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The steamship California has been temporarily laid up.

The steamship Oriflamme is expected to sail from San Francisco to-day.

Yesterday the Merrimac took a huge raft of logs to the Cementville mills, from Blind slough.

The weather is perfectly delightful, in this region. It is nice. Who would n't live in Astoria.

The steamer Oriflamme has been put on the Oregon route again, and will sail for Astoria to-day.

The average height of the oats on the Klaskanine farm this season is six feet. The head is well proportioned to the body.

Dr. Sparling's boat, about which so much has been said, was successfully launched at Cape Disappointment this week.

A quantity of freight was on the wharf yesterday for A. A. Q. M. at Fort Stevens, and one package for Major Stewart of Fort Sitka.

An excursion has been made up for the Seaside to-morrow, by Dr. Kinsey. The steamer Mary Bell will take the party as far as Skipanon.

Parties hunting for terminal investments can never do better than to invest about Astoria. This is the terminus, and it is not a bogus one.

There are still numerous visitors at the Sea-side, and they continue to come and go daily. Astoria has a good representation of Portlanders here this week.

Mr. Kahn, of the firm of Kahn Bros. burned out in the late Portland fire called on us last Thursday. The firm have resumed business on Carter's Alder-street wharf.

We understand that a concert, and series of tableaux entertainments is to be given at Spiritual Hall, for the further benefit of the Catholic church, being built in this city.

The season for Salmon fishing has terminated on the Columbia river for this year. The run being good all establishments have done a better business than for any former period.

A ball was given to the employes at the Westport fishery Thursday night by Capt. West, on the occasion of the closing of active operations for the season of 1873. It is said to have been a very fine party.

We are informed that the charter of the Caravan has been transferred, and that she will not now come here, but is loading at Vallejo with grain for Europe. Our Hog's-back probably frightened her off.

Mr. Frank Taylor of this city, son of Col. James Taylor, is announced passing Ogeen August 6th, en route to this city from Albany, New York, where he has been attending a law school, and had recently been admitted to the bar. He is just entering upon his profession, and we bespeak for him success. After visiting his friends and relatives here he will locate permanently for business, at some point in this State perhaps.

The barkentine Jane A. Falkenburg, owned by Capt. Geo. Flavel of this city, returned from Honolulu last Thursday. She made the trip in twenty days, with a valuable cargo on board, and will return in a short time. Since leaving here the Falkenburg has been thoroughly overhauled, and is now in splendid sailing order. Her cabin accommodations are ample and convenient, and a trip to the Islands may be made in her a pleasure. She reports that the Maria Crockerd would sail for Astoria the day after her departure.

Youngs River Falls.

The steambot Mary Bell, Capt. Fisher, left Flavel's wharf in this city at eight o'clock Thursday morning last for a run to Youngs river, with about as happy a party of excursionists on board as ever left port for a visit and pic nic to any retreat. To the Falls they were bound, but on reaching the landing below, where it became necessary to take the small boats, in consequence of the narrowed channel and many sunken logs, it was raining! This fact caused many of the party to consider that perhaps the steamer would be the most appropriate place to lunch, and they would remain on board. The small boats were launched, however, enough in number to furnish comfortable seats for all, and just then a ray of sunshine penetrated the mists, betokening a favorable change in the weather, and S. D. Adair's boat pushed off with four ladies and three of the sterner sex, intrepid voyagers, determined to complete their mission. On they rowed up that most lovely and picturesque stream where bright waters mirrored into unfathomed depths below, the high blue arch of heaven and the border-brink with the variegated foliage, the spiral tipped trees and rough uncultivated forest. Occasionally a wild duck would divert attention from the sublime beauties of the situation, the bark of some faithful watch dog, or hunter's hound would apprise us that we were yet within bounds of civilization, or some squawk would tell of the habitation of mother goose. What a beautiful spot; what appropriate scenes for an artist, were universal expressions with the little party in that boat, when suddenly a sound greeted the ear: "They are coming!" "They are coming!" all exclaimed, and close behind us voices are heard, and the sound of oars playing in the row locks. "Pull out!" sang the pilot—meaning to say "port oar," but he came from the Wallamet only recently and consequently could n't be blamed, but the bungled command so convulsed one lady oarsman, who thought she was doing her very best before the order to "pull out" was given, that we had to steady down before proceeding. Here we met another difficulty, the "figure head" shifted position, getting one knee into a lunch basket, which threw the whole party into convulsive fits of laughter again, and in this situation the stern boat passed us, reaching the steak (we were to be to) about thirty seconds ahead of us. But we never complain on state occasions. That boat added H. S. Shuster to the party with camera, chemicals and plates, to photograph indelibly upon our minds the event, and some of the scenes we should admire. Immediately we set out for the Falls, reaching the base in due time. Majestic, sublime work of nature! The foaming cataract, the dashing spray, the broad deep pool surrounded by precipitous and overhanging rocks, pronounce in favor of Youngs river Falls as a desirable locality for health giving and recreating qualities. Lunch was spread and we all dined, partaking heartily from well stored baskets prepared by the ladies. After lunch came fishing, berrying, sight seeing, picture taking, etc. It must be said with credit and honor to Mrs. J. W. Sellwood of Oregon City, Mrs. T. A. Hyland and Miss Laura Adair of this city, that they were the only ladies of the party, (nearly twenty being on the excursion,) who ventured and accomplished the ascent of that solid basaltic wall, some eighty feet high, and stood upon the brink of the precipice, looking down upon the boiling water, as it left the placid chain of little lakelets to break into spray and foaming sheets, on the angry leap. They were accompanied by two gentlemen, and three youths, and after catching trout from the upper stream, resting and sitting for a photograph, returned to camp, resumed fishing, etc., etc., until nearly three o'clock when time admonished all to be away for the steamer and homeward. Wearily and reluctantly was the place left again to its wild solitude. That last mournful dirge of the Mary Bell (commonly called the third whistle), was just dying out when we reembarked, and prepared to hear a report from that part of the party who had been afraid of getting wet, and remained behind. Mr. and Mrs. Munson, Miss Holder, Miss Munson and Mr. J. G. Megler, had visited the falls while we were on the summit. Mrs. VanDusen, Miss Florence VanDusen, Miss Boelling, Miss Rogers, Miss Flavel, and others too numerous to mention, accompanied by Mr. Wadleigh and others visited the Klaskanine, and recuperated on fruit and berries and lunches in that direction. Before landing the party Capt. Fisher continued the excursion to Skipanon, returning about seven o'clock in the evening, and every one retired to their homes well satisfied with the trip.

