

several nights ago, and was left high and dry on the beach by the receding water. All night long his struggles could be heard by the crew of the life-saving station near by. They sounded like the heavy beating of the surf. After the livathan was dead, the residents of the neighborhood gathered and cut away the blubber. Yesterday, in cutting open the monster's stomach there were found a number of empty bottles, and five one-gallon demijohns, corked and sealed, of excellent ry. whisky. It is supposed the whale followed in the wake of the United States steamer Dispatch, which was wrecked more than a month ago, and swallowed the demijohns as they floated out of the wreck.

**FLAW IN TITLE.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The secretary reports a flaw found in the title to the proposed postoffice site for San Francisco. This reopens the site question.

**SATISFACTORY SHOWING.**  
BROWNVILLE, Or., Dec. 8.—Messrs. Robe and Standish have just returned from the mines, and work on the Portman has been suspended for the season. The tunnel is in on the ledge 300 feet and is 150 feet deep. The lead shows more gold than ever, and from assays returned from Salt Lake City it carries gold in paying quantities, besides considerable silver. The sulphurets sent there carry nearly \$200 per ton of gold, showing conclusively that something different than copper plates is necessary to save the gold. Work will be resumed on this mine early next season, although just what kind of reduction works will be erected has not been decided upon. Located in California, Nevada, Idaho or any other mining country instead of the Cascades, with its present showing and advantages, it would readily sell for hundreds of thousands of dollars now without another dollar being spent upon it.

**JOAQUIN MILLER'S SON.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.—The sheriff of Mendocino county has arrested Harry Miller, the twenty-two year old son of Joaquin Miller, the "Poet of the Sierras," for robbing the stage north of Ukiah, on Nov. 15th. Young Miller has confessed to the crime.

**NATIONAL DEMOCRATS.**  
WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec. 8.—The executive committee of the national Democratic committee has decided to call a meeting of the national committee at Arlington hotel, Washington D. C., January 21, 1892 to decide upon the time and place for holding the Democratic convention. Democratic senators at the caucus this morning unanimously re-elected Senator Gorman, chairman and Senator Faulkner secretary of the caucus for the ensuing term of congress.

**VIGOROUS UTTERANCE.**  
CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—A Washington special says: "The president's coming message to congress will have one sensational feature. The Chilton chapter will be the most vigorous utterance contained in an executive message for a long while."

**Should the Silver Law Be Repealed.**  
An important contribution is made in the December number of The Forum to the current discussion of the Silver Question by Mr. Jacob H. Schiff, who is one of the most conservative and influential bankers in New York and a member of the chamber of commerce. The New York chamber of commerce recently passed resolutions asking for the repeal of the silver law of 1890, whereby four millions and a half ounces of silver are required to be purchased by the government every month. Mr. Schiff does not favor the free coinage of silver, and he would not do now favor the compulsory coinage of silver under this law; but he makes an argument in the December number of The Forum to show that now that this law is in effect it would be dangerous to repeal it thus suddenly withdrawing so large an amount of money from circulation.

**CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.**  
CURE SICK HEAD ACHE  
Kirk Headache and relieve all the troubles that lead to a bilious state of the system, such as Distress, Flatness, Drowsiness, Distress after eating, Pain in the side, &c. While these most reliable and agreeable pills are shown in curing Headache, yet CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS are equally valuable in Constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint, while they also correct all disorders of the stomach, stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels. From their effect on the system.

### THE CONGRESS MEETS.

**Crisp is Elected Speaker by the Democrats.**

### THE WIRES ARE DOWN EAST.

**Message Tomorrow, Lobby Electrocuted, Head End Collision, Some Portland News, The Storm, Albany Election, Satisfactory Showing, Editorial Comment on Crisp, Joaquin Miller's Son, Foreign and State News.**

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 8.—Eastern wires are prostrated. Report if any will be late and light.

**THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.**  
PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 8.—It is uncertain when the president's message will be received probably not before tomorrow.

**CONGRESS MEETS.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The senate galleries were crowded with spectators yesterday to witness the opening of that branch of congress. There was an unusually large number of new senators to be sworn in, amounting to seventeen without the senator from Florida, neither the name of Call nor Davidson being on the printed list.

