

TODAY'S WEATHER. Forecast for Oregon and Washington, fair weather followed by rain.

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Xmas Presents!



One of my Men's Suits in the war at \$5 \$7.50 or \$10. A wool Mackintosh in the war at \$5. \$6.50 or \$10. A wool Overcoat for men in the war, prices at \$7.50, \$10 or \$12.50. Boys' wool Suits in the clothing war at \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.50 or \$4. Boys' Mackintoshes and Overcoats in the war at \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$4 or \$5. Silk Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, Suspensers, Fur Top and other gloves, and all kinds of Furnishing Goods, Hats, Boots, Shoes, Umbrellas, etc.

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The One Price Clothier, Hatter and Furnisher. 506 and 508 COMMERCIAL STREET, ASTORIA, OR.

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Holiday Goods In the City!

At Prices to Suit the Times.

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THREE LOTS.

In a desirable location, 2 blocks from High School. A BARGAIN.

CHOICE LOTS IN HILLS FIRST ADDITION.

On the new Pipe Line Boulevard—Just the place for a cheap home.

A Block IN ALDERBROOK.

STREET CAR LINE will be extended this summer to within 5 minutes walk of this property—Will sell at decided bargain.

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In 5 or 10 acre tracts inside the city limits, also adjoining Flavel.

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We have received an immense new stock of goods during the past week and will guarantee our prices to be a least 20 per cent lower than a year ago in this city.

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Holiday Fans

Just received today a magnificent line of Satin Fans, suitable for presents. See our new line of Ladies' and Gents' Umbrellas. If you are looking for Xmas presents we can suit you. SHANAHAN BROS.

BEAR CREEK WATER

Poured Into the New Reservoir on the Hill.

PRESIDENT PARKER THE MAN

Who Turned the Wheel, While the Water in the Fountain Shot High in Air.

With shouts of approval of assembled citizens the first water from Bear Creek yesterday afternoon turned into the great reservoir on the hill, and the people realized that the water in possession of completed water system second to none on the coast. At 2 o'clock, the hour announced for the test, a large number of ladies and gentlemen had gathered at the reservoir, together with the members of the water commission, Messrs. W. W. Parker, president, J. Q. A. Rowley, F. A. Fisher, J. C. VanDusen, Samuel Elmore, and W. T. Demott, and Chief Engineer Adams. At a given signal, President W. W. Parker turned the wheel that released the water from the Bear Creek pipe line into the great fountain in the center of the basin, the stand pipe of which is about twenty-five feet high. The water rose from the fountain to a height of 70 feet, and fell in spray into the reservoir, splashing and sparkling in the sunlight, in a most beautiful manner, making a scene that will long remain in the minds of those who were present. The greatest enthusiasm prevailed amongst the people, and at the suggestion of Judge Gray three cheers were given for the water commission. After the fountain had played several minutes, Commissioner Elmore turned the water into the waste pipe and the water again fell into the reservoir. It is the intention to keep six million gallons of water in the reservoir all the time, and to first fill up the big tank will require a day and a half, with the fountain running under full pressure. The following is the official report of the commissioners on the proceedings of the day, forwarded to the Astorian for publication: "As you probably have learned, independent of this mention, the Astoria water commission this afternoon had the water supply from Bear Creek for the city, through the pipes of the new water works, turned into the new reservoir, at the head of old West Seventh street, Shively's area. Commissioner Rowley, then Mayor Adams, the engineer, having previously notified the commission that everything necessary for that purpose was in readiness to let in the water. A few minutes after 2 p. m., the hour named in the morning paper for the occurrence of the interesting event, and Westfall was taken before Justice Jewell, in the presence of about 300 people who had gathered to witness the act, commenced the forty feet pipe line, which let the full stream of water through the main pipe into the reservoir. Immediately the water showed itself at the top of the stand pipe in the fountain, and the water rose higher and higher as the gate opening was extended, until the gate was fully open, when the spray at the fountain reached an estimated height of seventy feet. After running a few minutes through the fountain, the water was turned into the stand pipe in the well of the gate house. After the standpipe was filled and the water went off into the waste pipe for some minutes, the water in the reservoir again, spouting up in many jets some 70 or 75 feet high, and falling these all around the fountain, into the reservoir, in which condition the fountain was left as the spectators departed, every one as far as could be learned, fully satisfied with the stability of the works so far and the good prospect for an abundant supply of good water in the near future, as soon as the tunnel is completed early in 1896. No mishap, lack of complete working or any machinery, or anything else occurred to indicate any misapplication in the construction of the water works this far. Respected W. W. PARKER, Chairman Astoria Water Commission.

