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### FACTS ABOUT JEFFERSON COUNTY NOT GENERALLY KNOWN.

EDITOR PUGET SOUND ARGUS:

In my recent trip through Jefferson county, I took especial pains to ascertain from personal observation and from reliable residents of the different localities through which I passed, all the facts I could relative to the quantity of desirable farming land still in it. The information thus obtained has been sufficient to convince me that the opinion to which we have all, more or less, inclined, namely: That our county is not extensively adapted to agriculture by reason of the poverty of its soil, is wrong. On the contrary, I believe it to be one of the best agricultural counties on the Sound, and that a comparatively small portion of it will be found unsuitable for general farming, where the husbandman shall have given it a fair trial.

The Rev. A. Laubach, who owns a valuable farm near the head of Discovery Bay, informed me that over the hill just back of the Discovery Mill is a valley extending from near the head of Discovery Bay down to or near the Straits, that is about five miles long by one wide. A part of the land would be hard to clear, but the soil is excellent. It is not pretended that this strip comprises all of the good land in that vicinity, but this much is known to exist there—known to be good and vacant.

#### LELAND VALLEY

which extends from Port Discovery Bay south to Quilcine Bay, is about thirteen miles long. The south fork of Discovery creek flows into it from the West about midway between the two bays, and divides; part running North into lake Crocker, and thence into Discovery Bay, and the other part running South into Ryan's Lake or lake Hooker, and thence into Quilcine Bay.

A county road through the valley has been opened so that a team and sled may be driven over it from Port Discovery as far as Ryan's lake, or about seven miles. From thence around the lake the road is only blazed. Across the outlet and marsh at the foot of the lake, is a substantial bridge about 100 yards long, built by the voluntary labor of Joseph White and others, with the aid of about \$75 contributed by the people of Port Townsend. From this point for two and a quarter miles the road is only slashed and cleared out about one-fourth of its width; but the remainder to Quilcine Bay is passable for a team and wagon. The portions of the road which run in the basin of the valley, must be relocated upon high ground before a good road can be made of it; besides, it spoils the narrow bottom for making farms. The valley proper is only from one-eighth to one-fourth of a mile wide; but, including the sloping

hills that dip down to it, nearly every acre on which is tillable, it is from one half to one mile wide.

In the lakes and creeks are plenty of trout, and in the forest is an abundance of large game. Protected as the valley is by hills and forests, the cold evening winds that prevail on the coast, to the detriment of crops, are here but little felt, and, considering its convenience to tide water, its sheltered locality, deep rich soil, beautiful lakes and the innumerable rivulets—cold and pure—that come dancing down its verdant hillsides at every few rods, I can imagine no more lovely place in which to make a home, rear a family and spend one's days, than that of Leland valley.

To Messrs. John P. and R. E. Ryan, and Mr. Augustus Andrews and his young pioneer wife, should the credit ever attach of giving to this truly pleasant dell its first impetus to permanent settlement and civilization. The amount of work these men have done in clearing and improving their land and opening roads within the last two years, is the highest proof of their intense earnestness and self reliance. A new acquisition to this little community from Maine, is Mr. Edward Rose, who came recently from California in response to the Immigration pamphlet. He has taken a fine claim that overlooks the lake, and gone to work upon it with all of the energy of a settler in good faith. He has a wife and children who will follow him as soon as he is ready to receive them.

#### A TANNERY

of any capacity could be supplied with all of the hemlock bark from Leland Valley that a century of business might require, and no more eligible location for such an industry could be found than upon Port Discovery creek.

Another valley of considerable importance, as Mr. James Harradan of Quilcine informed me, and he has been through it, extends from the South end of Ryan's lake around toward Chimacum. It contains enough good land for the location of from twelve to fifteen claims. The soil is of the best kind and the clearing is light. Still another to the West of Ryan's lake about two miles, has been discovered by Mr. Joseph White, in which, he says, several good claims could be had. The land is timbered chiefly with alder and maple.

#### TARBOO CREEK

and Tarboo (Dabop) Bay are without an inhabitant, all those who have explored that region say a large number of well watered and finely located places, with splendid soil easy to clear could be found.

Mr. John Clements corroborated by a number of others, is my authority for the statement that

#### ON THE DOCEWILOPS RIVER,

the bottom will average one mile wide for thirteen miles up, and the upland beyond the bottom on the South side is good for three-fourths of a mile back and five miles up. The bottom is a rich, deep, alluvial deposit, produces enormous crops and does not overflow. There are but three settlers on the river, all of whom are on the flats at its mouth. Each has a family and as fine a farm as any person would wish to possess. Mr. Clements has logged on and in the neighborhood of this river for the last fifteen years, been up it to

the hills many times, and ought to know whereof he affirms. He further says he has been through a large canyon which the river has cut through the snow peaks of the Olympic Range, and that on the other side is a large prairie with small clumps of bushes here and there on it, which he traveled over for two days and far enough so that he could see at least five miles one way and ten miles the other, and yet could not see any termination of it. He did not say that he dug through the soil, but his impression was that it is not very deep. This prairie has been long known to the Indians, as other settlers informed me, who, ever since white men have been in the country, have been in the habit of making regular annual trips to it in large numbers, and return loaded down with supplies of dried elk meat. I made particular inquiry of Mr. Clements as to the feasibility of building a wagon road through this pass or canyon, and if such road would connect the Coast country with the Sound. He said the elk have a trail through the canyon, and, in his judgment, a road could be put through it which would be passable at all seasons unless during deep snows in mid winter. As to whether or not the canyon is the last barrier between the Sound and the Coast, he could not speak positively. He said, however, that the prairie ran parallel with the Range, and he believed it extended well on towards the Quilleute, and that no other chain of mountains of importance lay between the canyon and the Coast. To me, having in view the future greatness of Port Townsend, this information if true, was of the highest importance. Everyone knows that if Pyscht, Challam Bay and Neah Bay are the only outlets which the reputed magnificent country West of the Olympic Range can have, its future is rather a dismal one, as its development will be slow in proportion to its inaccessibility, and Port Townsend, which we had hoped, would be its market and base of supplies, must lose for a time, if not forever, the impetus which a large trade from a large farming community there would surely give it. A more convenient route from Port Townsend across the Olympic Range, than the present circuitous one by the way of Neah Bay, has long been a matter of the deepest interest to our business men. If therefore the Docewilops Pass is as favorable as, from Mr. Clements' statement it would seem to be, they may congratulate themselves upon having found it, and, at the earliest practicable day, should cause the county road to Quilcine Bay to be extended on to the Docewilops river and thence through the Pass to the Coast. Such a move would certainly facilitate the settlement of that country, and as certainly make it tributary to our city, as well as the numerous large unsettled but fertile tracts which would lie along the line of the road upon this side.

The population of Quilcine Bay and Docewilops, according to the census of 1880, is 114. These people are all industrious and prosperous, yet, on account of their imprisoned condition, by reason of the parsimonious policy of the county in the matter of roads, they might as well be in the State of Maine, for all the good Port Townsend derives from them or they derive from Port

Townsend. They are, and always have been, without mail facilities, or any way to get out except by open boat 28 miles to Seabeck, and back. And even now they have poor assurance that the road which has been begun will be finished for several years. It may be that the people of Port Townsend can afford to ignore the increasing trade which these people would be sure to bring, and which now, from lack of roads goes to Seabeck and Gamble, at the rate of several thousand dollars annually, but, viewing it in the light of principle, it would seem that no community could afford it, and I do not believe ours can. Let us have that road finished, then have the mail route from Townsend to Discovery extended on to Quilcine, without unnecessary delay; and get in closer communion with outlying precincts. If we could have a dozen feeders like Quilcine and Docewilops, the business appearance of our streets would rapidly assume a different and more lively aspect.

#### MORE VACANT LAND

may be found in Chimacum, in the neighborhood of the township line between 28 and 29, which, according to John Huntingford, is worthy of the efforts of any man to reclaim. He says that three-fourths of a section of it is right near him. Very fair roads, thanks to the true, stalwart pioneers like Huntingford, John Anderson and Mr. Fisher, extend up into township 28, and give all who have settled or may settle in this locality an outlet to Port Townsend, Ludlow and Discovery. Between Huntingford's and Tarboo Bay is about a township, (6 miles square), in which but few if any settlers reside, and that has been but little explored. I have no doubt 50 or 75 families could be accommodated in there with number one ranches, as not only the bottom, but the upland, as anyone may be convinced

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A Meteor Falls in Macon, Ga.

Macon, June 30.—Near 12 o'clock last night a meteor as large as a barrel, starting from the zenith, plumed down the north-eastern sky and exploded with a report that reverberated for thirty seconds and shook the earth at this point. The meteor was about five seconds falling, during which time the city was lit up as by an electric light. Much excitement prevailed in the negro quarters, the inhabitants rushing into the houses, closing doors and filling the air with screams and prayers. The time between the disappearance of the meteor and the report was about three minutes.

Oil Barrels Struck with Lightning.

BRADFORD, Pa., June 30.—Lightning struck a 25,000 barrel tank near the Acme refinery at Olean, N. Y., this evening and the oil is now burning furiously and the tank is expected to overflow tomorrow morning. A hundred men are digging trenches for the protection of the surrounding property. Oil and kerosene is being drawn off from tanks in the vicinity. The fire department is at the scene, but the people of the vicinity are greatly agitated, it being the first oil fire that has taken place there. At present it is thought that the fire will not spread.

Mail Service.