At noon the vice-president took the chair, and the session was opened with prayer by Chaplain Butler.

After this the vice-president laid before the senate the credentials of senators, the resignation of Senator Reagan of Texas, and the appointment by the governor of that state of Mr. Clinton. The other credentials were those of Felton of California, to fill the vacancy caused by Senator's death; the resignation of Edmunds of Vermont, and the appointment of Proctor; the credentials of Call and Davidson, each claiming to be senator from Florida. After the latter two were read, Harris moved that they be referred to the committee on privileges and elections, so the questions might be decided in the light of thorough investigation. He asked that they be laid on the table.

George said he would not object to this request, but that tomorrow he would insist that the senate had both the facts and law before it, and ought to proceed at once to seat Call as the legally elected member.

After a few remarks by Hoar, the matter went over.

The credentials of Calvin S. Brice, senator elect from Ohio, were presented.

Senator Sherman said: "Before the oath of office is administered to Mr. Brice, I desire to say that a large number of citizens of Ohio contend that he was not an inhabitant of that state at the time of his election, and was therefore not eligible to a seat in this body. On examining the precedents, of which there are several in the history of the government and some of them the most important, of his credentials, which are regular in form, I simply give this notice, however, so that his being sworn may not be considered any waiver or misapprehension. I am entirely satisfied that Mr. Brice is entitled to be sworn in on the prima facie or misconstruction, if the people or the legislature of Ohio should assert and prove to the satisfaction of the senate that Mr. Brice was not at the time of his election an inhabitant of Ohio. But I make no objection to the swearing in of Mr. Brice."

The swearing in of the newly-elected or appointed senators was then proceeded with. They were in groups of four or five, in the first group being Brice. In the next group were Chilton of Texas, Dubois of Idaho, Felton of California, and Gallinger of New Hampshire.

Hoar said, as to Chilton there was a question as to whether the governor of Texas had the power to appoint before a vacancy actually occurred. He would afterwards move to refer the case to the committee on privileges and elections.

Hale said he desired to examine the credentials of Dubois, and asked that they lie on the table till tomorrow. Agreed to. The other senators in the group were sworn in. The name of Hill, senator-elect from New York, was not printed on the list, nor were his credentials presented.

speaker amid a storm of applause. The clerk then appointed Mills and Reed as a committee to escort the newly elected speaker to the chair. An appointment that was received with applause not unmingled with laughter. In a few minutes Crisp entered with Mills, and Reed supporting him on either arm and his march down the aisles was a perfect ovation. Democrats in mass rising and giving him cheer after cheer, and the Republican members also rising. When quiet was secured, Crisp addressed the house. A resolution for the appointment of Kerr for clerk, Yoder for sergeant-at-arms, Turner for doorkeeper, Dalton for postmaster, and W. H. Milburn, chaplain, was agreed to and officers were sworn in.

**EDITORIAL COMMENT ON CRISP.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The following is the editorial comment of the morning papers on the choice of Crisp as speaker:

Herald: "The object of the contestants has not been to elect a fitting and well equipped chairman but simply to push the claims of Cleveland or Hill in the coming presidential campaign."

World: "The choice is significant of the dominance of a prudent spirit in the great Democratic majority."

Times: "The election of Crisp by acclamation of demagogues of the Hill spoilsmongering of Tammany protectionism of Gorman and Brice is half corrupt and half fanciful. The free silver movement and the old south must inevitably pause to man who believed that the Democratic party will be the instrumentality for the accomplishment of tariff reform and for a clean and honest administration of the government."

Sun: "This result is a triumph for the conservative forces in the Democratic party and a kick at the progressists. It makes brighter the prospects of electing a Democratic president."

**THE STORM.**  
PORTLAND, Dec. 8.—The wind blew forty miles an hour from 12 m. to 1 o'clock yesterday. The hour before it blew thirty miles per hour and at 2 o'clock was blowing at thirty miles per hour, according to Observer Pagie.

The Western Union's wires between San Francisco and Portland are down and have been up and down several times during the day. They fell first early yesterday morning. This company's wires to The Dalles and Astoria are also down, but communication is being carried on by use of other wires to the Sound, and in other roundabout ways. In the city the wires are all right, and so far no poles have fallen.

The Postal Telegraph company is in a worse condition. Their wire to San Francisco has been down at different times, but it is put up as fast.

The telephone wires between here and Salem are in a bad state. Yesterday morning they fell just above Canby, and since are down between Canby and Portland.

**SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 8.**—A thick snowstorm, accompanied by a heavy gale, struck Spokane yesterday morning and continued until dark. The drifting, blinding snow soon covered the tracks of the Spokane street railway, and having no snow plow, the cars on this line were soon blocked. Attempts were made all day to clear the track, but without avail. Five or six of the cars were fastened together and would back at the drift, but would make little headway. Superintendent Bush said: "This storm has taken a little by surprise. The company ordered a snowplow some weeks ago. It was to have been shipped November 1, but the shipment was delayed, and I am informed it is blocked east of here. When it arrives we will have no further difficulty." The traffic on the Rose Park and Ledgerwood lines was not seriously interfered with. Both lines were able to maintain their schedule time. The storm, from all reports, seems general throughout the country. At Fort Sherman a heavy snowfall and high winds are reported, and in the Palouse country a continuance of the storm for twenty-four hours will probably cause traffic generally to be suspended, as the drifts are already very deep and snow falling rapidly. In the mountainous east here the snowfall has been very heavy and westbound Northern Pacific trains are delayed in reaching Spokane. The worst of the storm is probably over here, as the snow has ceased falling and a chinook wind is now blowing.

**OLYMPIA, Dec. 8.**—The storm which commenced here Sunday evening was the severest experienced here in two years. The wind rained a velocity of twenty eight miles an hour. Scolden has such a wind prevailed here since the establishment of the signal station at this point, though a speed of forty-eight miles per hour was attained in August, 1882. Telegraphic communication was interrupted by the storm. Weather Observer Oney reports great barometric variations over Western Washington.

**SOME PORTLAND NEWS.**  
PORTLAND, Dec. 8.—A man named Oscar Johnson was worked by bunco shots yesterday. At the depot he was met by a stranger, whose pleasant ways captivated Johnson, who left his family, while he took a walk with the stranger. They went into the Mug saloon, and both had some beer. They became interested spectators of a game of dice. Johnson's friend asked him for a loan to engage in the game, which the guileless fellow let him have to the amount of near a hundred dollars. The money was lost of course, and Johnson was left without a dollar. He informed the police who soon found the sharp that had fooled the countryman, and made him return the money, with a threat of prosecution if he refused. The bunco man was then let go, and his victim was made happy.

In the United States district case of the government against B. P. Watson, editor and proprietor of the Sunday Mercury, was called. Watson was indicted by the United States grand jury for the offense of sending obscene papers through the mails. Two articles were published in his paper coming under the provisions of the statutes, and he was indicted in two counts. When he came into court yesterday morning, Watson concluded to retract his former plea of not guilty. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$250 on each count, and will liquidate the same at once.

Mrs. David Honeyman, wife of the head bookkeeper in Arthur Kinn's establishment, corner of Second and Morrison streets, in which she gave birth Sunday. "They are all girls, and have a healthy, vigorous appearance, and the mother is doing very well."

Benjamin Fugy was arrested yesterday for cruelly beating his daughter, a girl 18 years of age. A warrant for assault and battery was preferred against him, and he was lodged in jail.

**THE HOUSE MEETS.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The house was called to order promptly at noon yesterday with 323 members present. Ovation of Holman, it at once adjourned until today at noon.

**THE DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The day opened without any apparent change in the speakership contest. The five candidates are as cheerful as ever, and their followers seem imbued with the same confidence and persistency which characterized the early features of the contest.

The caucus met promptly at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and without any preliminary proceedings, the secretary began the roll call with the following result:

**NINETEENTH BALLOT.**  
Crisp.....94  
Mills.....91  
Springer.....17  
J. L. Cowan.....15  
50 votes.

After the nineteenth ballot the caucus adjourned.

**CRISP NOMINATED.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Crisp was nominated on the thirteenth ballot, which was Crisp 119; Mills 105; Springer 4; Stevens 1.

