

# Daily Mountaineer.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DEC. 20, 1865.

JACOB COLLAMER, once Post Master General and Senator from Vermont, is dead.

SUGAR from beets is now quite extensively manufactured in Illinois.

FLOUR is selling at Salt Lake City, at from \$5 to \$6 a hundred—greenback prices.

MORE than five hundred thousand prisoners were taken on both sides during the war.

THE post offices in Connecticut besides paying expenses, afford \$50,000 to the Government annually.

BEEF is shipped in large quantities from New York to England, to supply a deficit caused by the cattle plague.

RILEY DEADMOND has been held to answer for attempting to shoot J. E. McCabe, at Eugene City.

REAGAN, a prominent rebel politician of Texas, has written a long letter advocating negro suffrage.

ABOUT 250 barrels of crude coal oil are shipped monthly from San Francisco from the flowing wells of San Buenaventura.

FRENCHMEN were long accused of calling Shakespeare "the divine Williams." Better instructed, they now speak of him as "le grand William."

THE United States ship-of-war Congress, which was blown up at the time of the great naval battle of the iron-clads in Hampton Roads, has been raised.

ON the 25th June, 1862, the first Union League was instituted at Pekin, Tazewell County, Illinois. In the fall of 1864 the League numbered a million members.

THERE are seventy organized petroleum companies in California. But little oil has yet been produced, and the prospects of the companies are not bright.

ONE of the ordinances of Great Salt Lake City, forbids any person to buy intoxicating liquors, except at the Church store. In this way Brigham exercises a monopoly of the liquor traffic.

PASSENGERS from the steamer *Owyhee*, arrived from above yesterday to the extent of several wagon loads. There is nothing new in relation to the position or condition of the steamer.

THE Russian Government has agreed to exempt from postal charges all statistical publications from other countries to the scientific societies of the Empire, if transmitted through the ministry of public instruction.

THE citizens of Baltimore are making arrangements for erecting a marble monument to the memory of Edgar A. Poe, one of the wildest and yet one of the most gifted of the American poets.

COMPANY "D," First Oregon Infantry, arrived at Fort Dalles, yesterday, after a tiresome march from Camp Lyon, of about thirty days. They came by the way of Canyon City, and are on the way below to be mustered out.

THERE is annually imported into this country over two million dollars' worth of human hair. Hair which brought \$4 a pound five years ago, is now rated at \$28 a pound, and some of the more beautiful grades and colors are valued as high as \$150 a pound.

THE best rifle shooting on record is said to have been made in San Francisco, by W. R. Loud. He was engaged in a match 250 yards for \$1,000, and one hundred shots, against Dr. Pardes. His 100 shots strung 192 inches—the best shooting on record.

THE statement that Mr. Seward had betrayed the plans of the Fenians to the British authorities, is treated with contempt by the Secretary. He declined even to deny it to a friend, who made some inquiries in relation to the matter.

AN eastern paper says that the Queen of England is a friend of the United States, and is determined that there shall be no war between the two nations. It is not stated how this important fact leaked out, but it is pretty certain that it will not create a marked sensation in any part of the country.

## THE COLUMBIA RIVER ROAD.

The present isolated condition of this city, suggests to the minds of the people the necessity for the improvement of the road down the Columbia River. It is an enterprise which will be mainly profitable during the pleasant season of the year, but its usefulness to the public will be most felt when the navigation of the river is stopped.

If a road should be constructed, and maintained in a passable condition throughout the entire year, it would certainly prove a highly remunerative investment to the builders. From this time forward the increase of live-stock in the Willamette Valley will find its way into the Columbia River Basin, and the movement of population, seeking new settlements, together, with tourists traveling either on horseback or with vehicles, would form a current, which at moderate tolls, would justify the investment of a considerable sum of money. As time progressed, it would pay better and better to the end of time. If the river road were properly improved, it would attract all the stock-travel, as there is no other route by which it can be moved across the Cascades Range, at that season of the year in which it is of the greatest importance that it should be transferred to this side of the mountains.

The General Incorporation Law is particularly favorable to the projection and prosecution of enterprises of this nature, and such a work, energetically carried forward, will not be likely to have any competition for many years. In case it is ever instituted, the advantages belonging to the older enterprise would render it futile.

