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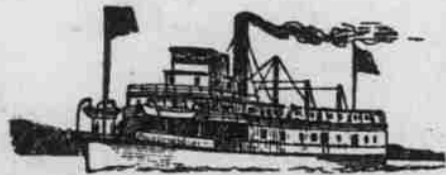
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The Heaviest Known on Puget Sound Since December 1884.

### WIRES IN SALEM DEMORALIZED.

Business Paralyzed on all Lines Entering Spokane From the Home of the Blizzard.

Dispatches from all portions of the Pacific northwest show that the present "streak of winter" is general, so far as snow is concerned.

In Portland the fall was over fourteen inches. Traffic was stopped on car lines, and walking bad. The snow became very deep and the slush was frozen solid on the tracks about 10 o'clock p. m. Wednesday, and paralyzed the traffic. The Third, Second, First and Washington street electric lines and several of their East side branches were blocked. No cars could be run, and all that were out were brought into the power-house.

On the 21st in Salem the snow played havoc with electric service of all kinds. The telegraph loop on the depot is a complete wreck. Old poles that carried fourteen wires found the weight of wet snow too much for them, and they fell in all directions. Electric light, telephone, fire alarm, the Lockwood messenger system and all the local wires suffered seriously, and, becoming crossed with live electric street railway wires, burned out many switchboards and relays.

In Olympia the fall commenced on the evening of the 20th, and has prevailed with more or less violence since. It is the heaviest since the establishment of the signal station there in 1877. According to weather bureau measurements, five feet of snow fell during the twenty-four hours ended at 5 o'clock Wednesday evening, but it is not that deep on the level. It has become more solid and has packed down to a thickness of thirty inches.

In Seattle the snow was ten inches deep Wednesday evening. The storm extended from Skagit valley on the north throughout southwestern Washington, being most severe in Seattle, Tacoma and Olympia. The snow was very light on the Skagit, and grew heavier further south. The temperature in Seattle was about thirty-five at noon and fell to thirty-two at 6 p. m. North of the Skagit a high northwest wind blew and the temperature fell to twenty above zero.

In Tacoma it commenced Tuesday afternoon about 5 o'clock and snowed almost without interruption until noon Wednesday. The storm is the heaviest known since December 14, 1884, when there was a fall of between two or three feet. The cable line up hill has been kept open, but all the electric lines have been stopped since early Wednesday evening, though an attempt was made to clear the tracks during the night.

A Sissons, Cal., dispatch, says snow commenced falling early Wednesday morning. It continued all day, with a strong south wind. The prospects were for a big storm. All reports agree that the storm was remarkable for suddenness. On the morning of the 20th the barometer all over Washington and Oregon was higher than usual and lower in California, and 24 hours later there was a complete change, and the area of high barometer moved eastward at an unusually rapid rate, jumping from the average of 25 miles to 100 miles per hour. The storm was felt more in western Washington and northwest Oregon than east of the Cascades.

The only quarter from which anything like a blizzard is reported was by trains reaching Spokane from the home of blizzards easterly. Trainmen report the weather east of Spokane terrific. It is cold and of a blizzard character. The snow is not deep on a level, but wind has drifted it badly.

What a gruesome feeling of mingled awe and dread will skate around in the vicinity of Mr. Cleveland's wishbone when he is informed that the democratic editors of Kansas have formed an aggressive, offensive and defensive alliance, and will push their claims for pro-vender even to the last ditch.

### RESOURCES OF OREGON.

The Coal Mines of Eastern Oregon Discussed as to Values.

Fifty thousand copies of the book: Resources of Oregon, have just come from the press of the state printer. The volume consists of 230 pages, and treats of the resources of Oregon as a whole by counties separately. There are special articles on timber, soil, mineral, dairy matters, etc., and much statistical information. Of coal in Eastern Oregon the following appears: "Throughout that portion of the John Day Valley where tertiary rocks are found, coal indications are numerous and some very promising locations have been made thereupon. The comparative inaccessibility of the country, however, has debarred every effort to work them, and the same cause will undoubtedly retard their development for a long time. A railroad is imperatively necessary to open up these deposits. The quality of the coal is good; equal at least to the well-known Roslyn coal which is thought to belong to the same geological formation. These coals are emphatically steam or heating coals, free burning like all the Oregon coals. Other localities where coal is found are not rare in Eastern Oregon, but none are at present worked, nor are they likely to be worked very soon, with the exception of the coal bed not far from Pendleton, which has of late attracted a great deal of attention."

