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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Our Relations With Peru.
 WASHINGTON, March 21.—There is a growing distrust among South Americans residing here, diplomats and others, of our diplomats in their country, created mainly by recent developments regarding "Credit Industrial" Dreyfus Bros. and other similar private claims in Peru. Not to put too fine a point on it, our representatives in South America, particularly in Chili and Peru, are no longer regarded as legitimate diplomats, but as unscrupulous agents of American and Parisian shysters, intent only on getting the pound of flesh nearest the Peruvian heart. It was remarked last evening by a prominent South American diplomat that Mr. Trescott's treaty of peace called for a larger concession from Peru in money, lands and guano than Chili originally demanded or ever expected, and that a settlement far more favorable to Peru might have been made but for the interference of Trescott. Intimations are frequently heard to the effect that our mediators have left the service of the Credit Industrial, Dreyfus Bros' combination, and other private claimants of Peruvian estates, and entered into the service of Chili, the greatest claimant of all. The report that Dreyfus Bros' claim of \$15,000,000 against Peru, admitted and incorporated by both Pirola and Pardo, has been incorporated with the Credit Industrial is variously commented upon and the fact that President Grey, a well-paid attorney of Dreyfus Bros., has requested Mr. Morton to urge upon our government the propriety of joint intervention on the part of France and the United States in such American affairs, is considered in the strongest terms. Gen. Harburt's resignation, received at the State Department, and accepted, was in reply to a request for the same. Gen. Adams, Minister to Bolivia, has also been recalled.

Resisting an Officer.
 TROSCO, March 21.—A Star special from Tombstone says: The Earp party arrived in Tombstone at 1 p. m. and went to the Comopolitan hotel; said there until this evening until Sheriff Behar went to arrest them, when they drew their guns on him and walked out of town, mounted horses and left for the hills. The feeling here in regard to the assassination of Stilwell is growing more intense hourly. Deceased was here in response to a subpoena from the court. It is now generally believed that the bandits come down from Tombstone for the purpose of killing Ike Clanton, who has been here for two weeks. To-day, after a hearing before the coroner's jury, a warrant was placed in the hands of Sheriff Hall and McMaisters, with others. Learning they had returned to Tombstone, this afternoon Paul telegraphed Sheriff Behar, of Cochise county, at Tombstone, to arrest the parties.

Salisbury's Work.
 LONDON, March 21.—Morning papers remark that Partington's intimations in the commons that the fate of the government is dependent on the closure resolution is unmistakably one of Salisbury's efforts to excite public opinion on this subject, which is unaltered. He writes the present time is the most critical. It is proposed to abolish liberty of speech in the commons. Bradlaugh is virtually supported by the government and Gladstone and the latter has almost brought the two houses into conflict simply to gratify his overweening vanity.

Parlett Wins.
 LONDON, March 22.—The Lincolnshire handicap was won by Parlett, Master Walter second, Buchanan third. The American horses Aranza and Mistake also ran.

Murder and Suicide.
 EMMETSBURG, Iowa, March 22.—A tragedy occurred 10 miles north of the town, Charles Cornelius and Fred Miller, of Highland Scots, lately from the old country, became involved in a dispute. Cornelius procured a revolver and shot Miller dead, and then put two bullets into his own brain and fell dead in his tracks.

California Southern.
 BOSTON, March 25.—Much speculation was caused on State street to-day by the sudden appreciation of California Southern railroad subscriptions, block No. 2, of which sold at 30 to 35 premium, and leaped by \$25 bonds to \$150. The theory is the Southern Pacific is after the California Southern, in order to head off the Atchison company, but officials of the Southern road say no negotiations are in progress, and they know nothing of the cause of to-day's movement. Buying was by brokers not identified with large houses, and included stock as well as bonds.

