

Chicago carpenters are on a strike for the eight hour day.

A gold ledge has been discovered near Santa Cruz. It will be developed.

James Whitcomb Riley has been seriously ill at Indianapolis of brain fever.

Official notice has been received at New York of the death of President Hippolyte of Haiti.

W. H. Starbuck, a former president of the Oregon Improvement company, died in New York of heart failure.

Constable Walbert of Martinez shot and killed a negro prisoner who attempted to escape from the lockup.

Horace Leeds was whipped in 15 rounds at Massett, N. Y., by Jack Everhardt. Both are lightweights.

Preparations have been completed for sending the athletic team of the University of California East to compete with the big colleges this spring.

A cable from Rome says King Menelik has ordered the massacre of a number of prisoners and sick persons who have fallen into the hands of his forces during the present Abyssinian campaign.

An Oakland street railway company is employing boys as conductors because they work cheaper than men.

One lad, under 13 years of age has charge of a car and he gets \$15 a month for 11 hours work a day.

Eva Evans, daughter of Bandit Chris Evans, has fled with a divorce against James U. Evans, her contract husband, on the ground of desertion.

Shortly after marrying they separated and "Jim Evans" joined the United States army.

It is announced that a large car factory, to be known as the Union Car works, will be put into operation at North St. Louis during the coming summer.

It will be a large concern, and it is expected will cut quite a figure in the manufacturing world.

The schooner William Todd, belonging to Calais Ducalis of Boston, has arrived at Kingston, Jamaica, from Mobile, Ala. Captain Campbell reports that the schooner was fired on by Spanish gunboats off the Isle of Pines, H. C.

He and his crew were chased and searched. The Spaniards did not find anything contraband, and the schooner was allowed to proceed.

The banking house of August Belmont & Co. at New York has been the victim of the biggest swindling operation that has worked in Wall street for the last ten years.

The date was March 13, and the amount was \$24,000 in cash. Detectives have been after the swindler since the money was found. The swindle was effected by means of a forged sight draft and forged Cuban letters.

Cardinal Scollini, the papal delegate to the United States, has written a letter to Rev. William Smith of New York, informing him that the Holy Father has extended his blessing to the pilgrims about to start from Brooklyn for Lourdes and other sanctuaries.

The names of Mr. and Mrs. Thropp, organizers of the movement, are especially mentioned. Father Smith is the spiritual adviser of the pilgrims.

There will be two pilgrimages of about 100 persons each. Both will start in July.

William L. Gerstle and Rudolph Newman, representing the Alaska Commercial company, during a recent visit to Victoria, B. C., placed with Simon Leiser & Co. an order amounting to over \$50,000 for general merchandise for their trading stores in the Yukon district.

The shipment is to be delivered in bond at San Francisco within the next two weeks, and will be transhipped on the company's boats for different points in the Yukon.

President Cleveland has appointed Benjamin J. Franklin governor of Arizona. The news of Governor Hughes' removal was received with great rejoicing in Phoenix.

Bonfires were built, bands played and bonks were drunk in celebration of the removal.

Governor Hughes is certainly in bad luck. A few hours before his removal he was assaulted by P. J. Olark, an ex-newspaper man, for alleged libelous statements against him in the governor's paper, the Tucson Star.

Clark struck the governor in the face before the latter was aware of his presence, the blow breaking Governor Hughes' spectacles and cutting his face.

Lewis G. Stevenson, son of Vice-President Stevenson, arrived by the Coptic at San Francisco from his trip to the Orient.

He went out several months ago to improve his health, and returns quite strong. He had intended to join the expedition to Borneo on the schooner Retriever, but missed connections, and at the eleventh hour received a cablegram calling him home.

He returns delighted with his journey, and will very likely prepare some articles on his journey. He proceeded the day after his arrival to Washington, D. C.

At Hazelton, Pa., Grove L. Sprague was prevented from committing suicide by his 6-year-old daughter Mabel.

Sprague has been the victim of a series of misfortunes. His latest affliction, blindness, is responsible for the attempt at self-destruction.

While his family was out to secure two towels, of which he made a noose on the end of a rope and tied the other to the bedpost. Inserting his head he threw his weight on the loop, and was strangling to death when his little daughter Mabel came upstairs.

The child ran back to the street, screaming wildly for help, and several men arrived in time to save his life. He was unconscious when cut down, but revived later.

