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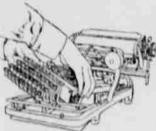
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was being dogged by a consider on the Missouri River, by carryable band of crows, and en ing goods up that river in boats. deavored to clude their spying; to trade with the Indians under but all to no purpose. The Crow the very walls of the American

chief kept in his neighborhood, Company's forts. and finally expressed a desire to In August of the previous bring his camp alongside that of year, when Mr. Nathaniel Wyeth Fitzpatrick, pretending to the had started on his return to the

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meaning of this apparent fair settle the minds of the Indians ness, and hastened to get out of in that region.

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> The American Company had In the meantime Wyeth arrived never been able to cope with in the mountains with his goods,

Being with his party on Lougue them in the Rocky Mountains: hiver, in the early part of Sep and the St. Louis Company were fember, he discover d that he already invading their territory

most friendly and honorable states, he was accompanied as sentiments toward his white far as the mouth of the Yellowneighbors. But not feeling any stone by Milton Sublette; and confidence in Crow friendship, had engaged with that gentleman Fitzpatrick declined, and moved to furnish him with goods the camp a few miles away. Not, following year, as he believed he however, wishing to offend the could do, cheaper than the St. every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock dignity of the apparently friend Louis Company, who purchased Sabbath school every Sunday at ly chief, he took a small escort, their goods in St. Louis at a and went to pay a visit to his great advance on Boston prices. Epworth league every Sunday Crow neighbors, that they might But Milton Sublette fell in with the leader's absence made an at the fur-traders in the Rocky leader.

office noces to to the analysis most amicable manner, was re- wronged and robbed, as he after- Gentlemen, I will roll a stone three years longer. case means met by the exultant braves, who men under Walker, and antici- never be able to get out."

quence on the part of Fitzpat, son's Bay Company might be po ready been recorded. rick, the chief part of the plan-lite and hospitable to Captain der was returned to him, includ. Bonneville as the gentleman, but ing the horses and rifles of the that it was against their regulamen, together with a little aus. tions, to encourage the advent of munition, and a few beaver traps, other traders who would inter-Fitspatrick understood the fere with their business, and un-

the Crow country before another This reply sa annoyed the Capraid by the mischievous young tain, that he refused the well braves, at a time when their meant advice of Mr. Pambran chief was not "honor bound," that he should not undertake to should deprive him of the re-recross the Blue Mountains in covered property. That his con- March snows, but travel under jecture was well founded, was the escort of Mr. Payette, one of proven by the numerous petty the Hudson's Bay Campany's tnefts which were committed, leaders, who was about starting and by the loss of several horses for the Nez Perce country by a and mules, before he could re-safer if more circuitous route. move them beyond the limits of He therefore set out to return by the route he came, and only arket absolutely correct and revised While the trappers exchanged rived at camp in May, 1834, after to date, and at Portland prices, at accounts of their individual ex-many dangers and difficulties. PRINEVILLE REVIEW OFFICE. periences, the leaders had more From the Portneuf River, he important matters to gossip over, then proceeded with his camp to The rivalry between the several explore the Little Snake River;

> climax. Through the energy fell in with his men just returned and ability of Captain Sublette of from Monterey. the St. Louis Company, and the Such was the relative position experience and industry of the of the several fur companies in Rocky Mountain Company, which the Rocky Mountains in 1884; Captain Sublette still continued and it was of such matters that to control in a measure, the the leaders talked in the lodge of power still remained with them. the Booshways, at rendezvous,

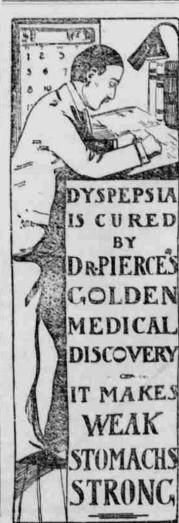
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see that he was not afraid to his brother the Captain, at the as he had contracted with Milton As for Bonneville, he made Prayer meeting every Thursday trust them. Alas, vain subter mouth of the Yellowstone, with a Sublette in the previous year, one more effort to reach the

represented in infamy of such season was over he left his camp lodge. When Wyeth had built trade of the West. treacherous conduct in a very to winter on the Snake River, his fort and left it in charge of strong light. In answer to this and started with a small escort an agent, he dispatched a party reproof, the chief disowned all to visit the Columbia, and select of trappers to hunt in the Big knowledge of the affair; saying a spot for a trading-post on the Blackfoot country, under Joseph that he could not always control lower portion of that river. On Gale, who had previously been the conduct of the young men, arriving at Wallah-Wallah, after in the service of the Rocky who would be a little wild now a hard journey over the Blue Mountain Company, and of whom and then, in spite of the best Mountains in the winter, the we shall learn more hereafter, Crow precepts; but that he would agent at that post had refused to while he set out for the Columdo what he could to have the supply him with provisions to bin to meet his vessel, and esproperty restored. Accordingly, prosecute his journey, and given tablish a salmon fishery. The after more talk, and much elo him to understand that the Hud fate of that enterprise has al-



