

The Indian Department.

It is now apparent that the "Indian Department" is about to be abolished by Congress. The control of the red skins is to be taken from civilians and given to the "War Department."

VALUABLE INFORMATION.—The readers of the *Burlington Courier* are informed that the Burlingame treaty permits Chinese to come here and naturalize;

The Democratic organ of Linn county says confidently, that all the radicals and some weak-kneed Democrats will say amen when negro suffrage is established.

The Albany Democrat man is at last comforted. He remarks that negro suffrage will soon be forced on Oregon and all the other free States by Congress.

The Democratic press has already commenced its wail against the discontinuance of the *cleomossynar* institution known as the "Freedmen's Bureau."

Since the Congressional celebration was received by the Oregon "Rump," it is doubtful whether the legislative seats will be occupied on the 4th of March next.

We admire those democrats who now claim that Grant will make "almost a Democratic" President. We always did admire that conservative who, when refused admission into the ark, signed a faithful Noah with the prediction that the coming deluge would not be much of a deluge after all.

An Extra Session.

In an article on the condition of the State Finances, the *Unionist* of the 18th inst. demands an extra session of the legislature, and remarks that nine tenths of the Republican party in this State are in favor of it.

The "people of Oregon" chose to lie down with the Democratic party—that party as represented in the legislature have made a very uncomfortable bed for the people—let them lie in it and have a full surfeit of the "blessings of Democratic rule."

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We notice by an order of General Sheridan, issued on the plains, October 28th, that our old friend and comrade, Lieutenant Silas Pepon formerly of the 1st Oregon Cavalry, is at present in charge of a company of scouts, fighting Indians in the vicinity of Fort Harker in Kansas, with the rank of Lieutenant in the regular army.

It is said that General Grant is likely, in his first message, to advocate such an amendment of the Constitution as shall make the President ineligible to re-election.

Railroad Matters.

We are called upon by our cotemporary to instruct our people how to build a railroad; and we are assured that they will do it immediately. In the first place our forte is not railroad building, and in the next place we doubt seriously whether "our people" will ever build a mile of railroad in this valley.

In the Willamette valley many people have offered one-half their property as a bonus to a company who would act in good faith. At Vancouver they have done likewise, well knowing that with a railroad connecting them with a market, the other half would be quadrupled in value.

All that we can hear of the citizens of this valley doing to help themselves, is the survey of some passes through the "Cascades," and the drafting of a remonstrance more noted for an impolitic exhibition of ill will to other projects in this State than anything else.

The Public Health.

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"IRRESPONSIBLE."—The name of Mr. Penoyer, which has been standing for some weeks at the head of the *Herald* columns as editor of that paper, has been withdrawn, and no person is now announced or known as editor.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—The vote of this State was, Grant, 62,300; Seymour, 45,137. Republican, 17,163. Total vote, 107,437.—about the same as that of California.

Small-Pox and How it Came Here.

Now that it is absolutely certain that this loathsome disease is among us, the natural enquiry is "how did it get here?" There are various surmises concerning its origin in this place, all of which seem unsatisfactory.

The following is the report of the General of the Army for the present year, transmitting the reports of his subordinate commanders to the Secretary of War:

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES, Washington, D. C., November 24, '68. General J. M. Schofield, Sec'y of War: Sir: I have the honor to submit the reports of division, district and department commanders for the past year.

I would earnestly renew my recommendation of last year, that the control of the Indians be transferred to the War Department. I call special attention to the recommendation of General Sherman on the subject. It is his earnest approval. It is unnecessary that the arguments in favor of the transfer shall be re-stated.

While the Indian war continues, I do not deem any general legislation for the reduction of the army advisable. The troops on the plains are all needed; troops are still needed in the Southern States, and further reduction can be made in the way already used, and now in operation where it is safe, namely: By allowing companies to diminish by discharges without being strengthened by recruits, and by stopping appointments of second lieutenants.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant, U. S. GRANT, General.

SMALL-POX AND SCARLET FEVER.—A correspondent of an exchange says: I herewith append a recipe which has been used to my knowledge in hundreds of cases. It will prevent or cure the small-pox though the pittings are filling. When Jenner discovered cow-pox in England the world of science hurled an avalanche of fame upon his head; but when the most scientific school of medicine in the world—that of Paris—published this recipe as a panacea for small-pox, it passed unheeded.

