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TELEGRAPHIC.

EASTERN STATES.

The Cheyennes.

Font Romson, Feb. 16.—A dispatch dated headquarters 5th cavalry on Antelope creek, Nebraska, February, 13th says: A battalion of the 5th cavalry, commanded by Major Ferry, left camp on Snake river on the 4th inst, for a six days' scout through the Great Sand Hills. The command crossed Clifford and Boardman fork to Cronged Childred and Boardman fork to Loupe inj one day's march; thence back to headwaters and, making a wide detour to the left, returned to comp on the 6th day. Two camps were mean without wood or water; thermometer 30 degrees below zero and great suffering in the command from cold and snow blindness. It was impossible to follow the trail of the Cheyennes owing to the great depth of snow.

Committed Suicide

NEW OBLEASS, Feb. 16 .- Dr. G. H. Gray, New ORLEASS, Feb. 16.—Dr. G. H. Gray, of Denison, Texas, who distinguished him-self by professional service at Holly Springs during the epidemic, suicided last night by shooting himself through the head. No cause assigned. Three Children Barned.

AUGUSTA, Me., Feb. 16.—A frightful catas-trophe occurred in the village of Somer-ville, 30 miles from Augusta on Friday. Mr. E. Hysler and wife left home in the fore-noon to do some trading, leaving their three children, aged four and two and a half years and eight months, at home. The house caught fire, and before aid arrived the build-ing with its contents was destroyed, the three children periahing in the fames. three children perishing in the flames.

Northern Pacific Lands

Delegate Jacobs, of Washington Territory has introduced in the House of Representa-tives a joint resolution which provides that unless the Northern Pacific railroad company shall complete one hundred miles of which shall be west of the Rocky moun-tains, and also twenty miles on its branch line inWashington Territory within one year from the passage of this resolution, the land heretofore granted, both for branch and main line, then uncarned shall be declared forfeited and restored to the public lands of the United States. The Plague.

Minister Kasson, writing from Vienna, says that the Russian plague excites great alarm in Germany, Austria and Hungary; that nearly all the patients have died and that six army surgeons who came in contact with the dead, had died, although disinfectants were freely used. Mortality among the aick in some places was equal to 100 per

The Restriction Bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.-The Chinese im-migration bill, with amendments, was returned to the House of Representatives im-mediately after the reading of the journal to-day, and took its place on the spe

Willis, at the suggestion of Page, will en deavor to obtain the floer to make a motion that the bill be taken from the speaker' table for concurrence in the Senate amend ments under a suspension of the rules.

Columbia River Obstructions.

The Senate committee on railroads have agreed to the bill to assist free commerce on the Columbia river by aiding the construcagreed to the bill to assist free commerce on the Columbia river by aiding the construc-tion of a portage railroad around the Dalles, and authorized the chairman to report it to the Senate with recommendation that it be e part of the river and harbor or sundry civil appropriation bill. It proposes to au thorize the construction of a broad gauge railroad around the obstructions, by the Pairoad around the obstructions, by the Oregon Portage Railroad Company, upon the condition that it be equipped and com-pleted within one year, and thereupon the government is to pay the company \$100,000, in return for which the road is to transfer fraight and transfer for of observe for 20

freight and troops free of charge for 20 years. Charges for the public are limited

in any possible way. Marble seemed to be visiting Cowgill and McLinn, members of the returning board, without any special instructions from anybody. Confirmed.

The Senate has confirmed Allen as U. Attorney for Washington Territory. Excise Board Indicted-

NEW YORK, Feb. 17 .- The excise board was indicted by the grand jury for granting licenses to improper persons

The Restriction Bill,

A Washington correspondent of the Cincinnati Commercial says that there is little chance of the President vetoing the Chinese bill. He has repeatedly expressed himself favorable to the restriction of Chinese immigration. Secretary Evarts, however, op-poses summary repudiation of treaty obli-gations, and will do all he can to induce the President to veto it.

