

TODAY'S WEATHER. For Oregon and Washington: Fair weather slightly cooler. Maximum temperature 99 degrees.

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SAN FRANCISCO FIRE

Flames Destroy Much Property in Lumber District.

FRANKLIN MINE EXPLOSION

One Man Killed and Nine Seriously Wounded—Miss Berger Discharged—Yale Wins.

San Francisco, June 27.—Shortly before 6 o'clock a fire broke out in the rear of the San Francisco Box Factory, located on the corner of Fifth and Bryant streets. The factory was a two-story frame building and was of most inflammable material. The fire spread rapidly and it soon became apparent that a serious conflagration was threatened. A second alarm went in when the fire spread to the Liberty Soda Works adjoining St. Rose's church on Brennan street, on the other side of the block. Within five minutes the entire east end of the block bounded by Brennan and Bryant streets, was a mass of smoking flames. A strong southerly wind was blowing and it was deemed necessary to turn in a third alarm. The flames soon spread over the block, destroying in a few moments the yards of the Spring Valley Water Works and furniture factory of H. Euler. The box factory of Korbel Bros., also the stable of H. Washburn, at 67 Bryant street, and the carriage factory of G. W. Phelan and the soda factory of J. Horstman, were all destroyed in short order.

The high wind which fanned the flames and swept them upon their mad career, drove the firemen back by degrees and the situation became critical in the extreme. Long tongues of flame shot out from the burning mass clear across the street and from time to time the hose had to be turned on buildings which threatened to involve a still larger territory in the conflagration. The firemen, reinforced by the whole department this time, fought manfully to confine the fire within the block where it originated. By 8:45 p. m. the whole of the block, bounded by Fourth, Fifth, Brennan and Bryant streets, was destroyed, with the exception of the machine shop on the corner of Fourth and Brannan, the Meachour fire was spreading south toward Bluxome, sweeping on its way to the lumber yard of D. N. Van Wart on the corner of Fourth and Brannan, the Meachour Lumber Company on Brannan street, and various small machine shops and tenements.

While the fire department was struggling with the flames which grew fiercer and fiercer every moment, every available resource at the disposal of the Southern Pacific company was drawn upon to check the advance of the fire field in a southerly direction. The intense heat radiating from the burning mass, as well as the water supply, which was anything but sufficient. The water tower rendered most efficient service, furnishing a jet of water which could be rendered serviceable where other streams thrown upon the flames were turned into steam before they had barely left the nozzle.

The Wright, Carrick and Williams Box Factory, adjoining the San Francisco Box Factory, is entirely destroyed. Main street on the Pacific coast, where a battery and brewery are located, the big brick wharves and railroad offices are this time as completely safe from the flames as the houses which surround them and the firemen had a chance to do some work. Probably \$1,000,000 will cover the loss. It is nearly all a total loss, as everything in the district which is insured is insured at a rate which is high as that in any other district.

MUSIC IN THE SCHOOLS

A New Method of Instruction Fully Explained.

A MOST PERTINENT SUGGESTION

Astoria Should Adopt the Teaching of Music, Which Benefits Physically and Morally.

At the last session of the Sunday School Union, held Monday, June 24, a paper was read by Mrs. H. T. Crosby who had prepared it by request of the committee on program, for that evening. It was of such excellence and so pertinent to the present condition of musical instruction in the public schools and Sunday schools of our city that she consented to its publication. Hoping for good results to follow its careful reading by those interested in the development of our youth along all lines of education.

Astoria, Ore., June 19, 1895.

Although the regulations prescribing the studies to be taught in the public schools of Astoria require that music shall be one of them, yet, up to this time, no modern, practical or adequate method of vocal instruction has been adopted or taught in them, and this state of facts has awakened in our citizens, and I am given to understand, in the board of school directors, a determination to make an effort to ameliorate this condition and provide for fitting instruction in the future.

The knowledge of vocal, as well as of instrumental music, should be imparted to the young at an early period in life and the foundation laid in childhood, and that this can be successfully done, as the former, is amply shown by the kindergarten schools. The faculty of appreciating and giving expression to musical sounds is an universal one, and a gift to mankind; the voice of the human body spontaneously from the young, and its cultivation in them is as much our duty as that of the child. These faculties with which heaven has endowed us.

