# NOTICE.

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#### WOMAN'S CULTURE.

To all thinkers in every age of th woman was not yet fulfilling her whole rightful work in the social economy. It is obvious, indeed, that the relative rights of the two sexes will be settled only when each enjoys the liberty of ling and exercising its own peculiar character, whatever it may be, suffering no obstruction or hindrance from the other. The whole debate about their respective "rights," in so far as it is based on the idea that there is any real antagonism, is both impertinent and rulgar. Each is really most honored, most advanced and most benefited when the other is,

But woman's capabilities and useful ness have not yet been unfolded to the extent, or in the proportion, that man's have been. Nearly twenty-five hundred years ago, Plato wrote in his Republic. "May not that sex which we confine to scure domestic employments be intended for more noble and more excellent functions?" Should it not cause us to pause and inquire what and where all our boasted progress is, when it is found necessary at this day to repeat the same inquiry?

Yet this same inquiry is, in substance repeated by every philosophical thinker and writer on social economy. It is the warp and the woof of many of the sound social judgments of John Stuart Mill and other thinkers of celebrity, and it impresses itself, even without the aid of philosophical reading, on every attentive observer of social conditions and

It is a fact historically proved that the estimation and respect for woman in human society have increased in the ame proportion that the degree of gen eral culture and good manners has been elevated. That women do not always perform as much as men is due not serely to their weaker pature or smalle capability for work, but equally, or peraps even more, to their defective edu cation, depressed condition and circumscribed opportunities. There certainly hould need no argument to show that the female half has the right to demand permission to try its capabilities for the advancement of humanity in every branch of activity, and that the path to culture, which stands open to the male half, should also be opened to it. Here is the whole demand. It is perfectly simple and just; yet is sneered at and denounced as if it contemplated the overthrow of all the ordin pointments of nature. To argue against such perversences requires no little pa-

tience and self-command.

The whole doctrine that require a relic of barbarous ages, and it is falling into desuctude as rapidly as the en doctrine of true reciprocity of rights and duties is becoming known. positive forms, of slavery. H.W. Jestt

The Lafayette Courier gives vent to the following sensible growl, which so nearly reflects our own sentiments that we publish it. We know whereof we peak when we affirm that the New NORTHWEST is read by bundreds who do not pay for it, and that not occasionally but regularly. That this is a species of dishonesty, none we think will deny, who give the subject a sober seeond thought, and we earnestly entreat our subscribers to endeavor to induce those who habitually borrow their paper to subscribe and pay for it, so they may read it with a feeling of honest ownership. But we forget; we were going to let the Courier speak for us this once; so here is the "honest growl:"

We wish that our subscribers here in town per as soon as they have read it. We notice that quite a number who, when asked to sub-

an illustrated monthly published by MOUNTAIN MEADOW MASSACRE. presents an attractive appearance. The editor sets forth its purpose in a brief and practical salutatory which closes as follows: "In short, no pains will be spared to make the West Shore Interestpublisher, and we are convinced that should we succeed in fulfilling these well as the instigators of the horrid objects, it cannot prove otherwise than deed, have all these years remained ber brethren, does not vanut her superectory to all parties concerned." This periodical will be furnished postpaid for \$1 50 per annum. We wish it

mittee call a Convention, to meet at Sa-of Dames, an accomplice, began on for offi-less on the 10th day of August, 1875, for Monday, the 12th inst. Lee has turned

### "HER SPHERE."

Seconding to the last census of Great Britain, there exists in that kingdom nough to go round; and this in the very face of the tremendous fact that have-grudgingly, it is true-ad dren. Now, if these 900,000 women ine educated for wives and mothers, and there are not nearly enough husbands to go round, and the chances are that housands of women will have no houses to keep, unless they earn them by some us that an education with that sole end n view is liable to be useless.

The surplus of womer in Massachusetts alone is over 30,000, and in view of bese facts and this startling array of figures, we think it full time for those who profess to know all about the plans of Omnipotence, to explain just what these women, fixed by fate outside the phere for which they were created, would better do. We have these statis-tics, which show beyond a doubt that hundreds of thousands of women must upport themselves. It would seem, in-leed, that this was enough, in view of as unwomanly; arrogant men scoff at them as strong-minded; and both de-clare them "out of their sphere;" docthey are too delicate to endure the mension; preachers my that they must keep silent in the churches, and lawyers talk glibly of "precedent." House-keeping is nost of these women would "keep house" in reasonable contentment, if they had a house to keepand an income to meet its expenses, But so long as they must work for bread and shelter, ust so long will they, like men, desire employment that pays the best. A woman who has found by actual trial that she cannot only make a living, but equire a competency as a doctor, is not in danger of being frightened back into the kitchen to work for her bread and lothes, by all the learned emays upon

