

The Panama Canal.

While in San Francisco lately, the editor of the STATESMAN was taken around by his good friend H. B. Slavin and...

Work upon the Panama Canal appears, on all reports, to be pushed forward with all the energy that circumstances will permit.

This contract calls for the excavation of 4,000,000 cubic meters of material, the amount received from which work will be about \$2,000,000.

The Ithaca Statesman says: The Kelton stage robbers have been driven into Nevada. Last Wednesday, on their way south, they took in Cherry creek stage and killed Wells, Fargo & Co.'s boxes.

Capt. Pierce, 21st infantry, with a party of soldiers, are engaged in cutting a trail from Camp Chelan to Puget Sound.

Gen. Hazen, chief signal officer U. S. A., desires to make a collection of the popular weather proverbs and prognostics used throughout the country and in all classes and races of people, including Indians, Africans and all foreigners.

Cal. Clarence B. Lamborn, who recently made the trip through on the line of the Northern Pacific to Puget Sound, was just one month out from St. Paul when he reached the railroad at Lakeview.

The Northern Pacific railroad tunnels are as follows: 1,100 feet at Big Horn, now completed; 3,670 through the Roseman pass; 3,650 at the Mullan pass, near Helena; 500 at the Mullan grade, and 300 at the Blackfoot.

Rufus Hatch predicts that Northern Pacific preferred will reach 110. As it is now 92, it does look a little that way.

Last Thursday the sheriff of Unstilla county, arrested some parties near Parker's Station, on the Canyon City road.

The Brants Machine.

Talking from a dispatch in Saturday's Oregonian, the friends of Mr. Brants in this city, appear to be highly incensed that they cannot control the telegraphic correspondent of the Associated Press here, even to the extent of dictating the dispatches which he sends as matter of news.

WALLA WALLA TO MONTANA.

Leaving the Rail and Taking to Nature's Highways—The Journey up Clark's Fork Here and There an Incident.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

The novelty of a change from a Pullman Palace car to a rougher mode of journeying, and a curiosity to see everything and everybody at the front, collected the party at a very early hour this morning.

Mr. Fuller and wife, who accompanied the party from Portland, returned to Spokane Falls and Walla Walla, as did Charlie Pond and Mr. Fordyce.

AT ROCK ISLAND.

We find Mr. Mills in charge of Wells, Fargo's office, who informs us that in the absence of mail facilities he is doing an immense amount of letter carrying.

When I mailed my last letter by steamer Kate Hallett, it was the intention to have made 22 miles by stage, and put up for the night at the first settlement of the river in Montana.

IN THE BEAUTIFUL STREAM here we appeared every promise for a success full trip, and the gentlemen who had carried the pack, Mr. Payne, Mr. Barrill and Mr. Zee, started along the bank for an early start.

IMPROVED.

A talk with the proper parties, reveals to me the lamentable fact that few of these hard-working men are laying up money for the inevitable rainy day.

THE MEN BOARDED by DuBois & King are located in 15 different camps, these reaching a distance of a little more than 40 miles.

CLARK'S FORK.

Looking at the map and remembering that Clark's Fork rolls and tumbles among the mountains on its way to the Upper Columbia the stranger would not think it much of a stream, and will no doubt be surprised when I assure him that there is a greater volume of water in this than flows between the banks of the famous Willamette.

MOUNTAINS AND PEAKS.

scenery that reminds one of the Columbia below the Cascade. To make the similarity more correct we have the Chinaman and white railroad builders along the edge of the river. The timber is fir, cedar and pine, not large except back from the stream.

Request on the Body of Gus Allen.

From the Daily Saturday.

The request on the body of Gus Allen, which had been received in the frisco on Friday week, took place at Peard's undertaking establishment this morning.

N. Capon was the first witness introduced. He testified as follows: Mr. Allen was nearest the door; the man that fired the shot was on the edge of the walk near the alley; there was no screen to prevent the man firing from seeing his victim; firing all done outside the saloon; only two shots were fired; think it was Nesbit that held the pistol.

JOINED THE PARTY.

AT ROCK ISLAND.

THE LO-LO TRAIL.

A Man Lost in the Rifter Root Mountains—Six Days Without Food—Rescued by Zahner's Surveying Party—Prospective Indian Troubles—Railroad Notes, Etc.

