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## ASTORIA, OREGON.

### THAT'S THE PLACE!

Were I to seek a place to dwell,  
More like heaven and less like hell,—  
Where roses bloom the year around,  
And where the finest girls are found,  
A place that knows no cold or heat  
And where the climate can't be beat,  
Where epidemics are unknown  
And courtesy is strangers shown,  
Where the harbor is wide and deep,  
And Herman Wise sells clothing cheap,  
Where fair play rules 'tween man and man,  
And everyone does all he can;  
There's no other place 'neath the sun  
Such as "Astoria, Oregon."

—H. W. Shortfellow.

## THE ASSIGNEE'S SALE

— AT —

# Parker & Hanson's

Will be continued for a few days until further notice. Everything

## MUST BE CLOSED OUT

— AND —

## PRICES - WILL - BE - CUT

To Suit the Condition and the times.

W. W. PARKER, Assignee.

## THE QUESTIONS.

1. What has been the most fertile cause of war?
2. Where does the water in a blister come from?
3. Which sense is capable of the highest educational development?
4. Which is the most rapid national decadence on record?

Answers must be in by Friday next.  
Please send full name, school and class  
you belong to.

### CLEVELAND'S APPOINTIVE POLICY

Former Office Holders Under Him Have Little Encouragement.

### LOCAL BUSINESS MEN RULED OUT

The Postmaster General Announces His Policy—Sweeping Changes Fore-shadowed.

Associated Press.

Washington, March 9.—Representative Springer of Illinois, who was one of the president's callers today, asked him if the rule of not appointing men who held office under him four years ago was to prevail, as had been reported. The president replied in the affirmative, and when asked if the rule was inflexible, Cleveland responded that it would be substantially so. Springer asked if the rule was also to apply to fourth class postoffices. Cleveland said he had not thought of that, but he gave a decided impression that it would prevail to as great an extent as possible, with small postmasterships.

The postmaster general is accredited with the announcement that no local business men need apply for postoffices under his administration for the reason that the actual duties are performed generally, by irresponsible and often incompetent substitutes.

Washington, March 9.—The president has sent the following nominations to the senate:

Joseph Quincy, of Massachusetts, assistant secretary of state.

Robert A. Maxwell, of New York, fourth assistant postmaster general.

Isaac P. Gray, of Indiana, minister to Mexico.

Patrick A. Collins, of Massachusetts, consul general to London.

F. P. Gale, of New Mexico, receiver of public moneys at Roswell, New Mexico.

The senate has decided that when it meantime there is a controversy over the propriety of receiving bills at the extra session.

Political circles are agog over the fact that Senator David B. Hill spent nearly half an hour in private consultation with President Cleveland at the White House this morning.

Secretary Carlisle appointed a son of General John A. Logan, chief clerk in the treasury department.

President Cleveland has sent the senate a message withdrawing the Hawaiian treaty, which has been pending in the senate. The message was received without comment on the floor of the senate. Republican senators regard this as in line with the course pursued by Cleveland in withdrawing the Nicaragua treaty sent to the senate by Arthur in the closing days of his administration. Democratic senators look upon the act from a two-fold point of view, some taking the ground that it shows that Cleveland is against annexation, or American domination of any sort in the Hawaiian islands, while others hold that he will send in another treaty more to his liking.

A gentleman who has talked with the president on the subject, said this afternoon that another treaty would be made. It is intimated that the president will suggest either by message or personally to the senators, that a committee be appointed to visit the Hawaiian islands this year during the interval between adjournment of the special session of the senate and reconvening of the next congress.

Washington, March 9.—In the senate today Teller presented credentials of Lee Mantle appointed by governor of Montana. They were laid on the table for reference to the committee on privileges and elections, when chosen.

Michell, of Oregon, presented a joint resolution to amend the constitution so as to provide for the election of United States senators by the people.

PACIFIC COAST RATES.

Chicago, March 9.—A meeting of the agents of the transcontinental lines was held today to consider World's Fair rates from the Pacific coast. They left the matter in the hands of a committee to report tomorrow. It is probable that round trip rates of \$30 will be recommended.

