

THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC'S LOSS. Thought to Be Due to the Competition of Clipper Ships.

San Francisco, Cal., March 20.—The statement is made by the Examiner that the annual report of the Southern Pacific railroad for 1897, to be submitted at the annual meeting in April, will show a loss of about one million dollars in the net earnings, as compared with the previous year.

THE COAL COMBINE. Case Thrown out of Court and New Proceedings Begun.

St. Paul, Minn., March 20.—This afternoon Judge Egan dismissed the whole proceedings in the coal combine case, and peace reigns once more, although the temper of the legislature is still very much ruffled.

THE COAL COMBINE. Shipping Master Weeks shipped six men on the schooner Pioneer on Saturday.

St. Paul, March 20.—The coal combine fight grows warmer. This morning Judge Egan, of the circuit court, ordered the detention of the sergeant-at-arms of the house, and had Representative Walsh before him and demanded possession of the letter books of the coal combine.

GERMANS RISE TO REMARK. They Think Kaiser Wilhelm Just as Good as St. Patrick.

Chicago, March 20.—Kaiser Wilhelm's Day will hereafter be a legal holiday in Chicago. The city council tonight by a unanimous vote ordered Mayor Washburn to suspend all municipal business on that day and close the offices, Wednesday is the day.

NICE NEWS FROM NICE. Mrs. Langtry Substantially Reconciled by the Deceased Sport.

New York, March 20.—A special from Nice, says: "Squire Abington" left Mrs. Langtry \$200,000 a year with the whole of his racing stud and a magnificent establishment at Newmarket.

FATAL BOILER EXPLOSION. Rome, Iowa, March 20.—At a sawmill seven miles north of here, by an explosion of the boiler which was allowed to run out of water, four men were killed and several wounded.

TROUBLE IN CHINA. Shanghai, March 20.—The Chinese government has despatched 150,000 rifles to the troops of the western frontier.

FATAL PREMATURE EXPLOSION. Kenosha, Wis., March 20.—An explosion occurred in the house of Chris Arentzen this afternoon. The bodies of Arentzen, his father, and a boy who lived with the family were found under the ruins.

SEVERE WEATHER REPORTED. Victoria, B. C., March 20.—The steamer Mystery returned last night from Clayoquot sound. The weather off the coast was very severe.

CELEBRATED ARTIST DEAD. Ocean Springs, Miss., March 20.—John M. Tracy, the celebrated animal painter died at this place this morning.

THE SHIPOWNERS' ASSOCIATION. The Shipowners' Association, of San Francisco, took steps on Friday to protect its treasury from the raids of land sharks.

DESIRE TO BEAR TESTIMONY. Henry Thorne, Traveling Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., writes from Exeter-Hall, Strand, London, February 24, 1898.

"I desire to bear my testimony to the value of Alcock's Porous Plasters. I have used them for pains in the back and side arising from rheumatic and other causes, never without deriving benefit from their application.

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OUR DAILY MARINE COLUMN

Bark Aureola came up and went over to Knappaon yesterday in tow of the tug Wallowa. She will load lumber for Redondo Beach.

The bark Dundale, wheat laden for the U. K., came down the river yesterday and goes out this morning.

The Oceanic steamship Alameda arrived on time in San Francisco Saturday, after what Captain Morse says is the roughest passage in several years. East southeast gales hindered the ship all the way from Sydney, and it was only by burning coal at an extravagant rate that the steamer kept up to time schedule.

The Emily, which arrived from Coos Bay, at San Francisco, Saturday afternoon, reports such rough weather along the north coast as to prevent her touching at any of her usual ports of call on the way down.

The schooner Enterprise is in from San Francisco. She has a cargo of freight for the Clatsop Mill Company.

The Salem Statesman says: "The Hoag came up from Portland yesterday with three tons of salt and about twenty tons of merchandise for Salem. She took with her on her return trip to Portland eight bales of woolen goods from the Salem Woolen mills, and a large load of hardware.

The ladies of Astoria are cordially invited to attend the display of spring and summer millinery at Miss McRae's store on Genevieve street Wednesday and Thursday, March 22d and 23d.

Since its first introduction, Electric Bitters has gained rapidly in popular favor, until now it is clearly in the lead among pure medicinal tonics and alteratives—containing nothing which permits its use as a beverage or intoxicant.

Captain E. Boini, Lloyd's surveyor, and Captain F. C. Townsend, of the British ship Es Kasoni, went to Fairhaven Thursday to hold a survey on the British ship Formosa and report on the condition of the vessel as found by an examination of her bottom, made by Sub-Marine Diver Harmon.

The Augustus got in from Tillamook yesterday with passengers and freight. The following marine news is from Saturday's Headlight: The steamer Truckee came to the bar Tuesday, and by some means struck on the sand, breaking her propeller. As the tide was going out she drifted out safely and anchored.

The Augustus came in she spoke the Truckee and preliminary arrangements for towing her in were made. On Wednesday morning the Augustus went out, but terms could not be made.

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CEDAR STREET SCHOOL.

The following is the report of our school for the past month. There has been considerable sickness in the district and the absence of many pupils is attributed to a great extent to this, but a decided improvement is seen in the attendance, tardiness, and deportment generally.

Table with columns for Boys and Girls Enrolled, Total Enrollment, Days Attendance, Days Absence, Per Cent Attendance, Per Cent Punctuality, Times Tardy, Average daily Belonging, Average daily Attendance, Cases Corp'l Punishment, and Visitors.

J. D. HAWES, Principal.

MILLINERY OPENING.

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