

Walla Walla Statesman.

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 12, 1866.

PRODUCTS OF WALLA WALLA VALLEY.—A few weeks since we gave place to a statement showing that during the last year we exported seven thousand barrels of flour, the product of this valley.

Table listing products and their quantities: Hay (1,166,000 lbs), Oats and Barley (450,247 lbs), Potatoes (42,462 lbs), Cabbages (1,409 lbs), Wool (15,504 lbs), Bran (14,300 lbs).

In addition to the foregoing, there were large shipments of hides and furs, the figures for which we have not at hand. Bearing in mind the fact that the development of our resources has but just commenced, and that previous to last year we scarce produced sufficient to meet the home demand, and certainly this exhibit speaks well for the future of our country.

THE LESSON OF THE WINTER.—The terribly severe winter teaches a lesson that should not be lost on our people. Living up on the 40th parallel, we have no right to calculate upon the mild climate peculiar to the temperate regions.

THE WEATHER.—In the absence of any other topic of news, the weather affords a fruitful theme for speculation. How long the winter will last? How much more snow we are likely to have?

ITEMS FROM THE BOISE ROAD.—Mr. Chas. P. Egan, who arrived from Boise City on the 7th inst., informs us as follows in regard to the Boise Road: The weather at Boise City was pleasant, considering the fact that the thermometer had been down as low as fifteen degrees below zero.

EXCURSION OF OFFICERS.—There will be an election of officers of the Fenian Brotherhood, held at the Court House, on Thursday next, and an address will, also, be delivered to the Circle by the Rev. Father Delahanty.

FORT WALLA WALLA.

The present condition of Fort Walla Walla reflects but little credit upon the Military Department—or rather upon the individual who lately had the honor to command this immediate district. Governed by no higher motive than prejudice against the people of Walla Walla, the late District commander industriously applied himself to the work of dismantling Fort Walla Walla.

THE IDAHO JUDGES.—The memorial to Congress asking the removal of the Idaho Judges, concludes as follows: That the legal acquirements of our Judges have not been such as to inspire confidence in the minds of the members of the Bar or mass of the people.

NEW TERRITORY.—A memorial to Congress has been introduced in the Idaho Legislature, praying for a division of the Territory, along the line of the Salmon River Mountains.

LUMINOUS.—Congress has passed a resolution declaring treason a crime that ought to be punished. We should like to know whether there is any crime in the catalogue that ought not to be punished?

EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

OREGON FINANCES.—From the report of Samuel E. May, Secretary of State, we find the receipts of the State, from all sources, for the last year, foot up \$172,203.

FROM BLACKFOOT.—Quite a number of persons have arrived at Walla Walla within the last week direct from Blackfoot. As a general thing they came by way of the Pen d'Oreille.

CALIFORNIA SENATOR.—Cornelius Cole has been elected to the U. S. Senate from California, to succeed McDougal, whose term expires March 4, 1867.

ANOTHER FLOURING MILL.—With the opening of the season, Col. J. S. Ruckle will commence the erection of a flour mill, which will adjoin his quartz mill.

DEFAULTERS.—From the report of the Idaho Territorial Auditor, it would seem that nearly every county treasurer in the Territory is in default.

THE BRANCH MINT.—The Idaho Legislature has passed a memorial asking Congress to establish a Branch Mint at Boise City.

MODIFIED.—Parties who have arrived from below, inform us that the Oregon Legislature, at its late session, materially modified the Sunday law, and so changed it as to relieve it of all its oppressive features.

AFFLICTING.—A bill has passed the Idaho Legislature assigning Judge Kelly to the Northern Judicial District.

Launch of the Steamer "Forty-Nine."

By the light of some candles, and a few glimpses of the polar star, the Steamer "Forty-Nine," built by Messrs. White & Briggs, was launched at the old Hawk's Barracks, the winter-quarters of the Boundary Commissioner, on the evening of the 18th of November, 1865.

As she slid into the Columbia on her port broadside, there was a strong north-west gale upon her bows, and on the heads of her spectators.

Shortly before the launch, two riders were seen on the banks of the Columbia eyeing the boat. One of these was a medium sized savage, of more than ordinary cranial and nasal ridge, riding a beautiful elk colored horse.

A few days after the launch of the "Forty-Nine," she steamed down to the old landing of the Hudson Bay Company, in front of Fort Colville.

Upon the draining of a few bottles of Hudson Bay by the people of the steamer and the Fort, the vessel started up the river on her trial trip.

Engagements for wood all along the river and lakes were concluded on the upward trip. The steamer returned in safety, and is laid up for the winter above old Fort Colville, some two miles, at the point where she was built.

QUICKSILVER.—Great excitement has been occasioned at Canyon City by the discovery of a rich quicksilver mine in that neighborhood.

EXPRESS FROM BELOW.—On Monday last, Thomas & Co's stage got through from below, bringing our friend Cann, the express messenger, who, with his usual care, brought with him full files of the Portland and Dalles dailies, for the use of this office.

WEEKLY TRIPS.—Thomas & Co's stages are now making weekly trips between Walla Walla and the Dalles. Passengers go through in four days, and stop at houses over night.

A STEP DOWN.—Brig. General Alvord, formerly in command of this military department, has been returned to his former position of paymaster, with the rank of Major.

CHILLING.—Professor Agassiz announces the theory that at one time the North American continent was covered with ice a mile thick.

