

Tuesday, March 27, 1866

TELEGRAPHIC.

EASTERN NEWS.

The mail services for the Pacific States for the next four years, the contracts for which were closed last Wednesday, the 14th, number in California, ninety-nine routes; in Oregon, twenty-one; in Washington Territory, nineteen; in Idaho, seven; in Utah, twenty-five; in Colorado, twenty-one; in Arizona, eleven; and in New Mexico, eight. The competition throughout was greater than at any former period, and the prices are reduced on those now paid.

The following was to-day laid before the House of Representatives, dated the Treasury Department, March 17th:

Sir—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a resolution from the House, dated the 5th inst., requesting a statement of the amount of money now in the Treasury, including all sums in the hands of Assistant Treasurers, National Banks, and other depositories, designating the amount in each separately. I transmit herewith a communication from the Treasurer of the United States, together with statements prepared by him, from which it appears that the available balance in the Treasury, according to the returns to the 10th inst., is \$123,423,885, consisting of coin \$57,799,921, and of currency \$65,623,964, of which sum \$2,178,030 58 was on deposit in the National Banks.

(Signed) HUGH McCULLOCH.  
This letter was addressed to Speaker Colfax.

THE RUSSIAN-AMERICAN TELEGRAPH.  
New York, March 12th.—The following is a telegraph dispatch sent to St. Petersburg by the line from the Amoor, mailed to this city and transmitted to Col. Balkley, of San Francisco, the Superintendent of the Western Union enterprise:—"Count S. Abasa telegraphs his brother at St. Petersburg, from Irkutsk, February 19th, that the entire extent of the line between the Anadyr and Ochotsk Districts has not only been surveyed, but the route of the lines been determined by me in person. Notwithstanding the extreme scarcity of laborers in the country, I have commenced preparatory works in Anadyr, Ghijinsk, Towek, and Ochotsk. The engineers from the mouth of the Anadyr River have not yet met, but have sent a party to look out for them. I am in daily expectation of meeting the corps of engineers from Nioulaiefski, through Ajain. I am going myself to meet them. We shall avoid submarine lines around the Ochotsk Sea." This is very encouraging and shows that the work is being pressed with all diligence.

THE CATTLE PLAGUE.  
Official reports in England show that vaccination has so far proved a certain safeguard to cattle, against the plague that has raged so fearfully in the British Islands. The disease continues because this remedy is practiced only by the few. Would it not be well for agricultural societies in the different States to urge the immediate vaccination of cattle and sheep? The country cannot afford to lose its stock, and now that a sure, attainable safeguard has been discovered, it ought to be applied as quickly as possible.

The Secretary of the Treasury, in accordance with the Act of Congress in relation to the importation of foreign cattle and hides has determined to allow importation from countries other than Europe, as cattle disease does not seem prevalent elsewhere. Custom officers are directed to take care that no cattle or hides, coming directly from Europe are landed on any pretext whatever after May.

LIST OF PARDONS.  
WASHINGTON, March 11th.—Mr. Clark, the Attorney-General, is making a list of pardons, in answer to an enquiry of the House of Representatives, which will show about fifteen thousand pardons under the \$20,000 clause.

(From the Columbian.)  
More Fenian Sensations.

New York, March 20.—In this city the Central Council of the Fenians, at Union Square, are in secret session, but nothing of their proceedings has been given to the public. Funds and rifles are still flooding in both here and at the Sweeney Headquarters and it is reported that Mahoney has within a few days gone with an expedition of 5,000 men to some point unknown to the public. The total strength of Sweeney's force organized into regiments and battalions up to date is given as 136,091, and it is stated that before the month is passed the number will be doubled. Contributions of money and munitions of war continue to pour into the Treasury and ordnance depots of both branches of the Brotherhood.

New York, March 20.—The Herald's special Toronto dispatch says that a battery left there for the frontier on Saturday and other detachments of troops for the frontier are reported at four different points, the organization of new companies was pushing forward with great activity. The alarm seemed unabated; everybody now believes that the Fenians intend to make a desperate attempt to make Canada a base. Very little dependence is placed on the American Government's professions of neutrality. The authorities feel that they can expect no sympathy from the United States, and must help themselves if they would maintain peace. The public statements show that 1500 regulars and 1000 volunteers are under arms. 1500 men more are drilled and armed but not under pay.

