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OCCIDENTAL NEWS.

The Libel Suit Against the Itata Dismissed.

POLITICAL SCANDAL AT YUMA.

A Will Contest for the Possession of a Colored Recluse's Estate in California.

San Diego's tax levy has been fixed at 85 cents on the \$100.

The San Jose Council has passed the Sunday-closing ordinance.

Santa Rosa voted to bond the city for the purchase of water works.

The Reed Hotel at Ogden has closed its doors, because the patronage did not make it pay.

The Directors of the Bellingham Bay and British Columbia Railroad Company have made arrangements for the sale of the road to the Canadian Pacific.

Director Ames of the Union Pacific railroad writes that the company is making an active inquiry with the view of extending its track to Astoria, Or.

The by-law for Vancouver, B. C., to guarantee the interest on \$400,000 of debenture bonds to be issued by the street railway company has been defeated by 152 majority.

Health inspectors visiting Chinatown at Los Angeles found fifteen buildings that in their opinion cannot be cleaned or made healthful, and recommended their being razed at once.

Inquiries are now being made into the practicability of shipping frozen mutton by the Australian system to Vancouver. A company will probably be formed to build a cold-storage warehouse at the latter place and go into the business.

The damming of the Mojave river at Victor, California, an artificial dam nine miles long, three miles wide and 120 feet in depth, water sufficient to irrigate 200,000 acres of desert land, is a project on foot in San Bernardino county, Cal.

The arrest of ex-Prison Superintendent M. McInerney at Yuma, A. T., on warrants charging him with embezzling territorial property from the penitentiary at Yuma, is the beginning of one of the most sensational political scandals ever developed in Arizona.

Alderman Towler of Vancouver, B. C., refused to apologize for saying the members of the City Council went around with their hands behind their backs seeking bribes. He said he would go out in the night and take his coat off with any Alderman that tried to make him eat his words.

James Reedy, an old miner who is now janitor of the City Hall at San Jose, claims to have discovered rich gravel in Santa Clara county, and in support of the claim exhibits a small bottle containing flakes of gold, which he claims to have washed out.

No fewer than thirty-two daggers, butcher-knives, saws, files and meat-shots have been found, besides morphine and other drugs, in the Arizona Prison at Yuma. The former Superintendent, M. McInerney, is in arrest for appropriating territorial property.

A public meeting was held at Creswell, Lincoln county, Or., a few days ago to agitate the matter of removing the county-seat from Eugene to that place. It was argued that Eugene was only a temporary county-seat, and that land and money would be donated at Creswell for county building, and that the county property at Eugene could then be sold for enough money to pay off the debt of the county. It was charged that affairs were now in the hands of a corrupt and extravagant set of men, who used the public offices for private gain.

David McDannald, living on Mud Creek, below Milton, Or., was bothered with snakes; they would swallow eggs whole and they would swallow the young chickens. So great was the annoyance he could not raise any young fowls. He finally studied up a plan to rid his premises of the snakes. He bought a big lot of porcelain eggs and laid them around so the snakes could get them. They swallowed them the same as the genuine ones, but they could not digest them, and death was the inevitable result.

A sensation has just come to light at Pacific Grove by the absconding of E. M. Carver, the cashier of the Bank of Pacific Grove, with \$10,000 of the depositors' money. The creditors who were duped by the wily cashier were Mrs. Goodrich of San Jose for \$5,000; William Hauman, a real estate dealer at Monterey; Rev. Dr. Clark, a Presbyterian minister of Monterey, of whose church the missing cashier was a devout member and a number of other well-known persons of Pacific Grove. Beside these victims there is a further list of persons who were involved for less amounts.

United States Judges McKenna, Morrow and Hawley, sitting as a Circuit Court of Appeals at San Francisco, have affirmed the judgment of the United States District Court of Southern California, dismissing the libel suit against the Chilean steamer Itata and releasing the vessel and 2,000 cases of rifles she had aboard when seized by the United States Marshal in San Diego harbor two years ago. The libel filed in the Itata case charged deliberate violation of Section 5,383 of the United States Revised Statutes, and set forth that the Itata had been fitted out with the intent to cruise and commit hostilities against the government of Chile, with which the government of the United States was at peace. The decision of the Circuit Court is lengthy and reviews the details of the late Chilean revolution and overthrow of President Balmaceda, and the Court finds that the state of affairs as alleged in the libel is not borne out by the evidence.

