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## EVENTS OF THE DAY

EPITOME OF THE TELEGRAPHIC  
NEWS OF THE WORLD.

An interesting collection of items from the two hemispheres presented in a condensed form—a large amount of information in a small space.

The state department has received a cablegram from United States Minister Smythe, at Port au Prince, Hayti, confirming the Paris report of the death of President Hippolyte.

A terrible explosion of fire damp took place in a mine at Bramerton, N. Z. Five persons were killed outright, and sixty more were entombed, with no hope of being rescued.

An order in the Canadian council has been passed under which Spain is added to the list of the countries entitled to participate in the advantages conceded to France under the so-called French treaty.

The Vose block, one of the finest in Machias, Me., was burned and several business firms renting offices in the building, as well as lodge-rooms, lost all their effects. The total damage is estimated at \$250,000; insurance, \$50,000.

An attempt was made to derail the Oregon express between Tehama and Vina, Cal., by placing ties on the track. The engineer saw the obstruction in time to avert a smashup. No motive can be given for the attempted derailment.

The Iron Horse group of mines, among the best-known in the Trail Creek district in British Columbia, has been sold for \$75,000 to Peter Porter. The Iron Horse is a gold producer, and has a defined ledge, and is shipping ore.

The battleship Iowa has been successfully launched. Mary Lord Drake, daughter of Governor Drake of Iowa, broke the bottle of champagne over the vessel's prow and gave it its name. The vice-president and several cabinet officers were in attendance.

Three hundred Chinese were blown to atoms by the explosion of a magazine attached to the fort at Kiangyin, China. The disaster, according to mail advices received by steamer, was the work of mutinous soldiers, who were preparing to join the secret society rebels in an attack on an adjacent town, but whether through carelessness or by intention is not known.

In the last week of mild weather, Grand Valley, Colo., throughout its length and breadth, is riddled with holes dug for fruit trees. It is estimated that between 750,000 and 1,000,000 fruit trees, apples, peaches, plums and pears, chiefly, will be planted as soon as water is turned into the irrigating ditches. This is far the largest planting the valley has ever known.

The resignation of John I. Hall as assistant attorney-general of the interior department, was presented to the president this afternoon, to take effect May 1. Judge Hall resigns to accept the general counselship of the Georgia Southern & Florida Railway Company. His successor as assistant attorney-general will be W. A. Little, of Columbus, Ga.

Consternation was thrown into the camp of the numerous heirs and claimants to the Davis millions, when Attorney M. J. Cavanaugh filed a petition in the district court in Butte, Mont., in behalf of Mrs. Hulda Queen Davis, otherwise known as Hulda Snell, of Kern county, Cal., laying claim to the whole of the estate, worth many millions, alleging she is the surviving wife of the dead millionaire.

The chamber of deputies in Paris, France, 286 to 270, has voted for the government proposal of the principle of an income tax, but has referred the details of the scheme to the committee. It has been believed extremely doubtful whether the proposal could pass the legislature. The action of the chamber is in the nature of a compromise in endorsing the principle of an income tax, but throwing aside the details of the government scheme.

A desperate fight took place in the

village of Berry, Ill. James and Charles Horning, two prominent young farmers, and James Housick were shot in the fight. One of the Hornings received a wound in the leg, and the other had his hand and arm shattered by a ball. Housick was shot in the neck, and his injury is regarded as serious. The trouble grew out of the sending of a valentine.

It is stated that the Rev. C. O. Brown, of San Francisco, will be tried by the Bay conference on the charge of unministerial conduct. The charges, it is said, will be presented by either Dr. Rader or Dr. Williams, and among the items alleged against the accused minister are said to be his attempted deception of the press; the discrepancy in his testimony in the Davidson trial, where he is alleged to have testified one way in the police court and directly opposite in the superior court.

It is asserted that the Transvaal government is about to offer England the assistance of the burgher forces to crush the Matabele uprising.

The garment workers of Baltimore, who have been on strike for five weeks, have returned to work where they could get their places. Over 6,000 persons have been out.

The Missouri supreme court has affirmed the sentence of the Taylor brothers, convicted of having murdered the Meek family, near Milan. Execution was set for April 30.

The president has appointed B. F. Franklin, a former member of the house, as governor of Arizona. The term of the present governor does not expire until April 1, 1897.

Mme. Dure Berthel, a leading contralto of Louisville, Ky., one of the best-known vocalists of the South, has been stricken blind, and the probabilities are that her affliction will be permanent.