From the Nez Perce News.

On the 31st of August, Messrs. Bryant, Culp and son and Thomas Newland left Missoula, intending to make the trip to Lo-Lo trail by way of the Lo-Lo trail. Owing to misinformation given them at Missoula the party neglected to pack sufficient grub and they found the trail as covered by tall timber after an ascending the Clearwater side of the divide they lost the trail.

THE JURY TESTIFIED.

Among Our Exchanges.

The Portland Standard says:

Another colored youth has been appointed to a cadetship at West Point. It is understood that he is to be provided with tin cans, and sleep with an alarm clock.

Senator Johnson says he would like to see Logan nominated for President. This is the first intimation of any trouble between Messrs. Windom and Logan.

Dr. F. J. Quinlan, resident physician at Standing Rock, D. T., makes a splendid showing of the progress the late hostile Sioux are making toward the development of the white man's civilization.

The Post-Intelligencer goes for traveling impostors: There seems to be no let-up to the traveling impostors with which our town has been cursed for several months past.

Five per cent. interest is to be allowed Japan for the money wrongfully taken from it by the United States.

In New York harbor last Monday the United States frigate "Dale," manned by misshapen men, while getting under way became unmanageable and ran into the bark "Cornelius Griffin," both vessels being badly damaged.

President Henry Villard in his annual report to the stockholders of the Oregon and Transcontinental Company states that it is expected the payment of dividends will begin with the first of next year.

Uninformed conference presenting John H. Mitchell will be returned to the United States Senate from Oregon in spite of his alleged political biography printed in the Oregonian, and sent to break the force of the fair upon his return, representative by the movement of the Hon. John H. Mitchell in the interest of the Republic. It is not to say that Mr. Scott is a devil or that Mr. Mitchell is a saint.—Frisco Ledger.

We have often noticed that there are fools in this world who will dispute for hours on end about the meaning of a word, when two minutes devoted to looking in a dictionary would decide the question. Consult Webster's Dictionary.

ST. HELENA'S BAR.

The Work of Cutting a Ship Canal Through it by Means of the Propeller of the Walla Walla Thely to Prove a Grand Success.

The work of cutting a ship canal through the bar at St. Helena by the steamer Walla Walla, was commenced on Friday last, and to the delight of all concerned, bids fair to be successfully accomplished.

W. T. Brewer left last week for a trip to Portland, Seattle and San Francisco.

Dr. Burton, late of the O. R. & C. and now here, has located in St. Regis.

Dr. Lewis is the greatest dandy we know of, and it is a joy, and like is conversing. A good horse maker would do well in, as there is none nearer than Cheney, 25 miles distant.

Last Friday evening the Young Men's Social Club gave a ball at Masonic Hall.

Crops are very good considering the season, though there is no grain going over 45 bushels to the acre.

"OUT OF EVIL COMETH GOOD."—On account of being nearly smothered to death while sleeping in one of the hotels Walla Walla is so proud of, an old gentleman saw the necessity of inventing a window which is described as follows:

WORK COMMENTED.—Monday, August 28, 1882, will be a red letter day for Walla Walla, for work has commenced on the rail road which will connect us with the road up to Baker City, and with the road to connect with the Union Pacific.

WALLA WALLA HOSIERY.—More attention should be paid to the hosiery business in this country. It is not generally known, but it is a fact, that the hosiery made in this section is superior to the famous California article.

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Bill of Fare.

TOWN AND COUNTRY

From the Daily of Tuesday. E. S. McComas, the live man of Union, Oregon, is in the city on his way to Seattle.

Pataha City is to have a "Harvest Ball." Why should not Walla Walla have one also.

W. H. Parker, a prominent business man of Fawcett, makes our city smell with his good clothes and his figure.

Agricultural implement dealers are saying that seasons do not sell this year and many of them are likely to be kept over.

Billy Brown, a graduate we know so well, and who is now engaged in a thriving business in Dayton, is in the city today.

A big round up of cattle is to take place soon all along the Snake river. Parties started this morning from this place to meet the band at Crook.

Smoky the crater part of our young bloods were on their guns making it warm for us numerous chickens to be found on the newly harvested grain fields of the valley.

West reports game plenty and shooting good.