It would be useless for anything else, as a body is never used for dissecting except when taken just after burial. It unquestionably was not on account of any local order.—Democrat.

A GREAT TOUCHDOWN.

Gillis, of Butte, Makes the Best Play on the Coast.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—The Butte football team, which traveled to San Francisco, and the Reliance Athletic Club today by a score of 10 to 4. A twenty-four hours' rain had made the grounds a field of mud and water and the heavy men from Butte were greatly handicapped thereby. They had never played on a muddy field before and they slipped and floundered on the slimy grounds, while the lighter Reliance men, accustomed to the surroundings, were not seriously inconvenienced. Several times when Butte had the ball, the players of the Reliance goal, fumbles deprived them of a chance to score. Gillis, of Butte, made the star play of the day, the best run ever seen on the coast. The ball was within ten yards of Butte's goal, when it was passed to Gillis. He slipped around the end without aid from his fellow players, not past the Reliance tackle, and he galloped through the Reliance line, and with a clear field in front of him sped down the field and scored a touchdown. That was all that Butte secured, as no goal was kicked. Reliance won because of superior handling of the ball and better team work. A large amount of money changed hands on the game, and the Reliance men brought with them plenty of coin and bet it freely.

AFTER THE INDIANS.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The troops in New Mexico have been ordered by General Miles to make a hot pursuit of all Indians north of their reservation, and if they will not submit to be returned to their reservation under arrest, to destroy them if necessary. Troops are being sent to the reservation of the Gila family, a party having been sent out from Deming, N. M.

ON WALL STREET

The Panicky Feeling Quieting Down.

Estimates of the Gold Export Next Week Very High—Only One Large Failure.

New York, Dec. 21.—Wall street, especially in the immediate vicinity of the stock exchange, is ordinarily on Saturday afternoon one of the least frequented and most quiet streets of New York. Today, however, almost until evening, crowds of people thronged the neighboring streets and groups of members of the exchange and currency brokers were gathered in Wall street, Broad and Nassau streets, and Exchange place, discussing the happenings of the day. Considerable satisfaction was expressed over the fact that the buying orders from Europe had been received by some of the representative foreign houses for execution on Monday, and it was predicted that for the rest of the week investors would be speedily realizing the folly of sacrificing their American securities. The general impression was that the extreme tension which had been relaxed and with reasonable leniency on the part of banks, quieting down would occur Monday. Considering the suddenness of the New York stock market, however, the financial community early next week will be that of the probable extent of the withdrawal of gold. The estimates range as high as \$10,000,000 to \$12,000,000.

FROM THE BANKERS.

New York, Dec. 21.—The New York Financial says this week: "The extraordinary conditions which sent money up to 30 per cent causing a collapse of values on the New York stock exchange Friday, are not shown fully in the bank statement for the week ending Saturday. There was a sharp contraction of \$3,341,200 in loans, a decrease of \$2,743,700 in cash holdings, and \$2,743,700 in deposits, the result of the week's operations reducing the excess reserve by \$8,828,600. The bankers, however, have now nearly \$10,000,000 in cash over legal requirements and their action in throwing immense amounts of money at low rates on the market Friday, when it seemed that the panic of 1893 was to be duplicated in a more serious way, entitles them to the lasting respect of the nation. Leading bankers here universally deplore the Venezuelan affair."

HEARNE IS FREE.