The State of Oregon has filed its answer to the cross bill of Multnomah county in the tax suit. The answer admits several unimportant charges, and asserts that the object of the equalization was to maintain a uniform assessment. The charge that assessment on mortgages in some of the counties is lower than that of Multnomah county, and other assertions that were made against the county, are denied. The answer also denies that mortgages were discriminated against in favor of other real estate taxes. It is stated that only 10 per cent was added to the assessment of mortgages in Coos, Linn and Washington counties; 25 per cent in Douglas, 30 per cent in Yamhill, and 7 per cent in Marion. The answer asks for the dismissal of the cross bill, and that the county be compelled to pay \$100,000.00 in taxes to the State, which it has refused to do.

CHICAGO EXPOSITION.

One of the most striking features of the Chicago Fair is the absolute and starting nudity of the statuary.

The charge for a room in Chicago—hotel or boarding-house—ranges from \$1 to \$5 a day. The average price for an average room is now \$2 a day.

The Countess di Brazza, sent to Chicago by Queen Margherita to watch over Italy's collection of jewels, is an American, who before her marriage was Miss Cora Slocum.

Washington State day at the Chicago Fair, which was to have been May 17, has been postponed until some time in June, owing to the unfinished condition of the State building.

The Chicago City Council has unanimously passed a resolution declaring for Sunday opening of the World's Fair grounds, and representatives of 45,000,000 of stock in the exposition criticized the financial management that closes the gates on one day out of the seven.

Commissioner Forsyth has presented a communication from wine growers of California. There have been charges that restaurants at the fair placed such high prices on California wines that no one will call for them, as they can obtain foreign wines at almost the same price. Californians assert that restaurants at the grounds will not place any wines upon their lists unless a bonus of \$2,000 to \$5,000 is paid them. Californians say this would exclude their wines, as they cannot afford to pay any such sums. They propose therefore to establish a cafe at the California building, in which all the wines of the California exhibitors will be listed. New York, Ohio and other domestic winemakers will be given a show on the same terms. The council of administration is asked to reduce the usual 25 per cent. turned in to them as their share of sales to 10 per cent, to enable wine to be sold at reduced prices.

The World's Fair gates will be open to the public Sunday, and the vexed question is settled. At the regular monthly meeting of the local Directors of the World's Fair, it was decided to open the gates of Jackson Park to the public for half the sum of the admittance to the fair during the week, viz: 25 cents. This action has nothing to do with the opening of buildings. The latter will remain closed as required under the laws passed by Congress, and as agreed to when the \$2,000,000 was accepted from the Fifty-second Congress. The vote by which the resolution was adopted was twenty-seven to seven. Under the resolution Midway Pleasure is also thrown open. Edwin Walker, attorney for the board, submitted an opinion, and on the strength of the opinion the board acted. Briefly, Walker decided the exposition grounds altogether a distinct and separate thing. Unless the National Commission acts vigorously to prevent it, Jackson Park will be open Sunday, the exposition buildings remaining closed.

After much hard work the committee investigating misunderstandings in the bureau of music has made a report to the national commission. It is a most severe arraignment of Theodore Thomas and his methods of conducting the bureau of music. It gives a fearful rapscallion to the bureau, and says that any home engaged in selling or manufacturing instruments, Thomas declared that the authority of Director-General Davis over him was merely nominal. The committee concludes by the expression of the opinion that no piano exhibited for award should be allowed to leave the factory, that the usefulness of Prof. Thomas as the head of the bureau of music of the World's Columbian Exposition is so impaired in the judgment of the committee that his services should be further dispensed with, and recommends that the Director-General be instructed to request his resignation.

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Senator Faulkner, Chairman of the Committee on Territories, has selected, in addition to himself, Senators Hill, Platt, Bate and Davis, as a sub-committee to investigate the condition of the Territories now seeking admission into the Union. The committee starts June 10.

Heavy rains near Chillicothe, Ohio, have washed the earth away and disclosed some valuable relics on the historical Massie farm, consisting of stone implements, bullets, coins and silver buttons. The gold coins are dated 1727 and 1750.

