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## Latest by Telegraph.

### EASTERN STATES.

NEW YORK, June 30.—A dispatch from Lewiston, Idaho, dated the 28th inst., says a man just in from the front says that Howard has driven Joseph from Horseshoe bend into a ridge, and he was to open fire last night.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The Spanish Government assures Mr. Everts that Spain will make all honorable amends for the seizure and detention of the American schooner Rizpah and imprisonment of Capt. Dunham, as soon as an investigation of the facts can be had, and promises that it will spare no effort to prevent a repetition of such outrages in the future. Mr. Everts will hand in his bill of damages against Spain when he receives Capt. Dunham's sworn statement.

NEW YORK, June 30.—The World says Tweed declined to see reporters yesterday. It was ascertained from other sources that he intends to publish his version of the negotiations for his release, accompanied by facts and data in reference to former transactions, which will be interesting to the public.

June 30.—3:30 A. M.—There is considerable excitement about newspaper offices in regard to the strike on the Tribune. It is alleged on one hand that the office has 100 galleys of standing matter, but must succumb at the end of a few days. The Tribune appeared with ten pages this morning, with a prominent advertisement for 40 compositors and proof readers, only a few moments late. The Tribune officials say no difficulty is apprehended in fact. In future no Union men will be employed. Many printers are in the bar-rooms, streets etc., but apparently all good-natured.

The Sun says that Thomas Rooker, foreman of the Tribune composing room, left for Florida yesterday, having first, it is said, transferred his share of Tribune stock to his nephew. At 8:30, last evening, there were 18 men and boys at work at 83 frames in the composing room, and a solitary youth sat in the proof room comparing copy and reading proof. At the same time, ordinarily eight men are required for the work. It was rumored yesterday that Jay Gould had sold his Tribune stock, and that the retrenchment proceedings of the trustees on Wednesday last were forced by the retirement of the Tribune's financial backer. It is also said that Whitlaw Reed's contract will expire on the 13th of November, and he moved a reduction in order to get another engagement.

CHICAGO, June.—The Herald's cable reports a battle raging at Sistova. Troops from Rostchuk have gone to support the Turks who retreated from Sistova, and detachments from Shuvala and Razud are believed to be making forced marches to the scene of the conflict. The bombardment of Rostchuk continues. The town is rapidly becoming untenable. The foreign consuls, the hospital staffs, and the ambulance corps have all removed to Varna. This indicates an abandonment of the line of the Danube by the Turks, and their retreat to that of the Balkans.

NEW YORK, June 30.—A telegram from Trebizond says the Turks, on Friday, assaulted and carried the Russian positions at Batoum, achieving a great victory. The Russians retreated after a severe battle and great loss of men.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., June 30.—At 10:40 A. M., the Yale and Harvard boat crews started. At the end of the first mile Harvard was first, at the end of the second mile, Harvard was a length and a half ahead, and at the end of the third mile Harvard maintained her position, from whence the gap gradually widened, giving Harvard the race by two lengths, the time being 24 minutes and 4 seconds.

## EUROPEAN.

BUCHAREST, June 30.—The Grand Duke Nicholas received the grand cross of St. George of the second class for the passage of the Danube, his son the military cross, and General Nepokeitschitzky, chief of staff, the grand cross of St. George of the third class. The Emperor has taken up his residence at Drago, near Turna Margelli.

VIENNA, June 30.—Admiral Sussim Pasha is cruising in the Morean and Ionian waters with four iron clads waiting for a chance of attacking two Russian frigates.

BERLIN, June 30.—It is reported from Constantinople that since the Russians crossed the Danube, the Sultan's intimate advisers have more than ever urged him to enter into negotiations with the Czar as soon as the Turks have suffered a serious defeat.

BUCHAREST, June 30.—The Russian forces at Hirzova are reported to be marching on Silistria, and said to be within forty kilometers of that fortress. The Turks apparently are concentrating their troops in the principal forts where they expect to be attacked. Everything is reported quiet on the Danube. It is ascertained now that the principal crossing west of Giurgevo was at Petrocini Parapan, just below Simnizza, where the Russians crossed on a large number of rafts and small boats until the position was secured on the south bank. This accounts for the comparatively small loss suffered by the Russian troops, as the passage was effected in small detachments who were scattered along the river and advanced towards the opposite bank after the manner of skirmishers, so as to render the enemies fire less effective. The Russians have also crossed at Turna Margelli, and have joined the Grand Duke Nicholas at Sistova. The Russian Commissariat telegraphed to hurry up supplies for the army, representing that the country on the other side of the river is entirely destitute, and saying there are fears of famine in Bulgaria.

LONDON, June 30.—An Oltinitz dispatch says that Wednesday morning operations were successful in an attempt to unmask the Turkish batteries by landing a fleet of eight boats of dummy soldiers. When the fleet reached mid-stream it drew a fire from thousands of rifles and many cannon upon itself and the Russian earth-works.

A letter from Erzerum says the Turks collected at Van for the defense of the country have struck terror into the whole district. The streets of the town itself re-echo with their violence and disorders. American missionaries have taken refuge upon a small pleasure boat on the lake. They float about during the day, and sleep in some secluded place during the night. Another letter gives an account of outrages and plunder by Kurds throughout Armenia which the authorities are unable or unwilling to prevent.

The following account of the crossing of the Danube is from a correspondent who was an eye witness: With darkness Gen. Garniroff began his first work, which was to plant in made emplacements a row of field guns all along the edge of the flats to sweep the opposite banks. This was while the infantry was being marched over the flats to a cover of willows. The darkness and obstructions were so great that all was not ready until the first glimmer of dawn. There was no bridge, but a number of river boats capable of holding from 15 to 20 men each. These were dragged on carriages through the mud and launched in the darkness. The boats put off singly, rowing across for a little cover, and later a little steam tug was brought into requisition. The Turks immediately opened a severe fire both on the boats and troops, who were waiting to cross. The leading boat contained M. Gen. Yelchine. The Turkish shells were in

position about 50 yards from shore. He landed his handful of men and bade them lie down in the mud, and then opened a skirmishing fire to cover the landing of the boats that followed, one by one. These landed their freight, who followed the example of the first boat and at length enough had accumulated. Among them was Gen. Skobaloff and his son, and Gen. Yelchine bade his men fix bayonets, stand up and follow their officers. There was a rush and cheer. The Turks fired an effective volley, but did not await Gen. Yelchine's skirmishers who followed them some distance up the slope, but for the time could not press on far from their base. Meanwhile the Russian guns from across the river and the Turkish artillery were firing briskly. Turkish shells kept falling in the water, whistling through the willows and bursting among the columns on the flat. One shell from a mountain gun fell into a boat containing two guns, their gunners and commandant of the battery. The boat was swamped and all on board perished. This was the only serious casualty in crossing, but many Russian soldiers were falling on both sides of the river. The Turkish gunners clung to their guns with wonderful staunchness amid clouds of dust thrown up by shells which burst around them on all sides. A Turkish monitor had been bemmed in by a cordon of torpedoes within the channel south of the island, opposite Vardin, and the Russian battery on the Roumanian side shelled her. After their first repulse from landing at this place, the Turks rallied and concentrated on the upper slopes in front of their battery, and then came down on the pickets of Yelchine's brigade and made some headway, but only for a moment. Soon after noon the Russian infantry had crowned the heights where a Turkish infantry detachment tried to work around and down upon Sistova, but were thwarted by intercepting skirmish forces. Their loss is estimated at 1,000. Probably two brigades will be laid at Simnizza, which will be the main thoroughfare for the Russian army. One thousand men will march in the column which is now crossing.

