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OREGON NEWS.

Everything of General Interest in a Condensed Form.

A postoffice has been established at Sidney, Coos county, and Samuel Schuck was appointed postmaster.

George L. Mason has been appointed postmaster at Lake Creek, Jackson county, vice Joseph T. Deck, resigned.

The mail service between Vale and Burns, Malheur county, has been increased.

Adam A. Baser, the postmaster at Spicer, Harney county, resigned, and John W. Ball has been appointed postmaster in his place.

Senator Dolph's bill, giving to Dallas City a portion of the military reservation adjacent to that town for a park, passed the senate.

T. B. Merry, of Portland, has been appointed assistant commissioner to Australia. Lieut. Marx has been appointed secretary of the commission. John Milligan's team ran away at Lafayette, throwing him from a wagon against a tree and breaking his collar bone.

Mr. Graio, of New York, undertook to drive a cat out of a cafe. The contract was a bigger one than he could fulfill without assistance. The cat jumped at him, bit him in the face, caught the lappel of his coat, scratched his chin, chest and neck, and bit his left wrist through to the bone. The water had to pull the infuriated animal off.

Here's another good argument for taking the tax off of tobacco. A Missouri wretch fired a pistol at a passenger train near Rich Hill, and the ball hit a passenger. It would have made a serious if not fatal wound but for the fact that he had a plug of chewing tobacco in his vest pocket. The bullet struck the plug, and was thus stopped in its course.

A citizen of Orlando, Fla., has a dog that accompanies him everywhere even to church. One Sunday the owner concluded to break the canine of his church-going habits and ordered him home. The dog retreated until his master was out of sight, then promptly turned back, entered another church and remained until the service was over.

John H. Cormer, living on the Oklawaha River, Fla., shot an alligator over eight feet long. Opening it out of curiosity, he was surprised to find, snugly ensconced therein, a water snake about a foot long, and eleven young snakes. The reptiles had evidently been in their novel home some time, as the liver of the alligator was six inches out of its normal position, and was flattened out in places by the continued pressure of the snakes.

Dr. Julius Pohlman thinks the reason why our teeth decay so fast is because we do not use them enough, and, like other organs that are not exercised, they tend to atrophy. Our teeth become weak because unused to hard work. The author warns mothers and nurses not to give the children soft food, if they would have them have good teeth—in other words, make them eat their crusts.

Telephonic communication can be carried on between ships at sea by means of a sound-producing apparatus attached to each vessel, to be worked under the surface of the water. Each vessel also has a sound-receiving apparatus to take signals. Intelligible signals could be produced by this apparatus which would be transmitted through the water in all directions with considerable velocity.

This family of a Georgian were awakened the other night by a great noise under the house which shook violently. At first they were sure that an earthquake was in progress, but investigation with a lantern showed that a cow was under the house. How she got there was a mystery, as she could not stand upright. It was her horns and back that made the noise and shook the house. The householder had to get a pick and spade and dig a ditch, in which the cow walked out.

Metals may be plated by a new and cheap process in which the metallic object is covered with a mixture of borate of lead, oxide of copper and spirits of turpentine, and submitted to a temperature of from 250 deg. to 330 deg. This deposit, upon melting, spreads in a uniform layer over the object. Then a second coat is laid on, consisting of borate of lead, oxide of copper and oil of lavender. Next, by means of a brush, the object is covered with a solution of chloride of platinum, which is finally evaporated of a temperature of not more than 200 deg. The platinum adheres firmly to the surface and exhibits a brilliant aspect. If the deposit be made upon the first coat the platinum will have a dead appearance. Platinizing in this way costs, it is said, about one-tenth the price of nickel-plating.

It is not generally known that a little gold mining is done in Scotland. Gold is found in small quantities on the property of the Lead Hills Silver Lead Mining and Smelting Company (limited) in Lanarkshire, and Lord Hopetoun, whose marriage was celebrated recently, received as a wedding present from the miners a nugget of three hundred and fifty-five grains. Lady Hopetoun now wears a wedding and mourning ring made out of this nugget. It is said that the share-holders hope to have their share increased some day by the running into Scotch gold.

Some Other Diseases.

"They say she died of a broken heart," said the first woman, as they came up the car steps.

"I don't believe it," sharply replied No. 2.

"Why? Because she had as many as six new bonnets a year, and not one of them cost less than fifteen dollars."—Detroit Free Press.

The largest hanging bell in the world is in a Buddhist monastery, New Canton, China. It is eighteen feet high and forty-two feet in circumference, and is of solid bronze. It is one of the great bells which were cast by command of the Emperor Yungto about A. D. 1400. The whole bell, both inside and out, is covered with an inscription in embossed Chinese characters about half an inch long, covering even the handle, the total number of characters being 84,000. The characters tell a single story—one of the Chinese classics.—Springfield Times.

Mr. E. Gatebell, who owns a tract of mountain land in Cambria County, Pa., was looking over it the other day and came upon a cavern in which he found a bed of snow about six feet thick.