In Prague, strikers attacked the weavers who had resumed work, and a serious conflict took place. Finally the police were compelled to charge with drawn swords and several persons were wounded.

A New York Herald dispatch from Rome says the negus Menelek has ordered the massacre of a number of prisoners and sick persons who have fallen into the hands of his forces during the present campaign in Abyssinia.

Judge Hanford has granted an order for the sale of the Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern railroad, the sale to be made in Seattle on or after May 16 next. The bondholders, under the reorganization plan, will be bidders for the property.

Hereafter the Northern Pacific will run two transcontinental trains instead of one. The time between St. Paul and Portland will be shortened eight hours by putting on a fast mail train. The time eastbound will be shortened six hours.

Senator Davis, of the judiciary committee has reported favorably the bill making it unlawful to shoot or throw any missile into any railroad locomotive or car, or to shoot at any person therein. The bill has particular application to the Indian territory.

A special to the Herald from Madrid says a violent attack upon Senator Sherman was published in the Imparcial, which called him a former slave-trader, and asserted that he wants the Cuban rebellion to succeed in order to re-establish slavery in Cuba.

It is now known that one-half of the Texas peach crop has been killed by frost. Corn has all been planted, but as yet no cotton, although the ground is prepared for it. Owing to the late season, caused by cold winter, the acreage will not be as large as last year.

The Cutter Silk Manufacturing Company, of West Bethlehem, Pa., has made an assignment to ex-Postmaster John Field, of Philadelphia. The failure is a heavy one, as the company is capitalized at \$500,000 and has, in addition, a bonded indebtedness of \$100,000.

Secretary Morton has let a contract for 10,125,000 packets of vegetable seeds, to be distributed under the recent act of congress, to D. Landreth & Sons, of Philadelphia. The price is \$70,000. The seeds are to be delivered ready for mailing. The contract for a million packets of flower seeds was let to L. L. May & Co., St. Paul, Minn., at half a cent a package.

The Chicago board of election commissioners has declared that 46,000 of the 870,000 voters registered for the coming spring election are fraudulent. The commissioners discovered wholesale registration frauds in nearly every ward. They say the number of names stricken from the lists is greater than the total vote cast in Montana, North Dakota, Delaware, Florida and Nevada.

A move has developed in Nebraska to contest the right of the government to regulate the liquor traffic of the forts in this state. At every post the "canteen," operated by privates, is conducted without state or county interference. At Fort Robinson county authorities issued warrants against the canteen owners, for selling liquor without a license, and writs to confiscate the wet property. The military authorities refused to permit the sheriff to serve his warrants and that official has appealed to the secretary of war.

## TWO FORLORN HOPES

### NICARAGUA CANAL AND THE HAWAIIAN CABLE PROJECTS.

Excuses Are Plenty, and Nothing Can Be Expected for Them From This Session of Congress—Have Been Generally Indorsed by the People.

Washington, April 2.—Two important projects are not likely to be considered at this session of congress, and yet they have been generally indorsed by the people of the country—the Nicaragua canal and the Pacific cable. For some reason, no progress has been made with the canal project in either house. There seems to be a general stagnation in both houses and senate, so far as this important subject is concerned. In the house it has been referred to a subcommittee. The members of this subcommittee on interstate and foreign commerce, are supposed to be very earnestly in favor of the canal. This is true of Representative Doolittle, of Washington, who has been working hard on the canal scheme ever since he was a member of congress. He has been very hopeful that something would be done at the present session, and even yet he hopes that a bill may be reported and that it will get before the house, but even he cannot hope for passing the bill at this session, especially when there is now so much other business and so great a desire on the part of many members of congress to get away as soon as possible. Mr. Doolittle thinks the bill may be advanced so far that it will be taken up immediately upon the assembling of congress in December. It is true that the engineers who recently examined the route of the canal gave it a very black eye, still its friends have been willing to push it along, even if the engineers did report a greater cost than had first been anticipated. There is a lurking suspicion that the administration is not very favorable to the construction of the canal, and that may have had something to do with retarding it. But more than anything else is the desire to keep down all show of expenditures. The authorization of the expenditure of enough to build the canal would mean much more than the present economical congress desires.