A special from Pera says it is reported that the Russians are leaving Heloum. No definite intelligence, however, is obtainable. A dispatch dated Beaulieu, Thursday, states that a forward movement of the Turks will immediately take place to meet the Russians who have crossed the Danube. It is said that a Turkish gunboat has broken the bridge at Ibrail. The Foreign consuls have left Rostchuck.

NICKOPOLIS, June 30.—The Russians attempted to cross the river here yesterday in 50 lighters. Ten of the lighters were sunk by shells, and the attempt failed. The slaughter was frightful.

LONDON, July 2.—The Daily Telegraph and Morning Post are greatly excited and call for instant action to protect the interest and honor of the country, which lie under a most direct and deadly menace. They find the Czar's proclamation a revolutionary manifesto indicating a determination to annex Bulgaria. They add to this the reported intention of Russia to claim Armenia and the Turkish iron clad fleet as an indemnity, and to enforce the free passage of the Dardanelles, and declare such changes would rob England of every real rampart for her eastern empire. It is noticeable that papers of quite a different class are beginning to exhibit uneasiness. The Economist calls attention to the probability that if the Dardanelles are to be kept closed against the Russians by Great Britain, England must do it alone, because other powers are not sufficiently interested in that respect to justify any anticipation of their co-operation. The Observer declares the time has arrived when the government should know itself and be prepared to take the necessary steps.

demands. Anti-Turkish papers are very guarded in their comments, and devote their attention chiefly in discussion of Austria's position, and attacking the ministry for not taking an opportunity to make a further declaration of policy.

Saturday's Review thus sums up the political situation: So far as concerns Europe and Turkey at the end of a costly campaign, though it may perhaps be victorious, Russia will depend on the permission of Austria to effect a permanent conquest in Turkey.

PARIS, July 2.—La France publishes this special, dated St. Petersburg Saturday: The Czar's proclamation is regarded here as a signal for a Bulgarian insurrection throughout the peninsula.

A dispatch from the Czar announces that the Turks are retreating, and all Bulgaria except the quadrilateral may be considered in the hands of the Russians. M. Blagystich will be appointed Prefect of Rostchuk by official decree. Said Pasha's army has fallen back to the north of Albanie. Montenegro is out of danger.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 2.—An official dispatch confirms the report that the Turks have captured the Rehzabane heights, before Batoum after a severe conflict.

The monitor from Widdah sunk a large Russian steamer which was endeavoring to embark troops and ammunition to Tophave.

BUCHAREST, July 2.—No further information has been received here about the fighting opposite Simnizza, but details have been received concerning the movement of the Czar. He witnessed the bombardment of Nickopolis, which was reduced to ashes. After a fight at Sistova and Simnizza, he crossed the Danube near Sistova and was joyfully welcomed by the Bulgarians. The Municipal Council has been called at Matchin, composed of four Bulgarians and three Roumanians selected from residents of Matchin. Citizens were also appointed to administer justice and superintend the organization of provisional policy.

Pacific Coast.

THE DISPATCH TO GOV. FERRY FROM KLIKITAT CO. READS AS FOLLOWS:

ROCKLAND, KLIKITAT CO., July 2  
To His Excellency Gov. E. F. Ferry.—  
Please send immediately the quota of arms and ammunition for Klickitat Co. Our citizens are threatened and are greatly excited. Some are fortified up on Alder Creek. The women and children are being removed as rapidly as possible. How many stands of arms can we have? Answer immediately. Send to Dalles, care T. Council.

(Signed) A. H. CURTIS,  
JOHN GARLIN,  
W. B. WALKER,  
County Commissioners.

T. H. LEWIS, Auditor.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 30.—A press dispatch from Boise City says: A small force on the Weiser, composed of Capt. Beader's command of 46 men and 39 Idaho volunteers under Capt. Robinson, cannot move northward to any purpose until the arrival of the troops expected from the south. The position of the Indians, which is on the south side of Salmon river, is the strongest and most favorable for their mode of warfare that could be imagined. It is full of natural obstacles to the approach of troops, and affords ample scope to the Indians to remain and fight, or retreat, as they may see fit. Troops may cross the river under the cover of artillery, but when they do finally cross, they will have steep mountains to climb and rocky canyons to cross to get at the Indians. Without a sufficient force from this side to cooperate with Gen. Howard, it is difficult to see how he can hold the Indians to an engagement or do anything effectual against them. It is not believed the hostilities will come this way, but there is not an adequate force yet here to prevent them.

### Oliver Wendell Holmes' First Sermon.

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes was called to preside at the Unitarian festival in Boston on the evening of May 31st, in the absence of George William Curtis. He began his remarks by saying:

It has occurred to me ladies and gentlemen, that, as many clergymen are expected to make speeches on this occasion, it would be a fair thing enough if one layman should take the opportunity it affords him of delivering a sermon. I have heard a great many, and never yet pronounced one. Will you kindly listen to my virgin effort? My text is from the Apocrypha, the book of Ecclesiasticus, 20th chapter, 13th verse.

"An eloquent man is known far and near, but a man of understanding knoweth when he sippeth. Eccles. xx: 13."

In the course of this sermon Dr. Holmes said:

It is a simple fact that the working beliefs in New England have been steadily approaching the ground occupied by what is known as liberal Christianity.

Old orthodoxy has been stripping itself like a circus rider who throws off one garment after another, as it has ridden around the ring of successive generations. First came off the scarlet hunting suit of the witch finder, the Geneva cloak of the prodestinarian, then the Jewish gabardine of the Sabbatarians, and I know not how many more; and already we see the fair outlines of our common humanity, which has been more or less obscured for a long time by these disguises.

When I think of Increase Mather burning Robert Cole's book against the witchcraft delusion in the yard of the Harvard College, of which he was a President, and imagine his successor of to-day taking part in a similar ceremony, I feel as if you might as well read the Stamp Act to the great-grandchildren of the "sons of liberty," as the old New England confessions of faith to the descendants of the Pilgrims and the Puritans.

