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THE ASTORIAN furnishes its readers the latest and most complete news obtainable.

The snow is three feet deep on the summit of the mountains between the Nehalem and Clatskanie valleys.

E. C. Holden advertises an auction sale of household furniture at eleven o'clock next Wednesday morning.

E. C. Holden sold the wreck of the *Dewa Gungadhur* to Martin Foard at public auction, yesterday, for $16.

The members of the legislature are getting lots of advice from men in and out of newspaper offices. The advice is worth just what it costs.

It is said that as soon as Capt. Scott's new boat, the *Telephone*, is put on the route, the fare between here and Portland will be reduced.

Up in Asotin county, W. T., only $200 county taxes had been paid when the tax list became delinquent. Times are said to be hard in Asotin county, W. T.

The Rt. Rev. B. Wistar Morris, D.D., will officiate in Grace church to-day morning and evening. At the evening service the bishop will administer the apostolic rite of confirmation.

The *New Northwest* publishes opionions from various authoritative source which sustain the belief that under the constitution the legislature of this state has the right to grant womnn suffrage.

The *Baracouta* went to sea yesterday; the *Valparaiso* goes to sea to-day. The *Geo. S. Homer* came down yesterday. While in Portland she had all the steam gear taken out and is now a sailing vessel.

The skating match at the rink last evening was contested for by J. R. Hall, R. Clinton, W. Fry, L. A. Allen and O. Coe. The ten miles was made by Hall in 53 minutes, Clinton being only one lap behind him, winning second prize.

Judge Taylor is holding the spectators level as well as the lawyers. Yesterday he fined a man $5 for smoking in the court room. The fine would have been heavier but it was evident that the action was more one of thoughtlessness than anything else.

Gill & Clinton's pile driver was down abreast of the Washington Packing Co.'s premises yesterday. About a year ago the British bark *Oberon* slipped her anchor with sixty fathoms chain, and yesterday those grappling for it on board the pile driver found it. It will be recovered to-morrow.

It is rumored that an evening paper is shortly to be started in this city with Palmer & Rey as backers and A. D. Bowen as publisher. Palmer & Rey deal in printer's materials in San Francisco: Mr. Bowen was till recently the owner of the *Pacific Journal*, a weekly newspaper published at Oysterville, W. T.

In the state senate last Thursday a remonstrance was read against the passage of the charter amendment; on motion of state senator Reed it was laid on the table. The charter willl come up for action in the house on to-morrow or Tuesday, by which time it is probable that there will be some more Astorians there. It is thought that if that clause making a $500 property qualification tax for voters were stricken out or so altered that it would simply require every voter to be a taxpayer, that it would stand better in every way. As it is at present it is unjust and undeservingof the support of any thinking man.

THEATRICAL.

The Grismer-Davies company will appear at Occidental hall, for two nights only, Monday and Tuesday, February 2 and 3, in two of the New York successes, "Monte Cristo" and "Michael Strogoff." The Virginia City *Tribune*, of November 16, speaks of the company and "Monte Cristo" as follows:

"The size of the audience which welcomed the appearance of the Grismer-Davies combination in 'Monte Cristo' last night must have been a very gratifying sight to Manager Piper. The house was packed from door to stage borders. The play was well put upon the stage and gave thorough satisfaction. The company is a strong one in every department and the members being in perfect accord with each other and the play, cannot but render their performances both charming and thorough. Joe Grismer, as Edmond Dantes, Count of Monte Cristo, did a fine piece of acting. He is remarkably effective. His manner is singularly easy and graceful, his reading pure and intelligent, and his expression full of fine feeling and truthfulness. He gave a thoroughly balanced performance and invested the character with artistic power. Mr. Stockwell is a comedian of rare ability; one who understands the now almost obsolete tact of sacrificing his own identity in the character he portrays, and who fully appreciates the quiet naturalness of perfect acting. Miss Phœbe Davies as Albers de Morcerf, looked very sweet in her soldier costume, and made all she could of a part not specially prominent in the play. The rest of the cast was well filled and with gratifying success. The play throughout was warmly received by the audience, a fact due in no small part to the general excellence of the acting of the company." Reserved seats at the usual place, the New York Novelty store.

DYNAMITE IN LONDON.

THE TOWER AND GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS BLOWN UP.

The Wildest Excitement in the British Capitol.

SPECIAL TO THE ASTORIAN.

LONDON, Jan. 24th, 2:30 P. M.—The houses of parliament and the government offices were severely shaken and considerable amount of damage was done by a dynamite explosion a few minutes ago. It is impossible at this moment to tell the exact extent of the calamity. The greatest excitement prevails and enormous crowds are assembling at the scene of the explosion.