pel, without regard to the sex of its exonent, she will not darn stockings for othing and sew upon starvation wages. It is plain, then, that so long as hund-reds of thousands of women are comreasonable creatures will insist on doing that which promises the better pay, sphere or no sphere, just as men do. sphere or no sphere, just as nieu county. When the same it is proper and phere seem to know that hard work it for a woman to go. A teacher has to go around the county, and if it is unfit for a Suvages can do that. She may toil like a east of burden, as in Germany; work

oman's delicate physical condition

that can be showered upon her. If she

in the barvest field all day and do the housework at night, as in Pennsylvanis; work eigteen-bours out of the twenty-four anywhere, and there is no flurry about her being unsexed until she receives the same wages as a man ip the espacity of doctor, lawyer, preacher, or

Now, it is very poetical, indeed, to regard woman as an angel and man as her protector; but unfortunately everyday life is usually recorded in the dullest kind of prose, and "what shall we cat, and what shall we drink, and wherewithal shall we be clothed," is the warp and woof of every chapter. The quesble in them to go to a neighbor who has just ling and feeling this, are determined to do the best they can for themselves, rethat declares them "unsexed" when following an avocation which they have proved themselves able to follow suc-

page paper, handsomely printed, and not at some time read with shuddering women, do you see in the extracts given ing to its readers and profitable to its brutally murdered by Mormon emis- sistently tried to frighten the unwarr. "unwhipt of justice."

## AN BXAMPLE.

An exchange mentions the fact that, We have from time to time for years Britain, there exists in that kingdom an's sphere" descant, in tones of well900,000 more women than men. Just
think of it! 900,000 women who cannot, as St. Paul teaches, ask their husbands at home for any desired information, because there are not husbands
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to many the more of the coming women and the second that women could vote wise men so love to dwell upon, that the the fact, but have absolutely refused to heaven-appointed "sphere" of every one be comforted in view of the very possi-of the sex is home, husband, and chil-ble occupany of some of the offices by

ist on being "ivies," where, pray, are We presume that the individuals who the oaks, needed to carry out the favor-ite simile? When the exceptions to proper work for women in the great any rule get up into the hundreds of arena where so many of them are forced usands, they prove rather too much. to struggle side by side with men, and who never see anything degrading to womanhood in unpaid labor, however all education for girls should tend toward menial, but object uniformly to women husbands and house-keeping; but when performing well paid labor, on the ground of its being so unwomanly, are not confined to this latitude, nor to any special locality; therefore, we can imagine the tortures that afflict the borriort of remunerative labor, it occurs to fled spirits masculine, and the dainty spirits feminine, that dwell in certain localities of our sister State, at the daring of women who are actually running

We read in an exchange that the Butte county, Cal., Independent Coninst., and that among these a lady, Mrs. Woodman, was nominated for the position of Superintendent of Schools-nay further, that she was introduced to the which has been widely published.

Those who for years have conjured up such terrible visions of women officethe superior physical strength with seekers, will doubtless read "with shudwhich they must compete, and that all dering horror, pale, and eyes aghast," roads should be left free for them. But extracts from the speech of this woman what are the facts? Trades and profes-sions alike close their doors against old, well-beaten paths worn for the feet them; custom frowns upon them; wom- of women by the customs of the ages; en safe in sheltered homes sneer at them but while we extend our sympathy for their fright at the ominous shadows that coming events throw across their pathway, we cannot forbear giving a ors write learned essays to prove that few extracts. Mrs. Woodman, on being

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE very still. I appear before you, gentlemen, with a great deal of reluctance and hesitation. In all my life I never took up a cross such as I am taking up at this moment; and I think you will believe me when I say this. But I come find that a good salary is the reward of ability and knowledge of law and gospolicy in a convention of gentlemen to claim female superiority. I am not here for that purpose. It is not on that ground that I claim they make better Superintendents, R is because they devote more time to it, because they are more earnest, because they are more devoted to the cause of education, because they are more interested in children than man naturally is. Another reason is that it is a new

Another objection urged against me is, that a woman cannot get around the county. I wonder how a female teacher gets around the county. Wherever you find schools to be visued, you find families where it is proper and

