OREGON NEWS NOTES.

Henry W. Corbett Is Not Seated.

OCEAN HOUSE BURNED AT BANDON.

Miss Eva Looney, of Lane County is Supposed to Have Been on The Clara Nevada.

J. W. Blake, of Condon, was in the Mitchel country lately offering $2 25 a head for yearling sheep, after shearing.

Feb. 25, the committee on public lands decided to report favorably the Tongue bill, which creates a public reservation of 20 miles square about Crater lake.

Six carloads of apples were packed in Medford last week and will be shipped to New York. They belong to J. A. Whitman, who is now in the East to dispose of them.

A man by the name of Rose, near Mayger, in Columbia county, was held last Wednesday by Justice Clark, of St. Helens, in $500 bonds, to answer a charge of incest.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles.—W. F. Kremer.

The British ship Romanoff, from Newcastle, arrived in Astoria the 27th of last month with sickness on board. The vessel was placed in quarantine to await action of health officers.

Deer seem to be unusually plentiful in the vicinity of Long Creek. One party saw a herd of 75 in one band, and another party saw 35 elk in one herd; but as this is the close season, no one dared molest them.

The Brunk boys, who own a number of sheep in Polk county, have some hounds so trained that when a dog kills sheep the hounds follow his trail right to the owners house. They find this method very successful.

Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injures, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the great Pile remedy.—W. F. Kremer.

E. Lines of Jefferson, in Marion county, last week butchered four pigs that were six months and four days old and that weighed, after being dressed, 200, 182 181 and 174 pounds, each. They were of the Poland China breed, and were fattened on corn.

The Ocean house, at Bandon, in Coos county, was entirely destroyed by fire a week ago last Saturday. It is believed that the floor where the stove stood sagged and that the stovepipe became disjointed, permitting the flames to set fire to the woodwork overhead.

A thrill of terror is experienced when a brassy cough of croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to relief after One Minute Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmless for children.—W. F. Kremer.

The number of children of school age in Baker district, which includes Baker City is 1448. Of this number the democrat estimates that 1348 live within the corporate limits of Baker City, which leads that paper to beleive that there are 6000 inhibitants in Baker city.

Governor Lord restored to citizenship Albert and Clarence Prescott, Union county. They served a term in the penitentiary for stealing cattle, going out three years ago. The governor also restored William Osborne, of Malheur county, whose term for assault expired some time ago.

A telegram received from George W. McBride, says that he believes the proposition made to the Pacific Coast Steamship Company to carry mail to Alaska will be accepted. According to the contract the company is to carry mail on each steamer for $400 per month, or the government will pay $100 per round trip for four trips, and two trips free of charge.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles.—W. F. Kremer.

It is feared that Miss Eva Looney, of Lane county, was on the ill fated Clara Nevada. Miss Looney left Albany several weeks ago for Skaguay, going on the Corona, which was wrecked, and wrote afterwards that she would return on the next boat, which was the Clara Nevada. Nothing has been heard from her since, and the Albany Democrat is informed that there is pretty good evidence that she boarded the Clara Nevada at Skaguay.

Two young girls living near Wilbur, in Marion county, decided the other day that they would have a little fun, so they put on men's clothing, and went out among their neighbors. One farmer saw them and concluded that they were escaped reform school boys, and got together a posse, armed and equipped to capture them. Among the force was the father of one of the girls. There was great surprise when their identity was established.

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills.—W. F. Kremer.

The Oregon senatorship was taken up in the senate on the 24th, and Spooner, member of the committee on privileges and elections, made an argument in support of Corbett's right to a seat. Spooner closed with the declaration that he regarded the representative of every state in the senate as a matter of transcendental importance, and that he would not on any mere technicality close the doors of the senate chamber against any man presenting himself with credentials of the governor of his state. Spooner made a legal argument in favor of the admission of Henry W. Corbett to the senate. He said that as a lawyer he had no higher or better right to a seat in the senate than Corbett.

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Had to Jump.

THE FATE OF A PROMINENT MARINE GROCERYMAN.

P. H. Monahan, one of Detroit's Oldest and Best Known Merchants Meets with a Serious Experience.

From the Evening News, Detroit, Mich.

Prominent among the business men of Detroit, Mich., is Patrick H. Monahan, who resides at 199 Baker Street.

