

OCCIDENTAL NEWS.

Sudden Uprising Among the Natives of Alaska.

AN ARIZONA JUDGE DEPOSED.

Miss Shelby of Portland to Touch the Button in the Launching of the Battle Ship.

Spokane and Portland are now connected by telephone.

Tacoma will ship about seventy cargoes or 7,000,000 bushels of wheat this year.

Two men, A. W. Ross and Mr. Williams, are reported lost on the Colorado desert.

Chris Evans is complaining of pain in his sightless eye. The ball that entered there is still in his head.

Secretary Herbert has ordered hard sandstone or granite to be used in the construction of the Port Orchard dock instead of Tainino sandstone.

E. W. French, Probate Judge of Yavapai county, A. T., charged with forgery and embezzlement, has been deposed and J. F. Wilson appointed to succeed him.

A submarine cable of 500 volts was laid between San Diego and Coronado the other day. It is to supply the force to run a new electric road at the latter place.

A 200-foot tunnel has just been completed at the Sultana mine in Grant county, and a contract is soon to be let for one 600 feet long. Exposures are satisfactory.

The coyotes in the Verde river section in Arizona are affected with hydrophobia to such an extent that it is dangerous to travel through that country and especially to camp at night.

Steps are about to be taken toward the construction of a fish ladder at the falls of the Willamette at Oregon City, for which the last Oregon Legislature made an appropriation of \$10,000.

A London company is said to have bought the nickel mines in Oregon. It is believed the company will erect a plant to manufacture armor for battle ships and for other purposes.

The Farmers' Insurance Company at Spokane has been so managed that the stockholders have been deceived, and a receiver has been appointed. The company has out \$218,000 worth of policies, with assets of \$5,000.

A report comes from Los Angeles county, Cal., that a grove of bananas in the Cahanga foothills will produce this season 280 bunches of good, merchantable fruit, and will yield, it is said, a handsome profit to the owner.

A bank in Arizona, which closed a short time ago, issued the following notice: "This bank has not busted; it owes the people \$38,000; the people owe it \$50,000; it is the people who are busted; when they pay we'll pay."

The Board of Public Works at Tacoma has discovered a shortage of 5,600,000 gallons of water daily in the water company's guaranteed supply, which was purchased recently by the city, together with the electric-light plant, for \$1,750,000.

According to the report of Receiver Hadley the Oregon Pacific is running behind. He reports: June, earnings, \$21,833.16; expenses, \$25,617.41; loss, \$3,784.25. July, earnings, \$16,940.31; expenses, \$23,581.67; loss, \$6,641.36. August, earnings, \$16,367.61; expenses, \$19,238.51; loss, \$2,870.90.

The Linn County Board of Equalization has assessed the Southern Pacific at \$4,000 per mile on the road and 1567 on rolling stock on the main line. The Oregonian and Lebanon branch was placed at \$3,000 on the roadbed, and the Oregon Pacific will be about \$4,300 on roadbed and rolling stock.

From authentic reports received at Portland by persons in a position to know it is believed that there has been a recent and sudden uprising among the natives of Alaska. Many persons were killed, among them being several missionaries sent out by the American Board.

The Southern Pacific Company ran a free excursion train out of Sacramento the other afternoon, bound for Reno, Nev. Between 300 and 400 Indians, who went there to pick hops, were provided with accommodations and sent to their homes in the Sagebrush State. They went in freight cars, and pulled out for the mountains cheering.

A letter received at Kaslo, B. C., discloses the fact that a young fellow who ran a restaurant in that town, and who died lately from fever and dysentery, was the son of an Irish Earl. The young man, who was always very reticent about his people, was a general favorite. His name was Charles Reginald Weatherly, and his mother is Lady Lonias of the same name.

Frank Shay, a Southern Pacific Company attorney and for many years Senator Stanford's private secretary, is considered to know better than any one else the value of the great estate left by Stanford. He says \$50,000,000 would be a conservative estimate of the value of the property. The assessed value of real estate owned by the late Senator is \$3,230,000, and the market value probably \$12,000,000.

BUSINESS BRIEFINGS.

It has been figured that Philadelphia took about 480,000 bushels of peaches this season.

