

ALONG THE COAST.

Devoted Principally to Washington Territory and California.

Stockyards have been built at Colfax, W. T., by the O. R. & N. Co.

Everything is quiet at Port Blakely, W. T., the troops preventing disorder.

Charles Anderson was shot and fatally wounded by Billy Long, at Nogales, A. T.

E. J. Baldwin has been arrested at Los Angeles for assault. He was going to shoot a hired man for trying to collect his wages.

The Colfax council has awarded contract for the construction of a new city jail, to cost \$660.

Recently N. J. Baker, of Wood gulch, W. T., fell from a roof while intoxicated and was killed.

Pullman intends to build a \$3,000 school house. A \$2,000 Congregational church was dedicated on the 28th.

The cost bill in the Miller murder trial at Seattle, as approved and handed to the county auditor, foots up \$3727 23.

The appearance of the big owls reported near Goldendale, W. T., is said to indicate a hard winter, they coming from the far North.

Wm. L. O'Brien, a deserter from troop L, Second cavalry, stationed at Fort Coeur d'Alene, was captured in Colfax a few days ago.

The settlers who have been notified to leave the Capitan Grande reservation, in California, signed an agreement to do so inside of thirty days.

Nick Violic was killed on the railroad near San Diego, Cal. He was walking on the track and made no effort to escape when he saw the train coming.

Abe Shelton, an old-timer in Seattle, died at Providence hospital of dropsy of the heart. He was an Englishman, about 54 years of age, and a carpenter by trade.

Indian Agent Wood has been authorized to eject white trespassers upon the lands of the Mission Indians at San Diego, Cal., and call upon the troops to assist him.

John Bailiff and W. A. Reed, the slayers of James T. Noon, at Santa Rosa, Cal., have been arranged on a charge of murder before the Superior Court. They pleaded not guilty.

A careful estimate of the population of Idaho shows that 60,000 people, and that admittance, it is stated, into statehood is out of the question, unless the north annexes to Washington and the south to Nevada.

H. F. Kelly, the man who stole the check at Eagle Gorge, forged P. H. Hayden's name and passed the check at Stewart & Gibb's, at Puyallup, has been arrested in Seattle and placed under \$400 bonds.

The Alpowa ridge country, W. T., is not suffering from drouth. A heavy fall of snow, melting off, has set the plows to running in all directions, and a great deal of land is already sowed and much more plowed.

A Mormon named Stutz, was tried at Salt Lake City for living with three wives; said his first wife was too old to live with, but he was willing to cleave to his second alone. He was sent to the penitentiary.

Daniel B. Savage, who was killed on the Puget Sound & Gray's Harbor railroad, at Kamliche, Mason county, was formerly a conductor on the Puget Sound Shore, later on the Columbia & Puget Sound railroad.

The net receipts of the Sisters' fair at Walla Walla aggregated \$1,420. This is the best for a good many years. In the early days the amount ran sometimes as high as \$2,800. The gross receipts this year were \$1732.

E. W. Jones, found guilty at Los Angeles, Cal., of poisoning some food, was sentenced to four years in San Quentin. Jones is so old and decrepit that it is thought by many he will not live out his term of imprisonment.

The government snag boat Skagit has almost completed the work of clearing the Nooksack river, and that stream is now open to steamboat traffic. Thousands of acres of land are thus made accessible to settlers, all to become tributary to Seattle.

A fatal accident occurred two miles above Ukiah, Cal. James Cox's team, while waiting for the driver, started down a grade at a breakneck gallop, throwing out Cox's wife and child, who were both run over. The child is dead, but the mother may possibly recover.

Joe Bauer was having some cherry tree wood sawed in Walla Walla county, when the saw struck alongside a hard substance, just touching it. On its being examined it was found to be a two-inch nail, embedded right in the heart, and around it the wood had grown over three inches.

The commissioners of Franklin county, W. T., have paid over \$200 during the past three months in bounties for scalps of wild animals. The amount was so large that the commissioners became more afraid of bankruptcy than of the depredations of the animals, and repealed the bounty.

No resident in Walla Walla county has a higher standing for integrity than has the father of Eli Pettijohn, sentenced to five years' service in the penitentiary, for horse stealing. Mr. Pettijohn attributes his son's failure entirely to liquor. "Except for that curse," he says "Eli would be as noble a man as lives."

