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**CRUISE OF THE WOLCOTT.**

Arrival at Sitka—Picturesque Scenery  
—The Town of Sitka—Greek Church  
—The Trading Post—Military Sta-  
tion—Exciting Deer Chase.

**EDITOR ARGUS:**

The cutter arrived at Sitka on Saturday morning, June 19th, the weather was clear and pleasant and the sun shining brightly; it happened to be when the days are the longest of the year, and on account of the mountains to the eastward we could not see the early sunrise, but it must have been about three in the morning; at 9-30 at night the last rays of the setting luminary tinted the distant snow-crowned mountains with a delicate hue of crimson and gold. It was not dark at any time between setting and rising, twilight lingered long and strong enough to enable one to read on deck, and before the setting sun had ceased to paint the clouds in the eastern horizon, the rays denoting his return were distinctly observable.

Sitka is surrounded by lofty mountains on all sides except from about south to west; those nearest to the town are covered with the same dark evergreen forests; we had noted all along our journey, while those far beyond in the background had their desolate looking sides covered with a mantle of pure glistening snow. The harbor is filled with small islets, reflected in the clear blue water, and, with Edgecomb, an extinct volcano twenty miles distant, makes a grand and beautiful picture when looking towards the ocean. The town itself is extremely dilapidated and looks like a consumptive in the last stages of decline. The most prominent buildings are those formerly used by the Russian Fur Company, and now occupied by the military. The Governor's old house, a large three-story wooden building, stands on an eminence overlooking the whole town and harbor, and is the most prominent building seen.

Near the middle of the town there is a Greek church with a tall spire over the front, and a huge dome over its centre; it was being repaired at the time of our visit, but through the courtesy of the priest we were allowed to visit it and inspect the paintings and silver ornaments. The paintings were those of saints and martyrs, some of them very beautiful; the candlesticks and chandeliers were of solid silver and said to have been presented by the Empress of Russia. There were no seats for the congregation as all are required to stand or kneel during the services. We attended service in a small chapel in another building a little further on. The priest, robed from head to foot in a light-green chasuble, profusely gilded, stood in a small ante-room in front of the altar, with his back to the people most of the time. The service was intoned and in the Russian language. A choir, consisting of a young and an old man, sang all the time at railroad speed, as if anxious to get through. The people bowed very frequently, going down upon their knees and touching their foreheads to the floor; pictures of saints with candles burning before them were hung in front of the altar; the room was comparatively dark and gloomy, but the strangeness of the scene, language, and evident earnestness of the worshippers impressed us with feelings of profound respect.

There is a large Indian village outside of the town and separated from it by a wooden stockade; to the eye of the casual visitor these Indians appear like all the rest of

the red men seen along this coast, yet I think their houses appeared rather more filthy, if possible; many of them, and particularly the squaws paint their faces jet black, said to be to protect them from the weather and preserve the velvety softness of the skin; however effectual it may be for that purpose, it gives them a very repulsive appearance to a fastidious white man.

The trade of Sitka, which was formerly a large depot for furs, at the present time amounts to almost nothing; all the furs obtained by the Indians are carried by them to Fort Simpson, a Hudson Bay post, where the traders can furnish them English manufactured blankets and other goods much cheaper than the American traders can, and these people are very apt at bargains, and so shrewd in many of their transactions that some have been led to suppose that they are possibly the direct descendants of the children of Israel. Besides being shrewd traders they are learning the arts of civilization, among which is the art of producing whisky from molasses; they rig up a couple of tin oil-cans into a rude kind of a still and manufacture an article known as hoochnoo, it is not quite equal in flavor to Kentucky bourbon but it makes the drunk come, and that is sufficient for Lo—as among white men it causes trouble, so to prevent the cause an injunction is laid on the sale of molasses, and no resident of the town can obtain a gallon of that article from any of the merchants without first producing a permit from a military officer in command; yet that does not prevent the business, it only drives the trade in molasses to the British trading posts, and the hoochnoo manufacturers are said to exist to a greater or less extent among all the tribes in the Territory of Alaska.

We remained in Sitka four days, hardly long enough to get well acquainted, yet we managed to call on all the military officers, and found them to be, without exception, pleasant, kind and enterprising. They have excellent quarters, and, although it may be rather lonesome at times and a long while between mails from the outer world, yet it is not considered so bad a station as many others that military men have to put up with.

On Wednesday, June 23d, we left Sitka, most of us in a state of delightful uncertainty as to our next destination, except that we were not going to Kodiak or Oun-alaska, when happily an incident occurred about breakfast time, which turned everyone's attention to another subject. While a few were still lingering at the matutinal board an excited individual from South Boston rushed in upon us with frantic gestures and ejaculations; pointing to the key of the armchest he exclaimed—"rifle—key—overboard—ahead—deer"—he was supplied with a key, and as is always the case with people in a hurry, rifles, which on ordinary occasions lift out of their racks with the greatest of ease, at this time were securely fastened, and from the depths of the locker several pious exclamations were heard, but at length the gun was released, and followed by all of us he rushed upon deck. In the meantime the machinery was stopped and the cause of all this hubbub was a deer close by swimming across the strait up which we were steaming—now was a chance for glory among the numerous noted hunters we had on board. The hero of Boston flats, who had frequently shot the head off a gull at a fabulous distance, fired several times but the bullets only