The Yaguais have sent word to the Mexican authorities that no troops or strangers will be permitted to enter their country, and as the government will send a large force of regulars against them, an exciting and bloody campaign is expected.

General F. E. Beale's will has been filed at Washington. He intentionally fails to make any provision for his three children, Emily T. Beale, Traxton Beale and Mrs. M. E. Barmetieff, and leaves all his property to his wife, Mrs. Mary E. Beale.

The great dam now being built across the Colorado river at Austin, Texas, is built of large, rough blocks set in concrete in the interior faced on both sides and on top with cut granite. It has a total length of 1,275 feet, and a maximum height of 66 feet.

The story is revived in Washington that the White House is to be devoted exclusively to residential purposes. President Cleveland is said to be considering the moving of his office to suitable apartments in the army, navy and State Department buildings.

Southern California is the Mecca toward which the restless negroes of the section about Chattanooga, Tenn., are now turning their faces. Great excitement exists among them over an emigration scheme to the Pacific Slope. The suppression among the negroes is that all that is to be done is to go out there with a few dollars, buy a much land as is wanted and live like a nabob.

EASTERN MELANGE.

Secretary Hoke Smith Trying to Correct Evils.

AN AUTOMATIC VOTE RECORDER.

Heavy Rains Disclose Some Valuable Relics on the Historical Massie Farm in Ohio.

Drought will cut Kansas' wheat crop down one-half.

A postal computation gives Detroit 283,000 population.

A "Colored Tariff-reform Club" has been organized in Atlanta.

The Michigan Legislature has indorsed an automatic vote recorder.

The licenses for 6,000 dogs are annually taken out in New York city.

Cold and frost has rendered necessary much replanting of the cotton crop.

Carter Harrison has forbidden smoking in the Chicago Council chamber.

A new law precludes the possibility of an absolute divorce in Massachusetts.

The population of Johnston, Penn., has increased over 6,000 since the flood of 1850.

The coal and coke business of Colorado is now in the hands of four great companies.

The Duke de Veragua is so much taken with America that he proposes to stay indefinitely.

Milwaukee has been taking a little census of its own, and is satisfied that its population is 245,019.

The Ohio Legislature has again rejected a measure looking to the granting of the vote power to the Governor.

Spain's banks have turned over \$2,000,000 in gold to the United States in exchange for Treasury and bank notes.

Alabama reports an increase of 6 1/2 per cent in cotton and 6 per cent in wheat.

Last year there were 3,500 arrests for violations of the excise law in New York, but the convictions numbered only thirty-five.

The consumption of domestic beer in the United States last year was about one-half a barrel per capita, or something like a barrel, herring, testotales.

According to official report, the prohibition of liquor in Maine uses \$70,000 worth of liquor a year for "medicinal and mechanical purposes."

Deaths from exposed electric wires, very frequent in New York before Mayor Grant's crusade against the dangerous and unsightly poles in 1864, are now a thing unknown.

The great tunnel which is to drain the Valley of Mexico is nearly finished, and will be completed in fifteen months. It is expected to transform Mexico into a very healthy city.

The New York Board of Electrical Control has condemned three-fourths of the electric-light iron poles in that city, and ordered them replaced by wooden poles with cast-iron bases.

American corn shipments are moving into Mexico as heavily as last year. It is estimated that 2,000 car loads will be shipped into the republic before the close of the year if the duty is not restored.

There seems to be a fair chance for the restoration of the death penalty in Michigan, for the Judiciary Committee of the Legislature has reported favorably upon the bill introduced to that end.

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PURELY PERSONAL.

Mark Twain's eldest daughter, Miss Clara Clemens, not yet 20, has written an allegorical play.

Ismael Pasha, ex-Khedive of Egypt, now 63, lives in regal splendor on the shores of the Bosphorus. His wealth is \$25,000,000.

Alvango has presented to the Unitarian Church of Charleston, S. C., a handsome brick parish-house, costing over \$11,000.

A son of the Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate of all England, is a Captain in the artillery and an enthusiast in the art of war.

Mrs. Laura de Force Gordon, a well-known woman lawyer on the Pacific Coast, has filed her application for the Consular post of Honolulu.

Queen Victoria is traveling in Italy, and in England she isn't missed, so little does she really have to do with the government of that country.

