Surveying the Public Lands

Not long since, we pointed out the necessity of immediate surveying of the public lands in this end of the State, and particularly in Goose Lake Valley. The season is advancing and we have not heard of any surveying party being any substantial encouragement that any surreying will be done there this auromer. The tide of emigration is new flowing to Southern Oregon, and we again call the attention of the Surveyor General to this matter. The appropriation is ample, and the survey of the land is intended to benefit the Government as well as the settlers, by throwing it into market. It strikes us that the appropriation could not be expended more judiciously than by finishing the surveys in this end of the State, and enabling the settlers to enter their land at once without any further trouble. In the Goose Lake Valley there are a great number of claims taken up under the pre-emption and homestead Acts, and if no surveying is done until permanent improvements have been made, the settlers will be subjected to expen sive and vexations litigation. We shall recur to this subject from time to time until satisfied that the matter is to be attended to, or that a good reason exists why it should not be,

EDITORAL CONVENTION. - The Albany Register in speaking of the members of the press, who were at the Odd application for the tand grant, and was Fellow's celebration in this city, asks :

Why wouldn't it be a good id a to have an editoral convention, or grand filed their assent within one year, as rounion of "press operators," at Salem, prescribed by the Act of Congress. or some other piont in the State, dur. This was the situation of affairs at the ing the coming summer? It would undoubtedly be productive of much good. What say our brethern of the secue and acquired in interest in the east

Jacksonville and learn something of Col. C. Reed and others, that he intenthe branty of the valleys and the rich | ded to run the road by the most direct ness of the mines of Southern Oregon, route to the Pacific Railroad; but about come and disabuse yourselves of the the meeting of the Legislative Assemfoolish idea that the great Willamette bly last September, Ben's tacties changvalley is the State. Come down and ed; he become greatly in love with you will find the prettiest women and Southern Oregon. He wanted to go of human kindness strained through a basket of rose leaves.

PASSENGER TARIFF ON THE OVER-LAND RAILROAD, -Sacramento, May 7th,-Commencing on May 8th, the fare, first-class, from Sacramento to the eastern terminus of the Central Pacific Railsend will be \$50 in coin, or, in currency, \$67. From Ogden to Omaha, the fare will be \$77 40, in currency; from Omaha to Chicago, \$22, in currency ; and from Chicago to New York. \$20, in currency. Children under twelve years of age will be charged half fare. One hundred pounds of baggage will be allowed free.

The editor of the Oregon Herald has had another very violent spasm. It appears that Washburne has procured several consular appointments for citizens of Illinois, which are credited to the Territories, and the Herald man is nearly frantie. As Republicans are not disposed to find fault, so that the appointees are suitable and fit, we dont see what right Democrats have to excercise themselves on the subject.

RAILROAD MATTERS .- Elsewhere will be found a communication on the subject of railroads. In some respects it is erroneous, some of its conclusions having been drawn from the supposition that a grant had been made for the "Humboldt Branch." In other respects it is correct and the people of Southern

WARM WEATHER .- For several days this week, the weather has been epressively warm, the themomiter on Tuesday morning 94 degrees in the shade-Pretty warm weather for May.

for duty as Quartermaster.

How Southern Onegon Lost the Railroad

EDITOR SERTINGE:-I observe in your last issue you asked, and I think correctly answered, a question which probably sets at rest the question of a railroad through Umpqua and Rogue River valleys for the next generation. You ask, in view of the present legislation, it a railroad will be built through your valley .- The answer is, no.

While such an event is much to at work in that scellon; nor have we deployed, it is not sudden or unforseen. The moment the Legislative Assembly of 1868 designated the East-side com- pointed is true, but the whole play pany instead of the West-side company, points out a moral from which the wise the true friends of our interests aban- may well profit, never to let a certain-

doned all hope. In 1866 the Legislative Assembly designated the West-side company as the one entitled to the land grant, (20 sections per mile) which company filed their acceptance of the Act of Congress within one year, the time limited by the Act, and was recognized by the Secretary of the Interior as the company entitled to the grant. Some six months subsequently, the East-side company was formed, and as the knowing ones there believed, with the intention of running their road over the Pegra route, which would play Southern Oregon out of the ring. This opinion was strengthened by the fact that the President of the East-side Company declared at different times that the company intended to go over the Pengra route; in fact the people here regarded the East-side movement from the beginning as intending to betray us. However, this East-side company made an informed that their claims could not be recognized, inserrich as they had not time Ben Holliday appeared upon the side road; and Ben, at about that time, By all means come down here to in Portland, said to ex Governor Gibbs.