Railroad Smash-up.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Feb. 18 .- A railroad disas ter occurred near Selma to-day. A passen-ger train from there on the Selma, Rome & ger train from there on the Seima, Rome & Dalton road fell through a rotten bridge over Mulberry creek. One white man named Geo. Evans and four negroes were killed. Supt. Stanton and Conductor White were fatally injured, and ten or twelve persons severely hurt. The train is a complete wreck.

Death of General Cariton.

R. H. Carlton, Adjutant-General of Gen. Lee, fell dead at his desk to-day, aged over 50 years. He was a graduate of West Point from Virginia, promoted to Major in the Mexican war and was paymaster in Texas

before the war. Chandler Elected Senator. DETROIT, Feb. 18.—Zach. Chandler was elected U. S. Senator by 88 to 40.

Tes and Coffee Tax. WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The proposition to ax coffee 2½ cents a pound was rejected by

the Senate. The amendment to tax tes ten cents per bound was rejected-yeas, 4; nays, 57.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The British Defeat:

LONDON, Feb. 15.-- A dispatch dated Mor-itzburg, January 25, says of the Zulu war that shortly after the commencement of hos-tilities Lord Chelmsford and Col. Pearson successfully engaged the enemy. Near the place whore Lord Chamberlyin had been highting he left six companies of the 24th regiment under Pullein, whom Dwinford was to join with the natives. Fifteen thousand Zulus attacked the united forces on the 22d. The fire from the British caused immense The sir companies of the 24th were totally destroyed, and Dwinford's natives were utterly routed. The victorious Zulus attack d a small force in the vicinity of Rorke' drift the same day, but were repelled in this attack:100 men succeeded in keepingoff 4,000 Xulus. They fought from 5 in the evening until daylight, when the main column ar-rived. The British lost thirteen men, of

whom several were massacred in the hospi-

Pope and Emperor

A dispatch from Rome says that cordial etters have been exchanged between the Pope and the German Emperor. Conces-sions are made on both sides. The cardin-als oppose the Pope's acceptance of the civil list. His Holiness decides, nevertheless, that the ecclesiastics must obey his orders.

Engineers' Strike.

The strike of engineers is extending to seds, Plymouth, Dover and other points. Troops for Africa.

The 57th regiment at Ceylon is ordered to the Cape of Good Hope as soon as transpor-tation can be obtained. It is hoped that the regiment will reach the cape within a fortnight. A portion of the force at Canda-har has been ordered to retire to Pisheen.

Severe Mlorm

MADRID, Feb. 15 .--- Two British ships for Barcelona from the cast are quarantined at Fort Mahon. A severe storm visited the coast of Galicia yesterday. Two vessels went ashore and 28 persons drowned.

Manaling the Press. BRULIN, Feb. 17.—Moscow journals were not allowed to appear on Friday until they suppressed unfavorable plague news.

Retarn of Communists. PARIS, Feb. 17 .- One hundred and twenty

mmunists arriyed to-day from lonia. Liverpool Strike.

Livenpool, Feb. 17.-The trade's council and laborer's delegates, after consultation yesterday advised the men to accept the maser's offer of arbitration. The strike has practically collapsed and

Shot by a Constable.

Money of the second sec who fingered until this morning, when he fied.

Endorse the Bill.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17 .- The following resolution was unanimously adopted by the constitutional convention to-day, and ordered

elegraphed to the president: WHEREAS, As the bill for the restriction Chinese immigration has passed both Houses of Congress, therefore, in view of the vital importance of such restrictive measure to the citizens of this State, we, dele-gates of the people in the constitutional con-vention assembled, do hereby, on behalf of ourselves and our constituents, most respectfully ask the president of these United States to approve such bill.

Sutro Swamped.

VINGINIA, Feb. 17.-It is reported on cred-itable authority that at three o'clock yesterday afternoon orders were received from San Francisco discharging all the men on the Sutro tunnel except Superintendent Sheldon and Foreman Bluett. At about the same time hot water from the flooded mines was pumped into the tunnel from the com bination shaft, filling the tunnel with steam. This morning several parties who tried to enter were driven back by the heat and steam. The mining men are very reticent on the subject, but say that the water pumped into the combination shaft is being raised to the surface with skeeds.

