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Travelers' Guide—River Routes.

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CHARGES REASONABLE.

STAGE run in connection with

the hotel connecting with the North-

ern Pacific Railroad at Milton. Stage

for Tacoma trains 10 p. m. For Portland

train at 3 p. m.

PACIFIC COAST.

Chinese Pheasants Plentiful

in Oregon.

IDAHO CHINESE REGISTER.

Electric-Power Franchises at San

Jose Refused—Dislike for

a Consul.

The Chinese in Idaho propose to defy

the Six Companies and will register.

Over 25,000 tons of sugar beets have

been harvested at Chico so far this season.

Work has been commenced upon a new

foundry building and a power-house for

Stanford University.

Much suffering in the southeastern

portion of New Mexico is reported,

caused by the excessive drought.

Heavy swells have washed away the

cabins of the wrecked Wetmore, and the

vessel now lies on the beach as if she

had broken in two.

The Hudson Bay Company has closed

its store at Yale, B. C., the trade

having decreased to such an extent that

the store is no longer necessary.

Applicants for electric-power fran-

chises at San Jose have been refused,

owing to the objection of the applicants

to put their wires under ground.

The old adobe at Santa Barbara, in

which General Fremont had his head-

quarters in the early days when he had

his camp there, was burned the other

morning.

William Simmons, who lives ten miles

from Salem, Or., has grown three acres

of cranberries this year. They are choice,

and are said to be fully equal to the Cape

Cod variety.

Spokane Indians have held a meeting

near Spokane. They are willing to go on

the Court d'Alene lands, but want

money to spend for themselves. There

are about one hundred of them, home-

less and landless vagabonds, but they

believe the government will give them

all they ask.

There is a diatribe at Victoria, B. C.,

for the American Consul there. The

latest story from Victoria is: "The

Consul-general is a fine fellow, but his

flag touching at that port are beginn-

ing to complain bitterly over having to sail

without proper clearance papers and a

bill of health from the American Con-

sulate."

Mongolian pheasants are being killed

by the hundreds in Lane county, Or.,

and few people can be found in that

section who have not enjoyed a mess of

these fine birds. They are very pen-

tiful, though they have been introduced

but a few years and have been killed

right along regardless of the law enacted

to protect them.

Six men—George Bernard, Hal Smith,

Harney Melges, Sam Koney, Geo. Wing

and Bill Campbell—went into the Saw-

NATIONAL CAPITAL.

The Time for the Free Importation of

Corn Into Mexico Extended

Until November 30.

The President has recognized Horace

G. Platt as Vice-Consul of Russia at San

Francisco.

The President has appointed Ambrose

H. Hill of Erieville, Cal., special

agent to make allocations of lands in

severalty to the Indians under the act of

February, 1887.

Two ships, for which proposals were

issued by the Navy Department last

week, will contain a new feature in

modern naval construction. Each vessel

will contain three smoke funnels 100

feet high, or higher by thirty or forty

feet than any smokestacks on naval or

merchant ships, with the exception of

the merchant steamer *Soth*. These

stacks, it is thought, will do away with

lofted draft.

The secretary of the interior has re-

ceived a letter from Agent Bennett, of

Union agency, in Indian territory, relat-

ing to the condition of affairs in the

Choctaw nation, which indicates that

there is likely to be bloodshed there un-

less prompt action is taken to provide

United States troops in sufficient force

to suppress any riot that may arise.

Secretary Noble has asked the secre-

tary of war to immediately send a sufficient

force to preserve the peace.

Chow Tai and Nip Lung, two Chinese

merchants from Chicago, are in Wash-

ington City. Their mission relates to

the resistance of the Chinese registra-

tion law. They have had an interview

with Ho, Secretary of their legation, and

one of them said that he told them that

the law was no good and the Chinese

government would sustain them in re-

sisting it. They will consult with Chi-

nese there and in Eastern cities with

the view of an organized resistance of

the law.

Surveyor-General Pettit of Idaho has

received word from the national capital,

ordering him to have the surveys of the

ceded portions of the Court d'Alene In-

Indian reservation examined and re-

ported upon. General Pettit will have the

examination made at once, and settlers

upon the land of the reservation will be

able to secure titles to their claims much

sooner than they expected to. It is con-

tinued by special examiners to report

upon the surveys, but in this case the

department thought that the delay would

be very inconvenient to settlers; so

General Pettit will be allowed to re-

port on his own surveys.

Secretary Rank has received advice

from the consul general at Nuevo Laredo,

Mexico, confirming the dispatch an-

ouncing the opening of the importation

EASTERN ITEMS.

Valuable Discovery of Onyx

in Virginia.

NET BALANCE IN TREASURY.

The Chief Astronomical Event of

October—More Southern

Pacific Lines.

"Boiled water" is the popular New

York drink.

The cholera scare is abating, is the re-

port from every quarter.

Philadelphia gets a premium on a 3

per cent loan of \$1,000,000.

Boston is to have a statue of John

Bye O'Ballly in Copley Square.

The estate of the late George William

Curtis amounts to about \$70,000.

The admirers of Whittier contemplate

the erection of a statue in Central Park.

Hartford Medical Association has just

celebrated its one hundredth anniver-

sary.

Mississippi engineers recommend only

one year's work under existing appropria-

tions.

Ex-Private James of Homestead court-

martial fame is now a clerk in a Pitts-

burgh store.

Oil has been struck in a Parkersburg,

Ind., well the depth of 100 feet, while

drilling for water.

An epidemic of diphtheria has broken

out among the Indians at the Wind

River Agency.

The net cash balance in the Treasury

is nearly \$31,000,000 or \$5,000,000 greater

than New York.

Philadelphia capitalists are going to

construct an underground-trolley street-

car system in Boston.

A jury in New York acquitted a man

who shot tobacco juice on a \$5,000 picture

in the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Rev. Thomas Dixon of New York in

his Sunday sermon declared the lottery

a small evil compared with horse racing.

Reports from the Southern States are

that the cotton crop is from 15 to 25 per

cent short and from one to two weeks

late.

Howard Gould has been elected direc-

tor of the Gold and Stock Telegraph

Company in place of his father, Jay

Gould.

The long distance telephone from Chi-

cago to Boston is nearly completed.

South Bend, Ind., has already talked to

Boston.

President Young of the National Base

ball League says either salaries must be

reduced or professional baseball must go

to the wall.

Harmony reigns over the disturbed

water corporations of Denver, Colo. and

Omaha, Neb., and the \$20,000 suit is

settled.

Valuable discoveries of onyx have

been made at Bridgewater, Rockingham

EDUCATIONAL.

Tufts College Begins Its Career as a

Coeeducational Institution—Vas-

sar's Freshman Class.

Old gold is to be the color of the Uni-

versity of Chicago.

The enrollment of girl students in the

Harvard Annex this year is over 300.

There is one woman in the entering

class of forty-six at the Massachusetts

Agricultural College this year.

Yale College for the first time in its

history will throw open its post-graduate

course to women at the coming term.

The entering class at Union College,

Schenectady, N. Y., is the largest in the

history of that institution since the war.

Baltimore, Md., has