PERSONAL

Ex-President Harrison and Mrs. Dimmock were married at New York last Monday.

Many prominent men attended the ceremony.

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FUNDING BILL AGREED ON.

The Joint Sub-Committee Drafts a New Measure.

A Washington dispatch says: The full terms of the Pacific railroads funding bill have been agreed upon by the joint sub-committee. The bill is based on the Frye bill of last session, but in detail it is practically new.

It is divided into two main parts—one affecting the Union Pacific railroad company and the other affecting the Central Pacific railroad company.

The provision for securing the amount of indebtedness of these several railroads is the same as in the Frye bill, and the Central Pacific and Western Pacific roads are called upon to make acceptance of the proposition of the government, which is briefly, and in its most important particulars, as follows:

They must deliver to the United States a mortgage covering their entire properties, as inventoried in much detail as possible. Under this mortgage the Central Pacific may issue its bonds, each at \$1,000 bearing interest at 2 per cent per annum, which bonds the government shall receive as provisional security of the indebtedness.

The corporate character of the railroad company shall continue until its bonds shall have been redeemed. In addition to the interest on these bonds the Central Pacific must pay for ten years an annual sum of \$300,000 to the government as installment on the principal of its indebtedness.

For the ten years following the annual payment shall be \$500,000, and thereafter the payments shall be \$750,000 per annum until the debt shall have been extinguished. These payments are applied to the cancellation of the bonds.

Penalties are provided for the default of the bonds. During the time of payment no dividends shall be paid on the stock unless warrantable and earned over the amount sufficient for the payment of interest and the installment on the principal.

A new lease must be made of the Central Pacific by the Southern Pacific, such that the last named shall guarantee the payment of the Central Pacific's interest and installments as required. The Southern Pacific shall consent that the United States treasury to the Central Pacific for services upon non-aided lines shall be forthwith applied to the payment of bonds to be issued by the Central Pacific. The government directors are abolished.

When any new person feels the need of good purifying, strength giving and health promoting medicine, the reason is widespread popularity. Its unusual success is its best recommendation. The whole system is susceptible to the most potent and effective medicine. It is a natural taken at this time, and we would lay special stress upon the time and remedy, for history has recorded that diseases are dangerous. The remarkable success achieved by Hood's Sarsaparilla and the many words of praise it has received, make it worthy of your confidence. We ask you to give this medicine a fair trial.

Boys' hats, 10 cents and 25 cents at J. R. Ballard's.

Matt Adams, the defaulting clerk of the district court of Denver, was captured at Southampton, England. He was in the place through his wife, who was shadowed when she went to join him.

Ventura Molino, the Indian who confessed complicity in the murder of Mrs. Pratt at Riverside, was sentenced by Judge Noyes to San Quentin for life.

Execution was stayed until April 12th to give him a chance to testify against his partners in crime.

An unknown and mysterious man, who registered as G. D. Mellon, committed suicide in the Commercial hotel at San Diego. He was about 40 years old, slightly bald, with red hair and mustache. His hands were soft and white.

Thomas Wharton, editor of the Philadelphia Sunday Times, fell from the fourth story window of his residence and was instantly killed. It is believed he committed suicide. Mr. Wharton was well known in literary circles.

Robert McCoy, a relative of the McCoy's of Kentucky fame, was assassinated in West Virginia recently. The Hatfield-McCoy feud has been on the quiet for nearly two years, and the murder of McCoy cannot as yet be connected with the old-time hostilities in Logan county, which extended over a dozen years and cost more than a score of lives.

John Deuss, wife of a jeweler at San Francisco, killed her three children and herself, because of her husband's indifference. She put the children to bed, turned on the gas and laid down beside them. Her husband returned home at 3 in the morning and found the bodies. Before lying down Mrs. Deuss dressed herself in her wedding gown. The children were aged 3, 5 and 2 years.

Anthony and Thomas Eudres, aged 15 and 13 years, sons of Casper Eudres, a well-known citizen of Oregon City, were drowned in Moss Lake, a shallow pool below the city. The boys were on a raft and became frightened when near shore, jumped overboard. The water was deeper than they supposed and they were drowned. The accident was witnessed by ten other boys and some fishermen, but none could swim and offered no assistance.