When I remember that the ancestor of the little child, by whose thread of life alone I hold to the generation yet in the tender bud, disposed of the infants on trial before their final Judge by making him say that, although

In bliss

They may not hope to dwell,  
Still unto them he will allow  
The easiest room in hell.

When I remember that Jonathan Edwards, the great champion of a later New England orthodoxy, spoke of children, with certain rare exceptions, as "young vipers and infinitely more hateful than vipers" in the sight of God—"exposed every day to eternal burnings"—and think what a universal cry of outraged motherhood would silence this Herod of the pulpit in the Boston of to-day, I can believe that almost any cherished dogma that stands in the way of true Catholic union of all believers in the eternal gospel of righteousness may fade out as obsolete, if it is not blotted out as inhuman and therefore ungodly.

May I, without committing any one but myself, mention a few of the stumbling blocks which will stand in the way of some who have many sympathies of what is called the liberal school of thinkers? I believe there are quite as much anthropological as theological. Some of these doctrines might be at once repudiated by those who hold other beliefs, which in reality grew out of them.

The notion that man is responsible for the fact of suffering and death, whereas both existed long before his appearance on our planet.

The notion that there can be such a thing as natural moral evil, as if any one but the god of nature could be responsible for nature's effect.

The notion of sin as a transferable object. As philanthropy has ridged us of chattel slavery, so philanthropy must rid us of chattel sin and its logical consequences.

The notion that what we call sin is anything else than inevitable, unless the Deity has seen fit to give every human being a perfect nature and develop it by a perfect education.

The oversight of the fact that all moral relations between man and his Maker are reciprocal, and must meet the

approval of man's enlightened conscience before he can render true and heartfelt homage to the power that called him into being. And is not the great obligation to all eternity on the side of the greatest wisdom and the greatest power. The notion that the Father of all mankind is subject to the absolute control of a certain entity known under the false name of justice, or subject to any law such as would have made the father of the prodigal son meet him with an account book and pack him off to jail instead of welcoming him back and treating him to the fatted calf.

The notion that useless suffering in any sense a satisfaction for sin, and not simply an evil added to a previous one.

I believe many of you will agree with me in rejecting these notions, and that, in due time all such stumbling-blocks will be removed from the path of any whom they prevent from marching side by side with you in the grand army of the soldiers of humanity and servants of God.

### Communications.

#### Mind Your Aim.

The mistakes of early life nearly always cling to us in old age. In the school room may be found those traits of character that mould the man. In sending children to the school house some parents seem to calculate how little education will answer for their children. Once in a great while a parent has felt the want of a liberal education and resolves his children shall have the best money will procure. Others again have made a lucky hit, and have succeeded better, that is, have accumulated a little more pelf than their contemporaries, with little or no education to start with; they are often heard to boast how well they have got along *without*, "book learning," don't care whether their children have any or not, and seem to despise those who place a high value upon education. The wants of this class, being purely animal, are easily satisfied. They may possess a high order of intellect, but like gold in the lode, it is valueless because not brought out and used. To the higher intellectual enjoyments of life they always remain strangers. The children of such have little of a scholar's ambition. The three Rs, "Reading, Riting and Repeating," they may gain an imperfect knowledge of. Ten to one, they will not turn that to much account. They "don't want much education no how," they "speak to be farmers," or, "learn a trade," and, "book larnin aint no use in sich occupations." They are ignorant of what is before them in life, not knowing that *circumstances* which cannot be foreseen and over which they can have no control, will decide their occupation and influence their destiny. Middle life overtakes such and finds them hewing wood and drawing water, because they aimed too low at the start, and were incapable of choosing and unfit for any but a humble calling.

How often do we see one such for want of a trade or occupation of some kind, when he finds out something is going wrong, but don't know that it is an uncultivated mind that is keeping him back, start off in a pet for the nearest sea port, ship before the mast, and find himself in for two or three years of a dogs life before he has learned the occupation of common sailor. Ah! then perhaps that "Repentent," he slighted at school keeps him "before the mast," for the balance of his days. Even should he remember sufficient of it to acquire navigation, and get into the cabin, he is constantly coming in contact with his superiors. He daily feels his want of culture. Should he take to books, he finds them dry and difficult to understand because his elementary training has been deficient. Unhabituated to society in childhood he feels and appears awkward in it at maturity. His fore-caste manners still cling to him and if he acquire wealth and a commanding position shoddy threads are visible in the web of his whole life. His greatness has been "thrust upon him," and was not achieved by reason of his being fitted from the start for his position. Stubbornness may enable him to hold on to it for awhile, but his life is a continual

struggle, full of ignorant blunders and awkward mistakes, and eventually he will have to give way to those who are possessed of a thorough training. He has aimed at random and hit it; but the game is hardly worth bagging.

How the young actor, when first he steps before the foot lights, well up in his part, ambitious to excel in his profession, is thrilled with delight at the first tap of the cane and clap of the hand. He is blinded by the glare and fails to note that the applause came from the pit. He is to ignorant to tell the difference between the old theatre goers hearty laugh of contempt and one of real enjoyment; or the smiles of pity in the dress circle from those of approbation and pleasure. So he goes on, night after night, listening for the applause, gets it from the pit and the gallery goes, an mistakes it for success keeps on playing for it, gets it from no other source, his manager soon settles him in his roll for life, and he is as famous the first year of his dramatic career as the last. He may become a good, fair stock actor but never a star. He has aimed too low and made the dirt fly, but he has not many feathers for his cap.

It is the same in all the learned professions. The young physician or lawyer who flatters to gain business, relies on pleasing address and courtly manners instead of a thorough professional education and a knowledge of human nature, may acquire an extensive practice, but will not retain it and will in all probability break down in the prime of life. To strive for the good opinion of the multitude is aiming too low for any professional man. In a literary life, such blunders are more frequent. Flippancy, and coarseness is not wit. Long sentences and longer paragraphs do not always make solid articles. Words are not ideas. Writers need all the learning possible to acquire, not to confuse and confound their readers with, "words of learned length and thundering sound," but in order to be able to express their thoughts in language so simple and plain that a child may read and understand. Many writers would make better compilers, because other's ideas and language are better than their own. Literary people are apt to aim too high and overshoot the mark. They leave the nest, (the school) and essay flying too young, and if they do not break their necks by the fall, they often are too badly crippled to be able ever after to soar aloft and remain long on the wing.

