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WALLA WALLA DRUG STORE,
JUST received at the Walla Walla Drug Store an extensive assortment of
DRUGS AND MEDICINES,
Chemicals, &c., together with a full assortment of all the articles usually found in a Drug Store.
Orders from a distance promptly filled.
Store on Main street, opposite the Union Hotel.
May 31, 1862. Dr. J. S. CRAIG.

Our Native Land.
The following lines by Sir Walter Scott have now an important and relevant meaning:
Breathes there a man with soul so dead,
Who never to himself has said,
This is my own, my native land!
Whose heart has been within him burned,
As home his footsteps he hath turned
From wandering stranger?
If such there breathe, go mark him well,
For him no minstrel raptures swell;
High though his birth—proud his fame,
No less his heart to his country clime,
Which through his blood to his veins claim,
In deep sincerity all in him,
Lives, shall concentrate all his powers,
Loving his natal soil,
To his dear plot his dreaming soul
Unsway'd, unshaken and unsworn.

From Walla Walla to San Francisco.
BY CAPT. JOHN MULLAN, U. S. A.
EDS. STATESMAN.—For those who have not made the journey direct from Walla Walla, through the agricultural heart of Oregon, across the mountains through the mining region of North California, there is much of interest and pleasure; and though the trip is not to be made for him who is not prepared to be repaid the traveler in the collection of statistics, and in seeing a region where the wilderness of yesterday has to-day given place to homes, where material prosperity arrests the attention of the traveler at every mile of the journey. The mode of conveyance from Walla Walla to Walla Walla is by stages from daily between these points, and where the journey of six hours costs a cost of five dollars brings you to the banks of the Columbia, whence you take steamers for the Des Chutes Landing. The improvements along the banks of the Walla Walla valley, the new and additional enclosures for farming purposes, during the last two years, have been many, and mark with certainty the future of the Walla Walla valley. The road for a radius of the Walla Walla valley, in which facts and figures are, particularly, the weapons with which the capitalist seeks to influence the public mind, is his history in his own hands. The Walla Walla valley, in some respects, is the Walla Walla valley, by a system of locks, could be advantageously used as a line of connection between Walla Walla and Walla, and one needs but see the great heart of the valley with the Columbia river, to be especially heeded by older folks. The maxims are well calculated for texts for the professor of Political Economy. But hear what poor Richard says:
Pride is as great a beggar as Want, and a great deal more so.
Silks and satins, scarlets and velvets, put out the children.
Diligence is the mother of good luck.
Pride breakfasted with Plenty, dined with Poverty, and supped with Infamy.
Extravagance and imprudence end at the prison door.
It is easier to build two chimneys than to keep one in fuel.
If you would try the value of money, go and try to borrow some.
The eye of a master will do more work than both his hands.
What maintains one vice would bring up two children.
He that goes borrowing returns sorrowing.
Rather go to bed suppers than rise in debt.
Sloth, like rust, consumes faster than labor wears.
A life of leisure and a life of laziness are two different things.
There are more men as bad as a fire, than there are men as good as a fire.
The rolling stone gathers no moss.
If you would have your business done, go; if not, send.
It is foolish to lay out money in the purchase of repentance.
Buy what thou needest not, and it will utilize thee to kill thy necessities.

Such is Life.
Old Time first covers our heads with hair,
A forward quietness moves them here!
First cuts our teeth with a mighty fess,
And then takes care that our teeth "cut us";
First manufactures us nimble legs,
And then converts them to "stiff old legs";
Coming to earth with squalls and tears,
Please God, a few brief years,
And then a third day's rest and doze,
And then a fourth day's rest and doze,
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The Grand Ronde and Auburn Road.

The establishment of a road from this city via the Grand Ronde valley to Auburn, has become a reality. A company has been formed under the late incorporation law of Oregon to build this road, and on Tuesday of this week the work of construction was commenced. It is to be for the present a toll road; but the company, at their meeting passed a resolution to the effect that whenever the citizens of the Grand Ronde and Walla Walla valleys shall reimburse them in the amount expended the road will be made free. The company is composed of men who are interested in the permanent prosperity of the country, and who do not go into the enterprise so much as a matter of profit to them individually as for the advancement of the country in general. The road will shorten the distance, from the nearest point of navigation to the Powder River and Boise mines—Walla Walla—some forty odd miles over that of any other traveled route, and will pass over a country which possesses fewer obstacles to a practicable wagon road than any other route leading to these points. The route is by the road from this city to Linkton's Mill, thence via the trail to La Grande in Grand Ronde valley, and thence in the most direct and practicable course to Auburn.