3, P. M.—The explosion occurred close to the house of Lords, near Westminster hall. It is reported that the explosives were placed in the crypt under the building. The force of the shock was tremendous and was felt a great distance. The damage done is very great. Rumors are current at this hour that another explosion occurred at 2 o'clock this afternoon at London Tower. The excitement increases with every moment and the city is filled with flying rumors of the most terrible nature. There were two explosions instead of one as first supposed at the parliament houses. The second came about three minutes after the first one which was near the house of commons and the other at Westminster Hall. One man has been arrested near the scene of the explosion. A large detective force is hard at work now seeking further developments, which are anxiously awaited, particularly by the people in the neighborhood of Westminster hall.

3:30 P. M.—The rumor of the London Tower explosion is confirmed. Fourteen persons are injured. The outrage was the most successful yet made upon any public building since the inauguration of the present era of dynamite warfare. The famous old building

WAS CROWDED WITH VISITORS

at the time of the explosion. The wildest rumors are in circulation as to the number of persons injured. These rumors are being carried through the city and constantly exaggerated by visitors.

Up to 4 o'clock but sixteen persons have been officially reported as injured by the explosion, none mortally.

4:30 P. M.—The attack was made on the building known as the "White Tower." It was fairly filled with visitors at the time and most, if not all, of those hurt were moving about in the tower at the time of the explosion. The white tower was almost completely wrecked by the force of the explosion. The roof was blown clear off the structure; all the persons known to be injured were visitors. Saturday being the usual visiting day at the houses of parliament the buildings contained a great number of sight seers at the time of the explosions. The first explosion occurred in the crypt of Westminster Hall; the second took place in the strangers' gallery in the house of commons. This explosion knocked the policeman in charge down and injured him seriously. His case is considered critical. The second explosion in the parliament buildings occurred three minutes later, and was far more destructive. The dynamite which caused the second explosion must have been placed under the peers' gallery on the left side. Little hope is entertained of the survival of the wounded policeman.

The force of the explosion was such that one man

WAS BLOWN TO THE EARTH

three hundred yards from the point of the explosion. The lobby of the house of commons is completely demolished.

5. P. M.—A clue to the perpetrators of the outrage is thought to have been discovered. Just before the explosion occurred a man and woman, the latter carrying a hand bag, engaged a cab outside the parliament yard and entering drove rapidly away, giving no directions as to their destination. They had not gone far when the explosion happened. The cabman, hearing this, stopped his cab, and the man and woman at once leaped out and hastened quickly from the spot. The cabman went in pursuit of the runaways who were soon overtaken and arrested by the police. The prevalent belief is that the destructive agent was conveyed into the house of commons by some Saturday visitors.

A fuller investigation shows that the damage is much greater than was at first supposed. The western extremety of the house of commons is a total wreck.

There is now no doubt but that the explosive was placed under the peers' gallery on the government side of the house. All the woodwork of that part of the building is shattered and a wide hole made through the floor. The gallery is displaced and even the solid stonework of the doorway is either pulverized or shifted from its position. Every pane of glass in the house was smashed to atoms; the gallery benches were overturned and the gallery generally dismantled.

IMPORTANT LETTER FROM THE LAND OFFICE.

Mr. C. J. Trenchard has received the following letter:

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,
OREGON CITY, Ogn., Jan. 14, 1885.

C. J. Trenchard Esq., County Clerk, Astoria, Clatsop Co., Oregon:

In reply to your letter of the 12th inst. I have to say that no applications for, or filings on lands included in the grant for the Oregon Central Railroad will be allowed until after this office shall have been officially notified by the Interior Department that said grant has been declared forfeited and that such lands are subject to entry.

Respectfully,
L. T. BARIN,
Register.

THE TRIAL OF CHARLES HERBERT.

Full Report of Yesterday's Proceedings.

The interest in the trial of Chas. Herbert was yesterday manifested by the dense crowd that filled every available seat in Liberty hall. When the case adjourned on Friday night the question was in relation to the admission of the dying deposition of the deceased. The prosecution continuing, called E. P. Hoff: Was at Robert McDonald's bedside in hospital on the 16th; McDonald thought he wouldn't live more than twenty-four hours; said he felt that he was going to die; he was then in convulsions and suffering fearfully. Cross-examined—Knew from the way he spoke he was not under influence of morphine.