The above remedy, clipped from the *Sacramento Union*, has been tried here in one case with marked success. It is simple, easily procured, and should the disease become epidemic here, should have a fair trial.

The Polk county paper says. Gov. Woods has appointed J. L. Collins Judge of that county to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. C. Whitson.

CHRISTMAS.—Yesterday was the dullest Christmas ever known in Jacksonville.

Perverses as Ever

Thank heaven, we have A. Johnson's last. Into his final message he has compressed all the malignity, perverseness and shallow special pleading of all his former efforts. Congress should not have received his paper. It is an insult to that body and the nation.

THE LADY OF THE WHITE HOUSE.—In connection with the election of General Grant to the presidency, and only second to it in point of interest, is the promotion of Mrs. Grant to the post of "Lady of the White House." It is gratifying to think that the position is one which Mrs. Grant will fill with the true simplicity of an American woman.

HARD TO PLEASE.—The two Democratic papers of this city are grumbling because Senator Williams has introduced a bill to exclude the Asiatic races from American citizenship. They think the Chinaman should be made a citizen if the negro is. Perhaps they do not know that by the National Constitution every negro is a citizen both of the United States and the State where he resides.

THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH SCHEME.—A Washington special says: It is certain that the question of a postal telegraph will be vigorously pushed in Congress this winter. The bill of E. B. Washburne, now in the Postoffice Committee of the House, provides for the building of new telegraph lines by the Government. He says he has no partiality for this measure, and is entirely ready to cooperate in urging the adoption of the other bill looking to contracts with existing lines, which Gardner Hubbard is now advocating before the Western Board of Trade, if it shall be found on further consideration that this has more friends than his bill.

LOYAL DEMOCRATS. READ.—The *Caucasian*, a Democratic paper printed at Chico, says: On Tuesday evening we were honored by a visit from Mr. Eugene Semple, Portland, Oregon. He was on his way to San Francisco to purchase material for a first class newspaper, to be established at Portland. Mr. S. is a man of education and a conscientious, the best proof that he is a true Democrat.

REMARKABLE FIDELITY.—Some of the Democratic leaders, with an absorbing devotion something like that which characterized the good woman who "never would desert Mr. Mienwber," declare that they will "never abandon the Democratic organization." The determination is perfectly harmless. The people having abandoned them, they will present a pretty spectacle standing alone in their firm resolve.—*Oregonian*.

The rejected Isabella's mother gave her a marriage dowry of \$30,000,000, \$17,000,000 of which the revolutionists found in the Madrid palace. The crown she secreted, but carried off the most valuable diamonds. Maford, her attendant, left \$6,000 in his apartments.

DEATH FROM VACCINATION.—We are informed that a child at Mound Prairie, belonging to a family named Warren, died last week from the effects of vaccination.—*Pacific Tribune*.

MARRIED.—ISHAM BAIRD.—At Grant's Pass, on Christmas eve, by J. T. Perkins J. P., Mr. S. Isham and Miss Catura Baird.

BORN.—MCGREGOR.—On the 15th inst., to the wife of Capt. Thomas McGregor, of Fort Klamath, a daughter. GRUBE.—On the 23d inst., to the wife of Dr. F. Grube, of Jacksonville, a son. VAN FLEET.—In Jacksonville, on the 20th, to the wife of Allan Van Fleet a daughter.

DIED.—BRADY.—Near Jacksonville, December 20th, Mrs. Susan Brady, wife of Thomas Brady, aged thirty-eight years.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

ATTENTION FARMERS Gang Plows.

I HAVE purchased the patent right of Jackson and Josephine counties, for the celebrated Gang Plow, and am now prepared to fill orders, and will guarantee that this plow will do better work with less power, and give more satisfaction than any yet offered to the farmers of southern Oregon. Plows warranted in every respect, and all kinds of blacksmithing done at ten per cent. discount for cash. oct16th P. DONEGAN.

SOLDIER'S BOUNTIES.