The Murder of the Morrisites

SALT LARE, Feb. 17.- The trial of Robert Burton for the murder of Mrs. Bowman 1. Burtion for the murder of Mrs. Bowman in June, 1862, was commenced to-day in this city. The affair from which the killing re-sulted is termed in the history of the Terri-tory "the Morrisite war." At that time Bur-ton was deputy sheriff of Salt Lake county, and proceeded thirty miles north of this place with a many combining. place with a posse comitatus numbering some 200 men, armed with cannon and rifles place to arrest some 100 men, women and children called Morrisites, a religious sect opposed to the Mormon church and led by a pro-called Morris. The Morrisites intretheir settlement and fought for two days be-fore they surrendered. It is alleged that Burton, after the surrender, and after taking possession of the enemies' camp, shot and killed with his own hand Morris and two women. He was indicted in 1877, separate ly for each offense. It is contended by anti-Mormons that Brigham Young ordered the extermination of the Morrisites, and that Barton acted upon such orders. Relief for Alaska.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 17.-H. M. S. Os prey is taking coal, ammunition. etc. She is under orders for Alaska. She carries four guns and will sail to-night. Nothing additional has been received from Alaska. The anxiety here is extreme.

Grand Island Flooded.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 18 .- News is at hand here of the complete flooding of Grand Island, Colusa county, Isying some 2,500 acres of wheat under water.

They are Going.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.-Two ocean steamers bore away to-day 350 Jhinese; 85 of them left by the Pacific Mail steamer City of New York for Honolulu and the remaining 264 leaving for China on the Occidental and Oriental company's steamer Gae-hc. The departing celestials, whose destin-ation is Honolulu, are under contract to labor on sugar plantations.

Suicide on the Street.

At about a quarter to eight this evening, two 'gentleman, standing at the corner of Turk and Jones street, heard a pistol shot, and a heavy fall on the sidewalk near them. Bunning to the spot they found a man lying on his back, dead, with blood oozing from his mouth, and a pistol clutched in his right hand, lying on his breast. The body was taken to the morgue, where by papers found in the pockets, it was identified as that of Charles A. Kennedy, traveling agent for the firm of Charles Mowe & Co., grocers. De-ceased was about 30 years of age. The cause of the act is unknown.

Defaulting Bank Clerk.

News was brought by the last steamer from Hong Kong that the authorities had released Lawrence Otis Hall, defaulting clerk of the London and San Francisco bank. There is no possibility that Hall can be brought back to this city to be tried for his crime. His total peculations from the bank amount to about \$36,000.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Semate WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.

The Senate resumed consideration of the Chinese immigration bill at 12:45, and Ham-In proceeded to speak against it. Nearly all the Senators made speeches on the bill, and Cenkling of New York tried to amend it several times, but the bill finally passed with

the following vote: Yeas-Messrs. Allison, Balley, Bayard, Beck, Blaine, Booth, Cameron of Pennsyl-vania, Coke, Dennis, Dorsey, Eaton, Euslis, Garland, Gordon, Grover, Hereford, Jones of Nevada, Kirkwood, Lamar, McDonald, McPherson, Maxey, Mitchell, Morgan, Oglesby, Paddock, Patterson, Plumb, Ransom, Sargent, Saunders, Sharon, Shields, Spencer, Teller, Thurman, Voorhees, Wallace and Winters-39.

Nays-Messrs. Anthony, Bruce, Burnside, Butler, Cameron of Wisconsin, Conkling Conover, Davis of Illinois, Davis of West Virginia, Dawes, Edmunds, Ferry, Hamlin Hill, Hoar, Howe, Ingalla, Jones of Florida, Kellogg, Kernan, McCreery, McMillan, Mat-Merriman, Morrill, Bandolph, and thews, Withers-27

Messrs. Barnum and Chaffee, who would have voted in the affirmative, were paired by Rollins and Wadleigh, who would have equable and temperate, which is a great object. The vapor arising from the manure and earth is condensed by the cool air passing the voted in the negative. surface of the shade, and stands in drops on

House. WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.