WASHINGTON, July 1.—The Postmaster General has completed negotiations with the New York Central, Hudson River, Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroads whereby mail service will be resumed in operation on these roads in 1875 and 1876, will be again given to almost the whole territory of the West.

Sunstroke in New York.

New York, July 1.—Seventy-nine fatal cases of sunstroke have occurred in the past 24 hours ending at noon to-day.

Child Murder.

New York, July 2.—Mary O'Connor, of Jersey City, killed her children during last night. Mrs. O'Connor has been sick for a long time and has been unable to care for her children, and she thought that by killing them they would go to heaven.

Hanged.

HONOLULU, Texas, July 2.—English Carter, alias "the horse," was hanged to-day for the murder of W. K. Spaulding in July last, near the town of Dodge. He met his fate firmly. The town was crowded with people. Memphis, July 2.—Scott Bell (colored) was hanged to-day at Starkville, Miss., for the murder of Jas. Henry (colored) on the 10th of May last.

Was Returned to the Treasury.

The Secretary of the Treasury has returned to the treasury \$1,000,000 of unexpended balance of the appropriation for collecting revenue from customs for the last year, being the amount saved by the department of sums authorized to be expended by law.

Nominations for Congress.

CINCINNATI, July 2.—The Republicans of the 15th district have nominated Gen. R. R. Davis for Congress. Des Moines, July 2.—Wm. G. Thompson has been nominated for Congressman from the 5th district by the Republican Convention.

Reading and Writing.

PHILADELPHIA, July 2.—It is said that the Reading Railroad Co. have made preparations and have money to pay \$85,000 interest due on their first mortgage bonds, and have also furnished their leased lines with all the money due to July 1st. They are also prepared to meet all dividends on their leased lines falling due during the month, which amounts to \$200,000, and have provided that \$1,000,000 to meet interest and dividends falling due during July.

Good Boreas.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The Department of State has just received a dispatch from the minister of the United States at the City of Mexico in relation to the projected railroad in that republic, which states that the subject has lately seriously engaged the attention of the Mexican people and Congress, and it cannot be correspondingly interested capitalists of the United States, for they will probably be called upon to furnish means for these enterprises.

Female Revivator's Address.

New York, July 4.—Mrs. Dubois, niece of Capt. Wrentham, deceased, who commanded the California Clipper, Gray Feather, and who once navigated her uncle's ship on the Pacific, bringing it safely into port during his illness, is now here sick and destitute, all her relatives being dead. The Herald makes an appeal for her.

Bodies Recovered.

New York, July 4.—The bodies of two more victims of the Savannah disaster were picked up to-day in East River, making a total of 40 bodies recovered. Twelve persons are missing.

Fugitive's Arrest.

FITCHBURG, Mass., July 3.—A body was found this evening and identified as ex-Assemblyman Joseph J. Stern of New York, a fugitive from the State.

More Murder.

CHICAGO, July 4.—The Times, summarizing a "long Washington special," says: A woman at Washington, calling herself Mrs. Hubbs, who has been married three times and has five children, some of them grown, claims that Congressman C. P. Berry, of California, seduced her last winter and that she will soon be an object of interest to the census man. She has consulted several attorneys with a view of bringing suit for damages, but thus far has not been able to find one who will take her case in charge.

Deed in North Carolina.

CHARLOTTE, July 2.—Col. E. C. B. Cash, of Chesterfield, killed Wm. M. Shannon, of Camden, in a duel yesterday. A special says that the duel took place at Dubose's

Bridge, on the border of Camden county. Shannon was the challenging party and fired first, the ball striking the ground near Cash's feet. Cash then fired and the ball passed through Shannon's heart. Death was instantaneous. Col. Shannon denied to the last having reflected on Mrs. Cash in legal proceedings, which caused the trouble. Shannon was a lawyer of high character, and leaves a large and dependent family. The meeting took place at 2 o'clock yesterday. This fatal duel was the outcome of a controversy between Col. E. C. B. Cash, Capt. W. L. Depass and Col. Wm. M. Shannon. Depass and Cash made arrangements to fight but did not meet in consequence of the arrest of the former. Shannon was challenged by Mr. Clancy, one of the parties to the controversy, but the challenge was refused. Cash then published Shannon as a coward, and this it is supposed the meeting arose. The difficulties above mentioned led to the formation of the Camden anti-duelling association. Col. Shannon was about 60 years of age and universally beloved and respected.

Another Murder.

OMAHA, July 5.—Wm. Gozola and Louis Zergo, Italians, quarrelled over a pool game this afternoon and shortly afterwards while drinking together they again quarrelled and Gozola shot Zergo and escaped. Zergo was shot in the stomach, the ball going through him and dropping on the floor. The wound is fatal.

Presidential Privilege.

WASHINGTON, July 6.—Attorney General Devens has given an opinion on the power of the President to appoint during recess of Congress to vacancies occasioned either during recess or during sessions of the Senate, an appointment for which the Senate may have refused to confirm. The opinion was elicited by a letter from Secretary Sherman relating to the appointment of John F. Hartranft as collector at Philadelphia. The Attorney General says: "I am of the opinion that the vacancy in the collectorship of the port of Philadelphia having occurred during the session of the Senate, and the Senate having adjourned without acting upon the nomination sent it, the President may now appoint the nominee or any other person to fill the vacancy by temporary commission, to expire at the end of the next session of the Senate, and that the condition of the office is not affected by any provision of tenure of office act, and will not be until the end of the next session of the Senate without confirmation of a nominee."

After careful examination, I am satisfied that not only has the practice of Presidents been uniform in this regard, but that it has been sustained whenever brought into controversy by the respective attorney generals."

A Big Fight.

CHICAGO, July 6.—At Troy Mills, Iowa, on Saturday, while a 4th of July celebration was in progress, the marshal of the day struck a man for insulting a woman. This was the signal for a free fight, which lasted over two hours, and in which over 300 men took part. Four of the combatants were fatally injured and 25 others received painful wounds. Physicians from all the surrounding towns are in attendance on the sufferers.

Celebration at Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, July 5.—There was a large influx of strangers to the city to-day to witness the grand military and trades procession, yacht regatta and illumination of parks.

May Carry Virginia.

WASHINGTON, July 6.—Jorgensen, of Virginia, believes that three districts of that State can, with an active campaign, be carried for the Republicans, and in case the readjusters and regular Democrats quarrel, as now seems possible, the Republicans will have then a fighting chance to carry the State.

FOREIGN NEWS.

SHIP ON FIRE.—The steamer Hamburg, which arrived here to-day from New York, took fire on the 18th and was obliged to show overboard fifty bales of her cargo. The fire was extinguished, but her bulkheads and stowage were considerably damaged.

The East.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 30.—The famine continues in the district of Bayazid, Alishger and Van, and the inhabitants are flying into Russian territory. Ten thousand persons, chiefly Kurds, are reported to have perished from hunger.

Shooting in Ireland.

DOLLYMOUNT, July 1.—Several of the American and Irish teams took part in competition for a cup and several minor prizes. There were 34 competitors—800 yards with any rifle, ten shots each. The American competitors were Rathbone, Brown, Scott, Farrow, Jackson, Rockwell, Fisher and Laird. Laird made three bull's eyes, winning the first prize. Murphy won the second prize. Caggan the third and Fenton the fourth. Farrow on a tie beat Milner, taking the fifth prize. Milner took the sixth and Brown the seventh. Scott, Fisher and Hyde also won prizes.

In competition for the Spencer cup, presented by Carl Spencer, at 1,000 yards range, ten shots each, the same competitors took part as in the previous contest. Scott won the cup with a score of 48. Laird scored 47, Fenton 47, Farrow 47, John Rigby 47, McKenna 47, Wm. Rigby 44, Milner 45, Rockwell 45, J. J. 45, Fisher 44, Jackson 43, Rathbone 40, Hyde 42.

Competition, open to all comers, for a prize of the value of £35, and for the selection of the Irish eight to compete at Wembleton, opened to-day and will last two days, 15 shots to be fired each day at 800, 900 and 1,500 yards ranges. Thirty entered, including several members of the Irish and American teams.

Government Theory.

PARIS, July 1.—A semi-official note sent by the French Government to journals announcing that the execution of the anti-Jesuit decrees had not led to disturbance in any part of France, and that the effect had only to be given yesterday (Wednesday) to decrees affecting the Jesuits, concludes as follows: "The Government knows its duty and will perform it with firmness." The number of persons expelled from Jesuit chapels yesterday morning was thirteen, including one Englishman and one Russian. An establishment of German Jesuits will not at present be interfered with at Lassal.

Several English Jesuits called on the crown to witness that their rights were being violated and they would appeal to the English Ambassador.

Wine Makers to be Spared.

PARIS, July 2.—It is stated that the monks of Lagrange, Chartreuse, manufacturers of the famous Chartreuse liqueur, will not be interfered with.

PARIS, July 2.—The religious establishments broken up yesterday numbered 39, with 475 members. There remain about 30 which, being educational institutions, are allowed to exist until August 31st. At Chambery two Italian orders, one of men and one of women, have received 48 hours' notice to quit France. This measure is taken under the law of 1849, providing for the expulsion of foreigners obnoxious to the government.

Contempt Expriated.

LYONS, July 2.—When the public prosecutors recently appointed in the place of those who resigned their posts as a protest against the anti-Jesuit decree entered the court of appeals to take their oaths of office, all the members of the bar immediately quitted the court in a body. There was a similar demonstration in another court.

Spain Offers an Asylum to the Jesuits.

MADRID, July 2.—The Spanish government has granted numerous applications for permission to establish in Madrid, and many parts of the peninsula, monasteries and Jesuit colleges. Sympathy is shown for the Jesuits by the court aristocracy and all classes of society.