He has been actively engaged in the grocery business for the past forty-seven years, of which forty-two years have been in Detroit. Coming here nearly half a century ago he started into business at the corner of Second and Jefferson Avenues, and for years catered to the marine trade. From Duluth to Buffalo his name as an honorable, honest boat supply man was well known to all boatmen.

No matter what time of day or night, the Monahan Marine Grocery was kept open for the convenience of the lake boats. He is the best known and oldest retail grocery dealer in Detroit. He has been successful in business by his square dealings, and is yet to be found behind the counter any day at his large store, corner of Twelfth and Baker Streets. To a reporter, he recently said:

"When we first opened the Jefferson Avenue store we had to work day and night. The vessels that needed supplies, wanted them right off and we had to jump all the time. The reason vesselmen patronized us, was because we filled their orders at once. Every hour counts with them and we had a double set of clerks that worked day and night. I have been hustling all my life. No man can succeed in business without hustling. Some people hustle too much, and I was one of them.

"About four years ago I had to give up on account of my back giving out. It had bothered me for years. For a week I sat around the house and then had to go to bed. The family physician said that I had worn myself out by hard work. I did not do much for nearly two years, and doctored for my kidneys. My friends advised me to try remedies that they had faith in, and I tried nearly all of them. I was ready for any remedy that would relieve me, but I did not receive any benefit.

"I read considerable during my sickness and in my daily paper I noticed frequently articles regarding the wonderful cures made by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and how the pills contained, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. One day I read of a case like mine, in which a complete cure had been effected. That convinced me that the pills had merit, and I decided to try them. They cost only 50 cents a box (never in loose form) or six boxes for $2.50 and could be had at any druggist's, or by mail from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N.Y. The next day I asked the druggist regarding them. He said, 'We sell large quantities of the pills and they are well recommended by the purchasers.' They build up the blood, and restore the glow of health to pale and sallow cheeks, and effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork or excesses of whatever nature. I bought a box and took it home, and commenced to take the pills. Before I had taken one box that intense pain which for fifteen years had nearly killed me was gone. I continued using the pills until I had taken four boxes, which made me feel as well as I had for years previous to my sickness. My friends noticed the change at once and were more than pleased to see me out again. I continued using the pills, and in less than sixty days I was so much improved that I was able to attend to business."

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NEWS OF THE WORLD

Depuy De Lome Talks in Liverpool.

BRYAN IN THE GULF STATES

The Long Dry Spell Broken in Southern California—Now Good Rains.

Lloyd's underwriters are asking slight war risks upon Spanish steamships bound for Cuba.

The controller of the currency has issued a call for a statement of the condition of the national banks on Feb. 18.

W. J. Bryan has arranged to speak in the Gulf cities during the first week in March. He will probably address the Louisiana constitutional convention on March 1, at the special invitation of that body.

Court martial is now being held on Monadnock. Lieutenant Commander Charles L. Adams, of the Monterey, is under orders of the department for conduct unbecoming an officer, and intemperance. The investigation is secret.

The members of Warren post, G. A. R. have requested Governor Budd of California, to loan them 50 rifles, canteens and haversacks. The veterans express their desire to become accustomed to the military tactics now in vogue, so that in case of war they will be ready to go to the front.

According to Weather Prophet Devoe of Hackensack, N. J., whose predictions for years have been found remarkably accurate, a tremendous gale at sea and a big blizzard on land around the Middle Atlantic coast were due last Sunday. The professor is of the opinion that the blizzard will close the winter, and that a remarkably early spring may be looked for.

Telegraphic advices from the Herald's correspondent in Managua, state that the press and people are averse to war with Costa Rica, and the government desires peace, provided it is guaranteed by Costa Rica conceding to Nicaragua's just demands. Otherwise, the government wants war. The government of Costa Rica has not yet answered the diet of the republic, therefore relations remain bitter. Special envoys are en route to Salvador, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica for meditation.

The Tacoma News hit the nail on the head when it said, "the Clara Nevada tragedy is but a hint of greater ones that may happen. The Klondyke rush has robbed all the boneyards of hulks which now invites disaster." Not only is this true, but attention should be called to the pratice of allowing steamers to carry all the freight and passengers that can be piled on, regardless of government restrictions. Hardly a steamer leaves the Sound for the North that does not carry more passengers than is allowed by its license, some one is to blame. Who is it?—Seattle Review.