During the morning hour Hale offered i resolution directing the committee on judi ciary to report a joint resolution proposing constitutional amendment to prohibit th payment of war claims except of persons loyal to the Union.

A motion to adjourn was made on the Democratic side, and on the roll being called, consumed the remainder of the hour and the resolution went over without action. A motion to suspend the rules was made

A motion to suspend the rules was made by Sparks for the purpose of passing the bill appropriating \$26,852,200 for the pay-ment of arrears of pensions. Reagan moved to suspend the rules and pass the river and harbor appropriation bill; greed to, yeas 173. Blount moved to suspend the rules and

pass the decifiency bill reported by him Sat-urday from the committee on appropriations; greed to. Pending District of Columbia business, re

the scales on her legs are smooth, glossy, and fresh colored, whatever the color may be; the under bill soft, and comb thin and sm An old hen turkey has rough scales on the legs, callosities on the soles of the feet, and cess was taken till evening, when were held the memorial services of Representative Schleicher. Adjourned. legs, callosities on the soles of the feet, and long, strong claws; a young one, the reverse of all these marks. When the feathers are on, the old turkey cock has a long tuft or beard, a young one but a sprouting one; and when they are off, the smooth scales on the legs decide the point, beside the difference in size

Senate.

Windom presented a petition of the Negro Co. operative association of Shreveport, La., favoring the passage of a resolution in re-gard to the migration of colored people. It was signed by the large congregation of that place: laid on the table. The resolution is

now before the Senate. The vote was reconsidered by which House bill authorizing the conversion of national gold banks passed, and amendments correcting errors, but not changing the feature of the measure, were agreed to; the perfected

bill then passed. The bill to amend internal revenue laws containing an amendment to reduce the tax

on tobacco, was then considered by the Senate and rejected by 37 to 25, on amendment of Dorsey to postpone the bill and take up

the pog office appropriation bill. Randolph was released from further ser-

vice on the Teller committee. The Heuse sent the Senate a proposition te reduce the tax on all manufactured tobac-

co to 16 cents. The Senate committee non-concurred in this, but agreed to reduce it on all except snuff to 16 cents per pound and on snuff to 24 cents.

Several of our farmers intend cultivating The House also sent the Senate a propo attion for the establishment of export bond the chufa, and have sent to Mr. Vick, Rochester, for seed, but do not know how cultivate. Will you please give in the FARMER a short sketch of its cultivation and the re-sults in Oregon? ed warehouses

Bennte WASHINGTON Feb. 18.

Morrill moved to reconsider the vote by hich the House bill passed to autho issne of certificates of deposit in aid of re-funding the public debt; agreeed to. Morrill then submitted an amendment pro-

iding that money received from them be applied to the payment of bonds bear-ing interest at the rate of not less than three per cent per annum, instead of 5-20 bonds only, which bear six per cent as it first au-thorized; the amendment was agreed to and

the bill passed. After the morning business consideration was resumed of the bill to amend the inter-nal revenue laws, and Matthews spoke in favor of the amendment offered last night to tax tea 10 cents per pound and coffee 2% pleasant, sweet, and nut-like flavor. It is propagated by planting the tubers in April or May, two inches deep, in drills two feet apart, and six inches apart in the drills. They

A Cheap Hot-Bed.

Seme Time.