The building of the Hawaiian cable would mean an actual expenditure, an appropriation of money to begin the work. There has been considerable activity manifested in regard to this by the senate, but the subcommittee of the house interstate commerce committee does not seem very anxious to proceed. In fact, the various companies that are advocating and are behind the cable project, seem anxious to secure favorable action in the senate before anything is done in the house. Senator Mitchell several years ago introduced a bill having for its object the building of a cable to Hawaii, but as the matter now stands, there is a greater desire for a cable to the Orient than to Hawaii. At least, it is desirable that the cable should be built on to Japan and China when it is once started across the Pacific. More than this, it is apparent that a cable to Hawaii alone would not be a paying investment, while a cable across the Pacific, touching at Hawaii, would be of great advantage to the whole country. Senator McBride has secured an amendment in the legislative appropriation bill increasing the amount for clerk hire in the Oregon surveyor-general's office to \$3,000. The amount was \$5,000 as the bill passed the house. Some of the increases may be sacrificed in conference, yet there is a general desire on the part of all senators to accommodate McBride, as they may have it retained in the bill.

## THE COMMODORE'S CARGO.

Consignment of Arms for Cubans Successfully Landed.

Washington, April 1.—The treasury department has evidence tending to show the steamship Commodore, which recently cleared from Charleston, S. C., with arms and ammunition, did not lose her cargo in a storm at sea, as reported by her captain, but landed it on the coast of Cuba. The collector of customs at Charleston, in a report to the secretary of the treasury, says the Commodore cleared at that port on the 9th inst., for Tampa, Fla., with a manifest showing arms, ammunition and artillery. On the 22d she returned with other cargo, and on the following day she entered as from sea. Her captain made a wreck report, which says he encountered a severe gale, and that the steamer's cargo was thrown overboard, and the whole power of all the pumps was used to keep her afloat. This statement is contradicted by one of the Commodore's crewmen, who stated the cargo of the Commodore was successfully landed on the coast of Cuba. Other evidence in support of the fireman's story is promised, and in case it is proven to be true, the vessel, it is said at the department, is liable to forfeiture for violation of the navigation laws relating to clearance papers.

The recent order of the president consolidating post-offices will add to the facilities of smaller offices and will apply to 80,000 postmasters.

## DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

Routine Work of the Fifty-Fourth Session—Senate.

Washington, April 1.—The senate is to have a revival of financial and bond discussion as the result of an animated debate shortly before the session closed today. Peffer's resolution for the appointment of a special committee of five senators to investigate the recent bond issues had been relegated to the calendar, owing to the opposition of Hill, but it was reached in the regular order today. Again Hill sought to have the resolution go over, but he was met by energetic protests. Peffer gave notice that he would move to proceed with this bond-inquiry resolution as soon as George concludes a speech on the DuPont case. This promises to bring a test vote, unless dilatory tactics postpone the measure. Among the bills passed today, were those appropriating \$2,000,000 for a public building at Indianapolis, and settling the long-pending accounts between the United States and Arkansas.

Washington, April 2.—Senator Culom, chairman of the senate committee on interstate commerce, and author of the present interstate commerce act, today announced his purpose of introducing a bill to amend the law so as to prevent the transportation of foreign goods at cheaper rates than those of domestic manufacture, as it is allowed under the decision of the supreme court in the import rate case rendered in the supreme court recently. The senator said he had not yet decided upon the form of his amendment, and would not do so until the opinion is published in full, but that he would give the matter his attention and use his utmost endeavors to get a measure through congress which would not allow discrimination in the interest of foreign shippers. The postoffice appropriation, carrying \$98,000,000, was considered in part, but not completed.

## House.

Washington, March 30.—Hepburn of Iowa, in the house, antagonized consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill, which Cannon, chairman of the appropriation committee, gave notice he would call up today, by moving that the house proceed to the consideration of the private claims. Cannon opposed the motion of Hepburn, but on a rising vote he was defeated. He then demanded the yeas and nays, which were ordered. The roll call resulted 147 to 77. The house then went into committee of the whole for consideration of bills in the private calendar. Pickler, chairman of the committee on invalid pension, moved that bills from the committee on war claims be laid aside without prejudice, and that the committee consider only bills from the committee on pensions, invalid pensions and military affairs. Some filibustering was attempted, but Pickler's motion was agreed to.

Washington, April 1.—The house today took up the consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill and disposed of 15 of the 100 pages before adjournment. During the general debate, Cannon, the present head of the appropriations committee, and his predecessor, Sayres, interchanged opinions as to present and past appropriations. Cannon, in the course of his remarks, expressed the opinion that the appropriations for this session could not fall below \$506,000,000. The action of the committee in appropriating for contract work only until March, 1897, was attacked, but Cannon justified it on the ground that the same thing had been done last year in the case of the fortifications bill. But few amendments were added to the bill today. Eight amendments to increase the salaries of lighthouse superintendents from \$1,600 to \$1,800 were adopted.