the best and liveliest boys to be found back to Congress and be backed by a in Oregon. Come and see our grain resolution of the Legislative Assembly fields smiling and laughing in a sun- recognizing the East-side company as light such as rarely shines outside of entitled to the land grant. The Westitaly. Come and see our orchard's side company, however, did not ask bending beneath their load of luscious any further legislation, but was confenit; see our people growing rich in tent to take the Act of Congress as it comparative indolance; hear the ring: then stood, giving the twenty sections ing of the picks and sledges in the busy on condition that the road run through mine and go home regretting, as all Umpqua and Rogue River valleys. strangers do, that you could not stay The Republican members from South here always. If you come, we will ern Oregon, in the last Legislature, spike the "swamp angel" stop up our were unanimously of the opinion that vitriol bottle and write your departure | the Act of Congress should not be tink mixture of honey and the milk eved with any further, it was good enough for us; and when I went down to Salem I believed that common justice would cause the legislature to not disturb the designation of 1866, made to the West-side company; but I soon found myself mistaken, and at the end of three weeks it became evident that Ben's tactics had won. The representatives of the Democracy of Southern Oregon were a unit for the East-side. and it became clear to the Republican members that we were about being sold out, and it was as painfully evident then as now. Under these cir-

cumstances I used every argument of which I was capable to the Democratis Representatives of Southern Oregon to rebuke this gigantic fraud upon the people's rights; but Ben's blandishments, his jovial suppers, and repeated assurance that it was all right, had so completely captivated our Democratic friends, that if even Jeff Davis had told them that they were miserably sold, they would scarcely have believed him and when at last I found it being

ing amendment to the resolution: "That the said designation to the East-side company is made only on condition that the said company shall file in the office of the Secretary of State their bonds with sufficient security, to be approved by the Governor in the penal sum of one hundred thousand dollars in U. S. gold coin, to be paid to the State of Oregon on condition that said road is run upon any other line than through the Umpqus and Oregon can learn by it who their Rogue River valleys of Southern Ore-friends have been. Rogue River valleys of Southern Ore-gon." (This is the resolution substantially, though I have not perhaps got

pressed to a vote, I offered the follow-

the exact words.) But how was this great measure for our mutual protection treated by the representatives of Jackson and Josephine counties? Though their votes Fon Fort KLAMTH .- 2d Lieut Thor- would have caused its passage, yet it 1 nm of the 23d Infantry passed through | was nevertheless kicked overboard and about a week. town this week for Fort Klamath, the people have to reap the bitter fruits whether he has been ordered to report of their representatives' folly. In the last Atta I observe the following:

"The California and Oregon road, now that the branch is provided tor, will, it is said, not take a direct line northward from Marysville, passing near, Shasta, Yreka and Jacksonville, as the route was first surveyed, but will run north north westward in the valley of Pitt River, striking the summit of the mountains in the region of Klamath Lake, and then turn north north-westward of Portland."

This, then, is the last act in Ben't drama, assisted by the first class actors of Jackson and Josephine counties. That the audience have been disapty pass beyond your power when you have the shaping and control of events, merely-because an adventurer assures you that precautions for the people are unnecessary. And when ih future years the unfortunite farmer will find his grain worthless for want of a market, when our vast wealth of lumber will remain as ever on its primevial hills, undistabed by the axe of the lumberman, when enterprise of every kind shall wither languish and die, then the Democratic representatives of Southern Oregon can bonst that they carried out in full, the good old principles of their party, never to loan the credit of the State or nation for the purpose of internal improvement. S. F. G.

The Great Event of the Nineteenth Con-

Canyonville, May 6th, 1869.

The East and the West are at length united by an iron band of over 3000 miles in length; and this generation has seen no achievement so grand and so full of fature promise. After this who shall say what human skill and energy may not accomplish? The spanning of a continent, the surmounting of rugged mountain ranges, the passage of mighty streams and almost impassible canyons, in the short spase of six years may well be called the great event of the age. It is difficult to estimate the effect of the completion of this immense undertaking. America is made the highway of nations, the Orient and the Occident will pay tribate to her, and her own shores are bound together with a band of commercial interest, which after all, is the strongest and most binding tie of Brotherhood in this wide world.

The North Carolina Standard says : For the first time in our history, railroad and other great works of improve ment are begining to shed their benign blessings over all our people. In short, newspapers here and in the vicinity North Carolina finds herself and her contain the following items: principles standing in the front rank of the Southern States, and in the ascendant at Washington. Year-are passing away, just as her star is piercing the clouds which so long obscured it ; just when despair has been succeeded by the that North Carolina is solicited by the leading Rebel paper published in this city to republish the first to learn, and they should by taking to republish the first to learn, and they should by taking pointing an agent and me city, to repudiate the hopeful and energetic men, whose activity and industry have infused vigor and hope to the people of the State. We do not think that there is one man in the Republican ranks who is so cowardly as to regret the sacrifices which have been made to bring the State to its present position of enterprise, prosperity, and \$1,261. happiness.

