

LOGAN WILLIAMS.

We are glad to learn that Mr. LOGAN, who was beyond a doubt legally elected Representative to Congress, has given notice to Mr. Stout that the right of the latter to his seat will be contested.

Welcome News.

Our readers will be gratified to learn that orders came by the last mail for the transfer of the political Quarter-Master at the Dalles—the lord and master of the Locofoco battalion in Wasco—the military editor of "Jordan's Opinion"—from Oregon to some post in Washington Territory.

BALCH TO BE HUNG.—The motion which was made for a new trial in the case of Danforth Balch, was denied by the Court, and on last Saturday Judge Wait sentenced Balch to be hung in Portland, on Monday, the 17th of October next.

San Juan Island.

At last accounts all was quiet at the "seat of war." The Americans hold possession of the island with about four hundred men. The four companies which left Vancouver were all safely landed under the command of Lieut. Hodges.

The City School.

Dr. Barclay, the Superintendent of the Oregon City District School, has, at the expense of Mr. Harvey, proprietor, repaired and thoroughly renovated the school building, which now presents a very neat and comfortable appearance.

Capt. Wallen's Command Hotel—200 Emigrant Wagons at the Grand Ronde with Reynolds' Battery.

On Tuesday last we learned from Tracy & Co.'s Express that the command of Capt. Wallen, about which so much apprehension has been felt since the attack by the Snake Indians on the Warm Springs Reservation, is all safe, and had not been molested by the Indians.

STEAMER MULTNOMAH SUNK.

On Friday afternoon of last week, the steamer Multnomah, Capt. Hoyt, whilst coming up from Astoria, struck a rock about ten miles below St. Helens, staving a hole in her hull, causing her to sink in a few minutes.

PACIFIC RAILROAD CONVENTION.

There is to be a convention held in San Francisco on the 20th of September, in pursuance of an act of the last California Legislature. Copies of the resolution have been sent to the Governors of Oregon and Washington and the people of Arizona.

MARSHAL McMAHON.

We have been taken to task by a son of the Emerald Isle for publishing last week that this renowned soldier is of Scotch descent. We don't know how we fell into the error, unless it was through our knowledge of the fact that some of the most celebrated men in every department of science and arms have been Scotchmen.

LIFE OF DELUSION.

In response to numerous applications for the "Life of Delusion" published in the Argus several weeks since, we have to say that that edition of the "Life" was soon exhausted, although we printed an extra number of copies.

MURDER AT THE DALLES.

On Sunday night, August 14, John Finigan, a soldier of the 9th Infantry, was murdered by Thos. Walker, as was supposed, a discharged soldier. The deed was committed at a house of ill-fame.

OLD JO AND THE PRESIDENCY.—A correspondent of the New York Tribune, in speaking of different Presidential candidates, goes on to say: "The subterranean are for Jo Lane as the Democratic candidate."

THE BOUNDARY COMMISSION.

We have seen private letters from a gentleman with the American Commission, says the Dalles Journal, from which we glean that their work is advancing rapidly, having on the 23d of July reached the Skagit river.

MAMMOTH PAPER.

Decidedly the largest paper we ever saw, or that was ever made and printed, is "Roberts' Illuminated Quadruple Constellation," measuring 70 by 100 inches!

OLIN ACADEMY.

The patrons of this school will see by an advertisement in this week's paper, that another term will commence on Monday week, under the auspices of Rev. Mr. Cartwright.

KILLED.—On the 8th inst., says the Advertiser, Patrick Crowley was killed at Fort Yale by the falling of a stump.

INCENDIARISM.—Of late there have been several alarms of fire in Portland, which show incendiaries to be at work.

KLIKATAT VALLEY.—The Dalles Journal says that fifty-one claims have been taken up in KLIKATAT valley, mostly by immigrants from this side of the Cascades, with families and stock.

THANKS.—Tracy & Co.'s Express has laid us under obligations for favors in the way of late papers.

FROM COLVILLE.—The Dalles Journal publishes the following extract from a letter from the Colville mines, dated the 9th inst.:

THE ENIGMATION.—The emigrant wagons reported by Mr. Drew as being at the Grande Ronde, confirm the account we before have given as furnished by Messrs. Cain and Carter, and the letter to Gov. Stevens.

THE TWO ESCAPED PENITENTIARY CONVICTS.

Were retaken this week near Rainier.

Republicanism Amongst the People.

Ed. ARGUS: Permit an unlearned man, who has never yet plunged, and probably never will plunge, into the dirty pool of politics, otherwise than by the expression of opinion, to give the public a few thoughts acquired by conversation with his neighbors, and consideration of the subject.