Eastern Affairs.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 3.—It is currently reported that orders have been given for mobilization of the second army corps. It is believed here that the Porte is determined to resist the decision of the powers. It is also believed that Greece will imitate the example of Montenegro and not attempt to take forcible possession of the ceded territory. The Porte, in its reply in regard to Montenegro, says: "In view of the resistance by Albanians, it would be impossible to surrender the Dulcinea or Bijafa districts." The news which has reached the Government concerning the international conference has produced astonishment and indignation in official circles here and among the upper ranks of Mussulmans. The semi-official Vaski said that the conference has flagrantly violated the spirit of the Berlin treaty.

A rumor that the Porte is secretly instigating Albanians to resist the Greeks and that considerable military preparations are being made is confirmed. Troops are being moved in the direction of the Greek frontier, and quantities of artillery ammunition have been sent to Salonica.

Prospects in Ireland.

DUBLIN, July 6.—The weather all over Ireland up to the present time has been most favorable, and it is expected that the potato crop will be enormous. It promises to exceed anything seen in Ireland since the period anterior to 1847. Root and cereal crops are also luxuriant.

A Demand for Religious Liberty.

MARSA, July 6.—The powers have addressed an energetic collective note to the government of Morocco demanding religious liberty for all subjects of the sultan.

Preparations for Danger.

ATHENS, July 6.—Preparations are making to put the army on a war footing by the end of the summer.

A National Terror.

BERLIN, July 6.—The murderer of Prince Krapotkin is believed to have disclosed the names of all the principal nihilists to the Russian government, which has thus been able to arrest all ringleaders.

Fire in California.

DOWNSVILLE, June 20.—St. Louis, in the northern part of this county, was destroyed by fire last night. Swartz' hotel, Brunkage's residence and John Conlin's residence were entirely consumed with their contents. The occupants running from the flames in their night clothes. Conlin's store was saved. Loss about \$10,000. Incendiary.

Kearney Hoisted.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 3.—The State Convention of the Democratic wing of the Workmen's party last night deposed Kearney as president of the party, and declared the offices of vice president, secretary and treasurer vacant, elected a State Central committee, endorsed Hancock and English and Democratic presidential electors, and adjourned till Tuesday evening.

Suicide.

CASTROVILLE, July 4.—Geo. King, about 18 years of age, committed suicide this afternoon at about 5 o'clock, shooting himself through the head.

Five Men Burned.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 6.—A stable at the corner of Turk and Hyde streets burned last night, and eighteen horses were lost. In trying to save them, six firemen were caught under a falling roof. All were soon rescued, more or less injured, though not dangerously, except Special Officer Geo. Cheston, who was buried under burning hay thirty minutes and finally taken out insensible, badly burned, crushed and suffocated. His recovery is doubtful.

The Money Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 6.—Money is very slow to-day. It has been quite inactive for many weeks. The fault is not in money nor in lenders. Borrowers with prime securities are scarce. The wheat crop will begin to move soon. It is represented to be the largest ever produced in the State, and will require considerable accommodation from bankers and private capitalists to successfully handle and place it. Lenders stand ready to do their part at the proper time. They will take wheat at the value of 1 cent per pound and loan against it on that basis at 8 and 9 per cent in city warehouses, and 9 and 10 per cent in warehouses in the interior, on the bay or railroad. The regular rate of discount for first-class commercial paper is 9 per cent, but there is more or less business at both 8 and 10 per cent. Savings banks are leasing on city property at 8 to 9 per cent, and paying mortgage tax. This is equivalent to 6 to 7 per cent.

The Explosion at Monterey.

Following are the details of the explosion at Monterey yesterday, which caused the

death of several militiamen: Company G left here Friday by rail and went into camp near the Del Monte Hotel that evening. Saturday was spent in camp festivities and it was decided to celebrate the national anniversary on Sunday in due form. Between 10 and 11 o'clock the members of the company, guests of the hotel and friends of the company began to assemble. The camp consisted of two rows of tents, that of the commanding officer being in the right center, in front of which a field piece was placed in position and ammunition for the cannon deposited in a magazine tent near by. At noon a salute was to be fired, and D. F. Hastings, of Company C, who had been engaged specially to take charge of the gun, accompanied by W. O. Burke and Spencer C. Backbee, both of Company G, entered the magazine tent to prepare cartridges. Hastings took a hatchet to open a 25-pound can of powder. At the first blow an explosion followed. Burke was killed almost instantly and Hastings mangled and burned past recognition. As he was being carried away for medical aid he cried, "My God, this is all my carelessness." He may possibly recover. Backbee was only slightly hurt. The explosion created great momentary consternation. The tent and articles in the vicinity were blown in all directions. The disaster put an end to the festivities and the company will return to-morrow.

Sam Tellow Attempts to Kill His Partner.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 6.—At about 10 o'clock this evening, Sam Tellow, one of the proprietors of the Bella Union Theatre, walked into the bar room of the theatre where his partner, Wm. Skeanlebury, was taking a drink with some friends, and with the remark, "prepare yourself," or something to that effect, drew a revolver and fired. The ball passed through Skeanlebury's right arm, entering the cavity of the chest blade. Tellow was instantly seized by a policeman and taken to the station house, and Skeanlebury removed to the receiving hospital. It is not certain whether or not the wound is fatal. The cause of the difficulty is not known, those having knowledge of the subject preserving silence.

The Japanese Corvette.

The Japanese corvette Tsukuba arrived to-day from Esquimaux. She is of English build but is officered and manned entirely by Japanese.

Accident at Monterey.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 4.—Companies C and G, of the National Guard of this city, are visiting Monterey to-day. A dispatch reports that by the explosion of a powder magazine at Monterey, W. C. Burke, of Co. G, was killed, B. F. Hastings, of Co. C, terribly mangled, and Me. Backell, of Co. G, slightly injured. No further particulars yet received.

Origin of some Famous Legends.

Not among the different members of the great Aryan family only, are the genius of many of our best known stories discoverable. They seem to belong to humanity. Prof. Fiske, of Harvard University, noticing how the "William Tell" legend (for it is a legend), and that which among Welsh celebrates the death of Gelert's faithful hound, and a good many others besides, are found everywhere, says: "We must admit then, that these fireside tales have been handed down from parent to child for more than a hundred generations; that the primitive Aryan cottager, as he took his evening meal of yava and sipped his fermented meal, listened with his children to the stories of Boots and Cinderella and the Master Thief, in the days when the equatorial plander was still master of Europe and the dark-skinned Sundra was as yet unmolested in the Punjab. True, but may we not go farther, and say that, finding these tales or counterparts among Zulus and Mongols, and Red Indians, we must either pronounce them to be 'innate ideas,' or else hold that men had invented them in the old old time when the difference between Aryan and non-Aryan had not grown up? Sir H. Rawlinson seems to prove from the earliest Assyrian remains that, 'in the beginning,' Hamite and Semite and Japhetic were all one—that even what afterwards became the tongues were then 'agglutinate,' like the 'Red Indian' of to-day. Some one, too, has just proved that the 'old Peruvian' was a kindred speech to the Sanskrit! No wonder, then, that the same stories are current all the world over."

Before the day of Vennor, or, rather, before the day of Vennor's renown, the favorite weather sharp was Prof. J. H. Tice of St. Louis, who made some famous prophetic hits, but did it once or twice too often, and fell a victim to his audacity. Tice emerges from partial obscurity on the timely topic of tornadoes, which, he discovered, have a surplus affection for menials. They seize on roofs covered with tin, copper, zinc, or iron, in preference to roofs covered with shingles; they hunt for plows and all other agricultural implements in part made of iron, and wreck them; they prefer railroad towns to other towns, and tear up the tracks, especially near stations, where there are the most tracks; they like to rain machine shops more than other shops; finally, they swoop on wells, ponds and streams, and drink them dry. Waiving the facts, what is the inference? Plainly an electric charge in the tornado, which seeks iron and water, rails, wood fences and trees, and the various metallic substances spoken of. Prof. Tice's theory of an electric origin or accompaniment of tornadoes is ingenious and interesting; if the facts should fail to support it, so much the worse for the facts.

Not Wanted.

In the Spring of 1865, when Sheridan's cavalry moved up the Shenandoah Valley to have a last wrestle with Early's troops, a halt was made by a portion of the Union troops near Waynesboro. Guards were thrown out to protect property, and among others the house of a lone and aged widow received such protection. Two dismounted cavalrymen were stationed at the front door, and it was half an hour or so before any stir in or around the house gave token that it was inhabited. Then the widow lumped to the door on a crutch and called one of the guards to her and asked:

"What are you doing here?"  
"We are guards to protect you and your property," was the reply.  
"Well, you needn't fool away any time here. Early's came and took our hay. Then Sheridan came and he took our corn. Then Mosby he stole our hams and 'taters. Then Sheridan took our flour and cider. Then Early ran off all our horses. All I had this morning was an old sick mule and meal enough for one hoe cake. The mule died two hours ago, and if you can find anything worth guarding around here you can have it and tote it off."

"But some of the soldiers may disturb you," she said, as she pointed to the spot where a cannon ball had laid torn through the house. "The day that hole was shot through there, I was rocking and singing the 'Pilgrim's Hope,' and I didn't miss a rock or drop a note! I don't hardly think one brigade of horse-sojers can disturb me very much. You will oblige by joggin' along."

Fijian Widows.