None need be told that want of thorough training and incessant drill makes a worthless soldier, only fit food for gun powder. There is one occupation however, that all men, and most all women, are fitted for from birth. To fill it no education is needed. It is a gift. Everybody can edit a newspaper. No one can dispute this, because nearly everybody has told every editor and publisher just how the thing ought to be done and just what he or she ought to do in order to make their publication a success. It might not be just the thing to tell our children that an education or an occupation was not necessary, because they could, after failing at everything else, succeed as an editor. In fact, it would be an excellent idea to have them taught, that after failing at everything else, they certainly were of no earthly use in the world, and they had better crawl off by themselves, out of sight and starve to death, rather than start a newspaper. They should be taught that such an end of life, though brief, is the more brilliant, and would produce the best cussing and rumpus of the two. The cause of all the quiet, contentment and laziness in the world, arises from the fact, that everyone knows, education or no education, when played out at everything else, even to running a logging camp, a saloon or keeping a hotel, they are all right, because they can buy out some poor editor, (editors are all impecunious,) and make a raise on his paper in a few days. Now the best advice the young can have is to learn to take good aim, a steady aim, keep the eye square on the mark, keep on firing as fast as possible, but never depress the muzzle so as to be in danger of begging a newspaper.

### War.

Only those who have been eye witnesses can form anything like an adequate conception of the ruthless ravages and stern, grim realities of that great scourge of humanity, war. It is within the memory of most of us now living when the red handed demon, stalked through the land from the Rocky Mountains to the Gulf. Husbands, fathers and brothers dropped every civil occupation and at "wars' dreal alarm," hastened to be enrolled. Uniforms, bayonets and sabers flashed beneath almost every window. All day long the pavements of our cities and towns resounded to the roll of artillery the tread of the iron hooded charger and the footsteps of armed men. Along our peaceful high-ways, that led far, far away among the fields and hills, marched a long, snake-like column of burnished steel, till obscured by blinding dust it was lost to sight, and the clouds of powdered earth fell like sifted ashes, brownning the green foliage of the trees, blooming flowers and fields of waving grain, as these hosts kept on beneath a cloudless sky and burning sun, on to be pelted by the pitiless hail, drenched by the driving rain, shelterless mid the dews and damps of night, outwatching the stars on the lonely picket, undaunted by the poisonous breath of deadly malaria or the shadowy shape of the ghostly pestilence—heedless of all they marched on—to die in the fatal ditch and rifle pit, to be sabred and shot down by their siege guns, to fall by the unerring bullet, to be mangled by the ragged shell, to lie for weary hours on the field of carnage, their life blood ebbing slowly drop by drop, comrades stark and stiff in death all around, the cry for water heard above the roar of strife, the call for help unheard and unheeded, the mantle of night spreading o'er the earth, pale faces turned upward with eyes fixed and glassy sightlessly gazing up to heaven—horror! indescribably worse than imagination can paint, prevailing for months and years, till crape hung on almost every door knob, nearly every woman and child met in the street was robed in emblems of woe and mourning, a heart breaking hymn of wailing anguish heard all over the land, till the angel of mercy at last prevailed and the glad tidings of peace, like manna from heaven, was proclaimed to the nation and became a balm of Gilead in every stricken household.

Though peace now reigns supreme throughout our land, the gaunt and goary demon's thirst for blood is not yet satiated. The field from which he gathers his crimson harvest is only removed to another part of the world. To day the scenes of carnage that were witnessed in this country on more than two thousand battlefields are being repeated in south eastern Europe with ten fold more fury and atrocity than that which so recently appalled the hearts of our own people. All the pent up hate, venom and fury, the accumulation of the last eight hundred years, is flaming forth like smothered fires pouring in resistless torrents from the blackened crater's mouth, burning, ravaging, devastating every thing in its track, and like the fatal maelstrom it is, causing every nation of Europe to circle round in its insidious eddies, drawing nearer and nearer, faster and with more deadly force, toward the fatal vortex, where, if once entered, none can estimate the havoc, approximate its woe or number its innocent victims. Who can estimate the anxiety that is felt to-day in every European household? Who number the sleepless pillows with tears? Behold the pitiful spectacle of Christian nations, divided in sentiment, a portion sympathizing with and actually contributing to maintain a barbarism unequalled anywhere on the face of the earth, and another portion ready to plunge all Europe in a general war to drive it out of existence. Christians and pagans on both sides panting and thirsting for each others blood—Both praying and looking for supernatural aid from on high to assist them in their hellish slaughter. Both rushing into the heat of the conflict with sacred emblems emblazoned on their battle flags. Both frenzied and fanatical with a firm belief in the justice of their cause. O Religion! What crimes are committed in thy name!

What horrors hast thou sanctioned? Millions have been butchered, not in obedience to the teachings of the founders of religious systems, but by fanatical followers, who have added to and departed widely from the mild precepts of the various gospels of the world. How rarely does the question of right enter these horrible conflicts. Often it is only a question of covetous desire for territorial aggrandisement. Oftener a mere matter of belief concerning that which all the blood of the human race would not reduce to positive certainty. Sometimes petty jealousy alone, or fancied insult kindles the smothered desire for revenge, and then the dogs of war a let lose to see which side is fittest to survive. No principle of justice is established by the bayonet that might not have been gained without bloodshed. Might becomes the sole arbitrator, and the great mass of humanity, striving to lift itself up, to reach a higher plane, pleading and praying vainly for amelioration, is put in the scale and weighed against Europe's accursed vampire, the balance of power, regal aggrandisement, the shifting of the yoke and one set of tyrants for another, or the making of a new map. And thus the crimes against man's equal rights accumulate on the pages of history as the centuries roll on. Every year, some garden spot of the world must be crimsoned with human gore. The sacred name of religion must be evoked to rouse the brute passions and base instincts of man's savage nature to satisfy a tyrants whim or advance a belief or gratify a revenge. For this thousands of victims must be given to the pestilence and the vulture and the grim demons of want and misery, with goary locks, a dripping dagger in one hand a flaming brand in the other, rushes forth, scattering desolation and woe wherever his footsteps fall. Such is the picture of Europe to-day after more than eighteen hundred years of Christianity. Surely mankind have not profited as they could by the mild precepts of him who proclaimed, "peace and good will to men." No nation under heaven has a right to expect supernatural help, or a divine blessing upon crime. Nothing raises man above the brute but a knowledge of nature's laws. The engines of destruction of man's invention are powerful and deadly in proportion as they perfect and are scientifically handled. The strength of armies is no longer in the mass of its numbers, but in its discipline and the perfection of its armament and morale. All the nations of Europe have these requisites in various degrees. All of them have their desires, superstitions, traditions, fanatisms, passions and prejudices now thoroughly aroused by the sound of the conflict already going on; and soon these causes of national strife, may plunge them all into a grand conflict, a wrestling of the Titans, out of which even the fittest to survive, can never come unscathed, while the weaker will be torn in fragments, devoured by the survivors, or perhaps crippled and dismembered, may be allowed a place on the new map awhile longer.