made a splash; then a KEEN shooter, who had killed bears with a club, and been through great trials by sea and land, took a hand with no better success. More guns were sent for and hopes were drooping, when, from the wilds of Arken-saw there appeared a man whom all hoped would wear the laurels, but alas! that deer possessed a charmed life, winding his way toward the shore spite of the shots fired. Meanwhile, a noted fisherman from the forests of Maine lowered a boat, and with a picked crew gave chase; the poor creature, almost frightened to death by this time, was at length overtaken. Our fisherman went for him with his hook (boat-hook) but was seized with the buck fever ere it alighted on the floating head, and the deer swam off in another direction; he was overtaken again, when a blue-shirted sailor dextrously seized him by the ears and quickly yanked him into the boat, he was secured and brought aboard in triumph, and carefully searched for bullet holes. The only wound he showed was a small puncture in one of his ears, which was probably received while getting him into the boat. It was found that 27 cartridges were missing from the rifles, and the various heroes could only remember about half that number being fired. A sharp knife put an end to all the troubles of that deer, and he was the subject of many a feast. All the sportsmen claim to have made good LINE shot, but the line was evidently not very close to the deer's head.

**SPINX.**

**Beauty's Fancy in Stockings.**

The Paris shops are full of the most fanciful designs in this article of feminine attire. They are made in cream color, lemon color, orange yellow, straw color, pink, pale blue, pale green, lilac, light brown, dark brown, crimson, scarlet, purple—in short, in every shade of every color. The designs embellishing them are by far the most important part of it, as regards fashion, and these are of the most varied description. One pair of stockings which excited admiration from the passers of a certain high-toned well-known shop in Paris was in lemon color, and the instep of each foot was covered with bunches of black currants, with their twigs and leaves, most delicately embroidered in the colored silks. Another example of ornamentation lay close at hand, in the form of a black silk stocking, around the leg of which a garle of pink rosebuds and leaves winding upward from the ankle was exquisitely embroidered. This last fashion is very popular just now. Stockings so embroidered are, of course enormously dear. Few women can afford to buy many such expensive articles of dress as these garland stockings; therefore it becomes a matter of eager competition among the leaders of fashion to secure as many specimens of the latest rage as their purses will allow. The mania is instilled, and henceforth a woman of the world takes rank according to her stockings. Garlands of flowers do not hold their field alone, it must be observed. In some cases inscriptions and devices are embroidered round the legs of the modern stockings, and rows and patterns are worked in colored silk stars or spots. The ground, however, of all this work must, on no account, be white.

A WEALTHY London merchant says: "I always feel happy when I'm advertising, for then I know that, waking or sleeping, I have a strong though silent orator working for me."

**Wendall Holmes on Long Dresses.**

Our landlady's daughter is a young lady of some pretensions to gentility. She wears her bonnet well back upon her head, which is known to all to be a mark of high breeding. She wears her trains very long, as the great ladies do in Europe. To be sure their dresses are so made only to sweep the tapestried floor of chateaux and palaces, as these odious aristocrats of the other side do not go dragging through the mud in silks and satins, but, forsooth, must ride in coaches when they are in full dress. It is true that, considering various habits of the American people, also the little accidents which the best kept sidewalks are liable to, a lady who has swept a mile of them is not exactly in such a condition that one would care to be her neighbor. But confound the make-believe women who are turned loose in our streets. Where do they come from? Not out of Boston parlors, I trust. Why, there isn't a beast or a bird that would drag its tail through the dirt in the way these creatures do their dresses. Because a Queen or Duchess wears long robes on great occasions, a maid of all work or a factory girl thinks she must make herself a nuisance by trailing about with her—pah! That's what I call getting vulgarity into your bones and marrow. Making believe what you are not is the essence of vulgarity. Show over dirt is the one attribute of vulgar people. If any man can walk behind one of these women and see what she rakes up as she goes and not feel squeamish, he has got a tough stomach. I would not let one of 'em into my room without serving them as David did Saul at the cave in the wilderness—cut off his skirts, sir, cut off his skirts. Don't tell me that a true lady ever sacrifices the duty of keeping all about her sweet and clean to the wish of making a vulgar show. I won't believe it of a lady. There are some things that no fashion has a right to touch, and cleanliness is one of these things. If a woman wishes to show that her husband or father has got money which she wants and means to spend, but doesn't know how, let her buy a yard or two of silk and pin it to her dress when she goes out to walk, but let her unpin it before she goes into the house.

**An Early View of Phrenology.**

The following allusion to phrenology is found in an old number of the Newgate Calendar, relating to the hanging of Thurtell:

Among those most anxious to view the body were a class of people who advocate the brutal, stupid and demoralizing doctrine called phrenology. The following anecdote will show what use these decipherers of the marks on the heads of others make of the contents of their own. Sometime ago a gentleman found a large turnip in his field of the shape of a man's head, and with the resemblance of the features of a man. Struck with the curiosity he had a cast made of it and sent the cast to a society of phrenologists, stating that it was taken from the head of Baron Turenpointz, a celebrated Polish professor, and requesting their opinions thereon. After sitting in judgment they scientifically examined the cast in which they declared they had discovered an unusual prominence which denoted that he was a man of acute mind and deep research, that he had the organ of quick perception and also of perseverance. The opinion was transmitted to the owner of the cast with a letter requesting as a particular favor that he would send them the head; to this he politely replied that he would willingly do so but was prevented, as he and his family had eaten it the day before with their mutton.