THE NEW PANAMA LINE.

San Francisco, March 9.—The steamer St. Paul, the first of the North American Navigation Company's new line of steamers from this port, sailed today for Panama with 1500 tons of through freight, all she could carry. The steamer was unable to take all the freight offered.

W. S. KELLOGG MISSING.

Oregon City, March 9.—On Friday evening, February 24th, W. S. Kellogg left Canby, Oregon, for Independence, having about 400 in his pocket with which he was intending to start a butcher's shop. Today word was received that he had not reached his des-

tinuation and nothing is known of his whereabouts by his wife in Canby or relatives here or at Independence. Foul play is suspected.

INDIANS ON THE WARPATH.

The Crows Preparing—An Indian Shot by a Settler.

Chicago, March 9.—A special from Laurel, Montana, to the News-Record says open warfare has broken out between the settlers on the newly opened portion of the Crow reservation and the Indians. The wildest excitement exists at Wilsey, and surrounding country. Ranchmen are moving their wives and children to places of safety and are preparing to defend their claims.

The first bloodshed occurred this morning when Little Face, an Indian was killed. The Indians undertook to drive off a settler named Henderson. The Indians congregated and sent Little Face forward to tell Henderson that if he stayed on the place twenty-four hours he would be killed. Henderson said he would not move and Little Face whistled and a gang of Indians poured out of the woods. At the same time Little Face reached for his gun, but Henderson was too quick for him and shot him through the heart. With a yell, the other Indians disappeared in the woods. The Crows are preparing for actual warfare.

A PRODIGIOUS WHEAT DEAL.

James R. Keene Controls Millions of Bushels.

Chicago, March 9.—Current gossip here tonight has it that James R. Keene stands to win or lose \$10,000,000 on wheat. According to the report he has obtained control of about 20,000,000 bushels of the best wheat and has accumulated a prodigious line of futures.

"Sandy" Eggleston and John Cudahy are associated in the deal. Nearly all "contract" wheat in Chicago and as much more out West has been contracted for by Eggleston. He has also cornered about all the elevator space in Chicago. Keene's advances up to date, it is said, are at least \$15,000,000, and possibly \$10,000,000 more may be required to complete the deal. The operation is said to be the largest of a settlement of old scores on the part of Keene for the fortune he dropped fourteen years ago in the Chicago wheat pit.

THE RAILROAD STRIKE.

Toledo, Ohio, March 9.—Everything is quiet here concerning the Ann Arbor strike. Manager Ashley says the road will run all passenger trains. Today they started six freight trains, and they have enough new men to equip all engines needed for general service. The strikers are very reticent, but express themselves confident of victory. Developments are expected when the Ann Arbor offers freight to other roads.

THE NAVAL REVIEW.

Washington, March 9.—Assistant Secretary of the Navy Soley, Admiral Gherard, and Commodore Ramsey held a conference today regarding the changing of the date of the naval review. It was decided that the rendezvous should take place in Hampton Roads on April 17th. On April 24th, the fleet will sail for New York, where the review will be held on the 27th of April.

RAILROAD OPERATIVES WANTED

Philadelphia, March 9.—A passenger train on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore road ran into a freight train at Chadford's Junction this morning, causing a bad wreck. Engineer Phillips, of the passenger train, was killed, and Conductor Cummings badly injured. It is reported that the fireman was also killed, but this is not confirmed. It is believed that a number of passengers were hurt.

NO TIDINGS OF THE "NARONIC."

New York, March 9.—There are still no tidings of the Naronic. Captain Yndesay of the Runic, today gave it as his opinion that the Naronic is safe, although probably she is badly disabled. The White Star people have all along held the same views.

DISCOURAGING ANNEXATION.

New York, March 9.—The committee on political reform of the Union League Club received a decided set-back tonight in their endeavor to have adopted a resolution favoring annexation of Hawaii. The resolution was thrown out by a large majority.

A NEW JERSEY EARTHQUAKE.

Rahway, N. J., March 9.—The city was shaken this morning by an earthquake shock. It did considerable damage in the city and vicinity. Buildings were swayed and druggists sustained considerable damage by breakage.