San Francisco, Cal., May 5th, 1869. GENERAL ORDERS, No. 15.

The following newspapers have been placed upon the advertising list of the War Department, for insertion of such notices as may be sent to them by officers having their publication in charge; "OREGONIAN," published at Portland Oregon. "Exterruse," qublished at Oregon City, Oregon. "State Jour-NAL," published at Eugene City, Ore-"SENTINEL," published at Jackson ville, Oregon.

By order of Major-General Halleck Assistant Adjutant General.

DENTISTRY .- Persons having decay ed or sensitive teeth would do well to call on Dr. Grady, at his office, room No. 11, U. S. Hotel, Jacksonville, for a few weeks. The Dr. comes highly recomended, and is a first class operator. The Doctor has been eighteen years in the profession, and yields to one in mechanical dentistry.

THE WORLD MOVES!-Liberty of worship has been guaranteed by the Spanish Cortes, by a vote of 164 to 40, and universal suffrage declared by a large majority.

EARLY CHERRIES,-Ripe cherries are now among the luxuries in Jacksonville

is being repainted and renovated generally. It will be ready for services in for Wells Fargo & Co.

Sachs Bros., claim to have the only new Spring goods in town-Call and settle the question with them.

Letter From B. F. Dowell.

CHEVENNE, WYOMING TER., (May 1st, 1869. the 26th, and arrived at Omaha, in two days and twenty-one hours, and here in three days and twenty-one hours,

This place is situated on the Union Missouri river, at the foot of the Black Hills, or spurs of the Rocky Mountains, price; 100 pounds of baggage free. and about 85 miles south of old Fort land town, and contains from three to four thousand inhabitants. It has all the marks of a new mining town, and modern fast civilization. It has two daily newspapers, three banks, a steam fire engine, au efficient Hook & Ladder eral. The day was ushered in by a sa-Company, a Church, City Hall, Mason- lute of 100 guns. At noon all the concerthall four dance houses, and many The bells of the city were set ringing, stores, and bordy houses too numer- and steam whistles were screaming. At ous to mention, and also a Turnvarine night the whole city was illuminated.

pect to find the Germans congregate. tary and civic display was grand. There you will find a healthy, enterlaw abiding citizens. This society is the city. noted for the practice of healthy mus | San Francisco, May 9 .- Busin not exclusively German, but men of and the whole city gave the

One is naturally led to enquire what did affair, considering the be supports such a city, surrounded with which it was gotten up. The add one vast and almost boundless prairie, display was excellent and the display No living tree or bush can be seen for good as could be expected could miles around. The answer is it sup- the short notice. The proces plies the miners north of South Pass fifty-five minutes passing a ple along the Rocky Mountains to the The whole city was deco south boundary of Colordo, and the flags, and at night the B immense tract along the railroad.

discovered all along the base of the Union Telegraph Co. press Rocky Mountains from Montana to the appearance, the former having a outh boundary line of Colorado. It is sentation of the railroad trock used in the machine shops, blacksmith letters, "S. F. R. R. & N. Y. Market shops, at the hotels and on the cars, forth by the combination of ores all along the Pacific Rathroad. It is inexanstible. Professor Hayden esti. festooned with Chinese lanteres. mates that these coal beds cover four in every available place, with row hundred thousand agree of land. The row of the same suspended sorow

The Mines, published at South Pass City near Sweet Water says:

"We see quite a number of white shirt and paper collar strangers around stand the quartz, pick, pan and shovel our city, from the North

The Cheyenne Ledger says:

Gold Brick .- At Joslin & Park's may be seen a brick of Sweetwater gold assayed at the U.S. Branch M nt, Denver. The brick is certified as follows: Gold finencess 814; Silver 169; total ounces 52,55; Value in currency

A large amount of counterfest money is said to have found its way into the far west. It is said that over \$40,000 of the "queer" has been captured in Kansas City, within the last four months. A number of farmers in Missouri and Kansas, have suffered by aclling cattle to pretended drovers who

proved to be notorious counterfeiters. A correspondent of the Cheyenne Daily Argus, writing from Atlantic City, Wyoming, states that he had examined all the lodes in that district that have been developed sufficiently to test their character, and find them exceedingly rich in the precious metals. In all of them the presence of free gold | port and educate my children respectin the quartz is frequently discernable to the naked eye. The presence of the baser metals in the quartz, render- treme poverty?" All policies are noning the extraction of gold from the rock difficult and expensive, is wholly unknown.