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**The Cunning Expedient.**

There is a fable among the Hindoos that a thief having been detected and condemned to die, happily hit upon an expedient which gave him hope of life. He sent for his jailer, and told him he had a secret of great importance which he desired to impart to the king, and when this had been done he would be prepared to die. After receiving this piece of intelligence the king at once ordered the culprit to be conducted to his presence, and demanded of him to know his secret. The thief replied that he knew the secret of causing a tree to grow which would bear fruit of pure gold. The experiment might be easily tried, and his Majesty would not lose the opportunity, so accompanied by the prime minister, his courtiers, and his chief priest, he went with the thief to a spot selected near the city wall, where the latter performed a series of solemn incantations. This done, the condemned man produced a piece of gold, and declared that if it should be planted it would produce a tree every branch of which would bear gold.

But, he added, this must be put in the ground by a hand that has never been stained by a dishonest act. My hand is not clean, therefore I pass it to your Majesty.

The king took the piece of gold, but hesitated. Finally, he said, I remember in my younger days that I often filched money from my father's treasury which was not mine. I have repented the sin; but yet I hardly dare say my hand is clean. I pass it to my prime minister.

The latter, after a brief consideration, answered: It were a pity to break the charm through a possible blunder. I receive taxes from the people, and as I am exposed to many temptations, how can I be sure that I have remained perfectly honest? I must give it to the governor of our citadel.

No, no, cried the governor, drawing back. Remember I have the serving out of pay and provisions to the soldiers. Let the high priest plant it.

And the priest said, You forget I have the collecting of tithes and the disbursements for sacrifices.

At length the thief exclaimed: Your Majesty, I think it were better for society that all five of us should be hanged, since it appears that not an honest man can be found among us.

In spite of the lamentable exposure, the king laughed; and so pleased was he with the thief's cunning expedient that he granted him a pardon.

**A Man Who Bore No Malice.**

Bill exceeded his privileges as an American citizen recently and was dragged before the bar of offended justice, charged with disreputable conduct, to the disgrace of the commonwealth.

Yes, sir, guilty, answered Bill, twirling his hat.

Now, see here, Bill said his honor, you've been here too often. There's no need of your getting drunk in this way and lying around disgracing yourself and obstructing travel. I'll let you off easy this time, at \$20 or ten days. But if you ever come here again I'll give you something to remember.

Much obliged, responded the prisoner, nodding to the clerk, who had possession of the coin taken from him, to pay the costs. This being done and his property once more in his possession Bill regained his cheerful manner.

Judge, he said, you've done a heap of work on me in your time; s'pos'n we go out an' take sumfin'.

"Eh? said the Court.

Come an' take a drink with me, Oh.



SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 1876.

Centennial Exhibition, July, 1876.

It is well known that at the great Vienna exhibition, the display of articles from the United States was a most lamentable failure, owing to a want of organization and executive oversight among the various commissioners from the States and Territories.

The entire arrangement of the American organization at Vienna, both state and national, was an utter, entire and disgraceful failure, and it is well to remember at the forthcoming Centennial at Philadelphia, that it is better, much better, not to appear at all, than unworthily to exhibit a state or territorial industry or resources at a world's fair.

The desired result can be secured in a very simple way. A timely organization must be effected. The simplest organization is the best, and to be efficient should be inexpensive.

Those commissioners who are to represent Washington Territory have already been designated. Their duties, however, should be merely advisory; they should act simply as a board of unpaid trustees, performing no executive duties themselves, but supervisory, counseling or authorizing the steps taken by him upon whom the responsibility must finally rest.

No ordinary or inexperienced man could fulfill the duties of the position, for it is a great error to suppose that it is one either of holiday work or newspaper renown.

To procure such a person may not be easy, but unless he is procured, and that without delay, the people of this Territory may rest assured that, as respects confusion, waste of money, and poverty of result, the experience of Washington Territory at Philadelphia will be but a repetition on a small scale of that of the United States at Vienna.

Our Legislature has made no appropriation for this purpose, neither have the commissioners had any organization. It is time

for them to meet, to organize, and to select a proper man to act as their secretary and executive agent. Circulars should be sent to every county in the Territory, and persons intending to contribute should at once inform the secretary. In order to secure suitable accommodations at Philadelphia, everything should be so arranged before the first of January next, that the commissioners may know just what articles will be furnished and how much room may be required.

There is good reason to believe that every condition exists in this Territory necessary to make a decided success of our part of the proposed Philadelphia Centennial, provided energetic action is taken at once. Should this be deferred to the last moment, and then hastily improvised, those who rashly implicate themselves will have a good ultimate cause for regret as did the vast majority of our countrymen who found themselves in any way officially connected with the national fiasco at Vienna.

Suspended.

