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THE HARBOR IMPROVEMENT AT YAQUINA BAY.

The present work at Yaquina Bay has been progressing finely with but an occasional unimportant exception.

We understand that M. C. George, our present member of congress intends to ask that body and insist upon their making an appropriation for this purpose, an amount which will be equal to the sum which the present Oregon Pacific railroad company will have to pay as duty upon their steel rails already shipped and on the way from England to be used in the construction of their road, which is about 6000 tons.

We have strong reasons to hope that the next appropriation will amount to near the latter sum, as the government will virtually have to pay nothing, but simply in effect to permit the amount of duty paid by the railroad company to be used in the construction of the works at Yaquina Bay, which she can well afford, and it would only be an act of justice for her to do so.

While the prospects in this regard are abundantly hopeful yet an unfavorable feature is presented in the fact that the present work will have to stop so soon as about next Oct. 15th unless money is forthcoming from some other source besides the present appropriation, which will result in much of the necessary things used in and about the work becoming scattered and virtually destroyed, to replace them will require time expense and delay.

There is no longer room for speculation in regard to the course the rail road will take when it is extended beyond Roseburg. Already surveyors are at work locating the road and driving grade stakes, and as nearly as we are able to find out, the course as decided upon will be south from here, to or near Canyonville, but it is not definitely settled whether the road will be located through the canyon or around by the head of Cow Creek, the cost being about the same on either route.

GRAVELING SECOND STREET.

The ordinance of the common council of this city passed on the 18th day of last month, on the subject of improving a portion of second street, provides that the portion of said street therein designated "shall be graveled with good clear river gravel to be placed on said street, at least five inches thick in the centre and to extend there from with a gradual slope to a depth of at least three inches on each side.

ASTORIA BARRIPIES.

The man at the helm who pretends to furnish the wind and thunder for the Astorian, says: "Neither the Central nor Southern Pacific folks have any part or interest whatever in the Yaquina Bay schemes.

The troubles in Pery County, Ark., show that an alarming state of things exists in that section of country. The "outlaws," as the reigning spirits are called, are very clearly in a majority, and unless the Governor's promise to put these men down is fulfilled speedily mob law will rule in the county.

SOMETHING TO DO.

The ocean steamers every trip down have more freight awaiting them than they can carry.

It is a notorious fact that a large proportion of the wheat crop of Oregon finds its way by steamer to San Francisco.

This was true both in principle and fact, but ever since the O. R. & N. Co. undertook the control of the carrying trade of the Columbia-river routes, there has been a growing scarcity of foreign bottoms, and it has been found (so apologists say), economical to ship by the company's steamers to California and re-ship to Europe, mainly for the reason (stated) that better rates could be obtained in San Francisco than Portland.

But the friends of Yaquina asked for an improvement of the bar, long before the railroad was certain. Had the Oregon Pacific designed business system, the profit of which is vouched for, from time to time, by the statement of earnings sent abroad by the O. R. & N. Co., they would have never spent both time and money to secure an appropriation for the bar; on the contrary a class of vessels such as piy with regularity over bars on the southern coast, where the best water is only twelve feet, could be built carrying 25 to 28 hundred tons.

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Death of a Fireman.—Some days ago while Mr. James Reed, a member of Protection No. 4, was running to a fire he became over-heated and was prostrated with a severe attack of heart disease. He had been effected with this disease for some time past, and the excitement and exertion aggravated the ailment and laid him up. He continued to grow worse, and was finally taken to St. Vincent's hospital.

A QUESTION OF CHARACTER.

The thick and thin democratic organs, whenever a republican journal takes occasion to point out errors in the conduct of its own party, respond with the proposition that the true way to remedy and avoid these errors is to turn the country over to the democratic organization.

GENERAL NEWS.

V. S. Ralls, one of the old time residents of Jackson County, died at his residence near Willow Springs on Tuesday night of last week. He was near 59 years of age.

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Some time since Mr. Jacob Willis, who resides at Willis Station on the East side road, had one of his fingers crushed in a moving machine. He has since suffered amputation of the member twice and now erysipilas has set in and it is probable that he will lose a greater portion of his hand.

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TELEGRAMS.

Accidental discovery of obstructions in the track of the ball near the mouth of the wound, is regarded by unofficial physicians as evidence of great neglect of the president.

Dr. Boynton said about 9:30 to-night that it was well to admit this vomiting of the president might portend serious results; that while it was doubtless true that severe coughing had brought on the vomiting, it might indicate weakness of the stomach, and unless the president's stomach will admit of his taking nourishment into it from now on, the case would look desperate.

The secretary of the interior and the Indian commissioner lately signed a document transferring land from the Sioux to the Ponca, Buffalo Ghost, Argaral, and White Ghost of the Yankton Sioux refused to sign on the general ground, that they had been deceived too often in signing papers.

Nutt Station, N. M., Aug. 18.—Apaches made a raid on our settlement this morning in heavy force. George Daly, general manager of our mining companies, was killed this forenoon by a party of Apaches pursuing them with a company of soldiers and citizens. The fight took place 15 miles west of Lake valley.

Santa Fe, Aug. 21.—On the 18th Lieut. Taylor had a fight in the San Mateo mountains, capturing a camp of Indians and 20 horses. The Indians are in several parties moving southwest. Every available man under General Hatch is either in the field or guarding settlements. The number of troops is too small, however, to make the people any arming for self-protection.

The N. Y. World says: It is quite certain that if the Sandwich Islands are to be erased from the list of independent nations, the United States neither ought to or will permit them to pass under any sovereignty except our own. On that point it is to be hoped that president Garfield and secretary Blaine have made themselves as explicitly understood in Europe as we learn from Gen. Meyer to-day that they have done in the matter of our relations with the United States of Columbia and the Isthmus of Panama.

The Tribune says that the republicans of New York are endeavoring to make the people and thereby united than ever before. The controlling question with them will be whether the cause of the administration shall be sustained. Whichever of these there is among republicans is with regard to the appointment of a single worthy officer who did not meet favor in the eyes of Conkling but neither Conkling nor any of his friends can afford to struggle and intensify opposition to them. It may be presumed they do not desire and it is certain they will not dare to make war on the republican party on account of a single nomination.

The queen has signed the land bill.

A stabbing affray occurred at Hubbard on Thursday of last week, says the Appeal, in which Mr. Jack Knowles was seriously wounded at the hands of a young man named Lish Killin. Killin had been paying attention to Knowles, daughter for some time and the trouble grew out of the refusal of Knowles to consent to their marriage.

Knowles had been about the premises threatening nearly all day, and Knowles' patience at last becoming exhausted he ordered Killin away, when the latter smelted him with a pocket knife inflicting a severe cut from above the collar-bone and immediately back of the jugular vein, also a slight wound on the back of the head, besides badly crushing him about the shoulders. Dr. Grim was called and attended the wounded man, pronouncing the cuts not necessarily dangerous; to what extent the bruises will endanger his life cannot yet be ascertained.

Says the Oregonian: about 2:30 o'clock Sunday morning the Chinese theater, at the corner of Alder and Second streets, was the scene of a big row—in fact a mild sort of riot. The theater was packed like a sardine box "from pit to dome," it being estimated that nearly 1000 celebrities were in the building at the time.

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