Forage Needed for Stock.
 BATON ROUGE, March 22.—General York telegraphs the government from Troy landing that they are distributing forage on Old River. The country is in fearful distress, and there are 350 head of stock on Black, Tensas and Little rivers that must be fed to save them. Corn and oats are shipped by the steamer St. John to be distributed to-morrow on the Tensas river. General York advises shipment of forage for stock on all the streams above mentioned; also, bayonet Macon and Bartholomew. The river is rising rapidly. He has chartered a steamer to remove stock.

Sound Head.
 NEW YORK, March 22.—Philip Van Kensa, a younger member of the Knickerbocker family of that name, was found dead at the Brunswick hotel this morning with a bullet through his brain. It is a question whether he committed suicide or death accidentally. His family claim no cause for his taking his life. He was wealthy and had everything that should make life pleasant. He was a great traveler and had only recently returned from San Francisco, where he had spent some time after an extended trip through the western wilds on horseback.

Arrested for Smuggling.
 SAN FRANCISCO, March 26.—While the City of Tokio was entering the harbor to-day she was boarded by two United States deputy marshals, who arrested John Hennessy, purser, and Henry Kennedy, steward. These parties were arrested on suspicion of being engaged in smuggling opium into this port from Hong Kong. Their room was searched, and nothing suspicious was found. They were admitted to bail in \$5,000 each, and will be examined to-morrow before the United States Commissioner.

Blaine on Peru.
 WASHINGTON, March 26.—There is reason to think the administration will reject the Trescott protocol, upon which Blaine speaks this morning. As to Blaine's interview, it is

generally conceded Blaine has made a strong statement of his position, but whether there was any occasion of his making the statement is a question among many of his friends. It is admitted that Eastern commercial interests, in speaking of the matter to-day, asserts that there are political considerations quite as weighty as any commercial interest, as the administration will be called upon to fully consider the claims of both before these complications are arranged.

Eastern Opposition.
 NEW YORK, March 26.—Each day brings news of developments as to the inefficiency of the Chinese bill. Lawyers say it can never be operative, but can be evaded with the greatest ease. It seems to be intended but as an entering wedge, and subsequent legislation will be absolutely necessary to carry it out. Our new minister to China, who will sail in May, will have an up-hill reception on account of the passage of the bill, and some predict he will encounter violence there. Large numbers of people in Washington, who have studied the Chinese subject pretty well, seem to think the bill is simply an advertisement to induce Chinamen to emigrate to this country. It is not sure the President will sign the bill. If he does, it will be on the principle frequently spoken of by Grant, that to make an odious law distasteful is to enforce it.

A Will Contest.
 NEW YORK, March 24.—The summing up in the contest over the will of Henry J. Phillips was heard to-day by the surrogate who reserved his decision. Deceased married in 1865, a niece of Judge McAllister, of the supreme court of Idaho Territory, and in his will he leaves her entirely unprovided for, bequeathing the residue of his property after making several small legacies to relatives in England. She contested on the ground of undue influence and insane delusion regarding her. The case has been on trial for over a year before a referee. From the evidence, it appears that the couple resided mostly at military stations in the West, and that he was sickly and passionately jealous of his young and beautiful wife. Letters written by him were offered in evidence, in which he states she led him an unhappy life. Letters also written him by contestant, were offered, in which she accuses him of gambling, and of trying to get a fraudulent divorce, and if he should get that she was engaged to be married, etc.

Indian Appropriations.
 WASHINGTON, March 25.—The Senate committee on appropriations have reported the Indian appropriation bill with amendments wholly striking out the House provisions for incidental expenses of Indian service in New Mexico and Idaho, and reducing the amount granted for incidental expenses in Arizona from \$30,000 to \$24,000. The committee also strike out the House item of \$300,000 for collecting and subsisting Apaches and other Indians of Arizona and New Mexico, and substituting for it an appropriation of \$775,000 for subsistence for Apache and other Indians at San Carlos Agency. The committee recommended increasing the House appropriation of \$20,000 for an Indian industrial school at Forest Grove, Oregon, from \$20,000 to \$30,000, and insert the following new provision in regard to Indians at Mesacero Agency: For removal, with their consent, of the Mesacero Apaches to the Jicarilla Reservation, and for support, civilization and instruction of Indians of said reservation, including pay of employees, \$15,000.

