

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19, 1878.
Secretary Sherman gives notice that from the 25th inst. until further notice, he will receive subscriptions for the 4 per cent. U. S. funded loan, in denominations as stated below, at par and accrued interest in coin. The bonds are redeemable in 40 years from July 1, 1877, and bear interest, payable quarterly, on the first day of January, April, July and October, and are exempt from taxes or duties under United States, State, Municipal or Local Laws.

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Copies of application will be furnished by the Treasurer at Washington, the assistant treasurer at Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, New Orleans, New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis and San Francisco, and by the national banks and brokers generally. The applications must specify the amount and denominations required, and for registered bonds, the full name and post-office address of the person to whom the bonds shall be made payable.

The interest on the registered bonds will be made payable to the order of the holder, mailed to his address. The check will be paid on presentation, properly endorsed, at the offices of the treasurer and assistant treasurer of the United States.

The payments may be made in coin to treasurer at Washington, or assistant treasurers at the points above named.

For the convenience of subscribers the Department will also receive, in lieu of coin, called bonds of the United States, coupons just due or maturing within 30 days, or gold certificates issued under the act of March 3, 1863; and national banks will be designated as depositories under the provisions of section 5,153, revised statutes of the United States, regulations to be hereafter prescribed.

The fragmentary report on the Chinese question found in Senator Morton's papers, and presented in the Senate, Thursday, as a minority report, takes strong ground in favor of the Mongolian immigrant. It gives evidence of research into the history of the Chinese and favorably contrasts China with medieval Europe. His overflow into California is claimed to be decidedly beneficial to that State, and any restriction upon immigration is opposed as repugnant to the genius of our institutions. The report claims that the evidence taken by the commission shows the Chinese as industrious, temperate and honest, as a rule; that nearly all agricultural and railroad work in the State would have to be suspended without him; that his presence has tended to elevate, rather than degrade white labor, and that the bitterest enmity against him exists among the worst elements of San Francisco population. In this connection I may mention that a bill to restrict Chinese immigration, was introduced by Mr. Davis of North Carolina, in the House, Thursday.

About all the time Wednesday and Thursday in the Senate was consumed in engulging deceased Senators Boggy and Morton, and the feeling appears to be quite general outside of Congress that a portion of the time thus frittered away in formal speech-making, could have been much more profitably devoted to the many vital problems now awaiting Congressional solution, without any impairment of the POST MORTEM prospects of either of the dead Senators. Much time is devoted in the lower House to the introduction of private bills and of public bills relative to the most trivial matters, by members apparently anxious to impress their constituents with their Representatives devotion, or ambitious to shine in the "Record" as author of a bill; and the health of a majority appears unequal to the strain of more than three or four hours duration. Hood's various Committees under his investigation resolution, are organizing for a grand hunt after derelict Republican officials; and if found, we may rest easy as to any danger that the real magnitude of their offenses will not be promptly and fully made known.

A special message is soon expected, recommending that members of the cabinet be allowed seats in the House, to enable them to personally explain the necessity of such appropriations as they urge in their annual reports, and to give information upon other matters of their jurisdiction calling for legislation. The case of Thos. Jefferson as Secretary of State, is cited as furnishing a precedent for such an innovation; and it is claimed that members could thus prepare themselves to vote on measures much more intelligently than now. KNOX.

The American consul at Honolulu recently made a statement to the State department showing the official count of the imports into the Sandwich Islands from the United States. For the year ending Sept. 9th, 1875, they amounted to \$773,407; for the year ending Sept. 9th, 1876, the imports received at Honolulu from the United States amounted \$1,545,136 in value, or more than twice as much as the year preceding the formation of the reciprocity treaty.

He who goeth it blind sitteth down upon a pin, while the discovering man scanneth the chair seat before he squatteth.

Jonah was perhaps the worst taken in man that ever lived.

Mr. Doyle, an ancient typo, is in town.

IN CONGRESS.

From the proceedings of the House of Representatives on the 14th of January, as published in the "Record," we clip the following:

PORT TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

Mr. Jacobs presented a memorial from the Legislature of the Territory of Washington, asking an appropriation to erect a Custom House at Port Townsend, Washington Territory; which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

LAND OFFICE AT PORT TOWNSEND.

Mr. Jacobs also presented a memorial of the Legislature of the Territory of Washington, relative to the establishment of a Land Office at Port Townsend, Washington Territory; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

POINT WILSON, WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

Mr. Jacobs also presented a memorial of the Legislature of the Territory of Washington, asking an appropriation to build a fog-whistle and bell on Point Wilson, Washington Territory; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

SKAGIT AND STILLAGUAMISH RIVERS, WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

Mr. Jacobs also presented a memorial of the Legislature of the Territory of Washington, asking for the removal of obstructions in the Skagit and Stillaguamish rivers, Washington Territory; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

FOG BELL ON PUGET SOUND.