A fatal accident occured on board the British bark Ross-shire while crossing Columbia river lately. A tremendous swell was running, which caused the vessel to roll heavily, and a heavy hen coop fastened forward of the main hatch broke loose. The ship's carpenter, named James Eumas, tried to secure it and was caught between it and the rail, crushing his skull and killing him instantly. The vessel gave another lurch, which released him, and he rolled overboard. The unfortunate man was a native of Wales and about 42 years old, and had been on the vessel for five years.

The Standard's Madrid correspondent says that he has found by an exhaustive canvass that all parties are amazed and indignant at the suggestion that Spain should sell Cuba, saying that it meant that the monarchy should be menaced by an irresistable popular movement supported by the army and navy. The financiers make the practical objection that, as the Cuban debt is almost entirely held by Spaniards, the price suggested would not satisfy half the compensation required. None of the ministers would entertain the suggestion.

William F. of Clarkson, foreman of the rolling-room at the United States branch mint in San Francisco, has been arrested on a charge of stealing gold bullion and held in $5000 bail. Martin Eggers, a grocer, and W. D. Carter, a horseshoer were also arrested, but released on their own recognizance. It is alleged that Clarkson's theft consisted of small pieces of gold which were detached in the working up of bullion for the coining machines. They did not amount to over $50 a month but are supposed to have continued over a period of two years or more.

Senor Dupuy de Lome who arrived at Liverpool Feb. 25, is quoted as saying in an interview: "I have decided not to speak on the subject in any letter to Canalejas. I can say, however, that I have been from the first a victim of misrepresentation. The news published in the American papers was from beginning to end made up of lies of the most infamous character. The allegation in the American papers that the terrible explosion of the Maine was the outcome of a Spanish conspiracy is in my opinion another instance of the reckless manner in which newspapers in America work upon the popular prejudice."

The much needed rain has come at last and ended the long drought, which seriously threatened the farming in the principal valleys of California. The downpour, which began before midnight Wednesday, has been the heaviest for some time past and extends all over the northern part of the state, and as far south as Monterey. Los Angeles county was visited by light showers, hardly sufficient to do much good, but the indications are that more rain is coming. The storm insures crops from Merced northward to the state line. Summer fallow has been kept in good condition and winter sown grain is barely up. It will require but little more rain to guarantee good crops on all summer fallowed land north of Stockton.

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A Trip to Mexico.

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man-eating shark, with a large hook and line the size of a clothes line.

The third day we landed the battalion armed, and had small arm practice firing in volleys and at will, using the new navy rifle; this rifle is a 23 caliber, just a size larger than a 22 long shell, and very complete and compact for the navy. The bullet is made of steel, lead and nickel, and will penetrate at a long distance; they will shoot accurately 800 yards.

We have a Greek in our ship's company who made the best score with the small arms and with the secondary batteries at sea. I was praising him on his good marksmanship, and he said, "Ah, me practice to killie the Turk." His time is soon out here, and then he is going back to Greece and help his brother fight.

February the 7th we had target practice in the bay at full speed, finishing late in the afternoon, and then we secured from clear ship for action and steamed out of Magdalena enroute for San Diego, Cal.

The weather was very severe all the way up the coast, head wind and high sea rolling, covering the ship up completely at times, and rolling from 5 to 27 degrees each way. A great many old time seamen were sick and unfit for duty. We arrived at San Diego on the 11th at 4 o'clock. We have orders to proceed to Mare Island as soon as possible and go into reserve, and the greater portion of the crew will be sent overland East to commission ships on the Atlantic, so we are not sure where we will be in a few months from now possibly fighting Spaniards.

CHARLTON PERKINS,
Yoeman U. S. N., on U.S.S. Monadnock

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer $100 for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address

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False Economy

The reluctance of congress to push forward the coast fortifications proves that the sound business principles which govern men in the conduct of their private business are often forgotten or violated in the administration of public affairs. No one who is entitled to speak intelligently on the subject denies that the wealthy cities on the United States seaboard are at the mercy of an attacking fleet. Our coastline is so extensive and the number of ships in our navy is relatively so limited that every one of our seaports should be in a position to repel, unaided by the fleet, a hostile attact. At present not one of them could do this. Admirable as are the plans fortification drawn up by a War department, they still exist, thanks to the indifference of congress, largely upon paper.

