

Great Northern Difficulties.

SPOKANE, June 27.—In consequence of the unsettled right of way through this city the Great Northern has decided to run a temporary line from Chattaroy west crossing the Spokane at the mouth of the little Spokane river, and striking the line of the Great Northern again west of the city. The temporary line will be sixteen miles long, and will permit of the immediate completion of the line to the Columbia river. It is important that the line shall be finished across the Cascade mountains this summer. The unadjusted condition of things has compelled a lease of lands here which is the storage site of from forty to sixty carloads of material daily, which is unloaded at once, and cars sent back east. Last night a train of forty cars arrived with steel rails, ties and material for the construction department. About 1,000 carloads of material have already been received. Five side tracks, half a mile in length, have been constructed on the land leased until January 1st. The yards along the tracks are lined with supplies. There are 400 carloads of ties, and 75 miles of 80-pound steel. The nearest ballasting crew is at work 25 miles east of the city and crews are working all along the line for 200 miles east of Kalispell.

A Meeting of Pioneers.

Yesterday an old gentleman called at The Dalles postoffice and inquired for a letter for Pickett. Mr. Chittenden ran over the Ps and found one addressed to David Pickett. Before handing it out he inquired of Mr. Pickett if he had forgotten him. Mr. Pickett looked at him a moment, then said: "If my memory serves me, your name is Lyman Chittenden." "That's right," said Mr. Chittenden, then the two indulged in a few minutes talk over old times. They crossed the plains together in 1852, and this was their first meeting after the separation that year. Mr. Pickett is now located in Crook county, and his mind is filled with reminiscences of the Inland Empire, some of which would make very entertaining sketches of history in these parts, when hostile Indians, roving prospectors and miners delving in the bowels of the earth for precious metals, formed the bulk of population. Bunchgrass then covered the earth from the Columbia to the Sacramento, and campfires and blankets formed all the comforts of man, with a little bacon, beans and coffee for his refreshment.

A Pointer for The Dalles.

The following item may be a pointer for Dalles City property holders. It shows the kind of faith that moves mountains, when they are found to be in the way, and builds great cities. "The city of Manchester, Eng., sets a good example to American cities more boastful of their enterprises. In 1886 she began the construction of a much needed canal, which was expected to cost \$50,000,000, and every citizen took stock patriotically, according to his means. When the money was all gone the canal lacked a good deal of completion, and the city at once invested \$15,000,000 additional."

A Royal Chinook Feast.

In a private letter to Mr. S. L. Brooks, acknowledging the receipt of samples of The Dalles' royal fish, Mr. S. S. Nicholson, of the Beardstown, (Ill.) Illinoisian, says: "The salmon came to hand in good shape, whoppers; a curiosity to all who saw them and a treat to all your old friends I could think of, within reach, to the number of eleven. Some persons seem to have an idea that the salmon in the Columbia river is in keeping with cat-fish in the Illinois river, as to size and quality, hence it becomes quite interesting to them to see a native of those waters. Some intelligent persons think they "school" into the Columbia from the Pacific ocean, hence are a salt water fish. These ideas come from not having seen them otherwise than jammed into a tin can, so that the real flesh, in the body, is quite a curiosity here. Oregon seems very much nearer to us than it used to be. I was talking to Dr. Littlefield, of Portland, on Saturday. He was born, and grew up here, but he thinks there is no place like Oregon. Thus are the remote parts of the earth wonderfully brought together."

* The salmon is a fresh water fish. It is hatched in the Columbia, then leaves for the Pacific ocean, but returns to the Columbia during spawning season, from early spring to late fall. It is often found in the Columbia and its tributaries hundreds of miles from the ocean.

San Jose Scale.

Glacier. Now is the hatching season of the San Jose scale, consequently the proper time to make war on the pests. Every tree should be examined closely, and, if the scale is found, washed thoroughly. Bulletin No. 7 of the state board of horticulture, contains recipes and information as to the manner of mixing and using washes. A vigorous and persistent fight will soon exterminate the scale, which has a small foothold here, and will go a long way towards destroying other pests.

Four big loads of choice pine lumber, from a mill near Goldendale, came into the city last night for Peters & Co. It is a fine article for finishing.

Murder in Klickitat County.