Thomas Riley fatally stabbed Michael Kearney about the neck and breast in Justice Lane's court at Youngville, Cal. Riley's wife and Kearney had a quarrel about cows in a pasture. Kearney struck her, and Riley had her assailant arrested for assault.

During the court proceedings the men quarreled.

Charles Scott, residing on Russel creek, W. T., had his right foot badly crushed by being run over by a moving wagon, heavily laden with wheat.

Martin Joyce, at Santa Rosa, Cal., was sentenced to seven years in the State Prison for stealing a drove of horses from William Behler. John Guilfoyle, his accomplice, received a sentence of five years. The latter confessed his guilt. Joyce was undoubtedly the leader and schemer. He tried to sell the horses in Napa.

A number of reputable citizens from the Mochtezuma district, in Sonora, arrived at Nogales, A. T., state that the report that a small band of Apaches who escaped from Geronimo's band at the time of the chief's surrender were raiding in that district is false. They say the depredations were committed by thieving Mexicans and Americans.

It is reported at Victoria, B. C., that a sale has been effected by a local syndicate of capitalists to an English syndicate of the Hosting mill property, situated on Burrard inlet, for \$300,000. The property was purchased three years ago from Heateley & Co. of San Francisco for \$265,000, and now includes a large portion of the Vancouver (B. C.) townsite.

Since the recent defalcation at San Francisco of Charles W. Banks, cashier of Wells, Fargo Express company, by which the company lost over \$20,000, an order has been made by the directors requiring all officials of the company who have the handling of any money to file a good and sufficient bond. The sureties for nearly all the officials have already qualified.

Some of the most important mines of Idaho are found in Rocky Bar and Atlanta districts, very old locations, having first been organized during war times, more than twenty years ago. The Ada Elmore, Idaho, Viehnu, Bonaparte and Monarch mines have become celebrated, and that part of the territory is classic mining ground. Rocky Bar lies upon Bear creek and other affluents of the south fork of Boise river, west by north of Hailey and northeast of Boise City. The country is granite, with some porphyry, syenite, etc. The veins are gold-bearing, and the quartz is easily worked by the free milling process.

Herzogs Opera-house in Washington was destroyed by fire. Cannibalism is said to still exist in Hayti among the natives. The American oarsman who spent the rowing season in England has returned home.

A report is current that England and China have formed an alliance against Russia.

Peru, South America, is just now agitated by a scandal similar to the Pail Mall Gazette exposures.

F. R. Axtell, a Justice of the Peace at Frankfort, Mich., has been arrested for robbing the bodies of drowned sailors.

"Salt armed Jim," the Indian who killed Andrew Kinnegar at Willow Creek, Nev., in August last, has been sentenced to be hanged.

Henry Schwartz, a brakeman, is suspected of being the man who killed Messenger Nichols and robbed a Rock Island train of \$37,000 last March.

Oliver, a son of lighthouse keeper Allen, at Dresden, on Lake Champlain, was drowned skating with two other children, while skating on the lake recently.

Dispatches from London state that the steamers Kielawaara and Helen Nicall have collided off Queensland, resulting in the drowning of forty-two persons.

A remarkable tribe of dwarfs are reported to have been discovered by Ludurg Wolf, on the Congo river. They are described as scarcely four feet in height, very agile and remarkably good natured. The tribe is known as the Batous, and gain a livelihood by hunting.

Representative Dowdney, of the Twelfth district of New York, died at his residence in Madison avenue, New York city. He was stricken with apoplexy while entering his home. His death swells to twelve the death list of the forty-ninth Congress. It is as follows: Vice-President Hendricks, Senators Miller of California and Pike of New Hampshire, Representatives Ellsworth of Illinois, Rankin of Wisconsin, Hahn of Louisiana, Beach, Arnot and Dowdney of New York, Price of Wisconsin, Cole of Maryland, and Duncan of Pennsylvania.

A special from El Paso, Texas, says: A man arrived on the Mexican Central railway from Chihuahua who tells a tale of outrage in that city. The man is Rev. J. Rappaport, a Jewish rabbi, and in ill health. The Jewish people of this city raised money to send him to the City of Mexico, where he says he has brothers. Rappaport says he stopped at Chihuahua, and after going about the streets some time with an American, they returned to the hotel. Soon afterwards an officer came in and arrested them, charging them with being revolutionists, and took them before a magistrate. Rappaport says the officer went through his pockets and took away \$48. He showed his papers to the magistrate, who thereupon discharged him, but kept the \$48 for "costs." He says the American refused to pay anything, and appealed to the consular agent, who said he had no authority beyond commercial affairs, so the American went to jail, where he now is. Council Brigham will investigate the matter and report to the state department.