James Hays, a brother-in-law to our friend John Hays, sold 100 acres of land yesterday for \$75, which he obtained a very few years ago for a tenth the amount. So our farmers will have good luck.

Each year develops our youth and enriches those who are smart enough to secure them from first hands.

A newspaper has been started at Medical Lake. It is as good as any other country paper. The majority of towns in this country would prosper more if they had no papers.

John is an example. The hoodlum who runs the street there has inflicted no end of damage on the place and is far beyond reproof.

The farmers of Dry Creek and vicinity are being disappointed because the M. C. F. & M. Co. could not secure good grounds on Holmes' place, the company have concluded to return to those who have paid their subscription toward the right of way fund, the amounts paid. We understand the subscriptions amounted to about \$2500.

The soldier, Reynolds, charged with shooting Allen was brought up for examination this morning before Justice Lacey, Whitman and Lambert. No further evidence was adduced than that he was the man who was shot.

He was committed to the county jail to await the action of the grand jury. He is well spoken of by his commanding officer as a brave, brave and steady soldier, and on his examination appeared kindly to feel the position in which he was placed.

There are a class of men here and everywhere whose knowledge of the English language is very imperfect, and they do not "catch" the American custom of "classing" and very often trouble results by the repetition of, as serious, what was intended only as a joke, and which if talked to a man's face would have been taken in good part. We know of cases where men have been jokingly classed in this manner who have felt aggrieved when it has been repeated to them. Every one should be very careful, especially in political times, what he says, especially before his neighbors.

From the Daily of Wednesday. The graders are making rapid progress along the route of the new road.

The Northern Pacific will pay the company on the Seattle division bonds Sept. 1.

The Seattle Herald claims that an attempt has been made to blackmail Gov. Newell.

A Chinaman was arrested at the depot last evening, charged with having robbed his Col. train of \$200.

It was remarked of a certain candidate to say that it is his policy to work and be successful in his work.

The name of the troublesome Egyptian commander is pronounced Arabi, with the accent on the second syllable.

We were sorry to hear that Mrs. Theo. Beck, of Dry Creek, is reportedly ill from an attack of fever with typhoid symptoms.

H. R. Ormsby of the Walla Walla delegation, took leave on Friday week for New York to study law until next spring.

The Daily Statesman circulates every where and in order to encourage its patrons it offers three lines for one week for 50 cents.

On account of the near approach of the fall, the real estate market has increased in value 25 per cent in the last few months.

The Portland papers as usual are taking the credit for being all the traffic from San Francisco to the U. R. & N. C. steamers.

The news of the arrest of Mr. Lundy, of Pataha City, will be a surprise to our citizens. We hope it will not be for he has heretofore been considered a representative citizen of that section of country.

There are now 100,000 groves and bearing fruit trees in Michigan, county, Montana, and a good number say that it is destined to be the finest fruit garden of the west, and that it will rise enough to furnish the whole Territory.

The Statesman offers the following compensation to disappointed office seekers after the convention:

Then only learn this simple rule: "I will serve the will of the man; that when you can't do as you would, you'll do as you can."

The man Hamilton, who is made so much trouble here recently by being armed with his little child in his arms, has been found by writ of habeas corpus to return the little one to its mother, who appears to be a very good woman. Hamilton thinks considerable, and all his troubles may be attributed to that cause alone.

Walla Walla needs a really first-class hotel, and money invested in a good hotel building would pay handsomely. It is surprising that some capitalist has not taken advantage of the opportunity Walla Walla offers by erecting a hotel that would accommodate the people who visit us and prolong their stay when they are here. It is to be hoped, however, that when one is built that some one "knows how to keep a hotel" will have the management of it.

Dr. Collins, oculist, artist and surgeon, will operate at the State House, Walla Walla, on Monday evening. He then goes to Lewiston on Monday evening, and to Dayton on Monday, September 11 and 12. From the absence of local accommodations at either he cancels his engagements there, and will be in Walla Walla again on the 15th instant and remain six days. The doctor is skilled and experienced in his specialties of the eye, ear and deafness. He also treats and cures cataracts and piles. Inserts artificial eyes. His surgical apparatus for club-foot, spinal disease, etc. The afflicted should re-visit the dates and consult the doctor.

From the Daily of Thursday. The salesmen loaded with emigrants passed the high Main street last evening bound for the Panhandle and Big Bend country. Come on, boys, there is a home for you.