We are indebted to Mrs. Arrigoni for a plate of choice ice cream and cakes, sent to our sanctum on the evening of the party at Spiritual Hall, when duty to our readers prevented an attendance. Thanks for the kind remembrance.

Prof. and Mrs. McGibeny returned from Shoalwater Bay last evening. They have been having fine times over that way.

Judge S. E. Barr, Inspector of Customs at Oysterville is in the city. Mr. Kearny also returned on his way to Portland.

Circuit Court Calendar.

The following is a list of causes entered on the docket for the August term of the Circuit Court for Clatsop county, Hon. W. W. Upton, Judge, to convene in this city next Tuesday, August 12th, 1873.

George Flavel vs. Ben Holladay et als. Strong and Page for plaintiff. Action at law.

Lloyd Brooke vs. James Taylor et als. Strong for plaintiff, Thayer and Elliott for defendants.

A. C. Farnsworth et als. vs. George Flavel et als. Hill Thayer and Williams for plaintiff, Strong and Page for defendants.

Peter St. Andrew vs. Isaac Ebell. Mulkey for plaintiff.

C. H. Bain vs. J. W. White. Durham and Thompson for plaintiff, Thayer for defendant.

O. P. Mason vs. H. Lieneweber. Mason for plaintiff, McEwan for defendant.

Henry Lack vs. Wm. Falkenburg & Co., McEwan for plaintiff.

State of Oregon vs. Charles Stannard. Complaint of assault. Durham for State.

State vs. Lewis Curley. Selling liquor to Indians.

State vs. W. H. Gray. Injury to road. Durham for plaintiff, Elliott for defendant.

State vs. Charles Newman and Henry Smith. Same.

State vs. Luke Taylor et al. Suit for trespass.

Carrie Anderson vs. Lewis P. Anderson. Suit for divorce. McEwan for plaintiff.

E. C. Crow vs. Chas. Gibbons et al. Foreclosure of mortgage.

Milton Elliott vs. Jas. Welch et al. Foreclosure of mortgage.

John W. White vs. James Welch. Foreclosure of mortgage. McEwan for plaintiff.

A. Hinman vs. James Welch et al. Foreclosure of mortgage. Elliott for plaintiff.

James Taylor vs. John M. Shively. Foreclosure of mortgage. McEwan for plaintiff.

R. R. Spedden vs. Hustler & Aiken, executors of the estate of Cyrus Olney, deceased. Action at law. Mulky and Elliott for plaintiff.

Milton Elliott vs. J. M. Shively. Action on note. Elliott for self.

A Danbury agriculturalist made a scare-crow so infernally frightful that it not only kept away the crows but caused a winter-killed pear tree to leave.

Movement of Vessels.

Following is a list of vessels on the way to this port, and a record of the arrivals and departures up to date:

Bark Witterhorn on the berth in San Francisco, for Portland in Star line.

Sch Maria Crockerd, sailed from Honolulu about July 20th.

Schooner Hera, from Melbourne.