CONGRESSIONAL.

LATEST TELEGRAPHIC REPORT.

A Synopsis of Measures Introduced in the National Legislature.

Senate.

The credentials of Senator Cheney, of New Hampshire, appointed to fill the temporary vacancy caused by the death of Senator Pike, were presented by Mr. Blair, and the oath of office administered to Mr. Cheney.

The credentials of Senator Williams of California were presented and the oath of office administered.

Dolph offered a resolution directing the secretary of war to examine and report as to the necessity and cost of the improvement of that portion of the Columbia river known as The Dalles, by the construction of a steamboat railway; adopted.

Mitchell offered a resolution requesting the secretary of war to inquire and to report whether commerce and navigation of the Columbia river in Oregon and Washington territory is obstructed or interfered with by salmon wheels and traps or nets; referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A message from the House announcing the death of Price, of Wisconsin, was taken up. A resolution of condolence was offered by Spooner, and adopted, and Spooner, Manderson and Blackburn were appointed a committee to attend the funeral.

Payson, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported back the bill to restrict ownership of real estate in territories to American citizens, with the senate amendments thereto. The amendments were not concurred in, and a conference was ordered.

Dolph offered a resolution instructing the select committee on fish and fisheries to inquire and report as to the power of Congress to legislate for the protection of food fishes in the rivers and navigable waters of the United States, and especially in rivers that form boundaries between the states, and as to the propriety of such legislation; adopted.

House.

Herppann introduced a resolution calling on the Secretary of War for information as to delay in resuming active operations for improvement of the Columbia river.

The House passed the bill amending the act "for the muster and pay of certain officers and enlisted men of the volunteer forces," so as to provide that in all cases arising under the same, any person who was duly appointed and commissioned, whether his commission was actually received by him or not, shall be considered as commissioned to the grade therein named and shall be entitled to all pay and emoluments as if actually mustered.

Hewitt, rising to a question of privilege, asked that S. S. Cox should be sworn in as a member of the House to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Joseph Pulitzer. He stated at the same time that a formal certificate of Cox's election had been received and no objections were made to Cox qualifying.

Henry W. Rusk of Maryland, and Henry Bacon of New York, appeared at the bar of the House and qualified, filling the vacancies occasioned by the deaths of Wm. H. Cole and Lewis Beach.

Crane of Texas introduced a joint resolution in the House proposing to amend the Constitution so as to change the date of the meeting of Congress to the second Tuesday in January.

Delegate Toole, of Montana, made an argument in favor of admitting that Territory as a State.

Congressional Notes.

Gen. John Moore has arrived in Washington from San Francisco, and assumed the duties of Surgeon-General of the Army.

Among the estimates submitted by the Secretary of the Treasury to Congress were \$60,000 for Cape Neare state, Oregon; for continuing the survey of the coast of Oregon, and to continue the survey of the Columbia river from the mouth of the Willamette towards the Cascades, \$7,000; for continuing the survey of the coast of Washington Territory, \$9,000; for continuing exploration in the waters of Alaska, and making hydrographic surveys in the same, and for the establishment of astronomic and magnetic stations between Sitka and the southern end of the Territory, \$12,000. The Secretary of the Treasury, in his estimates, asks for \$30,000 for educational purposes in Alaska, as recommended by Rev. Sheldon Jackson; \$6,000 for a hospital and \$3,000 for Indian police, as approved by Governor Swineford.

In the book of estimates the following amounts are recommended: Columbia river at the Cascades, \$400,000; upper Columbia and Willamette rivers, \$20,000; mouth of the Columbia, \$700,000; Umpqua river, \$1,000; Columbia and lower Willamette below Portland, \$150,000; at Portland \$29,000; Chehalis river, \$5,000; Cowlitz river, \$5,000; Skagit, Stillquamish, Nootsack, Snohomish and Snoqualmie, \$15,000; Coquille river, \$50,000.

The following amounts are among those which have been recommended for the improvement of harbors: Coos bay, \$100,000; Yaquina bay, \$200,000. Although these are the engineer's estimates what can profitably be expended, and are approved by the secretary of war, and are supposed to be based on scientific calculations, yet there can be no doubt that the persistent efforts of the people of Oregon to push the improvement of their rivers and harbors have resulted in swelling these estimates to their liberal proportions.

AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

A Column Devoted to the Interests of Farmers and Stockmen.

Dry quarters are essential to the thrift of young chicks. They cannot thrive if kept on damp soil.

Sulphur and old tobacco leaves burned in the poultry-house, the house being closed perfectly tight, will clean out the red lice.

Many Dakota farmers this year raised flax for fuel, a ton of flax being considered more valuable for heating purposes than a ton of soft coal.

A New England poultry-raiser keeps lice from his fowls and their house by the free use of powdered sulphur about the nest and in the dust bath.

Government land to the extent of 18,309,943 acres was entered for actual settlement this year. This is the largest amount ever taken up in one year.

A ranch owner near Los Gatos, California, has 400 orange trees planted five years ago and this season the trees have an average of 200 oranges each, or a box to the tree.

The Nation's yield of corn, according to the revised returns of yield, is 22 bushels per acre, making a product upon the present adjustment of acreage, of 1,668,000,000 bushels.

In storing potatoes the first consideration is to keep them in perfect darkness; the next is that the bins should not be too deep, else it produces warmth and causes them to sprout.

The potato product of the United States is nearly the same as last year, with higher yields in the east and lower in the west. The average is 73 bushels per acre, giving a product of 163,000,000 bushels.

There is no better plan for freeing rooms and cellars of mildew than to burn sulphur in them. The rooms should be effectually closed, and not opened for one hour after being filled with the sulphur fumes.

The Fresno (Cal.) Expositor speaks of an orchard on the upper Kings river which has recently come into bearing, the crop from which this year will be 40,000 oranges, all of which have been sold while still upon the trees.

The San Francisco Chronicle says it has the most substantial and undeniable proof, that oranges may be successfully grown in Northern California, but does not by any means wish to be understood as claiming that the soil generally is adapted to the growth of citrus fruits.

The Mark Lane Express, London, in its reviews of the British grain trade says the sparse offers of native wheat are attracting the attention of the trade, and it is now believed that the crop has been largely over-estimated. It is now calculated at only 6,500,000 quarters.

A contemporary says it is easy to get rid of black ants. Open a hill with a hoe, scatter on a handful of salt, sprinkle on a quart of water, and the ants will leave immediately. A few days ago the house was overrun with insects. The correspondent found eleven anthills within two rods of his building. After the above application not an ant was to be seen about the premises.

Corn meal is a convenient, and, we might say, staple article of food in the barn yard and poultry yard, yet it is not the best food for chickens. It is a very good food in winter, as it is heating, but for young chickens it is not sufficiently growing. Very young chickens that are fed on corn meal exclusively are liable to be troubled with bowel diseases. Give a variety of food, plenty of range, and, above all, clean quarters.

Indefinite horticultural quantities are a barrel of apples, a quart of strawberries, a basket of peaches, a box of berries, or what you get for your money of a tree peddler. In the poultry line a dozen of eggs or a pair of spring chickens; in live stock, a quarter of veal, mutton or lamb; in husbandry, the proportion of hay to a load of trash, or the dirt to the bushel of grain; in dairying, the butter in hog-fat and milk in the water sold.

A Shasta county, California, paper tells of a visit to a thrifty orchard of oranges and lemons in that locality breaking down under their load of golden fruit, and not a leaf of which has been injured by the recent frosts which prevailed everywhere from Siskiyou to San Diego. The Cottonwood (Shasta county) Index mentions a number of settlers at Igo who have thrifty orange trees growing at an elevation of 1000 feet above sea level. At one place there is an orchard fifteen years old, which has borne good crops for several seasons, while a number of young orchards have been set out recently.

A writer in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer says the question of hop pickers is an important one to the grower. The acreage of Washington Territory will produce at present, with a fair yield, 28,000 bales, and counting 12,000 for increase the following year, makes 40,000 bales to pick in 1888. Ten bales represent a ton. It takes four pickers to pick a ton during the season, of twenty-five to thirty days. The picking season is during the month of September, and hops picked before or after this month are not merchantable. As four pickers will pick but one ton, to pick the crop will take 16,000 pickers. From whence will these pickers come? White men will not, as a rule, pick hops; they can find more profitable employment. White women and children who are old enough and who will do this kind of work are very scarce, and so we have to obtain Indians. They are our main stay, and I think it is questionable if there can be 8,000 of them, to be got this side of Sitka in Alaska.

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