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In point of climate, productive soil and abundant timber, that portion of the Northwest, bordering on the Pacific ocean, is a most inviting field for settlement. Oregon and Washington Territory for a hundred miles, carrying deep-sea navigation that distance inland, and forming land-locked waterways and safe harbors, sufficient for the accommodation of the commerce of the world.

### FORESTS—LUMBER.

It is about the waters of Puget Sound that the vast forests of timber are standing. Here lumbering is carried on upon a scale of great magnitude—especially for fine spars being found in all parts of the world. No better facilities for ship-building can anywhere be found than on the shores of this remarkable arm of the sea. The ship-timber is of the best that is known, and simply exhaustless in quantity. The whole Pacific Coast is supplied with lumber from these forests. The Northern Pacific Railroad Company owns more than two million acres of land in Washington Territory—partly timbered and partly agricultural. Special inducements are offered to settlers on these lands.

### TACOMA.

This enterprising town is situated near the head of navigation on Puget Sound, where one of the finest harbors in the world has fixed the western terminus of the Northern Pacific Railroad. Tacoma is destined to be the most important shipping and commercial point on the coast north of San Francisco.

### PUYALLUP COAL FIELDS.

Until recently, the great lack of the whole Pacific coast has been coal of good quality and abundant in quantity. California is almost wholly destitute, and has long obtained her main supply from the mines about Puget Sound. The best coal field on the entire coast is found on the Puyallup Valley, Washington Territory. The deposit seems practically inexhaustible in extent and the quality is so far superior to any other coal west of the Rocky Mountains, that the market demand will be immense. It is equal to the well-known Cumberland coal.

The Northern Pacific Railroad Company has built a branch line of road to the Puyallup coal fields. The coal traffic over this road cannot fail to be very large. Cheap, abundant and excellent fuel will give to manufacturers on the coast a decided impetus. — Philadelphia "New Northwest."

### TBE "PELICAN."

Guatemala and Costa Rica are at war. Neither has a navy. Both need ships. Guatemala has secured one in the late rebel blockade runner, the iron steamer Pelican. It is not probable that she can now get away; but had the secret of her intentions not leaked out till she got under way, the Government of Costa Rica might have had as good cause of complaint against our Government as that on which we recovered \$15,000,000 damages from Great Britain. It is a sad commentary on the condition of the American navy—which has averaged a cost of nearly \$20,000,000 a year for the last ten years—that we have not one vessel in these waters in a condition to pursue the Pelican and bring her back had she escaped out of this port. Of the six or seven vessels at Mare Island, there is not one that could be got ready for action in less than three months, and the two revenue cutters used here are both outside.

The timely notice given of the character and intentions of the Pelican will enable the United States Marshal to take charge of her and see that she does not get away. This should be promptly done.—S. F. "Chronicle," of March 27th.

**NEW TELEGRAPH LINE.**—The Western Union Telegraph Company will undertake this summer to put in a new line from Tacoma to Victoria, B. C. They made the line the same as new last year from San Francisco to Tacoma. Ed. Conway has contracted to furnish the telegraph poles from Seattle to Victoria, and when finished the entire line will be much better than when first built.

During the period of stagnation and financial distress from which the country is just emerging, the farmers have been about the only considerable class of our people that have been comfortable and fairly prosperous.

## SUMMONS.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON TERRITORY, HOLDING TERMS AT PORT TOWNSEND For the counties of Jefferson, Clallam, Island and San Juan.

**PUGET MILL COMPANY**  
 PLAINTIFF,

VS.

**Grace Jackling,**

as guardian of the estate of William Chapman, Jr., Laurence Chapman, Francis Chapman, Edward Grennan, Laurence Grennan, Thomas Grennan, Joseph Grennan, Grace E. M. Grennan, and Mary Jane Grennan, minor heirs of Laurence Grennan, deceased.  
 William Chapman, Jr., Laurence Chapman, Francis Chapman, Edward Grennan, Laurence Grennan, Thomas Grennan, Joseph Grennan, Grace E. M. Grennan, and Mary Jane Grennan, minor heirs of Laurence Grennan, deceased; And Henry Swift, administrator of the estate of Laurence Grennan, deceased. And of the partnership estate of Grennan & Cranney.

