

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1885

BUTTE CITY, M. T., has a population of 18,000, 4,000 to 5,000 of whom are employed in the mines at \$4.50 per day, while fully as many men are idle.

ANY man may have a private hell, but no man can have a private heaven. That is the difference between the two, and constitutes one of the bases of religion.

THE London Spectator describes the United States as a nation which owns a small planet with all climates, and cannot be starved out even by a blockade.

THE debt of France is over \$4,000,000,000—the largest national debt in the world, being \$600,000,000 or \$700,000,000 more than the debt of Great Britain and about three times the amount of interest-bearing debt of the United States.

GEN. BEAUREGARD'S circular explaining his connection with the Louisiana lottery again calls to public attention his misfortune in escaping honorable death in the career which gave him a great name to be prostituted for hire to the basest uses.

ALMOST every day some newspaper gets up an account of a negro turning white, but this from the Galveston News is the first case of his turning red: "The Choctaw nation, in the Indian territory, has graciously permitted some negroes who have long been residents of the Choctaw reservation to become Indians by naturalization."

THE prince of Monaco is making a systematic study of the ocean currents. Last July he sank a large number of ingeniously arranged bottles, globes and barrels at different points north of the Azores, each floating vessel containing a paper in different languages, stating the time and place of immersion, and begging the finder to note down the hour and place of discovery, and forward it to the nearest French consul. Now three of these bottles have been found in the eastern Azores, having followed a southeasterly direction, instead of going to the southwest, as expected.

BISMARCK has issued a decree requiring public officers to write their names, when signing papers, so plainly that they may be read at a glance. It would not be a bad idea if the heads of public departments in this country would make the same demand. This would, however, cure only a small fraction of the difficulties with which compositors and proof-readers have to contend, since the evil habit is by no means confined to public servants. The context will generally throw light upon words whose sense depends upon the relation in which they stand, but it throws no light whatever upon the meaning of signatures and most proper names. The printer, however, is not without the opportunity for revenge; and, when a man writes his name so badly that it cannot be read, he has a malicious satisfaction in printing it so badly that he shall not recognize it himself.

THE newspapers of the country are full of reminiscences and opinions concerning Vanderbilt—the richest man in the world, or said to be. The almost unanimous verdict is that the world didn't lose much when the money king joined the majority. In general the press of the country sizes him up about right. Vanderbilt never was in possession of his money in his life. He never saw it. He dressed no better than his clerk and ate considerably less than his coachman. His life was threatened. It don't pay to be a very rich man—it costs in every way more than it comes to. But it pays society to have these vast custodians of profit, for without them there would be fewer schools, fewer libraries, no leisure

class, little art, less civilization. The men who get most from great wealth lay no proprietary claim to it; those who get least are they who are under the harmless delusion that they own it.

THE little country of Belgium has 480 persons to the square mile, or three to every four acres. That is four acres are made to support three persons. If the United States were equally crowded the population would be 1,650,000,000, or more than the population of the whole world. One acre perfectly well cultivated can easily support one person. It is possible to produce sixty bushels of wheat on one acre, and this is equivalent to the support of at least two persons. It is simply a matter of calculation and management. Belgium shows what can be done. And it is well done for we do not hear of distress in that busy country, nor of paupers, nor of a rush of dissatisfied Belgians crowding away to better their condition. It shows that high farming and excellent cultivation of the soil are profitable, and may be taken as one of the facts that proved this to be a settled principle of agricultural economy.

THE annual report of Jacob Mueller, United States consul-general at Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, has been received at the state department. He calls attention to the reactionary tendencies prevailing in that country on industrial and commercial relations with the United States, which he says explains the ill-will of official and ruling powers against the United States. They dread, he says, American hogs and wheat, and American imports generally, but still more the importation of American ideas. Not only is a tendency to retrogression noticeable, he says, in the political, economic and religious spheres of life, but barriers existing between mankind are also fostered and multiplied to such an extent that the spirit of caste is again becoming prominent, and the feudal system resurrected. He alludes to these tendencies as the principal reason for prevailing anti-Americanism, and in order that the United States government may be prepared not to anticipate from officials of Germany or Austria, hostile as they are to American liberty and prosperity, any gratuitous accessions.

CALIFORNIA VERSUS OREGON. WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The California delegation has not yet yielded to the wish of Hermann, of Oregon, to endorse him for the committee on rivers and harbors. It is now probable that two states will engage in a contest for the place. One of the Oregon senators called on Carlisle today, and urged that Hermann be put on the committee. He said if only one man from the Pacific coast should be given a place on the committee it should be Hermann, because Californians were urging themselves for other important committees, one for the committee on naval affairs, another for the committee on ways and means, another for the committee on commerce, and another for the committee on public lands. If, in addition to all these places on the best committees, which they desire, they received a place on the committee on rivers and harbors, California would get everything; but he urged that there might be two members from the Pacific coast on the committee on harbors. He cited that Speaker Keifer made Page, of California, chairman of that committee, and also put George, of Oregon, on it. California members are bringing a good deal of strength to bear for Markham, from the Wisconsin, Michigan and Illinois delegations.

NEW TO-DAY. Teachers' Examination. THERE WILL BE A QUARTERLY EXAMINATION for those wishing county teacher's certificates at the court house on Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 20th and 21st, beginning at nine o'clock, A. M. M. D. WILSON, County Superintendent. Xmas. THE "VARIETY RESTAURANT" will open Xmas eve under the management of Mr. Wm. Bannister. The table will be supplied with every luxury the market can afford. Good Management and Attendance. White Cooks. Money to Loan. ON APPROVED SECURITY, COUNTY Orders bought. Apply at the office of P. D. WINTON. Nicely Furnished Rooms. WITH OR WITHOUT BOARD: AT Mrs. S. T. McKean's, Cass street, three doors south of ASTORIA office. County Orders. I AM AUTHORIZED TO BUY COUNTY Orders. E. R. SPEDDEN.

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SHEET LEAD STRIP LEAD SHEET IRON, Tin and Copper.

Final Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned has filed in the County Court of the state of Oregon for Clatsop county, her final account as administratrix of the estate of J. W. Robb deceased, and that the same has been set for hearing on Monday, January 4th, 1886, at the hour of two o'clock P. M.

J. M. ROBB, Administratrix.

Notice. ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE late store of D. A. McIntosh will please call on MacDonal & McIntosh, his successors, and settle with them on or before January 1st, 1886.

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