There is no uniformity of custom in Fiji, so that no description of what is done by any one tribe can be taken as applicable to all the others. The strangling of widows, however, that they might be buried with their dead husbands, seems to have been everywhere practised. The widow's brother performs the operation, and is thenceforward treated with marked respect by his brother-in-law's kinsfolk, who present him with a piece of land, over which the strangling cord is hung up. Should he, however, fail to strangle his sister, he is despised.

When a woman is about to be strangled, she is made to kneel down, and the cord (a strip of native cloth), is put round her neck. She is then told to expel her breath as long as possible, and, when she can endure no longer, to stretch out her hand as a signal whereupon the cord is tightened, and soon all is over. It is believed that if this direction be followed, insensibility ensues immediately on the tightening of the cord; whereas if inhalation has taken place there is an interval of suffering.

In Perihelion.

The sun's face is again spotted. A small spyglass shows a row of spots north of his equator, running in a northeast direction, and a group of huge spots just coming into view around the eastern edge of the disk. With a suitable telescope the ridging of the surface about the spots and the broken edges and gloomy depths of the vast caverns can be studied. Jupiter, now very bright in the early morning sky, is hastening toward his perihelion or point of nearest approach to the sun, and some astronomers have conjectured that it is his influence that is throwing the great central orb into such a state of perturbation. The periods of greatest sun-spot activity, at any rate, correspond pretty closely with Jupiter's perihelion. Whether the action of these forces causes cyclones, and other atmospheric disturbances, on our planet is an unsettled question, but there are two things that the presence of the sun-spots promises with certainty, to-wit: northern lights and unusual electrical activity.

Tears, chemically considered, are a weak solution of chloride of sodium and phosphate of lime, the overflow of the lachrymal glands, caused by the contraction of certain muscles. A writer who has analyzed them "as a weapon" says: "The best method is to hold the head erect, look the cruel tyrant in the face, and let the tears flow down while the lips feign a smile. If the head be bent forward the tears will be likely to run down the nose and drop off the end, and that spoils the whole thing, for the eyes get red and the nose sympathizes with the general moisture, and gets a sort of raw look at the end. To use tears with effect requires, in fact, judgment. The effectiveness is gone as soon as any 'mopping' begins. A slight hysterical snuffle may be permitted, if artificially executed with a grasping sob, but no polishing off of eyes or nose is admissible."

A certain junior has at last discovered one advantage in the faculty. He says that they write to his parents so often that it saves him the trouble.

**Life in Greece.**

An Athens correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette writes as follows under date of May 13: Although not one of the 330 and odd days set apart for religious observance by the Orthodox church, to-day is, nevertheless, a high festival in Athens. It is the 1st of May, old style—the Feast of Flowers, and all the world goes maying and picnicking, to eat roast lamb and dandelion salad, and drink the wines of Parnes under the gray olives of the Attic plain, or the black firs of Patissia, or the blossoming almonds and quinces on the garden banks of the Kephissus. The feast, indeed, began over night, for all yesterday afternoon the footpaths of Aeolus street, and of the ends of those called, Stadion and University, which converge in Concord place, were crowded with flower sellers offering their nosegays and their flower starred wands and clusters of woven green, and their wreaths of daffodil and anemone and apple blossom, with which the Athenian burghers sportively crown themselves while he eats his cold lamb and dandelion under a tree. In the carriage way, too, the same sweet wares were hawked up and down, in carts made May-like and champetre for the occasion by the addition of a bowery till. Many of the smaller bourgeoisie made a whole night of it in the gardens, singing their little repertoire of songs over and over again till dawn; then home for a brief rest, and back again to eat their midday meal among the flowers. And thus there are fewer feet in Athens to-day to stir the thick dust which the lazy south wind happily has not always strength to lift alone. Otherwise Athens would be almost uninhabitable; for in volume and in fineness, and in its aptitude for working its way into the pores of the skin, the dust of Athens surpasses even that of Cairo in a March khamsen. There ought to be no dust in Athens, and yet, excepting perhaps its wonderful dullness, its dustiness is one of its most striking peculiarities. The municipality has no good water carts, very few bad ones, and not enough water to keep even these at work; so that the powdered marble of the streets is never at rest, and when there is a lively breeze it is complete master of the situation. There is plenty of water to be trapped on Pentelicus, and in point of fact it was so trapped in the days of Hadrian, and was brought down to Athens in subterranean conduits. And the modern Athenians made an attempt to imitate their ancestors by an aqueduct above ground to the same source of supply; but the Greek engineers had not had much practice in laying down aqueducts, and they got the Athens' end higher than the Pentelicus end, so that the water had to be propelled by a pump, and finally grew sick of the whole business and stayed at Pentelicus. But now they are going on a safer plan; the old conduits of Hadrian are being reopened and restored, and it is believed that in course of time the ancient communications may be re-established.

Except in its water supply, Athens, as well as its commercial suburb Piræus, has made extraordinary progress in the last half dozen years. The population has increased to 75,000, and the increase is apparent as well in the spreading of the city in every direction as in the greater movement in the streets, the improvement in the shops and the increase in the number and size of the hotels. There are now nine first-class hotels in Athens, either new within the last six years or enlarged and rechristened; and the oldest of the group, in fact the only one which bore its present name fifteen years ago, the Hotel des Etrangers, in Palace place, has annexed another house as large itself on the other side of the street. These hotels can accommodate about 1,000 people, and every one of them is full. A great proportion of the occupants are foreigners, others are Greeks from the provinces or Greeks from abroad living in a hotel to watch the completion of the splendid mansions they are building for themselves. For of late years the Greeks, who have made their fortunes abroad, especially those who have won their wealth in Turkey and Egypt, are flocking to Athens, building costly houses, furnishing them sumptuously and establishing themselves as grande seigneurie in what they recognize to be their own country. This fact shows that Greek patriotism is kindling into something warmer than a mere political theory, and it serves two purposes, in bringing money and trained intelligence into the country.

Something yet must be said of the dullness of Athens, mentioned above, which it is as needful for her prosperity that she should shake off as that she should provide herself with water enough to lay her dust. Only a very small percentage of the tourists who leave their 25 francs or 30 francs a day behind them in Athens are archaeologists; the average traveler does his guide book through more or less conscientiously, and then is glad to turn to lighter themes. But for some unac-

countable reason Athens offers no light distractions to the sojourner; it is all marble, owl and Minerva. This is a pity, because Athens, in point of climate and position has every right to a "season" from mid-March, when Cairo grows too hot, up to the end of May, or even later, for those who like to take their sea bathing early in the Summer, for which the Bay of Phalerum offers a great extent of sandy beach, a placid sea and all the artificial requisites for enjoying the same. The Piræus railway now makes a curve out of its former straight course to suit the sea bathers, and it is only ten minutes run from the station at the bottom of Hermes street to the Phalerum, where the passenger steps out upon the broad esplanade. But Athens will never be the popular resort which its vast advantages—its climate, scenery, archaeological interest and historic prestige—entitle it to be, till it is somewhat trite. And I believe that this joylessness results from the condition of mind of the Greeks themselves, from their self-consciousness under an almost oppressive sense of the glory of that past which they wish to revive, and the obligations they are under to be worthy of it. But this will wear off as the contrast between the past and present grows less glaring, as one by one national inspirations are realized, and Greece wins back her old place in the world. I place the Athens "season" from March to May, in view of the mildness of the climate in those months; but for those who enjoy clear bright weather and crisp bracing air, Athens is perfection from November till March.

**Change of Base.**

He had been the baseball reporter, but during the first game of the season he lost one eye, four fingers from his left hand, and was so all kind of broken up that he didn't seem to be good for much of anything else than a dramatic critic. Of course he had to be utilized, for it wouldn't do to have him lying around the office, so he was sent to write up Neilson when she was playing Twelfth Night. When he brought in his copy the dramatic editor appeared cold towards him, and from the yawning depth of the waste-basket comes this reason for that coldness: "Neilson came out as fresh as a daisy, and by the way she waltzed up to the bat it was plain to be seen that she meant to play Twelfth Night for all it was worth. In the first inning she muffed it once or twice, and when she came out she had only one strike and a goose-egg. On the second inning she tallied three on hot grounders, while the woman who played captain of the nine looked sick. The third inning was a rattler. Neilson came up to the scratch as fresh as an umpire, and made three bases on a foul bat, and when 'Malvolio' went to the bat she crossed the home plate and scored." There was more, but the infuriated editor tore off the lower portion in order to light his cigar.

**Do Good.**

Thousands of men breathe, move and live; pass off the stage of life, and are heard of no more. Why? They did not a particle of good in the world, and none were blessed by them; none could point to them as the instruments of their redemption; not a line they wrote, not a word they spoke, could be recalled, and so they perished—their light went out in the darkness, and they were not remembered more than the insects of yesterday. Will you thus live and die, O man immortal! Live for something. Do good, and leave behind you a monument of virtue that the storms of time can never destroy. Write your name by kindness, love and mercy, on the hearts of the thousands you come in contact with year by year, and you will never be forgotten. No, your name, your deeds, will be as legible on the hearts you leave behind as the stars on the brow of evening. Good deeds will shine as bright on the earth as the stars in Heaven.

**Pulpit Slang.**

The Standard affirms that it has heard preachers, only recently, and in pulpits not out of telegraphic reach of Chicago, use such slang phrases as "taking stock," "getting a square meal," "keeping his head level," "putting his foot in it," "getting a corner on brimstone," "and then he peter'd," and many others equally coarse and unfit for the pulpit, and adds that if some young preachers—and preachers who are not very young—would be more careful in their utterance, the dignity of the pulpit would not be lowered, while they might be more respected.