The difficulties in the construction of the road are considerable, but by no means insuperable, and above all the prospects of immediate remuneration are so great that a limited amount of capital would be required to render it a passable bridle-trail, and adapt it to the passage of loose stock. There are already two incorporated companies having vested rights on the line road, as follows:

Columbia River Company, capital stock, \$30,000; incorporated October 14, 1862; incorporators, Joseph Watt, O. Humason and Asabel Bush.

Columbia River Railroad Company, capital stock, \$1,500,000; incorporated November 10, 1862; incorporators, Joel Palmer, Joseph Watt and John F. Miller.

There is besides an incorporation covering a part of the ground on which the road will run, viz.: The Cascades Railroad Company, capital stock, \$200,000; incorporated October 20, 1862; incorporators, Joseph S. Ruckle, Harrison Olmstead and Daniel H. Olmstead.

The Columbia River Road Company has done many thousands of dollars worth of work on the line of the road. Of the exact amount we are not informed. As it now exists, the road is nearly valueless, and it would seem the part of wisdom if fresh elements of enterprise and an accession of capital were infused into it. The completion of a wagon-road is but the certain forerunner of a rail road, and the companies formed for separate purposes have still a common interest. The line is the one certain to be adopted for the Great Northern Pacific Railroad, which is sure to be built in the next ten years. In anticipation of this enterprise, the wagon-road grades ought to be run with a view to take on the rails of the fast-line when it comes this far west; if, indeed, it is not commenced at the west within five years from date.

CHRISTMAS TREE.—Next Monday evening there will be a Christmas tree erected in the Congregational Church, from which will be distributed—Frat, The award of the Superintendent of the school, of a book to each scholar, graded in value according to the record of attendance and effort; and, next, of such gifts as parents may wish to bestow on their children, or friends may send in. Persons desirous of aiding the school, are invited to send any gift they may wish, directed to any individual, or left to the discretion of Mr. Condon and a committee of parents or guardians.

COAL OIL. A FEW GALLONS OF DEVON'S COAL OIL For Sale at ABRAHAMSON & KOHLBERG'S.

FOUND. AN IVORY TWO-FOOT RULE. The owner can have the same by applying at this office and paying for this advertisement.

BLACK LIST. JOHN TOLLS, a teamster, has paid me Fourteen Dollars in GREENBACKS, AT PAR, for goods purchased of me last January, at Cash Rates. Business men will do well to be careful how they trust such men. J. JUKER.

Columbia Lodge, No. 5, I. O. O. F.— Meets every Friday evening at 6 1/2 o'clock, in Gates' Hall, corner of Second and Court Streets. Brothers in good standing are invited to attend. By order. N. G.

SANTA CLAUS Has arrived with a large stock of Christmas & New Year Presents. MR. MAX VOGT BEGS TO INFORM THE PUBLIC that he has opened a Fancy Toy and Fruit Store, next door to Cohn & Bohm's. He has just received a large stock of: Fancy Goods, Yankee Notions, Walking Dolls, Musical Instruments, Rubber Dolls, Guns & Drums, Albums, Pocket Cutlery, Candles, Tobacco, Fruits, Cigars, and a large stock of DRESSED BABIES.

All those wishing to make a cheap and handsome Present will please give us a call. There is also a lady in attendance, Miss Vogt, who will be ever ready to attend to the wants of her lady patrons.

Call and see the Curiosities At [11791] VOGT'S TOY STORE.

AN IMPORTANT PROCLAMATION!! A GENERAL INVITATION IS EXTENDED to all the ladies and gentlemen to call at the Jewelry Store of William Birnbaum, and examine his Stock, before the Holidays.

Christmas & Holiday Presents. In order to close the entire business against the first day of January, the undersigned offers for sale his handsome and valuable stock of:

WATCHES, DIAMONDS, JEWELRY, CLOCKS, FANCY GOODS & CUTLERY.

and all other goods in his line, suitable for Holiday Presents. BELOW FIRST COST. The Goods will be warranted as First Class articles or the money will be refunded after purchased. Ladies and Gentlemen give the above notice your earliest attention, and call soon at the store of WM. BIRNBAUM, Main Street, next door to the Post Office.