DEFENDANTS.

Action brought in the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the Territory of Washington, holding terms at Port Townsend, for the counties of Jefferson, Clallam, Island and San Juan, and complaint filed in the county of Jefferson, and in the office of the clerk of said District court.

To Grace Jackling:

As guardian of the estate of William Chapman, Jr., Laurence Chapman, Francis Chapman, Edward Grennan, Laurence Grennan, Thomas Grennan, Joseph Grennan, Grace E. M. Grennan, and Mary Jane Grennan, minor heirs of Laurence Grennan, deceased. William Chapman, Jr., Laurence Chapman, Francis Chapman, Edward Grennan, Laurence Grennan, Thomas Grennan, Joseph Grennan, Grace E. M. Grennan and Mary Jane Grennan, minor heirs of Laurence Grennan, deceased. And Henry Swift, administrator of the estate of Laurence Grennan, deceased, and of the partnership estate of Grennan & Cranney, DEFENDANTS:—

IN the name of the United States of America, you and each of you, are hereby required to appear in an action brought against you by the above named Plaintiff, in the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the Territory of Washington, holding terms at Port Townsend, in Jefferson County, for the counties of Jefferson, Clallam, Island and San Juan in said Territory, and to answer the complaint filed therein within sixty days (exclusive of the day of service) after the date of this summons or judgment, by default, will be taken against you according to the prayer of said complaint.

The said action is brought to obtain a decree of this Court, to quiet the title to, and for a good and sufficient conveyance of the land described as, Lot 3, sec 18, containing 33 25-100 acres; E hf of SE qr sec 18, 80 acres; N hf of NE qr sec 19, 80 acres—all in tp 32, N R 3 E; and lots 2 and 3, Sec 24, and the S E qr of sec 24, and lot 1, sec 13, and lot 1, sec 24, and the N W qr of the N W qr of sec 24, the S hf of the N W qr sec 24, lot 1, sec 14, lots 1 and 2, sec 23, and the S E qr of the N W qr Sec 23, and lot 3, sec 23, and the N E qr of the N E qr Sec 23, and the S hf of the N E qr of sec 23—All in tp 32, N range, 2 E, containing 867 25-100 acres, more or less. Also lots 2 and 3, sec 34, tp 32, N range, 3 E, 53 90-100 acres; and S E qr of N E qr of the N E qr of the S E qr, sec 34, tp 32, N range, 2 E; and N hf of S W qr sec 35 tp 32 N range 2 E—213 53-100 acres, more or less. Also SW qr of SW of section 33, and the S half of SE quarter, section 32, township 31 N range 2 east; and fractional of N half of NE quarter, section 5 township 30 N range 2 East—containing in all 186 40-100 acres more or less; also fractional 2 and 3 sec 23, the SW qr of the NW quarter of section 24, all in township 30 N range 2 E—containing 118 acres, more or less. Total number of acres in above description about 1447 18-100 acres, in Island county, Washington Territory, from said defendants to said plaintiff, and for their costs and disbursements, and for other relief, for the reason that said plaintiff has heretofore in good faith purchased and paid for said land, and said defendants have heretofore received their full pay to-wit: the sum of \$11,750 for their interest in said land, and there is a defect in the title conveyed by them by reason of said Grace Jackling the said guardian of said heirs not having at the time of said conveyance been duly appointed guardian of said heirs by any court in this Territory, and for other reasons, all of which will more fully appear by reference to the complaint filed in this action.

And if you fail to appear and answer said complaint as above required, the said plaintiff will take default against you and judgment and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Witness J. R. LEWIS, Judge of the Seal, said District Court, and the Seal of said Court, this 5th day of April, A. D. 1878. JAMES SEAVEY, Clerk.  
 McNaught & Leary, att'ys for plaintiff. 8-4

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"They were returning home for the holidays in high glee and promising themselves a world of enjoyment. It was delightful to hear the gigantic plans of the little rogues."