B. S. Worsley, sworn: Was at hospital January 16th, 9 A. M.; saw man in bed who said his name was Robert McDonald; said: "I can't get well; I am mortified inside; I can feel it." In the afternoon his written statement was taken.

G. G. Smith: Was in McDonald's room with others; he thought he was going to die.

C. H. Stockton sworn and asked concerning statement; objected to; objection sustained.

Dr. Fulton called by defendant: Attended deceased; never heard him say he was going to die; told him to keep quiet and obey directions; on Friday after deposition had been taken he said: "I will come out all right some time, won't I, doctor?" Was with him an hour after deposition was taken; he was then delirious part of the time; morphine and opium had been administered to him until the morning of the day he died, and he had been gunder the influence. Cross-examined: He was delirious part of the time and part of the time was rational.

Dr. W. D. Baker sworn: Attended McDonold with Drs. Fulton; saw him every other day from time of injury till death; saw him day of death; never expressed to witness any sense of impending death; administering of morphine effects persons differently: morphine given McDonald would tend to blunt his powers of perception, but would not prevent his exercising his powers of mind; it does not derange the mind.

Sister Joseph testified to attending deceased during his stay at the hospital; saw him twenty times a day; sometimes he was quiet; other times violent.

E. Dixen testified to being present on Friday morning while doctors were present; after doctors left McDonald told witness he would give $300 to see his mother before his death.

C. H. Stockton recalled; was asked to state what statement McDonald made concerning the shooting: objected to on allegation that evidence showed McDonald was not in his right mind. Prosecuting attorney asked did deceased sign writing: witness answered "No." "Was writing signed by deceased or any other person?" "No." "Who took statement down?" "I did." Witness then testified that deceased said that he left Tillie's saloon, crossed the street, Chas. Herbert called out "Scotty;" he stopped, turned around, saw Herbert with a smile on his face, his hands concealed, and said: "How in hell will you get even on me?" and that the next thing he felt the ball passing through his stomach; that he cried out "Good God! Good God!" that there was no one there but himself at the time. Witness then produced a paper and stated that it was a statement made to him by Robt. McDonald in St. Mary's hospital on January 16th, 1885. "This is the same statement made when the others were present about which I have already testified. I think I have stated all he said about the meeting. He said Chas. Herbert had fired the pistol." Witness said that McDonald said that at the time he cried out "If you want the $2.50 more that I do

FOR GOD'S SAKE KEEP IT"

and that immediately afterwards he was shot in his stomach. "I reduced all that he said to writing except what I have said about the $2.50. I have read over what I have said in sections and he said it was correct."

E. P. Hoff recalled: when deceased made statement he said "I think I am going to die." He was then asked if he would make statement under the impression of death. He said "Yes; I may live 24 hours. I came out of Tillie's saloon when Herbert said "Oh, Scotty, what did you mean by getting even with me?" I said 'Oh, for Christ's sake don't let us have any quarrel about that now. If you think more of that two-and-a-half than I do, keep it.' Herbert said 'I will give it to you now,' or 'you can have it now.' and he fired. I threw up my hands and said "Oh my God, I am shot, I am shot." Cross examined. "It took him some time to say this; he was vomiting and in convulsions. It was taken down and part of it read to him; I don't think it all was."

G. G. Smith recalled testified substantially as preceding witness.

B. S. Worsley recalled and testified that McDonald said that when Herbert asked him what he meant by saying he (Herbert) would be sorry for it, deceased answered "I meant just what I said," that Herbert said "Well, damn you, you might as well take this!" that he then felt the pistol against his stomach and the ball entering his body. He said Chas. Herbert shot him.

Chas. Peek sworn: Saw defendant in Russian Bob's saloon before nine o'clock on the night of the shooting. Heard nothing that he said to any one there.

A. Anderson sworn: was tending bar at Bob Wihlgren's on night of shooting; saw Herbert there that night between ten and eleven before shooting; he was in bar room and had two or three drinks with some other fellows; he did not ask or get anything from behind the bar.

Here the prosecution rested.

Wm. Beresford, sworn: is a sailor; lives at Golden Gate saloon; saw McDonald and Herbert together the evening of the shooting at Tillie's saloon; heard conversation.

THE DEFENDANT'S STORY.