British bark Lieut. Maury, sailed from San Francisco July 30th.

British bark Vesta, sailed from Liverpool, April 12th.

British bark Shylet, Liverpool, via Victoria.

British bark Oneca, 588 tons, McDowell, from Tyne via Molendo and Callao, arrived from Molendo at Callao 22d.

British ship Loretta, 1,944 tons, from Tyne via Callao. Sailed March 6th.

British bark Duncairn, Chambers, from Tyne via Bombay, Arrived at Bombay prior to April 22d.

British bark George A. Holt, Norton, from Wear via New Zealand, Sailed Dec. 20th, 1872 Passed the Lizard February 6th.

Arrived
Bktn J. A. Falkenburg, Honolulu, August 7

Tide Table for Astoria.

August	High Water.		Low Water.	
	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
9	0 45	2 20	8 19	8 02
10	1 34	2 54	8 54	8 52
11	2 24	3 25	9 25	9 41
12	3 15	3 54	9 58	10 28
13	4 09	4 24	10 25	11 10
14	5 11	5 01	10 55	11 58
15	6 16	5 53	11 20	12 38
16	7 24	6 50	11 40	0 37

Notice to Pilots, (and Ship Masters).—Every Pilot or Ship Master who shall bring into the port of Astoria any ship or vessel having on board any persons or goods infected with Small-pox, Cholera, Leprosy, or other contagious diseases, or which shall have had on board any such infections during the voyage, or which he suspects, from the bad sanitary condition of the vessel may be capable of propagating disease, shall anchor such ship or vessel below Smith's Point, and give immediate notice to the Health Officer. In any violation of the foregoing regulations the law will be strictly enforced. S. W. DODD, M. D., Health Officer, Astoria.

THE LATEST NEWS.

Gold in New York to-day, 115½.
Portland Legal Tender rates, 85½ buying; 86½ selling.

A new trial of young Walworth is confidently looked for.

Several new suits are about to be brought against the Erie Railroad Company.

Senator Rances has been appointed President of Cadiz, until the arrival of the authorities.

John Lathrop Motley, the American historian, has been stricken with apoplexy, depriving him of the use of one side.

A dispatch from Vienna says that the interview between the Count de Chambord and the Count de Paris was most cordial, and the political situation of France was not alluded to.

The New York wool market is active, large sales of California fleece ranging from 25 to 30 cents. Spring wool, 34 to 35 cents; Fall do, 25 cents; pulled, 44 cents. The latter for choice grades. Hops are quite steady. California, 47@52 cents. California leather, light middle heavy weights, 26½ to 27 cents.

An effort is making to procure a public reception for Joseph A. Ribald, the leader of the English agricultural movement, who is expected in America this month, to see for himself if skilled farm sarvents are wanted, and to provide for their transportation hither.

Among the arrivals by the Emma Hayward yesterday we notice Bishop Morris, Hon A.S. Mercer, P. Low and Mr. Powell, of Linn county. The last two came to attend the meeting of stockholders in the Astoria Farmer's Warehouse company to be held here to-day at ten o'clock a.m.

The Commissioner of the General Land Office has decided that parties desiring to acquire title to lands containing valuable deposits of iron ore must comply with the provisions of the Mining act, approved May 15th, 1872, except in the States of Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, which by Act of Congress, approved March 7, 1873, are expressly relieved from its operations.

A Victoria dispatch of the 6th reports the United States Revenue Cutter Lincoln going north to search for further and more definite tidings as to the fate of the lost steamer Geo. S. Wright and her people. Every cove, inlet and bay will be entered and all the Indian villages examined for traces of the wreck and those who were on board of her.

Senator Morton has addressed notes to his associates on the pointing a full meeting of that committee in New York city on October 1st, or the consideration which shall effect a change in the mode of electing President and Vice President. It is intended to give the sessions of the committee in New York a public character, and several constitutional lawyers and writers on this special subject will be invited to address the committee.

A dispatch from Capt. Wells of the Shenandoah, dated at Cadiz, August 5th, says: "Cadiz is in possession of the government forces. The Insurgents surrendered without fighting, and the city is quiet." He says nothing about his conduct in that port. The Department does not credit the telegraphic statement of the 4th, that he had ordered the Insurgent frigate Villa de Madrid, to abstain from hostilities, and that that vessel remained at anchor under the gun of the Shenandoah.

Ben Butler is explaining the back pay business through the newspapers. It is said to be an elaborate and historical defence of the whole matter in reply to a letter of a distinguished citizen of Boston. Every point is fortified by numerous precedents, and is one of the ablest papers he has ever written. It opens with a defence of the increased pay of the President, whose salary was raised from \$25,000 to 50,000 by the bill, which simply equalizes the pay of the members of both Houses; something that never before existed. Under the old law each member received his \$5,000 salary and \$6 for each twenty miles of distance traveled from his residence to the seat of Government. Numbers of members drew millage, whether they went home or not. At the end of each session now each member receives \$7,000 and actual personal traveling expenses to and from Washington; so that the aggregate pay of members is but a little above what it was before, and in proportion not so much as in times past.