The Aztecs filled quills with gold dust, sealed them and passed them from hand to hand as coin.

New York claims the distinction of being the only State that produces both rock and brine salt.

A paper has been invented in Germany from which ink writing may be erased with a moist sponge.

The aniline dyes were invented in 1826, and now over \$7,000,000 worth are annually used in the United States.

Female tramps are disposed to claim their share of a business which has heretofore been monopolized by men.

The largest gold coin in circulation is the "loaf" of Anam, which weighs as much as 325 United States dollars.

Pennsylvania ranks first in the cigar output of the country. New York, Ohio and Florida follow in the order named.

The largest gold nugget ever known was the "Sarah Sands," found in Australia. It weighed 233 pounds 4 ounces Troy.

Reports of increase of street railroad earnings where electricity has superseded mule power in large cities average 90 per cent.

More than 10,000 tons of salmon were packed by the canneries on the Frazer river, B. C., this season. It took nearly 30,000,000 cans.

Among the curious products of the State of Maine are wooden bottles. These are made not for liquids, but for pills, powders and tablets.

Cuba has 192 coffee plantations, 700 sugar plantations, 4,300 tobacco estates, 3,200 cattle farms and 1,700 small farms devoted to various products.

The silver product of the United States is about 8 1/2 per cent of our total mineral production, which according to the census was in 1880 \$587,230,662.

Commander Ludlow of the Mohican, which has been patrolling Behring Sea all summer, estimates the product of pelagic sealing this year at 60,000 skins.

The stoppage of silver mining will reduce our annual supply of gold by one-third. Just about 33 per cent of the yearly yield of gold is taken out of silver mines.

A telegraphic printing instrument, recently perfected, threatens not only to supersede the telephone as at present employed, but to revolutionize telegraphy in general.

Counting the bearing and non-bearing orange trees in Florida, there are estimated to be 10,000,000 trees. California is credited with having 6,000,000 trees and Arizona about 1,000,000.

One tow boat on the Mississippi in a good stage of water can take from St. Louis to New Orleans a tow carrying 10,000 tons of grain, a quantity that would require fifty trains of ten cars each.

The whaling industry has fallen off so much as to play but a small part in the world's commerce. The latest figures obtainable show the production to average between 15,000 and 20,000 tons of 252 gallons each per year.

F. P. Loomis, formerly United States Consul at St. Etienne, says that from an investigation he made he finds that about 95,000 Americans of the better class visit Europe every year, and that they spend about \$100,000,000.

Erastus Wiman is reported as saying in a late address that there are \$455,000,000 in the forty-one savings banks of New York and Brooklyn, held by more than 1,000,000 depositors, and the capital of all the national banks in the country is only \$700,000,000.

PURELY PERSONAL.

Mrs. Blount, the ex-Minister's wife, says that some of the native women she met in Honolulu were as cultivated and refined as any women she ever saw.

Five Irish Peers take their titles from places that are not to be found on the map of Ireland. These are the Duke of Aberdeen, the Earl of Sheffield, the Earl of Darnley, Viscount Bangor and Viscount Hawarden.

A brother of the King of Siam, with a numerous suite, is expected to arrive in Italy shortly. After visiting Naples and Rome the Siamese Prince will proceed to Monza, where he will be received by King Humbert.

Mr. Balfour, who will, it is thought, be Premier of England some day if his health lasts, is also thought to be the most interesting bachelor in England. He is handsome, his face being uncommonly refined and clever in expression; and for a statesman he is young, his years counting 45. He is a nephew of the Marquis of Salisbury, and an unmarried sister presides over his household.

Victor Herbert, the composer and violinist, is the new leader of Gilmore's band. People are wondering what so fine a musician as Herbert will do in such a position, to which the members of the band have elected him, with Mrs. Gilmore's hearty approval. Mr. Reeves, who has been leader since shortly after P. S. Gilmore's death, will return to Providence and resume the control of the band which so long bore his name.

An American who was recently a guest of Prof. John Stuart Blackie thus describes him: "An erect figure, not tall, but above the medium height. White hair falling about his neck. The bluest blue eyes I ever saw, with a keen, merry expression in their searching depths. Eyes that have never used glasses despite their owner's 84 years. A face alternating between ruddy and pale tints, like a mixture of heather red and white. A pleasant speech, with a quaint twist of Glasgow in the accent. Quaint, unconventional, honest manners, all the more elegant by reason of their very simplicity."