A halt to each suckers and foolish women with money than brains, is placed before the public in the shape of a price of placed stock. The trash is dear at any price.

The Portland papers are now copying the Statesman's figures relative to the Northern Pacific, and which appeared in these columns two weeks since. As usual no credit is given.

The STEVENSON office has a new clock. The one brought in the biggest watermelon will be presented with the old one. Captain Cutler's watch was a good time-keeper in comparison. All the clock requires is to be well oiled about three times a day and the hands placed back and forward every half hour, and it goes very well.

Republican County Convention

From the Daily of Wednesday. The Republican county convention was called to order this morning at 10:30 o'clock by John Dorell, Chairman McCalley being absent.

Wm. Kohlhauff nominated D. J. Crowley for chairman. Mr. Crowley walked to the chair amid considerable applause. In a few terse remarks he counseled perfect harmony.

Dr. W. S. Miner was elected secretary. Messrs Straigot, Campbell and Bick were appointed the committee on credentials.

Messrs. Stine, McCalley and Smith were appointed the committee on order of business.

The committee on platform and resolutions, on motion, were appointed by the chair. Messrs. Miner, Baumeister and Bick were appointed.

A motion for the chair to appoint a committee of three on permanent organization was carried. Messrs. Saunders, Manzey and John Dorell were appointed.

A motion was made and carried to adjourn the convention until 1 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION. The convention reassembled at 1:30 o'clock. Minutes of the morning session read and approved.

The report of the committee on credentials was accepted, with a few minor alterations. James M. Cornwell was chosen as delegate to make the requisita Dry Creek representation.

The committee on permanent organization recommended that the temporary officers be retained as permanent ones.

The report of the committee on order of business was unanimously adopted.

The report of the committee on platform and resolutions was next presented and adopted.

Platform and Resolutions of the Republican Convention, held at the City of Walla Walla on August 30, 1882.

We, your committee appointed to draw up a platform and resolutions for the approval of this convention, beg leave to report as follows:

We heartily endorse the present administration of our general government, and feel that it is worthy of our confidence and support.

We also, endorse the course pursued by our delegate, Hon. Thos. H. Brents, who has been crowned with ultimate success.

We deem the annexation of northern Idaho expedient and desirable, believing it to be the best interest of both this Territory and the people who would annex.

It should be the object of this convention to place in nomination such men only who are specially qualified to fill the respective offices to which they are nominated.

In the present, as in the past, the Republican party is ever ready to encourage public improvements, which will tend to the public good and advance the interest and welfare of our country and that of the Territory at large.

It is the earnest desire of this convention that our Territory be admitted as a State at an early date, and that our delegate to Congress use all honorable efforts to accomplish that object.

We firmly believe that our public schools are the shield and bulwark of our liberties, and it is our duty to maintain, encourage and support the same.

We earnestly believe that it is the duty of every member of this convention to secure harmony and support for the nomination of our candidates, and to use all honorable means to secure their election.

CHAS. BENSERER, Chairman, E. PATRISTER, W. L. MINER.

Senell Trux was then placed in nomination for Councilman by Mr. Fisk, of Lower Touchet.

On motion the Secretary cast the ballot in favor of Mr. Trux, who returned thanks in a brief speech.

The following names were then placed in nomination for the legislature, and the first ballot resulted:

Chas. Benserer 25
Milton Evans 22
John A. Taylor 17
John A. Proctor 14
John A. Taylor 8
Wm. Kohlhauff 8

Benserer and Evans having received a majority, a second ballot was taken, which resulted in making the third legislative candidate T. B. Swanson, who received 22 votes.

Benserer, Evans and Swanson were then declared the nominees.

The nominees then thanked the convention for the confidence and honor shown them.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the convention for Geo. T. Thompson for Prosecuting Attorney. There being no opposition he was nominated by acclamation.

The nominations for Auditor resulted:

C. W. Paister 26
L. E. A. Adams 22
Mr. Paister was declared the nominee of the convention for County Auditor.

For Sheriff the first ballot was:

Jas. W. McLean 19
Geo. W. G. 21
Legrow 2
Second ballot:

McLean 20
Legrow 1
Third ball:

McLean 22
Legrow 1
The vote was then made unanimous.

Jos. F. Boyer was nominated for Treasurer by acclamation.

