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FRESNO RAISIN SHIPMENTS.

Claus Spreckels' Son Purchases the
Entire Street Railway System at San Diego.

Scarlet fever is at Elko, Nev.
Pendleton is cleaning out the gamblers.
Portland is determined to enforce the
Sunday law.

In Millard county, Utah, fine lithographic stone has been found.
Los Angeles is being flooded by "green-goods" circulars from New York.

The wreck of the bark Charles Devens at Coos Bay is to be removed at once.
Ranchers around Idaho Falls, Idaho, are offering potatoes in the field at 10 cents per 100 pounds.

Raisin shipments from Fresno are now averaging twenty carloads a day. The total shipments will reach 1,000 carloads.
The prospects for the completion of a railroad from Salt Lake to Los Angeles are fair according to a report that reaches Los Angeles.

A. B. Spreckels, son of Claus Spreckels, has purchased the entire system of street-car lines at San Diego, and will apply electricity in operating them.

George E. Holden, a Chicago sporting man, was robbed of nearly \$8,000 between Albuquerque and Pomona. He carried the money in a small handbag.

George Clark, who is charged with the killing of Superintendent Galavotti while the latter was taking a bar of gold to Nevada City, has surrendered to the authorities.

Prof. Martin W. Sampson, professor of English in the State University of Iowa, has been appointed assistant professor of English in the Leland Stanford (Jr.) University.

Two well-known gamblers at Portland charge that there is a gambling trust in that city, and that from \$3,000 to \$4,000 is collected monthly and given to officials to insure the gamblers from being interfered with.

It is just announced that three Eastern parties, whose names are withheld, have donated \$50,000 to the endowment fund of the Pomona College and \$25,000 for a building to be erected during the coming spring.

The United States government has sent a gold watch and chain to be presented to Captain D. D. Roop of the British bark Norcross at Victoria, B. C., for the rescue of the crew of the American ship William McGillivray in August, 1889.

While the penitentiary commissioners were in session at the Santa Fe prison, three prisoners, with "wooden revolvers," wrapped up in tin foil, held up the guard, and two escaped in a carriage which was in front of the building.

From reports gathered from fruit growers in all parts of California south of Fresno it is found that the total prune crop in that region this season has been one-eighth of a full crop. In Pomona Valley it has been even smaller than that.

John Moran, a section boss on the Atlantic and Pacific at Needles, has been arrested at Albuquerque, and property which was stolen from a Pullman sleeper on the 20th ult., and belonging to Mrs. McLernand of Fort Wingate was found on his person.

EDUCATIONAL.

Western University Students in Alleghany Abandon the Cane Rush, and Substitute Boxing.

New York has sixteen night schools. Missouri has 10,000 country school teachers.

Only 1 1/2 per cent. of the population of India can read and write.

The Imperial University of Tokio, Japan, has 2,000 scholars enrolled.

An eleven-year-old Kansas boy was granted a teacher's certificate last week.

Members of the same family seem to have a tendency for the same kind of work. Of the 44,000 lady teachers 11,000 are sisters.

Western University students in Alleghany abandoned their cane rush and substituted a boxing match for points between leading freshmen and sophomores.

It is now announced that the unknown giver of \$50,000 to found a scholarship at Clark University, Worcester, in December, 1889, was the late Hon. George S. Barton.

The directors of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, now located at Gettysburg, have been considering for some time the plan of removing that institution to Washington.

At the Northwestern University (educational) at Evanston, Ill., this year, the young women are not permitted to receive callers except during the hour from 7 to 8 p. m. On Fridays the young men stay until 9:30 p. m.

October 8 Colonel Amos A. Parker of Fitzwilliam, N. H., celebrated his one hundredth birthday. So far as is known he is the oldest college graduate in America, having finished the course at the University of Vermont in 1813.

The Fayerweather bequest will go far toward meeting the expense of many necessary improvements in Dartmouth College. More apparatus, baths and lockers will soon be added to the gymnasium, and improvements in Reed Hall will also be made.