COAST CULLINGS.

Devoted Principally to Washington Territory and California.

A six-pound shad was caught at Il waco, at the mouth of the Columbia River. Gavin Duncan, a young sailor on the British ship Bhotan, fell from the rigging to the deck, a distance of thirty feet, at San Francisco, and was killed.

P. B. Barrett, of Falls City, Cal., became insane and got away from friends and drowned himself in his own well. He leaves a wife and four children.

Charles E. Bevan, a young merchant of Wheatland, Cal., shot and killed himself. Business troubles were the cause of the suicide.

Henry H. Lindenburger, 24 years of age, and a salesman in San Francisco, Cal., took poison and died. He had been sick and despondent.

The great Montezuma, Col., irrigating canal, which will reclaim 200,000 acres of land, is completed. It is over a mile long, running under the ranges of the Rocky mountains. The tunnel and fifty miles of canal will tap the waters of the Dolores river.

Peter Burke was seriously wounded at Sentinel, A. T., by a Mexican named Salazar. During a quarrel both drew revolvers, each striking the other. Ortega, it is supposed, is but slightly hurt, and it is thought that Burke will recover.

Domingo Solar was shot and killed by James MacCarthy at a wood ranch in the southeastern part of Virginia. Solar refused to sell or lease a pony which MacCarthy wanted. The latter is but 17, but has served two years in state prison for arson.

A horrible accident occurred near Bodega, Cal. John H. Miller was engaged in mowing hay, and had cautioned his children against running about the mower in front of the year-old child playfully attempted to run in front of the machine, when it was caught by the knife, and both legs were instantly severed from the body.

A wagon and team containing M. Fay, his wife and daughter, baby, Mrs. J. Sissell and Mrs. E. Roche, broke through a bridge over the flume of the Montezuma Mining Company, near Callahan, Cal. The flume was running full of water, and the current was very swift. Mr. Fay and Mrs. Roche were outside the wagon, and were injured. Mrs. Fay, Mrs. Sissell and the baby, together with the horses and wagon, went through the flume about a third of a mile. The baby was drowned. Mrs. Fay and Mrs. Roche were both rescued, though they are badly bruised.

The Yaqui Indians are now at war with the Mexican federal forces in Sonora. They are fortifying different places and making a determined stand against the troops. A few days ago Maj. Enciso and Lieut. Villarreal, with two columns of federals, attacked the Indians in a strongly fortified position in the Amalgamata mountains, near the town of Aguaverte. A desperate fight ensued, but the federals, after a number of charges, routed the Indians from their fortification, killing seventeen and capturing a large number. The federal forces won one man killed and several wounded.

Wm. Holmes, son of A. T. Holmes, of Eberton, met with an unfortunate and painful accident, which, while not necessarily fatal, will cripple him for life. He was out hunting in the mountains near Eberton, and was armed with a rifle, when by some means he learned here, his gun was discharged, the bullet passing through both legs at the knees, and blowing one of the knee-caps off. He was brought to his home and everything possible done for him, but the nature of the wound renders it certain that it will be impossible to do more than preserve the use of one leg.

Thomas Treste, of Chico, Cal., aged 72 years, some five weeks ago having buried his wife, married Mollie Swoford, who has just served five years in San Quentin. Treste is in possession of some property, which the woman wanted. She got a revolver and attempted to take the old man's life. She told him she intended to kill him and burn his body with the house. Treste made a desperate resistance, but was overpowered and shot with an attempt to commit murder.

The practice of thawing the outside coverings of dynamite cartridges over fires is largely prevalent among the miners employed in the cement quarries at Knott, Cal. John Lynch was engaged in the thawing process. Four cartridges which he held in a tin pan over the fire exploded. Strange as it may seem, when the smoke cleared away, Lynch was not only alive, but perfectly conscious, but he presented a ghastly appearance. His hands had been blown away as clean as though they had been cut off with a knife. The larynx, vocal and some of the other organs in the throat were exposed to view. His limbs were broken in many places. His whole body presented an appearance, though he had been cut and slashed by a bowie knife, yet, in that horrible condition, he lived five hours.

—Out of 40,000 Sioux Indians there are 35,000 still in heathenism. There are 50,000 in the Western prairies for whom nothing is yet done. There are 40,000 Indians of school age, but when every school is packed to its utmost only 12,000 can be accommodated. This includes Government schools, Roman Catholic schools and all, so that these under mission schools would be far less a number than 12,000.

Some ingenious individual has organized a "Book Exchange" in Paris which might possibly be imitated with profit in this country. Membership costs 3 francs and 50 centimes (70 cents) that the reader buys a book—not in paper covers, but a well-bound volume—and pays this amount in cash. On a fly-leaf he will find a list of "subscribers," principally in large hotels, restaurants, etc., where he may upon payment of an additional 50 centimes (10 cents) surrender his book and get another, and so on. It is optional at any time for a subscriber to surrender a book.

CURIOS SPECULATION.