Personal Notes.

—Dr. J. C. Hawthorne and family left for Shoalwater Bay yesterday.

—Messers Geo. L. Story and D. W. Burnside returned to Portland yesterday.

—Mr. Saunders of Fort Stevens left for Portland on a business trip last Thursday.

—Miss Lizzie Anderson held the lucky ticket in the raffle at the Ladies fair, winning the Opera Cloak.

—Ben Holladay has returned to Portland. He is taking an active part to relieve the sufferers by the late fire.

—Sheriff W. H. Twilight is very busily engaged in preparations for the coming term of the Circuit Court next week.

—Judge Brisco of Oysterville was registered at one of the leading hotels in Portland on the 7th. He returned here last evening.

—The friends of Capt. George Flavel will be pleased to learn that he is rapidly recovering from his recent severe illness. He was able to be about the city yesterday.

—Sheriff J. H. Whitcomb of Pacific county, returned from Steilacoom on the 8th. He made the trip through from Astoria to Olympia in one day. Took a team and went down to Steilacoom and back the next day, returning here the third day.

Last Tuesday afternoon Long Island was shaken as by an earthquake by the explosion of two tank boats lying opposite to Rockafellow's Island (City Oil Works). In three minutes the flames had communicated to the material stowed in the yards and three square blocks were enveloped in flames. Captain Mayer, of one of the boats, and a number of others were killed by the explosion, and a great number of boatmen employed near the scene were obliged to jump into the river in order to escape being roasted alive.

UNDER A CLOUD.—A prominent citizen we learn reports that in the course of a conversation with Judge Rice, a few days ago, the Judge admitted that the location at Tacoma does not preclude the company from selecting any other point for the final terminus of the Northern Pacific Railroad, and that he was not certain but that another location would be made at some future time. If this view is entertained by the company and its agents, justice requires that it should be made known to the public now.—Olympia Standard.

To Investors.—The Northern Pacific Railroad Company has now built, equipped and put in operation, nearly 517 miles of its main line of road through an excellent country and along what is known as the Valley Route to the Pacific. The finished portions already enjoy a large and fast increasing traffic. The sections approaching completion connect the chain of Lakes with the navigation of the Upper Missouri and Columbia rivers with Puget Sound, secure at once a large and profitable business and entitle the Company to about 10,000,000 acres of excellent average land in fee simple.

With these accomplished results, the Company offers, and is now rapidly selling, its First Mortgage Bonds, for completing the construction and equipment of its road across the Continent. After careful investigation we recommend these bonds as a well secured and unusually profitable investment. They have 30 years to run; principal and interest are payable in gold; the interest (seven and three-tenths per cent.) is equal now to about 8½ per cent. in currency. The coupon and registered bonds can be exchanged for each other, at the pleasure of the holder. Gold checks for the semi-annual interest on the registered bonds are mailed to the post office address of the owner.

These securities have the following elements of strength and safety: They are the obligation of a strong corporation; they are also a mortgage on the Road, its right of way, equipments and franchises, and a first lien on its net earnings. In addition to this usually sufficient security, there is pledged for the payment of the principal and interest a grant of Land, averaging about 25,000 Acres per Mile for the entire length of the Road. At the average price per acre at which other Land grants have thus far been sold, this real estate security will yield more than \$101,000 per mile—more than three times the possible issue of bonds.

The Company has already begun the process of redeeming and cancelling its first mortgage bonds, as they are now being received, at 1.10 in payment and exchange for the Company's lands. JAY COOKE & CO., Philadelphia, New York & Washington, Financial Agents N. P. R. R. Co.

COMB TO THE FOUNTAIN.—One of the most attractive establishments in Portland is the drug and perfumery store of our old friend Samuel M. Smith, corner of Ash and First streets. Mr. Smith was for many years senior partner of the firm of Smith & Davis. And besides being a thoroughly practical druggist and chemist in, withal, as genial a gentleman as ever grasped a hand in friendship. His store is fitted up and stocked in a magnificent manner with everything usually found in a complete stock of drugs, chemicals, perfumeries, etc. But the feature par excellence is the soda fountain, one of the famous Articheston, an immense affair, a monument reared in marble and silver to the health of the thirsty. It has deliveries, on opposite sides, and can accommodate a rush. It is stocked with Kiewitzon, Congress, Vichy, Seltzer and different kinds of syrups. The cooling apparatus is the most perfect in use, and the product of this fountain a draught that surpasses "the nectar of the gods."