The Methodist University of Washington is rapidly taking shape, and in a short time the fine site, which has been purchased by means of the contributions of the residents of the Capital City, will present an active scene as the various buildings are erected.

In 1642 Harvard graduated a class of nine members. A hundred years later the graduating class numbered twenty-four. A century later yet the number had doubled again, and in 1860 Harvard graduated her first class of 100 members. Twenty years later the classes had more than doubled again, and now the entering class of this year more than quadruples that number.

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EASTERN ITEMS.

River Making Inroads on New Orleans.

ELECTRICAL PROCESS IN IRON

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Iron is to be made at Chattanooga by an electrical process.

The Supreme Court of North Dakota sustains the prohibition law in every particular.

The people of Brooklyn have sounded an emphatic call for another bridge across the East river.

Nicaragua needs water badly, and American well drillers with pumping outfits are in demand.

Georgia statesmen have resolved to return to the old custom of annual meetings of the Legislature.

A rich amber deposit, it is reported, has been discovered in Ontario, the estimated value of which is \$7,000,000.

Louisiana sugar men are objecting strongly to the appointment of negroes as inspectors under the bounty law.

The inroads of the river on New Orleans continue, and may prove a rather serious matter for a part of the city.

A canal to connect Jamaica Bay with the Great South Bay, on the south shore of Long Island, is spoken of as probable.

Before the close of the year four new cruisers—two at Baltimore, one at Norfolk and one in Philadelphia—will have been launched.

The number of postoffices in the United States is officially stated to be 64,391, showing an increase of 2,000 over last year at this time.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

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It is no longer good form to call the Emperor of Japan the Mikado. He is now called Kotei, and the Chinese Emperor answers to the title Hakudahan.

Charles Stewart Farnell according to Thomas Biggar Harrison was the person who dubbed Prince Albert Victor, Queen Victoria's eldest grandson, "Collars and Cuffs."

"Honest" John Bardsley's present occupation in the Pennsylvania penitentiary is making pepper boxes. He has gained twenty pounds in weight since his term began.

Emile Grainer, a wealthy Frenchman, has taken the liveliest interest in the building-up of the commercial prosperity of the State of Wyoming, and has already spent \$400,000 in the work, upon which he has been engaged for the past eight years.

Von Mumm, the German Secretary of Legation and Charge d'Affaires, will continue to represent his government at Washington until a successor to the late Count von Aro-Valley is appointed. Mumm is a very proper name for a disreputable diplomat.

Of the land pertaining to the late Chief Justice Chase's home near Washington, D. C., called "Edgewood," about seventeen acres have been laid out for a villa site, but the remaining thirty-six acres Kate Chase still retains with the old mansion, which continues to be her home.

Achille Perelli, who died a few days ago in New Orleans, was one of the most distinguished sculptors in the United States. He was born in Milan, Italy, and was a pupil of Galli, a celebrated Italian sculptor. After fighting many battles while in Garibaldi's army he came to this country, and resumed his artistic work in Louisiana.

Victorien Sardou's wife met the famous dramatic author for the first time at breakfast one morning at her own home, where he had come to consult her father, M. Soulie, Director of the Palace of Versailles. It was a case of love at first sight, and before Sardou had left the house she had given him her heart.

Even the famous people have their vanities. Meissonier was proud of his shapely and delicate hands. He said that his fingers were so sensitive that he could with his eyes shut lay on the exact amount of color that he wanted on a given spot if somebody placed the point of the brush upon it.

Mrs. Charlotte Emerson Brown of Orange, President of the Federation of Women's Clubs, is a daughter of Prof. Ralph Emerson, for many years connected with the Andover Theological Society. She is a handsome woman of fine physique and an accomplished linguist, speaking half a dozen languages fluently.

NATIONAL CAPITAL.

The Assistant Secretary of the Interior Department Files His Report for the Fiscal Year.