I HAVE RECEIVED FROM THE U. S. Treasury drafts for the bounty of the following named gentlemen: George W. Ashley, Charles S. Baird, C. C. Fells, Charles E. Chappell, Garrett Crocker, James M. Hoxie, Wm. A. A. Hamilton, Joseph Moran, David A. Taylor and James Weaver. These gentlemen will please call and get their pay. B. F. DOWELL. Jacksonville, Sept. 1st, 1868.

Teams Wanted for Camp Warner.

ON and after the first day of October, 1868, the undersigned have determined to sell for cash exclusively—except upon special contract. Those included in the list must positively pay up, as all accounts will be closed October 1st. GLENN DRUM & CO. sept12th

BOOT AND SHOE MAKERS.

NOTICE.—Having disposed of our Factory, we are now prepared to give our whole attention to our Leather and Finding business. The land, direct from France, Calif & Kip, Domestic Leather, Boot Legs, etc. JOHN G. DERS. L. F. AVINE, John Day, New York, Paris, San Francisco. Address: HEIN & BRAY, San Francisco, 416 Battery Street.

Notice Positive.

THE undersigned finding it necessary for them to collect all outstanding notes and accounts due them in order to meet their own liabilities, take this method of notifying all persons indebted to them to come forward immediately and pay up, as their notes and accounts will be put in the hands of an officer for collection. SUTTON & STEARNS

Dissolution of Partnership

THE partnership heretofore existing between J. G. Adams and Wm. H. Witt, Galice Creek Oregon, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All the accounts will be settled and the business continued by J. G. Adams. J. G. ADAMS. Wm. H. WITT. Sept. 21st, 1868. oct17th

Notice to Delinquents.

WE hereby give notice to all who are indebted on accounts now in our hands for collection, that the same must be settled immediately, as they will be sued upon and collected by law. Also those indebted to the firm, will do well to settle their accounts with us as we have grown tired of dunning, but still intend to have our dues. DOWELL & WATSON.

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE partnership heretofore existing between E. H. and Wm. C. Greenman is dissolved this day. The accounts of Dr. Greenman are in the hands of W. C. Greenman, and an immediate settlement is required. E. H. GREENMAN. W. C. GREENMAN. Aug 6th, 1868. oct26th

PEACOCKS.

I HAVE for sale near Ashland, a few pair of peacocks in splendid condition. These beautiful birds are the only ones in Oregon, and are perfect applying soon, as they are scarce. They will be sold either in pairs or in triads. oct28th W. C. MYER.

SEED WHEAT.

THE undersigned has for sale at his mill on Wagner Creek, a quantity of splendid seed wheat, of the white variety. It has been raised with especial care, and raised on new ground on purpose for seed. W. BEESON. Wagner Creek, Nov. 11th 1868. Dec 9th

HIDES! HIDES!

THE HIGHEST CASH PRICES PAID FOR Hides of all kinds, delivered at the market of the undersigned, in Jacksonville. JOHN ORTH. December 8th 1868.

To the Reading Public.

WE have fitted up a comfortable Reading Room and Circulating Library, which will give everyone who wishes to read a chance. For particulars enquire at the City Drug Store. dec24th SUTTON & STEARNS.

Notice.

The public are hereby notified that my wife, Martha Kilgore, having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, I will pay no debts of her contraction. All persons so warned not to trust her on my account. FELIX KILGORE. Jacksonville, December 12th, 1868.

Notice.

The undersigned takes this method of informing all those indebted to them by book account or otherwise, to come forward immediately and settle their accounts, and also those who have demands against me. HOPKINS & CO.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given to persons indebted to us to come forward by the 1st of January, 1869, and settle their accounts. We must have money. SACHS BROS.

Notice.

THE books and accounts of the SENTINEL are in the hands of Mr. E. B. Watson. Those indebted will please call and pay their accounts. B. F. DOWELL.

NOTICE.

I HEREBY give notice that my notes and accounts have been placed in the hands of Dewell & Watson for collection. W. C. GREENMAN.

DIP ROARING RIDICULE.—THE AMERICAN WIT, 50 cents a year. Address AMERICAN WIT CO., 69 Cedar street N. Y. P. O. Box 6098.

GO TO THE CITY DRUG STORE and buy your BLUE STONE.