Adequate fortifications are to the protected city what insurance is to a building. No good business man would think of putting up a factory without placing an adequate insurance upon it. No nation in the world but one would dream of allowing its wealthiest cities to lie exposed to the attack of any petty state that can afford to buy a cruiser or two from foreign and competitive nations that are only too ready to furnish them.

Looked at from a purely business standpoint, the few million dollars asked for fortification are to be spent in an insurance upon the thousands of millions of property which are not exposed to possible destruction.

This year's fortifications bill has suffered a reduction at the hands of the House Committee, and the knife has been applied so effectively that less is to be conceded than for the two years previous and the war department's estimate is cut down two thirds. Two years ago the appropriation was $7,377,888, and last year $9,517,141. This year a request was made for $13,378,571, whereas the bill as reported provides for only $4,144,912.

The policy of the present Congress may, perhaps, have been influenced by the fact that our foreign relations are less strained than they were when the liberal appropriations of two years ago were made. But it should be remembered that the building of fortifications and guns of the modern costly type is not and should not be emergency work.

Activity in this line should never be determined by the aspect of political affairs. To return to our comparison, no one thinks of waiting until his neighbor's house is on fire before taking out an insurance upon his own.—Scientific American.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty four hours. A sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen, it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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As to Mother Lodes.

With an idea that physiological principles run through the formation of ores many miners believe in what is termed the "mother lode." It has grown to be a popular superstition in almost every mining district that some where in the locality a mother ledge can be found, compared with which the kid lodes amount to nothing. Nobody thinks of looking for the brother lode, the sister lode or the mother-in-law lode, but all are on the search for the mother lode. As a matter of fact there is no such a thing as a mother lode, unless at some great depth in the bowels of the earth a number of veins carrying similar classes of ore run together in a common body. But a mother lode, if entitled to the name, never comes to the surface.

Some veins are larger than others but there is no parentage implied in that fact. It is merely the circumstance of a larger fissure in the rocks filling up with veinous matter and ore. Thousands upon thousands of dollars have been squandered by men in search of some great parental lode. This is one of the most prominent features of a placer district. In the Klondike country promoters talk glibly about the mother lode as if a rich placer necessarily meant the existence of some lode that had mothered the deposits without impairing her own productive powers.—Western Mining World.

After years of untold suffering from piles, B. W. Pursell of Knittersvill, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores are readily cured by this famous remedy.—W. F. Kremer.

Available Military Forces.

The government has been collecting information as to the strength of the militia in the United States and also the number of men who would be available for service in case of an emergency. The returns from the states are interesting in view of the prospect of trouble with Spain. The total militia force of the United States and the territories, as shown by the returns, is 114,326, and the total number of men avaible for military service is 10,301 339 the militia force consists of 58 generals 916 general officers and staff, 2240 regimental field and staff, 20,455 non commissioned officers and 80,000 privates. Besides these there are musicians and others bringing up the grand total to the number stated. The force, organized and available, is divided as follows among the different states and territories of the Union.

States and Territories	Aggregate.	Men available, unorganized.
Alabama	2,488	165,000
Arkansas	2,020	250,000
California	3,909	214,029
Colorado	1,056	85,000
Connecticut	2,739	108,046
Delaware	458	28,080
Florida	1,134	70,000
Georgia	4,450	264,021
Idaho	508	20,000
Illinois	6,269	750,000
Indiana	72,875	500,000
Iowa	2,470	294,874
Kansas	1,463	100,000
Kentucky	1,371	361,137
Louisiana	2,693	135,000
Maine	1,345	106,042
Maryland	1,725	150,000
Massachusetts	5,154	433,975
Michigan	2,809	260,000
Minnesota	1,894	175,000
Mississippi	1,705	233,480
Missouri	2,349	400,000
Montana	632	31,581
Nebraska	1,158	101,926
Nevada	368	6,200
New Hampshire	1,302	34,000
New Jersey	4,267	385,273
New York	13,894	80 000
North Carolina	1,537	245,000
North Dakota	467	9,967
Ohio	6,004	650,000
Oregon	1,428	59,522
Pennsylvania	8,521	878,394
Rhode Island	1,315	85,000
South Carolina	3,127	177,000
South Dakota	696	55,000
Tennessee	1,686	180,000
Texas	3,023	300,000
Utah	580	35,000
Vermont	743	44,164
Virginia	2,739	324,227
Washington	737	87,879
West Virginia	965	125,000
Wisconsin	2,711	375,152
Wyoming	356	8,000
Arizona	539	20,000
New Mexico	652	35,000
Oklahoma	1,788	105,000
District of Columbia	1,271	47,000

Importance of Spraying.