Arizona Outlaws.
 TOMBSTONE, March 25.—A reliable young man just from Burleigh springs, eight miles south of this city, states that a desperate fight took place there last night between six men of the Earp party and nine cow-boys, headed by the notorious "Curley Bill, who killed Marshal White, of Tombstone. The cow-boys ambushed the Earps as they were approaching the spring and poured a deadly fire into them, wounding one man slightly and killing a horse. The Earps returned the fire and then charged upon the cow-boys, who ran, leaving "Curley Bill" dead upon the field.

Arrested for Seditious Language.
 At Rathdowney, County Queens, on Saturday, Rev. Mr. Fechan, a priest, was prosecuted for using seditious language. The charge was that he read a paper purporting to be a statement of the Bishop of Nevada, that if he (Bishop) had been imprisoned as a suspect, he would have issued a manifesto calling the people to arms instead of urging them to pay rent. The magistrate ordered Father Fechan to find \$400 bail or go to prison for six months. Fechan refused to give bail and was taken to Maryboro prison. He was made to travel 20 miles across the county escorted by cavalry and infantry, authorities fearing a collision with the populace if he should be taken by railway.

Boston Wool Market.
 BOSTON, March 24.—There is no change of importance; market dull; forced sales can only be made at concessions. This remark includes all kinds of wool, even No. 1 fleeces and combing selections that have been comparatively scarce and firm recently. Ohio and Pennsylvania fleeces have been sold at 43c-45c for XXX and XX, and about 41c with choice XXX at 47c; but 42c-44c is all that X and XX fleeces will now bring. Michigan and Wisconsin fleeces have been selling at 40c-42c and are dull at these prices. Combing and delaine selections have been selling at 43c-48c per pound; unwashed combing, dull. Good Kentucky has been sold at 29c-30c; ordinary lots for less. Unwashed fleeces have been in steady demand with sales at 25c-32c for fine, 20c-32c for medium, with choice selections at 34c-36c per pound. California wool quiet but steady. One lot of choice sold at 23c per pound. Paine's wool is in steady demand. Choice Maine and Eastern wools have been sold at 45c-52c, fair to good 30c-44c; common, 32c-35c; choice California pulled, 45c-50c. In Australian wool there has been considerable doing, sales amounting to about 300,000, of which 133,000 were choice combing at 47c. Other foreign wool, quiet.

From all over Kansas comes reports of the most flattering character in relation to crop prospects. A heat at the advance of the season and never looked better. An unusually mild winter and frequent rains have given plant an opportunity to spread and strengthen their beauties, and now, as the weather grows warmer, blades are pushing rapidly, giving promise of a plentiful harvest.

Washington special. A gentleman on intimate relations with the embassy at Washington of the Chinese Empire says in case the anti-Chinese bill passed the House the Chinese minister would remove his legation to Spain, to which country he is the accredited representative, and that official intercourse between the United States and China would be mutually broken off.

The House committee on ways and means adopted, six to five, the following resolution: Resolved, That the sub-committee on the changes in internal revenue be instructed to report a bill abolishing all internal revenue taxes except the tax on distilled liquors, malt liquors and manufactured tobacco, and taxes on bank circulation and alcohol medicines, reserving for their discretion a reduction of the tax on sugars and special taxes on dealers, manufacturers, etc.

ITEMS BY TELEGRAPH.

John M. Francis, of Troy, N. Y., is spoken of for the Belgium mission.
 Hogs packed at St. Louis during the year ended March 1, 1882, 316,379.
 A fire at Ripon, Wis., on the 32d, destroyed property valued at \$200,000.
 Mrs. Margaret Rabyston committed suicide in San Francisco on the 21st.
 Kallach is endeavoring to organize a new political party in San Francisco.