"They had been looking out of the coach windows for the last few miles, recognizing every tree and cottage as they approached home, and now there was a general burst of joy."

"We stopped a few moments afterwards to water the horses, and on returning our route a turn of the road brought us in sight of a neat country seat."

COMMON SENSE.—The very basis of good taste is formed by common sense. It teaches a man, in the first place, that more than two elbows are highly inconvenient in the world; and in the second, that the fewer people you jostle on the road of life the greater your chance of success among men and women.

A NEW TEST OF DEATH.—In the course of his searches on the electrical stimulation of dead muscles, Kappeler subjected twenty corpses to the action of various electric currents, noting the times of disappearance of contractility.

HOOD AND THE HYPOCHONDRIAC.—Hood used to tell a story of a hypochondriac who was in the habit, two or three times a week, of believing himself dying.

CHURCH GAMBLING.—If festivals are necessary, let them be held in such a way that no questionable method shall stain the money left behind.

THE distance of the earth from the sun, as given by the reduction of the contact observations of the transit of Venus by the British expeditions, is 95,200,000 miles.

Diet as a Reformatory Process.

The importance of diet as affecting the bodily passions has recently received a singular illustration in experiments conducted by Sir Charles Napier to determine Liebig's theory that the taste for alcoholic liquor may be eradicated by a regimen of farinaceous food.

The above theory seems to be further substantiated by the fact that intemperance is much less prevalent on the continent of Europe than in Great Britain, the use of animal food being far more general among the mass of the people in the latter country than with other European peoples, especially in Italy.

The daily consumption of lucifer matches in France is estimated at the rate of half a dozen per head of the population; the proportion for England is as high as eight, and it reaches nine for Belgium. Basing the estimate upon that of six per head per diem, the daily consumption of these useful little articles throughout the whole of Europe is set down at over two thousand million.

"HANGING ON."—One was a parcel boy and the other a cash boy, and as they halted under an awning for a minute the parcel boy asked: "Do you get the same wages yet?"

"No, not a thing." "Well, I don't see why you stay there; it must be awful humiliating to a boy of your temperment."

MORTUARY RECORDS OF COMMERCE.—The report of Messrs. Dun, Barlow & Co.'s Commercial Agency, showing the failures for 1877, enables us to complete the comparative tables for the last twenty-one years, thus:

Table with columns: Year, Number, Amount, Average. Data for years 1857-1877.

A TEACHER having forgotten to take with her an article she wanted, sent one of her scholars and told him to ask her mother for the catalogue.

Care of the Fingers.

In Paris the care of the fingers is a trade. Olive Logan says that she visited a maniere's rooms out of curiosity, and found them crowded with men and women awaiting their turn.

The Four Wealthiest Men.

An English paper gives the following comparison: If money be power, what a force is J. W. Mackey, who thirty years ago was a penniless boy in Ireland.

Table comparing wealth of Senator Jones, Mackey, and Rothschild with columns for Capital, Per year, Per month, Per day, Per hour, Per minute.

Mr. Mackey's fortune increases \$5 every minute. The question is, What will he do with it? Or, perhaps it would be more curious to ask, What will it do with him?

A LITTLE boy asked his mother to talk to him, and say something funny. "How can I," she asked, "don't you see I am busy making these pies?"

Among the Dead Failures Of the past, how many bogus nostrums may be numbered! Beginning their careers with a tremendous flourish of trumpets, blazoned for a time in the public prints and on flaming posters, soon, but not too soon, were they relegated to the limbo of things lost on earth.

One More Unfortunate.

Almost every day the papers chronicle the suicide of some poor unfortunate whose mind has been enfeebled by dyspepsia, over whose earthly horizon a heavy gloom has gathered from the untold and uncalculated agonies of this cruel complaint.

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The Hardware Trade.

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It has been our pleasure in these columns to notice more than one firm engaged in this line of business, whose title is familiar in our mouths. To no house can we point with greater appreciation of high business standing in the community than to the firm of the Messrs. Carolan, Cory & Co., of 117 and 119 California-st., San Francisco.

