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Steamer S. G. Simpson Launched

Not a single mishap marred the success of the launching of the new steamer S. G. Simpson, which took place the afternoon of August 19 at the yards of Crawford & Reid, Old Tacoma. The craft was christened by Miss Margaret O'Neil, daughter of Thomas O'Neil one of the representative men of the upper Sound. General Manager Frank Donnelly, of the Shelton Transportation Company, sent the City of Shelton down loaded with guests to watch the steamer leave the builder's ways.

The new steamer is a fine type of stern wheel craft and is built especially for the run between Shelton and Olympia. It is modeled somewhat after the lines of the Multnomah, and combines the ideas of the representatives of the company and officers of the City of Shelton, who understand the needs of the route.

When the Simpson comes out the City of Shelton will be used as a spare craft and the latter vessel's crew take the new vessel. John Leslie will have charge of the engines, while Capt. Edward Gustafson goes as master. Both these men have long been in the service of the company on the upper Sound and are among the best men Puget Sound holds. It is expected the Simpson will be in operation within two months.

—*Railroad and Marine News.*

The above is of interest to the readers of the AMERICAN inasmuch as the Chief Engineer, mentioned above, John Leslie is an Indian young man who entered the Chehalis boarding school many years ago where he learned to speak the English Language being taught by Mrs. Chalcraft.

During the past seven or eight years he has been in the engine room on boats belonging to the Shelton Transportation Company, holding the position of chief engineer during the past four or five years. His career is another example of what pluck, energy, and good habits accomplish. Indian schools open the road for the same success to every other Indian boy or girl in their chosen pursuit, who take advantage of the opportunity.

The new set of satin finished silver band instruments have arrived and are now in use.

The Chemawa football team left today to play the University of Washington at Seattle.

The farmers are anxious for rain so that they can continue their plowing.

Chemawa defeated the Albany Athletic Club last Saturday, score 22 to 0.

F. Zedison is in Chemawa visiting his children.

Mrs. Howard of South Bend Wash. has been at the school for the last four days. She brought her daughters and the Bailey children.

Miss Sells of Yreka Calif. visited Belle Dillstrom during her recent illness.

Mr. Edward T. Mathes of the State Normal, Bellingham, Wash. will give a stereoptican entertainment in the Assembly hall on Oct. 31st, for the benefit of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A.