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TERMS IN ADVANCE

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General Howard passed through Pendleton on Thursday last en route to Vancouver. He had a talk with a number of our citizens in which he admitted, so we are informed, that he was misled when he left Cayuse on the 10th of July, by the Indians and reservation whites. This may be so, but it is strange that when he got to Weston where we with others overtook him on the 11th, and he stated that he knew the Indians camped the night before on the mountains between Warm Springs and Cayuse, that he should continue to be deceived and go off with his command and leave us. If Gen. Howard or anybody on his behalf can show any reason for his course, or even offer anything in palliation of this, to us, inexcusable blunder, we will do him justice through our columns.

Against General Howard as a man and Christian gentleman, we have nothing to say but we are fully convinced from the past that as an Indian fighter he is a failure; we do not doubt his bravery but have no confidence in his capacity and as to his strategic ability as an Indian fighting General, we with nine-tenths of the people of this country set but a very low estimate on it. Howard is old and superannuated and should be retired on a pension for life for valiant services rendered his country or else should be taken out where there are no Indians and put in charge of some post where there is more pay than work or ability required.

General Howard, during the civil war proved himself a good soldier fighting civilized people, but his humanitarian mode of warfare is not, as it has proven the right thing for the subjugation of the Indians. The old adage that "you must fight the devil with fire" has been fully demonstrated in our late Indian troubles. The Indians have now surrendered, let the State authorities take them in charge, and whenever it can be proven that any Indian that can be identified has been directly engaged in the murders in our midst, let them be brought to punishment and let the military aid in seeing the law executed. Some of the assassinations are known. Let them be arrested. Gen. Howard has promised our Sheriff that he will see that the Indians are arrested if they can be found and identified. He has called a council of the leading citizens of this place and the State to meet at the Agency on the 26th of this month. Gov. Chadwick has been sent for. Let all turn out on that occasion and let the matter be discussed calmly and dispassionately and let justice be done the Indians and the whites alike. Those that are guilty, let them be punished, and those who had nothing to do with the murders and who have kept themselves aloof from the troubles, be protected and where they will do no more mischief. One thing is demonstrated. The Indians and the whites can not live together here in peace. One or the other must give way, and we are not of the opinion that it will be the whites; we wait to see what will be done. It is our opinion that no Indian will be punished, but we wait and let time prove.

A TOUCHING AND SENSITIVE SCENE.—The children of the late William Henning way, the stage driver lately murdered by the Indians, are at present staying in this city with their grandmother, Mrs. Dryden, whose home is at Reynolds Creek. Among these children is a bright active boy nearly seven years old. On Saturday the little fellow saw some Indians on the street and went to work throwing stones and sticks at them. His grandmother saw him and had to take him off, the little fellow exclaiming, as she did so: "These brutes killed my poor papa." He wanted to be revenged, and took this method of making a demonstration against them. Such a scene is well calculated to arouse feelings against the vindictive and bloodthirsty savage; and, viewing it from an unbiased standpoint, it may be truly said that all the gush, sentiment and philanthropy that have emanated from the Eastern press and the people for years past, pale into insignificance before it. The sight of that little boy trying to have revenge for his murdered father, and the fact that he and his two little sisters have been left orphans by the damnable and swindling Indian policy that our Government has inaugurated and keeps in force, speaks volumes of itself in condemnation of these wrongs, and it is but one of many, quite as heartrending and terrible, which have been forced upon the consideration of the people of this Territory for the past two years.—*Antelope.*

We wish every sentimentalist; every Indian lover; every person in the East, who is really wishing about the hardships of the Indian and who, for the sake of the Indian, could have been present at the heart of the corporate limits.

Who the Murderers Were.

WALLA WALLA, W. T., Aug. 9, '78.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN:

While at Wallula last night I learned what I believe to be a correct account of the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Perkins near Priest's Rapids, on the Columbia. It seems it was done by renegade Indians, one Simcoe and two Columbia river Indians. Immediately after the Indians were fired into on the Columbia, near Umatilla, when a squaw was killed and a papoose captured, these Indians left and went straight to where Moses was camped on the Columbia, near Priest's Rapids, and tried to induce him and his band to go out of camp and across the Columbia again, and as they were retiring exasperated at failing to get him to unite with them, they came across Mr. and Mrs. Perkins, who were leaving their home going to a place of safety on the Yakima, and brutally murdered them. The Yakima Indians were suspected and arrested and confined with ball and chain. Finally he confessed to all the details of the murder, telling who his confederates were, and by some means escaped from the reservation and warned the other two Indians what they might expect.

A day or two ago they crossed the Columbia, going south to join the hostiles with some or more of Father Wilbur's Indians after them.

I gather this news last night, from what I believe to be a reliable source.

