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### TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

A German ship lost three men.  
A fire in New York caused a loss of over \$10,000.  
Minister Phelps is coming home on a vacation.  
Lightning struck a railroad office at Altoona, Pa.  
Cardinal Manning endorses the eight-hour labor day.  
The Waupaca National bank in Wisconsin, assigned.  
A Spanish murderer was put to death by garrote at Madrid.  
The coal porters and dock laborers in London have struck.  
Portland gained 10,000 by the census report; population 45,612.  
The Native Sons celebration in San Francisco opens to-day.  
The Ramm investigating committee was in session yesterday.  
A loaded barge was run down by a steamer near Port Huron.  
John H. Wieland, the well-known San Francisco brewer, is dead.  
A new field of coal has been discovered in the Wellington district.  
Congressman Hill favors the Sherman plan of reciprocity with Canada.  
President Harrison will attend the dedication of the Stanford University.  
The biennial convention of Locomotive Engineers opened in San Francisco.  
Much scratching was done in the Maine election; Reed's plurality will be great.  
A reported failure of the great firm of J. V. Farrell & Co., of Chicago, is denied.  
Two freight trains on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad collided; five lives were lost.  
Two New Jersey girls fought thirty-eight rounds for the affections of a young man.  
A bill, making the laws of Oregon applicable to Alaska, was introduced in the House.  
President Harrison has appointed a committee to select a site for the Pacific coast dry dock.  
Discovery has been made that there is no appeal in the cases of schooners seized for seal poaching.  
**Death of John H. Wieland.**  
Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 8.—John Henry Wieland, of the well known family of brewers, died this morning. He had a complication of diseases, including kidney complaint and was 36 years old.  
**A Bounty on Sugar.**  
Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Mr. Fry's amendment, giving a bounty on all sugar made from molasses, was rejected without a division.  
**The Native Sons' Celebration.**  
Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 8.—The meeting of the Native Sons to-morrow will be the grandest event that has ever taken place in the state.  
Additional Telegraph on Fourth Page.

### THE PENSION BUSINESS

#### Investigation Into the Charges Against Mr. Ramm.

#### AGENT LEMON ON THE ST AND

#### He Tells Enough to Indicate That There is Big Money Made in Pension Work.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—The special House committee, investigating the charges against Commissioner of Pensions Ramm, continued its investigation to-day. Judge Wilson, Mr. Lemon's attorney, said he was ready to examine Mr. Cooper.  
Mr. Cooper objected. He said he did not think it right to take the investigation out of his hands and turn it over to Mr. Lemon's attorney.  
Judge Wilson said his intention was to expedite the case and not delay it or turn it aside. Mr. Lemon was then sworn. He made a statement covering the points of the case which referred to himself and his business. He presented to the commission a statement, showing the claims allowed him by the pension office for several corresponding months under Commissioners Black and Ramm. The former had allowed him 7,047, the latter 6,889. He said the charge that he had been favored by the decision of Commissioner Ramm any more than other attorneys was unqualifiably false, and he further said it was an impossibility for any commissioner to do this. The charge could only be made through ignorance and malice.  
Mr. Cooper charged that out of \$30,000 cases affected by the decision of Commissioner Ramm, 12,000 were his, and that he had received fees on these claims amounting to \$240,000. This statement he said was grossly inaccurate. He had never asked Mr. Ramm or any other commissioner to favor him, and in making the charge Mr. Cooper had displayed ignorance and malice. He invited Mr. Cooper to come to his office and examine all the claims on file, his clerks and his method of transacting business and requested him to do this and not go and hunt up discharged employees.  
Mr. Cooper asked him what was the amount of his fortune and what his annual income from pension business was. He refused to answer the questions and said it was none of Cooper's business. The commission upheld him in his refusal.  
In answer to questions by Cooper, Mr. Lemon said he had suggested the ruling complained of to Commissioner Ramm, and had seen him at different times and urged the matter. He thought the ruling was just. He denied, however, that it benefited him any more than others.  
In answer to questions by Mr. Cooper, in reference to his endorsing notes from Mr. Ramm, he told the