And sun and stars forevermore have set, The things which our weak judgments here have spurned.

have spurned — The things o'er which we grieved with lashes wet Will flash before us out of life's dark night. As stars shine most in deeper tints of blue. And we shall see how all God's plans were

And how what seemed reproof was love

And we shall see how, while we frown and

sigh, God's plans go on as best for you and me;

How, when we called, he heeded not our cry Because His wisdom to the end could see;

o God, perhaps, is keeping from us now Life's sweetest things, because it seemeth

and if, sometimes, commingled with life's

wine We find the wormwood,-and rebel, and

Be sure a wiser hand than yours or hine Pours out this notion for our lips to drinks And if some friend we love is lying low, Where human kisses cannot reach his face, Oh! do not blame the loving Fatherso, But wear your sorrow with obedient grace,

And you shall shortly know that lengthened

Is not the sweetest gift God sends His

And that, sometimes, the sable pall of death Conceals the fairest boon His love can send;

we could push ajar the gates of life And stand within, and all God's workings

We could interpret all this doubt and strik,

And for each mystery could find a key.

But not to-day. Then be content, poor heart; God's plans, like lilies, pure and white unfold-

We must not tear the close-shut leaves apart-

Time will reveal the calyxes of gold. And if, through patient toil, we reach the

Where tired feet with sandals loose, may

rest-When we shall clearly know and understand, I think that we will say, "God knew the

State and Territorial.

The Brownsville woolen mills are again run-

ning. The Willamette Forks people want a

The Harrisburg Nucleus dishes up lots of

Considerable wheat is being shipped from In

A cornet band has been organized at

High water is interfering with staging in

Roseburg is about to inaugurate a sewerage system. Healthy idea.

Mr. E. D. Foudray has been appointed City

Sidewalks are being laid and other improve-

Last Tuesday, Buena Vista. Skittish horse and boy rider. Broken arm. Miller.

The Bellingham Bay Mail is so crammed

full of local news that we can't get anything

New Independence and Old Independence

The Nucleus man wants to get up a fire

Sixteen thousand dollars has been aub-scribed in the vicinity of Brownsville for the Oregon Narrow Gauge Railroad.

The late rains have furnished water enough for most of the placer mines of Southern Ore-gon to resume operations on their claims.

There are a great many criminal cases of the docket in Jackson county this term.

Cwing to bad roads and swollen stream he mails in Southern Oregon are very unce

The Ashland Academy property has been bid in for the mortgagees, and will be retained for the same purposes. The academy will go on as heretofore.

Late sowed grain in Applegate, Jackson county, has been somewhat injured by frost. In other parts of Jackson county crop pros-pects are favorable.

The

Be sure a wiser hand than yours or

and even as prudent parents disallow Too much of sweet to craving babyhood,

right.

good.

shrink,

breath

friend:

most true.

Some time, when all life's lessons have

Instead of using sash for covering frames, the following, called the German plan, may be adopted with advantage-we have tried it: Take white cotton cloth, of a close texture, stretch and nail it on frames of any size you wish, take two ounces of lime-water, four ounces of linseed oil, one of white of eggs, two ounces of yellow of eggs; mix the lime and oil with very gentle heat, beat the eggs separately, and mix them with the former; spread the mixture with a paint brush over the cotton, allowing each coat to dry before applying another, until they become waterproof. The following are the advantages these shades possess over glass: the cost is hardly

one-fourth; repairs are easily and cheaply made; the light is better. They do not re. quire watering, no matter how intense the heat of the sun; the plants are never struck down, burned, or checked in growth, neither do they grow sick and weakly as they do under glass, and still there is abundance of light. The heat arising from below is more

the inside; therefore the plants do not re-

quire a frequent watering. If the frames or

atretchers are made large, they should be in

tersected by cross-bars about a foot square to

support the cloth. These articles are just

the things for bringing forward melons, toma

toes, flower seeds, etc., in season for trans-

To Tell the Age of Powls.

If a hen's spur is hard, and the scales

the legs rough, she is old, whether you see her head or not; but her head will corroborate your observation. If the under bill is so stiff that you cannot bend it down, and the comb

thick and rough, leave her, no matter how fat

and plump, for some one less particular. A young hen has only the rudiments of spurs

decide the point, beside the difference in size of the wattles of the neck and in the elastic

spot upon the nose. An old goose when alive is known by the

An old goose when alive is known by the rough legs, the strength of the wings, particu-larly at the pinions, the thickness and strength of the bill, and the fineness of the feathers, and, when plucked, by the legs, the tender-ness of the skin under the wings, by the points and the bill and the coarseness of the

Ducks are distinguished by the same means but there is the difference, that a duckling's

bill is much longer in proportion to the breadth of its head than the old duck's.

