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ASTORIA, OREGON: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1883

RAILROAD PRESIDENCIES

The resignation of Villard from the presidency of the Oregon Transcontinental and O. R. & N. companies causes a sensation throughout the Northwest.

The details of his resignation arouse still further surprise. It was thought in several quarters that when he did resign it would be the O. & T. and N. P. R. R. presidencies that he would relinquish.

The latest theory of the "Walla Walla Union" concerning political and state probabilities is that if Washington Territory is not divided the canals and locks at The Dalles and Cascades will not be completed for a generation.

The New York Financial Chronicle of the 15th inst. says: "It is now clear that Villard's July statement of the Northern Pacific was too sanguine an exhibition."

At a recent meeting of the Senate Committee on Territories, the bill providing for a civil government for Alaska, introduced by Harrison, was considered.

One of the new rules proposed for governing the senate of the United States, declares that, after a notice of twenty-four hours, the majority of the senate may stop debate on any question by a direct vote on that question.

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Twenty-five newspapers were started in Dakota during last October. The reason for this extraordinary outburst of journalistic enterprise was the act of congress which requires settlers pre-empting government land to publish the declaration of their intentions, in order to acquire a title from the government, for a period of six weeks in some newspaper of general circulation.

RAILROAD RUMORS

The official notice of Villard's retirement was accompanied by a statement that a syndicate had been formed to take part of the bonds now owned by the Oregon and Transcontinental company, amounting to \$9,000,000 or \$10,000,000.

The New York Telegram says: "Although nothing official is known, it is understood that an effort is making to dispose of Villard, and that he retires from the Northern Pacific company in January, to be succeeded by Frederick Billings, with Oakes as vice president and general manager."

Vice President Oakes of the Northern Pacific Railroad company has telegraphed the following statement of the operations of the company for October: Gross earnings, \$1,897,221; operating expenses, \$614,586; rentals and taxes, \$53,111; surplus, \$729,524.

As soon as it became known that Villard had retired from the presidency of the O. & T. and O. R. & N. companies, a reporter called at the Mills building, but Villard refused to be interviewed.

FRANCE and China should postpone hostilities until after the holidays. Let the two countries exchange Christmas cards and be happy.

In the nine years last passed 544,196 people emigrated from Canada to the United States. In the last four years 401,260 came.

Motto for the girls next year: "Look before you leap."

Information Wanted. I want of first August Nyman, of Sweden, Fredrik Holter, of Norway, who are supposed to be in this vicinity.

The A. 1. Fast Sailing Schooner "GEN. BANNING," 158 tons register, will leave Astoria, on or about THURSDAY DEC. 20, 1883.

Cray's Harbor. All freight now in Astoria, or that may be shipped by the O. R. & N. Co., care of the steamer "General Miles," for Gray's Harbor prior to the date of sailing, will go forward without delay.

RARE CHANCE FOR INVESTMENT. Better than Any Lottery, Because there Can be No Blanks.

Special Auction Sale of Real Estate. To-day, Dec. 18, at 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.

I am instructed to dispose of a limited number of Choice Lots in the Beach Addition to OCEAN PARK.

THIS PROPERTY IS THIS PLACED IN the market in order that everybody may have a chance to build or speculate on lots in a Sea-side resort which is bound to be the Long Branch of the Northwest Coast.

Hundreds of lots have been disposed of in this vicinity which have increased in value four fold in the last two years.

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Drugs and Chemicals. J. E. THOMAS, DRUGGIST AND PHARMACIST, ASTORIA, OREGON. HOMOEPATHIC REMEDIES.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION. Thursday, December 20, 1883, At 1 P. M., on the Premises.

I WILL SELL TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER without reserve, for cash, 954 acres of land known as the P. Gearhart Farm, on Clatsop Plains.

GREAT REDUCTION - IN - MILLINERY - AT - MRS. A. MALCOLM'S.

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Men's Heavy Boots, Men's Fine Boots, Ladies' and Children's Shoes

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Notice for Proposals. BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE secretary of School District No. 5, for fencing and sidewalk on school grounds, till Tuesday, the 28th inst.

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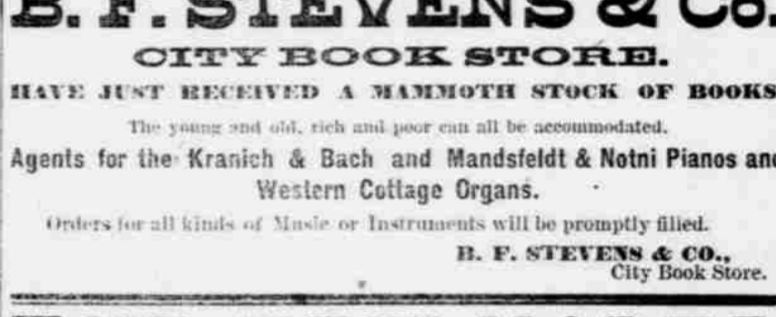
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