Washington, April 2.—A resolution was adopted by the house authorizing the expenditure of the \$20,000 of the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the cascades of the Columbia river, for the construction of the protecting walls necessary to the opening of the canal to navigation. The house disagreed to the senate amendments to the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill and agreed to a conference. Bingham, McCall and Dooker were appointed as conferees. Consideration of the sundry civil bill was then resumed. During the consideration of items under the head of coast and geodetic survey, Cannon, took occasion to sharply criticize the administration for "freezing out" Professor T. C. Mendenhall, the predecessor of General Duffield. He referred to the present superintendent as a "new discovery," but said he did not desire to reflect in any way on his competency or ability.

Three men boarded the eastbound train No. 1 at Truckee, Cal., taking positions on the "blind baggage." It appeared that they were standing on the platform in a careless manner, and when the train was rounding a curve near Boca, a lurch threw them off. One of them, William Morse, whose home is in Tacoma, was killed. R. F. Evans, of Chicago, was badly injured. The third man was not injured.

—During a single flood of the Yang-Tee-Kiang, in China, 600,000 persons were drowned.

## NEIGHBORING TOWNS

### PROGRESS AND DOINGS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST.

A Budget of Interesting and Spicy News From All the Cities and Towns on the Coast—Thrill and Industry in Every Quarter—Oregon.

Twenty-five new dwelling and business houses have been erected in Gold Hill during the past six months.

The dwelling-house of George Doust, three miles south of Grant's Pass, burned to the ground last week. Nothing was saved.

The buoy that was placed outside the Columbia river bar went adrift lately, and floated ashore five miles north of the river.

Among other triumphs of its glorious climate, Curry county points with pride to three families in which mothers and children are within school age, and draw school money.

The first issue of the new college journal of the agricultural college was published at Corvallis last week. It is a twenty-nine page publication, and all of the mechanical work was done by students.

The Moon peach orchard, west of Grant's Pass, has about ten acres of thrifty peach trees, about eight years old. Frost has killed the buds every year, and there has never been a crop raised there.

A farmer of Crosswell, Lane county, Ill., shipped to Port Townsend, Wash., forty head of choice stall-fed beef cattle. They averaged 1,200 pounds and he received three cents per pound gross for them.

T. H. Decew, of Ontario, Canada, who has large holdings of timber lands up the North Santiam, says it is his intention to put in a saw mill, with a capacity of 100,000 feet a day, either at Albany or Halstead. The mill will also manufacture fruit and berry boxes.

After having been closed down for some time, the Astoria planing mills has started up work again. A new pony saw will be put in in a few days, and the mills will commence to cut cedar door bolts. They have a number of orders ahead which will keep them busy for some time.

E. Egbert and his brother brought to The Dalles last week, a mastodon tooth, which they found in excavating for a grade one and one-half miles from the new bridge across the Deschutes. The bones of the animal were traced, though they crumbled on exposure to the air. The skeleton was found in a bed of clay.

The chief attraction for Klamath people just now is the annual fishing operations of the Indians on Lost river. About 200 Indians are camped there, and several tons of suckers are already drying on poles for the year's subsistence. On Sunday the camp is thronged with sightseers, for the Indians hold services both morning and evening, filling in the interval in games and dances.

The net indebtedness of the city of Corvallis is \$15,778. This is shown by the quarterly report of the police judge, which places the total amount of outstanding orders at \$14,755; estimated interest on same, \$8,000. There has been applied on one of these orders in cash, \$1,977, leaving the net indebtedness to \$15,846. The receipts for the last quarter were \$1,757; the expenditures were \$914.

The people in Pendleton were horrified one day last week at the sight of a runaway team, with a boy being dragged between the front wheels of the wagon. Within a block of Main street, however, the boy managed to get the horses under control, and coolly climbed to the top of his load from which he had fallen. He was dragged on the ground for about three blocks, but sustained no injuries whatever.

Eagles are becoming numerous and destructive to lambs in Curry county. Will Goff saw one at work the other day, and with a rifle, broke a wing and leg. The bird was then captured, and a fight arranged to the death with two dogs. The eagle was a large and powerful one, measuring over seven feet, and the battle royal lasted over an hour, up and down the yard, at the end of which time the bird lay dead on a feathered-covered field.