Mr. Jacobs also presented a memorial of the Legislature of Washington Territory, for the erection of a fog-bell and steam-whistle on Foul Weather Bluff, Puget Sound; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce and ordered to be printed.

HARBOR OF REFUGE, WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

Mr. Jacobs also presented a memorial of the Legislature of Washington Territory, praying for the establishment of a harbor of refuge on the Northwest Coast of Washington Territory; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce and ordered to be printed.

Telegraphic Summary.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—A Constantinople dispatch says the blockade of the Black Sea between Odessa and Constantinople has been raised.

VIENNA, Feb. 5.—The Cabinet yesterday issued formal invitations to the signatory powers to the treaty of Paris, to send representatives to the conference to be held at Vienna.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 4.—Public opinion here, and even more at Moscow, regards the projected conference with disfavor. Some papers speak of the conference as a mere device of the European powers to deprive Russia of all she gained after so heavy an expenditure of blood and treasure without themselves spending a dollar or losing a man.

CRITINGE, Feb. 4.—The Russian diplomatic Representative, M. Jouin, has given notice of the conclusion of the armistice to the Prince of Montenegro and requested him to suspend hostilities.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—In the house of commons this afternoon Gladstone suggested an address to the crown from both houses assuring the Queen of support in the conference instead of a vote of credit.

OMAHA, Feb. 4.—Information is received at military headquarters that superintendent of the mounted recruit service has been ordered to forward to San Francisco 250 recruits 100 being for the 1st cavalry and 100 for the 6th cavalry. A dispatch today states that 80 more lodges of agency Indians have left the new agencies on the Missouri, intending to go on the war path. This makes 500 lodges that have left altogether. Military officers here predict another Indian war, and that it will commence early in the spring. They expect that serious depredations will be committed on the northern and northwestern borders of Nebraska.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Willis, of Kentucky, and Loring, of Massachusetts, sub-Committee of the House Committee on Education and Labor, were not ready to report on the Chinese question today, and subsequently all action on the subject was postponed until Thursday next. The committee, however, continued its informal discussion to some extent this morning. The prominent opinion was that apparently the most expedient course to pursue for the present will be to report a joint resolution for adoption by Congress instructing the president to invite the co-operation of China and Great Britain to restrict Chinese immigration and prevent the importation of the coolie to this country, but if the committee decide to report such a proposition it will be with the distinct understanding that the committee reserves the right to recommend legislative action by Congress in advance of the desired results being attained through diplomatic channels in case of serious delay or threatened failure.

FARMERS who take pride in raising fine live-stock, and vegetables, will do well to read the advertisement inserted to-day, by Mr. A. C. Davis, of Deingness.

Mr. Thos. Tallentire, foreman of the Adams job office, starts this morning to Olympia, to be absent a few days, on business.

THE Tacoma "Herald" man is going east of the Mountains.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

Services will be held in St. Paul's church on Sunday next at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sunday school at 2 P. M. Evening prayer on Wednesday, at 7 o'clock. Litany on Friday, morning, at 10. The ladies will meet as usual on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock, at the residence of the Rector.

There will be preaching in the M. E. church on Sunday next, morning and evening, by Rev. John Parsons, the pastor. Sunday school at 2 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursday evenings, and class and teachers' meetings on Saturday evenings.

BOOK LOST

If the person who took from my office a copy of Kitto's Encyclopaedia of Biblical Literature, will have the kindness to return the same, I shall esteem it as a favor. JAMES G. SWAN.

Sheet & Pillow-case Ball

Arrangements are being made for a Sheet and Pillow-case party, to be given on Friday evening, February 22, 1878, at Port Townsend, in honor of Washington's birthday.

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| One ladies heavy guard chain for watch. | One pair (2) heavy chased band bracelets. |
| One set pin and ear-rings amethyst. | One gent's solitaire diamond stud. |
| One extra fine miniature locket. | One gent's cluster diamond pin. |
| One cameo seal ring. | One pair amethyst or onyx severe buttons. |
| One very heavy wedding or engagement ring. | One set (3) studs to match the above. |
| One gent's heavy watch chain with charm. | One elegant heavy set cameo seal ring. |
| One pair Pearl initial sleeve buttons. | One massive band or wedding ring. |
| One Lake George cluster pin. | One new "patent" collar button. |
| One pair (two) heavy band bracelets. | One ladies chemise button. |
| | One amethyst or topaz ring, (extra finish). |

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