OCCIDENTAL NEWS.

Flood Predicted in the Potlatch Country Next Spring.

THE CURRENT OF THE SANTIAM

Prescott and Arizona Central Railroad Withdraws Its Trains A Partisan Removed.

An effort is being made to organize a minon of scalers at Victoria, B. C. Captain Cochrane at Vallejo, recontly ouri-martialed, has been restored to laty by Secretary Herbert.

A survey of the Boston's bottom at tare Island finds it remarkably well reserved, notwithstanding the vessel's ing exposure at Hawaii.

Many of the delegates to the Irriga-tion Congress, recently in session at Los Angeles, are studying the irrigation sys-tems of that section of the State.

Warburton Pike, the English explorer, has returned to Nanaimo, B. C., from the interior of Alaska by the steamer Bertha, having made a journey of over 4,000 miles in a small Peterborough

The Prescott and Arisona Central allroad has withdrawn its trains. The and is seventy-two miles long, but since be building of the Santa Fe, Prescott and Phenix road the latter has all the

Mrs. Books in the Evans murder case ## Jackson, Amador county, Cal., testified that Sheriff Thorn offered her \$500 if she ould swear that Evans was not at some on the 15th of June, the day Mes-

Chris Evans, the train robber and murderer, has been removed from his cell into one more secure, owing to ramore which reached the Sheriff that an effort to release the prisoner was being made. Evans says there was no plot to release him; that the story was ariginated by "cowardly detectives."

The changing current of the Santiam is threatening to render uncless the Sanderson bridge. It has already cost about \$20,000, and the Linn county (Or.) officials are debating whether it will be cheaper to keep following up the changing channel or tear the bridge down and rebuild it at some point where it is more permanent.

For being an offensive partisan J. W. Kavanagh, a writer in the steam engineering department at the Mare Island navy yard, has been dismissed by Secretary Herbert, and E. J. Stoddard of San Francisco appointed in his stead. This is the third removal during the present administration.

Some sensational evidence was produced at the trial of the libel suit against the Ree at Sacramento instituted by George P. Royster. The deposition of ex-County Clerk Reynolds of San Francisco was read, showing some of the methods he had employed to defeat the ends of justice on his second and last trial for being short in his accounts with the State.

Alexander, has been lame for two years and the Poliatch country next spring. Fourieen years ago the ground was soaked with rain before the snows came and when the snow melted it filled the rivers to overflowing. At Kendrick the ice was piled filter feet high after the waters subsided. Eight years ago it was impossible to travel from Juliaetts was impossible to travel from Juliaetts was impossible to travel from Juliaetts and Lewision on account of the flood.

The attorneys for Sidney Bell, the highwayman, now serving a sixty-year term at the State prison at Folsom, have flad a brief in the Supreme Court, which is the first step toward securing Boll's release. The grounds taken are that the indictments on which Bell was guilty were not good, having been allowed to lapse and the cases to drop from the calendar. This was due to a murdor charge which was hanging over the prisoner, on which it was expected to scarze sonviction. The prosecution was disappointed in this, and then charges of robbery were taken up and presed. It is believed among lawyers that the conviction of Bell on a charge of murder would be extremely difficult.

There will be a great many days at the Midwinter Fair, but not the least of them will be San Francisco day. This will be March 19. All San Francisco will that day turn out to do honor to the day of the city, and while the three-quarters-of-s-million mark of Chicago day will not be striven for, the managers hape the attendance at the park will break all records for Pacific Coast gath-crings. San Francisco day there will be much to attract, but the most attractive will be held there. A company has been formed in San Francisco to provide a festival of the Mardi Gras class. It was at first thought that something of a local character could be secured, but owing to the shortness of the time allowed it was decided to take advantage of the work already done on the New Oriesna festival and bring it hitter bodily. It will be brought. All its parametry and its mirth-provoking features are to be shown, just as they have for years in the Crescent City.

BUSINESS BREVITIES.

The making of chinaware is the oldes

Clinton, Ia., claims to have the largest aw mill.

Horseshoes are made of cowhide in instralia.

There are nearly 9,000 women farmer in Wisconsin.

There are about 8,000 banks in the IDAHO MINING EXHIBIT EOBBED United States.

Over 1,100 cows are quartered in the city of Dublin.

Lobsters are the sole product of one farm in Maine.

Chili is having twelve locomotives built in New York.

A shorthand typewriter is the res of a late invention.

An English corset firm made 838 cor ets for men last year.

The average wages of the coolies of India is 8 cents a day.

Last year 1,250,000,000 bananas found market in this country. The first electric underground railroad is in operation in London.