Mr. W. L. Lord this forenoon received a dispatch from Goldendale conveying the startling information that the foreman on his ranches, Mr. Wm. Dunn, had been shot and killed by John Green. Mr. Lord left at once for the scene of the tragedy. Mr. Dunn leaves a wife and two children, one aged two years, and one about eight months old. Green is known in The Dalles, where his family once resided.

The trouble which caused the murder grew out of a dispute about a lot of hogs.

Returning Eastward.

During the past few months Dalles city has been the temporary abiding place of numerous people from the eastern states; and now, that the time draws near when they are to leave us for their own homes, many pleasant associations formed during their stay must be broken. In conversation with one of these, who is quite prominently connected on the Atlantic side, he said that he came here expecting to find strangers, but that in no instance has it appeared to him that he has been among strangers since coming. He has become specially interested in the beauty of our surrounding scenery, our waterfalls, mountains, cultivated and wild flowers, the superior quality of our fruit, and above all our incomparably genial climate, our delightful drives, and our hospitable, intelligent and companionable people. Yes, said he, "I know I shall often find my memory glancing back upon pleasant recollections of this visit to The Dalles." THE CHRONICLE ventures to add that the good people of this city will also kindly remember these visitors.

Benefits of a Feeder.

Capt. Lewis, of the United States land office, had a very pleasant trip to Canyon City via Baker City. Out of the latter place the route is covered for twenty-two miles by a very nice little narrow gauge railway, which is quite a feeder for the U. P. R., and in many more ways than one contributes to the upbuilding of Baker City. It seems to the writer that The Dalles should have just such improvement as that. In the early sixties The Dalles enjoyed a very lucrative trade with the Canyon City regions. Then it was gold the ground produced. But even in gold the ground is far from being worked out. If it were, there are features of the soil today more attractive than gold fields; in the acres of fertile land adapted to wheat cultivation, which is now prohibited, because of the long, tedious and expensive haul by wagons. After leaving the railway Capt. Lewis took the stage, and the distance intervening was covered by an average traveling of five miles per hour, which he considers good, when the mountainous condition of the country is taken into the account. The old route from The Dalles is equally as good, all the way, as the best by the new route, but Baker City has got the start of us, by her little railroad, which is by no means as insignificant as it seems.

Newport, R. I., June 25.—When it became known today that the gold and silver medals, and the diplomas, awarded at the St. Joseph schools yesterday were the gift of G. B. Hazzard, it caused a profound surprise. A sensation was also caused when it became known that George Babcock Hazzard had paid the cost of the land and palatial buildings for the Roman Catholic parish. St. Joseph's schools are known now as the Hazzard memorial schools. Hazzard came to Newport in the '20s, a comparatively poor boy, with practically no education, but by close application and strict economy, even to parsimony, he amassed an immense fortune. Up to a year ago he was looked upon as an avaricious money-grabber of very eccentric mind, always in hot water with the owners of land adjoining his property, and several times he has been brought up in police courts for assault and other charges. The school buildings are the finest in Rhode Island, with splendid halls, well-furnished rooms and good acoustic properties. Until the day of its consecration the secret was so well kept that when the public announcement was made that Hazzard was the donor the people were incredulous. Yesterday afternoon the first graduation exercises were held. On the platform were Bishop Harkins, of Providence, and prominent citizens of Newport. The bishop made an eloquent address on reminiscences of Hazzard, but not a word escaped him of the denouncement to follow. After the diplomas, with gold and silver medals as the principal prizes, had been awarded, and all the exercises concluded, the rector, the Rev. Father Doyle, called on his assistant, Father Downing to read the written statement signed by George Babcock Hazzard, giving a resume of his life, winding up with the statement that he, George Babcock Hazzard, gave the school as a Protestant, but now had been received into the Roman Catholic church, and promising to erect a building suitable to the parish. This means a new stone church. The schools cost nearly \$100,000.

A Short Session.

WASHINGTON, June 27.—Saturdays house proceedings lasted a minute and a half, for want of a quorum. The shortest session on record. It is about the same today, but may be better tomorrow, as many absent members have been sent for.

