

The Coast Mail.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1880.

A Monstrous Steamship.

The New York "Times" gives the following description of an immense steamer that is being constructed for the New York and Liverpool trade: A new steamship, which when completed will be the largest and finest merchant vessel in the world, is now being built at Barrow, Eng., for the Inman line. She will be ready for use in the spring of 1881, and will then begin to make regular trips between this port and Liverpool. The City of Rome was regarded as the most appropriate name which could be given to this addition to the Inman fleet. Her dimensions are as follows: Length of keel, 500 feet; length over all, 516 feet; breadth of beam, 52 feet; depth of hold, 38 feet, 9 inches; and depth from top of deck houses to keel, 52 feet. Her measurement will be 8300 tons, or over 2000 tons larger than either the City of Berlin or the Arizona, and 800 tons larger than the Servia, the new Cunard steamship, which will be completed this fall. She will be over four-fifths of the size of the Great Eastern. The engines of the City of Rome will be of 8500-horse power, with six cylinders, three of which are high pressure and three low pressure. There will be eight boilers, heated by 48 furnaces, and the vessel can be propelled at the rate of 18 1/2 knots an hour. She will carry four masts and three smoke funnels. A large spread of canvas can be set, which will enable the steamship to make good time if necessary, without the aid of the engines. The saloon and staterooms will be placed amidships, and will contain every facility for comfort and luxury. All the latest improvements are to be added, and the entire cabin will be splendidly furnished and upholstered. There will be 275 revolving chairs at the saloon tables, and the staterooms will easily accommodate 300 first-class passengers. A drawing-room, which can be occupied by 100 ladies at once, will be placed on the deck immediately over the saloon. The smoking room will be above the drawing-room and will accommodate 100 smokers at once. The saloon will contain six bath-rooms. There will be on board for almost any number of steerage passengers, and space for an enormous quantity of freight in the hold. The City of Rome is to be built of steel, with a double bottom, and eleven bulk-heads. The longitudinal bulk-heads are to be run through the engines' and boilers' space. These will greatly decrease the danger of the vessel sinking, in case of a collision. The top decks are to be of the best teak. No expense is to be spared in making this magnificent steamship perfect in every respect. She will have the highest classification of any vessel in the Liverpool Red-book and in the British Lloyds. The Inman people expect that, so far as the transportation of passengers and freight goes, the City of Rome will prove the monarch of the seas. Work was begun on the new vessel as soon as the contract with the Barrow Steamship Building Company had been closed.

Endurance of the Noble Red Man.
While the thermometer has been hugging zero; while the ears and noses and hands of the white man have been tingling with cold; while the earth has been covered with snow, and ice has formed on exposed bodies of water, the Digger Indian has been displaying his utter lack of sensitive ness to cold. Several of the red men of the forest who come to town daily from the adjacent campgrounds, are conspicuous for their bodily attire. With a pair of gauzy pants, and a shirt, all ragged and torn, barefooted and bare-headed, they wander about without any apparent regard for the frigid atmosphere which surrounds them. A kind-hearted lady saw one of them in this condition passing her house the other day, and asked him if he did not want a pair of shoes to keep his feet off the ice and snow? Ugh! he answered, "white Mahala she wear 'em. Indian he no papoose. He all same big pine tree."—Nevada Transcript.

Superstition about Storms.
Caverns were supposed by the Romans to be secure places of refuge during thunder-storms, and they believed that lightning never penetrated more than two yards into the earth. Acting on this superstition, the Emperor Augustus used to withdraw into some deep vault of the palace whenever a tempest was feared, and it is recorded by Suetonius that he always wore a skin of seal as a precaution against lightning. That both precautions were equally unavailing needs scarcely to be mentioned. Lightning has been known to strike ten feet into the earth; but not even the marvelous accuracy of modern science can determine at what distance from the surface a safe retreat may be found from the descending fluid; and, even were this ascertained, the dangers from the ascending electric currents remain the same. With regard to seal skins, we find that the Romans attached so much faith to them as non-conductors that tents were made of them, beneath which the timid used to take refuge. It is somewhat curious fact that in the neighborhood of Mount Cevennes, in the Languedoc, where anciently some Roman colonies were known to have existed, the shepherds cherish a similar superstition respecting the skins of serpents. These they collect, and, having covered their hats withal, believe themselves secure against the dangers of the storm. M. Labossiere is disposed to see a link of interesting analogy between the legend yet lingering in the mind of the peasant of Cevennes and the more costly superstition held by his Latin ancestors. The emperors of Japan retire into a deep grotto during the tempests which rage with such severity in their latitude; but not satisfied with the profundity of the excavation, or the strength of the stones of which it is built, they complete their precautions by having a reservoir of water sunk in their retreat. The water is intended to extinguish the lightning—a measure equally futile, since many instances have been preserved in which the fluid has fallen upon the water with the same effect as upon land.

GENERAL NEWS.
The West side railroad has reached Corvallis.
SEATTLE was lighted with gas made from Skagit coal for the first time a few days since. Nannimo coal has been heretofore used for that purpose.
The Rochester Herald says of Dennis Kearney: "He possesses an arsenal of epithets that would have made the fortune of an old-fashioned political editor."
GEN. MOSBY'S boy has been arrested at Amherst, Va., for a bloodless duel with a school mate. The trouble grew out of a fistfight, and nine shots were fired.
THE late Leonard Case of Cleveland, Ohio, conveyed property \$1,250,000 to his attorney, to be held in trust and its income devoted to the Case school of applied science.

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COOKING CAULIFLOWER.—Three answers were given the lady wishing to know how to make cauliflower white for the table, none of which show knowledge of the great secret, which is to boil it in two-thirds milk and one-third water, or even more milk if it can be spared.

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