Amongst the papers which favor a continuance of the present reigning dynasty, Republicanism is maligned and misrepresented in every possible way. But on examining the charges trumped up against this reforming power, it is noticeable that they are based on the action of a few, comparatively speaking, who reside mostly in the farthest corner of our great nation, and who are ultra on the subject of Americanism or slavery.

I know many conscientious, well-meaning men think that Congress has power and is under obligation to prohibit in the Territories such great evils as they regard slavery and polygamy to be. But a still greater number of us, honest, and perhaps wiser, men have come to the conclusion that the inhabitants of a Territory, when its government is organized, or should be, empowered to decide on questions of such vital importance in the same way that citizens of a State do.

THE RIGHTS OF NATURALIZED CITIZENS.

Cass's letter to Hofer, explaining the one to Le Clerc, announces the following doctrine relative to naturalized citizens of the United States: "The United States, therefore, maintains the proposition that naturalized citizens returning to the country of their birth, are not liable to any duties or penalties, except such as were in existence at the period of their emigration."

WASHINGTON, July 17, 1859.

OPINION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ON THE NATURALIZATION QUESTION.—Previous to the preparation of the recent official letter to our Minister at Berlin, instructing him to demand of the Hanoverian government the surrender of Mr. Ernst, Attorney General Black, at the request of the President, rendered an opinion in the case, maintaining the general right of expatriation as incontestable, and that in regard to the protection of our citizens in their rights at home and abroad we have no law which divides them into classes, or makes any difference between them; that a native and a naturalized American citizen may, therefore, go forth with equal security over every sea, and through every land under heaven, including the country in which the latter was born; either of them may be taken for a debt contracted, or a crime committed by him, but both are absolutely free from all political obligations to every country but their own; they are both American citizens, and their exclusive allegiance is due to the Government of the United States.

POLITICAL.—The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Press says that Mr. Douglas is in that city, preparing another manifesto on the Territorial question, which, it is said, will shortly see the light of day, and will be far ahead of anything that has yet emanated from his prolific brain.

THE RICHMOND ENQUIRER.

The Richmond Enquirer contains the following emphatic statement, which may be regarded as Gov. Wise's ultimatum:

WALDO HILLS, Aug. 11, 1859.

The two escaped penitentiary convicts were retaken this week near Rainier.

Oregon M. E. Conference.—Appointments.

WILLAMETTE DISTRICT. C. S. Kingsley, Presiding Elder. Salem, Ebenezer Arnold, Mill Creek, Homer Dray, Rock Creek, Harlin C. Rhoads, Butteville, Archon Kelly, J. L. Parrish, Sup., Clear Creek, George H. Brown, Oregon City, David Rutledge, East Tillamook, Nelson Clark, West Tillamook, George W. Roark, North Yamhill, O. C. Huntington, Dayton, John W. York, Yamhill, Carrington C. Belknap, Willamette University—F. S. Hoyt, President, and Alvan F. Waller, Agent—members of Salem Quar. Conference.

UPPER WILLAMETTE DISTRICT.

Harvey K. Hines, Presiding Elder. Albany and Lebanon, Gustavus Hines, Santiam Forks, John Ostrander, Calapooia, Jesse M. Anderson, Willamet Forks, George Hughbanks, Spencer's Butte, Isaac Miller, George Palmer, Eugene City, James O. Rayner, Mary's River, Neimiah S. McAllister, Corvallis, Thomas B. Sanderson, Luckinville, Noah A. Starr, Dallas, Robert Booth, Indian Reserve and Tillamook, To be Supplied, Santiam Academy—D. E. Blain, Principal—member of Albany and Lebanon Quar. Conference.

COLEMAN RIVER DISTRICT.

J. H. Wilbur, Presiding Elder. Portland, W. S. Lewis, Milwaukie, Chamney O. Hosford, Vancouver, John F. Devere, Dalles and Cascades, John Plien Walla Walla, George M. Berry, St. Helens, John W. Miller, Coquille, John T. Wolfe, Astoria, To be Supplied, Shoalwater Bay, To be Supplied, Portland Academy and Female Seminary, Charles H. Hall, Principal—member of the Fortland Quar. Conference.

PUGET SOUND DISTRICT.

Nehemiah Doane, Presiding Elder. Olympia, To be Supplied, Steilacoom and Puyallup, James H. B. Royal, Seattle and White River, Christopher Alderson, Swan's Island, Wm. D. Nichols, Port Townsend, To be Supplied, Mound Prairie, David L. Spalding, Whatcom, To be Supplied, Chehalis, W. H. Goldard, Gray's Harbor, James S. Douglass, Puget Sound Wesleyan Institute—B. C. Lippincott, Principal.

EMQUA DISTRICT.