A young pigeon is discovered by its pale olor, smooth scales, tender, collapsed feet

and the yellow, long down interspersed among its feathers. A pigeon that can fly has always red colored legs and no down, and is then too old for use as a squab.--[Kansas

Cultivation of Chufs.

Mr. S. J. Wirstrow, of Alsea, writes us:

We cannot find that the chufa is even

known in Oregon, and give the following in-

The chufa, or earth almond, is a perennia

plant, from the south of Europe. The roots

are long and fibrous, and produce at their ex-

temities numerous small, rounded or oblong,

jointed, pale-brown tubers, of the size of

filbert. The flesh of these roots, or tubers,

is of a yellowish color, tender, and of

formation concerning it:

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outhern Oregon.

Recorder of Jacksonville

ments made at Independence.

are "so near and yet so far." ing bridge is out of whack.

company at Harrisburg. W you wait till you have a fire?

Bru

planting.-Fruit Recorder.

to \$1 25 per ton of freight and 25 cents for

Call for[5-30s.

The Secretary of the Navy this afternoon Issued the 89th call for redemption of 5-20 bonds of 1865. The consols of 1867 call is for twenty million dollars, of which ten millions are coupons and ten million registered bonds. Principal and interest will be paid at the treasury on and after 17th day of May next, and interest will cease on that day.

Potter Committee.

The Potter committee to-day placed on file the affidavitts of Judge H. C. Ripley and H. McIntosh, to the effect that during the sitting of the Florida board of State Canvassers, they called at the office of the Attor-ney General and met at the door Attorney General Cocke, who stated that he had twice been to the office of the Secretary of State and had found the door locked, and that while standing in front of the Secretary's they saw Gov. Stearus and Gen. Noye comout and walk across to the Governor's office

Four Per Cont. Lonn.

Subscriptions to the four per cent. loan since Saturday's report, \$3,179,300.

Potter Committee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 .- Before the Potter committee John F. Coyle testified that he went to Florida during the election of 1876 upon the request of Pelton. Edward Cooper gave him instructions and also a cipher key. Ito was to send his dispatches to Herri No was to send his dispatches to Henry Havemeyer, and his instructions were to go to Florida and aid the Democrats there in obtaining all the evidence required to secure a truthful count, and to defray any expenses requisite for the purpose, and to aid them in any way he could. He was authorized to employ money, limited in amount by his own discretion. He expended and anthorized the expenditure of pretty nearly \$18,000, obtained by drafts on Cooper. No. 23 of the cipher meant "Edward Cooper," vide dispatch, "I have drawn on 23 for so and so." Witness had destroyed his key. The Tribune published a dispatch in which he was made to say, "Only cash will avail," This had never been sent by him. Reed State details of the \$200,000 prop-osition made you? A. It was made me by obtaining all the evidence required to secure

osition made you? A. It was made me by Alexander Their, a gentleman to whom Hew-itt introduced me before I left Washington. He said to me that the returning board could

aborers are resuming work in large nur Sailors still hold out.

Steamer Lost.

The steamer Wycliff, from Philadelphia or St. Nazaire was lost to-day at Loire. The crew were saved. Furkish Finances.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 17 .- The Marquis De Tocqueville telegraphs acceptance of the financial project involving a toan to the porte of eight millions storling. The porte will re-quest England and France to appoint each two delegates to commission for administer-ing the customs. The army and navy will be reduced to a pace feature.

reduced to a peace footing. Declines to be a Cardinal.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—The Times says that the Pope has expressed the desire to make Dr. Newman a cardinal, but that the doctor respectfully declines.

Russians on Strike.

Sr. PETERSDURG, Jan. 18 .- A strike has occurred in two large cotton mills here for increased pay and diminution of the hours of labor and the dismissal of English fore-men. It is believed that the movement will spread.