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The Grocery Trade.

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EDITOR ARGUS:—By comparing the past with the present, we are assisted in our judgment and discernment of things, whether it be the advancing, or the retrograding movement. Many who have visited our island home in the past were favorably impressed with its general appearance and characteristics, but were unfavorably impressed with the aspect of our so-called town. Were such to re visit us, they, on landing, would give expressions, I think, to the motto of the New York state arms—"Excelsior!!!" seeing at a glance order restored from chaos. I will give you a rapid sketch of things as they now appear, with a brief account of preparations for subsequent enterprise. Prefatory to this, I would state that a few weeks since we had the pleasure of welcoming to our island C. E. Dodge and wife, of California, (Mr. D. being a partner in the business enterprise referred to.) On his arrival, one remarked "that young fellow has vim and vim—everything that he enters into, and all his movements will be by the click of the telegraph; and so it appears, for at once workmen were renovating and garnishing their dwelling and boarding house, so that within a week or so the home of Messrs. Katz and Dodge, was elegantly fixed and furnished and the boarding department a model of modern times.

The new firm to which I refer, is known as the "San Juan Packing Company," the partners being Israel Katz, C. E. Dodge and Wm. Kraetz, of Port Townsend. It will be a very extensive establishment, embracing the curing and packing of salmon and halibut, venison, hams, pork, etc. The buildings and manufactories now nearing completion are very commodious and convenient, with the latest improvements in the smoke house and curing department, the former having capacity for smoking six tons of bacon and 500 salmon at once. A tramway with cars will be laid from the wharf to the curing establishment, with every other appendage necessary. A Cooper's shop is attached to the manufactory, with the sound of the workman's hammer already heard, Mr. E'gar Zigler (an excellent mechanic) having the contract for making barrels. The firm will purchase and own the best seines and seine boats, will let all their work by contract, and employ many Indians in fishing, twenty-five canoes with Indians having been already engaged for that purpose, allowing them a fair price for fish delivered on the wharf. The firm will buy all the venison hams that can be secured—by the scores or the hundreds—and as our Islands are teeming with deer, as our waters are teeming with fish, there will be no lack of either. We now treat of another department in the business, and might add that as Italy and Rome have been the best breeders of worthy men so (judging from the extensive introduction of the full-blooded Berkshire hogs, by this firm) will San Juan be noted for the best breeding of worthy swine. The establishment and buildings for this procreative department also being started with seventy five acres of alfalfa for hog feed. I have thus given you a brief sketch of the stirring enterprise of this new firm, whose facilities for such an undertaking, and the prosecution of their extensive business, are unequalled, thus securing to the projectors the encouraging assurance of the unparalleled success which such an enterprise and outlay so richly deserves. When visiting and inspecting the establishment the other day, I was pleased to learn, from Mr. Dodge, of one commendable rule of the factory, viz: that none but strictly sober men would be employed, those already engaged being of that character. This, I think, speaks volumes in favor of our new company, and will tend I hope to allay the apparent prejudice of a most respected Judge of our Territory who, when interrogating a citizen as to the character of a resident among us, asked if he was addicted to strong drink, when told that the party could take a glass or two and would occasionally approach the precipice of intoxication, the Judge replied "That is nothing for San Juan!" My residence having been among the citizens of this Island during the past seven years, thus giving me a little

knowledge of their "ways and doings," and having a warm interest in the welfare of every resident, I must with all deference, impugn the justice of such a sweeping inference as that uttered by our worthy Judge. In every community I presume there is to be found a class who prefer whiskey to water, and plenty of it. (San Juan claiming no exception in this) and sad to relate—to a certain extent—our beautiful island homes have been, and still are, marred by the liquor traffic; but, as regards the Judge's inference I claim that the opposite is nearer the mark or gauge of the morals of our community, the larger portion of our leading and best men being most exemplary, sober and respectable. In looking over your last issue I notice an item to the effect that on the first Sunday in June, an excursion party will leave Port Townsend for San Juan Island, returning the same day, a "good time" being guaranteed. Speaking for myself and many other residents, I may say that we have been looking forward to the pleasure of having our friends in Port Townsend make up an occasional excursion to our island home, assuring them of a hearty welcome, but we would much prefer the excursions take place during the six days of the week, that the seventh, the Christian Sabbath, may not be thus desecrated. Such an innovation we do not desire, as it would prove a bad precedent, and most noxious. Please arrange for another day. W.

**OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.**

WASHINGTON, D. C. March 22, 1878.

The bill now pending before the House designed to give to this District a permanent form of government, provides that the General Government shall bear 50 per cent. of District expenses, and the justice of the provision was very clearly demonstrated by Hon. Lee and Blackburn of the District Committee, in presenting the bill. There is a widespread impression away from Washington that this city has been pampered so that its citizens had only to ask for money or any other valuable gift when it was at once accorded. Possibly the statement that Congress has been almost uniformly niggardly and unjust in its treatment of this little territory, may excite a laugh of derision. But the data is at hand to prove the assertion. Take for instance, the matter of her public schools. The system has been almost wholly developed since 1851. We now have several school buildings, both for white and colored pupils, that would do the largest New England, New York and Western cities no discredit. A large proportion of our residents who are Government employes, nearly all retain their citizenship in the States whence appointed. They own little property here and contribute little in the way of taxes; yet they avail themselves of the privileges of our schools to educate large families of children. The non-paying tax feature applies with equal force to nineteen-twentieths of our winter visitors. A few members of Congress own the houses they live in and perhaps other property; but most of them are quite as unprofitable to the District Treasury as the classes above enumerated. More than a fourth of our population is colored, contrabando, most of whom came during the war and since, Washington being regarded as the political mecca of the race. The taxable property they own is next to nothing as compared to the large number of their children who are educated by the tax-paying residents. Washington neither has the resources of a commercial or a manufacturing city; and there are very few wealthy citizens, yet the tax-payers are required to support an educational system adequate to the accommodation of all applicants, and they have done it cheerfully, receiving next to no aid from the Government, while in the case of nearly all the States there have been large grants of land for school purposes. From data presented by the gentlemen named, it appears that Government owns 55 per cent. of the entire area of the District. Value of property owned by District and the people \$95,000,000; value of that owned by Government \$95,000,000. As Congress has supreme control, citizens could only protest against the twenty-five or thirty million debt contracted by government agents a few years since and for the payment of which District and private property is now held liable. Government property is equally benefited with the above by improvements made. Local Government is as necessary to it. Without the fire and police departments what would become of it? In fact many of the items in the estimate of appropriations for local purposes are more with a view to the necessities of the General than the District Government. I have not the figures at hand to show the total amount contributed by Congress for District expenses since Washington became the National Capital; but it is ridiculously small. The tax-ridden property owners have been left nearly a century to improve and care for the government's vast interests here; and to-day a debt equally more than a fourth of the entire value of District and private property hangs over our heads depreciating values to the lowest ebb and rendering the sale of property practically impossible. We were allowed no voice in the matter and the right of repudiation so frequently resorted to by other communities, and which it ever justifiable might be deemed so in our case, is denied us. Property to the value of hundreds of thousands has been virtually confiscated here since 1872, because of the inability of the owners—laboring people, generally—to pay the taxes. The

law under which those assessments were made has so often been declared illegal and void that all efforts to collect the unpaid installments have ceased. But a committee of Congress has favorably reported a bill to legalize those assessments. Its success will bogger scores of poor people who can hardly manage to pay current taxes. It is also proposed that Congress repeal all acts inconsistent with the absolute exemption of every species of church property, so that people who are unable to pay the taxes already assessed against them, shall have their burden doubled and have their property eventually taken from them to make up for what wealthy church organizations and ecclesiastical orders should be forced by law to pay. Nothing more certain to react in such way as to promote the growth and development of the spirit of communism could be devised than this sort of class legislation. KNOX.

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