The joint stock capital of the company is \$5,000; with twenty shares at \$250.00 per share. Eighteen shares have been taken, and the following are the names of the stockholders, with the number of shares held by each:

- John A. Simms, 2 shares. Wm. Egleston, 1 share. Eger & Bice, 2 " G. Driscoll, 2 " Rollins & Co., 1 " Wm. A. Mix 1 " Brown Bros. & Co., 1 " Way Bush & Co. 1 " Schwabacker Bros. 1 " Win. A. Mix 1 " J. Fairchild, 1 " C. Jacobs & Co., 2 " D. S. Baker, 1 " J. Drumbeller, 1 " The officers are as follows: President—John A. Simms; Secretary & Treasurer, R. Guichard; Directors: George DeLaney, J. H. Fairchild and Willis in Bigham. The company will extend their road to Boise, and we are informed that it is their intention in the spring to look out a road from the Grand Ronde valley to the Florence and Warren mines.

Killing and Hanging at Auburn.

We learn from Mr. Sheppard, of Shepherd, Coopr & Co.'s Express, that on Tuesday, the 18th inst., two men were killed in a saloon in Auburn by a Spaniard known as "Spanish Tom." The names of the men killed are Jack Desmond—a carpenter by trade, and a resident of this place, and formerly of Josephine county, Oregon—and H. Lavaree, also of Josephine county. A dispute arose between them about a game of cards, which ended in the Spaniard stabbing both of them, without any real provocation for so atrocious a deed. In the excitement of the occasion the Spaniard made his escape.

Later advices, received through Mossman & Co.'s Express, inform us that the Spaniard was followed to Mormon Basin, by officers from Auburn, and captured. He was brought back to Auburn, and taken by the citizens and hung, without judge or jury. During the excitement, at the taking of the Spaniard by the citizens, a friend of the murderer, also a Spaniard, fired into the crowd with a pistol, slightly wounding three men. He was followed and shot. We have since seen several persons from Auburn, who witnessed the hanging and shooting, and all concur that the murder was a most dastardly, unprovoked and cold blooded affair and that the Spaniards met a deserved fate.

The Fire Engine.

Mr. Joseph Hellmuth has received a letter from H. Webster and Co., San Francisco, stating that the Fire Engine sent for by him for this city was shipped on the steamer Pacific on the 17th inst. The engine will be here some time next week. Mr. H. wishes us to state that a meeting will be held at the Court-house on Monday evening, to organize a Fire Company. The citizens generally are invited and expected to be in attendance.

The New Mail Routes.

The contract for carrying the mails over the recently established routes in the upper country, has been awarded to Mr. Louis A. Mullan, of this county, for the sum of \$74,000 annually. The routes are as follows: From Walla Walla to Colville. From Walla Walla via Lewiston to Pierce City, Florence and Elk City. From Walla Walla to Bitter Root Valley.

The service on the two former routes is to be weekly and on the latter semi-monthly. Hurrah for the new mail routes!

The Boise Mines.

Miners in from Boise, represent the diggings there as not differing materially from those of Powder River. Inconvenience is experienced in many localities on account of the scarcity of water, and in order to work the main diggings to good advantage it will be necessary to construct a water ditch some six miles in length. The formation of a ditch company has already begun, and the work of construction, will commence early next spring. There are now four or five hundred men in the mines, and those who have opened their claims are satisfied with their prospects.

Grist Mill.

We learn that parties have gone below for the purpose of procuring machinery to construct a grist mill in the Grand Ronde valley.

New Mines.

New mines—reported rich—have been discovered on a tributary of Malheur river, called Catherine creek, about fifty miles this side of Boise.

Editorial Correspondence.

PORTLAND, Nov. 24, 1862.

This is my last letter from Portland for the present; and considering the scarcity of news matter worth communicating to the people of Walla Walla, I cannot say that the fact causes any regrets.