PACIFIC COAST.

Forgery.

SHASTA, Feb. 15 .- J. R. Williams, a leading physician of Millville, and a member of the bar of Shasta county, was arrested yesterday for forgery and is now in the county ail.

Mining Failure.

Extra Mining Company, of Cooper City, has suspended and made an assignment for the benefit of creditors. This is the largest company in Shasta county. Liabilities un-

Miners Killed.

VIRGINIA, Feb. 15.—Henry Shellenberge and Benjamin Davis were killed at 10 o'clock this morning by a blast which connected a drift on the 2,000-foot level of Ophir with the 2,100-foot level of the California mine. The accident was caused by mistaking another blast for the one in Ophir, and the men on the California side walked on to it, suppossing it had exploded.

Partial Relief.

he shad to me that the returning board could be bonght for \$200,000. Q. Do you know if Governor Tilden knew anything of these dispatches? A. Well, my knowledge of Governor Tilden and ate as a partial relief measure, but urging of the affairs of the canvass would make me positive that he did not. I never knew Marble to be consulted about the business Chinaman had left the country.

Ald For Alaska

VICTORIA, Feb. 18. - The British war steamer Osprey sailed at 12 o'clock, noon, for Sitks.

Dr. Watts Defended.

AUMSVILLE, Or., Feb. 16, 1879. Editor Willamette Farmer:

In your paper of the 11th I see a letter from Turner signed "S," which I cannot let pass unnoticed. He says that Watts, the great (big) temperance lecturer had visited Furner, spoke two evenings, and organized a Blue Ribbon Club of a few adults and a good many school children. The truth is, the Doc tor organized a Club of about eighty mem bers, considerably over one-half of whom are adults. But suppose they had all been school children, it would then be a work that the Doctor might well be proud of. Let Dr. Watts or "S," or any other man travel over this State and get all the school ohildren to sign that pledge, and then we would have a glorious future before us.

"S" says Watts is vastly overrated as lecturer. I will leave those who hear him to judge for themselves. I heard one of his lee. tures at Turner (the subject was alcohol on the brain), and I would like to hear the man who can do better, but I am sure it would not

Now, Dr. M., if you are going to continue to write for the FARMER, stick a little closer to the truth, and folks will think better of BLUE RIBBON. Norn.-We thought that correspondent

would get an overhauling from somebody.

Goats Wanted.

THE DALLES, Feb. 12th, 1879. Editor Willamette Farmer:

Please inform me for how much and where one hundred to three hundred female common goats can be had? Also what half breed Angora's are worth? And also what a full blooded Angora back is worth.

CALEB BROOKS.

cents per pound. The bill having been considered in committee of the whole, was reported to the Senate, and Whyte submitted an amendment that the act take effec; on the 1st of May instead of the 1st of April as proposed by the committee; agreed to, Other amendments made in committee of

the whole were agreed to without division. The bill was then read a third time and

passed—ayes 45, nays 21. House bill to promote knowledge of steam engineering and tron ship building among students of scientific schools and colleges; assed without discussion.

Other appropriation bills passed by the House yesterday were referred to committee on appropriations.

House

The speaker recognized Wood for reports from committee on ways and imeans, and un-der previous order of the House, Cox of New York, made a special order, the considera-tion of the census bill. The point was overuled. Cox raised the question of consider ation, and the House by a vote of yeas 91 nays 135, refused to consider reports from mmittee on ways and means.

Hale then antagonized the census bill with a motion to go into committee of the whole on the legislation apppropription bill; de-feated, yeas 119, mays 123, and Cox reported back the amount bill with the Workerstein back the census bill with the House amendments.

The House then went into committee of whole on the bill. It was read by sections for amendment. The first amendment was that reported by the committee transferring the power of appointing supervisors from the secretary of the interior to governors. Conger said the amendment was to take away from national control and to give to State control the appointment of enumera-tors merely for political purposes. He mov-ed to amend so as to strike out the clause for

ed to amend so as to strike out the clause for the appointment of supervisors by governors; rejected, yeas 104, nays 111. After the presentation and rejection of other amendments the committee rose. Upon reassembling the House went into committee of the whole on the legislative ap-mendments in the propriation bill.