Dr. W. S. Miner, of Watsburg, and E. B. Whitman were nominated for Probate Judge, with the following result:

Whitman 29
Miner 22
E. B. Whitman was declared the nominee of the convention.

For County Commissioners O. Hall, M. F. Ward, S. H. Cummings, E. H. Erwin, C. F. Dickson and Alex. Cameron were placed in nomination. The first ballot resulted in the renomination of the old Board:

Hall 26
Erwin 22
Dickson 15
Cameron 15
Wm. Harkness, Joseph Moore and Mr. Moore were nominated for Assessor.

First ballot:

Harkness 29
Moore 22
Second ballot:

Harkness 29
Moore 1
Mr. Harkness was then declared the nominee.

F. F. Loehr was nominated by acclamation for Surveyor.

Mr. Whitman entered the room at the convention and addressing himself to the convention said: "Gentlemen of the Convention, notwithstanding that it is a disgrace upon Republican principles to decline a nomination, I must decline in favor of Dr. Miner."

The first ballot for School Superintendent resulted:

L. B. Hanson 19
J. W. Brock 3
N. Gnestman 3
Second ballot:

A. S. Legrow

was nominated Sheep Commissioner by acclamation.

Thomas H. Brents at this juncture gave a rambling, incoherent discourse upon the history of the Republican party in this county. Most of the time was occupied in lauding Republicanism in Walla Walla county. He concluded the harangue by passing sweet encomiums on the nominees generally. He announced, with some little pomp, that he was handicapped by being in the field for honors, hence could not dwell upon the subject as he desired.

These gentlemen were elected to the Territorial convention: Wm. Stine, J. M. Dewar, D. J. Crowley, Z. K. Straigot, W. N. Smith, Dr. H. G. Manzey, Robt. McCalley, F. S. Denton, M. Fisk, J. D. Laman and A. S. Dickson.

Wm. Stine offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has been reported that an opposition exists in certain quarters to the bill introduced into Congress by Hon. T. H. Brents, providing for a convention to frame a new constitution for the State of Washington to embrace certain portions of Northern Idaho, and

Resolved, That the delegates from Walla Walla county to the Vancouver convention be and they are hereby instructed to support no one in said convention as candidate for Delegate to Congress, who does not pledge himself to use all his influence to secure the passage of said act in its present shape.

Wm. Stine moved that a committee of three be appointed to select a Central Committee of five. Carried.

The president appointed Messrs. Stine and Eicher, of Walla Walla, and Smith, of Watsburg.

Z. K. Straigot offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention that the action and intelligent efforts of Delegates Thos. H. Brents at the session of Washington Territory into the Union and his course in other important matters appertaining to the welfare of the Territory, merit our hearty approval.

Resolved, That we recommend the renomination of Delegate Thos. H. Brents at the approaching Territorial convention that he may have opportunity to continue to successfully issue the work he has so well done.

The committee on Central Committee returned and proposed the following gentlemen as the Central Committee: J. D. Laman, R. M. McCalley, J. M. Dewar, of Walla Walla; O. Hall, of Russell Creek, and L. B. Sanders, of Watsburg.

After adopting resolutions thanking the officers for their services the convention adjourned sine die.

Communique. A Shot from the Fort.

A gentleman who occupies the position of Acting Commissary of spiritual substance at this post, was on last Sunday made to understand that the rules governing the actions of his temporal prototypes were to be stringently enforced in his case, that is, his supplies of spiritual advice and consolation were to be distributed at such times and in such quantities as the commanding officer should deem fit. Observing that preparations had been made at the post reading room for some meeting, the commanding officer requested information as to the prospective assemblage, but upon being told that the Reverend Chaplain meant to have Divine service in the afternoon, Col. Grover told the effect and that there would be no service held there that day.

This high-handed procedure requires no comment at my hand. As the government appoints a limited number of Chaplains whose duty it is to afford spiritual advice and consolation to those desirous of profiting by the same, and the military manager in some cases! their supplies has come a great deal of vituperative comment from chaplains who felt aggrieved at seeing enlisted men who felt of a captain of cavalry for merely nominal duties while they are condemned at small wages to do all that a laboring man does, at considerably better pay. Although the laws regulating the duties of Post Chaplains may in some cases be "honored more in the breach than in the observance," this late action on the part of the commanding officer will necessarily provide the lukewarm with an excuse for their inattention and the zealous and good with an opportunity to inveigle against those officers who both by precept and example cast a stumbling block in their way and negate their strenuous endeavors to improve the morals of the U. S. army.