"We do not believe that spraying is the one essential—or even the most essential—requisite to fruit culture. We do not even believe that it is the only means that should be employed to hold in check the numerous insect and fungus pests of cultivated crops. But we do believe that in this age of the codlin moth and apple scab, of wooly aphis and apple canker, San Jose scale and brown rot, he is wise who insures his fruit and trees against the ravages of these pests by a judicious use of the spray pump.

"We believe that everyone who owns an apple tree, a pear tree, a cherry tree, a fruit tree of any kind, should spray that tree or cut it down. We believe this because observation has convinced us that there are indeed few fruit trees that are not infested with some form of insect pest and fungus disease, and every infested tree that remains standing and neglected is a constant menace to the many valuable orchards of the state. This obligation should rest not alone upon those who are in the business of fruit growing. It should apply as well to the farmer who grows fruit only for family use, and to the dweller in town or city who grows only a few trees in the back yard or a vacant lot. It should apply with particular force to the last two classes. The progressive horticulturist knows that the health, even the life of his trees, the quality of his fruit, and hence the degree of his success, ofttimes depends on a right use of the spray pump."—O. A. C. Bulletin.

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SPOILED THE SPEECHES.

Disastrous Effect of Foolish Questions Upon Congressional Oratory.

There are times when the question or remark of a persistent interrupter will destroy the effect of a speech and discourage the orator almost to the point of breaking down, says the Troy Times. When Bryan, of Nebraska, in the Fifty-third congress, was in the midst of a rhetorical climax and with arms uplifted was gushing a very familiar line, the house was convulsed by the question of Walker, of Massachusetts: "Who wrote that?" The whole thing was so ridiculous that it was five minutes before Bryan could go on. Here is another: Thomas Bartlett, of Vermont, was renowned for his flights of elaborate rhetorical oratory, and a seat in congress was the special goal of his ambition. When he was elected a story of how he had been silenced by an audience of college boys got around, and on the occasion of the new member's first appearance the house was prepared to receive him in anything but a serious spirit. Rising to indorse a proposition which had just been vigorously attacked he began to declaim impressively: "Sir, were it not for the rules of the house I would pour upon the opponents of this measure the vials of my wrath—" he got no farther. Mr. Polk, of Tennessee, was upon his feet in a moment, moving, with every appearance of eager interest, "that the rules be suspended and the gentleman allowed to pour!" Such a disconcerting burst of laughter followed that the unfortunate orator could only subside wrathfully into silence and his seat.

FORGOT HIS NECKTIE.

Embarrassing Situation of a Young Man Out West.

In these days of cheap neckwear a man is poor indeed who cannot afford a large collection of ties. There is one young man in this city, however, says the Denver Times, who would have willingly paid five times the cost of a cravat, if necessary, a few days ago. He is a genius in his way, and, like most of his tribe, requires a guardian. It was on a bright, warm morning, not long since, that he sauntered from his home, just about shopping time, and in his absent-minded way wandered downtown. As he walked along Sixteenth street people gazed at him curiously, and some were ill-bred enough to laugh. Their curiosity was lost upon him, however, for he was far away in reveries of the bright, happy times when editors accept everything that is offered without even asking ambitious young authors to ruthlessly cut manuscript "to satisfy our readers." He wandered into a crowded drug store, and, elbowing his way through the throngs of well-dressed women, asked for his favorite phosphate, and then continued his stroll until he reached the office of the Times. Then some one asked him why he did not dress before coming on the street. He looked up in mild amazement, sought a mirror, and then made a rush for the nearest haberdashery. Since then he has become possessor of a complete collection of ties, and when he sees his sister wearing the choicest specimens, his hand invariably seeks his collar band to see if he has again been neglectful.

Punished ... Revenge.