Of the sixty-five votes cast in the Conention Mrs. Woodman received thirtyve, and was declared duly nominated. In response to calls, she came forward

ONVESTION:—I have to thank you for this, not so much on account of the honor conferred on me, as because it is a pioneer movement in this State. I expected to be a martyr to the cause. I came here with my mind fully made up and remarked, as two Chico candidates ent home from here last week and the week store feeling rather bine, that I expected to be

Now, we sak, friends, you who have Mr. I. Samuel, was placed upon our ta-ble early in the week. It is an eight-There are few of our readers who have declared that office seeking will degrade There is now, however, a possibility of herself; speaks depreciatingly of potential that the leaders in this bloody drama litical warfare; does not use tobacco will be ferreted out. The trial of John nor take a dram; rails not at the func

dgment which caused them to go declare themselves; and to cover their

We sincerely hope that this woman by filling it with credit, as we are certain she will, establish a precedent that will be extensively followed, both in her own and our State.

## "SELF-RIGHTEOUSNESS."

An article appeared some weeks since this paper, headed "Tobacco and Temperance," in which we took occa-sion to take our brethren who advocate temperance, with tobacco in their mouths, its fumes on their breath, and its emanations exuding from every pare broken off for all coming time. of their bodies, rather sharply to tas for so glaring an inconsistency. Now. es the editor of the Wine and Liquer Herald and with rising choler, which ssitutes the opening of an escapevalve, reads the cohorts of temperance in general, and the editor of the NEW ORTHWEST in particular, a furious ecture upon self-righteousness. In doing he takes care to show his own meek and humble spirit, by devoutly declaring that he does not vaunt, like teetotalers and prohibitionists, his superiority to his neighbors. Oh, no! No vaunting there!

We expected the temperance brethren resaid would protest against the strong language we used in the article referred. to, but we knew then as we know now, that they could not make a respectable defense of the disgusting habit that we ounced, nor justify themselves in visiding to the dominion of appetite for coo, while they commiserated their poor misguided brethren who yielded to the seductions of the wine-cup. Nor were we at all surprised that a profess friend of liquor should take up the cudgel in defense of its twin-abomination-tobacco-and while denouncing temperauce howlers and prohibitionists," advocate the use of the filthy weed "in moderation." All this is fitting and proper, for moderation is the oply string which even the boldest advocate of tobacco and whisky pretends to play

But we contend that a man has no more right to make himself "moderately" disgusting than he has to become derately" drunk. Beside, moderation, so far as using tobacco is conerned, is a myth. Some men may so use it, but we have never met one.

All argument in regard to the moderate use of things, the excessive use of which is acknowledged to be so disastrous, not only to the victims themelves, but to family friends and society, is utterly useless. The majority of perone cannot or will not observe moderation in their use; neither will the maority of those who contract the habit reak it off after it is formed; so the only safeguard seems to be in avoiding he formation of habits so unclean, so scless, so disgusting, and so detrimental to the best interests of humanity.

disgusting to all with whom they associate by the fumes of tobacco upon their

# ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

cording to request.

Mrs. C. M. F., Salem: Thanks for inthe way.

not return from Astoria in time to attend the Convention. Hope and expect ou will have as usual a good meeting. "Nell:" The verses sent are tender and sweet, but in our opinion do not ossess particular merit. Your prose articles are much more expressive, bence we much prefer them. We highly appreciate your kindness and hope to hear from you frequently.

Brother Casey of the Dallas Itemizer has recently taken to himself a wife, got rid of his obscene editorial associate, and under these flattering auspices his paper, once more a respectable journal, to this office soliciting an exchange. We comply and wish him success in his newspaporial career and unlimited happiness in his matrimonial venture. We would like, bowever, to see him change the name of his paper, as we fear that gation will not suffice to relieve it entirely of the diagusting odor that under Clark's administration attached itself to the very name of Itemizer.

One daily paper is all that that city can properly support, hence the con-tion. The whilem editor of the A

f Salam, intends to remove to Califor-ready to favor you with an also about the middle of August. We which of itself will well rep much regret that our cause in this State visit to his home in the cir-

#### EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE. DEAR READERS OF THE NEW NORTHWEST.

and women who once avoided all apmay be chosen for the office sought, and pearance of social intimacy and friendning, have outgrown their former timidity; and all, fluding to their surprise that the new gospel, like any other sen-sible gospel, never intrudes itself unsought upon anybody, now shake hands restore the old relations that for a few years after we became a political missionary, they imagined to have been

The day upon the Columbia River elegant scenes, excellent dinners, polite attendants, and a general good time, patronize the "Dixie Thompson."