EASTERN MELANGE.

Colorado Miners Unfavorable to a Sliding Wage Scale.

THE POPULATION OF OKLAHOMA.

Immigration Into Canada—Choice Lands in the Red River Valley of North Dakota.

The harvest of the Florida orange crop has commenced.

A dispatch from Fall River says that all the mills are running.

Horses and cattle are dying of drouth in various parts of Texas.

The Indians are costing the government about \$7,000,000 per year.

Mob law was strongly condemned by the Knoxville (Tenn.) Presbytery.

James A. Garfield is to have a monument in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia.

Congressman de Armond proposes a tax on all incomes in excess of \$10,000.

The report of the Utah Commission says that polygamous marriages are a thing of the past.

Over one-fifth of the whole number of people in the United States have visited the World's Fair.

Georgia negroes will form an association to prevent lynchings and other outrages upon the race.

Secretary Lamont has appointed a board to appraise Fort Bliss in Texas, with a view to its sale.

Ex-President Harrison is said to have received \$1,000 for a recent magazine article on the World's Fair.

More than 4,000,000 words have been used in Congressional debate since the silver repeal question came up.

Several pupils in Philadelphia, ranging from 9 to 12 years old, have been arrested for carrying revolvers to school.

More than one-half of the Cherokee Strip boomers have already left their claims and gone back to their old homes.

Virginia comes up smiling with the largest peanut crop for years. Norfolk reports 500,000 bushels more than last year.

The Missouri State Board of Railroad Commissioners and the express companies are preparing a new schedule of rates.

Railroad trains will shortly be lit by electricity. The New York Central railroad is probably the first to use that system.

Representative Cooper of Texas has introduced resolutions in the House referring the question of silver to a vote of the people.

Immigration into Canada has proven a failure the past year, a decrease of 25 per cent compared with the previous year being shown.

Kansas farmers have been taken in by swindlers, who sell a compound alleged to double the amount of butter from a given amount of cream.

A Kentucky Congressman wants the government to pay rent for the school-houses and churches used as hospitals by the armies during the war.

The canal between Georgia Bay and Lake Ontario, which will shorten the Chicago route to the seaboard by over 1,000 miles, is nearing completion.

In Maryland the finest varieties of peaches are selling in the orchards at 25 cents a bushel. Prices are so low that it does not pay to ship them to market.

The Chicago grand jury has found indictments against twelve men, who are charged with arson. They were combined to insure houses and then burn them.

A whistle that will make itself heard for twenty-five miles has just been finished by John Bowman, and it will adorn the car shops at Third and Berks street, Philadelphia.

The indebtedness per head in Colorado is \$206. Even Kansas, which has always been an insatiate borrower, has only succeeded in running up a mortgage debt of \$170 per head.

A Rochester man has devised a plan by which a trolley street car can be stopped almost instantaneously, or within a space of three feet, while the car is going at full speed.

Bartholdi's magnificent statuary group which is at present on exhibition at the World's Fair will be kept at Chicago. The work is of bronze, and is composed of heroic figures of Washington and Lafayette.

The silver-mine owners at Aspen, Col., have proposed a sliding scale of wages to the men, but the latter are not disposed to accept it, and work will not be resumed until the price of silver justifies the old wages.

Elder Roberts of the Mormon Church complains that he was barred from participating in the proceedings of the Parliament of Religions at the World's Fair, notwithstanding the belief was entertained that all religions could have the right and privilege to be heard.

It is reported that the crops of peaches and grapes in Michigan this year are too great to be moved. The various transportation companies that are engaged in carrying the product to Chicago and other markets are overwhelmed with offerings of material to be carried away.

A party of negro miners passing through Chicopee, Kan., from a visit to Wier were called "scabs" by a lot of boys, and stones were thrown at them, when one of the negroes fired his pistol at the boys, wounding one. Much excitement resulted, and the negroes were taken to Pittsburg, Kan., to avoid trouble.

FROM WASHINGTON CITY.