Dr. Dougal was a famous Scotch physician, and an eccentric as learned. One day a man came to consult him, in an agony of pain, and, after an examination, the doctor told the patient he had an ulcerated tooth and advised him to poultice the jaw. An argument ensued, during which the sufferer cried out: "What do you know about teeth?" At this, the doctor seized a pair of forceps and shouted: "I'll draw every tooth in your head!" The alarmed patient ran out of the house, with the doctor in pursuit, who finally overtook him in the market place, and took out two of his teeth, in the midst of an interested crowd.

A NEW EXPERIENCE.

Why the Little Dear Was Disgusted at the Situation.

This is a truthful little incident and the point of the moral will not be lost because names are omitted, says the Detroit Free Press.

A petite and winsome young matron entered a street car with that inimitable breeziness characteristic of her kind. No amount of torture could have induced a confession that she expected from two to half a dozen men to rise in unison and offer her a seat, but the look on her face when they did not do so told the secret more plainly than words could have done.

With her was a little girl whose looks fixed beyond doubt the relationship of the two. Mamma was rather impatient with the wrap which impeded her efforts to reach a strap. She looked about her as though eagerly in search of trouble and was the picture of scorn while noting how many of the male passengers were reading their papers.

The child leaned against her mother and sighed wearily.

"She seems tired," said a pleasant-faced old lady, as she stroked her golden locks and caressed the blooming cheeks, as pleasant-faced old ladies always do.

"Not tired, but disgusted," answered mamma, in crisp tones.

"Disgusted? Isn't she rather young for such a sensation?"

"Not at all. The little dear has never been accustomed to riding on a bog car."

In less than a second there was sitting accommodation to spare.

EARLY THEOLOGICAL ZOOLOGY.

The Medieval Imagination Played Curiously with the Pelican.

Of marine animals the early Christian philosophers knew little, but naturally they had heard of the whale and found important meanings in him, says Appleton's Monthly. One of the lessons taught by the whale is given as follows: "When he is hungry he opens his wide mouth seaward and a pleasant odor issues from his maw, so that other fishes are deceived and swim eagerly toward the place whence this sweet odor comes. In heedless shoals they enter into his extended jaws; then suddenly the grim gums close and crush their prey. Thus the devil allures men to their destruction and closes upon them the barred gates of hell."

The medieval imagination played curiously about the pelican. A type of the atonement was found in the supposed fact that the pelican tears open its breast and feeds its young with its own blood. New value was given to the pelican by that great thinker St. Augustine. Writing upon the ... of the 102d Psalm—"I am become like a pelican in the wilderness"—he says: "The males of these birds are wont to kill their young by blows of their bill and then to bewail their death for the space of three days. At length, however, the female inflicts a severe wound on herself and, letting her blood flow over the dead ones, brings them to life again."

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ITALIAN ANTIQUITIES.

An Underground Trade in Them in Spite of Legal Interdictions.

Some days ago a well-known dealer in antiquities offered for sale to the Louvre museum in Paris a splendid collection of ancient vases from Italy or Greek or Italian workmanship, says the London News. The museum was unable to pay the price asked—£20,000—and declined the bargain. The Italian minister of education, having learned of this, has taken proceedings under the Pacca law against Sig. di Prisco, the owner of these antiquities. The latter is a large land owner at Bosco Reale. He secretly made excavations on his estate and found 28 silver vases of remote antiquity.

Notwithstanding the Italian law prohibiting owners of antiquities from sending them out of the country without leave, or, rather, on account of this law, which prevents old works of art from commanding anything like their natural price in the impoverished country, Sig. di Prisco smuggled his find out of Italy and offered it to a Paris dealer for £5,000. Continuing meanwhile his search, he found other silver vases, which duly joined their fellows in Paris, and the whole lot was offered to the Louvre. The Italian minister of education throws interesting light on the facilities which underpaid officials are supposed to afford illicit exporters of antiquities. He issues a notification that, should any officials be found to have connived at this latest evasion of the Pacca law, they will be criminally prosecuted.

First German Book.

Brewer says the first book printed in the German language was the "Edelstein," or "Precious Stone," in 1461, by Ulrich Boner. Seven years before this, however, in 1454, Gutenberg and Faust printed in Latin an indulgence issued by Pope Nicholas V. to Paulinus Chappe, an ambassador to the king of Cyprus. There is much conflict among the authorities as to the dates of the earlier copies of the Faust and Gutenburg books, and in many cases the exact time of their issuance is conjectural.

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