Since our last issue, in which we animadverted to some extent upon the objectionable features of affairs in Alaska, and particularly the obnoxious order relating to qualifications for traders, etc., we have received a copy of a counter order. To give our readers, however, a full understanding of the subject, we reproduce the section of the order referred to by us, followed by that for its suspension:

Sec. 3. All persons desiring to trade in Alaska Territory will at once make application to the undersigned for a license, stating the name and residence, and the particular locality at which they wish to transact business. The application must be accompanied by a bond for the penal sum of five thousand dollars, duly executed by the applicant as principal, and two sureties. If not known to the undersigned, the sureties must be approved and vouched for by the United States District Judge, or the United States District Attorney for the District in which he resides. The condition of the bond must be that the principal will faithfully observe all laws and regulations made for the government of trade and intercourse with the Indians in Alaska, and in no respect violate the same. This bond will be renewed every year. If the applicant is a naturalized citizen, he will present his naturalization papers with his application. Unnaturalized foreigners cannot procure license.

COUNTER-ORDER from Headquarters Department of the Columbia, July 28th:

To the Commanding Officer at Sitka, Alaska.—The Department Commander directs you to suspend the operation of the third section of your order so far as it relates to the bond in the penal sum of five thousand dollars, with reference to existing traders, including unnaturalized foreigners. As these traders have gone to Alaska without understanding that this law applied to them, and have already invested their means, many of them being unable to furnish the requisite bonds, it is believed that the Government may, in equity, regard this law, now for the first time put into actual execution, in the nature of an expost facto law, and may relieve existing traders from its execution so long as in other respects they conform to the letter and the spirit of the laws affecting them.

H. CLAY WOOD, Assistant Adjutant General.

The election campaign in the Indian Territory, for the Chiefship of the Cherokee nation, has been somewhat lively, sixteen men and two women having been murdered in connection with it within the last two months. The assassinations are the outgrowth of feuds existing between the contesting parties. Among the slain was Fields, the Auditor of the nation, who was shot in the church at Tablequa.

Death of Ex-President Johnson.

In Carter county, Tenn., at 2 1/2 o'clock a. m. last Saturday, Andrew Johnson breathed his last. He was born in Raleigh, N. C., on December 29, 1808. At the age of ten he was apprenticed to a tailor, with whom he served seven years. His mother being a poor widow, she could not afford him any educational advantages. He never attended school a day in his life. While learning his trade he was determined to learn to read, and after his daily work would spend his evenings on the shop board studying. In 1826 he settled in Greenville, Tenn., taking with him his mother who was dependent on him for support, and he soon after married. Under the instructions of his wife he learned to write and cipher. He was elected alderman of the village in 1828, and re-elected in 1829 and 1830. In 1830 he was chosen Mayor, which position he held for three years. In 1835 he was elected to the Legislature, and was again elected to the same position in 1839. In 1840 he served as a Presidential elector on the Democratic ticket. In 1843 he was elected to Congress, where, by re-elections, he served until 1853. In 1853 he was elected Governor of Tennessee, and was re-elected in 1855. In 1857 he was elected United States Senator for the term of six years. During the civil war he served as military Governor of Tennessee. In 1864 he was elected Vice President of the United States, and upon the death of Lincoln, in April, 1865, became President, which position he held until March 4, 1869. In 1874 he was elected United States Senator from Tennessee, and was a member of the Senate at the time of his death.

Andrew Johnson was a most remarkable man; from great obscurity, uneducated, unaided and alone, we find by his record that he advanced higher and higher in office, until he reached the highest in our Government. His several re-elections for important offices fully show the hold he had on the hearts and minds of the people of his adopted State.

LATEST NEWS

By Telegraph and Mail.

The sale under order of the U. S. Court, of the franchise and property of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, which was to have taken place last Monday, has been postponed till the 12th.

Minute guns were fired in Boston on the 3d and flags at half mast, as a mark of respect for Andrew Johnson.

The mortality among the children of the poor in New York City averages 100 a day, chiefly cholera infantum. A call is made for volunteer physicians.

Judge Morris, counsel for Tilton, has served a notice on Sherman & Sterling, attorneys of record for Henry Ward Beecher, to be prepared to answer in a new trial on the first Monday in September.

Disastrous floods are raging in the State of Indiana. Some live stock and millions of bushels of wheat in the stacks and shocks are floated off. Over six millions of bushels of corn drowned out. Every house in Bloomtown inundated. Seven houses at Reelsville and three miles of railroad washed away. Forty railroad bridges taken. The latest advices, dated August 2d, stated that the river was still rising.

In the trial of John D. Lee, at Utah, Judge Boreman made an able charge to the jury on the 3d inst.

The national assembly of France have voted 30,000 francs for a French exhibition at the Centennial.

An Indianapolis, Ind., special says a cyclone passed through Harveysburg last Sunday night, tearing houses to pieces, uprooting trees, and sweeping things generally before it. Five women and one child were killed.

The bondholders of the Northern Pacific Railroad on the 30th ult., confirmed the appointment of Chas. Towers as trustee of the road. The purchasing committee still hold daily meetings to make arrangements for purchasing the road for the bond holders.

The World says: Henry Ward Beecher has decided to give up his usual course of winter lectures and will devote his spare time to the building up of his paper, the Christian Union. When not occupied on the paper, and free from church duties, he will spend his

time in completing his Life of Christ.

Heavy rains fell for two days in Southern Illinois last week and the prospect for farmers and health grows gloomier every day. Wheat and oats are so badly damaged that they cannot be harvested. The hay and grain that was cut lies on the ground ruined.