WILL ACCEPT RELIEF.

Boston, March 9.—The trustees of the Governor McKinley estate have agreed to receive voluntary contributions for the relief of the estate.

REV. B. F. BOOTH DEAD.

Dayton, Ohio, March 9.—Rev. B. F. Booth, D. D., secretary of the United Brethren board of missions, died here today.

### THE WASHINGTON LEGISLATURE

Adjourn Without Electing a United States Senator.

ALLEN WILL PROBABLY GET IT

Lillukalani Appeals to the American People for Justice—General News.

Associated Press.

Olympia, Wash., March 9.—The last day of the session saw numerous bills railroaded through. A preferred calendar had been arranged but many bills were never reached. Action was taken on bills as follows:

Placing the state printing under the supervision of the state printing board. Passed.

Providing for a system of improved roads in counties. Passed.

Numerous other bills of a legal nature were passed, and the house took a recess till evening.

In the senate after the passage of the numerous bills that came up, the general appropriation bill was considered for the remainder of the day and passed as amended, after having been cut down about \$10,000. The bill appropriates about two million dollars.

A recess was taken till evening.

The legislature will adjourn sine die tonight. The lobbies were thronged today and there was considerable excitement previous to balloting but nothing unusual occurred. The governor will, in all probability, appoint Allen.

The house concurred in the senate amendments to the appropriation bill, and the bill now awaits the governor's signature.

The house also concurred in Anderson's railroad bill establishing a 15 per cent. reduction, provided, there be no greater rate than \$4.75 per ton for a haul of 500 miles or less.

LILLUKALANI'S ADDRESS.

The Hawaiian queen addresses the people of the case.

San Francisco, March 9.—The Examiner this morning publishes a lengthy statement by Lillukalani, the deposed queen of Hawaii, which was received here from Honolulu by steamer yesterday. It is the first statement she has made for publication since the overthrow of the monarchy, and is addressed to the American people. One of the most striking features of the queen's statement is the reference it makes to United States Minister Stevens. The queen says:

"The position taken by the present American minister has been constantly unfriendly and quarrelsome. The address he delivered to me on my accession would lead me to suppose that he considered an American protectorate was established at that day. It was a lecture and not an expression of reasonable sentiments. Again, in October last, Mr. Stevens sought an audience of me. No sooner had I bowed to him, than he gave signs of laboring under strong excitement. He read a paragraph from the Daily Bulletin, the Honolulu evening paper, which he said was an infraction of his rights which he said was an accredited representative of a foreign power. The American minister declared he would hold the Hawaiian government responsible for the article complained of. The Bulletin was not directly or indirectly controlled by the government. My ministers explained this position of the case to the American minister who declined to be pacified. He was evidently bent on picking a quarrel. His manifest aim was to embarrass me. In the midst of the trial of a number of persons for rebellion and treason, Mr. Stevens delivered his "Decoration Day" speech. He ridiculed the political trials and drew comparisons most unfavorable, and sneered at royalty."

Of the events of January 17th, the day that monarchy was overthrown, Lillukalani says:

"I need only say that my one anxiety was to avoid violence and bloodshed. I had abundant force to quell the revolution but the American minister had already landed his troops in secret understanding with the revolutionists. To the United States forces I yielded under protest, knowing that a conflict with our mighty neighbor could only result in aimless bloodshed."

MICHIGAN MILL MAN DEAD.

Seattle, Wash., March 9.—T. F. Langsdorf, a well known mill man of Bay City, Michigan, dropped dead of heart disease in his doctor's office this afternoon. He came here to construct a saw mill for Mosher & McDonald.

AS TO THE GOLD RESERVE.

Washington, March 9.—Some time ago when the question of the power of the secretary of the treasury to use any part of the \$10,000,000 gold reserve was under consideration, Solicitor Aldrich was instructed by the attorney-general to look up the matter.

Aldrich's opinion in brief, is there is no positive provision of law requiring that \$100,000,000 reserve shall be kept. "It is also true," says he, "that under the law as I understand it, all legal tender notes may be redeemed in coin."

BALHUT BREAKS DOWN.

He Confesses His Guilt and Pleads for Mercy.