Bowling Green, Mo., Dec. 21.—One of the most sensational murder cases ever in the courts of Missouri ended today, after a two weeks' trial, in a verdict of no guilty for Dr. J. C. Hearne, who was charged with the murder of A. J. St. John, a prominent packer of Hannibal, Mo., seven years ago. Mrs. Hearne at the time of his death was the wife of Stillwell, and is also under indictment for the crime.

FREE CAVALRY HORSES.

Spokane, Dec. 21.—C. I. Smith, one of the largest stockmen in Lincoln county, living near Almira, today telegraphed President Cleveland that he would furnish the government 5,000 cavalry horses free of charge in case of war with England.

MORAN & CO. GET IT.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Bids were today opened at the treasury department for the construction of the revenue steamer Golden Gate. There were four bids, of which that of Moran and Company, of Seattle, at \$1,730, was the lowest.

IN THE SENATE

Action Looking to Coining of Silver Bullion.

SENATOR VEST'S RESOLUTION

Congratulatory Cablegram From Brazil on Cleveland's Enunciation of Monroe Doctrine.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The session of the senate today was not able, in bringing out a very pointed statement from Dubois, of Idaho, who had the honor to voice the views of the silver element of the senate, to establish the fact that no financial legislation was possible along the lines declared by President Cleveland and strenuously urged in the message of last evening. It was patent to every senator, Dubois said, and should be understood by the public, that the president's desire for the retirement of greenbacks, or the authorization of a bond issue, were utterly impossible of accomplishment. The only action the senate would take, it was given an opportunity to vote, would be to adopt the resolution of Vest offered earlier in May, directing the coinage of silver bullion in the treasury, and the payment of government obligations in silver. The first response to the president's message, urging financial relief, came in the form of a resolution offered by Vest as follows: "Resolved, That the secretary of the treasury is hereby directed, in pursuance of existing law, vesting in him full power to do so, to coin as rapidly as possible the silver bullion in the treasury, purchased under the act of July 14th, 1890, into standard silver dollars to redeem, cancel and retire, by public sale, the United States of July 14th, 1890, issued in purchase of such bullion, and also to redeem United States notes commonly called greenbacks, in standard silver dollars, as well as in gold, using whichever was most abundant and convenient. Vest asked for the immediate consideration of the resolution, but that, after discussion, objected, and the subject went over.

Butler soon brought forward the subject in another form by asking the immediate consideration of a resolution directing the secretary of the treasury to pay the government obligation in gold grains of gold for 42 1/2 grains of silver, and to pay in silver when this party was disturbed by the advance in the value of gold. Acting Platte objected. A letter from Secretary Olney gave a congratulatory cablegram from the Brazilian senate, transmitted through the office of the minister of state, on President Cleveland's recent enunciation of the Monroe doctrine. The senate adjourned until Tuesday.

THE PATHEPIC SIDE.

Life in Great Cities—Millions Who Live in Misery.

One of the most pathetic, and I am not sure but I ought also to say, tragic, books I have ever seen has just been sent to me from Charles Scribner's Sons, and is titled "The Poor in Great Cities." It contains a collection of papers, by the author, and is by various authors, all of whom have had a large personal experience among the poor, and in the slums of the great cities. It is a most interesting and admirable book. The poor we have always with us, and there seems to be no reason to expect anything else until the fringes of the millennium sweep over the face of the earth. I have read the book with interest and wonderment that more has not been done, and with gratitude that so much has been done. During the last twenty-five years the public attention has been attracted to the problem of poverty, and it has even been a fashionable circle to go slumming, which is only another way of saying that they have never realized that the poor are everywhere to look at equal good, just as everywhere. It is a pity, however, in filling the hands of missionaries with means of caring in some degree for the wretched creatures who never know the morning when they will sleep at night. It would seem as though we who have plenty ought not to sleep at all, but we do, and very quietly too, in spite of the fact that the wretched creatures are all live from hand to mouth, and often go to bed in the streets without having called upon their mouths to take any exercise.

SENT TO PUNISH THEM.

Tradition of the Indians Accounting for the Presence of Women.