A special telegram from 80 out of 92 counties in Indiana, and 25 of the eastern counties in Illinois furnish accounts of the condition of the crops. The details of damage are remarkably uniform, the best showing for wheat being in the extreme northern tier of Indiana counties. Elsewhere but a small portion can be saved, it having sprouted in the shock and two-thirds ruined.

Reports from all portions of Southern Ohio give gloomy accounts of the rain and damage to crops.

The yellow fever is at Fort Barancas and Fort Pickens. J. J. Burroughs, aged 45, who lately arrived in New York City from California, was found lying on the sidewalk in that city. He was taken to a police station and on searching him, \$1,000 in gold and silver was found within his boots. He was removed to Bellevue Hospital.

Ex-President Johnson was stricken with paralysis on the 29th ult., at the residence of his daughter in Carter county, Tenn., and his recovery is extremely doubtful.

The jury in the Cotton case at Santa Barbara brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree, with imprisonment for life. One juror stood out all night for his acquittal. Considerable dissatisfaction is expressed on the street, some insisting that Cotton should be hanged.

The trial of Mrs. Norton has commenced. Since the jury rendered their verdict, the friends of Norton who are attending court have determined to convict Mrs. Norton, and more testimony will be presented. Witnesses will arrive from Los Angeles who will testify to facts concerning Cotton and Mrs. Norton in that place subsequent to Norton's death.

Jack Cotton, who is highly elated at the verdict in his case, will not have to appeal. He will be a witness for the prosecution in Mrs. Norton's trial. Her attorney asked for continuance but it was not granted.

Everything in the vicinity of Prescott, Arizona, denotes prosperity. Bullion is being brought in from all directions. Reports from Lynx creek placer diggings say the late rains did a world of good, furnishing ample sluice-head by which miners are making from \$3 to \$10 per day to the man. Several large nuggets going as high as \$22 have been found.

Nine wagons of emigrants from Kansas arrived at Florence, Arizona, on the 30th ult., 44 more are on the road.

It is positively asserted that Rachel (Lee's wife) has possession of the written order from Salt Lake for the destruction of the emigrants. Lee's family suddenly packed up and left town at day-break last week. Emma, the wife who assaulted the jailer, escaped arrest by going.

A Sacramento telegram of the 30th ult., says the Central Pacific Railroad party returned from their three weeks' excursion, during which they traveled all through the state of Oregon. The object of the trip was to inspect the Oregon road previous to completions of negotiations pending for its purchase.

Advices concerning the crops in Europe state that the main weight of the injury to wheat has fallen on France. Ireland has suffered from too much wet. In Germany the prospect is fair. The average in Hungary is unfavorable. Rust has made its appearance all through France.

The Great Pedestrian.

The fool-hardy feat of Hugh Donahoe, of Springfield, Mass., who walked 1,100 miles in 1,100 consecutive hours, will probably result fatally to him. He was in splendid health when he began his task, but after the first week his physical powers began to be affected. Every week told against him, and he would hardly be taken for the same man. His face is thin, his eyes sunken, and he looks a total wreck. One peculiar feature is that he commenced the feat with hair perfectly black, and it is now as gray as a badger. He walked 1,000 miles in 1,000 hours at Springfield last summer, but his last task took four days longer. He sometimes fell down insensible while on the course. He walked a mile every hour, which on an average took him fifteen minutes. He then slept for forty minutes when he was awakened to resume his task.

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS.

The British Parliament almost unanimously voted \$710,000 for the expenses of the Prince of Wales in India.

The new Centennial buildings at Philadelphia are on a scale of prodigious magnitude. All the vast structures are expected to be finished early next spring.

As a nation we are the most heavily indebted of any on the globe. To our Government debt add the liabilities of the several States, counties and cities and we have a grand total perfectly dismaying.

A woman estimates that there are over 600,000 drunkards in the United States, and that one woman in seventeen is married to such a man.

The ownership of the Black Hills is vested in the Indians by a treaty as solemn as death. The Indians regard a violation of that treaty as a bloody tragedy; the Government looks upon it as a screaming farce.

Some very large early rose potatoes were grown in a garden at Vancouver, one of which measured 17 inches one way and 10 the other.

China now proposes to put an end to the coolie trade. The treatment of the coolies on the island of Cuba has long been such as to arouse the indignation of the entire civilized world.

Col. Forney goes to St. Petersburg to induce Russia to participate in the Philadelphia exhibition.

The bark Antioch sailed from Puget Sound on the 26th with 100 tons of coal from the Seattle mine for San Francisco.

Several surveying parties have been driven into Victoria, B. C., by conscientious scruples. They say that when seven-eighths of a man's attention and both his hands are occupied fighting mosquitoes, it is impossible for him to give that full equivalent for wages which an honest man desires to give.

The total number of vessels of all descriptions owned on Puget Sound are 95—there are 28 steamers and 67 sailing vessels.

Olympia is said to have a population of 1300.

An appropriation of \$1,200 has been made by the city council of Olympia towards building a wharf to deep water.

London.