H. N. MAGUIRE, formerly of Portland, where he was connected with the press, is announced as editor of the Montana Post.

STEEP.—The first-class hotels in New York charge \$6 per day for board.

Itinerary of a Journey from Blackfoot.

A party direct from Blackfoot, arrived at Walla Walla on December 31st, 1865. They report having experienced much suffering by the way.

Nov. 23.—Started early, and traveled 34 miles; camped at the foot of a small hill with two teamsters, who were taking oats to Deer Lodge.

Nov. 24.—In company with John Flanagan we started from the Little Blackfoot; a beautiful day; traveled 20 miles, and camped at the mouth of Deer Lodge Valley.

Nov. 25.—Passed through the village of Hell Gate, and stopped for the night in a small log cabin by the roadside; very cold, and snowing.

Nov. 26.—Purchased provisions and horse-feed at Frenchtown; oats, 15 cents per pound. Having a late start, we traveled until 12 o'clock that night; saw Messrs. Thomas' camp fire on the bank of the river; camped on the Bitter Root river, having made 24 miles.

Nov. 27.—Traveled down the stream to the Big Blackfoot, and crossed at Higgins' mill bridge. Query: We would like to know what right the Legislature of Montana had to grant a charter to Higgins & Co. to collect toll on a Government road?

Nov. 28.—Passed through the village of Hell Gate, and stopped for the night in a small log cabin by the roadside; very cold, and snowing.

Nov. 29.—Crossed the Bitter Root at the ferry, and traveled forty five miles that day and night; snow from six to eighteen inches deep.

Nov. 30.—Late start; met Thomas and party that day; after traveling 19 miles camped.

Dec. 1.—Our party consisted of seven men, all bound for Walla Walla via the Cour d'Alene; drove until 2 o'clock A. M.

Dec. 2.—Stormy; crossed the Bitter Root at the ferry, and traveled forty five miles that day and night; snow from six to eighteen inches deep.

Dec. 3.—The snow very deep; intensely cold; the snow ranging from three to five feet in depth; one of our party froze his feet, and we had to camp; two more of our party got lost in the storm.

Dec. 4.—Intensely cold; ropes and rigging all frozen. Got away at 10 o'clock and reached the ferry on the morning of the 5th; the river frozen so we could not re-cross.

Dec. 5.—Fired the stream to the north side; one mule fell in the middle of the river, and Mr. Flanagan got a dip; after suffering severely from the cold, he was again mounted; at noon we reached Crut's ferry, and at dark camped on Cammas Prairie.

Dec. 6.—Late start, but made Wild Horse Prairie, 15 miles, where we camped. Here we were overtaken by R. O. Hickman and W. A. Myers, of Virginia City; here we purchased some oats at the rate of 50 cents per bushel.

Dec. 7.—Traveled all day over a very bad road; expected to meet a pack-train; but were disappointed, and brought short of provisions had to put all hands on rations.

Dec. 8.—Nothing worthy of note.

Dec. 9.—Provisions exhausted, and as a last resort we killed a horse, and tried to "cayuse" it. One man froze in camp; built a big fire and thawed him out, after which we traveled all that night.

Dec. 10.—Two of the men sick from living on horse meat, and the effects of starvation.

Dec. 11.—At 12 o'clock, we reached the summit of a bald mountain, and got our first view of the Snake and Clear Lake. Descended the summit and expected to reach the lake, which we supposed to be about fifteen miles distant.

Dec. 12.—Fed the horses our last oats, and after traveling seven miles came to an Indian village, where we got flour, sugar, fish, and bean roots, of which we made a glorious repast.

SECRETARY McCULLOUGH ON THE PRESIDENT.

In a recent speech at Port Wayne, Indiana, the Secretary of the Treasury made some remarks in regard to the character of the President, which we copy:

Trying and difficult as is his situation, Mr. Johnson is master of it. He possesses in an eminent degree the qualities that fit him for the presidency at the present time.

AN OLD POSTMASTER.—Mrs. Ann Gentry, for twenty-seven and a half years Postmistress at Columbia, Missouri, resigned her post a few weeks ago.

ESTRY NOTICE.—CAME TO THE PREMISES of the subscriber, on the 7th inst., a black and white cow, owned by M. D. ...

NOTICE.—ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE FIRM OF HARRIS & MARKS, are hereby requested to call and settle immediately.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.—THE CO-PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between HARRIS & MARKS, has been dissolved.

LEGAL NOTICE.—TERRITORY OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF FRANK AND W. WERTHEIMER, First Judicial District.

ORDINANCE NO. 1.—In Relation to Storage Gunpowder. The People of the City of Walla Walla do ordain as follows:

Sec. 1. No person or firm shall own or keep on hand, at any time within the City limits, any quantity of gunpowder exceeding ten pounds.

Sec. 2. All persons owning or having more than ten pounds of gunpowder, shall store the same in the City Powder House, for which they shall pay to the City Treasurer the sum of Five Dollars per quarter as storage fee.

Sec. 3. Every person who shall store or keep gunpowder in the Powder House shall furnish a box or other compartment in which he shall store only his own powder, which box shall be plainly marked with his name or shipping mark.

Sec. 4. No person shall store gunpowder in any place in their store, cash drawers, or storerooms, unless they have a plain mark or sign to designate such place, marked "POWDER."

Sec. 5. This ordinance to take effect from and after its passage.

Approved Nov. 23, 1865. S. G. REES, Pres't. GEO. F. THOMAS, Mayor. A. L. BAOWS, City Clerk.

