

THE PRESIDENT.

On Friday last week the President's case was considered almost hopeless, but on Sabbath his symptoms were better, and he has improved steadily ever since, and is now in a fair way of recovery.

The Salem Town Talk wants us to be explicit and inform him which of the editors of the Statesman we referred to as being a candidate for the United States Senate.

Our next Legislature should see to it that the compensation of County Commissioners is measured. It is a burning shame to ask a man to attend to the duties of this important office for the compensation now offered.

It is very probable that our neighbor of the Register is on the wrong track when he accuses Villard of meddling with a little mail route of the size of the one between Albany and Lebanon.

WE HEARD a gentleman say a few days ago that the death of the President would settle one question, and that was "What should be done with Quitman?"

FREE trade is becoming more popular every day with our Western farmers. Even almost an idiot can understand that if our protective tariff was removed or reduced to such an extent as to allow English ships to bring British goods to our shores instead of loading up with stone, the freight on our wheat from Portland to Liverpool need not be over half what it now is.

A LATE copy of the Public Ledger, of Philadelphia, says "the Oregon Pacific Railway Co. (Yaquina Bay Road) expect to have 130 miles in operation by the beginning of next year, covering Benton, Linn, Polk, Marion and Lane counties, which produce three-quarters of the Oregon wheat crop."

The United States must not take rank as the wealthiest nation in the world. It falls behind only England and France in its present valuation, and its average annual increase of wealth is greater than that of both these nations combined.

The Bull Run defeat of the temperance advocates in North Carolina is attributed to the Republican state committee, which arrayed against it the solid negro vote by denouncing the bill as aimed at the "liberties of the people."

The progress of the drive from the Flatson upon the workmen engaged upon it ran into a den of rattlesnakes just below where they were employed into the Natchez. They killed 142, and the boys say 10's of them got away.

PACIFIC COASTERS.

Flour is quoted at \$16.50 per thousand at the Ashland and Eagle mills. Twenty thousand pounds of flour were sold at Jacksonville last week at \$15 per thousand.

Mr. Hurlburt says that Ashland bales is 9000 feet in height and 5500 feet higher than Ashland. The steamer Andrew Snider is reported to be doing a rushing business on Goose Lake, supplying a want long felt.

There will be a trestle 800 feet long between Bolles Junction and the mouth of the Tucuman, on the Grange City branch. There are this season a great number of steam threshers in the field. They bid fair to do away with the horse power machines altogether.

The hop crop in Lane county is said to be good, and parties raising hops are making ready for the harvest. Mr. Brown, of Josephine county, has sent East for another sorghum mill with an entire full outfit for manufacturing syrup on the most improved process.

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THE IDAHO BROTHERS.

The Idaho brought up on her last trip from San Francisco to send ports \$120,000 and 143 passengers. Saturday last a stepson of C. Z. Cheney, living in Moscow, was badly injured on the heel by a rattlesnake.

A terrible accident occurred at Mr. Maxwell's place on Union flat, about twelve miles south of Colfax, on the 18th. Mr. Maxwell was running a mowing machine and his boy Arthur, about ten years old, was playing in the wheat just ahead of the machine.

The revenue collected at the Port Townsend custom house during one year recently ended was \$16,726. During the same year the direct imports from foreign countries amounted in value to \$17,500, and the exports to foreign countries to \$302,000.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

DEAR SIR:—In your issue of Aug. 19th I noticed a lengthy communication signed by Robert L. Stephens, and having carefully read the same I feel some slight claim to be counted among those especially addressed therein.

Mr. Stephens is a just and reasonable man, being at all times ready and willing to help those who from a fixed principle are active in effort to assist in reclaiming those who have become impenitent, realize their enervated and evil condition, and would, but it seems cannot, overcome a habit or disease, which he might be. Also in providing means and upholding all proper means whereby temptations may be removed, especially the closing of those places where every opportunity is given, and inducement for the indulgence of a depraved appetite on the part of those who, as the direct result of "moderation" (which my worthy friend lays down as the true and proper course), has passed beyond, into the path which all are so very ready to deplore.

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VACANT JUDGESHIPS.

It is whispered about that the high position once occupied by Judge Clifford is coveted by a judge in Oregon. This rumor comes as a matter of cool astonishment more than anything else.

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OUR SIG LETTERS.

SCIO, August, 27th, 1881. A few letters from Scio may be of interest to your many readers. We are visited to-day by a gentle rain. We hope it will not continue, as it will prove very detrimental to the farmers, by causing them to stop threshing for a short time.

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THE WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

This has no further need to answer the article from the pen of the Rev. R. I. Stevens, since his brother Harris has so commendably used most of the arguments which we would have advanced.

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