The above abuse of vested authority gives a good precedent to officers commanding posts of one or two companies, as if this last be taken notice of at headquarters those petty commanders will be encouraged to petty gentlemen of the black cloth with that hauteur and impertinence so distinguishingly characteristic of the gentleman, not by the grace of God but by act of Congress.

Silas Egans. Fort Walla Walla, August 30.

THE NEW YORK BAR MURDER.—C. O. Lundy, of Pataha City, Charles Beabow, near here, and St. Clair, a rough, have been arrested as the murderers and accomplices in the murder of E. H. Canamus at New York Bar on Snake river, Columbia county, July 26. St. Clair and Beabow were arrested in Dayton Saturday night and Lundy Sunday afternoon at his home by Deputy Sheriff Muroh and Detective Timmons from Dayton.

W. T. Lundy is a son in the firm of Lundy & Ferguson, of Pataha City. Beabow lives near by, and loaf about town the most of his time. Blanchard, the supposed leader, is at large, he having escaped recently from jail there, where he was in custody for assault to kill. It is reported that St. Clair has confessed much guilt in the affair. Lundy is accused of planning the murder and harboring the perpetrators after the deed was accomplished. It is said he sent \$300 to the agent a day or two before his murder. There is strong talk of lynching by very substantial men. Canamus was well liked and the people are anxious that his death shall be avenged.—Oregonian.

THIRTIETH.—There is a Territorial and also a city law against allowing thistles to grow. We notice on Reed's addition that grasses are growing, and which if not cut soon may become a pest.

ABOUT A. M. the wind was up and about a span sized her and she was dead in a very short time. Heart disease is supposed to be the cause. She had the reputation of being well off and with money accumulated.

SOLD MEN.—Six men accidentally dropped into Geo. E. Reed's on Tuesday night whose weight in the aggregate amounted to 1214 pounds, or 219 pounds each. This for an accidental occurrence speaks well for the production of our soil. They were Messrs. Justice, Crowley, Turner, Parker of Ponsbury, Elson and Lamkins.

COURTY FAIR.—Attention is directed to the programme of the county fair soon to be held in this city. If every one were to put their shoulder to the wheel a great success could be made of it. Farmers, bring on your produce; every little will help.

PRODUCE.—This year produces of all kinds is more in demand than last year. John Mackin sold barley for \$30 per ton on Wednesday, whereas a year ago he could only obtain \$10. Railroad does it.

Sprague Notes

Weather getting cool and politics getting warm.

A brass band has been organized in Sprague. It is called the Washington band. The instruments arrived on Monday of this week, and the boys make night.

Monday afternoon a smoke was discovered issuing from E. Sjever's livery stable. It was found to come from some hay on the ground floor, into which a cigar stump had been carelessly thrown. The fire was extinguished without much effort, but it had been allowed to get under way and would have had a repetition of the scene at Walla a few weeks since.

Samuel Gutrie, who assumed M. L. Brooks with a butcher-knife last week was sent to the county jail to await the action of the grand jury. His bonds were fixed at \$1,000, which he was unable to raise.

James Menefee has sold his interest in the Gem Saloon to his former partner, Johnny McEchen.

The post-office was removed last week to Moody's new building on First street.

Last week was a good week for Justice McCarty, but was a hard one on those who had to put up for attorneys and the costs of suits. There were quite a number of civil actions and three or four cases of assault and battery.

A great deal of fencing is being shipped to this place from above. Cedar posts sell for \$10 per hundred.

E. F. Martin, who had his hand crushed between two cars some time since will soon be able to go to work again.

We notice Indians from the vicinity of Camp Spokane in town frequently with moccasins and other farm products for sale. They are beginning to take pride in cultivating the soil and irrigate like the Boston man.

J. T. Armstrong has presented an interest in Sprague. He has secured an interest in the Sprague. He has secured an interest in the Sprague.

Items are scarce this week. C. C. August 30.