It is stated that Jay Gould controls the Mutual Union Telegraph Company.
 Collector Robertson declines to talk in regard to the charges made by Shepherd.
 Holmes Bros., spinners at Bradford, England, have failed. Liabilities \$60,000.
 A. H. Morrison, of Chicago, has been nominated for U. S. Marshal of New Mexico.

About 600 persons were arrested in San Francisco for violating the Sunday law.
 A fire at Emd, Austria, on Wednesday, destroyed 350 houses. Nine lives were lost.
 The Pennsylvania Democratic State Convention will be held at Harrisburg, June 25th.
 Teller's appointment is due to the fact that he has been an ardent supporter of Cookling.
 A fire near Northampton, Eng., Wednesday, destroyed 25 houses and rendered 100 persons homeless.

The Curtis Manufacturing Co.'s works at Albion, N. Y., burned Wednesday. Loss \$100,000; insured.
 Senator Teller, of Colorado, is confident that he will be appointed Secretary of the Interior.
 John Galus's sentence has been commuted to imprisonment for life by the Governor of Illinois.
 Bourke, a partner of Eran, has been taken to Dublin from Naas jail, in order that he may be able to attend to business.

The Senate military committee decided to report adversely the bill providing for placing General Alfred Pleasanton on the retired list.
 Suit was brought in San Francisco by Thomas Graham against the Southern Pacific Railroad Company to recover \$10,000 for the death of his son.
 Commodore Edmund R. Calhoun is to be detached from duty as inspector of vessels in California on the 20th of April and placed under waiting orders.

The President has made an order disapproving the sentence of court martial in the Whittaker case, and ordered his dismissal from arrest.
 The New York Tribune hopes the Republicans will commit a serious blunder by delaying the passage of the anti-Chinese bill through the House.
 Shepherd, before the Congressional committee, charges Collector Robeson and Minister Harburt with accepting bribes in the Peruvian matter.

Martinez, the Chilean minister, has received a dispatch confirmatory of the authenticity of the protocol agreed on between the Chilean government and Trescott.
 Col. Thos. M. Nichol, being interviewed, says he believes Garfield wrote the Rosecrans-Chase letter and that its kindly criticism of Rosecrans' conduct corresponded exactly with what Garfield had frequently said to him (Nichol).
 The Secretary of War has ordered 300,000 rations issued at New Orleans for the benefit of Louisiana, 200,000 at Memphis for Mississippi, 50,000 at Helena for Arkansas, and 100,000 each at Charleston, New Madrid and Gayoso for Arkansas.

Rumor says the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad will build to Dallas and San Antonio. Arrangements were previously made to reach Dallas by the Gulf & Pacific, to be constructed from Sabine Pass to Albuquerque.
 Times' special: Royal B. Conant, when cashier of the Elliot National Bank in Boston, embezzled \$7,000, and was sentenced to Federal jail for seven years. On the ground that his health had been undermined by two years' confinement, President Arthur has pardoned him.

The wife of Sergeant Mason applies for aid for herself and distressed family and the release of her husband. She says her husband has been a brave soldier, was never in the guard house before, and carries honorable wounds. She thinks he has been punished enough by six months' imprisonment.
 The State Democratic Convention of Rhode Island has made the following nominations: Horace R. Kendall, governor; J. R. Perry, Lieutenant Governor; Jonathan M. Wheeler, Secretary of State; Francis L. O'Reilly, Attorney General; Arnold L. Burdick, General Treasurer.