Hi-yu salmon at Roseburg.

An Independence man is getting hostile be sause his clothes line was robbed last week. Henry Fisher, of Roseburg, received a C

will be ready for harvesting in October. In warm climates the plant, when once introduced into the garden, spreads with great rapidity, and is exterminated with much difficulty. In the Northern and Middle States. the tubers remaining in the open ground are

almost invariably destroyed by the winter.

How to Milk.

Some milkers seize the root of the teat between the thumb and forefinger, and then "drag" down until it slips out of their grasp.

In this way the teat and udder both are often severely injured. The proper mode of milking is to take the teat in the entire hand, and after pressing it upward that it may be filled

from the capacious milk reservoir above, or compress it first at the base between the thumb and forefinger, then successively by each of the three succeeding fingers, until completely emptied. The teat is at the same time gently drawn upon, but any severe traction is altogether unnecessary, and highly in-

jurious. The cow should always be milked regularly, and the milk entirely drawn off. If the milking is properly and seasonably done, there is little danger of disease of the teats or udder. More cows are ruined from faults of this kind than from all other causes, aud our readers will do well to avoid them -Coleman's Rural World.

Clean Milk.

The important question of cleanlineas in

connection with milk has not had the amount of attention devoted to it that it deserves of attention devoted to it that it deserves. In fact, I may go so far as to say it is abso-lutely indispensible if we are to secure the best results. Milk is a very peculiar product, and exceedingly delicate. If it is not taken proper care of, it very quickly becomes worthless, except as food for pigs. It is singularly susceptible of being injured if it is placed in a room the atmosphere of which is tainted by any strong odor; it has the property of absorbing such odor, after which, cheese or butter made from it will be more or less injured by the odor which the milk has less injured by the odor which the milk has previously absorbed. Hence it follows that all rooms in which mills is placed ought to be free from vitiated air, and far enough away

As usual, a couple of cars on the Scattle railroad collided the other day, and also, as usual, "mobody was hadly hurt." The ques-tion is how many nobodies there are on that read,

James T cob Wa er, E. K. An derson and W. H. Atkinson, all gentleman o-capital and enterprise, have associated them selves in the management of the Ashland Woolen Mills and will conduct them here after.

Dogs have to pay a license in Weston. The wood in the Pendleton stockade sold for \$89.

The Lewiston Teller says they are to have a new hotel there.

A greathumber of cattle are said to be dying in Wallowa valley.

The Dayton, W. T. News says that place is to have a city hall.

The Tacoma saw mill cut in 1875 more than 22,000,000 feet of lumber.

A protracted meeting in Summerville, Union county, has produced good results.

The LaGrande Gazette says J. P. Clark has been appointed postmaster there.

There have been 57 accessions to the Cumberland Presbyterian church in Walla Walla.

Mr. B. H. Hatch, of Dayton, W. T., had a finger bone broken while working a planing mill.

Walla Walla is to have a Hook and Ladder Company, and the Odd Fellows are to build a hall there.

The Walla Walla Union says that a lumber flume is to be built from the Blue Mountains down Mill Creek.

We learn from the Astorian that a company is organizing to build a rail-way from Shoalwster Bay to Ilwaco.

The Seattle Post says attention is now attracted to Nootsack Valley. The Nootsack puts into Bellingham Bay and is the most northern river in the territory.

The Pendleton Independent says there is a fear among settlers that a few young and disaffected warriors among the Umatillas, will commit murders and depredations.

The Oryphee Avalanche says two miners named Buckingham and Davis went off with \$340, in bullion, were pur-sued and made to disgorge for the beaefit of their creditors.

A difficulty occurred between two men named Richardson and Hepburn near Camp Coeur d'Alene, about a plec of land. Richardson used a double bar reled shot gun and Hepbura was sho in the side, but he went to Lewisto and swore out a warrant of arrest.