

GENERAL NEWS.

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The Russian government gets about thirty-six hundred pounds of pure gold every year from the mines of eastern Siberia.

Miffals has received the sum of \$25,000 for his latest portrait of Gladstone. It was paid for by subscriptions of the women of England.

Scheinbar, Alfred Austin, and Lew- is Barnes are prominently mentioned in connection with the English laureateship as a successor to Tennyson.

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EASTERN NEWS.

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A party of white caps were killed in Mississippi.

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Jimmy Nelson, of New London, Conn., won the championship of the world in the 16-round fight near Douglas, Mass., on May 11. The stake was \$500, of which \$350 went to the winner. Nelson knocked his man out in the fourth round.

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SPORTING NOTES.

Numerous Paganistic Events for the Near Future.

HAMILTON SCORES ANOTHER VICTORY.

Track News.—"Buffalo Bill" Honored.—A Live Bird Match.

Nasslock, the German composer, is dead.

The authorities have closed all gambling houses at Geneva.

The Mingwood mine at North Lawrence, Ohio, is on fire, and 300 men are thrown out of employment.

The steamer Harold, bound from Bilbao to Glasgow, foundered off the Irish coast. Six persons were drowned.

At the papal consistory to be held in June the bishop of Geneva and the papal nuncio at Lisbon will be created cardinals.

The nuns in a Catholic convent at Durno, Austria, have been evicted, and the nunnery has been converted into a magazine.

The Brazilian government has decreed that after July 1 customs duties to the extent of 20 per cent. shall be payable in gold.

The grand lodge No. 2, B.N.F.M.R.I., composed of delegates from the lodges in the Missouri valley, held its first business session in Kansas City.

The Republican convention in the Third Pennsylvania congressional district decided it inexpedient to nominate a candidate and adjourned.

Tommy Dwyer, Ind. T., Rev. F. F. Griffin, Ind. T., and Rev. J. H. Brown, Ind. T., were charged with conspiracy to defraud the state resulting in their discharge.

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AN UNKNOWN LAND.

A Section of the United States Never Traveled by White Men.

Washington has her great unknown land like the interior of Africa, says the Seattle Press.

The knowledge of old residents of the territory, been trodden by the foot of man, white or Indian.

These mountains rise from the level country within ten to fifteen miles of the straits of San Juan de Fuca in the north, the Pacific Ocean in the west, Hood's canal in the east, and the basin of Quinalt lake in the south, and rising to the height of 6,000 to 8,000 feet, shut in a vast unexplored area.

The Indians have never penetrated it, for their traditions say that it is inhabited by a very fierce tribe, which none of the coast tribes dared molest.

Through it is improbable that such a tribe could have existed in the mountain country without their presence being known to the white men, no man has ever ascertained that it did not exist.

White men, too, have only vague accounts of any white man having ever passed through this country.

The fact is, however, that travelers has invariably proved that they have only traversed its outer edge.

The name generally accepted theory in regard to this country is that it consisted of great valleys stretching from the inward slopes of the mountains to the great central basin.

This theory is supported by the fact that the country around has abundant rain, and clouds constantly hang over the mountain tops, all the streams flowing toward the four points of the compass are insignificant, and rise only on the outward slope of the range, none appearing to drain the great area shut in by the mountains.

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COAST NEWS.

Coeur d'Alene Mining Property Purchased by a Portland Syndicate.

CANNERIES AT SALEM AND ALBANY.

Marble Discovery at Little Dalles.—Jefferson Mills to be Reopened.

A new wharf costing \$75,000 is being built at Fairhaven.

The electric street cars have commenced running at Tillamook.

The road from Tillamook to North Yamhill is now clear of snow and can be crossed with teams.

The New Whatcom city council donated \$600 to the fire department for suits for the men.

Frank Carroll, a native of New York, has been adjudged insane at Albany and committed to the asylum.

Douglas county is to have three new wells in its jail. They are to be ready by August 1 and will cost \$5,000.

The Nookuck Indians are said to own in several places of the very finest lands in the valley of the Nookuck.

The starch factory proposition made by Tucoma mine to the Albany Board of Trade has been rejected by that body.

The Albany city council has forwarded to congress memorial for the right to bridge the Willamette river at that city.

The bunch grass everywhere on the range reminds the old settler of many long years ago, it is so abundant this spring.

The work of building the new steam boat for the upper Snake river has been delayed by difficulty in securing necessary material.

Work on the motor line between Independence and Monthmont is progressing favorably. The line will be in operation by the first of July.

The Old Dominion mine has a 300-foot tunnel on the 500-foot level. The report received by the owners is that the result is most satisfactory to all.

A Seattle cable car ran into a delivery wagon, completely wrecking it. The blame was somewhat assigned among the passengers in the car slightly injured.

A fine quality of marble has just been discovered within one and a half miles of the Spokane Falls and Northern, and only a short distance from Little Dalles.

J. B. Irvine, of Sprague, Wash., has written to J. H. Townsend, of Albany, Wash., to make a preliminary survey of a point of sufficient importance to be offered.

An assay was recently made of ore from the dandy mine, near Colville. It ran five ounces in silver, 58 per cent. lead and 12 per cent. copper, or \$78.50 to the ton.

R. D. Hume has purchased the tug Katie Cook, of the Columbia Mill and Tug Company, and will take her to Smith river to tow vessels out and into the river.