No such city as London ever existed in the world before. The wayfarer approaching it for the first time can form no more adequate conception of its immensity than the finite mind can form of the vastness of infinity. Fancy a city which covers seven hundred square miles, and numbers four million inhabitants. Fancy a city which contains more Jews than the whole of Palestine, more Roman Catholics than Rome, more Irish than Dublin, more Scotch than Edinburgh. A city whose port contains every day a thousand ships, and nine thousand sailors. In which a birth occurs every five minutes and a death every eight minutes throughout the year. In which twenty-eight miles of new streets are opened annually, and nine thousand new houses are built every twelve months. A city in which the police register contains the name and descriptions of 120,000 criminals; which has seventy-three miles of beer shops and gin palaces; which has 38,000 drunkards, and which though it numbers churches by hundreds, needs a thousand more.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

1776. 1876.

INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION.

THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS is desirous of exhibiting at the International Exhibition, to be held at Philadelphia in the Centennial Year 1876, as complete a series as possible of everything tending to illustrate the past and present history of the aboriginal races now, or previously, inhabiting the continent of North America. All persons interested in the completeness of the display are solicited to furnish whatever specimens they can in the way of objects of stone, bone, earthenware, &c., such as axes, chisels, adzes, hammers, pestles, mortars, scrapers, fish-hooks, sinkers, arrow-heads, and anything illustrative of the archaeology or ethnology of the Indian races. Skulls and skeletons, both ancient and modern, as well as photographic portraits of modern races will be accepted. All specimens should be accompanied by an invoice and a statement of the locality where found, whether in a mound or grave, or on the surface, with name of collector. All specimens forwarded to me, at Port Townsend, will be sent to the International Exhibition with the name of the donor. Shell-heaps and ancient mounds found about Indian villages, contain the specimens of stone and bone work, arrow heads, &c. Persons having collections of Indian manufactures which they wish to dispose of will please inform me by letter at once, as I desire to make as large a collection as possible this year. JAMES G. SWAN, U. S. Special Centennial Commissioner, PORT TOWNSEND, W. T.

BILL HEADS, LEGAL BLANKS, Statement sheets, Tags and Cards of all kinds, printed at this office.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Dissolution of Copartnership.

THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between the undersigned, under the firm name and style of Cooper & Burdin is this day dissolved by mutual consent, and the interest of William Burdin therein has been sold to George C. Cooper. Said William Burdin retires, and all debts due to and from said firm are to be paid to and by said George C. Cooper. WILLIAM BURDIN, GEORGE C. COOPER, Port Townsend, August 2, 1875.

Administrator's Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of George Reese deceased, by the Probate Court of Jefferson County, W. T., and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same with proper vouchers to me at my office, in Port Townsend, by the first day of September, 1875. A. F. LEARNED, Administrator.

Estate of Lawrence Rein Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of Lawrence Rein deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to present them with the necessary vouchers, within one year after the first publication of this notice, to the said Administrator at his residence at Port Ludlow, Jefferson County, Washington Territory. JOHN ANDERSON, Administrator of the Estate of Lawrence Rein deceased.

Nicaraguan Ship Mathilde.

NEITHER CAPTAIN E. GUXZEL NOR the undersigned Agents of the Nicaraguan Ship Mathilde will be responsible for any debts contracted by the officers or crew of said ship during her stay on Puget Sound. E. S. FOWLER & CO., Agents, Port Townsend, July 14, 1875.

SMITH'S FERRY

Daily between Coupeville and Utsalady. LEAVES UTSALADY AT 8 O'CLOCK in the morning, connecting with the stage running from Coupeville to Eber's Landing and Port Townsend. JOHN B. WATKINS, Utsalady, July 14, 1875.

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NOTICE To Owners of Vessels

THE UNDERSIGNED IS NOW PREPARED to build or repair vessels of all descriptions with dispatch. Models and Drafts furnished on application. Small boats made to order, and kept constantly on hand. JOHN ALEXANDER, Port Townsend, June 19, 1875.

Notice to the Public

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING now completed his Hall in the Stone Building, offers it for rent, as follows: Theatrical performances, per night, \$5 00 For Lectures and Concerts, 2 50 For Social Encores, 2 50 For Public Balls, 9 50 With lights and seats furnished. E. S. FOWLER, Port Townsend, June 22, 1875.

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The Weekly Argus.

PORT TOWNSEND, AUGUST 7, 1875.

LOCAL NEWS.

Meteorological Observations.

Port Townsend, August 7, 1875. The following is a report for the month of July: Maximum of barometer, 30.12; Minimum of barometer, 29.70; Maximum of thermometer, 82; Minimum of thermometer, 51; Rain fell during the month, 00 in. Number of days on which rain fell 3. L. NESSEL, Observer.

The County Commissioners will hold an adjourned session on Monday, the 9th inst.

CAPT. HOPKINS, son-in-law of the late Col. E. D. Baker, has been appointed United States Marshal of Washington Territory.

The news of the death of Andrew Johnson created a profound sensation in our city, and, as a mark of respect, all the flags were at half-mast.

An egg-straordinary product of one of Capt. Fowler's spring chickens was laid upon our table this week. It measures 7 3/8 by 6 1/4 inches. Who can beat it?

The steamer Favorite re-entered upon the mail route on Monday last, very much improved in appearance, and is now making her regular trips between Olympia and Victoria.

The sum of \$553.42 was disbursed by the Chemakum Tribe of Imp. O. of R. M. of this city in benefits to sick and disabled members for the six months ending June 30th.

A PHENOMENON in the form of water oozing from the bluff to the rear of J. A. Kinn's lot on Franklin street, has been observed for a few days past. It is located at an elevation of about sixty feet above the level of the lower town.