Postmaster General Howe in a conference with merchants and others regarding mail transportation, promised to give his attention to the complaint that the Australian mail bound East was delayed by stoppage at Melbourne. He expects to save 74 hours time in service between New York and San Francisco.
 It is stated that General Pope will succeed General McDowell as commander of the department of the Pacific.
 Intelligence from Taskend states that the protocol for the surrender of the Ili territory to China has been signed, and inhabitants wishing to emigrate will be under the protection of Russian troops for a year.

Post offices established.—George, Clackamas county, Oregon, John C. Sibleme postmaster; Roy, Marion county, Oregon, Monroe Cleaver postmaster; Natchie, Yakima county, W. T., D. E. Sinclair postmaster.
 A Deadwood dispatch of the 24th says: It is publicly charged here that the United States grand jury lately discharged had found a true bill against John B. Furry, special agent, for attempted bribery in prosecuting Ex-Postmaster Starr, but District Attorney Campbell kept it from coming to court.

A Tombstone dispatch says that Mr. Peete, engineer of the Tombstone Mill Company, was assassinated in his office at Charleston last night by masked men, who entered the office and shot him down. Mr. Austin, superintendent, who was in the office with Peete, was not hurt. Motive unknown.
 C. P. Huntington, in an interview regarding railroad affairs, said there will be no change in the policy of the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad. The railroad will be extended as originally designed. He stated he intends building a railroad from Eagle Pass, Texas, to the city of Mexico.

Miss Phoebe Cousins, the well known woman suffrage advocate of Washington City, has applied to Arthur to be appointed one of the United States commissioners to reorganize Utah under the recent act of Congress. A numerous signed petition for her appointment will be sent to the President in a few days.
 Forney's Sunday Chronicle has the following: The action of the President on the Chinese bill is looked forward to with considerable interest. The statement that the sub-committee will be considered at Tuesday's Cabinet meeting is made on good authority, and is doubtless correct. Persons best qualified to judge in the matter give their opinion that the President will unquestionably sign the bill, as it is probable that it would otherwise be passed over his head.

WORK ON THE N. P. R. R.—The Railroad Gazette, of March 10, says of work on the Northern Pacific: "At the Mullan tunnel in the Rocky mountains the heading is now about 350 ft. and work is progressing well. From the tunnel west to Lake Pen d'Oreille a considerable force is employed in grading and getting out ties and trestle timber. East of the tunnel the \$0 miles between Missoula and Deer Lodge are under contract and more than half graded. On the eastern end the track is laid to the Little Roseburg 26 miles west of Ft. Keogh, Montana. Much of the grading is completed from the end of the track westward for 50 miles, and work is progressing rapidly."
 SEND name and address to Cragin & Co., Philadelphia, Pa., for cook book free.

ITEMS BY TELEGRAPH.

Chicago has a \$2,251,000 court house nearly completed.
 Friends of the President say that he will veto the Chinese bill.
 Five incendiary fires have occurred at Yankton in two weeks.
 The commissioner of pensions wants 800 additional clerks.
 Crow Dog has been convicted of murdering Spotted Tail at Deadwood.
 It is reported that Mason will be pardoned, but dismissed from the army.
 Several of the Star Route contractors plead not guilty last Saturday.
 Teller's name is to go to the Senate Tuesday for Secretary of the Interior.

The St. Louis directory for 1882 contains 19,000 more names than last year's.
 The news from the flooded districts is more favorable and the worst is over.
 The Richmond and Pittsburg railroad bridge was destroyed by fire on the 26th.
 R. T. Warden, an old resident of San Rafael county, Cal., was killed on the 25th by an employe.
 Strong & Cobb's drug store at Cleveland was damaged by fire to the amount of \$60,000 on the 26th.

It is expected that a special session of the Missouri legislature will be called for the purpose of restricting the State.
 Col. A. N. Freyer was found dead in his bed at Milwaukee on the 25th. Supposed he committed suicide on account of poverty.
 Frederick Christich, an old resident of Petaluma, Cal., committed suicide there to-day by shooting himself through the head.
 Senator Hill, of Georgia, had another operation performed. Physicians have no apprehension of a serious result, and there will be no necessity of another operation.

