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[San Francisco Chronicle.] One great difficulty in diagnosing earthquakes arises from the necessity of suspecting the evidence on the subject. The larger portion of the testimony which has been collected is probably unreliable, and some of it is obviously false.

A RISE INEVITABLE.

[Kansas City Live Stock Indicator.] It has become plain to every student of statistics that no class of meat-producing animals, except possibly the hog, can be increased with a rapidity sufficient to meet the increasing demand for it.

BETTER THAN SOUTH AMERICA.

[El Paso Tribune.] Joseph Raper is a stockman of Lincoln county, New Mexico. Last September he came down to El Paso and interested capitalists in a scheme of his, in which he and they thought there was money.

Job Printing. Of all descriptions done on short notice.

FACTS ABOUT NEWSPAPERS.

By some unaccountable misapprehension of facts there are a large class of people in the world who think it costs little or nothing to run a newspaper, and if they buy a copy occasionally they are regular patrons and entitled to unlimited favors.

It takes money to run a newspaper as well as any other business; no paper can succeed financially that carries a dead-weight system. Any mention of people's affairs that they are anxious to see in print is worth paying for, and when printed is generally worth as much as any other investment of the same amount.

The New Telegraph. A San Francisco dispatch of the 8th says: Henry Rosener of the Bennett-Mackay Telegraph Company, is boss.

The Apache Captives. General Howard, commanding the Division of the Pacific, received a dispatch from President Cleveland last Thursday, through the War Department, expressing great pleasure in the satisfactory termination of the Apache campaign.

Adventure With a Panther. Miss Charlotte Nicholls and a young brother were passing through some thick timber near Marshfield the other day, when an enormous panther made a spring at them from a tree.

Summer Boarders in Michigan. He went to the farmer who had a load of potatoes on the market yesterday, and said: "I understand you have a fine farm a few miles out. How would you like to take a few summer boarders?"

Yakima Farmer: The wheat crop of Yakima valley, Yakima county, is averaging 40 bushels to the acre.

A Startling Story.

[Portland News.] An Atlanta, Ga., dispatch of the 9th says: The evening papers here today printed a dispatch from Savannah saying that three steamships recently arrived there, the captains of which state that a vestige of the plague remaining. The report will be thoroughly investigated tomorrow by parties who have important interests on the island.

[London, England, Aug. 25, 1886.] (Special by Cable.) In the chambers division of the high court of Justice, London, Vice-Chancellor Bacon has given his decision in favor of The Charles A. Vogeler Company of Baltimore, Maryland, in the action brought by that house against H. Churchill & Co. of Brisbane, Queensland.

Will Improve the Service. W. F. Rapley, Assistant Superintendent of the railway mail service of the United States, left Portland yesterday for California.

Earthquake Shocks. Portland visitors in San Francisco do not feel the most comfortable in the face of the signal service officers' predictions that the earthquake wave is to reach the Pacific coast within a few weeks.

The Walls Walls Union: The Northern Pacific annual election will take place September 17th. During the last few days it has been rumored that President Elijah Smith of the Oregon Transcontinental will contest with the management of the Northern Pacific for control.