A sermonizing Aberdeen pastor said to one of his congregation who happened to slip down in the street while he was passing, "Brother, brother, sinners stand in slippery places." The tallen one, sensitive and smarting, responded, "I see they do; but I could not."

**A Pompeian House.**

The Naples correspondent of the Daily News writes: "The house which was begun to be excavated at the celebration of the centenary of Pompeii, and is therefore called 'Casa del Centenario,' and from which I then saw three skeletons dug out, has proved to be the largest hitherto discovered, and is of peculiar interest. It contains two atria, two triclinia, four aie or wings, a caldarium, frigidarium and tepidarium. It occupies the entire space between three streets, and most likely a fourth, which has yet to be excavated. The vestibule is elegantly decorated, and its mosaic pavement ornamented with the figure of a dolphin pursued by a sea-horse. In the first atrium, the walls of which are adorned with small theatrical scenes, the pavement is sunk and broken as if by an earthquake, and there is a large hole through which one sees the cellar. The second atrium is very spacious with a handsome peristyle, the columns—white and red stucco—being twenty-six in number. In the centre is a large marble basin, within the edge of which runs a narrow step. On the pedestal at one side was found the statuette of the Faun which I lately described.

The most interesting place in the house is an inner court or room, on one side of which is the niche, with tiny marble steps, often to be seen in Pompeian houses. The frescoes on the walls are very beautiful. Close to the floor runs a wreath of leaves about a quarter of a yard wide, with alternately a lizard and a stork. Above it, about a yard distant, droop, as if from over a wall, large branches of vine or ivy and broad leaves like those of the tiger-lily—all very freely, naturally, and gracefully drawn. At each corner of the room a bird clings to one of these branches. Then comes a space, bordered at the top by another row of leaves, in which is represented a whole aquarium, as if the room were lined with tanks. There are different sorts of shells and aquatic plants lying at the bottom of the water, and swimming in or on it all kinds of fish, jelly fish, sepias, ducks and swans, admirably sketched, with a light yet firm touch. The ripples made by the swimming ducks are indicated, and one duck is just flying into the water with a splash. On each side of the niche this amusing aquarium is enlivened by a special incident. To the left a large octopus has caught a monstrous murena (Jasaprey)—which turns round to bite—in its tentacles; to the right a fine lobster has pierced another murena through and through, with his long, hard feelers, or horns. These creatures are painted in the natural colors very truthfully.

On the left wall of the room, above the fishes, are two sphinxes, supporting on their heads square marble vases, on the brim of each of which sits a dove. Behind the niche, and on the left side of the room, runs a little gallery with a corridor underneath, lighted by small square holes in the border of hanging branches. The wall of this gallery behind the niche is decorated with a woodland landscape, in which, on one side, is represented a bull running frantically away with a lion clinging to its haunches; on the other, a horse lying struggling on its back, attacked by a leopard; all nearly the size of life. On each side of the doorway is painted, respectively, a graceful doe and a bear. The other rooms are also very beautiful; one with a splendidly elegant design on a black ground; in another a small fresco representing a man pouring wine out of an amphora into a large vessel.

The bath rooms are large and elegant, the cold bath spacious and of marble. In one room a corner is dedicated to the lares and penates, and in the fresco decoration, among the usual serpents, etc., I noticed the singular figure of a Bacchus or bacchante, entirely clothed with large grapes. In one of the mosaic pavements is a head of Medusa, the colors very bright and well preserved. As some of the rooms are only excavated to within two or three feet of the floor, it is possible that many valuable ornaments or statuettes may yet be found, as everything indicates that this splendid house belonged to some rich citizen."

Morocco, after centuries of isolation, is being forced into the circle of nations. A conference of the powers is sitting in Madrid, to settle certain international questions arising out of the disputed frontier between Algeria, as a French dependency, and Morocco, in which Spain and England sustain the Moors. But the question of freedom of conscience and worship crops up in the treatment of the Jews, and the Emperor of Morocco may be required to do what he is utterly powerless to enforce—namely, to recognize the equality of Jews and Moslems in the eye of the law.

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HARVEST weather.

The yellow fever has broken out again in New Orleans.

New potatoes are selling in market at 37 1/2 cents per bucket.

The Hoko salmon cannery is about starting up for the season's work.

We received a pleasant call yesterday from Hon. Allen Francis, U. S. Consul at Victoria.

LIEUT. O. S. Willey, and wife arrived on the Dakota. Mr. Willey has been ordered to join the Wolfcott.

DIED.—In this city, on the 12th inst., Samuel L. infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hunt, aged 2 months and 20 days.

Our young friend, Al. Plummer, is now purser of the steamer Annie Stewart. He will doubtless be an efficient officer in that capacity.

Among those who left on the Dakota yesterday on a trip up the Sound were: Mrs. Gassaway and son, Miss Crotdan, Mrs. H. L. Tibbals Jr., and sister.

Rev. W. I. Cospser will conduct services at Dungeness next Sunday. There will probably be services here in the M. E. church, in the evening, in which case the bell will be rung.

DURING the past week the schooner Mary Parker discharged a lot of lumber on Mr. Eisenbeis' new wharf. The latter is now nicely covered and begins to assume a business-like aspect.

We learn that our young friends, Donald McInnes, Jr., and Miss Laura McInnes, of Sequim Prairie, Clallam Co., were married a few weeks ago—we did not learn the exact date.

MR. O. H. Holcomb has our thanks for a sample of those fine California fruits displayed at his popular stand. They arrived yesterday from 'Frisco, on the Dakota, and are remarkably well preserved.

Messrs. Waterman & Katz are keeping up their splendid reputation for enterprise by putting a new roof on their store building. They are also extending their wharf and building a large new warehouse.

We learn that Mr. Nolan, of Chimacum, lost a very valuable horse on Wednesday morning. The animal was taken sick the day before, while going home. Apoplexy or blind staggers was probably the cause of his death.

THE steamers Victoria, City of Chester and Idaho, will commence running between San Francisco and the Sound after the 1st of August. The steamship Dakota will make one more trip, leaving San Francisco on 30th inst.

WHOO LA.—The "boss" of the local entertainments took place in this city on Tuesday evening. The Carter Combination, in which appeared some local talent, was given a complimentary benefit by the band and by a boisterous audience. The principal attraction was "Miss Emma Smith."

ON Wednesday last Harry Barthrop, of this city, had a narrow escape from drowning while bathing at the bridge above town, and had it not been for the efforts of two other boys who were bathing at the same time, it might have been our misfortune to have to report a fatal accident. Boys who don't know how to swim will have to be careful.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C. July 1, 1880. It is plain to see that the enthusiasm among Democrats over Hancock is dying out, and they begin to find that they still have differences to patch up, and sore heads to heal like other common people. They are, in fact, having trouble all around in their National Committee they are all at sea as to who shall be chairman and secretary. In New York, the shouts of Tammany over Tilden's defeat angers and is arousing the resentment of the Tilden's friends in spite of the handshaking at Cincinnati. In Indiana they are trying to combine the principles of hard and soft money so that conscientious Democrats can vote for Landers, a soft money man, for Governor, and for English, a hard money man, for Vice President. But these things trouble them little compared to the fact they are now fast realizing that the campaign is not on the personal merits or records of Hancock and Garfield, but on the record and principles of the democratic and republic parties. This fact they seemed to have forgotten when they nominated the union soldier. They seemed to think with him all their past would be swept away, that their history of disloyalty to the government and violation of constitution would be forgotten, and they were joyous thereat. Hancock may be a good man, but he has a bad crowd to back him and as a man is known by the company he keeps, no republican or independent will vote the democratic ticket because Hancock heads it. No republican who has been such because he believed it was the safe guard of the republic will trust the democracy any more because Hancock is their candidate. Gen. Hancock is popular in the South. This popularity was won by his friendship for rebellion in 1867. They have rewarded him by a Presidential nomination. But suppose Hancock should, like Tilden in 1876, write a letter pledging himself to oppose southern claims payment. If he should, how long would his popularity last. But Tilden found it necessary to pledge himself, to gain support at the north. Hancock's silence on this subject leaves the north to infer that he is willing to have these claims paid. It would be wise for Gen. Hancock to give some public expression of his views upon this subject. Hancock has been stronger than he ever will be again. The national republican committee is in session in New York, and will elect a chairman to-day. The campaign will then commence in earnest. Considerable stir was created yesterday among the politicians by Secretary Sherman's order assuming control of appointments, removals, etc., of minor officers in the internal revenue service. The order is a good one and will promote efficiency in the Treasury department. Any effort to give a coloring to it, of opposition to or disagreement with commissioner Raum, is idle. The change, which is nearly a restoration of the former order of things, has been in contemplation some time.

LEO.

THE city election on Monday passed off very quietly, the principal contest being over the office of Marshal. Dr. Minor received 98 votes out of 107, for Mayor. The Councilmen elected were: Capt. H. L. Tibbals, J. J. Hunt, J. F. Sheehan and S. Waterman. We are pleased to note that Mr. Chas. Finn was re-elected Marshal. He has been tried, makes an excellent officer, and deserved to be continued in the position. There are doubtless many others who would do as well, but there is no need of taking chances.

BORN.—In Dungeness, W. T., July 12th, to the wife of Geo. C. Cooper, a daughter.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

TO ALLEN WEIR ESQ., EDITOR ARGUS, PORT TOWNSEND, W. T.

DEAR SIR: We have the pleasure to submit to you for publication the following report on the celebration of the one hundred and fourth anniversary of American Independence, at this place, Monday, July 5th, 1880:

AMOUNT COLLECTED FROM SUBSCRIBERS.