Among the many interesting traditions that have been brought to light recently by a gentleman who has been making a careful study of the legends and folk-lore of the Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians of the Indian territory, is one that accounts in an odd way for the origin of women. It is little wonder that the Cheyenne and Arapahoe legends look down upon their women as inferior beings in view of their supposed origin. The legend says that originally all men were created with long, sleek comely tails. These tails were their delight, and the adorned them with paint, beads and wampum. Then the world was at peace; discords and wars were unknown, but men became prosperous and grew proud and envious and forgot their Maker. He became displeased with their conduct, sent a scourge upon them to teach them humility and to make them realize their dependence on the Great Spirit. He amputated their tails, and from these beautiful appendages fashioned women. Women, say the Cheyenne, still retain traces of their origin, for we find them ever trailing after men, fussy and impulsive. There are strange resemblances between many other Indian legends and some of the familiar incidents in the Old Testament.

Neal Dow is now 90 years old and in vigorous health.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Largest U. S. Gov't Report

Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

IN THE HOUSE

President's Message is Pigeon-Holed.

COMMITTEES ARE APPOINTED

Members at Sea in Regard to the Gold Reserve—No Holiday Recess Yet.

NEW SEALING INSTRUCTIONS.

England Refuses to Join—Will Be Treated Accordingly.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The secretary of the treasury has completed and signed the new sealing regulations for the government of American vessels during the coming sealing season in Bering sea. The regulations do not differ materially from those in force last year, except that hereafter vessels entering Bering sea will all be required to stop at Unalakleet, or Atton, and there have their arms sealed up, and they may leave their arms at these points in charge of customs officers. As Great Britain has declined to join the United States in establishing regulations for the government of their vessels those just completed by the secretary apply to American vessels only. However, Canada and other British vessels violate the restrictions of the Paris award, they will be dealt with on discovery as provided in that award.

LIKE A THUNDERBOLT

Was Cleveland's Message Received in Germany.

German Press Condemns Cleveland's Action—Would Have Us Think Germany is Backing England.

UTAH TO BE A STATE.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The new constitution of Utah, which was brought here a week ago by the Utah commissioners, Attorney General Harmon, and found in all respects in accordance with the terms prescribed in the enabling act. Therefore the president will issue his proclamation January 4th next, declaring Utah a state of the Union.

THEN AND NOW.

CHAP. I.

Young Archibald Ashcraft ran his fingers through his hair, folded his arms and gazed at the sheet of paper before him. "There!" he exclaimed excitedly. "It is completed! It has cost me many a headache. It has robbed me of my sleep, filled my waking hours with unrest, and rendered even the food that has passed my lips distasteful to me, but I have no regrets. It is worth the sacrifice!" He had written his first poem.

CHAP. II.

"I will take fifty copies of the paper, if you please." It was the tremulous voice of Archibald Ashcraft. He seized the papers eagerly, threw the money in front of the clerk and rushed out. The Daily Bread had published his poem.

CHAP. III.

"Yes," said Mr. Ashcraft hesitatingly, in reply to the question of a friend who had found seraphism on his desk and was looking through it. "It's a sort of poem I wrote some years ago. I forgot about having passed it in that book."

CHAP. IV.

"Archibald!" exclaimed Mrs. Ashcraft, what is the matter? You seem excited. Has anything gone wrong in your business?" "No," replied old Ashcraft, throwing his hat and overcoat on the lounge. "I had a little trouble with an impudent editor, that's all. He came into my office just before I started home. Said he used to work on the Daily Bread. 'Threw up me a poem' I wrote for that paper twenty-five years ago, and I kicked him out! Dinner ready!"

CROSS-EXAMINATION.

Cleveland Plain Dealer. "I don't see," observed old Citizens, "why they should make such a fuss about Holmes' lawyer trying to get a witness to commit perjury." "Why not, pray?" asked young Coleston. "Because that has been the principal business of lawyers for ten thousand years."

Commissioner Roosevelt will address a meeting at Philadelphia on the 28th inst. to get Republicans in line for municipal reform. Ex-Minister Porter is one of the active spirits in the movement.