WASHINGTON, June 27.—A few days since, some fun-loving senators managed to get considerable sport out of the fact that Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, had just shaved off his beard. Ever since the senator first came to Washington as a senator from Oregon, in 1873, he has worn a luxuriant beard that grew thickly from his face and fell down well over the front of his vest. In all the nineteen years or more that he has frequented the capital no razor has ever touched his face, and when he turned up with it shaved as smooth as that of a school boy almost every man in the senate needed an introduction to him. Senator Cullom came in late, and some of his colleagues took Senator Mitchell to him and introduced him to the Illinois senator as a man from Nebraska, who had been an earnest advocate of the nomination of Cullom for president. Senator Mitchell carried out the joke very well, and the two had been talking some time before Senator Cullom recognized the man he was talking with. Vice-President Morton was also a victim of the sport, as when Mr. Mitchell arose to address the chair, he seemed very doubtful about giving the apparent stranger recognition.

It appears that Chauncey Depew has finally decided that he cannot accept the portfolio of state. In spite of his important business interests there is no doubt that the position tempts even a great railroad president. It is an honor second only to that of being president of the United States. In one respect it is even greater, for, as Depew himself says, we have never had a "chump" for secretary of state. The whole line, beginning with Alexander Hamilton and ending with James G. Blaine, is more illustrious than the line of chief executives. Mere financial sacrifice can hardly weigh with such a man as Depew against an honor so great as to occupy a place in this line. But it is perhaps not wholly his own personal interests which Depew had to consult in this case. The possibility of throwing off responsibilities entrusted to him by others had to be considered. There is no other American who would better grace the position.

Kittitas Petrifications.

Ellensburg Localizer. Mr. John A. Shoudy called our attention to a block of palm leaves petrified, the like of which has never been seen in this country before. They are of a grayish blue color and are crossed. The piece of rock is about three inches thick and is composed of distinct layers crossed. The bottom is of the same formation as the top. The piece of rock came from about 20 feet under ground. It indicates that this was once a great deal more tropical climate than it is at this time. This coupled with the finding of bones of the mastodon, argues that this country has undergone a great change from what it was when those animals inhabited it. This curiosity was found in the Tweek quartz claim on the Swank.

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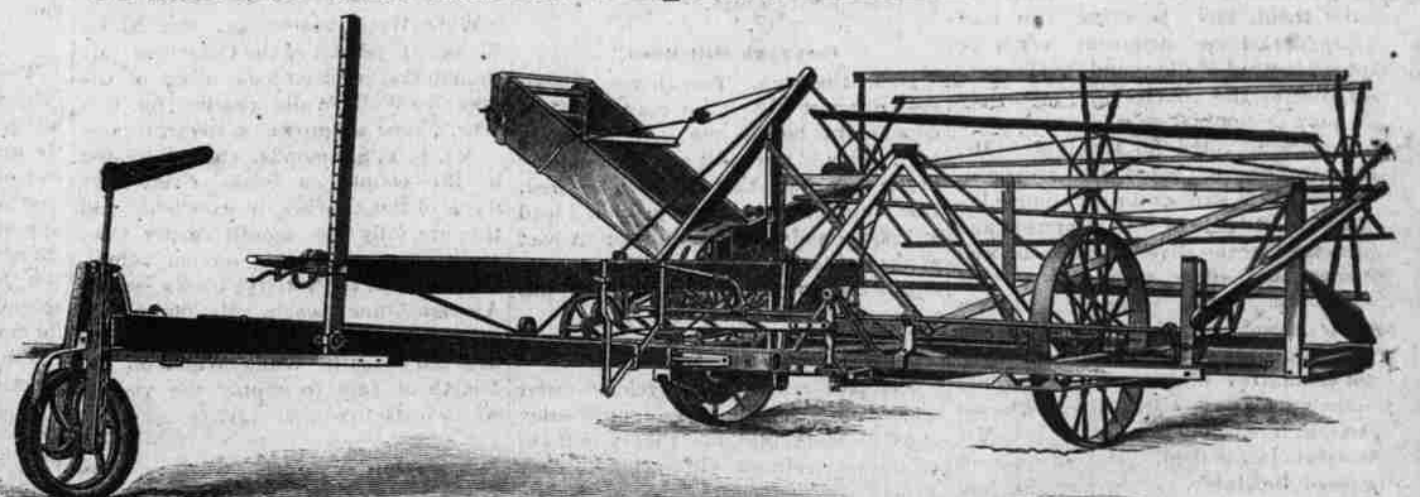
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