Table listing subscribers and amounts: Waterman & Katz \$40.00, J. J. Hunt 20.00, John Woodley 15.00, Wm. Dodd 20.00, T. M. Hammond 15.00, C. C. Bartlett & Co. 40.00, O. H. Holcomb 10.00, Allen Weir 10.00, Chas. Bracken 1.00, Wm. Anderson 5.00, C. M. Gerrish 5.00, Smith & Terry 20.00, Thomas Whiting 7.50, W. H. Learned 5.00, Ben Hammond 2.50, F. W. James 5.00, Chas. Eisenbeis 20.00, John T. Norris 5.00, Thomas Phillips 1.00, J. M. Gassaway 2.50, C. M. Bradshaw 5.00, B. S. Hoxsie 1.00, H. A. Webster 5.00, L. H. Briggs 5.00, Caleb Bills 5.00, A. Barreals 1.00, N. D. Hill & Son 7.50, B. S. Miller 5.00, John F. Sheehan 1.00, G. M. Haller 5.00, J. H. Sal'ey 5.00, Mabel Hastings 5.00, L. B. Hastings Jr. 1.00, E. H. Brown 1.00, W. H. Liewelyn 2.00, Martin Mo Ino 1.00, Thomas Martin 1.00, Zee Tai & Co 3.00, James Seavey 5.00, J. G. Clinger 3.00, Wm Woodley 2.50, E. Hanschober 1.00, Jimmy Smith 1.50, E. L. Canby 2.50, Thomas Bracken 3.00, James Jones 1.00, Jee Wah 1.00, Major Canby 5.00, Andrew Bogatte 1.00, Proceeds of Ball 116.50, Provisions sold 1.00, Entrance fees collected 25.00, Total 473.05

SUBSCRIBED ON DEFICIENCY.

Table listing subscribers on deficiency: Waterman & Katz 5.00, Wm. Dodd 5.00, J. B. Dyer 5.00, O. H. Holcomb 3.00, Smith & Terry 5.00, Wm. Llewellyn 1.50, John T. Norris 1.50, John Woodley 2.50, C. C. Bartlett & Co. 3.00, D. C. H. Rothschild 1.00, Jas. Seavey 1.00, J. M. Gassaway 1.00, Wm. Korter 1.50, C. Eisenbeis 2.50, W. H. Roberts 1.00, Thomas T. Minor 10.00, Balance paid by Committee 34.38, Total 546.93

CASH PAID.

Table listing cash payments: Wheelbarrow races 5.00, Jumping race 3.00, Sack race 3.00, Canoe race 10.00, Running races 4.00, Packing piano 6.00, Hammond for trees 18.75, Base ball game 30.00, Brass Band 75.00, Music for the Ball 30.00, Peterson, for firing guns 12.00, Boat race 50.00, Allen Weir printing 16.00, Committee on Printing 39.35, Hammond fixing race course 11.00, Peterson washing Hall 50.00, Boy carrying water 25.00, Wm. Dodd supper for Ball 64.50, Eisenbeis bill for provisions 10.00, Peterson hauling lumber 75.00, Nichols work on grounds 2.00, Hammond delivering baskets 50.00, Smith work on grounds 3.50, J. G. Clinger doorkeeper 3.00, Smith & Terry for beef 15.50, Waterman & Katz for powder, lumber, &c. 65.33, H. L. Tibbals hauling 14.50, O. H. Holcomb 3.30, Horse race 60.00, Total 556.93

Too much praise cannot be given to those ladies who have so liberally donated in spreading the finest collation ever witnessed on Puget Sound. Also to the ladies who have so willingly assisted on the grounds, preparing the collation for the reception of over one thousand people. To all we extend our sincere thanks. Also to Mr. J. B. Dyer, for his strenuous efforts,

and acting as one of the Committee on Collation. We also extend our thanks to the owner and master of the fine steamer George E. Starr, for the many courtesies extended. We also congratulate the Callaghan brigade under the command of Capt. Chas. H. Jones, upon the fine display made by over one hundred members.

S. WATERMAN, T. M. HAMMOND, Wm. DODD, Executive Committee.

REFORMED SPELLING.

For the Argus. In the year 1350 A. D., our Lord's Prayer had the following orthography: "Our Fad'r that art in heave, hallowed be thi name, thi kingdom come to be, thi wille done in earthe as in heave, geve to us this daye oure breed, for-give to us oure dettis as wee forgaveu to oure dettouris, lede us not into temptation; deliyer us from evul. For thyne is the Kingdome, and the glorye for euer, Amen."

Upon reading such old English, and noting the gradual and unconventional our language undergoes, one is not surprised at the organization of a Spelling Reform Association. The language arises from such miscegenation and is so inconsistent with rules and probabilities, either in orthography or in pronunciation of words, it surely needs "investigation" as much as any "public institution" receiving like general use and abuse. Errors in spelling are to be found even with scholars such as Warburton and Swift; while Dr. Watts, of pious memory, wrote "heavenly mansions" with an irreverent T; and the artist Reynolds disfigured Apollo with two P's. He also blundered in the use of such words as "especially," "communicate," and "coffee-house," as found in his Italian Journal. The prevalence of such and worse errors among the common people is a subject of regret, and any reasonable cure is to be welcomed. And, despite the ridicule or argument against any change "by authority," our mother tongue is steadily assuming a more simple form—one of the strongest arguments in favor of a bold and recognized move.

The press of the country, in important instances, look with favor upon the work; e. g. The Chicago "Tribune" adopts the simple forms of "demagog," "catalog," &c., for words ending in "gug," "cigaret," "etiquet," &c., for word in "ette. Again the words "program," "carelessness," "heth," "dilemma," indicate further change; while I is to supplant ph, its equivalent, in "phantom," "prophet," &c., and final E to be dropped from have, give, live, &c.

MASS MEETING.

PORT TOWNSEND, July 10, 1880.

At a mass meeting of the citizens of Port Townsend, called for the purpose of nominating Mayor, 4 councilmen and a marshal, G. Morris Haller Esq., called the meeting to order, and on motion, Mr. Haller was elected chairman, and Mr. W. H. Roberts, Sec'y. A petition was read asking Dr. Minor to allow his name to be placed in nomination for the office of Mayor. Nominations for the office of Mayor being declared in order, Dr. T. T. Minor was declared unanimously elected as candidate for Mayor. The following nomination for councilmen were then made: H. L. Tibbals, J. J. Hunt, F. W. James, S. Waterman. Mr. H. M. Stone was elected a candidate for the office of Marshal. Dr. Minor, by request then addressed the meeting after which it adjourned.

W. H. ROBERTS, Secretary.

The Alki debating society held a regular meeting last Monday evening. Their attendance was small and their programme short, although now that the celebration and city election are over, they anticipate a revival of earnest and hearty work on the part of their members. The next meeting will be held next Monday, when a debate will be conducted upon the question: "Resolved, that the common school system of America is a failure." The leading speakers are, Dr. J. M. Gassaway, affirmative, and Prof. W. H. Roberts, negative.

The ladies of the M. E. Church propose to get up a grand rally on next Wednesday evening, at which time they will present tableaux, charades, reading, vocal and instrumental music, &c. &c. The programme will be further lengthened out by serving ice cream, strawberries, and other eatables. "Come one, come all," is the motto. Further notice will be given by posters.

The question of maintaining our county poor is again before the people. See notice in another column.

The steamer Otter, it is said, will soon take the place of the Alida.

ALDEN ACADEMY,

Anacortes W. T. Prof. A. T. Burnell, A. M., Principal. Rev. E. O. Tade, A. M., Supt.

This Institute, on Fidalgo Island, is prepared to furnish thorough and economical education to students of both sexes. The location is favorable to health and light expense, and also because of the quiet and removal from city allurement. Advancement rapid, by individual attention by competent teachers. Consideration paid to manners and morals. Parents notified of work done, and correspondence invited. To the corps of teachers has been added an experienced phonographer and instructor in modern languages and art. Special attention to music, there being ten pupils upon the organ last year. Book-keeping, surveying, &c. &c. Terms—\$7 and \$9 Tuition per Quarter. Opens Sept. 1880. Board \$2 50 per week.

The Oregon Kidney Tea!

Read the following testimonials, not from persons 5,000 miles away, whom no one knows, but from well-known and trustworthy citizens of Oregon, whose names, written in their own hands, can be seen at our office: Portland, Oregon, July 29, 1879. My kidneys were in a very bad condition. The urine was like brick dust, and I suffered a great deal with my back. All remedies were unavailing until I tried the Oregon Kidney Tea, which gave me almost immediate relief. H. HAMILTON. Portland, Oregon, August 2, 1879. Having a severe headache last winter, I was induced to try the Oregon Kidney Tea. It is not more beneficial in its results. It is not more pleasant to take than other tea. I would recommend it to those afflicted as I was. JOHN P. FARMER.

Am. bark Frank Marion.

NEITHER THE CAPTAIN NOR THE UNDERSIGNED agents of the above named vessel will be responsible for debts contracted by the officers or crew. GEO. W. DOW, Master. E. W. DE LION, Agents. Port Townsend, July 13, 1880.

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PROPOSALS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed proposals will be received at the Auditor's office of Jefferson county, Washington Territory, at Port Townsend, up to 2 o'clock, P. M., August 24, 1880, by the board of County Commissioners of said county, for a loan to said county of the sum of \$4,000 gold coin, at a rate of interest not to exceed 10 per cent, per annum. Said proposals to be opened by said board of commissioners, at their regular meeting, August 24, 1880, at 2 o'clock, P. M., the said board reserving the right to reject any and all proposals. By order of the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County, W. T. JAMES SEAVEY, Co. Auditor of said county. Port Townsend, Jefferson Co., W. T., June 23, 1880.