Very truly, PHILIP RITZ.

Father Wilbur's Charges.

A Rumor Abroad that He is a Defender of the Source of the "Homicide."

Information.

[From the Standard.]

Rumors are afloat that Father Wilbur, of the Simcoe Reservation was a defender in the sum of \$25,000, and that his bondsman had been called upon to "stand in" with the government. We have known this reverend gentleman for twenty years, and this is the first intimation of his being anything but a straightforward man, as honest as the day and above reproach. The intelligence as published in the San Francisco Chronicle of recent date, was furnished by Charles Newell, at one time connected with the Herald in this city, and is known by many. We will not believe these charges true until they are proven so by thorough investigation. The same paper publishes the following from the same source:

Exploit of Captain Wilkinson.

When reports were received that the hostiles were making for the Columbia river, with the design of escaping into Washington Territory, Captain Wilkinson chartered a steamerboat at Walla Walla for \$500 a day. He manned her with a squad of regular soldiers, reinforced by all the little men he could recruit in Walla Walla at \$2 a day and rations. The steamer started down the river with a crowd equaling the dimensions and partaking of the spirit of a picnic excursion. She was here to oppose a point on the Columbia, which had long been occupied by a village of friendly Indians. Without parley or warning, fire was opened upon the peaceful hamlet, and the result of the engagement was the killing of one squaw and the capture of a solitary prisoner, which was a papoose found strapped to the back of the ill-fated aborigine. The prisoner was taken to Walla Walla. After this achievement the naval force was disbanded, and the government has a bill of between twelve and fifteen thousand dollars to foot as the expenses of the brilliant expedition.

[From W. W. Watchman.]

LIKELY TO BE A "BOAT."—Judging from our Pendleton exchanges, who, by the way are fearless, outspoken, and truthful journals, we fear the people of Umatilla County and the Reservation Indians will never make a match. In fact there must be a bust as soon as the annuity business ceases. We would not like to see the friendly Umatillas wronged or robbed of their land, but to have them as a standing menace in our midst, becomes also unbearable, for if we had no friendly Indians there would soon be no hostile ones, and we would advise our neighbors to be on the just, as well as on the safe side. Give them a wide berth and whenever they show their teeth or become ripe for the war path gather them in and put them in "root" houses till wanted.

[From the Bee.]

MORE MOSQUITO.—On August 31st Gen. Sprague, Superintendent of the O. S. N. Co., went up to Wallula, and sending for Captain Stamp speedily made a contract whereby the steamer Northwest enters the service of the O. S. N. Co. Our information is to the effect that the Northwest will be the present ply between Wallula and Lewiston and way landings for the prices charged by the company. Snake river has reached such a low stage that the company's boats have been badly used recently, and it became necessary to try and get up that river, owing to the accumulation of freight at Wallula. The Northwest is a boat of great power, just suited to the navigation of the Snake river.

[From W. W. Watchman.]

MAKING IT HOT.—THE EAST OREGONIAN is going for Maj. Corney, Indian agent at the Umatilla Reservation, with a red hot stick. The fact is the people of Umatilla County have no faith in the agents integrity or the Indians friendship. Some say: "There is a point to be gained. The people of Umatilla County look with an eagle eye upon the beautiful Reservation, and long to swoop down upon it like a Brahmin rooster upon a Kansas grasshopper and gobble it up." Others, with less of this "wisdom" and whose sympathies for the white man altogether, say that Corney and his whole pack of Indians are an imposition upon the people, and should be ousted. We do not profess to know which is right, but blood being thicker than water, our good wishes go for the white man first and last. The In-

dian deserves none, because he is incapable of appreciating a kindness, in which respect even a dog is his superior. He wags his tail when you give him a bone. An Indian was nothing, merely grunts, and kills those first who betray them the most. Away with the eyesore!

[From the Standard.]

COMMISSIONS ISSUED.—The commissions of the following officers were made out Tuesday and signed by Gov. S. F. Chadwick, with the great seal of the State thereon: J. L. Sperry, Captain Company A, Pendleton volunteers; First Lieutenant, Charles Murphy, and second Lieutenant, J. McThomas, of the same company. The commissions are dated July 17, 1878.

[From the Astorian.]

WHEN the Indian fighting commenced in Oregon, it was proposed that the government send out and learn the intentions of the Indians. Now we propose the government send out to discover what are the intentions of the thieves, rascals, plundering Indian agents, who have brought all this Indian trouble about. Hang all the Indian agents first, then negotiate with the Indians.

Special Report.

BOISE CITY, Idaho, Aug. 7, 1878.

Asst. Adj. Gen. Division of the Pacific.