One of the Portland dailies takes me to task, in a good humored manner, for being unable to find anything here edifying and entertaining; and cites me to the remarkable occurrence of the landing of the steamer Julia every night at her wharf. It may be "big fun" for him to sit up till eleven or twelve o'clock at night to witness her arrivals; but for myself I must confess it would be exceedingly cheap amusement. The only particular gratification her arrival has ever afforded me was when I had waited at the "portage" three or four hours, in the highly rabid atmosphere of the Company's warehouses. He says the ocean steamers reach here once in two weeks, and thinks this fact ought to contribute excitement enough to last an up-country individual a month. Well, I've missed these two great sources of incident and amusement, and the people above must pardon the dereliction. The editor recommends "Dennison's Opers House" as the only play-acting amusement in town at present. The opera is very good—embracing songs, dances and farce—but what are the attractions of a nigger show to one who has had the exquisite delight of repeatedly witnessing the un-paralleled dramatic representations of the Walla Walla troups? Those who have not seen their theatrical displays may be expected to enjoy the opera. The meetings of the City Council are also indicated as affording a fair share of amusement to spectators. The proceedings of this body are no doubt interesting to those who have taxes to pay, and more especially so just now, as the Council have got into a squabble in regard to the manner of appropriating the public funds. It seems there are two parties in the Council, about evenly divided, an engine and an anti-engine party. One party goes in for expending the "last dollar" for engines and engine buildings—the other is equally unanimous in favor of expending it for the improvement of streets. And under their peculiar style of working the difference is not likely to be adjusted, for whenever one party finds itself in the minority, it is only necessary for a few members to skedaddle and leave the Council without a quorum. But the meetings of this body, so far from being entertaining to the spectator, are quite common place—not to say extremely dull. There was a time—during the first year or two of the administration of city government in Portland—when the meetings of the Common Council were a source of infinite amusement and side-splitting fun. It was a time when commoners, elevated to the position of "city fathers," assumed the airs and dignity of lords; a time when the position was esteemed by its recipient as a distinguished token of honor. It was a time when he who took the art of public speaking was in embryo; when the members arose and with stereotyped phrase, "unaccustomed as I am to public speaking," hesitatingly resumed their seats. It was at this time that the celebrated, unique and novel address of the President to the Council, was delivered, and which run in these words: "Gentlemen, all I've got to say is, you done me up brown; a good deal browner than I expected." But those good old days of homespun legislation and brief address are past and gone, and who shall say that they did not in every respect subserve the public interests.

Web-Foot Correspondence.

LAND OF RAINS, Nov. 22, 1862.

EDS. STATESMAN: Despite the effect of the last December floods, a hard winter, the gold hunting mania, and a cold, wet Spring, the statistics will show an average yield of the staple products, which farmers dispose of at prices slightly in advance of those of last year. Wheat from 22 to 25 cents per bushel according to proximity to or remoteness from the valley commercial emporium. Oats valued by the same law from 40 to 90 cents; potatoes 75 cents and \$1; Apples, best quality 2-2 cents per lb. delivered.

The times are dull, except in Portland where the up-country trade keeps moving. Farmers seem to be engaged in carrying their grain and fruit to market and in seeding, anticipating a hard winter, though the present autumn is represented, as having been, so far, most delightful. Many are pressed down to the earth with ponderous loads of debt. Many lot by the waters and the snow, of last winter, well-nigh all but their debts, and some are now casting their heavy long eyes to your part of the country—some from love of change, others to improve their health, or actuated from love of gain, have already concluded to "strike out" thitherward, in the Spring, with wives, children, stock and effects, while others are seriously pondering the propriety of the same removal. Be not surprised, therefore, if you hear of numerous trains, next Spring, on the road to Walla Walla, Grand Ronde and Powder River. But they will be compelled to pay heavy freight bills from Portland to the Dalles unless the present opposition is sustained, or to cross the Cascade Mountains per Barlow's Gate, at the expense of great labor and delay. Neither of these contingencies should exist. The river navigation of the O. S. N. Company ought not to impose ruinous rates of travel and transportation upon the people from whom they draw their vast wealth. Such a course on their part will confirm opposition of sufficient bottom to bring down freights. Whether freights are high or low, on the Columbia river, those to whom the blame is attributable are to be reprehended for the non-construction of a passable good wagon road over the Cascade Mountains or along through them by the Cascade Falls. Had such a road been made five years ago, more than its cost might have been gathered from moderate toll by this time, while the people would have saved immense sums of money. The interest of the people demanded such a road but thousands of their money was expended in the bunkum Astoria, Salem and Casades Postage Military roads. The former is of no conceivable use now. It will be for many years, if ever; and the latter has saved more money for and put more money into the pockets of steamboat owners than it has concurred or benefited the people at large. Let the people of the two sections of our State and Territory see to it that we have a road leading east and west of the mountains, that they can travel with every independence. No thanks to O. S. N. Company for the present low rates of passage and freight; because before the opposition was put on, both were very high, and on non-opposition days they even now, go up suddenly, and as suddenly fall, on the successive return of those days. The people's interest leads them to sustain the opposition.

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