During the past week a resident of this city for some ten years, Mr. Geo. Ross, has been called away by death. He had been in ill-health for a long time, but pursued his business, that of keeping a beer saloon, till within a few days of his departure.

JONES alias Howe, the escaped convict, took his departure for Salem, Oregon, on Friday, escorted by the sheriff of this county, Major Van Bokkum. His offense in Oregon, as we learn, consisted in robbing Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express, for which he was sent to the penitentiary for six years, but escaped at the end of three months.

A TUG-BOAT was recently launched from the ship-yard of Boole & Webster, San Francisco, which is regarded as the most powerful in the United States. It was built for Goodall, Nelson & Perkins, and named the Mounarch. The builders have also closed a contract with the same company for the construction of a bark of 1,000 tons from Puget Sound lumber which is now on its way there, to be finished in four months.

SHIP BUILDING.—According to the Portland Bulletin a distinguished English ship-builder has been in that city, who is of the opinion that the future of this country is a promising one. He has no doubt but that ships can and will be built in great numbers in the waters of Puget Sound, and he is confident that the report he will make upon his return home, will serve to attract hither a large amount of capital.

WATTS, who in 1839 was arrested for murder on San Juan Island, tried, and convicted of the offense in the first degree, and has ever since been an inmate of the jail in this city, was taken to Port Madison last Thursday for safe keeping. This step was rendered necessary on account of antipathy against him on the part of other prisoners, in connection with his recent murderous assault upon one of their number, of which our readers were duly apprized.

THE NEW CHAPEL.—The foundation walls for the Presbyterian stone church are now being laid under the supervision of Thos. Drummond, Esq. The edifice will be constructed after the Gothic style of architecture, and will embrace 45 by 25 feet, with side walls 14 feet in the clear, while the gable ends will reach an altitude of 34 feet. It is to be finished with all possible dispatch, and will constitute, when completed, the neatest little chapel in the Territory.

ESCAPED CONVICT.—Jones alias Howe, who was apprehended, brought to trial and committed for breaking into Wm. Korter's house last spring, has been identified as an escaped convict from the Oregon penitentiary, named Howe, for whom a reward of five hundred dollars had been offered. The discovery was made through the instrumentality of a stranger temporarily stopping in town. The incident created no little interest, and various were the claims for the anticipated forthcoming reward.

EXCURSION.—On Sunday last the steamer Phantom, Capt. George Messer, was crowded with guests of Messrs. Waterman & Katz, bent on an excursion to the upper end of the Bay. At about 12 o'clock she left the dock, and in a very short time the excursionists were landed at the mouth of

Chimacum creek. Soon after landing the party proceeded to a shady place in the woods and enjoyed an elegant lunch, which was furnished by the ladies. After lunch the party scattered through the woods searching for blackberries, a large quantity of which were picked. All then repaired to the beach, where a very pleasant hour was spent in social converse and music, after which all went on board the steamer and started on the return trip. Very good music was furnished on the way back: Mr. Waterman, guitar; Mr. Hansell violin; and Messrs. Jones and Keene, banjo. The vocal part was admirably executed by Messrs. Oliver, Hunt and Bartlett. At about seven o'clock the passengers were landed, and all united in saying that they had never passed a pleasanter day.

THE EXPORTS from the Puget Sound Customs District for the month of July were as follows: British Columbia, \$25,375; Tahiti, 4,110; Sandwich Islands, 3,175; Peru, 10,507; Chili, 9,133; Cape Town, 13,395; No. of vessels entered, 35, registering 14,893 tons; vessels cleared, 42; with a capacity of 16,735 tons.

FOR THE CENTENNIAL.—The appropriation originally intended to be disbursed for scientific purposes in the Aleutian Islands and Bering sea by Professors Bessels and Maynard, who were wrecked on the Saranac, has been turned over to Commissioner Swan, to be expended by him in the purchase of Indian collections. Mr. Swan in compliance with instructions from Washington, will again go north this fall and visit Queen Charlotte's Islands, where objects of unusual interest in the way of ancient carvings can be procured.

THE SENSATIONAL bait, relating to the discovery of a dead body inclosed in a wooden box floating off Protection Island and its subsequent burial by men residing near Port Townsend, proves to be entirely without foundation in truth. The item was thrown out, we presume, for the mere purpose of illustrating the proneness of the press to seize upon such sickening scenes for the want of something better. And the inventor ought, in all earnestness to be satisfied, for not only has the tempting bait been eagerly bitten at but, as is not infrequently the case with similar tricks, grossly swallowed. The plot was a marked success, and reflects credit upon the fertile imagination of the printer's devil with whom it doubtless originated.

A QUEER EGG.—Mr. Peter Stockard, of this place, has brought to us a hen's egg which has inside of it a perfectly formed egg, with a hard shell on it, in shape and size of a pigeon's egg. It was discovered by Mr. Stockard while at breakfast. The egg had been boiled, and while eating it he felt a hard substance with his spoon, when he carefully removed the boiled portion and found this little perfect egg inside. Double and even triple yolk eggs are not uncommon, but this is the first time we ever saw or heard of a perfect egg inside of another. The egg is now in the office of Judge Swan, where the curious may examine it and satisfy themselves.