A Free Negro Sold into Slavery Times and Sitting at the Grand Hotel one evening, I heard one of the strangest romances of modern times—strange, because it was true. How do I know it was true? Well, the man who told it is one of Ohio's wealthiest citizens and a man who does not tell what he is unable to substantiate. But to the story. As near as I now remember it ran as follows:

In 1847 I was a steward on the Golden Age, one of the finest passenger boats that plied between Cincinnati and New Orleans. It was in the days before railroads and telegrams and when slavery was in its prime. At one day's stopping negro entered my office, just as we were about to sail, and asked me how I would like to go into a speculation with him that would make us a good deal of money. I was young then and willing to do most any thing to make money that was honest, and I told him to proceed with his proposition.

"Well," he said, "it is a speculation. I am a likely negro as can be found in these parts. I am a free man. What I want to do is for you to take me to New Orleans and sell me into slavery. I am worth \$1,500. You sell me and I'll do what is right with you." His proposition was so simple and so easy that I was so starting.

"Do you want to go back into slavery?" I asked, astonished.

"No, indeed, I do not," he answered.

"And yet you want to be sold?"

"Sure, sir, but I'm a likely nigger, and I'll soon be back on your hands again."

I reasoned with the fellow in vain. He knew of no way of making money so easily as being sold. I hesitated to appear in the role of a slave dealer. I was opposed to slavery, but as I thought over the subject I concluded there would be nothing wrong in selling the man, and at the last moment yielded to his wishes and took him with me. Upon my return to Cincinnati, I was assured that I was on hand early the next day, and when Charley appeared I hardly knew him. He had been dressed up in a new plantation suit and had a smart cap on his head. His sleeves and trousers were turned up. The bidding was lively, and you can imagine my feelings, for I had just sold a man to a slave market. You see, I had succeeded to the slave market, which, in 1847, was one of the principal business places in the city. I made my object known, and the next afternoon I was informed the sale would take place. I gave Charley (that was his first name) into the custody of the brokers, and he was taken to Europe, and I was to doubt that he would be lucky enough to find a white woman who could endure as well as he the climate of the torrid zone. He had not the slightest desire to marry anybody whose life or health would be sacrificed if he took her to Africa, or for whom he might have to sacrifice his life work by going back to England with her. He there fore decided when he married to wed a native of the country.

In the course of time Grenfell met his fate at the mission station and trading post of Kabinda, on the coast not far north of the mouth of the Congo. He was among the mission converts a bright young woman who had received a fair education in the mission school of Kabinda. She was a comely girl. She had been instructed for years in the art of housewifery by the mission ladies, dressed in the garb of her civilized sisters, was neat and industrious and a devout Christian. She was, in fact, in her changed and improved condition, the product of missionary labor. Grenfell believed she would make him a good helpmate in his future arduous work as a pioneer missionary. In due time they were married, and from that day to this, Grenfell's friends say, he has had no reason to regret the very unusual choice he made.

It can be said, on the authority of Henry M. Stanley, that the two babies who have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Grenfell are "beautiful little children." The home of the Grenfells is on Stanley Pool, but until the past year they have never been there much of the time. Mrs. Grenfell and one of the children accompanied the missionary on some of the adventurous journeys in which he has explored over 3,000 miles of the navigable waters of the Congo basin. She sat unperturbed and very comfortable behind the wire screen that warded off the shower of arrows which were launched at the little steamer by the hostile natives of Moiang River.

A writer, who evidently had not heard of Mr. Grenfell's little romance, recently mentioned as proof of the fact that white ladies can retain their health and vigor on the Congo that the missionary, Grenfell, was accompanied on his long journeys by his excellent wife.—N. Y. Sun.

Our Mineral Resources.

The report of the U. S. Geological Survey on the mineral resources of the United States for 1885 contains some interesting statistics. The total mineral product is valued at \$424,521,856, an increase of \$15,305,603 over 1884. Among several mineral substances cited, coal is the most important, showing a total value of \$159,019,596. An increase is shown in the production of coke, natural gas, gold, silver, copper, zinc, quicksilver, nickel, aluminum, lime, salt, cement, phosphate rock, manganese and cobalt oxide, the production of coal, petroleum, pig iron, lead, precious stones and mineral waters decreased.—Sciences.

A Sleeping Harness.

American inventor the sleeping-harness. It is made of canvas, rests on the car less needful. Broad straps support the arms; they pass through a noose over the head so that either arm can be lowered, which gives one a chance to change one's position. The harness is supported by a pad, which is attached to the upper part of the arm-rests. The harness is made of canvas, rests on the car less needful. Broad straps support the arms; they pass through a noose over the head so that either arm can be lowered, which gives one a chance to change one's position. The harness is supported by a pad, which is attached to the upper part of the arm-rests. The harness is made of canvas, rests on the car less needful. Broad straps support the arms; they pass through a noose over the head so that either arm can be lowered, which gives one a chance to change one's position. The harness is supported by a pad, which is attached to the upper part of the arm-rests. 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