Assistant Secretary Bussey, of the Interior Department, has filed his report for the fiscal year. The report reviews the work of the board of pension appeals. It shows that January 1, 1891, there were 5,028 appeals pending before the board, as against 5,030 July 1, 1891. Mr. Bussey points out several defects in pension legislation, and makes a number of recommendations looking to their correction. He asks that Congress be requested to enact a law that shall expressly authorize the department to treat all improper, illegal and excessive payments of pensions, whether caused by fraud or mistake, as payments to be charged against the current pension, with a view to readjust or equal the current pension payments within the discretion of the Secretary. He suggests that in case of insane, idiotic or otherwise helpless children of deceased pensioners, of pensionable age, the limit be abolished, so as to admit such children at any date to the pension roll. He also recommends that persons who served in the Confederate army and afterwards enlisted in the navy of the United States be given the same pension accorded those who served the Confederate cause and then enlisted in the army of the United States.

Under the authority of the act of Congress, approved September 28, 1890, the Director of the Mint has prepared a new design for silver coin, which has been approved by the Secretary of the Treasury. The design is intended for half dollars, quarters and dimes. On the obverse face of the coin is a female head representative of liberty looking to the right with an olive leaf and Phœnician cap on the back of the head. On the band, or fillet, over the front of the head is the word "Liberty," and over the head at the top of the coin, "In God We Trust." Around the medallion are thirteen stars, and at the bottom the date of coinage. On the reverse side appears the seal of the United States, as adopted in 1782, an eagle with open wings. On the breast a shield argent, six pellets gules, a chief azure. In his dexter claw the eagle holds an olive branch, representing peace, and in the sinister claw a sheaf of thirteen arrows, representing war. In his beak the eagle holds a scroll containing "E Pluribus Unum," entwined above and about the head with thirteen stars, environed by the words "This will be the design of halves and quarters. The dime on the obverse side, in place of the stars, will have "United States of America." "In God We Trust" will be omitted from the dime. The reverse of the dime will be the same as the present dime in use. The reverse of the half and quarter is a return to the design of almost the first coinage of the country.

FOREIGN LANDS.

Jerusalem Becomes a Jewish City.

BRAZIL TO FOSTER THE VINE.

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The epidemic of smallpox, which recently prevailed in Honduras, is over.

A split has been discovered in another big British gun—a sixty-seven-ton gun. The Canadian Cabinet crisis is over. Chapeau will retain the Secretaryship of State.

Russia is establishing new ports of commerce and naval stations on the Black Sea.

An epidemic resembling la grippe has attacked many persons at San Jose, Costa Rica.

There are fears of a famine in Northern Hungary, owing to failures of the potato crop.

Prince Czartoryski, Vice-President of the Upper House of the Austrian Parliament, is dead.

Advices from Africa report that Cardinal Lavigerie is seriously ill at Algiers. The Pope has sent his blessings to the Cardinal.

Natives of South Africa are building a telegraph line across Mashonaland at the rate of three miles a day.

The Russian government has placed an order for 500,000 small-bore repeating rifles with a French firm.

Orders have been issued by the Porte for the construction of eighteen new cruisers for the Turkish navy.

The extraordinary rainfall of the past month all over England has produced the heaviest floods since 1875.

Negotiations have reached an advanced stage with the Rothschilds in Paris for a Spanish gold loan of \$15,000,000.

Melbourne, Australia, has just completed a splendid system of cable roads about eighty-five miles in extent.

Great Britain still pushes her claims to the ownership of the valuable mines in the eastern portion of Venezuela.

The Italian railroads have prepared a zone tariff project for the carriage of parcels not exceeding twenty-two pounds in weight.

Rumors from Nicaragua are to the effect that a number of persons will be exiled in addition to those already driven from the country before long.

The Dreyfus motion relative to the prosecution of the Archbishop of Aix was withdrawn after an exciting debate in the French Chamber of Deputies.