The careful study of vocal music has many beneficial results in the development of children. It trains the ear; it strengthens the lungs and throat; it gives control of the vocal chords and aids in the growth of the body. It mentally cultivates keen and sustained attention and fine discrimination. It awakens and develops the aesthetic side of child nature and has a refining and ennobling influence. It opens up the good and beautiful to children in a most attractive form, and leads to home associations of the young with each other in intellectual and moral entertainment. For these reasons its cultivation appeals strongly for encouragement to the head of every family.

In the eastern portion of our country, among the old, wealthy and populous cities, more attention is paid to this subject than formerly. The old methods have been cast aside; persons of the highest capacity and skill have been employed and the latest improvements in methods of training have been adopted, and instruction not only imparted in these new methods to the children, but also to the teachers of the several lower grades.

The old methods were radically wrong. We have seen the children forced to sing at their loudest without any respect for clearness and sweetness of tone. We have witnessed the almost cruel straining of their vocal chords in being obliged to sing beyond their compass. We have had placed before them a music which beyond their capacity, which meant nothing to them and made no appeal to their youthful feelings. We have seen them taught altogether by rote, without the attempt to instruct them how to read at sight. Loudness seemed to be the object, not naturalness. In the opinion of the writer these old methods have ruined many a voice in childhood which might have developed if properly guarded and cherished, into a public school teacher.

In teaching vocal music to children, the cultivation of a pure tone is the first step—the quality of the tone depending upon the position and freedom of the trunk, throat and mouth. The child's register is to be found and care taken to permit it to sing only in its compass. The scale may then be introduced, the steps in which should be gradual, practicing only between the lines of the staff suitable to the compass of children. Hand signs are here used before the position of the scale is illustrated on the blackboard. The study of intervals should then come—with the use of hand and finger signs before the youngest children are shown the blackboard. 5. Time or rhythm. 6. Sight work. 7. Two-part singing, etc. At the same time that the lessons are being on the children should have the pleasure of singing by being taught rote songs of an interesting and joyous character—simple airs, suited to their capacity and carefully selected. There is a large field of melody from which to select, to be found in the folk-songs of Europe—songs of the people and of nature. The singing books usually found in our public schools seem to be gotten up with a view to the profits of native authors and almost entirely of their contents are of the most commonplace character.

In the introduction of such a comprehensive method into the public schools of Astoria, too much must not be expected in the first year and the value of the plan will not fully unfold itself before the fourth or fifth year. For those schools, a "schedule of work" for each year, in detail, should be adopted, setting forth clearly the work to be studied in each term, the appliances to be used, and the degree of development which should be arrived at by the end of the year in each grade.

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GENERAL WARNER'S VIEWS.

Cleveland, Ohio, June 27.—General A. J. Warner, the champion of free silver, who is present in this city, speaking of the Democratic convention at Louisville, said: "The outcome of the Louisville convention was not understood for by his metallists. We know how easy it is, with the assistance of office holders, to pick a convention, but any one who has visited Kentucky knows that the convention did not represent the sentiments of a large majority of the people of the state who are undoubtedly opposed to the gold standard and in favor of the resumption of the free coinage of both gold and silver."

The general then went on to show that a split is almost inevitable at the coming national convention.

"This is the outlook," he said, "and I believe it is safe to predict that John Sherman will be elected for president in 1896."

"Will there be a separate silver party?" said General Warner, with emphasis.

"The silver men will get together," said General Warner, with emphasis.

"Just now it is too early to predict. We will make a silver party by whatever name it is called."

DINED ON THE NEW YORK.

Kiel, June 27.—The dinner given by Admiral Kirkland and officers of the United States cruiser New York, to Emperor William was a very successful affair. The emperor concluded his remarks with calling for cheers for President Cleveland.

YALE WINS.

Special to The Astorian.

New London, June 27.—Yale won the freshmen eight-oared race today; Harvard second, Columbia third.

GREAT MEN'S READING.

(Compiled for the Globe-Democrat.)

Cowper read only his Bible and his prayer book.

Hallam said that Livy was the model historian.