keel-boat loaded with merchan. But on his beels came Captain lower Columbia; failing, however, While he was exchanging civil disc; and while Wyeth pursued Sublette, also with goods, and a second time, for the same reaities with the Crow chief, a party his way eastward to purchase the Rocky Mountain Company son as before-he could not subof the young braves stole out of the Indian goods which were in. violated their contract with sist himself and company in a camp, and taking advantage of tended to supply the wants of wieth, and purchased of their old country where even every Indian refused to sell him either tack on his camp, so sudden and Mountains, at a profit to him, Thus was Wyeth left, with his furs or provisions. After being successful that not a horse, nor and an advantage to them, the goods on his hands, in a country reduced to horse-flesh, and findanything else which they could Captain was persuading his where it was impossible to sell ing no encouragement that his make booty of was left. Even brother not to encourage any in them, and useless to undertake condition would be improved Captain Stuart; who was travel terlopers in the Indian trade; an opposition to the already es- farther down the river, he turning with Fitzpatrick, who was an but to continue to buy goods tablished furtraders and trap ed back once more from about active officer, was powerless to from himself, as formerly. So pers. His indignation was great, Wallah-Wallah, and returned to Calls promptly attended, day and night resist the attack, and had to con- potent were his arguments, that and certainly was just. In his the mountains, and from there to sent to see the camp rifled of Milton yielded to them, in spite interview with the Rocky Moun the east in the following year. of his engagement with Wyeth, tain Company, in reply to their A company of his trappers, how-In the meantime Fitzpatrick. Thus during the autumn of 1833, excuses for, and vindication of ever, centinued to hunt for him office first door north of Templeton & Son's after concluding his visit in the while Bonneville was being their conduct, his answer was: east of the mountains for two or

turning to camp, when he was wards became convinced, by his into your garden that you will The rivalry between the Rocky Mountain and American Comadded insult to injury by robbing pated in the huntinground se And he kept his promise; for panies was this year diminished Physicians and Surgeons him of his horse, gun, and near lected for himself, in the Crow that same autumn he moved on by their mutually agreeing to ly all his clothes, feaving him to country, by Fitzpatrick, as he to the Snake River, and built confine themselves to certain office in Adamson & Winnek Co's, brug Store return to his party in a deplor had previously been in the Snake Fort Hall, storing his goods parts of the country, which able condition, to the great country by Milton Sublette, therein. The next year he sold treaty continued for two years. amusement of the trappers, and Wyeth was proceeding to Boston out goods and fort to the Hud- when they united in one comin good faith, to execute what son's Bay Company; and the pany. They were then, with the However, the next day a talk proved to be a fool's errand, stone was in the garden of the exception of a few lone traders, was held with the head chief of Bonneville also had gone on an Rocky Mountain Fur Company the only competitors of the Hudthe Crows, to whom Fitzpatrick other, when after the trapping that they were never able to dis- son's Bay Company, for the fur-

CHAPTER XI.

1834. The Rocky Mountain Company now confined themelves to the country lying east of the mountains, and upon the nead-waters and tributaries of the Missouri, a country very productive in furs, and furnishing abundance of game. But it was also the most dangerous of all the northern fur-hunting terriory, as it was the home of those wo nations of desperadoes, the rows and Blackfeet. During the two years in which the company may have been said almost to reside there, desperate encounters and hair-breadth escapes where incidents of daily occurrence to some of the numerous trapping parties.

The camp had reached the Blackfoot country in the autumn of this year, and the trappers were out in all directions, hunting beaver in the numerous small streams that flow into the Missouri. On a small branch of the Gallatin Fork, some of the trappers fell in with a party of Wyeth's men, under Joseph Gale. When their neighborhood became known to the Rocky Mountain camp, Meek and a party of sixteen of his associates immediately resolved to pay them a visit, and inquire into their experience since leaving rendezvous. visits between different camps are usually seasons of breat interest and general rejoicing.
(To be continued.)

Where is the money that the transcontinental railroads paid the Senators of Colombia to reject the canal treaty?

"Gone like the tenant that quit without warning. Down the back alley of time." -Deschutes Echo.