It has been suggested that a convention of the publishers of the Territory, to consider matters requiring unity of action, be held in this place during fair week, in October. What say our brethren of the press to the motion?—*Olympia Standard.*

We say hold it.

Josh Billings says that he knows people who are so fond of argument that they will stop and "dispute with a guide board the distance to the next town."

"Insults," says a modern philosopher "are like counterfeit money. We can not hinder their being offered, but we are not compelled to take them."

You can not convince a dog, with a string of firecrackers attached to his narrative, that the American republic is a complete success.

A western paper in describing an accident recently, says, with much candor. "Dr. Jones was called, and under his prompt and skillful treatment the young man died on Wednesday night."

Grant's first regiment was the 23d Illinois, and Hayes' was the 23d Ohio.

**Superstitions.**

(From the Index.)

It was, in substance, a favorite observation of George Fox, the Quaker prophet, that those only can understand the Scriptures who have something of the spirit that gave forth the Scriptures. If such intelligence has its advantages, perhaps these persons have occasion to congratulate themselves who live among people so little accustomed to scientific method as to accept cordially the absurdity of supernaturalism. Such people have no need of elaborate commentaries in order to understand and appreciate accounts of miraculous cures of diseases. To give one or two illustrations:—

A small ulcer that comes on the ball of the eye is called "a Schurzbloder," and is supposed to be removed by a process called "powwowing." The operator grasps with thumb and forefinger a portion of the eyelid over the tumor, and, with a slight pressure and twisting motion, utters to herself, or imagines herself to pronounce, the following incantation:—

"Schurzbloder duck dich.  
Oder ich druck dich."

Patients are said to come sometimes quite a number of miles to have the cure performed. The operation is usually repeated once after an interval of an hour.

A more serious complaint, erysipelas, is understood to be cured very much in the same way. The operator holds with thumb and finger of each hand an end of a piece of red thread drawn straight in a horizontal position, and, placing herself at the side of the patient, she brings the thread in contact with the upper part of the forehead, and passes it down in front of the person, making rests to correspond with the pauses in the incantation, which is as follows:—

"Rothe Fade zeich,  
Wildfeuer weich,  
Rothe Fade siech,  
Wildfeuer flieg,  
Flieg! Flieg! Flieg!"

Then the malignant influence or devil which causes the disease is supposed to pass off from the ends of the patient's toes. But, still, in this disease he is likely to return. So the rule is to go through with this operation three times after the sun is down and threetimes before the sun is up. At the conclusion of every such ceremony the red thread, into which the disease or some portion of it is supposed to have passed, is destroyed by being thrown into the fire. By this treatment the devil is soon worried out, and the patient recovers. The lady who gave the information, being asked whether any medicine was used, said the patient must take a teacupful of dogwood-blossom tea three times a day before eating; if he could not take a teacupful, he might take five table-spoonfuls. She said she had cured in this way a good many cases which had been given up by the doctors as hopeless, and that she gathered every spring a bagful of dogwood blossoms for the purpose. The directness of this procedure is assuredly to be commended. Here is no cant or chat addressed to any third person; but the devil that makes the disturbance is directly addressed, and commanded to take his departure.

A young man, who was of sufficient importance in the world to have a wife and children, was complaining that one of his children has been sick for a number of weeks, and that the doctors could do nothing for it, and could not tell what the disease was. In this extremity he did not despair, but had recourse to the light of intuition; not that which by rational conjecture of existing law, leads to careful investigation, but to that sublimer species which of course never misleads anybody. He said the doctors did not understand their business; that it was very plain to be seen what the matter was; that the child's heart and liver had grown together, and that, since he had got old Mrs. — to powwow for the child had been a great deal better, and that he had no doubt the child would be cured in a short time in that way.

Possibly there may be persons profane or incredulous enough to deny the reality of these cures. But to prove them there would be no lack of positive testimony

of at least honest people, and thus in respect of credibility they have an advantage over any of the miracles of ancient story.

**OVERWORKED MISSIONARIES.**—One of these self-sacrificing philanthropists, for whose support our Sunday school children allow themselves to be persuaded out of their dimes, was observed, by a recent traveller in Zanzibar, tolling on a couch and loudly calling upon a native servant, one of those "brands just plucked from the burning," to come and pick up a book that had just fallen from his hand. Get up a Sunday concert, send him a little more money, and perhaps he can employ two such "brands" instead of one.

**Nor So.**—Rev. Joseph Cook of Boston, recently asserted in a sermon on Sunday, that Theodore Parker's works never reached a second edition. Theodore Parker's "Discourse of Religion," the only theological work he ever wrote, had reached its 5th edition in 1855; and since the attack of the Rev. Joseph upon the dead author, that has become exhausted and the 6th edition has just been issued. False statements will react upon their originators, even if they are pharisaically orthodox.

**Good.**—Hon. Lafayette Lane, of Roseburg, Oregon, deserves the medal of the Humane Society. He lately extracted a man out of a mud hole with a long pole, without soiling his hands. Send him to Washington, long pole and all and if he can fish Congress out of some of the dirty puddles in which it is splashing round, and come off with clean hands and shirt front, he will do to travel with Barnum as one of the great wonders of the age.

**PRECAUTION BETTER THAN CURE.**—Scarlet fever is on the Snoqualmie as far down as Mr. Adair's. The probabilities are all in favor of its reaching town. Hardly any of our children have had it. The damp weather should be avoided, warm baths administered at night, none but easily digested food should be allowed and mild laxatives given if the bowels are constipated. The sleeping rooms should be ventilated carefully and the bed clothing well aired.

**WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE.**—A woman writing on the suffrage question in the *Farmer* says, "I think the holy Bible teaches us our rights." "It tells us to learn of our husbands at home." Yes, but when husband doesn't come home till near morning, and "drunk clean through," then and gets up late growling like a sore headed dog, shall she go to him for her lesson or to somebody else' husband, or shall she remain ignorant?

You can get rid of a wart by stealing a piece of pork and burying it under a stone. A horse chestnut carried in the left pocket is equally effective. Or get an old piece of string and rub with it the objectionable excrecence, repeating in a soft and appealing voice the invocation, "Ananama monamike, Barcelona bona strike, hare ware from back, halico halico we wo wack!" The wart will vanish.

A clergyman was preparing his discourse for Sunday, stopping occasionally to review what he had written and to erase that which he disapproved, when he was accosted by his little son, who numbered but five Summers: "Father, does God tell you what to preach?" "Certainly, my child. "Then what makes you scratch it out?"

When three good little boys get together of an afternoon, the chances are that there will either be a fight, a window broken, or some stray dog will have a pan tied to his tail.

Eastern papers are laughing at a minister who conducted services in a penitentiary recently, and opened his remarks by expressing his gratitude at seeing so many present.