William Harcourt, home secretary, writes a letter refusing, in regard to visits, further indulgence to Dr. Langdon, convicted of the murder of his brother-in-law.
 H. Vandycy, bookkeeper for Ackerson & Co., San Francisco, was instantly killed by a wind-mill falling on him. He leaves a wife and five children.
 The Star Route service in the Pacific States and Territories cost annually under General Brady, \$2,844,165. Contracts for the same service have been made at \$1,125,149.

The Observer thus closes its tribute to Longfellow: "It is scarcely too much to say that since the death of Byron no living English poet enjoyed so much popularity as Longfellow."
 John Henderson, of Mexico, has been arrested at New York for entering the apartments of Miss Kate Wilson, of San Francisco, at the New York hotel, and stealing jewelry valued at \$1,000.

In the commons the under secretary of foreign affairs said that the government was considering the representation of the United States regarding trial or release of Americans imprisoned under the coercion act.
STATE NEWS.
 Wheat is worth 82 cents at Salem.
 A telegraph office has been established at Hillsboro.
 H. O. Hyde is moving his store from Forest Grove to Dilly.
 Circuit Court convenes at Hillsboro next Monday.
 Real estate is booming at Independence. It is a prosperous town.
 Canyonville is crowded with men, going to work on the railroad.
 There is a good opening for a tailor at La Fayette.
 M. D. Wisdom has bought the stage line from Baker City to Malheur.
 The Belt House at Independence is for sale. A good opening for a hotel keeper.
 There is more grain needed in the vicinity of Canyonville than ever before.
 Wm. and John Evans were arrested at Coos Bay for robbing an old man named Lakin.
 E. J. Thurman has let the contract for the erection of four fine residences at Silverton.
 W. E. Palmer has the contract to build the Drain Academy. It is to be two-story, 30x50.
 Farmers in the valley are generally behind with their work, owing to the continuous rains.
 The citizens of Gervais want a grist mill. No better place in the State for such an enterprise.
 Mr. J. R. Shipley, an aged man of 70, living on Chehalum Mountain, cut and split 300 rails in one day.
 There is only one criminal case on the docket for the next term of the Washington county circuit court.
 A correspondent from Fairview, Coos county, says cattle buyers are thicker than book agents in that vicinity.
 Many of the teamsters between Redding and Jacksonville propose to go to work on the railroad.
 J. K. Sears, of Polk county, is endeavoring to make arrangements to build a grist mill at Silverton.
 Wm. Kent, who killed Patsy Gallagher at the Willows, Jackson county, has been discharged by the grand jury.
 The man Crooks, killed at Prineville, was a son of Hon. J. T. Crooks, one of the most esteemed citizens of Linn county.
 A vein of coal three feet in thickness has been struck near Yaquina Bay recently. It is of the quality known as blacksmith coal.
 Ed. Lyons, who was shot by Dan Patterson at Baker City, was in a critical condition at last accounts, and his chances for recovery are doubtful.
 Chas. Foster was arrested at Roseburg for forgery, and placed under \$250 bonds. He had been imposing on the religious people of that place, and is a general bilk.
 At a meeting in Albany last week, it was resolved that the citizens of that place and vicinity would contribute \$20,000 towards the construction of a railroad and trestle bridge across the Willamette river.
 The East Oregonian remarks: There will be driven from Eastern Oregon by the different cattle men this Spring 35,000 head of cattle for the Eastern markets. Ryan & Lang have the largest band, having twelve to thirteen thousand head.