Paris, March 9.—Interest in the Panama trial is increasing and the greatest curiosity is shown as to the coming developments. Balhut was called. He showed a disposition at first to throw the blame upon Blondon, who acted as a go-between in the negotiations. Balhut said:

"I acted at the instigation of Blondon to whom I gave 700,000 francs. I have wished to restore the money I received but I feared thereby to accuse myself."

Up to this moment Balhut had spoken clearly and with apparent self control, but at this point he broke down and with a pitiful expression of sorrow and despair, exclaimed in a broken voice:

"I acknowledge having been led astray, I am guilty. My words express my grief and repentance. I feel that I do not yet understand how I could have fallen so low. I ask pardon of my country whose good name, I have perhaps, sullied."

There was a decided stir in the court room when Balhut began his pitiful avowal of guilt, and this was increased to a sensation as he closed.

RAILROAD MAGNATE MASON.

Owens a Controlling Interest in Tacoma Street Railway.

Tacoma, March 9.—Allen C. Mason has bought the Tacoma and Puyallup Street Railway at the receiver's sale, subject to mortgages held by the Mason Mortgage & Loan Company, and other liabilities amounting to \$120,000, for \$50. The road is 12 miles long. He has also obtained a controlling interest in the Point Defiance, Tacoma, and Edson street railway, 13 miles long. This gives him control of 25 miles of street railways which will be consolidated into one system.

RAILROAD DISASTER.

Baltimore, Md., March 9.—A. J. Robinson is here as agent of the railroads leading westward from Chicago. He is authorized to employ many men conversant with the duties of switchmen, yardmen, conductors, and handling trains.

NATIONAL CYCLING ASSN.

New York, March 9.—The National Cycling Association of America met today and adopted a constitution and racing rules and effected permanent organization. C. H. Byrne of Brooklyn was elected president.

SENATORIAL SITUATION.

Olympia, March 9.—Allen, 50; Turner, 23; Shaw, 16; Griggs, 7; Van Patton, 9; Jones, 2; Drum, 2; Sharpsteen, 1. Necessary for choice, 57. The joint session is dissolved.

VANDERBILT VERY ILL.

New York, March 9.—Jacob H. Vanderbilt is very ill at his residence on Staten Island, and it is not expected he will recover.

STRANGEST FAMILY IN ALABAMA.

Eighteen Giant Boys and Ten Diminutive Daughters—Bad Record of the Former.

"The most remarkable and notorious family that Alabama ever produced was the Knight family that lived three miles from St. Stephens," said George McKee, of Mobile, a Globe-Democrat man. "John Knight was the father of twenty-eight children. He was a fine specimen of physical manhood. He stood six feet seven in his stocking feet, and his voice was like that of a lion's roar. His wife, the mother of those twenty-eight children, was less than five feet in height, and weighed about one hundred pounds. Standing side by side, her head scarcely reached his vest pocket. They were both industrious, and when their children got old enough to talk they were put to work. There was no loafing or idleness tolerated on the Knight plantation. Every one had to rise with the dawn of day. There were eighteen boys and ten girls. The males inherited their father's physical prowess; the females their mother's diminutive size. The boys had short and simple given names, such as Tom, Lon, John and the like; the girls were loaded down with names which might perhaps, have had something to do with their growth. For instance, the eldest girl was named Mary Ann Jane Sarah Ann Elizabeth Teetona Smith Knight. They called her 'Teet' for short. Sam was the oldest son. He was a holy terror. He would steal from his neighbors like a con man and rob a corn patch. He was finally jailed. In prison at Butler the rats attacked him one night and he died from the effect of their bites. Later on Lon became a robber, and now every one of the eighteen boys is either in the penitentiary or is wanted there. Six years ago Mrs. Knight died. Four months later old man Knight married a widow by the name of Glivins. She was possessed of sixteen children. Six were boys, ten were girls. The boys joined the church all at the same time, shortly after their mother's second marriage. A year later the Misses Glivins had husbands. The Misses Knights still remain single. A tree fell on Mrs. Knight last summer and killed her. Her husband was kicked to death by a mule just before Christmas."