

The Oregon Register.

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GORDON HUGHES, an Ohio boy, son of the American Consul at Birmingham, has won, in competition with 52 others, a Cambridge scholarship worth \$2,000.

THE supervising architect of public buildings at Washington has recommended to the Secretary of the Treasury that \$40,000 be appropriated for the repair of public buildings in San Francisco.

THE remarkable finish of American papers is imparted by the addition of a mineral called agalith, a silicate of magnesia somewhat resembling asbestos in texture. It is found only in the United States.

A LETTER received from Robert Garrett, dated at Cairo, states that he and his party will ascend the Nile as far as Thebes, and returning by way of Cairo, will cross the Mediterranean to Greece. From there they will go to Russia.

THEY are not troubled with breach of promise suits in China. When a future Chinese belle is about three days old she is formerly betrothed to the scion of some acceptable neighbor, and when she is about fifteen she is carried and left there, and that ends it.

THE four sons of Captain Calhoun, who died the other day in St. Joseph county, Michigan, had not seen each other for nineteen years until the day before the funeral. They all boarded the same train at Chicago. Two of them occupied the same seat, but there was no recognition until they all met in a livery stable, each trying to hire a rig to take him to the homestead.

WHILE a citizen of Lumpkin, Ga., was cleaning out his cellar recently after it had been flooded, he discovered a slight depression in the earth, and, examining it closely, saw a bar of metal partly buried there. Picking it up he found it to be lead. Further search revealed 167 bars, weighing about a pound each. How they got there is not known, though it is surmised that they were buried during the Indian war of 1836, when a rude fort stood on the present site of the house.

It is said that 40 per cent. of all the deaths from poison in Great Britain are due to opium; and this rate of mortality, according to Dr. Winter Blythe, "arises in a great measure from the pernicious practices both of hard-working English mothers and the baby-farmer of giving infants 'soothing syrups,' 'infants' friends' and the like, to allay restlessness and keep them asleep during the greater part of their existence." It has been calculated that one preparation alone is the undoubted cause of death of 150,000 children every year.

BOSTON has just received from Africa the largest gorilla ever landed in this country. His name is Jack, and he is five feet in height when standing erect, and measures seven feet from the end of one outstretched hand to the other. He weighs about 125 pounds, and exhibits enormous strength, compared with which that of a man seems like a child. He arrived in a large box made of planking two and a half inches thick, and when being removed from the ship he tore large splinters from the hard wood planks with as much ease as a child would break a twig.

AN enormous black eagle has been seen lately at Lander, Wyoming. It is believed that the bird is fully five feet in height and that his powerful wings measure fifteen feet from tip to tip. His legs are almost as big as a man's. He generally makes his appearance about sunset, when he will fly from cliff to cliff on the mountains, all the time keeping up a piercing scream. He has been shot at dozens of times by excellent marksmen, but so far he has safely avoided the flying rifle balls, and each shot only seems to make him yell louder, as if laughing at his would-be slayers.

TELEGRAPHIC.

An Epitome of the Principal Events Now Attracting Public Interest.

Hungarian house deputies adopted the army bill as proposed by the government.

In the duel on the Bois de Boulogne in Paris, between Dupuis and Habert, art critics, the former was killed.

R. P. Gravet, treasurer of Scott county, Kas., has been found short in his accounts to the amount of \$9,000.

The ship Smyrna was sunk in a collision with the steamer Moto, off the Isle of Wight near London. Thirteen passengers were drowned.

Daniel Moriarity and Daniel Hayes were hanged at Tralee, for the murder of James Fitzmaurice, a farmer, near Lixna, county Kerry, Ireland, January 21st last.

Alexander Jones, colored, was hanged at Tallahassee, Fla., for the murder of George Cuthbert, in November, 1887. The execution was private.

Samuel Phillips, the eleven-year-old son of a prominent merchant of Saginaw, Mich., while playing on some logs in a bayou, fell in. Englehart Reidlinger, aged twenty-four, jumped in to save the boy, but the little fellow clung to his neck and both were drowned.

Ramon Cruz, a wealthy planter residing thirty miles from Havana, was taken prisoner by bandits and held for a \$10,000 ransom. Soldiers are scouring the country in search of him while his wife has received a letter demanding money, and saying if she plays the messenger false her husband's life will be forfeited.

New York brokers have been instructed by a detective and requested to look out for a large number of bonds stolen from a firm at Lisle, France. The bonds are supposed to aggregate \$1,000,000, and include Panama obligations, Credit Foncier securities, Portuguese obligations, Russian rents, Turkish bonds and miscellaneous obligations.

A passenger train on the New York & Pennsylvania railroad was wrecked near Whitehouse, N. Y., by the spreading of the rails. The mail and baggage cars and two passenger coaches containing about forty passengers, rolled down a twenty-foot embankment. No one was killed outright, but seventeen of those injured will die.