Luther T. Woodward, Presiding Elder. North Umpqua, Isaac Dixon, Oakland and Scottsburg, Thomas F. Royal, Roseburg, Carol C. Stratton, South Umpqua, To be Supplied, Kerbyville, Benj. R. Freeland, Jackson, Isaac D. Driver, Mount Vernon, Archibald Taylor, Umpqua Academy, To be Supplied, Jew. W. Hines transferred to Cal. Conference.

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FROM THE WEENATCHE.

Mr. Cady returned to town last week, after an absence of about two months on a prospecting expedition. His original design, we believe, was to prospect in the vicinity of the Snoqualmoo only, but it seems that he extended his search to the Weenatche. We did not learn the result of his explorations, further than that the indications were extremely favorable to the Weenatche, but the water was too high to work. Enough has transpired, however, to confirm the accounts published last year by Capt. Robertson and others respecting that region.—Mr. Cady communicated his discoveries to only one or two confidential friends, and left again on Monday, accompanied by Mr. Rabbeson, with a large supply of provisions.—Puget Sound Herald, Aug. 12.

GREAT YIELD.—In the fall of 1857 J. W. Jackson, of this county, found two grains of wheat amongst some Chile beans, which he planted, and last season again sowed the product. This season he has gathered 58 lbs. of clean wheat, the product of two grains in two years.—Dalles Journal.

AMERICAN RIFLED CANNON.—The Secretary of War is soon to order a new trial of ordnance at Fortress Monroe. Several new guns, shells, &c., are to be tried under the observation of a suitable board of officers. Among other guns, the rifle-cannon invented by ex-Senator Charles T. James, is to be experimented with. The experiments with this new arm at Governor's Island, and at Springfield, Mass., seem to warrant a trial where a greater range can be had. It is said that the James shot gun has a greater range than the Armstrong gun, and is free from some of the objections to that gun. It is claimed, also, by some, to excel the Napoleon gun. The improvement consists chiefly in the shell, which, at the moment of explosion, is expanded by the gases, so as to fill, without abrading, the grooves of the rifle-gun. The experiments at Springfield were made with a twelve-pound gun, the shot weighing thirteen pounds, and the charge of powder being one pound and a quarter.

OREGON CITY MARKET.—Wheat \$1.15; flour \$6.00 to \$7.50; potatoes 75; oats 75; butter, fresh, 25c—packed, 30c; bacon 15 to 16c; eggs 40c.

trine of the Lynchburg Republican, which doctrine the Eli Thayer wing of the Black Republican party has already acceded to and indorsed as the best and most practical means of excluding slave property from the Territories—in such case we say, we regard it as much more probable that the Conservative Democracy, not only of Virginia, but of the South, and of the whole Union, will refuse to vote for the nominee of the Charleston Convention.

MOVEMENT TO LET THE CHARLESTON CONVENTION SLIDE.—The Athens (Tenn.) Post gives currency to the following rumor: "Rumors are afloat to the effect that there will shortly be a meeting of prominent Democrats of Louisiana, Mississippi, Virginia, Alabama, Georgia, and South Carolina, to take counsel upon the condition of the party, and to discuss the expediency of letting the Charleston Convention go by default. The party in the free States has become so thoroughly free-soilized that they utterly despair of electing a sound Democrat in 1860, and regard a union with the Southern Opposition and the conservative men of the North and West as the only means of defeating the Black Republicans in the Presidential contest of the approaching year. It is said that the movement only awaits the termination of the elections in Tennessee and Kentucky. Should the Opposition carry those two States, of which there is now but little doubt, it will immediately go forward."

SENATOR HUNTER, of Virginia, is making known through his organ, the Richmond Examiner, that he is opposed to Congressional legislation for the protection of slavery in the Territories. He believes it inexpedient.

M. BLONDIN AT NIAGARA FALLS.—Monday afternoon, M. Blondin again crossed and recrossed the Niagara on his rope, in the presence of more than ten thousand people. He started from White's Pleasure Grounds, and first walked down the rope nearly one hundred feet backward. He then returned, took the balancing pole, and walked to the Canada side. He proposed to put on a sack before leaving the American side, but his friends there refused to permit him to do so. The sack was sent around to the Canada end of the rope, and M. Blondin put it over his head and returned with it to the place of starting. This sack was made of Indian blankets, with places cut for his arms. He had no difficulty in crossing thus blindfolded, except that his balancing pole caught two or three times in the guy ropes. He laid down upon the rope in the sack, and performed some other feats. The success of M. Blondin in walking this rope seems to be established now beyond all doubt.—Buffalo Commercial, 6th July.

ACTIVITY OF NAPOLEON.—A private letter from the seat of war says that since the active work began Napoleon knocks up two horses every day, being in the saddle from four o'clock in the morning; and some of the grooms have just reached Paris for a fresh supply from the imperial stud. His indefatigable inspection of all matters involving supply, commissariat, and reinforcements, was the theme of the whole army.—N. O. Com. Bul.