

CONGRESSIONAL.

LATEST TELEGRAPHIC REPORT. A Synopsis of Measures Introduced in the National Legislature.

HOUSE. The House resumed consideration of the conference report on the legislative appropriation bill...

Cannon of Illinois moved that the House recede from its disagreement to the Senate amendments...

The House took up the fortification appropriation bill. After extended remarks by Butterworth and Keegan...

Cobb, from the conference committee on the bill repealing the pre-emption, timber culture and desert land laws, reported complete disagreement.

The House passed the following bills authorizing the construction of bridges. Senate bill over navigable water courses by the Astoria and Winnemucca Railway Company...

SENATE. Senate took up the oleomargarine bill. Ingalls moved to reduce the tax from five cents a pound to two cents.

Torpedoes, movable torpedoes, of which we know nothing practically, are to be brought to the front, and are to form part of our equipment. Torpedo-boats are to be brought into use, and details innumerable are now to be studied and worked out.

From all appearances, the navy is now to be given an opportunity of asserting itself, and the steps already taken to remedy the existing state of things can be stated in a few words.

The origin of the effort dates from June, 1881, when the first Advisory Board was appointed to consider and to report on the need of appropriate vessels for the navy.

SENATE PASSED THE BILL FOR A PUBLIC BUILDING AT NEBRASKA CITY, NEB. A Washington special says that Lloyd Tevis, a prominent San Francisco capitalist, is a candidate for the office of United States Secretary of the Treasury...

A Washington special says: There is a rumor current here that if the Morrison resolution should become a law the President will ask Morrison to be Secretary of Treasury, and insist on his accepting the place...

The river and harbor bill as it passed the Senate is of very little value to California. The affairs of Oregon in the bill have been managed with great skill, and that State suffers very little by the scaling of 25 per cent, which the Senate ordered.

THE NEW NAVY.

Its Nucleus to Consist of Seven Steel Cruisers and One Dispatch Boat.

With such a force as we possess it must be evident that it is impossible to discharge in an efficient manner all the duties of a navy. Our work in foreign surveys is limited to that of one small vessel on the west coast of North America...

Our people can not desire to assume a position in the society of naval powers without supporting the position with dignity; they can not wish their navy to be cited as a standard of inefficiency; they can not wish to force their representatives (the officers of the navy) into a position of humiliation and mortification such as is imposed by being called on to deprecate criticisms by labored explanations.

With the exception of a few Palliser converted rifles of six-inch caliber, our armaments consist of smooth-bore cast-iron guns which have composed our batteries for thirty years.

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The traffic is daily about 600 tons of coal, 100 tons of limestone, besides poultry and sundries, and also about 150 passengers who pay five cents for the seven miles.

The tunnel above mentioned takes a branch line to the company's quarries, and all bridges are made for a double line of rails. Flag signals are used, and there is a gatekeeper at each crossing. Notwithstanding the fact that this road is in daily operation, runs smoothly and is a beautiful model of what a railroad should be for general traffic, its existence is ignored by the Government.

In an act of Congress approved March 3, 1885, four additional vessels were authorized by Congress, for which preliminary plans and calculations had been made, which are now in the bureau of the Navy Department, where designs are being prepared, on which bids can be made if proposals are issued for their construction by contract.

This is the first step toward our new navy. We can count on an addition of seven steel cruisers and one dispatch-boat as a nucleus. The present year will see four of these vessels completed, and it is possible that during the year following the four additional vessels can be launched.

—Queen Victoria's reign is now the fourth in point of length chronicled by English history—Edward III. having reigned fifty, Henry III. fifty-six and George III. sixty years.

A CHINESE RAILWAY.

It is Exceedingly Small But Has Proved a Great Success.

It is commonly supposed that there is not a mile of railroad yet in China, but this is a mistake. There is one road complete in all its appointments and details in daily operation. It is situated about seventy-five miles east-northeast from Tientsin and is known as the "Kai-Ping railway."

In November, 1879, surveying for a canal system was begun and in October of the following year the work of excavating a canal to connect the colliery with the nearest point on the Peh-Tang river was started. But it was found that it would be impossible to bring the canal nearer than within seven miles of the colliery, so the directors told the Government that unless the permission were granted to build a line to connect the colliery with the head of the canal the company would be forced to stop work.

In the meantime the engineers had been quietly constructing a locomotive in the shops out of such odds and ends as were obtainable, and the use of the men and materials for this purpose was kept a secret for fear that it would become known to the Government that they were building a "locomotive."

Work was, however, again begun on her, and at last, in spite of all obstacles, an engine subsequently described was finally completed at small expense, though in the roughest manner, owing to want of facilities in the shops, and was run in the yard on the centenary of George Stephenson's birth for the first time; whence it was not inappropriately christened the "Rock of China."

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On the whole length of the line (7 miles) there is one tunnel of 300 feet, 1 arch of 20 feet span, 1 open top iron girder bridge, 10 feet span, 1 iron Warren girder bridge, 30 feet span, besides several culverts. There is one half-way station at Liu-Ying-Chong. The imported stock is 2 locomotives, 11 inch tank engines, 18 inch stroke, 6 wheels coupled, from Stevenson & Co., England, 3 third class passenger carriages, 35 ten-ton coal wagons, 17 five-ton wagons and 1 break van.