Dist. Atty. Hassard, of Oregon, looked a live bear out of countenance the other day, on his way home from Carry county. The Sultan of Turkey would swap his whole harem for a regiment of the same stripe just now.

The new shawl strap has a purse and ticket-book attached to the handle, convenient for pickpockets.

**The Material of the British Army.**

It was good logic, as well as right feeling, which made Gathorne Hardy diverge from his task of returning thanks for the British army, at the Board of Works banquet on Saturday, to speak of the splendid rescue just accomplished in the Tynewydd colliery. "If you would reflect," said the Secretary of War to his hearers, "upon the stuff of which the army is made, I would refer you to that which, I think, no one could have read this day without emotion, or without a feeling of pride in thinking that such men as these heroic miners fill the ranks of our army. The dangers in battle are great, but they are compensated for by the enthusiasm which is excited by surrounding circumstances; but in the darkness of a mine, with unknown horrors which may burst forth at any moment, when you find men—in the calm resolute recognition of their duty—working on, hour after hour and day after day, with the sole view of rescuing a few of their comrades from a painful and horrible death; when you find that at the last supreme moment, with unknown dangers before them from air, from water, and from gas, those men went forward, some eight of them, in the same spirit that animated our soldiers on board the *Birkenhead*, nobly discharging their duty to God and man—when you have such material for any army you need not be afraid to trust it in the field." That is undoubtedly one of the reflections inspired by the gallant deliverance effected on Friday, and, though it would especially recommend itself to the war minister of the nation, there is in the idea nevertheless, matter for general pride and pleasure. It was said of Colonel Armine Mountain that if he had been hacked in battle into twenty pieces, every piece would have died a British gentleman; and such an event as this most memorable and gratifying rescue might well excuse the boast that whenever some sudden need calls upon the rank and file of British manhood the work-o'-day stuff answer to the historic sample. Then the gold comes out bright and beautiful from the native rock; and there is pretty surely the conscience, the courage, the profound recognition of duty, the quiet sternness of mind to discharge it, and, most and best of all, the spirit of fellowship which have made our annals what they are. Mr. Hardy is right. With a store to draw upon in the thick of the population like that exhibited by those glorious pitmen of Pontypridd, a War Minister of England need not envy the mob-like armies of other nations. He can rely on his raw material, upon its standing proof; for go where he will—ay, as low down and apparently with as little selection as has often been the case—the British bred metal comes forth with the British bred flesh and bone. Those sea-lions who stood around and fought with Nelson at the Nile and Trafalgar, were the waifs and strays of our seaports. Those boys who laughed death in the face at Quatre Bras—as Mias Thompson's fine battle-piece depicts for us—were gathered from cowsheds and plough-tails. The soldiers of *Birkenhead* were recruited at hazard; and these Welsh miners—whose names are so patriotically common that we blunder as we try to discriminate hero from hero, confusing Jenkines, Morgans, and Thomases—were but an ordinary band of the collier class. Yet when duty blows her clear and sacred clarion in their simple ears how they all "fall in;" how they know what a man must do, being "Englishmen;" how little need there is to tell these patient and worthy "common people" that the time has come to be uncommon, even to the point of dying, as saints and martyrs and epic heroes have died.—*London Daily Telegraph.*

A sermonizer made these remarks on the following soul saving question: "My brethren, a man cannot afford to lose his soul. He's got but one, and he can't get another. If a man loses his horse he can get another; if he loses his wife he can get another; if he loses his child he can get another; but if he loses his soul—good-by, John!"

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Trouble Anticipated.

It seems to be the nature of the savage Indian to scalp and butcher his white neighbor, benefactor and protector, on every favorable opportunity or exciting occasion. When we heard that the Nez Percés, of Idaho, were on the "war path," we mistrusted that their sanguinary cousins—the Klickitats could not scent Caucasian blood without getting on the rampage. It now appears that the stealthy massacre and fiendish scalping have more attractions to the savage propensity than the spiritually edifying devotions of the camp-meeting and love feast, and the settlers of Klakitat have made a call on the Governor for succor in the shape of arms and ammunition for defense.

Gen. Howard's promise of short work is still awaiting fulfillment, and there hardly remains a doubt that a general muster of volunteers for self-protection will be necessary to secure either short or effective work. It has always been found that the regular, educated, soldiers of scientific warfare in general are not sufficiently practical for this kind of bush fighting on the frontiers. It is hard for the straight-laced, parade-dressed regimental officers to get down to the dirty, blood-fetiching work of Indian fighting. And that is work that needs to be well and sharply done. It needs as bitter, merciless execution as Napoleon's butchery of the blood-thirsty Canaille of Paris, at the "Revolt of the Sections," in 1795.

Indians need a sonic discipline incisive enough to impress upon them effectually that they may not be drawing food and luxuries from the white man's treasury one season, and then murdering and scalping the white man and his wife and children the next, as it suits their caprice. Those whose lives are jeopardized are best calculated to teach them this.

We deprecate the war if it should chance to spread, as it will set back the settlement of the country, and prejudice all its interests.

Gen. Howard should be held accountable if measures are not taken for an immediate suppression of the outbreak, and a terrible example be made of the guilty participants.—*Intelligencer.*

The above is from the *Seattle Daily Intelligencer* of July 5d, and we give it to our readers as a fair representation of the present situation.

Gen. Howard has always had the reputation of being a brave man, and an able soldier. W. M. Trolot, Esq., was for awhile connected with his staff, and doubtless would now be one of the first to go to his support, were it not that wounds received in the rebellion have crippled him so that he is unfitted for field service. He speaks of him in the highest terms as a soldier and a man. We do not feel like criticising those now in the field, but rather like going to their aid and assistance. We believe in trained and experienced soldiers, even for Indian war, and do not care what name they are called by; whether soldiers of the regular army, who have done so efficient work under Crook in Arizona and against the Sioux, or under Jeff. C. Davis even in the late Modoc campaign, or volunteers who acquired their experi-

ence in the regular war of the rebellion, or even frontier rangers, who have had a life experience of Indian warfare.

All of these several classes have done efficient work when officered and handled by men who understood the foe they fought, and how to handle the men under their charge to the best advantage.

Now, the only question is, has Gen. Howard enough men to secure a peace, if not, he must have volunteers, and those can be procured.

Gov. Ferry has offered to raise, organize, cloth, subsid, arm, equip, and transport five hundred volunteers, whenever Howard will inf rm him that he needs their assistance. Howard has less than five hundred regulars. He, if not immediately successful, may be called upon to fight ten times that number of the best Indian warriors in America. Five hundred picked men, nearly all of them old soldiers can be raised to go if called upon. This place proposes to raise one company to go to Howard's assistance immediately, if so desired, while another will be raised and armed to defend our own valley, guard Snoqualmie pass, and render assistance to our neighbors in the Yakima valley, should there be any trouble there. We hope Gen. Howard, with his present force will be able to handle the Indians, so that no general Indian war will take place; yet in view of what has taken place, who can doubt that if Crook had failed of success against the Sioux a general war would have been on our hands months ago.