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS.

CAPT. Grant, of the Alida, has been succeeded by Capt. Wilson, recently of the Politikofsky.

BARTLETT'S jewelry store is being removed from the central hotel building to the old telegraph corner.

CAPT. H. McCrea, of the Puget Sound pilots, came up from Neah Bay on the Dispatch, on Wednesday.

DIED.—At Dungeness, on the 12th inst., Charles, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Thompson, aged about eight years.

Mr. Bartlett, of this city, is opening a new store in Chimacum. It will be conducted by Mr. W. S. Seavey.

Mr. C. L. Schur, of this place, has our thanks for a box of excellent strawberries. Call on him and supply yourself.

CAPTS. THOS. ABERNETHY and Jno. MORRIS, of Dungeness, came up on the Dispatch on Wednesday. The former went to Victoria yesterday.

WE learn that Mrs. Emma Lawrence, widow of the late Geo. Lawrence, of Dungeness, was married on the 14th inst. to a Mr. Miller, a carpenter, of Dungeness.

THE steam tug Mastick is being improved by the addition of a new house, much larger and more substantial than the old one. She is, however, busy towing nearly all the time.

PROF. R. C. KERR, principal of the public schools at this place during the past year, left on Friday of last week for up-Sound ports. Prof. Kerr is an efficient teacher, and we hope to see him in charge again.

THE hull and cargo of the ship Eldorado, were sold on Monday last, in this city. Mr. J. J. Hunt was the purchaser; price, \$340. Mr. Hadlock has gone down with a wrecking party, to see what can be done.

MR. WHITING, proprietor of the saloon on Union wharf, deserves to be complimented for generously closing his place of business on Monday last, during the city election. According to the old municipal boundaries he lives outside of the city limits, and hence could not be forced by the local authorities to close his saloon during the election.

LOCAL politics are beginning to agitate the minds of the people. The "Press," of this place, appears in the role of a republican oracle. At least it professes to know all about how matter are shaping themselves in the republican camp. Nothing like putting up a man of straw and knocking him down. In this way small newspapers gain a reputation for wisdom.

THE attention of our readers is respectfully directed to the call for a republican county convention, and for primary meetings, inserted elsewhere in this issue. Taking plenty of time for this business, and giving due notice, shuts of the possibility of any scheming wire pullers coming in at the last moment and taking snap judgment on the voters. We hope all will attend the meetings, thus secure satisfactory nominations.

WE have decided to issue the ARGUS hereafter on Fridays instead of Thursdays as heretofore. The way the boats are running at present and likely to continue, we can reach the people of San Juan, Lopez, Orcas, Guemes, Saamish, Anacortes, Semabmo, Dungeness, Port Angeles, Neah Bay, Quilute and other points a day earlier after the issue, while our eastern, up-Sound, Whidby Isl. and Port Discovery subscribers can be served without any extra delay, as here tofore. The only difference made will be with our subscribers in Victoria, Nanaimo, New Westminster and other points in B. C., and we feel sure that they will be willing to have the interests of the majority served first.

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by inspection of Mr. Huntingford's claim, is splendid growing land; Stockand's marsh, as it is called, near by, comprises several hundred acres of what is evidently the bed of former lake; if, indeed, a subterranean lake does not now lie beneath it. At all events when jumped on it will shake like a bowl full of jelly and a ten foot pole poked full length into it with the hands will strike no bottom. Cattle roam all over it and feed upon the heavy grass it yields, although it looks like dangerous business. I am assured there is a small spring of pure, ice-cold water on this marsh which has been sounded with a long line for bottom without success. The marsh is drainable, and when it passes out of the hands of speculators into those of enterprising residents, will make one of the most valuable and productive farms in the county.

I desire now to score one for the much misrepresented gravelly bluff land on the shores of Puget Sound. Everybody knows where Point Lip is, and that it is a high, bold bluff, about 40 feet above high tide. On the very verge of this bluff is the old Dick Fritz claim, now owned or cultivated by Harry Thompson. Dick, as he was familiarly known, following the erroneous example of all early settlers, had cleared and cultivated with indifferent success a small swale, taking it for granted that the only good land on his place was of this character. When Thompson took the ranch he could make no headway at raising early vegetables on the low land, and finally, in sheer desperation, he turned to and cleared off about two acres of high land right on the edge of the bluff where the soil was nothing but fine gravel and sand of a reddish tint, and apparently, as hard and impenetrable as a rock, and here is where I found him on the 18th of June, in the midst of the finest, most forward and luxuriant garden of potatoes, peas, onions, strawberries, &c. &c., that I had seen anywhere in the whole county. As I walked down over the hard, adamant-like path through his growing crops, and heard my shoes clatter over the solidly packed sand and gravel, my astonishment increased with every stride at the wonderful revelation spread out before me. Here, at last, was a practical test and positive proof that the very (so stigmatized) poorest land in the county will produce the earliest, healthiest and rankest of garden vegetables. His cabbages were then so large and the leaves of such prodigious growth that he had been obliged to place beneath them supports to keep them from breaking down. He opened a hill of potatoes and showed me several that were as large as goose eggs. Then, as if what I had seen was not enough, he informed me in response to my question, that beneath this sand and gravel surface was only sand, pure sand, which he had proved by digging a well, in which he got no water. This sand and gravel had the appearance to me of being precisely the same, except as to color, as that through which the coach wheels grind and grate on the road from Port Townsend to Discovery. Whether or not it is the same, I cannot say, but nevertheless it is sand and fine gravel and the nutrient it contains and the moisture it retains took me wholly by surprise, and it was the most gratifying surprise I have had for many a day. I visited all the other ranches on the Scow Bay peninsula, and found that the same kind of land produced a heavy crop of timothy and clover. No other settlers had tried it for vegetables. Mr. Nichols' place is principally upland, and a more luxuriant growth of timothy, and red and white clover, I never saw, than that in which his 20 cows feed every day. The white clover grows wild and springs up spontaneously wherever the ground has been burned. With these observa-

tions I close my already long statement, hoping it may encourage some farmer who is struggling with bottom land and water, to try his upland for a change, and let us, by more practical demonstrations, know the truth concerning its value or worthlessness. We know most men who speak disparagingly of it do so wholly upon theory. But theories should never be received when practical tests are possible. For my own part, the theory that the uplands are not good, is about entirely exploded.

D. W. SMITH.

July 10th, 1880.

In Memoriam

The following resolutions were adopted at a stated meeting of "Strict Observance Lodge", No. 23, on Tuesday, the 13th day of July, A. D. 1880, A. L. 5880:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Architect of the Universe to remove from our number our late Brother, Alfred Waite, and

WHEREAS, It is but just that we should leave on record some memento of our appreciation of his many good qualities. Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That while we bow with humble submission to the will of the Most High, we do not mourn less for our Brother who has been taken from us.

RESOLVED, That in the death of Brother Alfred Waite this Order has lost an active member. This Lodge laments the death of a Brother who was ever ready to proffer the hand of aid and the voice of sympathy to the distressed; a friend and companion who was dear to us all; and society is deprived of an enterprising and honest member.

RESOLVED, That the heartfelt sympathy of this Lodge be extended to the parents, brother and sisters, of our late Brother, in their affliction.

RESOLVED, That these resolutions be written on the records of this Lodge and a copy thereof be transmitted to the relatives of our deceased Brother, and that a copy be furnished to each of the newspapers published in this town, to wit: The Port Townsend WEEKLY ARGUS, and the "Democratic Press," with a request that they be given an insertion in their columns.

C. M. BRADSHAW, JNO. FITZPATRICK, N. D. HILL, Committee.

Mr. Korter has made a nice improvement in his barber-shop. We venture to say that he has a shop as neatly fitted up as any on the Sound. He has also fitted up a bathroom for salt and fresh water baths. He has done his best to have one of the finest shops, and is master of his profession.

REPUBLICAN County Convention.

The Republican voters of Jefferson County will meet in their respective precincts on

Saturday, the 14th day of August, 1880, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

For the purpose of electing delegates to attend a County Convention to be held at Port Townsend on Thursday, August 26, for the purpose of electing three delegates to attend the Republican Territorial Convention to be held at Vancouver on the 8th day of September, 1880.

The representation of the several precincts will be as follows:

- Port Townsend elects ..... 6
Port Discovery " ..... 3
Port Ludlow " ..... 2
Chimacum " ..... 2
Quilute " ..... 1
Duwamish " ..... 1

By order of the Republican County Committee.

T. T. MINOR, Chairman.

Notice.

SEALED PROPOSALS, for the maintenance of the County Poor of Jefferson County, W. T., will be received by the County Commissioners of said county, at the Auditor's office at Port Townsend, until 2 o'clock P. M., August 23, 1880. Said proposals to be for one year, commencing September 1st, 1880. Said proposals to include board, lodging, medicines, medical attendance, nursing, clothing, and all other expenses incidental thereto.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County, W. T. JAS. SEAVEY, County Auditor.

Notice to Tax-payers.

The Assessor of Jefferson County, W. T., having filed in the Auditor's office the assessment roll for the year 1880, the same is open for examination, and all persons interested are notified that the Board of County Commissioners of said county will hold a session for the equalization of assessments, and the correction of the assessment roll; which session will commence on the 24th day of August, 1880, and continue until such business is completed. JAS. SEAVEY, County Auditor.