Chopin rarely read anything heavier than a French novel.

Auber hated reading, and never read save under compulsion.

Caspar Borcia had a library of works relating mostly to art.

Titan read his prayer book and the Metamorphoses of Ovid.

Voltaire's favorite classical author was Juvenal, the satirist.

Rossetti, for nearly thirty years, read nothing but French novels.

Jean Paul Richter had only five or six books, all philosophical.

Paul Veronese thought there was no book equal to the "Aeneid."

Lord Clive said that "Robinson Crusoe" beat any book he ever read.

Franklin read all he could find relating to political economy and finance.

Michael Angelo was fond of the poems of Moses and the psalms of David.

Beechey was not a great reader, but occasionally four pleasure in a novel.

Bach was no great reader, but much enjoyed books of jokes and funny stories.

Hogarth was fond of joke books and farces, and enjoyed them immediately.

Chival was a lover of botany, and made collections of works on the subject.

Marlo, the great tenor, read everything he could obtain relating to sports or hunting.

George III. for many years of his life read nothing but the Bible and prayer book.

"Papa" Hayden loved stories, and he said, "The more I read there is in them the better."

St. John Chrysostom never tired of reading or of praising the works of the Apostle John.

Da Vinci read Pindar and thought him the noblest poet who ever wrote in any language.

Swift made a special study of Latin satirists and imitated their style and language.

Heine seldom read anything but poetry but he read that with the most scrupulous attention.

Baxter read only the Bible, and best enjoyed the prophesies of Isaiah and the Psalms.

Woolworth was fond of the poetry of Burns, but said the latter was too rough and uncouth.

Moliere was a reader of romances. His plays give many evidences of his excellent memory.

Wagner was a close student of musical history, and made that line of reading a specialty.

Bulwer-Lytton's favorite author was Horace. He always carried a small edition in his pocket.

Charles II of England delighted in Chaucer, and thought him the greatest poet that ever lived.

Carlyle had a very large library, relating principally to German and French literature and history.

Lablache, the stout basso, was a student of botany, and had quite a collection of botanical works.

Lansdown was a close student of the old English tales, and had a large library of such literature.

Landseer was a student of anatomy and zoology, and made collections of books on those subjects.

James I of England was a lover of the classics and very familiar with most of the Latin writers.

Bunyan read little besides his Bible, and often said that Christians would do well to read no other book.

Vandyke, the painter, was fond of the Decameron, and often, in conversation, quoted from its pages.

Holbrooke was a warm admirer of the French philosophic writers, and had a large collection of their works.

Hannah More made a collection of educational works and read extensively on the line of female education.

Circulari Richelieu once said that Tibullus, the Latin erotic poet, was the most natural of all the ancients.

Louis XIV thought that Ovid's "Art of Love" was one of the most charming books that had ever been written.

A traveling hypocrite has been seen in Ohio by his confederate, who demands the sum of \$5 for pretending to be hypnotized when he wasn't. His hypnotic influence was merely arranged on a profane basis, the same as political influence.—Ex.

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COAST DEFENSES.

Seattle, June 27.—Lieutenant General Schofield, of the United States army, arrived in the city today. In speaking of coast defenses, General Schofield said: "It is no secret that the United States government intends to place defenses on her coast lines, both on the Atlantic and Pacific, in such a way that the commerce of the country will not suffer in case of war with any foreign nation. The defenses of the Pacific coast are comparatively as yet in an embryo state, but they will be pushed as rapidly forward from this time as circumstances will permit. San Francisco harbor, the mouth of the Columbia river and the entrance to Puget sound I consider the three important points on the Pacific coast where a battery must be erected and every measure taken to protect the commerce and shipping interests centered along these lines."

"The situation of Puget Sound is admirably adapted for shore defenses, and will as soon as our batteries are put in working order, afford a safe harbor from attacks of any foreign fleet in case of war. Batteries will be erected on Point Wilson, at the mouth of the straits into Puget sound, and also on Admiralty Head, just across on Whidby Island. These two shore batteries, with another on Narrows point, just south of Port Townsend, will serve to render it impossible for a hostile fleet to come into the sound through the straits."