Dr. Harkness, the bacteriologist who has been investigating cholera, writes that he has conquered the disease by an inoculative method, which he will give to the world.

Frederick Weyerhaeuser, one of the richest of the lumber kings of Minnesota, works at a brewery when he comes to this country from Germany. He worked for 31 days.

Coningsby Disraeli, who has just come into his inheritance at Hughenden manor, is described as bearing a striking resemblance in personal appearance to his uncle, Lord Beaconsfield.

The ex-Empress Eugenie is said not to put trust in French medical men. When she fell ill of a sore throat in Paris not long ago she telegraphed to England for a physician to attend her.

The Trustees of Lane Theological Seminary have accepted the resignation of Prof. Roberts, one of the professors of Prof. Henry P. Smith in his trial for heresy. The Trustees also re-elected Prof. Smith for the ensuing year.

Dr. Buchner, the African traveler, broke from the highest point on Mount Kilimanjaro, one of the highest mountains in Africa, a piece of rock, which he presented to the German Emperor. The Kaiser now uses a mountain summit as a paper-weight on his writing desk.

Mme. Paul Mink is a picturesque candidate for a seat in the Paris municipal council. She is the wife of the French ambassador, and the mother of a child named "Lucifer Satan Verencingtoix Mink." Her political platform is that of "woman, mother, Socialist and Republican."

Pope Leo XIII. spends most of his mornings in the Vatican gardens catching birds with nets, a sport which he practiced when Bishop of Perugia, and of which he is particularly fond. Hundreds of birds are caught every morning and distributed among the hospitals and the poor.

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Emperor William has sent a letter to the Bishop of Metz in which he finds fault with the attitude of that prelate in introducing to the Pope a body of pilgrims from Lorraine. The Bishop's language in doing so was an insult to King Humbert.

A rather curious report is now abroad in Berlin that the Emperor is displeased with Chamovoff's (v. Capry) on the ground that the Emperor's goldsmiths were only 48,000 bushels, against 1,944,000 bushels in March and 752,000 bushels in April, 1892.

Miss Florrie Bryan, a young English woman, has forsaken Christianity and married the Maharajah of Patiala in India. She was received as a member of the Sikh religious community just before the marriage, which was celebrated according to Sikh rites.

Dr. de Rosey of Haver recently completed his 100th year, and was given a dinner by his medical brethren. In his after-dinner speech he said that his father had attained the age of 108, and he labored for humanity for some years to come.

A statement recently published by the authorities of Munich gives some startling information as to the increased consumption in that city of dog flesh. So great an appetite seems to have been developed for that food that the authorities have thought it time to interfere for the protection of dog owners.

FOREIGN FLASHES.

Emigrants Leave England for Mozambique, Africa.

THE FOREIGN TRADE OF JAPAN.

Emperor William Finds Fault With the Bishop of Metz - Herr Rozwadowski-Etc.

Cholera reports are again coming from Europe.

Sir Charles Dilke wants the British government to get out of Egypt.

Emperor William forbids all German clericals to meddle in political affairs.

Steps are taking to effect a combination of all trades unions in Great Britain.

The long drought in Austria has been broken and the wheat crop placed beyond all danger.

Russia has communicated to the Pope her intention to send a permanent Minister to the Vatican.

Scotland's population in the middle of last year was 4,963,452-1,961,401 males and 2,102,051 females.

Heavy frosts have greatly injured the vines in the wine districts of Austria, Switzerland and France.

The question of ocean penny postage has recently engaged the attention of the British House of Commons.

Adelina Patti has commissioned the Italian composer, Emilio Pizzi, to write a short opera for her American tour.

The late William B. Astor's personal estate in Great Britain has been returned with an official valuation of \$1,320,000.

The British Consul at Bordeaux reports that last year's vintage, though large in quantity, is of very poor quality.

Russian cotton spinners boast that they will soon be in a position to dispense with American cotton altogether.

Japan's foreign trade for 1892 exceeded that of 1891 by 20,000,000 yen. The principal increase was in the values of silk and tea.

It has now been decided to light the whole of the Southampton docks with electricity, while the cranes will be worked by hydraulic power.

Bismarck according to an interviewer thinks that the anti-Semitic troubles will be gradually settled by the intermarriage of Jews and Gentiles.