SIR:—All the organized hostiles still left in the field appeared last in the neighborhood of Big Canoe Prairie. I have ordered Major Green, who is near them with five companies of Cavalry and pack train, to pursue them until they are captured. Egbert is to-night at Glenn's ferry. Forsythe is at Sheep ranch on route to Brunson valley. A report not well confirmed reaches me that a large number of Putes have offered to surrender to Miller at Mailer Agency. The apprehensions of the people of danger are so great that I have located the troops so as to catch wandering parties, scout the country and quiet this feeling, so that the farmers may return home and gather their crops.

There is great fear among the people that we shall be too lenient toward the prisoners. It seems to me wise to keep the troops in this vicinity for a few weeks till all danger is over, and the prisoners gathered in, that proper punishment may be meted out to them.

(Signed,) HOWARD, Comd'g Department.

Assignment of Troops.

Gen. Field Orders, No. 8.

HEADQUARTERS, DEPT. OF THE COLUMBIA, IN THE FIELD, BOISE CITY, I. T., August 5th, 1878.

In accordance with instructions and suggestions received from the Division Commander, the companies serving in the Department of the Columbia are hereby assigned to posts as follows:

To Fort Vancouver, W. T.—Companies K, D, and G, 21st Infantry.

Fort Walla Walla, W. T.—Companies F, B, M, and I, 1st Cavalry.

The company to be assigned from the Department of California to the Department of Columbia will take station at this post.

To Fort Lapwai, I. T.—Companies F, and D, 3d Infantry.

To Camp Curd D'Alene, W. T.—Companies I, A, H, and G, 2d Infantry.

To Fort Klamath, Oregon.—Companies L, 1st Cavalry, and P, 21st Infantry.

To Camp Howard, I. T.—Companies C, and K, 2d Infantry.

To Fort Boise, I. T.—Companies G, and K, 1st Cavalry, A, and C, 21st Infantry.

To Fort Colville, W. T.—Companies E, and H, 2d Infantry, H, 1st Cavalry.

To Camp Harney, Oregon.—Companies E, and H, 21st Infantry, A, 1st Cavalry.

To Fort Townsend, W. T.—Companies B, and I, 21st Infantry.

To Fort Canby, W. T.—Company G, 4th Artillery.

To Fort Stevens, Oregon.—Company M, 4th Artillery.

At the close of active operations, or upon being relieved from duty in the field, companies whose stations have been changed by this order will proceed without delay to take post as herein assigned.

By command of

Brig. Gen. O. O. HOWARD.

Asst. de Camp, A. Adj. Gen. in Field.

THE Columbia River Annual Conference of the M. E. Church will convene at Dayton, W. T., on the 12th of September. The following has been adopted as the programme:

Thursday, September 12th.—Conference will be opened by Bishop Andrews, 9:30—12. Regular business session, 3 p. m. preaching: G. W. Grannis, Canyon City, Oregon. 7:30 p. m., preaching: W. G. Simpson, Boise City, I. T.

Friday, Sept. 13th—9—12. Business session, 3 p. m., preaching by S. L. Burritt, Weston, Oregon. 7:30, anniversary conference missionary society. Sermon by J. McKean, Idaho City.

Saturday, Sept. 14th—9—12. Business session, 3 p. m., temperance mass meeting. Addresses by J. D. Plesner, Grangeville; J. McKean, Idaho City; 7:30, anniversary of conference church extension Society addressed by H. K. Hines, La Grande, Oregon.

Sabbath, Sept. 15th—9 a. m., conference love feast—J. H. Wilbur, Simcoe, 11 a. m. preaching by Bishop Andrews, Des Moines. Followed by oration of deacons 3 p. m., childrens meeting—address by J. B. Hill, San Francisco; Roberts, Wallingburg, and Bishop Andrews, 7:30. Preaching: J. H. Acton, editor Pacific Christian Advocate, Portland. Followed by ordination of elders.

Monday, Sept. 16th—10 p. m., sacramental occasion, followed by an address from the Bishop and reading appointments.

A MEETING of the members of the Press will be held at Salem, October 9th 1878, and will no doubt be well attended by publishers of papers throughout the state. The EAST OREGONIAN will be represented.

Homicide at Umatilla.

The following in reference to the Homicide at Umatilla received from our Correspondent.

UMATILLA, August 1, '78.

J. H. TURNER.—A fatal shooting affray occurred at 5 p. m. this evening between John Knotts and Dennis Brassfield, which terminated in the death of the former. Four or five men and boys got into a row in front of Jack's saloon in which the above were participants. Knotts, after knocking three or four of them down went up street. Young Brassfield also ran off and came back with a six-shooter, which, after swinging it around for a few minutes went again into the saloon. Knotts came down the street and pulled a pistol on Brassfield, and it is said fired one shot. Brassfield then fired twice, one ball entering near the jugular vein in the neck and the other passing through his elbow. Knotts then staggered across the street and into the store of John H. Foster & Co. and fell—he only lived about fifteen minutes. Brassfield, after he did the shooting, took himself to flight. The constable is after him.