The Herald's special dispatch says a plot has been discovered to blow up the drill shed and volunteers while drilling. A large city sewer runs under the shed with an entrance 100 yards off. The reports say that barrels of powder were to be rolled up the sewer, and when the volunteers met for drill the whole

to be blown up. The sewer is guarded day and night.

European.

PORTLAND, Me., Mar. 20.—The Peruvian from Liverpool via Londonderry, March 9th, arrived this evening. Sir John L. Gray's motion for the Irish Church, has been fixed for Tuesday. The resolution he proposes is: That the Church in Ireland is a grievous wrong to the people of that country, and its continued maintenance prevents them from having any confidence in the justice or wisdom of the Imperial Parliament.

The number of prisoners arrested under the suspension of the Habeas Corpus Act is 176, of whom 64 are British Americans; four have been discharged.

The London Owl says a German crisis is imminent. The Prussian Government dispatched to Vienna a summons in respect to Holstein which was peremptory. Denmark is ready to face war and its consequences. Austria will at once take up the gauntlet or yield to the pretensions of Prussia in a somewhat ignominious manner.

LONDON, Mar. 9.—The Atlantic Telegraph Co., unanimously approved the arrangements of the directors for laying the cable this year.

The War in Paraguay.

NEW YORK, March 20.—The Herald's Rio Janeiro correspondent gives further advice regarding the Rio Platte war. Immense preparations were making for the battle which was imminent at the date of last advices.

The allied army of Brazilians and Uruguayans numbering about 50,000 and supported by a considerable and efficient naval fleet are on the bank of Paraguay River in the vicinity of Paso De La Platte, controlled on the north side by the Paraguayans, estimated at only 22,000 men. Works of great strength are held by the latter, which neutralizes the number and advantages possessed by the allies, the latter, it is reported, design to cross the river; a desperate struggle was anticipated. They had also in contemplation a flank movement and an attack on the Paraguayans' rear. Parties of Paraguayans have crossed in boats over the river; skirmishing had occurred. The allies however had repulsed the Paraguayans with small loss.

Tragedy on the Overland Route.

CHICAGO, March 21.—The St. Louis Republican has the particulars of a terrible tragedy in the Overland Coach bound East, between Alkali and Cottonwood Stations, during the night of Tuesday the 13th.

It appears that a ruffian named Henschild, a fugitive desperado from Montana, alarmed lest one of his fellow passengers, W. W. Barlow from Denver, Deputy United States Marshal, was preparing to arrest him, attempted to murder the whole party while sleeping. One of the passengers was killed and two wounded before the situation was fairly understood, when Barlow shot Henschild which ended the tragedy.

California News.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—Some time during Saturday or Sunday the Clerk's office of the State Capitol was opened by means of duplicate keys and robbed of \$18,200 in gold coin, the property of the county. The thieves left \$2,500 in silver, it being too heavy to carry off.

Dr. John Grant has commenced a suit in the 14th District Court against H. H. Pierson et al, proprietors of the Russ House to recover \$4,475 alleged to have been deposited in the hotel safe and stolen at the time of the robbery. The plaintiff is from Santa Cruz.

Gold in New York is lower; private telegrams dated yesterday, quoted at 127 to 127 1/2. Our market for Legal Tenders has responded (?) leading brokers quote 77 buying and 77 1/2 selling. Bankers sterling remains depressed at 107 1/2 in New York.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—Pisley & Smith, lawyers, recovered a verdict of \$3,000 last evening against the Western Pacific Railroad Co., for services as attorneys.

H. J. Slocum, O. H. Randall and John Haggess were arrested last evening by detectives Ellis and Fowler, on complaint of George Kelly, charged with playing Faro in a building on Sacramento street.

The United States Grand Jury, whose term of office expires to-day, have found 60 true bills of indictment most of them for violation of revenue laws.

The P. M. Co.'s S. S. Constitution will sail for Panama March 30th, connecting at the Isthmus with the steamship Arizona, for New York.

The examination of John H. Miller and John O'Grady, charged with robbing the Russ House safe, terminated in the Police Court last evening, when Judge Rix held the accused to appear before the County Court and fixed their bail at \$10,000.

Arrived, 21st—Bark Adeline Burke, 79 days from Newcastle.

Sailed, 20th—Str Sierra Nevada, Portland, with 2000 feet of submarine cable for the Willamette river.