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A Serious Mistake. Dr. Sundel is a young man with a new girl, and the other evening, in a bit of enthusiasm, he made a dive at her and kissed her on the forehead.

Three members of my family, says Mr. James A. Sample, Cash Room, office of the Treasurer, U. S., who were suffering from ageravated rheud, have been much benefited by taking Dr. Star Cough Cure.

CAUSES OF BALDNESS.

Applications of Stimulating Washes and Tonics the Main Remedy.

The cause of the falling out of the hair is not fully understood. In most cases it is doubtless due to some failure in the nutrition of the hair follicles. In the aged it connects with the feebleness that characterizes the functions of the skin generally.

It is well known that violent emotions sometimes suddenly blanch the hair, the cerebral nerve (the tropic center, so-called) which controls the nourishment of the hair, being affected by the shock. Fright has caused a rapid and almost immediate falling off of the hair. Cases are on record of persons apparently in vigorous health whose heads, faces and bodies have become absolutely bare.

There was no appreciable cause. The fault was doubtless at the nutritive center in the brain, but what it was no one can certainly say. When the hair is falling out, there is often a connection between this condition and baldness. It is found that the seurf mixed with vaseline and applied to the hair of an animal causes a baldness of the part. In such cases the cause is probably a microscopic vegetable parasite.

It is probable that coverings which heat the head may result in loss of hair. But the effect is doubtless due to subsequent chilling of the surface, just as a severe cold or inflammatory rheumatism may result from sudden cooling of the heated body.

A BOOK CRANK.

How a Wealthy Monomaniac Spends His Handsome Income.

Perhaps the most curious buyer of books in Washington is a wealthy crank who seems to be half lunatic, but who understands the value of books perfectly, and who bids high prices for what he wants. I have often seen him about the auction-room, a big man with a round, bullet head, and a little, low derby hat, several sizes too small for him, placed on the front of it and down so as to almost hide his eyes.

GRABS AND OYSTERS.

New York Gourmands Who Don't Know a Good Thing When They See It. New Yorkers consider that they know more about good things to eat than any people in the world. The fact is, they know less. New York itself produces singularly few of the choicest table delicacies.

In every land and clime, the merits of St. J. Cole's Ointment as the only conqueror of pain, are being acknowledged by the press and people.

At New Richland, Minnesota, Mary Discher refused to marry Harry Young, whereupon he hot her through the heart and then sent a bullet through his own brain.

A PUZZLED PROFESSION.

The History of Rheumatism and many of the attempts to cure it, form one of the strangest records in the annals of disease. Rheumatism is one of the most perverse and obstinate of all diseases.

The one thing to be remembered in dealing with rheumatism is that anybody who has this unpleasant disease has it "all over." It is a disease of the blood, and it pervades the whole system. Therefore the whole system needs purifying and vitalizing. Is not this reasonable?

Among many others who have been restored to health by Compound Oxygen, after suffering protracted agony from rheumatism, may be mentioned the cases of Mrs. Bair of Philadelphia, and Miss W. of New York. For years these ladies had been tortured to rheumatism in its most painful forms.

At Batavia, N. Y., A. Schaff shot and killed W. Enright with a musket loaded only with a wad of paper.

IT ASTONISHED THE PUBLIC

To hear of the resignation of Dr. Pierce as a Congressman to devote himself solely to his labors as a Physician. It was because his true constituents were the sick and afflicted everywhere.

VERMONT PROHIBITIONISTS HAVE FOR A FULL STATE TICKET IN NOMINATION.

When you into your mirror look, And see a face divinely fair, With laughing eyes and rosy cheeks, With dimpled chin and glossy hair.

AN APPEAL TO BEAUTY.

Be not deceived—Be wise in time; And ere that overly face is paled, Use now and always Davison's Circassian Broom, which never failed.

SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE.

J. W. Graham, Wholesale Druggist, of Austin, Tex., writes: "I have been handling DR. W. HALL'S BALM FOR THE LUNGS for the past year, and have found it one of the most salable medicines I have ever had in my house for Coughs, Colds, and even Consumption, always giving entire satisfaction."

A WISE REFORM.

The habit of administering quinine in powerful doses, as an antidote to malarial maladies, was once dangerously common. Happily this practice has undergone a wide reform. Not only the public, but professional men have adopted, not wholly, of course, but largely, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters as a safe botanic substitute for the pernicious alkaloid.

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PERILS OF INFANCY.

"Doctor, why is it that so many children die before the age of 5 years?"

"The subject is a complex one, and in its analysis we have to consider not only the various conditions surrounding the infant, but the will more important one of the latent tendency to disease. The fashionable mother, the self-indulgent father, hand down to their children everything they themselves possess, and they have wrought nervous systems and weak physical powers, which result in early death, or more often a life of protracted feebleness."

"But, doctor, may not something be done to remedy this weakness in the parent?"

"Much, if paren's will understand that upon the integrity and strength of the nervous system depend the health and life of their infants, and at the same time add to their own happiness, the result will be less mortality and less sickness of their infants."

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