We were met at the wharf at Asto

by Hon. W. D. Hare, the genial and straight-forward Collector of Customs, and were soon a delighted guest in his happy and hospitable home.

A number of friends called in th evening and planned a private picule for the following day. Cape Disappointment was agreed upon as our place of destination, and at eight o'clock on Friday morning behold us, Mr. Hare with a huge lunch-basket deading the van, Mrs. H. and your humble servant bringing up the rear, and all wending our way to the little steamer "Varuna" Capt. Gray commander, where we were seated in a few moments in the anug little box of a pilot-house, under the lee of a great barricade of stately piles, waitng for the signal bell. Our party consisted also of Mr. and Mrs. White and Mrs. Lewis, of Portland, and if we except a severe fit of sea-sickness to which one member was a victim, nobody could imagine a more genial and happy crowd. The captain said that the bay was very smooth, but somehow didn't understand his term. The little vessel gave us a splendid shaking up, but the salt sea air effectually settled us

Away, away, before and behind us, to and rolled the mighty river, continually lifting its white caps to salute us with a mad farewell, as the waters took their final and yet constantly repeated plungs into the roaring sea. The dark waters laving the purple feet of the hazy headlands in the shimmering distance, and the ocean's edges, seemed like mystic shrouds that shut from human vision the eternal land of souls.

The little steamer plowed her through the billows and finally landed us at the wharf at the foot of the promontory of Disappointment, which by some silly act of Congress is to be hereafter designated upon the map as Cape where, nearly a century ago, the origitemperance in drink in the strongest headland, marking the entrance to an Inconsiderable bay, rather than a stately sentinel, as it afterwards proved, to guard forever the mighty channel of the majestic River of the West. Our party was next introduced to the senior light-house keeper, J. W. Munson

and his estimable wife. After enjoying W. S., Walla Walla : Note and re- a brief respite from our wanderings in mittance received and order attended to. their comfortable home, we all proceede up the promontory, through the mill-Mrs. E. M., Lafayette: Change made tary road, past the batteries; and under as directed. The paper will be sent ac- the shadow of parapets, till we reached the round tower. Sitting down upon the very verge of the Occident, to catch erest and compliments. Sorry you our breath and wonder and admire, we loitered for an hour, loth to disturb by our voices the monotonous melody o the monning breakers. But the gentlemen who had carried the lunch were hungry; and all ladies know that there isn't much active appreciation of the beautiful in the breast of a hungry man. Removing to the shade of the tower, we spread our snowy table linen upon the sweet clover and arranged upon it a dinper fit for a sovereign people. The sequel proved that the hunger of our party had not been monopolized by gentle-men. After-land we climbed the spiral stairway and stood face to face with the mighty prismatic globe that nightly gathers up the rays of the great lamp and sends them flashing in a brilliant gleam athwart the sullen waters to guide the mariner safely into port. The walls of the tower are six feet thick, are of solid masonry, and are lighted by the best plate glass. The fifteen-inch co angel"-we don't mean the Governor of Oregon, although we were assured that he and Col. Teal have recently approprinted all the adjacent rocks and lands under the "swamp act" of 1870we do mean the great gun that mount was once fired off by an ambitious man ager of ordinance, and the concuss to the Statesman Publishing Company, broke the plate glass in the tower and and the latter paper is now without a played general havor in other ways. If rival in daily journalism at the Capital. you'd place a man-of-war in the rear of solitary time at his disposal during the long hours when he keeps the lights, he is naturally a great reader, and possessions. which of itself will well repay you for a visit to his home in the clouds. You'll be sure to earry away a volume of Co-

great prismatic globe which Mr. Munsc o delights to keep in perfect order, form panoramic views of the ocean and headelegant steamer "Dixie Thompson" to lands that you can gaze upon for hours, confusion will assert that they always Astoria was relieved of all monotony by always seeing something new and did believe in the political equality of the sexus.