Grand Duke Alexander of Oldenburg, chief military expert of Russia, is taking part in a strategic conference now proceeding between French and Russian officers.

As there is a popular superstition in China that telegraph poles cast baleful shadows on the graves of deceased ancestors, the wires are being buried to save trouble.

Fifty huge chests were required to transport from Greece to Berlin the superb collection of the relics of Troy left by the late Dr. Schliemann to the Berlin Museum of Art.

A new naphtha spring of immense capacity was recently opened in Bakoo on the Taggieff grant. If it continues with the same power as at present, it will be the richest naphtha fountain in the world.

A Portuguese mail boat from East Africa has arrived from Marseilles, and reports a recent encounter between British and Portuguese soldiers at Lorenzo Marquez, in which two were killed and fifteen injured.

France is supposed to be preparing to sweep all Russian refugees over the border, their absence from French soil being one of the conditions the Czar exacts before he will visit the Republic.

The Inman line steamer City of Richmond, which cost £125,000 sterling to build, was offered at auction at Liverpool, and the highest bid was \$6,000. The vessel was withdrawn.

When Kicking Bear of Buffalo Bill's Indians went through St. Paul's Cathedral the other day he examined the muskets on Wellington's funeral car and granted, "Gun no good!"

The total tonnage of the port of Liverpool during the last fiscal year was 9,772,805 tons. The Messey Dock Board received from duties on vessels and merchandise the sum of \$5,670,000.

In the last annual report of the British postoffice it appears that of the \$7,060,000 received in the money-order department from foreign countries there came from the United States \$5,580,000.

The Theosophical Society people in London are chagrined at Sir Edward Arnold's departure for America. They had been making preparations to exploit him as one of their own sort in order to gain luster from his reflected light. It had been announced that he was to preside at the next meeting of the society.

A conflict between Turkish troops and an armed band under the command of Chiefs Zanlus and Mauris, champions of the Cretan Christians, has occurred near Melopotamos. Thirty of those engaged in the fight, including Chiefs Zanlus and Mauris, were killed.

AMMONIA AND SUICIDES.

One of the Most Certain Agents for Causing Death by Slow Poisoning.

Of the number of those seeking suicide by swallowing some form of poison, probably there are few who have sought to kill themselves by means of ammonia. Nevertheless ammonia, although it is the active agent in most of the salts sold to women for their gilt decorated and perfumed scent bottles, is poisonous when taken internally in a concentrated form. To attest this there have been recently in New York several cases, the most recent being that of Herman Horowitz, of which Deputy Coroner Jenkins said that death took place in a comparatively short time after the ammonia was taken. In another case, that of a child, Dr. Jenkins said death resulted in five minutes after swallowing the ammonia solution.

There are on record also cases of slow poisoning from ammonia administered with intent to commit murder. Furthermore, the appearance of workmen in guano factories, where ammonia is set free by grinding guano, has been noted, and in every case there is an unmistakable system of poisoning. This is discoloration of the skin of the face, which assumes a blotched, dirty appearance.

First to take on this appearance is the skin of the nose and forehead. Autopsies of those who die from ammonia poisoning reveal a dark hue on the mucous membrane lining the stomach and intestines.

As an agent for causing death by slow poisoning, ammonia is one of the most certain and most difficult of detection, owing to its volatile nature. This quality has led physicians to believe that some of the mysterious deaths that have taken place in the history of modern and medieval crime are due to ammonia. It is known now that months have elapsed between the first symptoms of sickness and the death of a person from ammonia poisoning. On the other hand, death has resulted in four minutes from the time a large draught of ammonia has been swallowed. It has been found in cases of gradual absorption of ammonia in the human system that there is a general elimination of healthy oxidation of the blood and a consequent lowering of the bodily strength. In the cases of immediate poisoning, death comes with frightful agony, as in the case of Horowitz. Blood gushed from his nose and mouth.

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