

TELEGRAPHIC.

WASHINGTON NOTES. WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 26.—Congressman Henley, of California, and Senator Dolph, of Oregon, both think that it will be several months before Timm's nomination will be acted on, as there are a great many papers to be examined.

OUR LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

The city council met in regular session last evening; present, Councilmen Bergman, Sherman, Cleveland, Sovey, Gratke and Carruthers. In the absence of Mayor Trullinger, A. A. Cleveland, president of the council occupied the chair; in attendance A. M. Trombly, chief of police, T. S. Jewett, auditor and clerk. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

H. R. 999.

Forty-Ninth Congress, 1st Session—In the House of Representatives. Jan. 7, 1886.

Read twice, referred to the Select Committee on American Shipbuilding and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Dingley introduced the following bill:

A BILL RELATING TO PILOTAGE.

Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, That the local inspectors mentioned in section forty-four hundred and forty-two of the revised statutes may, upon application, examine the master or mate of any registered or licensed sailing vessel of the United States not engaged in the business of carrying passengers, and if satisfied, from personal examination of the applicant and proof which he offers, that he possesses the requisite knowledge, experience and skill, they shall grant such master or mate a license for the term of two years to pilot such vessel, or any other sailing vessel belonging to the same owners, in such port, harbors, or waters within the limits of such inspection district as may be prescribed in his license, with the same liability to suspension or revocation as licenses given to pilots of any steam vessel under the laws of the United States; and no such sailing vessel piloted into or out of any port of the United States by any such master or mate so licensed shall be held or obliged to take any other pilot in any such port, or be compelled to pay any charges or fees to any pilots for pilotage services offered and declined under the pilotage laws or regulations of any state.

CORNS.

Much has been said and written concerning corns by eminent scientists and theologians who have given the subject earnest and prayerful attention, but there is still left a broad field for thoughtful investigation. The writer of this paper has an unrivaled collection of these excruciating and has devoted much careful study to their growth and habits, watched them in various ways, and felt the passionate throbs of their mad pulses when the gentle but firm pressure of a dormant energetic action: cooled their fevered brows with lemon juice and cold cream, and with a fond and dotting parent's tender care have nightly wrapped their parched and pained frames in the soothing folds of an oleaginous rag; boudin eelskin and tobacco on the soft variety, and have rasped down those of the hard-shelled persuasion with a rat-tail file; have patiently watched the microscopic germ in the cuticle, that to the inexperienced eye gave no promise of its future greatness, until it blossomed into a mighty bunion capable of exciting more remorse and scriptural language than an outdoor revival meeting. In short, there is no phase of corn life with which I am not as familiar as with the tenets of the Emersonian school of philosophy.

It is not, however, the purpose of this brief article to enter into a lengthy disquisition upon the birth or origin of the corn, or the relation it bears to modern civilization. In our forthcoming work entitled "The Bunion as a Means of Grace" these questions are fully and fearlessly discussed. The present purpose is merely to impart a few words of wisdom that will awaken interest and curiosity and create a desire to become better acquainted with the subject in hand, or, more properly speaking, on foot.

Did you ever reflect that the corn is an index of refinement and enlightenment? You may seek for it in vain in the miserable habitations of the native of Terra del Fuego or the bushmen of Australia, but in the gilded homes of statesmen and men of letters you will find them by the score. Gaze upon the generous feet of the King of the Cannibal Islands, who never had a corn in his life—unless it was appended to a roasted missionary—then search the embossed pedal extremities of Mr. Gladstone, or Lord Tennyson, or Lily Langtry, or the writer of this article, and you will realize that it is not the shriek of the locomotive, or the gaudy uniform of the somnolent telegraph messenger, but the humble and unassuming corn that speaks loudest of the onward strides of civilization. If you are not convinced look backward into the dim past—into the ages when had even the tongue of prophecy lisped of the printing press, the steam engine or the dnde, its words would have been scouted as the ravings of a disordered brain. History records that Cleopatra had freckles, but where upon its pages will you find available to indicate that any of the ancients had corns? Can it be supposed for a moment that a writer who would take pains to describe a paltry assortment of cuticular polka dots, would, had they then existed, have omitted to mention those anatomic orifices that move full of vain regrets? Certainly not. It is clear that only for a few centuries have even the civilized nations of the globe known the chastening influence of the contumacious corn.

Another of the same kind. In the senate, on the 11th, six days after the Dingley bill was introduced in the house, Senator Frye, also of Maine, introduced Senate Bill No. 1,003, which provides that after July 1, 1886, "no sailing vessel of the United States engaged in the coastwise trade shall be obliged to take a pilot in going into or out of any port of the United States, or be compelled to pay for pilotage services tendered but not accepted." It also provides that the local inspectors at any port may examine the master or mate of any United States vessel engaged in the foreign trade, and if satisfied that the applicant possesses the requisite knowledge, experience and skill, shall grant him a license to pilot the vessel in such waters within the limits of the inspection district as may be prescribed in his license. It also provides that no vessel so piloted shall be compelled to take or pay for pilotage services under the laws of any state.

THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL.

GENTLEMEN:—We, your committee to whom was referred the contract of lighting of the streets, recommend that as far as gas mains are laid the contract be awarded to the gas company, and the coal oil lamps be awarded to James Feely, said contract to begin on the first of the month.

O. SOVEY. CHAS. GRATKE. COMMITTEE P. P. CHAS. GRATKE.

Inquiry elicited the fact that the parties to whom the contract was awarded, were satisfied, and the report of the committee was adopted. The street superintendent's report for December was adopted.

An ordinance granting a license to B. Gibson to sell wine, malt and spirituous liquors, was read first and second times and passed under suspension of the rules.

An ordinance making appropriation out of police fund in amount of \$136.46 in favor of J. G. Hustler was read first and second times and passed under suspension of the rules.

The following claims were ordered paid: J. F. Halloran & Co., \$154.15; Jas. Gardner \$8; sundry persons, \$10.20.

The following claims were referred: Griffin & Reed, \$9.30; I. S. Gragg & Co., \$37.50; F. Sherman, \$37.50.

Councilman Gratke called the attention of the council to the matter of having the names of the streets painted on the street lamps. Councilman Sovey favored the proposition, but suggested that the names of the streets themselves be changed. After some further discussion it was decided to refer the matter to the committee on streets and public ways, with instructions to report at the next meeting.

On motion the committee on public property was instructed to notify the Astoria Gas Light company and Jas. Feely that the contract for lighting the streets was awarded to them, the former to light the lamps with gas as far as their mains extended, the latter to light the outside lamps with oil. On motion council adjourned.

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS.

January 26. Taylor, J. W. W. Parker vs. H. Jones, et al.; judgment by default.

State vs. Carl Mattius; jury instructed to find for defendant.

W. S. Kinney vs. Carl Adler; dismissed at defendants cost, without any attorney fees.

City of Astoria vs. Lum Hi; on trial.

Refused to compromise.

Some time since, the U. S. government commenced suit against the Northern Pacific Lumbering company to recover \$6,000, the alleged value of lumber manufactured out of logs alleged to have been taken from government land with the full knowledge of the company. A tender of \$250 in full of all demands was made by the company, which will be rejected by the government. The matter will now probably have to be adjudicated by the courts, and if Uncle Samuel gets all he wants he will be in luck.—Oregonian, 26.

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