After noting the condition of the government snag boat Corvallis, Captain Fisk has ordered that she be abandoned, and it is impossible to raise her. The Three Sisters is still at the scene of the wreck, and the crew will remove all the apparatus from the Corvallis that can be saved during the present stage of water. Unless knocked to pieces by driftwood, the machinery can be removed by the low stage of water in the summer season.

Major Harper, agent at the Umatilla Indian agency, has announced that, during his visit in Washington recently, he brought up before the department the question of paying the Indians some money due them on account of sale of reservation lands. In response to the request he preferred, the department consented to pay \$25,000. This amount will be transmitted dur-

ing the course of the next three or four months, and will give about \$25 to each reservation resident who has tribal rights.

## Washington.

An Olympia firm within the last two weeks shipped 2,000 dozen eggs to Alaska.

Wallula's fruit trees escaped the frost, and its output of peaches and cream will be equal to the best.

Quilcene has completed a stock company to build a creamery. It is expected to be running by June 1.

Department Commander Buck, of the Washington G. A. R., is visiting the camps in the eastern part of the state.

Two head of cattle slid from a deep hillside in the vicinity of Ten-Mile, in Asotin county, the other day. One was killed outright and the other badly crippled.

At Smith Creek, Pacific county, last week, a cougar was killed that measured seven feet four inches, and an enormous wild cat was killed at the same time.

A Colfax nurseryman has contracted to furnish 5,000 fruit trees to the Burrell estate, near Garfield. The trees will cover 100 acres, the greater part of which will be planted to the Palouse apple.

About twenty-two miles west of Chehalis, a few days ago, a fir tree was felled six and a half feet through at the butt, which measured 181 feet to the first limb. There was not a knot or blemish on the log.

Ever since bass were placed in Medical Lake, it has been questioned whether they could live in its waters. This has been satisfactorily demonstrated in the affirmative, for they can be seen frequently jumping from the water.

Plowing began in the Kittitas valley last week in earnest, and is now under full headway. The ground on account of all the snow having been absorbed by it, is in first-class condition and the prospects were never better for excellent crops.

From many sources the Walla Walla Statesman learns that the fish law is being openly violated in Walla Walla county. Men and boys may be seen along almost every stream angling for trout. The sport does not become lawful until May 1.

Louis Melberg, a car-repairer on the Great Northern railroad, was fatally injured in Seattle by being caught between the drawheads of two flat-cars. A coupling link was driven through his body, tearing his intestines in a horrible manner.

Mrs. Nancy J. Noyes died in Seattle last week, at the age of 91. Deceased was born in Waiden, Vt., in 1805, and came from good old Puritan stock, her parents being among the first of the New Englanders, coming over soon after the Mayflower.

Reports from different parts of Adams county bring the intelligence that the last cold spell ruined the fall wheat, which a few weeks since promised a large yield for the approaching season. Many of the farmers will begin reseeded next week.

The drydock at Port Orchard is practically finished, but it will not be put in commission until a board of inspectors appointed by the navy department has examined it. The Monterey, now on its way to the Sound, will be the first ship to test its merits.

Fraternities seem to be the order of the day at Fort Hadlock. Already the list is a long one, but in a short time one more will be added, dispensation having been already applied for permitting the institution of a lodge of Masons, which, it is said, will take place within a month.

## Idaho.

A postoffice has been established at Swanlake, Bannock county, Idaho, with Floyd F. White as postmaster. This office is four miles north of Oxford.

The Northern Pacific steamer Georgia Oakes will commence regular trips between Coeur d'Alene and Mission April 1. This boat connects the narrow-gauge railroad to the Coeur d'Alene mines, and the Northern Pacific train from Spokane.

Captain S. G. Fisher, Indian agent at Lapwai, was in Lewiston recently, accompanied by Robert Stainton, who is assisting in making up the Indian pay rolls. Captain Fisher says that about May 1 there will be another payment of \$200,000 or more to the Indians.

A mining boom has struck Moscow. People are locating claims on the mountains north of town. Quartz has been found on the surface which assays well in both gold and silver. A claim was staked on the very summit of Mount Moscow, taking in 2,000 feet of the big ledge there.

There is a town on the upper Snake river, called New Sweden. Hans Hansen is mayor of the town, Peter Petersen is clerk and the common council is composed of Peter Hansen, Hans Petersen, Peter Hans Petersen, Hans Petersen and Peter Hansen Hans Petersen. No relationship exists among these men.