Special Dispatch to the "Colonist."

Eastern News.

New York, March 20.—Much dry goods has been sold of late for currency at less than cost in gold. Several failures are reported in the provision trade at Buffalo, and some excitement was occasioned here to-day by the disappearance of a Broad street produce dealer with \$100,000. Insurance circles have thrown out mysterious hints of other companies being about to pass into the hands of receivers.

Boston, March 21.—Certain liquors seized at Taunton, Mass., last week by the State constables, were yesterday re-seized by the

Marshal, and returned to the owners, on the ground that the U. S. License under the Internal Revenue Law took precedence of the State license. The case excites much comment and raises an interesting issue.

NEW YORK, March 21.—The steamer New York sailed to-day for Aspinwall. Among the passengers was Thos. W. Knox, the well known correspondent, lately connected with the Associated Press Agency, who will accompany the Telegraph Expedition through Siberia and Russia.

CHICAGO, March 21.—A terrific storm passed over Northern Illinois yesterday afternoon doing great damage. Hailstones large as hen's eggs fell in some places.

CHICAGO, March 22.—An order detailing Gen. Sheridan as a member of the Special Army Board, to meet in St. Louis, reached him in New Orleans just as he was preparing to go on important service to the Rio Grande frontier. The troops are said to be in a disordered state, and fears are entertained in consequence that new complications might arise between our Government and the French in Mexico.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Dr. Ballard of Oregon, has been appointed Governor of Idaho; he will doubtless be confirmed by the Senate. John M. Thayer of Nebraska has been brevetted Major General.

CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 22.—Private dispatches received in this city to-day, announce the loss of the steamship Grenadian, which left Liverpool for Aspinwall, January 24th. She had a full cargo of merchandise mostly for San Francisco. It is not stated how many lives were lost. She belonged to the line of steamers running between England and Central America.

Arnold Lueden, a German, 51 years of age, died suddenly in his bed last night at the corner of Pacific and Davis streets; supposed cause of death, disease of the heart.

No later New York gold quotations than 20th instant; 127 1/2 but firm. Briek demand for Legal Tenders, at an advance of about one per cent. The supposition is that there is a further decline in gold; leading brokers quote them at 78@78 1/2.

Arrived 21st—Ship Swallow, 190 days from Boston, with merchandise for C. W. Brooks & Co.

Arrived 22d—United States steamer Saginaw, 20 days from Panama.

Sailed 21st—Bark Gold Hunter, Puget Sound.

22d—Bark Ethan Allen, Portland; bark Iconium, Puget Sound.

Butter, Eastern is easy and nominally 42@45 for prime, on account of shipments from New York yesterday, as we learn by a telegram. Ranch Butter sells freely at 42 1/2 for choice with inferior at 35@37 1/2.

Fruit—Further sales of 500 boxes Malaga raisins ex Sepoy, at \$4 75.

Whisky—Sales 75 bbls Eastern, common, reported at \$1 25.

Flour—Market dull at \$6@6 50 per barrel for Superfine in sacks; \$6 25@6 37 for extra.

Barley dull, with sales of small lots at 83 1/2@85 per 100 lbs for ordinary to prime.

Oats dull, nominally at \$1 90@2 per 100 lbs.

Potatoes, \$1 25@2 per 100 lbs.

COMMERCIAL.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

ENTERED.  
March 19—Stmr Emily Harris, Frain, Nainaimo  
Slp Ringleader, Harper, Nainaimo  
Slp Ocean Queen, Watkins, San Juan  
Sch Colish, Brown, Alberni  
Stmr Enterprise, Swanson, New Westminster

March 20—Str Eliza Anderson, Port Angeles  
Slp Lady Franklin, Pritchard, San Juan  
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March 22—Str Emily Harris, Frain, Nainaimo  
Sch Eliza, Middleton, Saanich  
Sch Industry, Ramsay, Saanich  
Str Enterprise, Swanson, New Westminster  
Sch Laura, Mathieson, San Juan  
Mar 23—Schr Thordike, Thornton, S Juan  
Schr Annie, Elvin, San Juan  
Str Del Norte, Johnson, San Francisco  
March 24—Stmr Resolute, Guindon, Port Angeles