Since the above we learn that Brassfield was arrested, and waiving examination was held to answer the charge of manslaughter.

Oregon Ahead.

The Topeka, Kansas Commonwealth contains correspondence from the Paris Exposition, and that is Oregon. A circular space about ten or twelve feet in diameter, has a pyramid entirely constructed of the woods of Oregon, and filled with the agricultural growth of that state. It includes samples of all kinds of grains, preserved meats, fish, fruits, etc., and is very creditable, and the cost is not great. I wish Kansas had even that much.

Republicans are terribly exercised over who will be elected to the U. S. Senate. It is none of your business gentlemen. You are counted out and Democrats will settle this little matter among themselves without asking your advice, which is too well known to be only evil, and that continual. A Democrat will be elected and one who is in favor of opening up the Columbia at that. We have been bound long enough by the O. S. N. Co. The mighty Columbia must and will be opened, and Democrats will do it, for nothing could be expected of Republicans who have always proven the friends of monopolies.

But enough of this, while we truly believe that there is no man in the Democratic party of Oregon who would be Mitchell's peer as a senator, we know that there are Democrats, scarce we must admit, who have experience in legislation and who would be a credit to the Democracy of this state. Whether they will consult the interests of the state and send a fit and worthy man is a question, but let us hope that the coming man will be of such a character and standing that Oregonians visiting the East will not have to be perpetual apologists.—*Pendleton.*

We think no Democrat will be elected to the U. S. Senate from this State who is the peer of J. H. Mitchell in scandal. Surely a Democratic legislature will not elect a bigamist and embezzler as his successor and then "the coming man will be of such a character and standing that Oregonians visiting the East will not have to be perpetual apologists," as they are now and must be so long as Mitchell Hiram remains there.

INDIAN AGENCY INVESTIGATION.—From the Mercury. A few days since we gave the result of investigation into affairs of the Crow Creek Agency, in Dakota, in which it was shown that the Agent, Livingston, had been guilty of gross fraud in his dealings with the Indians, and now we find that the inspector has discovered another dishonest agent. A special from Hiram, dated Aug. 5th, says: Indian Inspector Hammett has completed his Standing Rock Indian Agency investigation, and another, Hughes, of Chicago, has come to grief. He was permitted to resign. Hughes is the agent that the Indians wanted to drown a few days ago. Hughes is the 2nd that has succumbed to Hiram since he was made Inspector last winter. Every Agency inspection has resulted in somebody's dejection. It is about time the whole system of our Indian policy should be changed. The entire business appears to be run for the purpose of giving somebody an opportunity for robbing the Indians, or the Government, or both, and the sooner these troublesome wands of the General Government are turned over to the military or made to take care of themselves, subject to the same laws and having the same rights as citizens, the better. The Indian policy is a fraud upon the people, and the agents are usually a fraud upon both the people and the Indian, and the sooner some sensible method of dealing with them is adopted the better for all the parties concerned—except, perhaps, the thieving agents.

SETTLE FOR DAMAGES.—Miss Mollie Rahealy, a lady recently from Washington City has instituted suit in the state circuit court against Mr. Joseph Nott for the recovery of \$50,000 damages. The plaintiff alleges that the defendant met her in Washington City and promised to marry her; that he furnished her with means to enable her to come to Portland; that when she arrived here she found he had married. By reason of his failure to make good his promise, the plaintiff avers that she has been greatly the sufferer, and asks judgment in the sum above named. The case will come up for trial at the next term of court.—*Ex.*

RECEIPTS OF THE WEEK:
Thos. Murkey.....\$ 5.00
Jones Brothers.....1.50
McLynox.....3.00
John Carr.....3.00
J. R. Daniel.....3.00
W. M. Frazer.....6.00
D. W. Bailey.....1.50

Total.....\$23.00

GRANT COUNTY Times has suspended. Hard times, Indian troubles and want of encouragement killed it.

NEW TO-DAY.

Notice of sale of state property need in the Oregon Indian war of 1878.

ON THE 26th DAY OF AUGUST 1878, AT THE CORNER OF N. N. Main Street in the town of Umatilla, Oregon, I will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for U. S. the following described property, to-wit:

Twenty two head of horses; twenty two saddle horses, gelded mares and yearlings, and about thirty blankets and a lot of camp and personal equipment. Also with commission at 1 p. m. this 26th day of August, A. D. 1878.

O. F. THOMAS, Agent of the State.

OREGON INDIAN WAR OF 1878

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