**ALBANY ELECTION.**  
ALBANY, Or., Dec. 8.—The city election was held yesterday, in a furious rain and wind storm, which prevented the full vote of the city from being polled. But 582 votes were cast. J. L. Cowan, Democrat, was re-elected mayor over J. W. Cusick, Republican, by 119 majority. The following are the other officers elected: F. J. Henton, Rep., recorder; E. N. Hoffman, Dem., marshal; E. A. Parker, Rep., treasurer. Councilmen: First ward, C. H. Stewart, Dem., second ward, Charles Pfeiffer, Dem., third ward, J. J. Grabau, Republican.

**HEAD END COLLISION.**  
PULLMAN, Wash., Dec. 8.—A serious collision occurred here Sunday morning in a cut, close to a crossing where the passenger train stops for meals. The cut is deep and on a sharp curve and when the local freight going south had just pulled out, the engineer saw about 100 feet ahead the Lewistown branch freight bearing down on him. Both trains were moving slowly, but with their great weight and the small space between, a collision was unavoidable. The engineers had barely time to reverse before the engines came together. The smaller engine of the south-bound train was badly demolished, having the pilot and front smashed in. The tender was lifted off the trucks and driven back on a flatcar loaded with lumber. The other engine sustained but slight damage, but was derailed. No one was seriously hurt. The passenger train for the south was delayed by the wreck, which will soon be cleared away.

**LOPY ELECTROCUTED.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—A special from Sing Sing says that Martin P. Lopy, the wife murderer, was executed yesterday. A signal announcing the execution was run up on the flagstaff. It was preceded by a buzzing, indicating that the dynamo had been set at work. A crowd of newspaper men and curious people were waiting in front of the prison gate for the witnesses to come out.

**RAIN AND SNOW.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.—The weather bureau says the rain and snow in California have extended into the Sacramento valley and continue in the upper part of the valley. Snow is falling throughout Northeastern Nevada and Northern Utah, where from one to three inches have fallen in the last 24 hours.

**"All Right!"**  
**ST. JACOBS OIL Did It.**  
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**IT IS THE BEST.**

**Pleasant for His Children.**  
I heard yesterday of a practice of a man of this town who has a large family of children, boys and girls. The eldest is about eighteen. Whenever a child has been born unto him he has bought a blank book. He has written the child's name upon the cover and he has entered upon the pages, in a firm, precise handwriting, all sums of money spent upon the child from the day of its birth. He can tell at a glance the cost of its food, its dress, what he paid for the services of nurse and doctor, the price of its schooling, and money value of its amusements. And he proposes when each child is twenty-one to give it a birthday feast, and after the cake is cut he will present the book to his offspring, saying, "Here you can see what you have cost me."

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**A Singular Horse.**  
A funny story is told of Dean Swift, who was a witty man and fond of a joke at the expense of other people, as most witty people are. One very odd night when he was traveling he stopped at a little inn. There was only one fire in the house, and the guests of the inn crowding about it left no place for the new comer.

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With a solemn face Dean Swift called to the hostler and told him to get a peck of oysters immediately and take them out to his horse.

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**Orientals in London.**  
Socially considered, orientals in London include only two classes, at opposite ends of the scale. They are either quite inferior or quite superior—either of Linchwood or Whitehall. Between these is nothing. The former class consists almost exclusively of seafaring men. Their headquarters are the Strangers' home in West India Dock road, and the history of the institution is practically the history of the poor oriental colony during the last forty years. It is often said, and commonly believed, that there is a regular Asiatic—and particularly Chinese—quarter in east London, something like that of which we hear so much at San Francisco, only on a smaller scale, and a good many years ago there was some foundation for the belief.

**EGGS.**  
Our man who has been scouring the country for Eggs has just brought in a big lot and we are prepared to supply the city.  
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No. 223 Commercial St., Salem.

The Royal Sovereign in Bluegate fields was a recognized rendezvous of Asiatic seamen, and in the neighborhood were a good many low lodging houses kept and frequented by Chinese, Malays and Japanese. But the opening of the Strangers' home proved the death blow, as it was intended to be, of this unsavory settlement. Customers gradually deserted the lodging houses in favor of the home, and they were eventually shut up.—St. James Budget.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.—Wheat buyer '91 \$1.82; season \$1.90.

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ALL kinds of household goods.  
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