Charles Herbert sworn: I am the defendant; myself and a boarder went to Tillie's and had a drink together at the bar; Scotty came in and asked me for $2.50; I said, 'I don't owe you $2.50.' He said: 'You do, God damn you, and if you don't pay it I will take it out of you,' or kill you, or something of that kind. While talking I believe he put his hands in his coat pocket and pulled something out. I can't tell what it was; don't think I had any further conversation with him. I walked to Geo. Hill's; stood there a few minutes, and went over to Russian Bob's: there I met some friends and we had a drink together. I then went to Geo. Hill's to see if I could find one of two men working for me, Matt and Sweeney. I didn't see them and walked down to the corner saloon; met McDonald; he was coming toward me, and he said, 'God damn your heart, are you going to give me the $2.50, or I'll scatter your brains on the sidewalk.' I undertook to step off the sidewalk to let McDonald pass; he stepped in front and wouldn't let me. I said, 'What do you mean;' he said, 'God damn you, I will show you what I mean.' He put his hand back in his pocket; I did the same; I don't know whether or not I had my finger on the trigger, but it accidentally went off. I couldn't say whether there was any man with McDonald or not. When the pistol went off I

THREW UP MY HANDS

and said, 'O God! have I shot the man?' and the pistol dropped out of my hands. I couldn't say where Carlson came from. He ran up and grabbed hold of my arms and said, 'Did you do the shooting?' I said, 'Yes; it was in self-defence. I couldn't help it and was forced to do it.' He had hold of me by the arms, and walked me off half a block or a block, and I said, 'Mr. Carlson, let go of my arms, and I will walk along peaceably and quietly.' He let go and we walked together. He never asked me for anything, or where the pistol was until we got to the city jail; then he asked me what I had done with the pistol. I told him I didn't know; that I dropped it alongside me; he searched my pockets and locked me in a cell. I next saw Officer Corbett and then Sheriff Ross: I said, 'Mr. Ross, I suppose I have to be in for it; I had to do it, I couldn't help it.'

On January 2nd, the captain of a ship came to me and asked me

IF I HAD HIS DOG.

The captain gave me $5 for a dog. McDonald heard of it; on my way home from Flavel's office I met him at Ike Bergman's. He said 'I hear you got $5 for that dog, I want $2.50; I said, what for? He said 'God damn it, didn't I steal the dog? I said, you didn't tell me so. That evening I went down to the net rack to see if my boat was secure for the night and saw some one who called out 'Is that you, Charley?' I said 'yes;' he said, 'what about that $2.50; are you going to give it to me?' He increased his speed and I started to run. It was McDonald. I ran into a man's cabin and just as I got in and got the door shut, a big chunk of wood struck the door. He said. 'If you don't give me that $2.50 I will lay you out.' When I used to call, McDonald to breakfast of mornings I used to see brass knuckles and a revolver and two razors in his room on the table. He was in the habit of carrying weapons.

Cross examined. I knew McDonald three years; he worked for me 2½ months; he was running for me; I keep a a sailor boarding house. When he threatened me I considered myself in danger. When I met him that evening I was coming from Geo. Hills; he was coming the other way. When he said 'I will show you what I mean,' he reached behind him. I drew mine. It was a Smith and Wessen, 38, self-cocker. I think it went off accidentally. I was excited. I did not intend to shoot him. I did not leave but remained till Carlson arrested me; I was then 12 or 14 feet from deceased; I don't think he fell where Carlson took hold of him. I did not attempt to assist him. I had pistol from 3 o'clock that afternoon. It was in Russian Bob's before. I had borrowed $5 on it three or four days before. I got it from Peck: it had been loaded about a month.

At the conclusion of the defendant's statement, which was listened to with breathless interest by the large crowd present, Jno. Hansen was called for the defense, followed by Wm. Beresford, whose sharp rejoinders to the rigid cross-examination by the prosecution caused considerable hilarity on the back seats and made the bailiff cry "order." Frank Hall, Peter Grant, Alex Grant, Jno. Grant, C. Michaelson, Jas. Murphy and Hugh McCormack were each in turn sworn in regard to the reputation of the deceased, and the court adjourned till tomorrow at 9 o'clock. Fulton Bros. and Raleigh Stott are for the defense; T. A. McBride and F. D. Winton represent the state.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

SALEM, Jan. 23.—House concurrent resolution No. 10. to inquire into the status of military wagon road companies was concurred in.

House bill No. 162—To prevent the deposition of offal in Willowa lake and river, passed at last session and passed again over the veto of yesterday was read with veto. Made a special order for Monday at 3 o'clock.

Weatherford: Senate bill No 104—To relocate the county seat of Yamhill county; first and second readings; referred to the committee on counties.

Bilyeu: Senate concurrent resolution—That the committee to investigate the insane asylum employ a clerk in its investigations.