Thirty miles of underground electric railway similar to the City and South London line has been proposed for Berlin at an estimated expense of \$10,000,000.

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WHEAT—Nominal. Valley, \$1.20 per 1.25¢; Walls Walla, \$1.10 per 1.12¢ per cental.

FLOUR—Standard, \$3.40; Walls Walla, \$3.40; Graham, \$3.00; superfine, \$2.50 per barrel.

OATS—Choice, 44¢ per bushel; fair, 40¢; rolled, in bags, 36¢ to 50¢; barrels, 45¢ to 60¢; cases, \$5.75.

HAY—Best, \$11 to 15.50 per ton; common, \$9 to 10.

MILK—Bran, \$19.00; shorts, \$22.00; ground barley, \$23 to 24; chop feed, \$18 per ton; whole feed, barley, 80¢ to 85¢ per cental; middlings, \$23 to 24 per ton; brewing barley, 90¢ to 95¢ per cental; chicken wheat, \$1.17 per cental.

BUTTER—Oregon fancy creamery, 22¢; 25¢; fancy dairy, 17¢ to 20¢; fair, 15¢ to 16¢; common, 12¢ per pound; California, 31¢ to 37¢ per roll.

EGGS—Oregon, 16¢ to 17¢ per dozen.

POULTRY—Chickens, mixed coops, \$4.00 to \$4.50; fancy coops, \$4.50 to 5.00; broilers, 45¢ to 60¢ per dozen; dressed chickens, 10¢ to 11¢ per pound; ducks, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 18¢; dressed, 20¢ per pound.

VEGETABLES—Cabbage, \$1.05 per cental for old; \$2.00 to 2.25 for new; onions, 3¢ to 3 1/2¢ per pound; cut onions, 1 1/2¢ to 1 3/4¢ per pound; potatoes, \$1.15 to 1.17 for Garnet Chilli; \$1.40 to 1.75 for Burbanks; new, 25¢ to 30¢ per bushel; cauliflower, 90¢ per dozen, \$2.75 per crate; Oregon, \$1.25 per dozen, 45¢ per crate; celery, 80¢ to 90¢ per dozen; artichokes, 35¢ per dozen, \$2.00 per box; lettuce, California, 25¢ per dozen; Oregon hot-house, 40¢ to 45¢; asparagus, \$2 to 2.25 per box; radishes, 10¢ to 12¢ per dozen; green onions, Oregon, 10¢ per bunch; green peas, 1/2¢; spinach, 3/4¢ per pound; cucumbers, \$1.18 to 1.80 per dozen; string beans, 14¢ to 16¢ per pound; California garlic, 5¢ to 6¢.

FRUITS—Sicily lemons, 45¢ to 50¢ per box; California new crop, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per box; lemons, \$2.00 to \$2.50 per box; oranges, seedlings, \$2 to 2.75 per box; navels, \$3.00 to \$3.50; cranberries, \$2.50 per barrel; apples, \$2 to 2.25 per box; strawberries, 16¢ per dozen; pineapples, \$4.50 to \$5.50 per dozen; cherries, \$1.50 to \$2.00.

STAPLE COMMODITIES.

HONEY—Choice comb, 18¢ per pound; new Oregon, 16¢ to 20¢; extract, 90¢ to 100¢.

SALT—Liverpool, 100s, \$15.00; 50s, \$15.50; stock, \$10.00 to 11.00.

BAKING POWDER—Patent, 11¢ to 12¢; silver, 11¢ to 12¢; Italian, 13¢ to 15¢; German, 11¢ to 12¢; plums, \$8 to 12; apples, 6¢ to 11¢; evaporated apricots, 15¢ to 17¢; peaches, 12¢ to 14¢; pears, 7¢ to 11¢ per pound.

RICE—Island, \$4.75 to 5.00; Japan, \$4.75; New Orleans, \$4.50 per cental.

COFFEES—Costa Rica, 22¢; Rio, 22¢; Salvador, 21¢; Mocha, 26¢ to 30¢; Java, 24¢ to 30¢; Arabica's and Lion, 100-pound cases, 23 to 25¢ per pound; Columbia, same, 23 to 25¢.

BEANS—Small whites, 3/4¢; pinks, 3/4¢; bayos