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Sch Severn, Craigie, Honolulu  
Sch J K Thordike, Thornton, San Juan  
Stmr Enterprise, Swanson, New Westminster  
Mar 20—Schr Black Diamond, McCulloch, Nainaimo  
Sch A Crosby, Sealey, Astoria  
March 21—Slp Ringleader, Harper, Nainaimo  
Stmr Eliza Anderson, Finch, Port Angeles  
Sch Propeller, Keffor, Saanich  
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Stmr Enterprise, Swanson, New Westminster  
Slp Lady Franklin, Pritchard, San Juan  
Mar 23—Schr Laura, Hunt, San Juan  
Schr Matilda, Meldrum, Burrard's Inlet  
Schr J K Thordike, Thornton, San Juan  
Str Del Norte, Johnson, New Westminster  
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Stmr Resolute, Guindon, Port Angeles

EXPORTS.

Per stmr ALEXANDER to New Archangel—11 bbls onions, 78 do potatoes, 249 do peas, 3 bbls split peas, 19 bbls carrots, 33 bbls apples, 3 bbls sour kraut, 17 bbls turnips, 2 bbls red cabbage, 250 hd cabbage, 15 cs porter and ale, 1 hd ale, 6 cs gin, 3 cs old tom, 6 cs alcohol, 10 cs rum, 15 cs copper, 7 cs nails, 9 bbls copper, 20 do hardware, 44 bbls hoop iron, 26 bbls iron, 25 bbls tobacco, 42 doz glass, 3 cks white lead, 2 cks zinc, 2 do paint, 6 qr cks port wine, 1 cs stout, 1 bbl wine, 2 cs galvanized iron, 10 pgs gold leaf, 4 lbs bronze, 2 blenders, 11 cs brandy, 1 cask whisky, 2 cs do, 2 cs sherry, 1 do claret. Value \$6,809 21.

Per schr A. CROSBY to Portland, Oregon—20 cs ale, 10 cs porter, 10 bbls fish oil, 16 cs cast steel, 433 hrs iron, 10 bbls Chinese wire, 1 box tobacco, 42 doz porter, 10 bbls sheet iron, 26 bbls, 250 bbls glass, 3 cks white lead, 2 cks zinc, 2 do paint, 6 qr cks port wine, 1 cs stout, 1 bbl wine, 2 cs galvanized iron, 10 pgs gold leaf, 4 lbs bronze, 2 blenders, 11 cs brandy, 1 cask whisky, 2 cs do, 2 cs sherry, 1 do claret. Value \$6,822 60.

Per ship SEVERN to Honolulu—138 bbls salmon, 2 hhd rum, 36 tons iron, lot iron castings, 24 bbls sand, 64671 lb lumber, 60,000 staves, 6 cords bolts, 556 pgs mds, material for 200 barrels. Value \$10,005.

SHIPPERS.

Per stmr ALEXANDER to New Archangel—Janion, Green and Rhodes.

Per schr A. CROSBY to Portland—Hudson Bay Company, Edgar Martin, Chas Kent, Henry Roscoe & Co, John Banks and Co, Henry Granbaum, Xan Law & Co.

Per ship SEVERN to Honolulu—J P Couch, Janion, Green and Rhodes, Spratt and Kriemler, J R Stewart, E Stamp, H Nathan.

IMPORTS.

Per slp OCEAN QUEEN from San Juan—6 bbls potatoes.

Per slp THORNDIKE from San Juan—3 tons oats. Value \$120.

Per steamer ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget Sound—90 bbls apples, 108 bbls eggs, 2 bags seeds, 2 bbls trees, 21 hd cattle, 79 sheep 5 hogs, 54 bbls onions, 38 bbls flour, 2 turkeys. Value, \$2428 00.

Per schr A J WESTER, from Dungeness—12 tons hay, 4 hogs, 1 carcass beef, 30 bush gr'n. Value \$300.

Per schr NORWESTER, from New Westminster—31 bags saw dust.

CONSIGNEES.

Per steamer ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget Sound—A Frankel, Waitt, Agassie, Robt. Gurner, C Wren, Geo Clark & Co, E Dickinson, P Cline, F Reynolds, Carson & Co, Shripser, R Brodrick.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget Sound—John Wark, Major Downie, J Swan, J Cotene, Gentile, Berry, H Riley, Woods, Bains, F Wood, S O Phillips, Kennedy, Boardman, J Smith, H Ruckie, Perkins, W Haddin, Capt Peterson, John Chinaman.

BIRTH.