FIREMEN'S BALL! GIVEN BY JACKSON ENGINE COMPANY AT CHAPIN'S HALL, ON Monday Evening, December 25.

THE MEMBERS OF JACKSON ENGINE COMPANY would respectfully announce that they have decided to give a Grand Holiday Ball, and that they will spare no pains to make it the grandest affair of the season.

TICKETS, \$5 00, To be had of members of the Company and at the door on the evening of the Ball.

Parties desiring carriages to convey ladies to and from the hall, will please give their names to the Committee of Arrangements. No invitations will be issued.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE: A. W. Buchanan, G. A. Liebe, G. W. Waldron, J. Halloran, L. Chapin, H. Whitmore, F. Wyckman.

FLOOR MANAGERS: J. Halloran, L. Chapin, H. Whitmore, F. Wyckman.

HOLIDAY GIFTS!!

HOLIDAY GIFTS!!

HOLIDAY GIFTS!!

J. JUKER HAS JUST RECEIVED AND DISPLAYED AT HIS OLD VARIETY STORE, MAIN STREET, OPPOSITE THE UMATILLA HOUSE, A Large and Extensive assortment of FANCY GOODS, TOYS, &C., Suitable to make Christmas and New Years Presents to Ladies, Gentlemen or Children.

J. JUKER has something for all, and respectfully invites his friends and the public generally, to call and examine his Varieties. d1 1m

WM. BROWN WARNER, M. D. OFFICE—74 SECOND STREET, between Washington and Court. OFFICE HOURS—9 to 12 A. M.; 2 to 4 P. M.; and 6 to 10, P. M.

ECLIPSE CHOP HOUSE, Main Street, corner of Court. OLD MACK, THE PIONEER COOK, would respectfully inform the public that he has fitted up the above Chop House, and is prepared to serve up MEALS and LUNCH in the best style and at the shortest notice. BALLS and PARTIES furnished with suppers, in the best style and on the most reasonable terms. OYSTERS in every style. Private Rooms for Ladies. HOUSE OPEN ALL NIGHT SKATES! SKATES!!

An Invoice of SKATES Just received by J. GOETZ & CO., Washington Street, near French & Gilman. R. H. GATES, E. E. HAFT.

GATES & HAFT, Attorneys & Counsellors at Law, DALLES, OREGON.

ISAAC F. BLOCH, San Francisco. C. S. MILLER, E. G. SCHAWBACHER, Dallas.

Bloch, Miller & Co., WHOLESALE GROCERS, AND DEALERS IN

Wines & Liquors, And Importers and Jobbers of

CLOTHING Boots & Shoes, Under Clothing, Blankets,

etc., etc., etc.

ASSAY OFFICE.

WE HAVE AN ASSAY OFFICE IN CONNECTION with our business, under the entire supervision of Mr. Miller. We make returns in Bars in six hours. We guarantee all our Assays and pay the HIGHEST CASH PRICES for Bars. We also pay the Highest Cash Price for Gold Dust.

BLOCH, MILLER & CO., myoff Cor. Main and Washington streets, Dalles.

Oregon Steam Navigation Co. WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

ON AND AFTER MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13th and further notice, The Passenger Train to connect with steamers

FOR UMATILLA & WALLULA Will start from the R. R. DEPOT DALLES CITY, on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at 4:30 A. M.

THE STEAMERS "ONEONTA" or "IDAHO," CAPT. J. McNULTY, Commanding.

Will leave DALLES, DAILY, (Sundays excepted) at 5 o'clock, A. M., connecting, by the CASCADE RAILROAD, with the steamer "NEW WORLD" or "CASCADES," CAPT. J. WOLF, Commanding.

for Portland. W. B. BRADFORD, Dalles, Nov. 13, 1865. [n121f] Agent O. S. N. Co.

SELLING OFF AT COST, FOR THIRTY DAYS LONGER!! LAST CHANCE!

MESSRS. COHN & BOHM would hereby inform their customers and the public at large, that they will continue to sell AT COST, for thirty days longer in order to give one a chance to make presents for the Holidays. We will sell the balance of our stock, consisting of:

Rich Black Silks, Gents' Cloaks, Rich Poplins, Beaver Coats, Cloaks, Dress Coats, