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### WASHINGTON INFORMATION.

#### Patents on Important Inventions Expire.

### DAILY CASH TREASURY BALANCE.

#### Other Matters at the Seat of Government.

#### Expired Patents.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—Patents on a large number of inventions expired by limitation today. Among the more important are the following: Breech loading fire arms, C. Estebrook; Boston; over-stitch sewing machine, W. A. Palmer, Johnstown, N. Y.; mowers, Wm. S. Stone, New Philadelphia, O.; sewing machines, E. H. Smith, New York; threshing machines, John H. Millard, St. Paul; speed and distance indicators, G. J. J. Porter, Portland, Or.; revolving fire arms; Daniel B. Weston and James H. Bullard, Springfield, Mass.

#### The Cash Balance.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—The available cash in treasury today is \$189,182,349.

#### NOMINATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The president has sent to the senate the following Chicago nominations: Martin J. Russell, collector of customs; Frank G. Hoynes, appraiser; Delos P. Phelps, United States sub-treasurer.

#### WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—The president today nominated W. H. Fisher, postmaster at Roseburg, Oregon; P. A. Darlin, Goldendale, Washington. Registers of land offices: B. F. Marris, Lewiston, Idaho; Albert G. Floyd, Walla Walla, Washington. Receivers public money: Milton G. Gage, Boise, Idaho; Lafayette M. Flourby, Spokane, Washington.

### The House Deadlocked.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The house is still deadlocked on the Bland bill. At the opening this morning the sergeant-at-arms reported that he had sent thirty seven telegrams to absent members and received fifteen replies; five say that they are sick, and ten that they are on the way to Washington. He had arrested Apsley, Gardner, Hillborn, Post, Randall, Lucas, Marvin, all republicans. Apsley and Post were excused when it was shown that they had voted at last session. Others were brought before the bar of the house and excused, after giving a satisfactory explanation and Bland renewed his siege.

### A Silver Caucus.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The success of the filibuster against the Bland silver seigniorage bill, which has blocked proceedings in the house for five days, forced the Democratic advocates of the measure to invoke the decree of caucus, and immediately after adjournment last night a Democratic caucus was held in the hall of the house to consider the situation. There were present 130 Democrats, but not a Democratic member of the New York delegation, all of whom have joined in the obstructive movement, nor in fact any others who joined hands with them. The presence, however, of Pence of Colorado, a Populist, was significant. The sentiment in caucus, therefore, was all favorable to the bill and two resolutions were adopted, one to keep the seigniorage bill before the house to the exclusion of everything until disposed of, and the other expressing the sense of the caucus, that it was the duty of every Democratic member to vote either for or against the bill.

The only difference of opinion was as to the advisability of going even further than this and compelling members to vote, or being counted, if they refused. Boatner presided, and advocated a resolution to instruct the committee on rules to bring in a rule to compel members to vote or be fined, and the Patterson resolution, instructing the speaker to count a quorum. Patterson declared he believed, after reviewing the spectacle for five days, that Reed was right and non-voting members should be counted to make a quorum. The Patterson resolution was voted down by about 20 majority, the speaker voting against the proposition. The caucus adjourned pending the vote on the Boatner resolution.

### A Hundred Thousand.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 20.—Only a light vote is being polled in the special election for Congressman-at-large, to succeed the late Wm. Lilly. Republicans say they will be satisfied with a

majority of a hundred thousand. Democrats say their vote is coming out and expect if it keeps on growing to hold the majority down to 75,000.

#### Railroads Blocked.

RENO, Nev., Feb. 20.—The blockade on the railroad in the Sierra Nevada mountains is the worst in years. Two trains with three hundred passengers are held here awaiting opening of the road. The Truckee passenger train is abandoned. Last night was a wild one in the mountains and indications now are that it will be several days before the road is opened.

### UGLY LABOR DEMONSTRATION

#### Demanding Immediate Aid in Boston.

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 20.—Five thousand unemployed laborers made a demonstration on the common this afternoon, which threatened to end in a riot. They were in an ugly mood. They crowded into the state house and adjoining grounds and demanded immediate aid. The governor addressed them from the state house and was received with applause, though made no promises. An attempt was then made by the leader to get petition before the legislature then in session. A large force of police was called out to guard against trouble.

The leaders tried to get into the legislative hall to present their grievance, while the crowd remained outside. Mr. I. Swift, anarchist, and spokesman of the mob, appeared at the balcony, and announced that the legislature refused to accept the petition. The crowd broke into yells of derision, and contempt. Then Swift launched into a tirade of abuse of the legislature. His threat to clean out the state house, was received with shouts of approbation. A large number of policemen soon gathered, and Swift was forced to stop his talk, and matters quieted down.

### AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

#### Law Sentencing Inebriates to Drunk Cures is Unconstitutional.

LANSING, MICH., Feb. 20.—The supreme court has decided that the law of 1893, empowering justices of the peace to sentence inebriates to institutions for the cure of drunkenness, unconstitutional, as it would in effect empower unofficial managers of drunk cure institutes to determine the duration of the punishment inflicted by the state.

### THE STORM KING'S PINIONS.

#### Extend Over a Number of the Western States.

LEADVILLE, Colo., Feb. 20.—A terrible snow storm has been in progress near Kohomo, two days. Snow six feet deep on the level.

### A BAD MAN KILLED.

#### Tried to Shoot His Partner and Lost His Own Life

ASHLAND, Or., Feb. 20.—A fatal shooting fracas occurred on Jump-off Joe creek, at the further end of this county, Friday night, in which Henry Wynnes was shot through the head and killed. The following particulars have been learned: Al Palmer and his half-brother, Jack Blair, occupied the same cabin with Henry Wynnes, and have been engaged in mining together on the creek. Wynnes has the reputation of being a bad man, and probably quarrelled with the other men. Friday night Wynnes sat up by the fire, after the others had gone to bed. After giving them time to go to sleep, he picked up his rifle and stole up to their bed. Palmer was awakened and saw Wynnes coming, and spoke to him, just as the latter fired, the ball entering the log above the head of the bed. Palmer grabbed a revolver, and as he sprang out of bed, fired at Wynnes. The latter returned the fire, but did no harm. Palmer then made a rush for Wynnes and got the gun under his arm, at the same time shooting Wynnes in the head and killing him. Palmer went to the nearest officers, the next morning and surrendered.

### GREAT FLOOD IN STOCKTON.

#### Storms All Around While this Valley Has Sunshine.

STOCKTON, Cal., Feb. 20.—Indications are that the city of Stockton will be entirely flooded by the middle of this afternoon. The great storm has not ended and warm rain is falling and melting the snow in the mountains and foot hills. Water is reported coming in with a rush and at Holden station, seven miles east of here, is four feet deep on the railroad track.

### CHRIS. EVANS IN LIMBO.

#### Sheriffs Arrive in Visalia with Their Man.

### ATTEMPTS TO LYNCH THE ROBBER.

#### An Infuriated Crowd Pursues the Officers and Prisoners.

### Would Lynch Him.

FRESNO CAL., Feb. 20.—Sheriffs Scott and Kay and George Witty have arrived here from Visalia with Evans and Morrell. They drove up from Visalia and had an exciting time eluding men who went in pursuit with the purpose of lynching Evans. This was an exciting race for life a good share of the way, as the determination to lynch the men was very strong.

### LAST NIGHT'S DOINGS.

Evans looks very thin and pale, as though he had passed through a very severe spell of sickness. There is much rejoicing here at the capture, as many persons had reason to fear his vengeance for giving information to officers, and there was a general belief that some valuable lives would be lost before he could be captured.

Evans and Morrell were expected here Saturday night, and United States Marshal Gard was telegraphed the fact at Los Angeles. They did not arrive, however, but came last night. W. V. Brighton, who lives in Evans' house, informed the officers of the bandit's arrival, and he was detained in jail until the full facts were learned. Marshal Gard arrived at 3 o'clock in the morning, but Sheriff Kay and posse had the houses surrounded all night to prevent the escape of the bandits. Brighton and his wife have been living in Evans' house and caring for the four little children of Evans. Brighton has assuredly been acting with the officers, at least he gave the bandits away last night, but whether freely or under compulsion is not positively known. If Evans is not removed to the penitentiary trouble may occur, as there are people here who favor taking possession of the prisoner and hanging him. They say our community has suffered enough from the actions of bandit Evans. The officers have heard the rumors and will take precautions, maybe by sending the prisoner away by a special train. Fresno officers were notified this morning that he was here, but none came to assist in the arrest. It turns out that Mrs. Brighton and the children were not at home, only Evans and Morrell being in the house. But the crowd was too large for them to attempt to escape.

### Killed as a Valentine.

THE DALLES, Feb. 20.—Word has just been received here of the fatal termination of a valentine party given by some young people in a vacant house near Mitchell, Or. During the evening Jack Hamlet said he was going to "kill some one." After picking a quarrel with a young man named Ben Gammie, he drew a pistol and without a moment's warning shot Gammie, killing him instantly. The murderer then mounted a horse and made his escape. Sheriff Ward has received an accurate description of the man and immediate steps will be taken to capture him.

### The Chinamen Held.

PENDLETON, Feb. 20.—The Chinaman arrested Saturday night for assault on two little Pendleton misses was arraigned before Judge Rosenberg this afternoon, charged with assault and attempt to commit rape. He waived examination and was bound over to the grand jury. Bail was fixed at \$2500. Half a dozen deputy sheriffs and policemen were present, as trouble was feared and the room was crowded, but no demonstration was made. He could not get a bond and was taken back to safe quarters in the county jail.

### THE MARKETS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20.—Wheat May \$1.03.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Cash, 57½; May 60½.

PORTLAND, Feb. 20.—Wheat valley 83½@85; Walla Walla 75 @77.