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Astoria was relieved of all monotony by always seeing something new and the sexus. years, when the grasshopper shall have become a burden to us and we are no longer able to do duty in the world's ship with a leader in the woman move- great harvest, if we are compelled to ment, have forgotten their former preju. wait awhile, for the final summons of dice; hundreds more, whose innate sense the mystic messenger, we'll ask of justice was awakened from the begin. Aunt Columbia, in whose service we have tolled so long, to favor us with the office of light-house keeper in some lonely region, where we may end our days in ease and study. Blessed are they whose aspirations are limited And let every honest reader say amen

> Going aboard the "Varuus" in the afternoon, our gracious captain headed for Fort Stevens, where the deputy pay-master of General Howard's division had the pleasant task in store of "see passed most pleasantly. If you want ing" the soldiers with sundry green-elegant scenes, excellent dinners, polite backs. Here we had two hours for scanning the fort. Col. Miller, the obliging commander of the post, being himself busy with the duties of his of fice, kindly turned our party over to the courtesies of Lieut. Knapp, who showed us through the fort and over the ramparts, around the batteries and into the mouths of the guns, across the most and over the parade grounds, conducting us, at last, by invitation of Col. Miller, to beadquarters, where we were hospitably entertained by the accomplished wife of the latter gentleman, till the "Varuna's" signal admonished us to retrace our steps. We all much regretted being unable to tarry until the Colonel could be disengaged, as the Collector of Customs assured us that we would find him equally as courteous, intelligent and affable as his interesting and beautiful

> > If your husband belongs to the army, you have a through ticket for your life's expenses, but it must be a terrible lonely existence. We'd rather keep a light

Returning to Astoria, we found our selves thoroughly tired out, Rested that night without other rocking than the lingering effects of the "Varuus" motious, and awoke on Saturday with stiff joints and a voracious appetite. Saturday evening brought us into th

presence of a goodly assemblage of Astoria's best citizens, who listened with polite intentness to a lecture upon the "Advantages of the Ballot." Sunday evening we met an augmenter

audience and spoke upon an "Everyday Religion." Upon this (Monday) evening we are to try to address the people upon the "Cause and Cure of Crime." Our gospel is met with much favor here as elsewhere, the leading and more intelligent of the citizens being constant attendants. The Spiritualists have a fine hall, which is placed at our disposal at reasonable rates by Mrs. Ross, President of the Society. The church people always rept this hall for festivals and concerts to raise money to keep their consequenced carpets and cushions in or-Religion." Upon this (Monday) even the floating clouds hanging low about. Our gospel is met with much favor here consecrated carpets and cushi-Hancock. Wending our way for a little der. How we wish Brother Hammond would come down here and carry on slaked our thirst at the identical spring just such union meetings in the Spiritual hall as the meetings at Portland in not wish to be uncharitable to those nat Captain Gray, of Columbia River the skating rink have become under his who have been so unfortunate as to history, replenished his water casks and ministrations. It would be a lasting contract them, but we would like to see returned to the open sea, satisfied that benefit to the good people here as elsethat they'd all forget their particular "doxles" and unite in a common brotherhood for the corrying out of the divin

The weather is delightfully cool Many residents of Portland are sojourning here, and many others are at the seaside. Our next destination is Oyster ville, whither we are to go upon the coming Friday. A. J. D.

Astoria, July 19, 1875.

# RECENT EVENTS.

Lady Franklin, widow of Sir John Franklin, died at London on the 19th. Ex-Senator Carpenter has been retained by the city of New York for the prosecution of Tweed.

The public school-house at Ukial City, Cal., was destroyed by fire on the 17th. The building cost \$12,000, and was the only public school building in

A telegram from St. John, N. B., us der date of the 16th, says that the steamer "Champlain," which ran on a rock at Saw Mill Rock, sank in fifteen minutes, and it is supposed broke in

Several officials have been closely at work in the collector's office examining the late defaleations at Louisville. The amount will be much larger than at first supposed-probably not less than

torney Fisher have gone from Washington to Long Branch to secure his retenmoved are equally earnest in the other

three coluage mints, Philadelphia, San Francisco and Carson, will approximate as follows: Gold, \$34,080,000; trade dol-lars, \$6,000,000; subsidiary silver coin, \$5,000,000; minor coinage, \$25,000.

A number of persons were brought before the U.S. District Court at St. Louis on the 17th, under indictments found in the whisky cases by the grand jury, for falling to remove stamps from empty tisment the name of W. S. McDowell liquor casks, and illicit distilling. The defendants waved arraignment, pleaded ance candidate for the 44th Congress ranging from \$3,000 to \$10,000.

The Omaha Herald's special from the Red Cloud agency reports the killing of sight into human nature, he is always two Indians and the wounding of three others by soldiers on the reservation on

NEWS ITEMS.