Waking Up. The commencement of the new railroad which is to connect this city with the interior has evidently infused new life into our citizens, and after the telegram of signals was sent to Mr. Willard on Monday night by over sixty of our business men, some of the boys determined to give vent to their exultation over the increased prospects of the city by burning some powder. Therefore at 7 1/2 P. M. they congregated at the corner of Second and Alder streets and fired one hundred salutes to commemorate the event. Our city is no longer a little country village dependent upon the trade and business of a sparsely settled country, but has risen to the dignity of a commercial center and it is evident that our citizens are alive to the fact. Demonstrations such as took place on Monday show public spirit, and we congratulate our people on the new era that has dawned upon them. If we all keep awake and hold ourselves in readiness for any emergency that may arise it will be well, and then no more will be heard of the timidity that some have felt regarding the new towns, and possible rivals, that are springing up on every side of us. Our city is now in a position to be generous toward newer and smaller places and need never more fear rivalry. Walla Walla is a positive fact and no experiment. She is destined to be the city of the great interior, midway between the mountains and the sea, and the time will come when a question of the amount of energy, enterprise and public spirit possessed by her people.

Mr. Willard heard from. In response to the dispatch of thanks to Mr. Willard by the citizens of Walla Walla a gentleman has returned the following answer:

New York, August 31. To the President of the Walla Walla Board of Trade and other Citizens.—Many thanks for your obliging letter. The people of Walla Walla Territory will always feel that the position of our corporation interests and their prosperity will go hand in hand.

H. VILLARD, President.

A NEW COMPANY.—On Monday last Messrs. J. N. Dolph, C. H. Perceot, H. Talsen, B. Koehler, J. M. Beckler, Henry Felling and C. H. Lewis associated themselves as a corporation under the general incorporation laws of the State of Oregon, to be known as the Northern Pacific Terminal company of Oregon, capital \$3,000,000, duration perpetual, and principal business office in the city of Portland. The object and business of the corporation is to purchase, own, sell, etc., property in Oregon, California, Washington and British Columbia, to erect, maintain, use, etc., locks, docks, wharves, bridges, elevators, dock buildings and appurtenances for every lawful purpose. To build, repair, use, etc., streets, roads, railroads and street railroads.

WALLA WALLA COUNTY FAIR.—We trust that our former friends are not forgetting the annual fair that takes place next month. Now that our valley is making such a fair name throughout the world, it will be to their interest to make such a showing of the capabilities of their soil as will do honor to them as farmers, and be productive of much good to the country in general. The previous exhibitions have been good, and each succeeding fair should be an improvement on the one that preceded it. This can be done only by an united effort on the part of the farmers, and it is to them we make an appeal to come out and make the fair a credit to the county.

FURNICERS FAVORITES.—There was a great cry among livery stable men and hotel-keepers when the railroad terminus was no longer Walla Walla, that their business was ruined forever. Far from being ruined, though, they have found it. The foreign business especially has never been better in this city than it has the last year. It is impossible to procure a team of any kind on Sunday unless it is sought for two or three days in advance, and hotel business is almost as good, there being plenty for all, and great need for a first-class house or two yet.

STEEDY DEATH.—This morning Lillie Doreport, a prominent member of the demi-monde of this city, died suddenly at her room in the Mix building. She had lately been East and had only returned a short time since, and had complained of feeling unwell at times ever since. About 9 A. M. she was up and about, but a spasm seized her and she was dead in a very short time. Heart disease is supposed to be the cause. She had the reputation of being well off and with money accumulated.

SOLD MEN.—Six men accidentally dropped into Geo. E. Reed's on Tuesday night whose weight in the aggregate amounted to 1214 pounds, or 219 pounds each. This for an accidental occurrence speaks well for the production of our soil. They were Messrs. Justice, Crowley, Turner, Parker of Ponsbury, Elson and Lamkins.

COURTY FAIR.—Attention is directed to the programme of the county fair soon to be held in this city. If every one were to put their shoulder to the wheel a great success could be made of it. Farmers, bring on your produce; every little will help.

PRODUCE.—This year produces of all kinds is more in demand than last year. John Mackin sold barley for \$30 per ton on Wednesday, whereas a year ago he could only obtain \$10. Railroad does it.