Senator Dolph has introduced a bill to ratify the agreement with the Indians on the Siletz reservation, Oregon, for the cession of their lands not needed for allotment.

The charges made by the citizens of Oklahoma City of alleged misconduct on the part of Captain D. F. Steele of the United States army (retired) in connection with the opening of Oklahoma to settlement had their effect in the issuing of an order by the Secretary of War for the court-martial of Captain Steele. He is charged with fraud in his official capacity, while in command of the troops in 1892, to secure control of some of the best land sites in the Territory and with making a bargain with an auctioneer by which he purchased at the very lowest price government buildings and other property sold when the military camp was broken up. The court-martial will meet at Fort Reno, Oklahoma.

Strenuous efforts have been made by those favoring and opposing the McCready substitute for the Geary bill to agree upon a time when the bill shall be considered. It is feared that there will be no quorum in the House as soon as the vote is taken on the Federal election law repeal bill. Efforts will be made to take the bill up as soon after this vote as possible. Some of its opponents want it put off till November 1 to wait for a quorum. There is little doubt expressed that the bill will go through as soon as a vote can be reached. Several Western members are preparing speeches which will severely arraign the administration for the non-enforcement of the Geary law.

In his report to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs Prof. Putnam in charge of the ethnological exhibit of the World's Fair denounces as falsehoods the charges by Mrs. Sicles, Chairman of the Universal Peace Union, that brutal and cruel exhibitions of the Indian sun dance were given at the fair. The accusations are characterized as misrepresentations; he says there has been no representation of the Indian sun dance, and there has not been a single Indian belonging to the United States who has taken part in any exhibition except the Navajos, who have been quietly sitting in a hut weaving and making silver work. Indians from Vancouver Island, who are entirely outside the jurisdiction of the United States, have given exhibitions, performing ceremonial songs and dances.

Secretary Carlisle has sent to the House his reply to the resolution of that body asking him why 4,500,000 ounces of silver bullion were not purchased during July and August as required by law. The reply says, as the United States is the largest purchaser of silver in the world, the Secretary of the Treasury after an examination of the offers and quotations each day should determine what in his judgment is a fair price. He either has to purchase 4,500,000 ounces at the dealers' prices, no matter how unreasonable or exorbitant, or he must employ such means as are at his command to ascertain the actual market price. The effort of the department since June 12 has been to simply ascertain the fair market price of bullion each day it was offered for sale, and when ascertained to make purchases at that price.

The Foreign Affairs Committee has decided to report favorably the McCready substitute for the Everitt bill. As agreed on, it extends the Chinese registration period six months from the passage of the act. It strikes out the word "white" from the Geary act so as to permit the testimony of anybody except Chinamen to be adduced to prove "Chinamen are entitled to register." It defines a Chinese laborer. Geary offered his amendment requiring photographing in connection with the identification clause, but only secured three votes in its support. The majority deemed the regulations of the Treasury Department sufficient. Geary cast the only adverse vote. He declares the bill's teeth are drawn, that it is a makeshift in keeping with the course of the administration, and that he will fight it tooth and nail.

Arrangements are being made at the Navy Department for the trial of the new cruiser Olympia, built by the Union Iron Works of San Francisco. The trial will take place about November 1 over a forty-mile course in Santa Barbara Channel between Point Conception and Santa Barbara.

According to a Treasury statement issued by Secretary Carlisle the amount of money in circulation in the United States October 1 was \$1,701,830,918. The average circulation per capita, estimating the population at 67,300,000, is therefore \$25.29, a net increase in circulation during September of \$21,577,247. The greatest item of increase was gold coin, viz., \$14,829,741.

President Cleveland has signed the proclamation setting apart a large tract of land as a forest reserve under the act of March 3, 1891. The reservation will be known as the "Cascade forest reservation." It extends from the Columbia river 200 miles southward, about twenty miles wide, taking in the Cascade Range. Hereafter no settlement will be allowed within its boundaries.

Secretary Hoke Smith has sent to the Secretary of the Treasury estimates for appropriations for the Interior Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1895. The appropriations asked aggregate \$176,779,134, as against \$180,087,090 for the current fiscal year. The principal item is the army and navy pensions, which foot up \$100,000,000. This is a decrease of \$5,000,000 from the present fiscal year.

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