STATE AND TERRITORIAL. Astoria has eclebrated the Fourth of

The thermometer stood at 102 degrees in the shade at Fort Yale, B. C., on the

Clackamas county has reduced its in-debtedness within the past year down to \$8,736 28.

On last Wednesday evening \$1,000 was subscribed to finish the Salem Methodist Church.

The Virtue quartz mill cleaned up last week \$9,356, which was run int A large tree near Olympia was struck by lightning on Wednesday morning of last week, and set on fire.

The farmers in the vicinity of Monmouth are busy putting up hay. The weather is most favorable and the yield

The Orphans' Home at Salem has now eleven inmates. There are quite a number of applications on hand asking for the admission of others.

The Scattle Dispatch says: There are two fisheries ready to commence opera-tions at Mukilteo as soon as salmon com-mence running. It is the intention of both firms to pickle all they catch.

About eighty persons went with Rev. E. P. Hammond on the excursion from Albany to Eugene last week. The evangelist chartered the car conveying them, and paid for the same from his private

There are 2,889 children in Clackama county who are entitled to the benefit of the school fund. The amount of the ir-reducible school fund apportioned to that county is \$1,692 98 coin, and \$585 47 cur-

The new bridge across Pudding River, on the road between Salem and R. C. Geer's place, fell during its construction on Thursday. It was 300 feet long; this is its second full; incompetency of the builder is the cause.

The wool market at The Dalles, says the Mountaineer, is rather heavy, the prices ranging from 17 to 19; cents per pound. We fear some of the wool buyers will hardly get even on their purchases. We wish it were otherwise. One hundred and ninety sheep were shipped at Olympia for Victoria last week, and 100 on Wednesday. The steamers also took 31 head of cattle at Ta-

B. F. Mason's little boy, about four years old, was badly burbed a few days ago near Eugene. His clothing caught from the remains of a fire used by some campers, and he ran to the house, fauning the fire into a flame which was difficult to extinguish.

Rev. E. P. Hammond comme labors at Salem in the Opera House on Saturday evening. His work in Albany was carried forward with much ardor and enthusiasm, the resident ministers and Christians cordially entering into the spirit of the meetings.

The internal revenue collections for the district of Washington Territory, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1875, amounted to \$21,006 99. This revenue was derived principally from spe taxes on the sale of liquor, tobacco beer, and on the manufacture of latter article.

The Astorian says: A gentleman from lumber wanted for fruit-basket r largely in excess of his previous inten-tion, and shipped a portion of his purhase at once.

The hops of the Puyallup valley are looking as fine as in any past year. There are between 140 and 175 acres of vines two years or more old, which will bear an average of a ton an acre. The farmers are jubilant in consequence. There is a rich prospect before them, if present prices do not go down.

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The Olympia Courier says: Cutworms are proving a great annoyatec to gardeners and farmers of this region this season. Potatoes, cabbage and vegetables, have suffered considerably, and in the Puyallup region the hop erop has been damaged by them materially. No plan of getting rid of the peats has been suggested, except to dig them out and kill them.

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We find the following account of the disaster resulting from a water spout in Eastern Oregon, in the Oregonian of the 19th inst.: At about 4 P. M. on Sunday, July 11th, a terrible water-spout occurred on the Hinton fork of Willow creek, flooding and devastating nine ranches. Hinton fork is the eastern branch of Willow creek, and has a narrow but very fertile valley, emptying into the maincreek at the town of Heppner. The spout occurred on the high hill between Hinton creek and Butter creek, the water flowing in four directions, but probably three-fourths of it went down two canyons meeting at the house of John Hinton. From here it swept everything before it. Feuces, crops, stacks, out-houses and tools, were carried off in a mass of rulp. All the gardens were destroyed, and there is probably less than 25 screes of good grain left standing in the valley below the point mentioned. The bouse of Mr. Brainard was struck by the full force of the flood, a hay-stack buried against it, and the lumates had but barely occaped from the building when it was broken up and washed away. Nothing was saved from the house at the time, the flood coming so suddenly and swiftly that everything had to be abandoned, but since the water has subsided, various articles of value have been recovered from among the debris. Several other houses were flooded, but not otherwise injured. No lives were lost, nor was there any stock killed so far as known. The amount of danger below Heppner I have not ascertained, but as the valley widens out from this point, it is presumed that it is not great.

The Statesman announces by adver-

"subject to either of the nominating conventious and the will of voters at

James Loeder, indicted with John J Brooklyn on the 16th and pleaded not guilty. Price was not arraigned.

Donohoe gave his de