John Carrey, of Fox valley, Grant county, an insolvent rancher and stock raiser, has made a settlement. D. M. Dustin, of Long creek, was appointed to circulate among the people and solicit loans on the ground that he had just buried his wife after a long illness which had, coupled with ill-health, reduced him to poverty.

SKETCHING FROM THE NUDE.

A Peep Into the Studio of a Chicago Art Class.

On a platform raised about three feet above the level of the floor stood what appeared at the first glance to be a nude male figure of a Roman or Greek wax. One hand rested lightly on a table, the other on her hip. The figure was of robust build and beautifully proportioned, and the pose was graceful, easy and as if naturally maintained as that of a statue. A faint wave of color mantling the cheek was the only thing which gave to the wax-worker's art, but in reality a living woman clad in nothing beyond blushes and her native modesty.

At the school man made a tour of the easels and diffidently compared the different studies with the original, not a word was spoken, and the work went on as unobtrusively as if the wax model had been nothing more than one of the plaster casts from which the young women in the antique class were working. A particularly nice study of a torso, after one furtive glance at the stranger, she again fixed her eyes on a point high above the heads of the students and devotedly worked it to perfection.

The human figure is one of the most difficult things to draw, and perhaps for this reason the sketches were not so fully and uniformly perfect as the wax model had been in the other rooms. At the same time some of them were vigorous, accurate and effective, and one study in oil was a particularly strong piece of work. A strange fact noticed was that no matter how slight an amount of work had been put on the face, and notwithstanding that the whole figure had been sketched in every case, thus reducing the head to a small size, every student had caught a likeness of one of the most entirely unattractive faces it was ever the reporter's lot to look at.

Apart from a head of magnificent blonde hair there was nothing even interesting in the dull, cold features. The model was evidently quite new to the posing, the students treating the matter as one entirely of business, and after the first uncomfortable embarrassment had passed away even the reporter felt a sympathy for the model. The presence and made his notes with even more sang froid than had been the case in some of the other class-rooms.—Chicago Journal.

Made to Look New.
Old clothing may be made to look nearly as good as new by pursuing the following plan, says the Philadelphia Record:

Take for instance a shiny old coat, vest, or pair of trousers of broadcloth, cassimere, or diagonal. The scourer makes a strong warm sapon and rubs the material in every crevice. This is done in a dirty place; if necessary puts it through a second end, then rinses it through several waters and hangs it to dry on a line.

When nearly dry he takes it in, rolls it up for an hour or two, and then presses it. An old cotton cloth is laid on the outside of the coat and the iron passed over that until the wrinkles are out; but the iron is removed before the steam ceases to rise from the goods, else they would be shiny. Wrinkles that are obstinate are removed by laying a wet cloth over them and passing the iron over that.

If any shiny places are seen they are treated as in the preceding paragraph. The old clothes are then laid on a raised surface and the iron is lifted, while the clothes are damp, and the iron is passed over it again, and the steam rises and brings the nap up with it. Good cloth will bear many washings and look better every time because of this.

The Man for the Emergency.
We were bumping along down toward the Gulf on a trunk line road less than a year ago, when we stopped at a small station thirteen minutes late, and a man in a dark, heavy coat, with a hat, last and expected orders here to change the run. A brief investigation disclosed the facts that the station agent, a man of a grumpy countenance, drank. He had felt a chill coming on, and had dived into a pint of rum to keep it off. He sat in a heap in his chair, his strength all gone, and his eyes blinking in a way that made us make up our minds to call on the conductor.

"Shay, old feller, whizzer mazzur wuz you?"
The conductor pondered a minute. The side track there was full of freight cars. It was six miles ahead of the next station, but did the north bound train get on? He said "No, it didn't." He suddenly grabbed the operator, hauled him out of the office upon the platform, down upon the earth, and then carried him to the water ditch and laid him in it. There were three feet of water in it. There was cold ice. He handed the operator up and down for two minutes, dragged him out and stood him on his pins, and then said to him in a voice as menacing as the point of a dagger:

"Go in and telegraph for my order."
The man walked in all dripping, set down to his table and sounded his call, and in fifty seconds our train had orders to make Six-mile Station, and make it with a record time. This was the work, and away we went, and five minutes later were at the switch. Just then north-bound tooter, and our last car was in and the switch thrown over not a second too soon. She came past at the rate of fifty miles an hour, flung dust and gravel clear over every car, but we had saved our backs. Two months later I met the operator in New Orleans and asked him if his cold water bath had any effect.

"No, the slightest," was his reply. "The only trouble was that the company objected to my way of taking a bath, and fired me out."—N. Y. Sun.

Travel in Asiatic Turkey.
Official notice has been sent to all the foreign legations in Constantinople warning tourists in Turkey in Asia not to take any rifles, revolvers, wearing apparel, silver coin, pictures, books, or money papers, and to be prepared that all such things will be confiscated by the custom-house. All printed matter will be taken away on the plea that it is either political or religious in character, and that it will be known for several months.

The Art of Sharpening a Knife.
"Do you know how to sharpen a carving-knife?" The question was asked by a big butcher in Fulton street. "Very few people do," said the respondent, "ought to be held at an angle of twenty to twenty-five degrees on the steel. When the other side of the blade is turned you must be careful not to give the same angle. Then draw the steel from heel to point as you would, using only a slight—N. Y. Herald.

PERIODICALS IN RUSSIA.

There are 686 periodical publications in Russia. Seventy-eight of them are political and news dailies, 109 are scientific, 86 religious, 15 artistic, 33 agricultural, 82 statistical and biographical, 16 pedagogic, 18 for children, and the rest miscellaneous.

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