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You are asked every day through the columns of newspapers and by your druggist to use something for your dyspepsia and liver complaint that you know nothing about and you get discouraged spending money with but little success. Now to give you satisfactory proof that GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER will cure you of dyspepsia and liver complaint with all its effects such as sour stomach, sick headache, habitual costiveness, palpitation of the heart, heartburn, waterbrash, fulness at the pit of the stomach, yellow skin, coated tongue, indigestion, swimming of the head, low spirits, etc., we ask you to go to your druggist and get a sample bottle GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER for 10 cents and try it, or a regular size for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you.

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Or step on each other's toes,
For the world at best, in its great unrest,

A man with the tread of a pioneer
Steps out on your track ahead,
Don't grudge his start with an envious heart,

My Night Lodger.

Every person said I was a queer little
girl. I can't remember when they didn't
say that. But from all that I can learn

I cannot discover wherein my queer-
ness lies; when I ask my friends, they
say, "Why—well, you are different

This having the word "queer" at-
tached to my name used to annoy me;

When I was eleven years old our
folks tried to make me think I was too

Filling my pockets with apples, I
would take possession of the garret and

An old apple tree stood by one of the
windows; it had the greatest faculty for

But this has nothing to do with my
"lodger." I believe I am becoming

In the first place I must tell you papa
was a rich farmer, and our neighbors

When I was in my twelfth year, papa
and mamma made up their minds to take

One day, all except myself and our
servant girl were invited to go to a din-

"Kate, we will bring you any amount
of candy," said one.

"Now, pet, you know you and Sarah
can stay here just as well as not," said

"Don't be a baby, Kitty," said a
third.

Finally I resignedly bade them "get
out of my sight."

Sarah and I were good friends; she
told me stories and sang songs till I be-

Tired of staying in the house, I saun-
tered down the front walk, and amused

myself by indulging in a forbidden
pleasure—swinging on the gate. Lock-
ing down the road I spied a man cain-

Sarah picked up the poker and walked
to the door, while I, imitating her ex-
ample, picked up a stick of wood. Sudden-

Here was a dilemma. Sarah didn't
want to leave me, and unless she started
home then, she might not see her mother

In a few minutes Sarah was off, and I
was left in possession of our great house

I went out to the yard, and, to my
dismay, discovered that the sky was

On each side of our yard was a
brook, pretty and peaceable in pleasant

Travelers, or as Sarah called them,
"trampers," often stopped at our house

"Can I stay here all night?"
I dared not refuse him, so as firmly

He seemed surprised at seeing no one
but myself and questioned me much. I

His hair was cut close to his head,
leaving his huge ears in bold relief.

Bed-time came, and I directed the
man to a room up-stairs in the servants'

I then hunted up what few jewels the
girls possessed, and placing them, with

I expected the man would only wait
till he thought I and my fictitious

I determined to wait till I heard my
lodger in the room below, and then wrap

Fortunately there was a bed of lilies di-
rectly beneath the window, and they

It was dark as Egypt, the rain was
pouring down in torrents, but this was

Half a mile back of our house lived a
friend of papa's, Mr. Vincent. I re-

Several young men happened to have
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stand in a New York police court as a
witness in an assault case. Having in-

he was told to state what he knew of
the affair in question. Thereupon the

"Ye understand, sor, that ye are to
go on and state to the court what ye

"You want me to tell the story in
my own language?" asked the witness.

"Yes, sor, I do," replied the lawyer.
The Mexican began: "Este mujur

"What is that ye're saying?" ex-
claimed the attorney.

"I am speaking in my own language,
as you requested me to do," was the

"I didn't mane for ye to spake yer
own language when I said for ye to

"I can try, sir," said the Mexican,
and he went on with his story thus:

"Well, thin, yer Honor, this man
and this woman kem to my house, and

Here the indignant examiner broke
in with—"What do you mane by spak-

"Shure, sor," responded the witness,
"ye axed me to spake in the language

Then the judge thought it time to in-
terfere, and bade the Mexican to talk

"With pleasure, your Honor," said
he, "I should have done so at first, but

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**THE DOUBTFUL STATES.**

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Starting in with the 138 electoral votes of the solid South, assumed as certain for the Democratic candidate, the sanguine figurers of that party claim that there will be no difficulty whatever in securing 47 votes from the four Northern States which they set down as doubtful—namely, New York, New Jersey, Indiana and Connecticut.

If they can do that, Hancock will be elected. The total electoral vote is 369, and with 47 from the North, added to the 138 from the South, they would have 185, being a majority of one. The question is, Can they do it? The four States where the real battle is to be fought have in the aggregate 65 electoral votes: New York 35, Indiana 15, New Jersey 9, Connecticut 6. A glance at these figures shows that, in order to obtain 47 out of these 65 votes, the Democrats must carry New York or suffer defeat, even if they are victorious in all the other States classed as doubtful. If they succeed in New York, they will need 12 more votes to win. Indiana would give them three more than they require; so would New Jersey and Connecticut, without Indiana. In the light of these figures, the question becomes simplified, to this: Can the Democrats carry New York and Indiana, or New York, New Jersey and Connecticut? If they can do either of these they can elect their candidate. If they fail in New York, they cannot elect him. If they succeed in New York and fail in Indiana and Connecticut, or in Indiana and New Jersey, they cannot elect him.

The Democratic orators and figurers profess to regard this state of facts as insuring them a certain victory in November, and this is their way of putting the case: Tilden, they say, received only 119 Southern electoral votes in 1876, the 19 votes of Louisiana, Florida and South Carolina having been stolen from him. This year he is certain of those votes. In 1876 he also received the 65 votes of New York, New Jersey, Indiana and Connecticut, and it would be singular, indeed, if Hancock cannot this year secure 47 from the same States.

This sounds quite plausible at first blush, and is well calculated to encourage that class of Democrats who have failed to take note of the great political changes that have taken place during the last four years. The great and decisive fact, however, that knocks the underpinning from the cheerful statement of the Democratic prospect is, that under existing circumstances New York cannot be reasonably counted on the list of doubtful States. In 1860 the State gave Lincoln a majority of 60,000, and notwithstanding all the fluctuations in its political complexion that have since occurred, it has remained Republican in its prevailing sentiment ever since, as is clearly shown by its vote at every honest election where the party issues were squarely joined and the interest felt in the contest was such as to draw out a full and united party vote. The Republicans now have a majority of seventy-three in the State Legislature. They have the Governor and principal State offices, together with all the Federal offices. The party is harmonized and united as it has not been for years. George William Curtis and his "Young Scorchers" no longer have a grievance. Their imaginations are no longer haunted by terrible visions of a "man on horseback" about to establish an empire on the ruins of the Republic, unless they fancy they see him in Hancock. Conkling is satisfied at having defeated Blaine and secured the second place on the ticket for his friend Arthur. Instead of sulking in his tent, he will bring all

his splendid abilities, his vast experience, his tact and resources of leadership into the campaign. Arthur is himself a man of immense personal popularity, and a skillful political manager. The New York Democracy, on the other hand, though its factions ratified a melodramatic truce at Cincinnati, with a gush of stage enthusiasm, are by no means in hearty unison. Tilden and his near friends will take but little interest in the campaign, and Tammany, unless it can obtain satisfactory guarantees of substantial recognition when the spoils come to be divided, cannot be expected to enter into the contest with its old time energy. The existing political situation is of a character to stimulate the zeal and arouse the energies of the Republicans of the State to as high a pitch as in 1878, when they had a majority of over thirty-four thousand, or in 1879, when they elected their Governor and the whole State ticket, with a majority of both houses of the Legislature. The Garcelon business in Maine; the unpatriotic course of the Democrats at the extra session; their obstructive policy in regard to the election laws and the Marshals' Deficiency Bill; the flagrant menace of a solid South, made solid by a political machinery for disfranchising the colored voters and suppressing the freedom of discussion, as was recently illustrated at the capital of Alabama—all these things will arouse the dormant Republican sentiment and call out the full strength of the party. We do not see how any person thoroughly conversant with the political history of New York since 1860, and possessing an intelligent appreciation of the real causes of the varying results of the elections since that date, can regard the State as doubtful in the coming Presidential contest.

As to Connecticut, it is in reality as little doubtful as New York. In 1876 it gave Tilden a majority of 2900. But it should be borne in mind that at every other Presidential election since 1854 it has gone Republican. The success of the Democrats in 1876 was purely exceptional. The tide turned again in 1877, when the Republicans secured a majority of thirty-seven in the Legislature. The reason continued, and in the next year, 1878, the Republican vote on Congressmen was 51,763 to a Democratic vote of 48,905. The next year, 1879, the Republicans increased their majority in the Legislature from thirty-seven to forty-seven, and this year that majority was still further increased to sixty-nine. This large increase is unquestionably due to the issues forced upon the attention of the intelligent people of that State by the outrageous course of the Democrats in Congress at the extra session. How can Connecticut be classed among the doubtful States upon that showing?

As to Indiana and New Jersey, they may fairly and upon good grounds be classed as doubtful. But should they both go Democratic, their 24 votes added to the 138 of the solid South would fall short by 23 of the number required to elect. In short, it is clear that unless the Democrats can carry New York they have not the ghost of a chance of electing their candidate.

We note that several of our Democratic contemporaries are classing California among the doubtful States, it is scarcely worth while to waste words in showing the folly of such a classification. The State has never failed to go Republican at any Presidential election since 1860, and here are many obvious reasons why he will return a large Republican majority next November. None but neophytes in politics anticipate any other result.

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