Helene Crosmont, prima donna, committed suicide in the cabin of the Piccadilly, London. She signed a contract with the Drury Lane Opera Company, but owing to a misunderstanding she tore up the contract in a fit of temper. Later she tried to reopen negotiations, but in the meantime a substitute had been engaged, and in a fit of despondency she shot herself.

General Wirt Adams, postmaster at Jackson, Miss., and John Martin, an editor, fought a street duel, and both men were killed. The general was hit in the head, and Martin was hit twice. A published article was the immediate cause of the tragedy, though a breach has long existed between the men. It charged incompetent service in the postoffice.

A nine-year-old daughter of a farmer named Albert Goodspeed, living near Des Moines, Iowa, is lying at the point of death, having been almost literally eaten by a dog when found. The girl had been attending school. A huge dog was standing over the little girl, tearing the flesh from her breast, and devouring it. Her left breast had been eaten away, leaving the lungs exposed, while her limbs were horribly mangled.

A terrible accident occurred at Rushsylvania, Ohio. A school exhibition was in progress in a hall situated in the third story of a brick building, over 400 people being present. Suddenly the floor gave way with a frightful crash and the entire audience went down in a surging mass to the ground. So far, two people are reported dead, ten seriously injured, and probably fifty less seriously injured.

An odd marriage occurred at St. Louis. Miss Ada Belle Richards, a cousin of the late President Arthur, was married to Dr. Wright, of the Choctaw Nation, Indian territory. The groom is a quarter-blood Choctaw Indian, and a son of the late Gov. Wright, of Indian territory. He is a well-educated physician and quite handsome. The couple became acquainted while the bride was doing missionary work in the territory a year ago.

A lamp exploded in the hand of Mrs. John Quillen at Pittsburg, Pa., as she was going up stairs. The burning oil set fire to her clothing, and, overcome with fright, she ran to the window and jumped out, alighting on a brick pavement thirty-five feet below. Coleman Kilroy and wife who also occupied the house had retired, but were awakened by the explosion. Kilroy jumped from the third story window and was badly injured. His wife forced her way through the flames which filled the halls but in so doing was painfully burned about the head, face and arms.

COAST CULLINGS.

Devoted Principally to Washington Territory and California.

A serious stabbing affray occurred at Red Bluff, Cal., in a saloon between Steve Trust (colored) and John Mahlon, when the latter stabbed Trust three times, and it is thought he will die.

At Truckee, Cal., a special train loaded with oranges ran into a freight train at tunnel 13. Both engines and several cars were badly smashed and fifty feet of snowshed was knocked down.

A Southern Pacific passenger engine in turning on the table at Santa Ana, N. M., ran by the table and collided with a freight engine in the round house, demolishing the roundhouse and freight engine.

John B. White was stabbed and killed at Big Pine, Cal., by W. T. C. Elliott. White was an uncle of Elliott's divorced wife, and it is claimed that he was stabbed for offering protection to his niece. Elliott asked to be arrested.

At Los Angeles, Cal., while Mrs. Molleto was driving into the city the horse took fright and she was thrown from the buggy. Her dress caught in the axle and she was dragged some distance. Portions of scalp were torn from each side of her head and her right arm broken.

While driving along a road seven miles south of Santa Cruz, Cal., three boys were thrown from a wagon, by the horse balking, over a sixty foot cliff. Vincente Garcia, twelve years old, was killed; Manuel Smith, six years old, was seriously injured, and John Smith, four years old, escaped miraculously without injury.

Petro Pino, a Mexican, and Joseph Silva, a Portuguese quarreled on a sheep ranch near Los Corrillos, N. M., over the right of possession of some land, when Silva drew a pistol and shot Pino through the jaw. The latter returned the fire, and shot Silva through the brain, killing him instantly. Pino will probably recover.

A passenger train on the Inter Oceanic railway was stopped and robbed by a band of fourteen highwaymen, three miles beyond Irolo, of Mexico. The passengers and train men were systematically robbed. The company lost over \$3,000 from the treasure box. It is presumed this is the same band that entered Amecameca recently, and that plundered the Chatbaca ranch in the state of Puebla.

A son of Wm. B. nt, who keeps a saloon in San Francisco, was drowned at the entrance of the ferry slip. He was in a boat near the end of the wharf when the steamer Donahue came in, and the waves caused by the steamer swinging into the slip caused the boy's boat to capsize. A yacht saw the accident and went to his rescue, but accidentally ran right over him. The lad sank and was drowned.

A shooting affray occurred at Oakland, Cal., which resulted in the death of John Phelan, a tailor. It seems that Phelan was out with two companions, and met Ben Lichtenstein, another tailor. They had some angry words about the price of work. Phelan accused the other tailor of taking work from him by doing it at cheaper rates. Lichtenstein denied this, and things were smoothed over, and all parties took a drink in a neighboring saloon. Phelan then struck Lichtenstein in the face. The assaulted tailor went away, but quickly returned with a revolver and shot Phelan in the left breast, the bullet entering his heart. Phelan died in fifteen minutes after reaching the hospital.

