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The Indian War.

Another Fight, with Heavy Loss on the part of the Troops.

Helena, Montana Aug. 11.—The following was received this morning:

Big Hole, M. T., Aug. 9 1877. To Gov. Potts: Had a hard fight with Nez Perces killing a number and losing a number of officers and men.

To Gov. Potts: We had a hard fight and took the village, but were finally driven back with heavy loss.

Deer Lodge, Aug. 11—9 A. M.—W. H. Edwards has just arrived from Big Hole bringing accounts of a terrible battle between Gibbon's command and the Nez Perces on Big Hole river.

Another messenger was sent to Gen. Howard, who should have reached there today. The howitzer had been left six miles behind.

Deer Lodge, M. T., Aug. 11—10 a. m.—Got all the men we want here to erect wagons. We are rushing up wagons, stores, etc.

Deer Lodge, M. T., Aug. 12.—Two couriers are in from Gen. Howard's command. It was 18 miles distant from Gibbon.

Chicago, Aug. 12.—The following is the official report of the Indian fight in Montana:

ST. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 11. Lieut. Gen. Sheridan, Chicago, Ill.—A dispatch just received from Gen. Gibbon.

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FOREIGN.

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Is It Right?

I think there is no feature of the grain trade that operates more against the farmer than that of loaning of grain by warehousemen, and I am convinced that it is practiced to a greater or less extent by nearly every house along the line of the railroad.

In Memoriam.

At a special meeting held by Champagne Lodge No. 27, A. F. & A. M., in Masonic Hall, Bellevue, Aug. 8, 1877, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread on the minutes and a copy forwarded to the family of our deceased brother, and also to the Farmers, Oregonian and Standard with request to publish.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing be furnished to the WILLAMETTE FARMER and Standard Journal for publication.

Resolved, That we believe such action to be in conflict with the spirit, if not the letter of the law, and prejudicial to the best interests of producers.

Resolved, That we deem it not only our privilege but our duty to take such action as will in a measure correct the above mentioned practice.

Resolved, That we invite all producers and especially all Grangers to unite with us in carrying out the spirit and letter of the foregoing resolution, to the end that owners shall control it.

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Building Fences in the Moon.

ED. FARMER: In your issue of July 6th I notice a communication, under the above caption, and over the signature of "M. D. H.," in which he gives his views, and some of his experiments.

Now, I don't fully endorse his arguments; don't think his theory (or his fence either), will hold together worth a cent.

He says the fence built in the "light" of the moon continued to rise, while the one built in the "dark" of the moon gradually settled into the ground.

But in the case of the other fence which was rising from the ground: We consider it would have been great economy both of labor and material, to have taken off the top rails and placed it underneath, instead of adding new ones till it reached the moon.

In regard to his final experiment of "equalizing the influence," he says he laid the first four rails in the dark of the moon and the last or top rail in the light, and that it remained all right.

Now, let M. D. H. use a little natural philosophy and lay the first four rails in the light of the moon, and the last four in the dark, thereby bringing the opposing influences in direct contact with each other and balance the effect, and see if he does not realize a much more satisfactory result.

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DIED

Near McMinnville, July 17, 1877, of diphtheria, Olive Lora Winchester, eldest child of James and Martha Winchester, aged 2 years, 7 months, and 22 days.

Near Anby, of that terrible scourge diphtheria, Mary Ets, youngest child of Levi and Matilda Bennett, aged nearly three years. Little Ets was a loving child, and her blue eyes and silken hair made her an object of love to all who knew her.