Daily Mountaincer.

THURSDAY MORNING, NOV. 23, 1865.

No MAIL .- There was no mail from beyond Portland, last night. The continuous rains have probably impeded travel in the valley to a great extent.

THE Stockton Independent says that Brig. Gen. Tom Sweeney has seen much service, and has lost his right arm, "but was never severely wounded."

Upon examining the exploded boiler of the Foremile, an engineer remarked that portions of the iron were as thin as "cassimere." When his statement found its way into print, the boiler had got to be as thin as "gossamer."

THE Madison (Indiana) Courier says it has heard young ladies singing, "Who will care for mother now?" while their old mothers were wearing themselves out in the kitchen over the family washing.

The first discovery of stream tin was made at Owyhee about two years since. Ineffectual search was then made for the source of it. It has not yet been traced to any vein, or deposit of any character.

It is very wittily remarked by Puch that ticket-takers and railroad conductors should he selected from the disabled soldiers of the country, as "none but the brave deserve the fare."

THE Idaho World, a Democratic paper, savs that it is tired of seeing the same old faces in a Democratic convention now, that figured in the conventions of the party fifteen years ago. Those old Democrats are a very tiresome setthat's true. But few of them appear to die bodily, although a great many of them have gone through a political "second death."

THE SPECIAL ELECTION .- The Oregonian of the 22d says that J. M. Pierce, Union, is elected representative in Yambill County, over Avres, Democrat, by seventy-five majority. The vote was very light, and but little interest was taken in the election. In Clackamas County, Arthur Warner, Union, is elected without a contest.

RELIGIOUS MINING -A mining company has been organzized in New York which proposes to do business "on Christian principles." It offers to ministers of religion a liberal com mission for selling its stock. The company particularly desires to have none but moral and religious men among i s stockholders. Of this company it may be said, that it essentiall differs from any yet organized, and ought to be a grand success.

PERSONAL-Col. George B Currey, late in command of the Department of the Columbia, arrived in this city, from below, last night. It is almost unnecessary to state that he received a cordial greeting from his old acquaintances, and that the summary manner in which he has been treated, can have no other effect upon popular opinion than to increase the esteem in which he is held as a patriotic man and an energetic and capable officer.

Going AHEAD .- Mr. Davidson, one of the projectors of the scheme for navigating Pen d'Oreille Lake by steam, went up above on the 22d inst., to superintend the land transportation of the machinery of the boat to be built for that purpose. The contract for the building the bull and doing the joiner's work is let, and the mechanics, sawyers and laborers are to go above at once by the quickest conveyance. The boat will be finished by the Brat of March.

SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT .- A new, thor

THE ANNEXATION SCHEME.

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The Walla Walla appexation movement has fallen to the ground. When it was first started everybody appeared to favor it. The Cobog District of Washington Territory said to Walla Walla, "Go," and the Willamette Valley said, "Come," and all went so smooth ly that the people principally interested became suspicious. Upon a simple arithmetical calculation it seemed that the dollars and cents view was against annexation, as the taxes in the territory were three mills less a year than those of the State; the first were payable in greenbacks and the latter in gold coin, and then there was the State debt, which was another stumbling block.

In the meantime, the Great Willamette awoke to the danger of admitting a copperhead county into the State. It was soon discovered that Nesmith was the mover in the affair, and it was at once decided that whatever "Nes." wantel, every true Willametter should at once oppose. A little paper in the Web foot interior detected at the bottom of the matter "a deep laid scheme" to elect Nesmith to the Senate, and return the Democratic party to power in the State. I was plainly shown that Nesmith " passed through the Dalles;" it was placed beyond question that "he stopped several days at Walla Walla," and, as a matter of course, he was the father of the annexation scheme.

Thus, between the disinclination of Walls Walla to be annexed, and the Willamette people to extend the area of the New England of the West, the whole thing falls flat, and its further consideration becomes stale and unprofitable.

But there have been some ideas broached during the pendency of the discussion of the question, which are worthy of serious reflection. The unsatisfactory relation existing between Eastern and Western Oregon is the cause of much hard talk, and the future pro mises to increase the causes of difference until a feeling of absolute batred supervenes. The interference of the Oregon Legislature in the Mint matter was an act worthy of an assemblage of Dogberries. Outside of the Willamette Valley, no such thing could have been thought of, as the attempt of the producers of big red apples trying to influence a

question wherein the producers of gold and sover were the only parties interested. The idea of a great interior State, stretching from the Bitter Root Mountains to the Cascades Range, and from the Utau line to the parallel of 49°, has come up prominently in the minds of the people living in the area designated. It will in future form the basis of political action in the upper country.

CHOLERA PARVENTION .- The frightful ravaages of cholers in Europe are awakening the American public to the propriety of taking precautions to prevent the spread of the terrible epidemic when it reaches this continent. In Constantinople, where the condition of the city is filthy beyond all comparison, the cholera carried off 70,000 human beings in a few weeks, and was only stopped by a great con flagration which burnt out the filthiest districts of the city. Once before, the plague was stopped by the burning of a large portion of the city. The fact is recalled that the plague was stopped in London, in the seventeenth century, by a similar reduction to a hes of the polluted portion of that city. From these facts the British authorities have deduced the idea that after a thorough cleansing of the cities, the cholera can be mitigated, if not prevented, by the liberal use of disinfec tacts, and by keeping great fires burning in the streets. It is not likely that the dread destroyer will reach America until spring, as its advancing strides are stopped by the aurumnal frosts; but another season will un doubtedly bring it to our doors. By timely precautions, thousands of lives may be saved, and in a place like the Dalles, where over forty thousand travelers a year pass through our streets, such precautions become doubly necessary. Some preliminary steps should be taken this Fall in the matter, and as soon as the frosts are out of the ground, it should engage the earnest endeavors of all the citizens to prepare against the arrival of the fell dis-OASC CASCADES PASCINCE -- The following is the raturn from Cascades presinct, at the special election:

A CHILDISH INCONSISTENCY .- From time to time the press in Oregon has blamed the California papers for not informing the people of that State of the existence of rich mines in this section, and also of the great agricultural, pastoral, industrial and commercial advantages of the country. The California press might well retort by asking us when we had done anything to help build up that State, by representing the state of affairs in that country. The simple fact is, that the press of that State is doing exactly what we are doing here, and that means that they are straining every nerve to build up their own State. One of the means by which they propose to do this, is by keeping this country in the shade-well knowing that where our advantages are fairly set forth, their chances to get either population or capital are exceedingly limited. Our proper method of getting the best of this competition, is by fairly and fully setting forth the real condition of things in this country, and adopting means to have this species of intelligence circulated in California, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Montana and the States generally. Least of all should we ask favors from our rivals, in the matter of publishing news calculated to injure the prospects of their own country. It may be answered that the cases are not parallel, but the Californians very properly think they are, and if we are unprejudiced, we will probably see it in the same light.

THE NEW MINES .- The Walla Walla States nan of the 17th inst. contains the following, contributed by Mr. W. W. Johnson, in relation to the new mines lately discovered near Hellgate. The mines were found about the middle of October, on a tributary of the Big Blackfoot, heading about eight miles north of a point on the Heligate River, three miles below the mouth of Flint Creek. The creek-Elk Creek-had not been prospected when Mr. Johnson left, but Day's guich and Joanthan's guich, two of the western tributaries, had afforded excellent prospects ,viz : from one dollar and a half to five dollars. Neither of them had yet been worked, owing the lateness of the season. Deep guich, a stream supposed to flow into the Big Blackfoot, was also discovered, and prospects from five to eight cents to the pan. With water in the Spring this gulch wil pay well.

Columbia Lodge, No. 5, I. O. O. F .---Meets every Thursday evening at 61/2 o'clock, in Gates' Hall, corner of Second and Court Streets. Brothers in good standing are invited to attend. By order, N.G.

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NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I. GEO. W. BENNETT, do forewarn and forlid all persons from purchasing or otherwise procuring any property from MES. L. BEN NETT. as all the property on the farm belongs to me, and the said Mrs L. Bennett has no authority whatever to dispose, in any manner, of my property; and persons purchasing will be held accountable by me. Dalles, Nov. 22, 1865. [21*] G. W. BENNETT. WANTED.

WY ASCO COUNTY ORDERS, at the Office of the Oregon-Steam Navigation Company. Datles, Nov. 17, 1865. W. B. BRIADFORD, Ag'u. DR. B. W. MITCHELL. OFFICE-WALDRON'S BUILDING. RESIDENCE-Corner of Third and Washington Streets. AUCTION AND COMMISSION. JOHN WILLIAMS AUCTIONEER, No. 100. Main Street, Dalles City. WILL ATTEND TO THE BELLING AT AUCTION of General Merchandise, Real Estate, Groceri s, Horses, New and Second Hand Furniture, Stocks, &c., &c. THE BLACK FOOT COUNTRY! Regular Sales Day--Salarday. Out-door and Special Sales attended to in any part of the City. Liberal Advances made on Consignments. JOHN WILLIAMS, Auctioneer. n19:3m. NOTICE. THE PIONEER STAGE COMPANY FREIGHTS FAST FROM UMATILLA AFTER THE FIRST OF OCTOBER, AT THE FOLLOW-ING REDUCED RATES: For less amounts than one bundred pounds an addition of Five Cents per pound will be charged. TIME FROM UMATILLA: TO Owyhee,...... 4 Days.



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orghly fire-proof brick building, belonging to Mr. E. P. Fitz Gerald, hardware merchant, has just been completed at the south-east corner of Main and Federal streets. Its dimen-. sions are 78x29 feet, outside measurement ; it tins 17-inch walls, is two storeys of 14 and 11 fest, and is laid up of bard burnt bricks in the most durable and workman like man. er. Instead of the heavy, over-hanging parapet wall and cornice, which so frequent y disfigures modern brick buildings, this has a slightty raised frizce, which is not only eafer but much more tasty. It is the first brick build ing ever erected in the Dalles, and is an evidence of the solid success which awaits the merchant in this city who confines himself to bis legitimate business.

H. A. Hogue, (Union).10 N. H. Gates, (Dem) 3 Hogue's majority 7 THE BLACK FORT STREAM AND A STR To the Tax-payer, of Wasco County. SHERIFY AND T X COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, Wasco County, Oregoni, Nov. 14, 1865. } NOTICE I HEREBY GIVEN, that the time for pay-N in: State and County taxes for the year 1805 will ex. re on FRIDAY, DECEMBER THE 157, 1865, All taxes remaining unpaid on p room property after the date will be collected the same as on execution. CHAS, WHITE, Sheriff and Tax Collector, Wasco Co Dalles City, Nov. 14, 1865. Co., Oregon. [0015-2wd N. H. GATEN E. E. HAFT. GATES & HAFT, Attorneys & Counsellors at Law, DALLES, OREGON. FUR BALE. A FIRST CLASS, SECOND HAND PIANO, can be had on reasonable terms. Inquire at this office, or of ocstr A. W. FERGUSON.

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