A net to catch whale has been patented at Auckland, New Zealand.

More than 500 electric railroads are operation in the United States.

Women are crowding the men out of clerical employments in Canada.

A new pic plate has holes in the bot-tom to save the pic from sogginess.

Now there are farmers who are estis-fied with electric power for plowing.

People in the United States consume nearly 600 tons of nux vomica yearly.

A Holland woman is engaged in the making of wooden shoes in Fairhaven, Wash.

Flour is made from bananas, and may become an important food supply of the world.

A London lanndry, owned by women and employing only women, earned \$30,-000 last year.

Pittsburg and Jersey factories manufacture glassware for a prominent dealer in Hongkong.

Nearly 6,000 chimney sweeps are con-stantly engaged in sweeping the 1,000,000 chimneys in London.

PURELY PERSONAL.

John Wanamaker has contributed \$1,-000 to the citizens' permanent relief committee to help the unemployed peo-ple in the mill districts of Philadelphia.

Queen Victoria's fifty-five pet dogs have a dining-room that is handsomely carpeted and ornamented with the por-traits of their ancestors in oils and water

colors.

The Duke of York pays great attention to what the newspapers say about him. He keeps a book in which is pasted every reference made to him in the public press which falls into his hands.

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Attorney-General Olney is an enthusiastic tennis player, and has constructed
a court near his residence in Washington.
On fair afternoons he indulges in the
sport, in which he shows great proficiency and expertness.

Mrs. Cookesley for painting the portrait of the Sultan's seven-year-old son
has been decorated with the diamondstudded star of Chefakat. She is a San
Francisco artist, traveling in the East
with her husband, Captain E. A. Cookesley.

A new coaper of the Bound Brook, R. J., has among its members Mrs. Sa-rah Van Noetrand, whose father was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and who is now 105 years old.

That clever English novelist, Mrs. Alexander, has been lame for two years from a curious cause. She suffered serious hurt to the knee, owing to her cramped position in the dress circle of a London theater one evening, and she is unable to walk without a stick.

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EASTERN MELANGE.

Action of a Mayor Commended by the Grand Jury.

Grand Chief of the Order of Railway Telegraphers Indicted by an lowa Grand Jury.

Tobacco has been found growing wild in Ree county, Tex.

The endowment orders are likely to be driven out of Texas.

The State Treasurer of Missouri holds \$30,000 in cash awaiting distribution among unknown heirs.

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The establishment of an ostrich farm
on St. Joseph's Island, near Rockport,
Tex., is being agitated.

A Kansas Judge has decided that
whisky contracts made in Missouri cannot be enforced against residents of Kan-

New York State enjoys a pretty reve me from its collateral inheritance tax nue from its collateral inheritance tax. The sum reported at Albany is \$3,071,-It takes 1,000 men all night and late

into the morning to clean up the debris left behind each day by the World's Fair Prof. E. B. Clapp of the Greek depart-ment of Yale has accepted a call to the Greek department of the University of California.

A Burlington (Kan.) woman is going to start a crazy quilt with the ribbons of her husband's sheep secured at the World's Fair.

Since August 1 there have been twelve railroad disasters of more than ordinary severity, involving the loss of 127 lives and the injuring of 388 more.

Exhibitors at the World's Fair are complaining that the electric light given them is not such as was promised, and threaten to close their exhibits.

The Arkaness Valley Irrigation Com-pany is sowing wheat in 20,000 acres along its ditches, and will use the result, if favorable, to boom irrigation.

Mrs. Grant, it is reported, intends to make her home in Washington in the future. Mrs. Blaine has offered all her Washington real estate for sale.

The New York State building at the exposition may be sold to the Chicago Yacht Club at the conclusion of the fair and utilized as a naval academy.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company is to build a plazza of glass around its new Broad-street station in Philadelphia. This unique porch will extend two blocks.

The Union Pacific has declined to take off its rate of 405.50 from the Missouri river to the Pacific Coast in compliance with the proposal made by the "Soo" line.

The insurance companies doing busi-ness in Omaha have made an advance in rates of 20 per cent. The action is based on the inadequacy of the fire pro-

tection.

The Isabo mining exhibit at the World's Fair at Chicago was robbed Sanday night of gold nuggets and a bar of silver bullion from the La Mar mine.

The loss is \$5,000.

Santa Fe employes have appointed a grievance committee to wait on the offi-cers of the road and ascertain when they will be paid their September salaries. A strike is threatened.