Who will now say that our precautionary proposals made after Custer's death were either unnecessary, or unwise. Now, Gov. Ferry has requested our assistance, if troops are needed, and we propose to render it, by going with the first body that are called to the front and we know our Snohomish boys will not be backward in following our example.

A Needed Steamboat Route.

Upwards of one year ago, on our first visit to the Skagit and Stillaguamish rivers, we described as among the wants of that section, a new steamboat route from Seattle, by Centreville to Skagit City. That article caused Capt. J. S. Hill to build up that route. It proved to be the right man in the right place. To-day, that is one of the best routes on the Sound.

Another very much needed regular route is between the east and west sides of the Sound, between the Swinomish, Skagit, Stillaguamish, and Snohomish on the east side, with Gamble, Ludlow and Townsend on the west. About one hundred booms of saw logs will be sold the present year from this river to Gamble, Ludlow and Discovery, this not only causes a large passenger travel, but these mill Co.'s sell a great amount of supplies for our logging camps. The trade between Gamble and Snohomish alone is so great that it would pay the Puget Mill Company, to run the Yakima regularly once a week between these two points, were it not that the Company, has so much other business for this boat that freight waits some times a full month for a chance to come over here. The logging men traveling to and from the mills, with the freight that could be furnished from Gamble alone, that could not be conveniently forwarded by the Yakima, would of itself almost be enough to support the route.

Then, there is no reason why such merchants as Rothechilds & Co., Port Townsend can not furnish supplies on as reasonable terms to our merchants and loggers as does the Puget Mill Company or any of the merchants of Seattle. It needs for this route, a boat of about the carrying capacity of the Zephyr, with from three to six feet draft, so staunchly built, that she could run down the Straits in all kinds of weather. A side wheel boat is best for this trade. At present we are in correspondence with parties in Seattle who are about building a side wheeler of this kind. She will draw only three feet light; about five loaded and be fit to run to Neah Bay or up the Snohomish, which ever desired. This boat can be secured for the route by a little joint effort. If put on, she should be made to run one day

from Port Townsend to Snohomish via Ludlow and Gamble returning the next. Then one day from Townsend to the Skagit, Swinomish, Utsalady, &c., returning the day after. Then one day down the straits from Townsend, via Discovery to Duginess, and back again next day.

Until this new steamboat is completed and ready to run, the Tensor, Dispatch or Phantom if regularly run, once a week, taking two days for going and returning could build up a paying trade between Townsend and Duginess, while the route to Snohomish and Skagit could be served by the Otter or Zephyr. We are certain a boat can be secured, and with a man who knows his business as well as Capt. J. S. Hill, it, in less than six months could be made to be the best route on Puget Sound. Flour is shipped per steamer California from Portland to Townsend at from one to two dollars per ton less freight than from Portland to Seattle via Tacoma. Freight from Townsend here would be no higher than from Seattle. This would give Townsend the trade in flour with this section.

Then Townsend is as good a port for storage and shipment of grain as Seattle, for the farmers of the Swinomish. These considerations make the merchants of Townsend unanimous in the support of this route. Several thousand dollars can be raised in its support there, so we have no doubt but that a boat will be on this route before long.

BUSINESS MEN OF PORT TOWNSEND.—Last week found us for several days in that old time business centre. One noticeable feature of the place is the settled, established appearance of the business men of the place.

The two leading hotels are the Central Hotel, kept by Dodd & Pugh, the most elegant hotel building in the Territory. Charlie Clapp is keeping the old Cosmopolitan Hotel. He has spent a great deal of money refitting and refurbishing it, and is a very popular landlord. Is making lots of money.

B. S. Miller has one of the best selected stocks of Jewelry to be found in the Territory. He is an excellent man to deal with, and does a large business in musical instruments, sewing machines, &c.

The stores of Rothechild & Co., O. F. Gerrish, Waterman & Katz, Eisenbies and C. C. Bartlett, are among the leading mercantile houses of the Sound.

Messrs. Hunt & Learned liquor dealers are doing a very extensive trade; are very pleasant, honorable men to deal with, have extensive business connections, so they can sell as low as the lowest.

Dr. Minor, for nearly ten years proprietor of the Marine hospital at that place, is a representative man. In the rebellion he served in the 7th Conn. Volunteer Infantry, one of the best regiments in the service, with an elder brother of ours. A student of Yale, he controls a very large business. He is now tearing down and rebuilding the hospital buildings, so that when completed, it will be one of the most perfectly arranged hospitals in the Union. One new building will be two stories high, 100 feet long by 28 feet wide.

Mr. Jones the telegraph operator also does a general business in fruits, confectionery, stationery, &c., and is a leading citizen. All of these gentlemen are very strongly in favor of direct steam boat communication with this river, and will aid it liberally.

For several months past we have been making arrangements preparatory to enlarging the STAR to a twelve page weekly, when we would have furnished about twice our present amount of reading matter. Were it not for the threatened Indian troubles, this enlargement would be made next week. As it is, we deem it unwise to incur any unnecessary business responsibilities, until after peace is restored east of the mountains, when we expect the promised improvement will be made.

Telegrams as late as this morning show the Russians to have suffered a severe defeat in Asia, particulars very conflicting.

A very large amount of local and telegraphic matter is crowded out this week.

The stern wheel fleet at our wharves over the Fourth consisting of the Yakima, Enay Lake, Zephyr and Nellie, all testified to the growing importance of Snohomish, and the amount of business done on this river, yet strange to say, one boat the Nellie, running three times a week between here and Seattle, has for months past monopolised the Seattle trade; now the old time favorite, the Zephyr is again put on this route. This means increase of business, and a permanent reduction in rates of freight and fare for travel. Heretofore these rates have been greater between here and Seattle than on any other route of equal business on Puget Sound. We wish to say nothing against the Nellie or the skill in handling her displayed by her young Capt. C. H. Low; yet we come competition as being for the best interests of all on the river. Feeling certain so good a boat as the Zephyr, run by so gentlemanly a Capt., as Capt. Messerger can not fail of deserving and securing a large amount of trade with this river.

In compliance with the suggestion of Gov. Ferry a call has been issued for the organization of two militia companies; one to go east of the mountains if needed by Gen Howard, and the other to remain in the county for the protection of this valley. If volunteers are really needed we know the spirit of our old friend H. G. York, so well, that we don't believe he will be idle. If a company is organized in Seattle, he is just the man to do it. It is expected by all his old comrades here that he will be among the first to respond to the Governor's call.