The Week's News by Telegraph

"JOHN BROWN'S BODY LIES A SOLIDIER IN THE GRAVE." CHICAGO, Aug. 23.—A picnic at Oden's grove to-day, for the purpose of raising funds to build a monument to the memory of John Brown, was a disgraceful failure, so far as raising money is concerned. About three hundred persons were present, and the expenses practically consumed the receipts. It was badly managed, the speakers advertised, as it appears, having never been communicated with on the subject. Rumors of misappropriation of the funds are raised. Mrs. John Brown appeared on the stand, and was cheered lustily. Speeches were made by local orators, and songs sung.

ST. PAUL, Aug. 27.—Major Rogers, locating engineer of the Canadian Pacific, telegraph President Hill, of the Manitoba line, that he has made a discovery which will save the Canadian Pacific Company millions of dollars in construction, besides materially shortening the line heretofore projected. He found not only a feasible but favorable pass for carrying the road through the Selkirk or Gold range in British Columbia about 100 miles south of Kamloops and 100 miles south of Yellowhead pass, where the Canadian government originally located the road on an air line from Kamloops to Thunder bay, and will give the Canadian Pacific the nearest of any continental roads to an air line by the showing on the maps. The difficulty that Rogers had to contend with here encountered by a railway engineer. He had to trace and retrace lines, traverse uninhabited regions and explore dangerous canyons for two summers.

DEMAND OF DR. ELLIS. WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—Dr. D. W. Bliss has written a letter to the board of audit appointed to settle the expenses of the illness of the late President, and says he has been ordered to attend on the President, his health broken down, and his direct loss is \$15,000. He wants \$25,000.

GENERAL SHERMAN'S RETIREMENT. WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Gen. Sherman will ask to be placed on the retired list in November, 1883. He would be honorably retired in 1884. His salary is \$12,000 a year. He has a pension of \$10,000 a year. He has a pension of \$10,000 a year.

AN OLD CHICAGOAN MEMOIR. CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—Star advises from Seneca that A. C. Hesing, one time the owner and editor of the Daily Staats-Zeitung, the leading German paper in the west, lately a mining operator in Sonora, was murdered by his wife, who was found with money to pay of his debts. The murder was committed by Apaches and another says the deed was done by Hesing's servants.

MISS BOND'S SITUATION. ST. LOUIS, Aug. 29.—A special from Fayetteville, Ill., says: Miss Emma Bond, the young body school teacher who was recently confined a week or two ago, was resting quietly at midnight, but attending physicians agree that she has a poor chance for recovery. Death is expected within a few days. It was thought once she was dead, respiration having ceased for a while. She had been at times conscious and would nod her head as she lay on one of her pillows her father says she sent over her former statement about the outrage made to the prosecuting attorney, and decided every circumstance without varying in the least from her written statement. While in this condition she made some remarks that reflect very seriously upon one of the residents.

GOING TO THE JAPANESE. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—Among the passengers who arrived here yesterday on the "Ogata" from China are A. J. Glover and his brother, G. B. Glover, two Scotch merchants in Japan. They are on their way to Oregon, where they propose to purchase a large lot of land, upon which they will raise cattle and sheep. A. J. Glover is in this country attending the ranch, while his brother looks after their large interests in Japan. All labor will be performed by Japanese, a large force having already been engaged to come out to the coast as soon as they are needed.

YELLOW FEVER SPREADING. MONTGOMERY, Ala., Aug. 29.—A telegram from the Pensacola board of health says a case of yellow fever have been discovered in that city. Quarantine against Pensacola has been rigidly maintained.

Captain Hopkins, commanding the navy department at Pensacola, and extra precautions are necessary.

THE BOYDILL WAIL. ALEXANDRIA, Aug. 23.—During the night the enemy made a dash across the sands toward Lake Abekir, probably in consequence of the movement of Highlanders Sunday, which threatened to outflank them. It is reported large bodies of Bedouins have crossed the desert from Tripoli to join Arabi. The British force at Alexandria has been reinforced by a large number of men are constantly retreating at Tel el Kebir. There is little doubt a big fight will occur there. Prisoners taken at Serapeum, on Monday night, were sent to the camp at Tel el Kebir.

ALEXANDRIA, Aug. 23.—A system of signals between Arabi Pasha's camp and Alexandria has been discovered.

Bedouins, reported to be several hundred in number, entered the British camp and plundered the tents and baggage. Outposts were ordered to exchange shots with them.

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