Accidentally Drowned.
 Thursday afternoon Mr. G. C. Havener brought to town, says the Prineville News, the sad news by drowning of the death of a man named William McBride. Mr. McBride, with his wife and two children, left town that morning in a two horse wagon for Sam Newsome's ranch, having arranged to take charge there. In attempting to cross the river at the ford just above the mouth of Eagle creek, it seems the horses became unruly, and McBride got into the river to unhitch them, the water at the ford being not more than three feet deep, but deepening below. Whether McBride was injured by one of the horses, or was taken with cramps, is not known, but he was carried under in sight and almost within reach of his terror-stricken wife and children, whose cries for help were heard by a sheepherder about a mile distant. He, with others, repaired to the spot and without much difficulty rescued the team and family, who are being kindly cared for at the home of Riley Rhodes. Mr. Havener procured a boat and hooks, and every effort will be made to recover the body of the unfortunate man. Deceased came here last Fall from the Willamette, his father being a farmer near Sheeli's station, Linn county. He was 28 years of age, and a man of integrity and worth.

SCHOOL FUND DISTRIBUTION.
 The following is the distribution of county school fund, March 20, 1882. Amount distributed, \$17,943 12; rate per pupil, \$2 13; number of children of school age in county, 8,424:

No. of Dist.	No. of Sch.	Am't. to each Dist.	No. of Sch.	No. of Dist.	Am't. to each Dist.
1	5214	\$11,318 82	26	4-20	55 38
2	229	500 07	No Sch'l	4-20	362 10
3	32	87 32	4	4-20	72 42
4	63	134 14	34	4-20	72 42
5	124	264 12	No Sch'l	4-20	46 80
6	56	125 67	20	4-20	59 40
7	31	68 31	250	4-20	123 54
8	26	70 83	58	4-20	27 72
9	No Sch'l	33	121	4-20	42 89
10	15	32 35	23	4-20	78 51
11	15	32 35	37	4-20	63 30
12	72	153 36	37	4-20	63 30
13	56	125 67	30	4-20	63 30
14	70	149 10	14	4-20	25 56
15	43	91 59	12	4-20	144 84
16	31	68 31	68	4-20	36 21
17	37	81 41	17	4-20	21 80
18	30	64 90	19	4-20	83 07
19	36	76 70	39	4-20	21 30
20	25	53 83	10	4-20	42 89
21	22	46 65	91	4-20	24 08
22	25	53 83	16	4-20	34 44
23	44	93 72			
24	No Sch'l	93 72	Total	8424	\$17,943 12

ANOTHER RAILROAD ENTERPRISE.—The project to extend the railroad of the Mill Creek Flume and Manufacturing Co. on Dry Creek, says the Walla Walla Union, has reached such a state of forwardness that but little remains to do before the work of construction is commenced. Major Truax has surveyed a practicable line from Mill Creek to Charley Actor's place, a distance of about eight miles. A meeting of the farmers on Dry Creek was held, and a committee appointed to raise funds to pay for the right of way. The committee have received subscriptions amounting to \$2,700, a sum great enough to cover all claims for damages. A day or two ago H. E. Holmes bought Charley Actor's place, containing 200 acres, for \$7,000, and yesterday Mr. Holmes, accompanied by Dr. Baker, M. C. Moore and others, went out to view the new purchase. While there they picked out the site for the terminus of the new railroad, and the inevitable honor of our distinguished fellow-citizen, Dr. D. S. Baker. We understand that a grist mill will speedily be erected at Baker, to be driven by the waters of Dry Creek, which are ample for the purpose. It is understood that as soon as the right of way question is settled, the work of construction will be commenced, and the road built as rapidly as possible.

MEANS BUSINESS.—The amount of \$75,000 has been subscribed to the fund for procuring a powerful tug to operate on the Columbia bar. Messrs. Donald Macleay, Ellis G. Hughes and W. J. Burns have been appointed to prepare the articles of incorporation for the company.

TERRITORIAL.