In this volume the subdivision of Eastern Oregon occupies two pages and in the subdivision of counties, each county is written up at considerable length, as follows:

Baker—Two pages by C. W. James, president of the Baker city board of trade.

Crook—One page, compiled from various sources.

Gilliam—Two pages by the executive committee of the Arlington board of trade.

Grant—Two pages of general information.

Harney—A page and a half of statistics.

Klamath—Two pages by the southern Oregon state board of agriculture.

Lake—Three and a half pages by the Lakeview board of trade.

Malheur—One page of statistical matter.

Morrow—Three and a half pages from the Oregonian of April 15th, 1892.

Sherman—Two pages from the pen of G. W. Ingalls.

Umatilla—Six pages from the East Oregonian of January 1st, 1892.

Union—A three page general write-up.

Wallowa—Three pages of county history and statistics.

Wasco—Three pages by Maj. G. W. Ingalls.

### THE CASCADE LOCKS.

Correspondence of Dalles City People With Headquarters.

The following correspondence will be read with interest:

THE DALLES, Or., Dec. 7, 1892.

Hon. J. H. Mitchell, U. S. Senate, Washington City, D. C.:

Dear Sir: Kindly inform us of the present status of the contract for the completion of the cascade locks. How early will operations probably commence under said contract?

Sincerely Yours,

GEO. C. BLAKELEY,  
County Judge.THOS. S. LANG,  
S. L. BROOKS,  
J. H. SHERRAR,  
LINUS HERRARD,  
M. T. NOLAN.

The answer comes direct from the office of the chief of engineers, U. S. army, and is as follows:

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Dear Sir: I have received your letter of Dec. 13th, inclosing the letter of Dec. 7, 1892, from certain of your constituents, inquiring as to the status of the contract for the completion of the cascade locks. The bids for this work were opened on November 15th, 1892, and J. G. and I. N. Day, of San Francisco, Cal., were the lowest, and their bid has been accepted. Of this fact Major Handbury was informed by telegraph on December 8th, 1892, and no doubt he has duly set about preparing the written instrument for signature of himself and the other parties. The contract when signed will be sent here for approval, and if found in proper form will be approved, and Major Handbury will at once be notified by telegraph of that approval, when the contractors may at once begin their preparations for work. Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JNO. Y. CASEY,  
Brig. Gen., Chief of Engineers.

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## RELATION WITH CUBA.

Strong Opposition to The French Syndicate Pretensions.

### MISSION OF SENATOR DU BOISE.

The Broad Hand of Uncle Samuel Will Interpose Objections.

### IT MAY END IN A CONTROVERSY.

It is Thought That Spain Will Not Relinquish The Plan Without a Struggle.

Special to THE CHRONICLE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—It is now understood that something besides cholera is vested in the mission of Senator Du Boise to Cuba. It is reliably reported that the United States government will interfere with the scheme of Cuba to farm out its customs revenues to a French syndicate, which has long been bidding for the privilege. It has been rumored for some time that the Spanish government was anxious to lease the Cuban custom house at a good figure, but the details of the negotiations about their progress were kept a profound secret. It now appears that Secretary Foster, some time since sent a diplomatic note to the authorities at Havana, warning them that the United States is strongly opposed to their plan of farming out the Cuban custom house in the manner above described. Mr. Williams, consul-general at Havana, who was recently in New York on leave, returned to Cuba, before the term of his vacation had expired. It is presumed that he carried with him the note of Secretary Foster to the Spanish government. The action of our government in this matter may occasion an interesting and important controversy, as it is not probable that Spain will relinquish its plan of farming out the Cuban customs without a struggle. The profits to be obtained by such an arrangement, would it is claimed be very great. It is thought that Senator Du Boise will succeed in convincing the Cuban authorities that it will be to their interest to relinquish the plan proposed.

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