### ACCIDENTS ON THE RAIL

#### A Careless Switchman Wrecks a Passenger Train.

#### TERRIBLE FREIGHT SMASH-UP

#### Two Trains Come Together at the Mouth of a Tunnel—Several Lives Reported Lost.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
TROY, N. Y., Sept. 8.—At 7:30 o'clock this morning, a green switchman who took the place of a striker at the State street crossing in this city, threw the switch before the rear truck of the Albany local had passed. The end of the car was carried over against the locomotive standing on the other track and partially turned over against a stone wall at the north end of the Congress street tunnel. The last car was completely wrecked and the next car badly damaged. Of twelve passengers in the rear car at the time all escaped but one—E. J. Bliss, of Boston, who was out on the face and head by broken glass. Conductor Henyon, also was slightly injured.  
**THE DRY DOCK SITE.**  
**The President Appoints a Committee to Select It.**  
Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
CHERRY SPRING, Pa., Sept. 8.—The President to-day sent to Washington an executive order, under authority contained in the naval appropriation bill, appointing the commission to select a site for a dry dock on the Pacific coast, north of the boundary of California. Captain T. O. Selfridge, of the United States navy, will be president of the board. The other members will be George H. Mendell, corps of engineers, United States army; Thomas C. Platt, of New York; Hon. R. W. Thomson, of Indianapolis, and A. B. Wyckoff, of the United States navy.  
**The Light Went Out.**  
Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 8.—A collision occurred between passenger trains nineteen and twenty, near Lockport at 4:30 o'clock this morning on the Central railroad, in which Baggagecar Fiddler of New York, was killed and Engineer Bradley and Fireman Honston, both of Syracuse, badly hurt. No passengers were hurt. The accident is attributed to a semaphore light going out.  
**A Bank Succumbs.**  
Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
WAPACA, Wis., Sept. 8.—Evan Dollidge, of Wapaca National Bank, assigned to Frank W. Whipple, of Wapaca, this morning. Assets, \$37,000; liabilities, \$27,000. The failure was caused by two heavy lines of loans and discounts, and a recent run on the bank which drew out \$200,000. It is believed the liabilities will be paid in full.

### THE STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

#### President Harrison Will Attend the Dedication.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—It has been learned that the President, as well as four members of his cabinet, among them Secretary Blaine, and their families, have already made arrangements to visit California next spring or fall, to assist in the dedication and other opening ceremonies of the Leland Stanford, Jr., university. The exact time of the start has not yet been determined upon.  
The presidents of nearly all the leading Eastern colleges and educational institutions will accompany the party, which will be taken to California on a special train of new palace coaches, which are now being made according to special plans as agreed upon.  
They will go to San Francisco direct, and after remaining there for three days will proceed to Senator Stanford's residence at Menlo Park, where they will remain as his guests till after the conclusion of the ceremonies of the opening of Leland Stanford Jr., University.  
**THE LOCOMOTIVE FIREMEN.**  
**Opening of the National Convention in San Francisco.**  
Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 8.—The biennial national convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen opened with a secret session to-day when an organization was effected. This afternoon a reception was tendered them at the Bijou theatre. Addresses of welcome were delivered by Mayor Pond, Governor Waterman, Tom Fitch, M. M. Dorn in behalf of the Native Sons, and D. J. Brown in behalf of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen. The biennial address was delivered by Grand Master T. P. Sargent.  
**THE LAWS OF OREGON.**  
**They Will be Made Applicable to Alaska.**  
Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—In the House to-day a bill, amendatory to the act, providing a civil government for Alaska was introduced. The bill makes the general laws of Oregon applicable to Alaska so far as they may not conflict with the laws of the United States District court in the territory, which is to have exclusive jurisdiction in all equity cases, or those involving a question of title to land, and in all capital criminal offenses. Appeals from decisions in civil and criminal cases where the amount involved is over \$200 in civil cases, or over \$100 in criminal cases, maybe made to the District court and carried to the U. S. Supreme court.  
**Sever Travel Without Ticket.**  
Persons should never travel without a ticket of BRAXDRETT'S PILLS. A few doses taken before going on ship will prevent sea sickness, and one pill every night on shipboard will counteract the positive action of the sea air. Who is sick, troubled with pains, colds, or dizziness, or having rheumatism take from three to five pills and if they do not operate in an hour or so take three or four more.  
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### DEATH BY THE GARROTE

