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 can sign any fictitous name they pleas of pheir letters so that it is not the nam
if any person, provided they will a the editor. We require the namex all correspondents not necessarily,
for publication but as a sign of good Actoria vas. Portland

The Bulletin and the Astorian have locked horus about the relative mer-
its and demerits of their respective towns for the shipment of foreig towns for the shipment of foreig
cargoes and unless we greatly er the latter has flanked his opponent ahd butted him off the bridge. The
Astorian "spenls by the book" becalnse the Custon土 House records are
at his elbow and we do not think at his elbow and we do not think
that his figures will lie, so we pre sent to our readers the following tabulated statement from that paper
of the comparative costs of shipping a load of grain partly from Astoria and Portland, and of a load shipped


 bear in mind that the Astoria char ter is made on the same basis as the
Portland charter, whereas in fact Portland charter, whereas in fac favor of Astoria.
Now we dont have any sublime
Paith in Jo Teal and his transporta tion company. We don't believe that Mr. Teal would even sacrifice his wife's relations for the benefit of
the people of this State, but we have the people of this State, but we have
long had the conviction that Port land's struggles to retnin the suprem acy as the shipping port of this State was a struggle against fate; that the hundreds of thousands spent in dredging out the constantly shifting
and drifting sand bars in the Wiiand drifting sand bars in the Wil muney thrown away; and that the
establishment of a custom-house at Portland was a useless and toolish oxpenditure of money. It does scen strange that the business mind
Portland will struggle against the inevitable, when they must know that it is only a question of lime. As
the business of the Columbia increas es so sure will the pressure increase to ship from the point where it will
cost the least and where large ship cost the least and where large ship
can always appronch, take on their cargoes and sail every day in the yertland is not, and that settles the question beyond caril and forever.
The Oregonian learns from Mr. Nesmith that Congress approprinted the following moneys for the
provements o: Ore zon rivers: For the improvement of the lowe
Willatuette and Columbin rivers from Portland, Oregon, to
twenty thousaud dollars. twenty thousand dollars.
For the inproverent of the upper Wiillamette river, Oregon, twenty-
five thousand doliars. For the improvement of the uppee
Columbia river, thirty-five thousand The $\$ 20,000$ appropriated for the improvement of the lower Willam etto and Columbin rivers is just so much lost to the State. So with the land Cuatom House. Such will continue to be the disposition of appropriations for this State as long as
we elect men to Congress whose first thought is for Portland and whose second thought for the State, and
who make the interests of the State subserve Portland.

## New Hampshire Election.

Full returns from the election in majority. New Hampshire elected the Democratic ticket two years ago and the Republicans feel quite osultant orer the result. It is one desert of Democratic victories last
Hos. R. Stort was in tomn last Hos. R. Srotr was in town
week. He went up to Yauhill c
ty and thence to Portlanit.
 not put off the responsibility ner so sell himself as to bs relesied from
the responsibiity of doing his pupils the responsibiiity of doing his pupil
all the good he cau ly imparting all the good he ca.
them knowledge.

## But if it is for gaining knowledge that children

that chilldren go to school
yet even in gaining this they
naust receive moral or immoral impulses, so that apon the narrowes
definition of the school, involved. But we do not admiter that
int going to sehool is solely neynure
knowledge. The culture of the child is the aim of the teacher. His aim as determined by the want; of the
the child-aot the prescription of the public--must define what that
culture shall be. The teacher c
highest porsonal iuterest of his pupils are in his hands. He is not only 10 teacher but no man if he can quietly dispose of his responsibility for
everything except a little anthmetic, everything except a little anthmetic
\&c, and say, "It is no concern of mine if the children he, swear, or fight." The teacher cannot even neg lect the plysical, though this re
ceives ite special development oat side the sehool. Bat the head and
side heart, though ei: her may receive spe-
cial attention nt howe cial attention at home, are even
moro inimately united. What connoro inimately united.
stitutes the soul cannot be so separa-
ted as to be educated in segments It is the business of the teacher to understand how it is to be symetri cally developed and look after the
work in each individual child. He work in each individual child. He
is not to do it all, but during the is not to do it all, but during the
school-hours, and especially, so far as knowled.ge may be ased a a an in-
strument, he is to seck the fullest sroment, he is each seck pupil, and this re
velopment
quires the pervasive influence of re quires
ligion.

Disturibances in Church
At Hillsbero and the Grove ther is a class of young men and women
who elass themsolves among the who elass themsolves among the
best, who whisper and langh in church just as they would at enter with any intentional meetings, not disrexpect to the preacher or the people who hav come there to worship, batt simply
to please themselves. Some of them
bave been tanght better at home, have been tanght better at home
and all of them know better. We would sugngest to pareents who
have children to either go with thom to church and sit with how or keep them at home. And to young men
and women, and everybody, that they would better stay nway fron
church if the behave themselves. People wiog
to church to worship have some rights which other people should be male to respect whether it pleases
them or not. Another suggestion. Religious
people would find that voung people
would respect reli, would respect religious institutions and sached things more if our
charches would quit holding politi-
cal and theatrical performances and other mere amu
church buildings.
Some people w Some people wants us to publis ers of meetings, bat we think tha should be made a last resort. A lit
tle julicious fining would do more tle ju licious fining would do more
tood than anything else. Some peo le are more tender in pocket than when they come into court, or ove
the signiture of any respsible per son.
The churches should adopt certain
police rogalations by which these pohice regalations by which these
disturbanes could be easily kept We want to see the church people
display a little more backione bc. fore we shall come very entiusias-
tieally to their aid.
Misrane.--In Prexident Massh; article lost week by an error in thin
office he was mate to say "Bat I did office he was mate to say "Bat I did
,ut give emplatic expression," etc. The word "not" was a mistake it destroys the effect of the whole ar-
ticle. We shall ticle. We shall make no npology
for a good many mistakes that on cur and wili oceur in our columns
We suppose it will We stppose it will be so as long a
we have to do ofice work and matil we gain
leader.
 pondent appenred in last week's i suc which we
dently nimed a
which he claims, which he claims, misrepresents hin
very auch. But Mr. Walker is to
well known in his noighborhool to be injured ly misrepresentation.

## Bumamones. In the Cirnit Conrt of the State of for Washington Conty.

 Forest Ghove.Ma. Edifor: There is a custom in vogue to some extent upon which
wish toanimad vert, the property of absentees more than that of actual residents. Resident tax-payers, especially in for tho time teing it lessens their burdens that therefore it is a good
thing financially, however it may be thing fitu
morally.
But this is a this take. The prac-
tice in any town, county, or State tice in any town, county, or state
where it prevails is to mako invest-
ments in taxaibe property there less desirable, and of course to lower the valuation of property. Any prac-
tice that has this tendent tice that has this tendency is inexpe-
dicnt. But apart from its inexpediency ery tax to be levied according to a
fair as well as correct valuation. What right have we because a prop-erty-holder is absent to goonge him
out of an extra tax? out of an extra tax?
Is not there a meanness, of which it is hard to believe that any one,
much less a whole community, nuch less a whole community,
would be guilty in taking adrantage of a man's absence in order to inflict
wrong? Property ought to be assessel at a fair cash ralue, no more and no high or llow, present or absent.
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