almost every town and city. At New York I saw E. M. Barnum, W. C. Griswold, Mrs. Senator Williams, and Mr. al, by our citizens. Dividends 50 per Star, of Portland Oregon. At Chicacent on premium paid. Paid in cash go I found Mr. and Mrs. Reed on their to the insured or used to cancel mites, way to Portland. On the cars between here and Omaha, I saw Ed Pinkham with a lady he had courted in Canada during the winter, and whom he had but we believe, none have been offered just married. They were on their way turned home on Tuesday night after a to Idaho City. This morning I saw six months absence at Washington. REPAINTING .- The Catholic Church Henry M. Ellesworth, formerly of Eu- Mr. D. made the trip-from New York gene City, on the cars acting as agent to Jacksonville in less thanten days,

> agent of the North-Western Railroad and will be glad to see his friends at I got ahead of my trunk, and I am his office, where he will befound ready waiting for it.

Completion of the Continental Roilnad

San Francisco, May 8 .- Comment ing on May 8th, for first-class passigt I left New York at 6 30, P. M., on from Sacramento to the Eastern termi nus of the Central Pacific Railroad, the fare is \$30 in coin or \$67 in currency; from Ogden to Omaha, \$77 40 curs rency; Omaha to Chicago, \$22 currency; Pacific Railroad, 517 miles west of the Chicago to new York \$20 currency; children under 12 years of age half

To-day the grand oclebration in hon-Laramic. This town started about or of the completion of the transcontwo years ago, when the railroad roach- tinental railway, the greatest event of ed this point. It is a lively little in the present century, was a grand success, the procession being the finest and largest ever witnessed in this city. The enthusiasm along the line was very DREGON CENTRAL RAILROAD great, and the decorations of buildings with banners, flags, etc., was very genic and OddFellow lodges, two theatres,a Federal forts in the harbor fired salutes. and presented a fine appearance. The The last is a German social society people are all willing and eager to obwhich I described while in Washing serve an event of so much importance ton two years ago. The Germans as to this city and to the Pacific coast, a people, at the stated festivals, join and turned out en masse. Business the race, dance and social chit-chat generally is suspended, and nearly with great energy. Wherever there is every citizen exhibited a bearty inter a Turner's society, there you may execut in the demonstrations. The will

A dispatch received from the last prising body of hearty men and healthy spike of the Central Pacific road at 10 women and ren-femperate, good A. M. sent the joyons news throughout

cle-developing exercises. It is was universally suspended gesterlay other nationalities are invited to par-ticipate in its advantages.

In and the whole city gave themselves to to celebrating the completion of the railroad. The procession was a pleawas universal. The Occidental Beard Vast beds of good coal have been and the rear office of the work gas burners. The telegraph of street. Bonfires blazed on ever ner and the streets were Marally

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med with humanity.

The special travellings ar or for this county. This corganized in 1848, therefor before the public nearly a century. It has assets se ted, of nearly five million come is over two millions In the list we see the nam ing named gentlemen, whi ted largely. E. Holgate, ters, R. M. Thompson, C. Bell, Abram Holder, H. Rev. H. W. Spaulding, D. son, W. B. Carter, J. Will Robertson, of Corvallia, Flint, E. G. Morgan, G. W. Hamilton, M. D., The Hon. C. C. dis, R. Easton, Geo. E. Aikin. H. Stevenson and others, taking not less than five, and some of them ten thousand. All who are not insured now have an opportunity to protect these they cherish; and those that cannot answer yes to the following questions will not procrastinate: "If I were to die to day would my estate be solvent, and would my family be fee from want? Would my wife be able to supably? Would they grow up anscathed, amid the vagrancy crime and ignoming which often accompany extorfeitable, and the surplus taken in a credit note, to be canceled by future oregonians are frequently seen in dividends, practically reducing the rate 40 per cent., as the insured will not be called upon to pay the note. Paleies issued in coin or currency. Dividends to the insured on the payment of the 2d annual premium. We bespeck a where notes have been given. At active man is wanted for agent for this and adjoining counties.

and says it can be done in aght days By the negligence of the baggage before Fall. He comes to stay here to attend to business.

NEW TO-DAY.

years; and that we have set Ju-the trial of said alleged absorb office, and unless you appear on or before day and offer some evidence is support of claim, it will be deemed abandoned and celed.

Dated Land Office, Roseburg Oregon, Maj JOHN RELLY, Register ADDISON B. FIANT, Hopeives. AGENTS WANTED-\$10 A BAY

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