A few days ago a gentleman from Fresno registered at one of the principal hotels in San Francisco, but as there were no rooms vacant at the time he was told to return in the afternoon. His luck was no better on his return. He was a little indignant, and told the clerk at the desk that he would stop there anyhow, and offered to back his boast with \$100. Among the guest at the hotel was a young lady from the same town as the gentleman, and for whom he had a liking. He went to the young lady, told his predicament and determination, and asked the young lady to marry him. She consented, and together they went to the parson and were married. It is sufficient to say that the gentleman made good his boast.

Some nine months ago Miss Laura Webster, a young lady living in Santa Clara county, Cal., received a severe fright while visiting her sister in Victoria, B. C. She was in good health at the time, but a few days later she sank into a deep sleep. Shortly after her affliction she was taken to San Jose, where she now resides, and during the trance the only nourishment she received was forced down her throat. Her breathing was barely perceptible, and her limbs, when placed in a certain position, would remain rigid until changed by an attendant. She lies with her eyes closed but will reply to questions, when repeated several times. During the last few weeks her condition has improved considerably, and the physicians in attendance state that she will eventually awaken from her long sleep.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Legislation Pertaining to the Interest of the Pacific Coast.

SENATE.

The committee on foreign affairs reported to the senate in executive session the treaty which was recently negotiated by Secretary Bayard and the Chinese minister, with the recommendation that two amendments be made to the treaty, and that it be sent to the President with the request that he secure the consent of the Chinese government to the amendments.

The first amendment is to the first clause of the treaty, which provides for the exclusion of all Chinese laborers from this country. The amendment added to this clause provides that this exclusion shall also apply to Chinamen who have been in this country and have departed, taking certificates with them. This amendment will prevent the return of all Chinese with certificates.

The second amendment adopted by the committee on foreign affairs provides that exempted classes in the treaty, such as merchants, students and Chinamen who have departed from this country leaving behind a wife and family or money or property to the value of \$1,000, shall be allowed to return only upon presentation of certificates showing that the holders belong to the excepted classes named in the treaty.

The number of individual pension bills passed by the senate in sixty-five minutes was 105, forty-two of them being house bills. Several of them were for volunteer nurses, at the rate of \$25 a month, and one was for the widow of Gen. Charles P. Stone, at \$50.

HOUSE.

A bill to provide for the sale to actual settlers under the homestead law, of the Fort Sedgewick military reservation in Colorado and Nebraska was passed.

A bill was passed to establish an additional land district in Oregon. Johnston, from the committee on elections, submitted a report on the California contested election case of Lynch vs. Vandever, and it was placed on the house calendar. The report is unanimously in favor of Vandever, the sitting member.

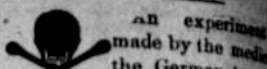
Cox presented a bill for an appropriation, in reference to a memorial from Gens. Schofield and Slocum and other members of the Army of the Potomac, asking for an appropriation of \$25,000 to aid in meeting the expenses of a fraternal reunion of survivors of the Army of the Potomac and the Army of Northern Virginia, to be held on the battlefield of Gettysburg in July next, to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of that conflict.

The secretary of the interior transmitted the report by Governor Swineford of Alaska, upon the operations of the Alaska Seal and Fur Company, in which he alleges that the company has grossly abused the natives, and attaches an affidavit to the charges. He concludes that it would be better to allow every fur seal to be exterminated than to continue so blighting a monopoly.

PORTLAND PRODUCE MARKET.

Table listing various commodities and their prices, including BUTTER, CHEESE, DRIED FRUITS, FLOUR, GRAIN, and VEGETABLES.

POISON IN THE PIPES.



An experiment made by the medical German Army to effect various grades of tobacco had upon the health of soldiers is of general interest to all.

It was found, after a searching investigation, that the prevalence of throat cancer among smokers was not due so much to excess in this indulgence as to the use of green and improperly cured tobacco.

Few manufacturers can afford a large capital idle for three months; consequently, the market is cut new leaf, the noxious effects are fully realized when generated by the heated smoke. It is only manufacturers who make tobacco a specialty, and who desire to retain their well-earned reputation, carry large stocks of leaf for the winter period. We learn that Marlboro have in store nearly twenty million pounds of the crop of 1888, and this is due the wide reputation they have established for their "Small Boy Carolina Plug Cut." - Grocer and Merchant.

Small Boy to His Big Sister. "Edith, do you know why I like you are like a cat that has fallen into hoghead of molasses?" Edith: "Because I'm sweet?" Small Boy: "Because you're so stuck up." - Free Press.

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