In this city, on the 17th instant, the wife of B. M. Cohen, Esq., of a son.

MARRIED.

In this city, on the 20th inst., by the Rev. Thomas Somerville, M. A., Thomas Russell Buie, of Lynton, B. C., to Miss Agnes Lanmeister, of this city.

In Washington City, D. C., February 5th, 1866, at the Methodist Church, Capt. J. Thomas Turner, formerly of Whidby Island, W. T., to Miss Laura Love, of the former place.

At Dublin, January 4th, Pearson Hill, Esq., son of Sir Rowland Hill, K.C.B., and brother to Mrs. Arthur Fellows of this city, to Jane D'Esteiro, daughter of the late Norcott D'Esteiro Roberts, of Dublin.

DIED.

In this city, on the 20th instant, after a long and painful illness which he bore with Christian fortitude, Mr. John Mount Thain, a native of St. John, N. N., in the 32d year of his age. At the time of his leaving that colony he was the oldest born inhabitant of his native city.

His end was peace.

The funeral will take place on Thursday next, at two o'clock, p.m., from the late Parsonage, Humboldt street.

Friends will please accept this intimation. San Francisco and New Brunswick papers please copy.

In this city, on the 20th instant, Mr. Henry McCormick, aged 39 years, a native of County Wexford, Ireland.

Friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the late Ferry, at the foot of Johnson street, at half-past one o'clock, p.m. this day.

In New Westminster, on the 19th instant, Valentine Hall, a native of Ireland, and for many years a resident of Oxford County, Canada West, aged 49 years.

Toronto Globe please copy.

BRIDGE RIVER CARIBOO

can do so by the Government Wagon Road from Yale, over which it is easy to walk, or travellers can ride in fast Stages.

The Steamers running from San Francisco for the conveyance of passengers, by way of Victoria and the Fraser River, being under contract to the British Colonial Governments, the Rates of Fare charged are very low, and passengers are expeditiously, comfortably and cheaply conveyed from Victoria to the mines.

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Distance from Victoria, Couver Island, to Big Bend, 473 Miles  
Distance from Astoria via Portland to Big Bend, 752 Miles

TABULAR STATEMENT OF DISTANCES, COMPILED FROM OFFICIAL AUTHORITIES.

Table with columns: From Victoria, Vancouver Island, To New Westminster, by steamer, To Yale, by steamer, Thence to Savana's Ferry, by stages, Thence to head of Shuswap Lake, by steamer, Thence to Columbia River, at a point 30 miles above the supposed head of navigation, by Government Trail, Thence to Gold Creek, by boats.

From Astoria, via Portland.

Table with columns: To Portland, Thence to the Dalles, Thence to Walla Walla, Thence to Colville, Thence to a point where the Trail from Shuswap Lake strikes the Columbia River, Thence to Gold Creek.

Showing that the distance to the Big Bend Mines is 279 MILES LESS BY WAY OF VICTORIA than by way of Portland.

The following Statistics, respecting the probable Time and Expense of Travelling from VICTORIA TO BIG BEND, have been compiled by Mr. F. J. Barnard, the well known British Columbian Express Agent and Stage Proprietor:

Table for Class 1: By Stage over the Wagon Road, and including Meals and Beds through. Columns: Victoria to Yale, Yale to Kamloops, Lake, Over the Lakes, Head of Lake to Columbia River, Total number of hours travelling, Total cost.

CLASS 2—On Foot from Yale to Lake Kamloops, taking Meals and Beds at Wayside Houses.

Table for Class 2: Columns: Victoria to Yale, Yale to Kamloops, Lake, Over the Lakes, Head of Lake to Columbia River, Total time, 9 days, Total cost, \$53.

CLASS 3—Men furnishing own Food on Steamer—Travelling on Foot from Yale to Lake Kamloops, and buying their own Provisions on the way or packing it with them.

Table for Class 3: Columns: Victoria to Yale, Yale to Kamloops, Lake, Over the Lakes, Head of Lake to Columbia River, Total time, 9 days, Total cost, \$26 50.

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Independent, however, of the confines which the continuous application to the of law is apt in many cases to engender...

He knows the laws of England knows her forms and ceremonies; he says he could tell when Black Rod has his foot on the threshold...

And after a time to relinquish his distinguishing mark of nationality, and the fussy old who looks on England as the centre of universe and all outside an uncivilized land...