A telegram from Walla Walla valley of July 4th reports Col. Whipple having met Looking Glass' band at Kamia on the Clearwater. Four Indians killed, and many wounded. The squaws and children took to the river. Many were drowned. Fighting still going on. Joseph's band has gone down towards the mouth of Salmon river. They are supposed to be making for the Grand Ronde and Walla Walla valleys. Howard is watching both bands.

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Local Items.

**Gov. FERRY'S ADDRESS.**—The crowning feature of our Fourth of July celebration, was intended by its managers, to be Gov. Ferry's address. The balance of the programme was intended, not only to commemorate the "day of days," but likewise to show our appreciation of the institutions of the fathers, as represented by our Territorial Executive and our appreciation of the man. The address was everything that could be desired. It was more than could have been asked or expected, and the large number who assembled to listen to it, will always remember it, as the principle thing that caused July Fourth 1877 to be numbered as Snohomish Counties brightest "red letter day."

None who have the pleasure of an acquaintance with Gov. Ferry need be told that he is a gentleman of commanding appearance and unexceptionable address. As a speaker, his manner is forcible, language concise, his illustrations brief and pointed and his allusions, classical or otherwise tastefully appropriate: a happy combination, which when based upon natural talent, education and knowledge of human nature, gives to a public speaker the happy faculty of becoming really eloquent when making the plainest of statements. In fact, simplicity, plainness and chaste language is eloquence. Such was the address of Gov. Ferry last Fourth of July. The speaker was quite brief in his allusions to prominent events of ancient history, drawing marked parallels between it and the struggle for our national independence and a free government. He likewise briefly reviewed our national history from the date of our national birth to our own time; and while he accorded due merit to all who contributed to establish, maintain and perfect our present governmental system; he plainly showed where the fathers committed many errors; some of which have been already rectified, while many still remain to be corrected. His belief in past progress was plainly evident as well as present and future improvement. On questions of the day his position was that of a progressive liberal, free from the entangling issues of the period and the petty jealousies of the times. At the very commencement of his address it was evident that his audience were in full sympathy with him. Many fine passages elicited frequent applause and his closing remarks were greeted with unbounded evidence of approbation. Although a great deal was most concisely expressed in his address, all seemed to regret that its close came so quickly; so deeply were his hearers interested that the address really seemed short; when in reality it was as long as such efforts usually are on similar occasions.

The Governor and his lady, who accompanied him in his visit, attended the ball in the evening, and instead of seeking to become the centre of attraction and the recipient of all the attentions of the residents and guests present, had they been among our oldest residents, they could not have exerted themselves more than they did to contribute to the pleasures of the evening.

On the morning of the fifth, both he and his lady returned to Olympia, on the Zephyr, carrying with him the gratitude and best wishes of all our citizens.

**VOLUNTEERS FOR THE INDIAN WAR.**—WHEREAS, Gov. Ferry has tendered the services of five hundred volunteer militia to Gen. O. O. Howard, now in the field, to assist him, whenever he may require their services. In behalf of great numbers who have offered to volunteer for this war, we request all so disposed to meet at the lower Athenaeum hall on Sunday evening July 8, 1877, at six o'clock for the purpose of organizing a volunteer militia Company elect their officers, and be subject to the orders of the Governor for immediate service in the field, whenever called upon by him.

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**CALL FOR HOME ORGANIZATION OF MILITIA TO SECURE ARMS FOR PROTECTION OF THIS VALLEY.**—Whereas, an Indian outbreak is threatened by the Klickitat and other Indians near the Snoqualmie pass, and if such an event should take place, this valley would be defenseless. We call on our fellow citizens to meet at the lower hall of the Athenaeum on Sunday July 8 at six P. M., for the purpose of organizing a Militia Company electing officers, &c., and take the necessary steps to secure arms, &c., for home protection.

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**THE FOURTH AT SNOHOMISH CITY** was observed according to the previously announced programme. We learn from parties in from the various parts of this county that nearly every precinct had a creditable celebration, nothing occurring at any place to mar the general harmony of the day. For want of space we shall defer particulars till our next issue.

**THE FOURTH AT PARK PLACE.** From gentlemen in from the Skykomish we learn the 4th at Park Place was observed with becoming ceremonies. An address was read by Mr. Kellogg and a poem by S. A. Woods. The school children assisted by some of the citizens sang several patriotic songs in a manner that elicited great applause. The picnic dinner was a success. In the evening all hands repaired to Mr. Johnson's and tripped the light fantastic toe till 7 o'clock on the morning of the 5th. Messrs. Boswell and Rupert furnished the music.

**APPOINTMENT.**—On July 4th 1877, By his Excellency, Gov. E. P. Ferry, Eldridge Morse "Aid De Camp" on the Governor's Staff, as Commander in Chief of the Militia of Washington Territory, with the rank of Lieut. Col. to date from July 4th 1877.

Communication.

FORT TOWNSEND, W. T.,  
June 25th, 1877.

Friend Morse:

You know, no doubt, of how bravely the troops evacuated Alaska, and how the company which was to reinforce the garrison here, arrived to find Captain Burton's company in readiness to start for the war in Idaho, of which we knew nothing until our arrival at Townsend. Then again how Captain Bancroft's company had to start via Tacoma for the same war, on the same day of their landing here; the brave fellows went cheerfully, though many of them had braved the worst phases of the Modoc war, had been for years in the tedious garrisons of Alaska, and felt wearied by the voyage on board ship—but they were soldiers and felt the full pride of soldiers going to duty—when they embarked enroute for Idaho—where it seems the citizens of the United States actually need military aid and protection, despite the twaddle of cheap Congressmen to the contrary. But I did not start in to write a homily on that subject, but as I notified you a few days ago to change the address of the STAR to this place, I must request you to change once more to Fort Lapwai, Idaho Territory. Yes the "old man" is off to the wars again. An order reached me to-day, to "proceed without delay, and report to the Commanding Officer, Fort Lapwai, I. T., for duty with troops in the field"—you know what that means. I know that "duty calls, and I must go," according to the patriotic ballad; and so to-morrow the North Pacific will probably carry the last available soldier from Puget Sound, in the person of your humble servant, Col. Stone and Dr. Allen are "wrestling" with the military duties of Fort Townsend and "Holding the Fort" with the total strength of eleven men, two of whom are sick—two others non-combatant—and the other seven are satisfied to enjoy the cool healthy climate of the Sound for the balance of the summer, and your humble &c. wouldn't object to doing the same, but our big Tye requires us in the field and of course, you know how it is yourself. We go to the "front" as boldly as a sheep chasing a bear. Now don't fail to send the STAR right along through, for Joseph may want to learn the news.

Yours Fraternally,  
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