### Another Wind Battle.

BURNS AVES, Feb. 20.—A battle has been fought at Itapera, 16 miles west of Sao Paulo. The Brazilian government troops were defeated.

### Broke All Records.

HEDWIG, Miss., Feb. 20.—Torjus Hemmervad, the world's champion ski runner, broke his own record by 16 feet.

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### \$25,000 LAND SCHEME FOILED.

The arrival of W. T. Wright, Mayor of Union, Or., at Salem Monday, undoubtedly precipitated the injunction suit, papers in which were served in great haste Monday afternoon. It is stated that the Mayor, who is also a bank president, came for the express purpose of closing up the affair, and brought with him all the papers and documents such as deeds, abstracts of title, etc., necessary to a satisfactory and business-like consummation of the \$25,000 sage-brush asylum-site deal, but before he could meet with the members of the asylum board and submit the papers, the injunction intervened and rendered his journey in this behalf, fruitless.

### THE PETITION.

The petition alleges as follows: "That by virtue of the power vested in them as such board the said defendants, under the provisions of a pretended act of the legislative assembly of said state, claimed by them to have passed the said legislative assembly at the 17th biennial session thereof, are about to purchase with the money of the plaintiff sought to be appropriated by the said legislative assembly for that purpose 640 acres of land in Union county, Oregon, for the sum of \$25,000 to be used as a site for a branch insane asylum for said state.

"And also the plaintiff alleges that said defendants in their capacity as such board are about to expend of the moneys of the plaintiff sought to be appropriated as aforesaid in the sum of \$14,000 in constructing buildings on said land to be used as a hospital for the care of a portion of the insane of said state who are and hereafter may be lawfully committed to such institutions, for care and treatment at the expense of the said state."

Governor Penney seems to be in favor of the \$25,000 deal. A morning paper quotes him as saying in response to a request for a statement as to the summary proceedings against the proposed purchase:

"That the least said, the soonest mended; but if the court will strictly regard the correct meaning of words in its construction of the constitution the branch asylum will be built at Union."

The people of Union have clearly overreached themselves in asking the state to pay \$25,000 for a site. However, they may have induced the board of visiting physicians to recommend the location, it is nothing short of an outrage on the state to mulct the treasury of \$25,000 for a square mile of land, to put the branch asylum on. It should not be overlooked that plenty of healthy sites, from a sanitary standpoint, can be had in Eastern Oregon without costing the state a penny. \$25,000 would put up the building on such a site, to hold all the people who are really insane for many years to come. The scheme to unload on the state a \$25,000 site is nothing short of an outrage in these hard times, with heavy taxes and a depleted treasury.

It is well known that when the Soldier's Home was located, a magnificent site of land and lumber to put up the building were offered the commission free at Bandon; by the sea shore. But the political deal to locate it at Roseburg had been closed by the governor and his board, and the state had to buy an expensive tract at Roseburg. The injunction came just in the nick of time to prevent the duplication of one of these land schemes. We are not opposed to a branch asylum in Eastern Oregon, if one is needed. But the way times are, the difficulty people are going to have in paying their taxes, the necessity for sitting down on all expensive schemes, it is fortunate that the board has been enjoined.

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### INSANE LAW REFORM.

While courts and economists are considering the question of stopping the construction of a branch asylum in Eastern Oregon there is urgent necessity for a reform in the laws, under which persons are committed to the asylum.

Any person now deemed by a county judge or justice of the peace of unsound mind and unfit to be at large can be committed to the state insane asylum at the expense of the state, both as to travelling expenses of the person, the sheriff and one or more guards.

Often the committing magistrate does not even hold a trial, but merely on the opinion of one or two medical men sends the charge upon the state. It is a well known fact that scores so sent are not really subjects for an insane asylum.

There are epileptics, feeble-minded persons, born idiots, inebriates from whiskey, opium, tobacco, cocaine, cigarettes, and gamblers, who were never insane, and who should not be sent to an asylum at state expense.

There are at a low estimate two hundred epileptics at the Oregon asylum. In many states they are kept in colonies by themselves. As a rule, they are harmless sympathetic people, not properly belonging in an asylum.

Under the present law the fees obtained by officials in the counties sending out patients cuts a big figure and makes an unfortunate person who can be committed a tempting object of official rapacity and often of designing cupidity.

The appropriation of \$38,000 by the last legislature is nearly exhausted already and there will be a big deficit from this source. All the bills being paid out of the state treasury the counties are enriched by the insane.

The laws should be so changed that the counties should bear the expense of transportation of insane and where the insane person has no property the county should bear the expense of keeping and thus do away with the present evil of committing aged persons, who are merely weakened from senility or enfeebled with disease, in order to get them away so as not to become charges upon the county.

In many states the expense of keeping insane is charged to the estate of the person kept or the estate of his family where a minor. There is great need of the application of some of these salutary principles in Oregon.

The address issued by the late committee of Republican clubs has never been copied very furiously in the press of the state out side of the Oregonian. Many of the poorer people of the state have been making it up into campaign soup.



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