"The defenses to be placed on the Sound as well as those at San Francisco and at the mouth of the Columbia river, will consist of mortar batteries and long range rifle guns."

MISS BERGER DISCHARGED.

Special to The Astorian.

Portland, June 27.—The trial of Miss Mary Berger, the Eugene dressmaker, for sending obscene letters through the mails, came to a sudden end today. Judge DeLinger stopped the proceedings and ordered the jury to return a verdict of not guilty. The defendant was then discharged almost great applause.

MINE EXPLOSION.

Seattle, June 27.—Two explosions of gas occurred within a short time of one another at the Oregon Improvement Co.'s Franklin Coal mine this afternoon, causing one death and injuring nine other men.

The morning shift, in the new slope being driven from the seventh level to connect with the sixth level of the main slope, had quit work at 2:30 p. m., after firing two shots, and reported that there was no gas. The 3 o'clock shift had nearly reached the face of the slope on its way to work when the explosion occurred and five men were burned and came out to go home. They sent for J. B. Robinson, the pit foreman, who immediately went to the scene of the

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Foreign Business Items.

The ship canal on the Canadian side of the St. Lawrence, to be opened June 13, materially increasing facilities for transportation between Lake Superior and the lower lakes. The canal has cost over \$2,000,000, and when completed will probably have cost \$4,000,000. It has a lock 90 feet long and gives a channel twenty feet deep from lake to lake.

The Russian minister of agriculture reports that in the greater part of the black soil country, except where covered with snow, the winter crops, especially rye, have passed well through the winter, the damage sustained being relatively unimportant. The growth, however, had been retarded by the frosts in April. In the south the general condition is good, resulting being very limited. In Little Russia, rye is better than elsewhere but in the southwest the late snow rye has suffered rather seriously, resulting to the extent of 10 to 15 per cent. being necessary. In the center of the Volga governments the condition of the winter sown crops is generally satisfactory.

English comment on a statement in one of the London dailies a few days ago is "calculated to alarm those who look to railway dividends for their incomes."

"American" Engineers seem to have agreed that steam railways are doomed within a quarter of a century, so far as America is concerned. The comment is: "It is the rule of the United States, it is difficult to see why it should not be equally true of Great Britain."

A report prepared by a Peruvian commission shows that, by the guano contract, the government has been defrauded to the extent of more than \$10,000,000 in twenty years. It lost \$5,000,000 tons.

The Siberian railway commission is stated at St. Petersburg. "In considering the advisability of a more southerly route line for the eastern end of the line, the Russian press advocates a route through Manchuria by arrangement with the Chinese emperor."

A telegram from St. Petersburg says: "The National Militia congress now sitting here has decided to establish an agency in London for the sale of Russian flour."

President Diaz of Mexico has appointed Edward Page Gaston of Washington the representative of the "Department of Commerce" to act for the Mexican government in the encouragement of colonization, industries and the general promotion of commercial interests in Mexico and its advantages abroad.

Official advice has been received by this government that Japan is about to greatly increase her navy, and that proposals for bids for war vessels will shortly be thrown open to all the great shipbuilding countries of the world, including the United States.

Dispatches from Cairo report cotton worms have caused havoc in the provinces of the Egyptian delta. Many fields have been stripped, and it is feared that the yield of cotton in Egypt will be seriously affected.

A Sydney, N. S. W., cable says the assembly has passed, on its second reading, the customs bill which abolishes the duties imposed in 1891, and virtually establishes free trade.

The Frankfort Zeitung says that Russia is negotiating with Denmark for the cession of the islands of Bornholm, Christiansholm and Fredricksholm and the northern part of the island of Bornholm, which Russia wants as a coaling station for her warships.

An Ottawa dispatch says that the sealing catch off the coast of British Columbia is, according to returns just received, far below that of last year. Of thirty-two vessels which cleared from Victoria only one will pay expenses. The total number of skins taken in the coast catch is 5,300, as against 11,700 for the same period last year. Twenty-three Canadian vessels are hunting in Japanese waters and have been unlucky, bad weather having seriously hampered their operations.

Judge—Six months in jail at hard labor. Vagrant—Buy, judge, can't you quadruple time and remit the labor.—Detroit Free Press.

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