#### A Spanish Murderess Executed in the City of Madrid.

#### TEN THOUSAND SPECTATORS.

#### A Horrible and Revolting Affair—History of the Crime—The Execution.

MADRID, Sept. 8.—Higinia Ballaguera, the Spanish murderess, was garroted here a few days ago and nothing so terrible or revolting in the nature of a criminal execution, has for many years taken place in Europe. The marchioness Valera was the widow of one of the wealthiest land owners in Cuba and was beloved and respected by every person who knew her and the tragic circumstances of her death created a deep and lasting sensation throughout Spain. On the night of July 1, 1888, people living in the vicinity of the Valera place were alarmed by fearful shrieks proceeding from Mme. de Valera's bedroom. When they arrived the door was forced open and upon peering into the marchioness' bedroom the officers recoiled horror-stricken. She lay stretched across the bed, her face and breast a mass of gaping wounds, while the murderer had saturated her limbs with petroleum as if for the purpose of destroying all evidence of the crime which had been committed. Only a part of the body thus saturated, was consumed, immediate response to the woman's cries having probably disconcerted the fiendish murderer. Her maid was discovered, apparently in a dead faint, on the floor of an adjoining room.  
When she was restored to consciousness, the maid, Higinia Ballaguera, became so confused and contradictory in her answers to the magistrate, that she was immediately placed under arrest. Higinia Ballaguera was placed in a cell where no one was permitted to visit her. This treatment elicited an acknowledgment that she, with the assistance of one, Dolores Avilla, a woman of bad repute, had together arranged and committed the crime.  
Both were submitted to new trial with the result that Higinia Ballaguera was condemned to death by garrote and Dolores Avilla was sentenced to seventeen years penal servitude.  
On the evening preceding the day of the execution, according to Spanish custom, she was placed in a chapel to remain during twenty-four hours before her death.  
There she was received by a score of monks, who wore the black cowl and white cross of the Brotherhood of Perfect Truth, which has since the middle ages taken charge of criminals condemned to death during the last days of their life, and it was from their hands that Senor Verdago, the executioner, received Higinia Ballaguera.  
She was already half dead when the executioner presented himself at the chapel to claim his victim and according to traditional usage knelt before

### HE WILL TALK POLITICS

#### Minister Phelps is Coming Home for a Short Vacation.

#### WANTS TO STAY AT BERLIN

#### Until the American Hog Comes and then He Does Not Care—The Samoan Treaty.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
New York, Sept. 8.—A Herald Berlin special says: Minister Phelps is going home for a holiday on September 13th. He says: "I shall have nothing to do with politics at home except to talk. I shall vote and give them good strong protection and reciprocity ballot. I expect to stay here as long as President Harrison wants me to, at least. I do not want to go out of Berlin until the American hog comes in."  
"What's his chance?"  
"Good. I think, on account of our retaliation law, though that helps less here than anywhere else. Probably it is so wise and just that I cannot imagine why we did not have it before. Possibly we were waiting for Whitelaw Reid to state the case so clearly, calmly and convincingly as he did."  
Concerning the Samoan treaty Minister Phelps said:  
"It really is not working formally at all yet; at least, its influence so far is not what its provisions intend it to be. As yet they are not operative. They cannot be until the chief justice gets there, his decision being the center and power of the simple machinery, but the mere moral influence of the treaty's provisions has kept the natives peaceful for more than one year and that is a pretty good test."  
**Cardinal Manning on Labor.**  
Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
LONDON, Sept. 8.—Cardinal Manning has written a letter to the Sacred Science congress, now being held at Liege, Belgium, urging the necessity for eight hours as a working day for miners; that no women be employed in mines; that the observance of Sunday be enforced, and advocating a sliding scale of wages.

### PORTLAND'S POPULATION.

#### The City Gains Ten Thousand By the Recent.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.  
PORTLAND, Sept. 8.—The re-enumeration of this county shows: City of Portland, 46,612; East Portland, 10,610; city of Albina, 5,169. The county outside of the cities, 12,815. Total, Multnomah county, 75,206.  
The gain of Portland was ten thousand over the recent count.  
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