

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:

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The idea of boring a tunnel between the Italian peninsula and Sicily has been revived. The estimated cost is said to be 71,000,000 francs, and the time required for completing the work would be from four to six years. It is stated that the depth of the sea is 160 metres.

SEVERAL cases have occurred during the last few weeks, in which one or other of the Atlantic cables has been used by Americans on the continent to consult their physicians. In the last instance a consultation was held by submarine cable between an American doctor who was settled in Paris and one of the most famous physicians in New York.

MANY reminiscences of the great Brooklyn preacher are now in circulation. One tells of Mr. Beecher's first experience in writing for the newspapers. He offered to write weekly letters for a dollar a letter from the west. The editor thought the price too high, but agreed from sympathy to take the letters. The next day, however, the editor repented of his rash offer, and refused the letters at a dollar a column.

The fact is remembered that when Wm. R. Morrison was in congress he denounced the interstate commerce bill as "a humbug, intended only to provide soft places for men who would have nothing to do but ride over the country on free passes and board at the expense of the government." It is odd that one of these "soft places" should fall to Mr. Morrison; but if he attends faithfully to the duties of the office, as he doubtless will, he will discover that the position is somewhat more arduous than he had assumed.

ALL the president's letters pass through the hands of Mr. Hendley, an expert stenographer, who has charge of the White house mail. He sends those in the handwriting of Mrs. Cleveland, Miss Cleveland, Mrs. Folsom, "Cousin" Ben or "Bestman" Bissell direct to the president unopened. All others, no matter how addressed, as "private," "confidential" or "personal," are opened, read and indexed. A knowledge of this fact will tend to discourage "confidential" correspondence with the White house.

THE interstate commerce commissioners say that the soundness of Judge Deady's decision regarding the Oregon & California road depends upon whether the company has made a breach in its line merely to avoid the law, or whether the railroad and steamship companies have always been independent. The law provides that the companies shall not break their line of transportation and make respishments on going out of the state, so as to avoid the application of the law, but where such questions arise it is likely that the commission will assume good faith on the part of the roads unless the contrary is evident. Until proof of duplicity is found they will not be able to say how long two transportation companies working in combination shall continue that arrangement.

It is stated positively in Washington that the president will call the fiftieth session of congress on October 1. This date was decided upon after frequent consultations with speaker Carlisle and others. The president was strongly inclined to fix the date for an extra session on the 15th of September, but there was an objection made on account of the extreme heat at the national capital during that month. The desire of the president was to have congress assemble as soon after the close of the fiscal year as possible, so that the deficiency bill and other important legislation could be attended to promptly, but the speaker and members had their way in fixing a

later day. The advantage of congress assembling in October is that it will give the house time to organize and attend to pressing wants of the public service before the holidays, while if the session was permitted to commence on the first Monday in December, according to custom, nothing but the organization could be accomplished until after the Christmas recess.

SEWING women in New York, according to a writer in the New York Times, are most wretchedly paid. The young women of the well-to-do families who used to be able to maintain themselves by taking home sewing for the manufacturing firms find themselves unable to earn their car fares since the cuts in the prices of the past few years; while the poor women in the tenements who eked out a scanty living by such work are simply unable to exist. Three years ago \$17 per dozen was paid for cloaks, but this price has been successively reduced to \$12, \$9, 6, \$5, \$4 and \$3, until it is now \$1.50 per dozen. Dress suits, flannels and saques, are \$1.85 per dozen; fancy wrappers are \$4 per dozen, plain, 50 cents. Plain chemises, 30 cents per dozen; fancy chemises, 35 cents; aprons being 7 cents each; wide-hemmed handkerchiefs are 4 cents per dozen; narrow-bordered handkerchiefs, 2 cents per dozen; white saques tucked are \$3 per dozen; skirt and saque, \$4 and \$2 per dozen; jerseys being 30 cts. per dozen, or 8 and 9 cents each. The women have to supply the thread, the silk costing 50 cents per spool. The work has to be delivered on alternate days, and often the item of car fares to those living in the suburbs equals the receipts at these rates. The manufacturers claim to be unable to pay any better, because their rates to the retail dealers have been reduced, and the latter assert that the competition has brought the selling prices to cost.

City Treasurer's Report for Quarter Ending March 31st, 1887. Table with columns for Date, Description, and Amount.

Respectfully submitted, J. G. HUSTLER, Treas. Astoria, Ogn., April 1, 1887. "Knocked Out."

The versatility of the English language is remarkable. Take the expression "knocked out," for instance, upon the misconception of which a ludicrous incident recently occurred. A messenger, just after "dumpling" his run, was asked by the route agent to take the next run out again; when he replied that he couldn't do it; that he was all "knocked out"—meaning, thereby, worn out. The route agent, in reporting the matter to the superintendent, stated that the messenger refused to take the run on account of having been worsted in a fight. When the messenger was called up before the superintendent and the situation explained, a good laugh was indulged in at the expense of the R. A., who will doubtless hereafter bear in mind that "knocked out" may mean

Knocked out: Literally, Physically, Mentally, Bodily, Legally, Commercially, Financially, Politically, Socially, Metaphorically.

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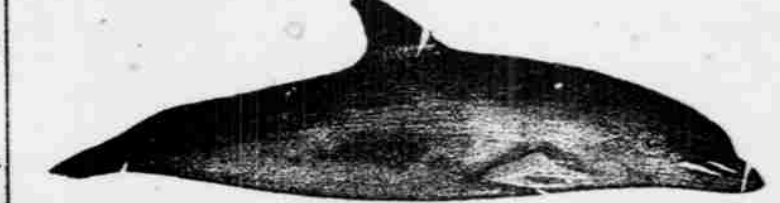
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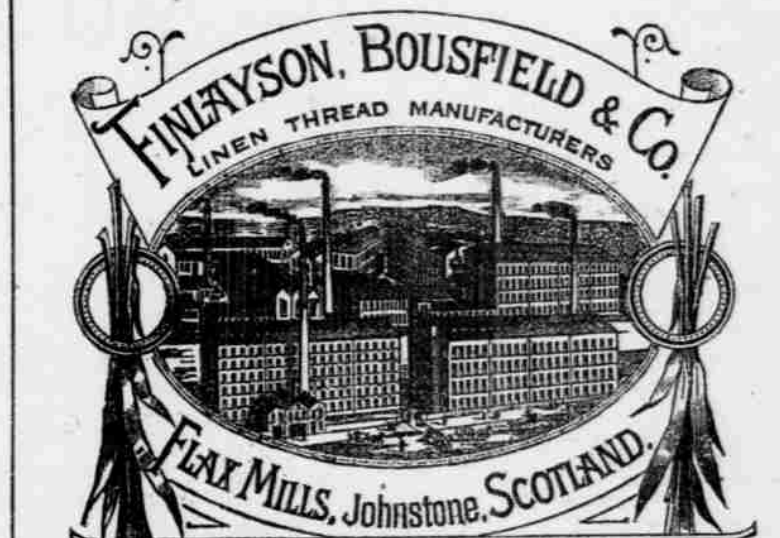
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