Financial and Commercial.

IMPORTS. E. S. Fowler & Co. 85 pkgs merchandise per schr Dreadnaught. N. D. Hill, per schr. Dreadnaught, 19 pkgs paints and oils; per bk Oakland, 21 do. Waterman & Katz, per schr Dreadnaught, 5 pkgs mdse. C. C. Bartlett, per Forest Queen, assorted crockery and glassware. O. F. Gerrish, per schr Dreadnaught, 8 tons merchandise; per Favorite, 2 tons do; Forest Queen, assortment of merchandise; per Twilight, 6,000 brick.

EXPORTS. Waterman & Katz, per str Teazer, merchandise for San Juan. E. S. Fowler & Co., 1 1/2 tons mdse to Orcus Island. N. D. Hill, per str Favorite 15 pkgs paints and oils. C. C. Bartlett, 1 Bals farm wagon to Chimacum, and 1 do to Whidby Island. O. F. Gerrish, per Winifred, merchandise for Neah Bay, Port Angeles and Dungeness; per sloop Nellie do to Whidby Island.

Marine Intelligence. Port Townsend. ENTERED. July 30—Str Isabel, Browner, Victoria. Str Blakely, Cosgrove, do. " 30—Bk Forest Queen, Burns, S. F. " 31—Str Gollah, Libby, Nansimo. Aug. 2—Str Gollah, Libby, Victoria. " 3—Str Isabel, Browner, do. " 3—Str Favorite, Williams, do. " 4—Sc Dreadnaught, Hogue, S. F. CLEARED. July 27—Str Blakely, Cosgrove, Victoria. Str Isabel, Browner, Victoria. " 31—German bark Stella, Meyer, Cape Town, South Africa. Str Gollah, Libby, Victoria. Aug. 2—Str Favorite, Williams, Victoria. Str Isabel, Browner, Victoria. Bk Fresno, Leach, S. F. Str Isabel, Browner, Victoria. " 5—Str Favorite, Williams, do. " 5—Str Isabel, Browner, do.

Constable. The ship War Hawk, bktes Eureka, Discovery and Grace Roberts are loading at Port Discovery. San Francisco, Aug. 1—Arrived, bk Dublin, Seaback; bkte Ameia, Port Townsend. August 2—Arrived, bk Caroline Read, St. Louis. Sailed, schr Lovett Peacock, Port Townsend. Bark Lizzie Williams has been sold in San Francisco for \$30,500, and will be put on as a coaster.

A LARGE hotel is to be built at Port Blakely.

THE steamer Mastick is undergoing repairs at Seattle.

A PLEASANT social dance was held at Masonic Hall on Wednesday evening.

THE sloop Polly drifted ashore on Vashon Island. It is supposed that Mr. Lawson, who had her in charge, is drowned.—Dispatch.

SCIENCE AND AMUSEMENT.—Dr. Rice and Prof. McDonald are delivering a course of highly interesting and instructive lectures upon Phrenology, Human Nature, Hygiene, etc., at Good Templar's Hall. This evening Prof. McDonald will lecture upon Courtship and Marriage—look out for a crowded house and a pleasant audience. All who would like to know their Phrenological developments should see him without delay, as his stay will be short. Those suffering from diseases of a critical or dangerous nature can consult Dr. Rice free of charge at the Cosmopolitan Hotel. If the afflicted desire treatment he will take pleasure in giving them the benefits of his medical knowledge gleaned from many years of close study and active practice.

LOUIS SCHUR is agent for the Mukilteo brewery.

Religious Notices.

SERVICES in the M. E. Church, by Rev. John Rea, Sunday, at 11 A. M. and 7-9 P. M. Prayer-meeting Wednesday, eve, at 7 P. M. SERVICES in St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Sunday, at 11 A. M. and 7-9 P. M. Rev. P. E. Hyland, Pastor.

BIRTHS.

LANGELL.—On Orcus Island, July 27th, to Mr. and Mrs. E. Langell a daughter.

DEATHS.

REESE.—In this city, on the 3d instant, George Reese, aged about 38 years. WILLIAMSON.—In Seattle, July 31, Dr. Joseph Williamson, aged 66.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Probate Notice.

In the matter of the Estate of Lawrence Edin, deceased. A PETITION HAVING BEEN THIS DAY filed in the Probate Court of Jefferson County, by John Anderson, Administrator of said estate, asking for an order of this Court to sell so much of the real property belonging to the estate of said deceased as may be required to pay the debts of said estate, notice is hereby given that a hearing upon said petition will be had before the Probate Court at an adjourned meeting of the regular term, to be held on Monday the 23d day of August, A. D. 1875, at 10 o'clock A. M., at which time all persons interested are required to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted. JAMES G. SWAN, Probate Judge. Port Townsend, July 29, 1875. 12-4w

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Of what it has already done. Parties residing in Port Townsend and suburbs that are troubled with baldness, or thinness of hair, can have it applied at a reasonable figure until I publish the sworn testimonials. I am giving a BARE OPPORTUNITY to parties residing in Port Townsend, as proof can now be readily furnished of what the Restorer has accomplished. It prevents dandruff, also the hair from falling out. For further particulars apply at J. Korter's Hair-dressing Emporium, PORT TOWNSEND, W. T. 9-4t BARTLETT & CO. J. KORTER.

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