The railway company will employ 300 men at Sprague in 90 days from now; about \$300,000 yearly in the way of salaries.
 Twenty-five citizens of Cheney have applied for a charter and dispensation to organize a lodge of the A. O. U. W.
 During 1882, the Northern Pacific will carry fruit and ornamental trees free of charge for settlers along its line of road.
 The diver brought up from San Francisco for the purpose of examining the ship Shirley at Tacoma, found a leak near the keelson, under the copper. The open place was filled, and the pouring in of the water was stopped.
 The Seattle, Walla Walla and Baker Railroad Company filed articles of incorporation at Seattle, last Monday. H. Lyster, Thos. Burke, J. E. Lewis, H. G. Struve, H. B. Bagley, John Leary and Geo. W. Harris will be the incorporators. The capital stock will be \$3,000,000. The object is to build a narrow gauge railroad from this city via the Snoqualmie Pass to Walla Walla and Baker City, or some other point where connection may be made with the Oregon Short Line from Granger, in Wyoming. \$150,000 of the stock has been subscribed in this city, and as much more will be taken next week. Men will be put at work in the Pass and on this end of the road at an early day.

MARINE DISASTER.
 The Tug Fearless with a Schooner in Tow Grounded on Coos Bay Bar. Both Vessels Badly Damaged.
 A dispatch states that at noon on Saturday the tug Fearless with a schooner in tow grounded on Coos bay bar and immediately became unmanageable, broaching to and the sea breaking over her. The schooner, to save herself, cut hawser at once and tried to proceed under sail, but striking on her keel immediately after passing the tug, broached to and stuck fast on the Spit, pounding heavily and rolling with the rising tide. With all sail set she succeeded in getting over the Spit in about four hours, but commenced leaking badly and she was then taken in tow by the tug Col. Thomas and beached in the lower bay at 7 p. m. By the use of steam pumps going until 5 o'clock a. m., she kept the water down to three feet. She was then towed to North Bend, where she now lies half full of water. The Fearless is still on the North Spit, but with the rising tide made considerable way toward the bay, where she is leaking and badly strained, and machinery damaged. The only chance of saving her is to keep her pumped out, at which a force of men are now engaged. J. Nowland, of San Francisco, was a passenger from Gardiner on the tug, and worked all night encouraging the crew and hauling with buckets to keep the water down. The spray is constantly breaking over them. Captain Madson, of the Gotama, proceeded to San Francisco on the Arca's to-day.

Accidentally Drowned.
 Thursday afternoon Mr. G. C. Havener brought to town, says the Prineville News, the sad news by drowning of the death of a man named William McBride. Mr. McBride, with his wife and two children, left town that morning in a two horse wagon for Sam Newsome's ranch, having arranged to take charge there. In attempting to cross the river at the ford just above the mouth of Eagle creek, it seems the horses became unruly, and McBride got into the river to unhitch them, the water at the ford being not more than three feet deep, but deepening below. Whether McBride was injured by one of the horses, or was taken with cramps, is not known, but he was carried under in sight and almost within reach of his terror-stricken wife and children, whose cries for help were heard by a sheepherder about a mile distant. He, with others, repaired to the spot and without much difficulty rescued the team and family, who are being kindly cared for at the home of Riley Rhodes. Mr. Havener procured a boat and hooks, and every effort will be made to recover the body of the unfortunate man. Deceased came here last Fall from the Willamette, his father being a farmer near Sheeli's station, Linn county. He was 28 years of age, and a man of integrity and worth.

SCHOOL FUND DISTRIBUTION.
 The following is the distribution of county school fund, March 20, 1882. Amount distributed, \$17,943 12; rate per pupil, \$2 13; number of children of school age in county, 8,424:

No. of Dist.	No. of Sch.	Am't. to each Dist.	No. of Sch.	No. of Dist.	Am't. to each Dist.
1	5214	\$11,318 82	26	4-20	55 38
2	229	500 07	No Sch'l	4-20	362 10
3	32	87 32	4	4-20	72 42
4	63	134 14	34	4-20	72 42
5	124	264 12	No Sch'l	4-20	46 80