In a ballot taken in Boston to decide upon the most popular names for babies Helen led the list for a girl with 1,373 votes out of the 15,000 cast, and Harold was first favorite for a boy.

FROM WASHINGTON CITY.

Robinson of Pennsylvania has introduced a bill to abolish the office of naval officer at all ports of entry.

Wilson of Washington has introduced a bill for appropriating \$375,000 for two revenue cutters for the Pacific Coast.

Secretary Carlisle has appointed P. Luttrell of California special agent of the Treasury Department in charge of the salmon fisheries of Alaska. M. B. Felly was appointed Chinese inspector.

The House Committee on Banking and Currency has postponed until the regular session in December the further consideration of the bills to suspend the tax on clearing-house certificates issued during the stringency.

Senator Squire has been informed by the Indian Commissioner that hereafter other cities on the Coast than San Fran-cisco will have an opportunity to furnish Indian supplies by being designated as depots where goods may be delivered.

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Colonel Charles Heywood, commandant of the United States marine corps, says in his annual report that his force is too small. Because of this the mariness are overworked. Colonel Heywood recommends that the five corps be increased 500 men. He also wants legislation to remove the stagnation in the grade of Captain, and calls attention to the omission from the new navy regulations of provision for salutes to the commandant of the marine corps. The good work of the marine detachment at Honolini and the bravery and fortitude of the marine guard in rescuing life at Port Royal, S. C., during the August hurricane are commended highly.

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The State Department has received from Anthony Howells, United States Consul at Cardiff, Wales, a statement prepared by the Cardiff Board of Trade, showing the exports of tin plates and sheets from the United Kingdom during the nine months ended September 30, 1893. The statement shows that during the period named 212,241 tons of material, valued at £2,278,585, was shipped to the United States, against 214,537 tons, valued at £2,867,787, in 1892, and 284,316 tons, valued at £4,672,213, in 1891. The total amount exported to all countries in the nine months ended September 30, 1891, was 301,681 tons, valued at £3,980,218, making the amount exported to the United States alone nearly three-fourths of the total export product.

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Minister in Washington the State Department has made representations
which indicate that the United States
government will not accept consular
certificates as conclusive evidence that
the Chinese subjects presenting them
are merchants or artists, and therefore
entitled to admission in this country.
Recently in New York, at the instance
of the Chinese inspectors, two Chinese,
who presented certificates from the Consul at Havama that they were actors and
not amenable to the restriction law,
were refused a landing. Inspector
Scharf insisted that the men were laborers and that their certificates were
fraudulent. The detained Chinese took
the matter into court, where it is still
pending under writs of habeas corpus,
and further made complaints to the
Minister, who brought the matter to the
attention of the State Department.
Secretary Gresham called on Secretary
Carliale for information, and received a
copy of Inspector Scharf's report, with
an intimation that the inspector, in the
opinion of the Treasury authorities, was
acting in the line of his duty and seemed
not to have exceeded his anthority in
the premises. Secretary Gresham accordingly has transmitted this information to the Chinese Minister. The
Treasury Department's stand on the
question is still further emphasized by
Attorney-General Olney, who has directed the United States District Attorney at New York to prosecute the cases
on which the Chinese Minister's protest
was based. Mr. Olney gave this direction at the request of Secretary Carlisle,

The House has passed Representive Hermann's bill confirming title to W. P. Kesdy and other lot owners of the town site of Looploop in Washington, The entry was canceled by the General Land Office because of the entry being covered by Valentine scrip, which could not be located on land such as this was.

covered by Valentine scrip, which could not be located on land such as this was. Secretary Hoke Smith the other day beard argument of counsel for Oregon and Idaho in a case involving the right of these States to select double minimum lands as indemnity under the school grants. The existing rule of the department excluding State selections from belts of double minimum lands has, it was claimed by counsel, impaired the value of the schools grants.

Mr. Stockdale of Mississippi offered in the Hones a bill amending the civil service laws so as to provide for an equal division of offices among the States, according to their Congressional districts. The heads of departments are to report the number of their employes in their respective departments from each State to the President, and when a State has not its quota all appointments made to it are to be from that State until the quota is filled. Heads of departments are also to apportion the salaries among the States as nearly equal as possible.

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United States District Attorney Speed is striking it rich in his investigation of the Strip land office. Judge Kale's decision that Chief Clerk Handland must tentify before the grand jury brought things to a focus, and testimony is piling up rapidly tending to criminate many of the land officials. It has been shown that at the Perry office a number of bribes were taken, and the papers were received and filed ahead of time without the filer appearing. Places were openly sold in the line. The investigation will continue for some time, and a good list of indictments will follow.

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