire.

Is a suit brought by a Brooklyn lady against a firm of grocers, to recover \$50,000 for being poisoned by muric acid in a can of tomatoes. Judge Brown holds that a good cause of action lies in negligently labeling a can of poisoned fruit as good and wholesome, and selling it according to the label.

The Chicago Herald thinks that "the man who refuses to work at low wages will soon be followed by the man willing to work at any wages. All times can always be made duller by those who will not work except when they please, how they please and what wages they please."

The News thinks the way to circumvent extortionate landlords in Portland, is for the assessor to assess the property at the valuation placed upon it by the owner who extorts from fifteen to fifty per cent. from his tenant. It is a poor rule that works only one way.

In view of the fact that Oregon wheat is selling in the greatest city of the world for one shilling and three pence per quarter more than California wheat, the Oregonian thinks that we shall probably hear no more at present about giving up raising wheat in Oregon.

TAGS with the words "When I am full take me home" printed on them, and a blank lined off for the name and address of the wearer, were sold on the streets of Philadelphia to the young dudes of that city, day before New Year's.

The interesting question whether Jeff Davis was or was not a traitor, came up in the senate last Monday and occasioned "a heated debate." There appears to be a difference of opinion in congress concerning the matter.

BELVA LOCKWOOD has sent a petition to congress asking that the ballots cast for her at the late presidential election, be counted.

GERMANY and Russia have informed France they are not prepared to join in the guarantee for a new English policy.

SINCE the cessation of placer mining in California, salmon are again ascending the rivers of the interior.

NEW TO-DAY. PARKER HOUSE. ASTORIA, OREGON. This House has been newly furnished, refitted and renovated throughout, and is First-Class in All Respects. RATES: From \$1.50 to \$2.50, per day, according to room. Special Rates for Steady Boarders. This is the best Family Hotel in the City. Fine Sample Rooms for Commercial Travelers, on the ground floor. Also a first-class Barber Shop connected with the house. Free Coaches to and from all Steamships and River Boats. J. H. CLOSE, Prop'r.

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NEW TO-DAY.

Special Auction Sale

For Account of Whom it May Concern. Friday, Jan. 16th, at 11 A. M. On the O. R. & N. Co.'s Dock, I will sell at Public Auction, for Cash, to the Highest Bidders, One Thousand Sacks of Wheat More or Less. This wheat is slightly damaged by water, but much of it can be rendered as serviceable as ever. It will be sold in lots to accommodate purchasers. E. C. HOLDEN, Auctioneer.

WHO WINS THE PRIZE? POTATO MATCH.

There will be a Potato Match at the Skating rink, on the 17th. Saturday Evening, Jan. 17th. Competitors will please enter by THURSDAY, the 15th. Boys under sixteen not allowed to compete. Admission: For Gent's without Skates, 25cts. For Gent's with Skates, 50cts. Ladies with or without Skates, 25cts. There will be Music if available. Prize on exhibition at New York Society Store. G. W. & A. E. ROSS, Proprietors and Managers.

SENT FREE OF CHARGE. H. C. F. KOCH & SON,

6th Ave. and 20th St., New York City. will issue on or about March 16th and send FREE to any address the following: FASHION CATALOGUE For Spring and Summer, 1885. Beautifully illustrated with lithographic Fashion Plates and about 2,000 wood engravings; a complete guide for all Ladies, Gents, Children's and Infants' wear, House-keeping goods; Millinery, etc. This firm does the largest and most satisfactory catalogue trade in this country. They list all goods at their New York store prices which are acknowledged lower than those of any other house in the United States. They receive back and refund the money for all goods not desired, excepting those made to order and so classed in their book. They guarantee all articles exactly as represented, and have earned for themselves an unequalled reputation for fair and honest dealing.

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All work warranted and estimates given. Full stock Iron and Lead Pipe, Bath Tubs, Water Closets and Gas Fixtures. Chimney Pipe, cheaper than Brick. Jobbing promptly attended to. Corner Squemoqua and Hamilton Streets, Astoria, Oregon.

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Notice to Water Consumers. I WOULD RESPECTFULLY REQUEST that all persons having their water pipes repaired have them fixed properly so they will not freeze and burst, as I will make no deduction on rates in the future, on account of bursted or frozen pipes. Any information in regard to the manner of fixing pipes will be cheerfully given by request. J. W. WELCH, Sup't.

Adler's Crystal Palace Book Store.

Carl Adler, Sole Agent, Astoria.

ROCKFORD Gold and Silver JEWELRY, Quick-Train WATCHES WARE, Diamonds, Unexcelled EXACTING SERVICE Fancy Clocks EBONY, Ormolu and Crystal. GEMS, Ornaments and Precious Stones. The newest and most Elegant Designs in JEWELRY. Remember CARL ADLER'S Crystal Palace.

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United States Marine. Seamen who pay Hospital Dues, are entitled to Free care and attendance at this Hospital during sickness. Permits must be obtained for United States Marines at the Custom House.

Notice. THE PROGRESSIVE LAND AND BUILDING Association will hold its regular annual meeting on the second Saturday, the 14th day of February, 1885, at 7 o'clock P. M., in Liberty Hall.

Notice To The Public. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife, JOHN DOUGLAS. Astoria Dec. 31st, 1884.

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First Class Work at Prices to Suit the Times. PLANS AND ESTIMATES FURNISHED. C. H. Bain & Co.'s Steam Planing Mill and Sash Factory

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned has been appointed assignee of the estate of D. Hart, an insolvent debtor. All creditors of said estate are notified to present their claims against said estate, under oath, to me, within three months from the date of this notice, at the office of F. D. Winton, in the city of Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon. ISAAC BERGMAN, Assignee.

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