Rogers; House bill No. 1—To make Drain academy a normal school, which passed the house; first and second reading; referred to committee on education.

Petition from city officers of Astoria, calling attention to objection to charter already passed by the senate, and recommending a newly prepared charter. Laid on the table.

Sighn: Senate bill No. 105—To authorize county courts to incorporate towns. First and second reading.

Burch: Senate bill No. 106—To redistrict the state; and provide for time for holding courts. First and second reading.

Lee: Senate bill No. 107—For relief of several counties from portion of the state tax for 1884. First and second reading, and referred to committee on ways and means.

Message from house that house bill No. 142 had passed. To relieve Oregon exhibitions at the World's fair, and to appropriate $5,500 for the same; went to third reading and passed.

Message from house, that house bill No. 20, to prevent excessive toll at Oregon City canal and locks; read first and second time, and referred to committee on judiciary.

Davenport: Senate bill 106—To amend charter of Salem to include North Salem in corporate limits, and renumber wards.

Williams: Senate bill 107—To prevent riotous actions at public watering places.

Chair announced appointment of Cauthorne, Shupe and Burch as committee on part of the senate to examine the school for blind.

SECOND READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 27 referred to committee on judiciary.

No. 28 to create Whitman county, referred to committee on counties.

Myers: Senate concurrent resolution—That committee on part of both houses be appointed to look into delinquent taxes from different counties.

Davenport: Resolution—That the committee on assessments of the two houses be instructed to predicate such bill or bills they formulate and report on the subject of assessment and taxation, upon the hypothesis that the mortgage tax law and the law allowing the deduction of indebtedness will be repealed. The resolution is now on the table.

Adjourned to meet Monday at 2 o'clock P. M.

House.

BILLS PASSED.

Rogers—Providing for the establishment of a state normal school at Drain, Douglas county.

Ready—Regulating toll at Willamette locks and canal, making tariff 25 cents per ton on freight.

Gilbert — Making appropriation of $10,500 in aid of state exhibit at New Orleans.

Cox—to incorporate the town of Pendleton.

The speaker gave notice that he had signed H. J. M. Nos. 3 and 5.

Message from senate concurring in the appointment of clerk for conmitte to examine books of insane asylum. Adopted.

Senate gave notice of bill making appropriation for New Orleans exhibit.

BILLS—SECOND READING.

Story—For more efficient organization of state militia. Referred to the committee on military affairs.

Bourne—To protect pheasants. Engrossed and ordered to third reading.

Leinenweber—Regulating pilotage on Columbia river. Referred to the committee on commerce.

Bilyeu—Regulating the subpœnaing of witnesses before magistrates. Referred to the committee on judiciary.

Roberts—Bounty on scalps of wild animals.

Bourne—On the incorporation of societies. Referred to the committee on judiciary.

Leinenweber—To provide for the election of supreme and circuit judges.

Adjourned to meet Monday at 9 o'clock.

NEWS FROM CATTLE RANGES.

A subscriber to the *Oregonian* at Albany writes, giving news from eastern and southern Oregon cattle cattle ranges received by him from his son under date of Prineville, the 15th mst. The snow is reduced to five inches, roads are a glare of ice. Ground is bare in many places so that stock are getting some grass. The nights were very cold for a short time, the mercury falling to 35 degrees below. Hay is $20 per ton; oats 75 cents per bushel. It is believed that as many as 300 horses have died since the storm on Willow creek and extending to Warm Springs agency plains. No news is received from the cattle on this range. A man known as "Stemwinder" Smith, who was herding 2,300 sheep on the agency plains, was frozen to death and only two head of sheep found alive. His horse was found tied to a tree. The snow on Beaver creek is ten inches deep; stock generally enduring well. From Bear creek the snow is reported to be deep yet, and quite a loss to the horse stock by reason of the mares losing their colts, consequent upon the extreme cold weather and perhaps slipping. The horses tramp about in the snow over spaces of ground not fifty feet square and stay there till driven out, acting discouraged. On the Deschutes above Tetherow's ferry, horses are suffering. The snow is two feet deep. On the desert in one location there was but little snow, where four or five bands of sheep are doing well.

STEAMER SCHEDULE.

Following is a schedule of sailing dates for steamers between Astoria and San Francisco:

FROM ASTORIA.		FROM SAN FRANCISCO.	
	Jan		10 a. m. Jan
Oregon.....Wed	" 21	Queen.....Sat	" 24
Columbia..Mon	" 26	Oregon..Thurs	" 29
Queen.....Sat	" 31	Columbia Tues	Feb 3