Adolf Zuber of Zuber Bros., proprietors of a transfer company at Los Angeles, was perhaps fatally stabbed by Will Nolan, a driver. Zuber had given Nolan instructions regarding some dry-cleaning which Nolan disregarded. Zuber started after the delict driver, and, overtaking him, pulled him off the dry-cleaning to the ground and proceeded to purge him. Nolan drew his pocket-knife and stabbed Zuber five times in the left side, breast and arm.

The steamer Mexico, which arrived a few days ago at Seattle from Alaska, brought news of an explosion on Douglas Island, Alaska, which killed an Indian woman and her child and threw the engineer of a train to a height of 6 feet. One engine carrying powder to one of the mines on the island dropped a box of dynamite on the track. Another train coming along later struck the innocent-looking box and an instantaneous scattering of engine, cars and engineer was the result. An Indian boy named Voling was thrown some distance from the track, and both he and the infant were struck by the fragments and crushed. The engineer was unhurt.

Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous membrane of the middle ear. When this tube gets inflamed you have a running ear, which is not perfect hearing and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken away, the hearing will never be restored. Hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflammation of the mucous membrane.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circular, free.

J. C. HENRY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, etc.

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Fresno streets will be lighted by electricity within a week.

A new hotel, costing \$150,000, is to be built at Phoenix, A. T.

Canneries throughout the State are preparing for the spring season.

The Gold Mining Exchange of San Francisco was formally inaugurated last Monday.

The rush to Alaska continues unabated. Over 300 passengers left Port Townsend on the steamer Lakme the other day. Cooks Inlet is the destination of this crowd. The Yukon to Cook's Inlet equals that to the Rukon river country.

In accordance with a long standing custom, the grounds about the Executive Mansion were thrown open on Easter Monday, the President having given his consent to their use. They were open from 9 a. m. until sunset, and the children were allowed to engage in all kinds of innocent amusements.

A letter bearing the signature of President Cleveland, in which he declined to be a candidate for re-nomination, appeared in the press dispatches a few days ago. Secretary of War, Lamont, says the letter was a fake as the President had previously indicated himself in favor of Secretary Carlisle for the head of the ticket this fall.

Schlatter, the New Mexico "Messiah," is still fasting at the Hermosillo ranch in Western Socorro county, N. M., owned by Mrs. Ida Morley. This lady, a highly-educated woman, is making a study of the strange man. She writes that she is not yet at liberty to speak of Schlatter and his future plans, but promises to do so shortly.

Attorney Coffin, one of the attorneys for the defense in the Carson mint cases, was indicted by the United States grand jury on a charge of bribing witnesses to abscond themselves.

The Henry trial, and thus prevent the serving of subpoenas on Joseph Langvener and his son William, who drove Henry to Reno with bullion.

Word has been received by the Cuban Junta at New York that the Cuban schooner Martha which left Key West last week with a cargo for the insurgents, has returned that port without having been able to land her cargo.

The schooner was met and chased by Spanish vessels and narrowly escaped being captured. While the little schooner was fleeing from the Spanish vessels several of the Cubans on board the Martha maintained and threw a portion of the cargo overboard.

The free silver Democrats of Iowa will make a determined effort to capture the Dubuque convention and they will be assisted by ex-Governor Boies.

Boies has consented to go to Chicago as a delegate-at-large from Iowa if the platform declares for free silver. This is practically the first movement to secure the Democratic nomination for president for Boies, participated in by prominent white metal Democrats, not only in Iowa but in other parts of the West.

Arthur Bradley and Richard Ingraham, two factory hands employed in Haverhill, Mass., engaged in a prize fight, and as a result the latter was killed. The fight was to be a friendly one, to settle the title of which was the better man. The knockout blow was landed on the vein under the right jaw after thirty minutes fighting. All efforts to restore Ingraham to consciousness failed, and he was carried to his brother's house where he died.

The police arrested all the participants in the fight, and the latter was charged with the murder of his brother. The estate of Abel Soberanes, a wealthy rancher who committed suicide last week near Soledad, will be the subject of litigation in Monterey County superior court. Two wills have already been filed in court and several others are supposed to be in existence.

Soberanes left an estate valued at \$150,000. Having won a legal victory after much litigation he did not propose that those who fought him should receive any benefit from the estate; therefore, in various wills made, some of his relatives are not remembered.

There are degrees and kinds of poverty, just as there are differences of opinion among those who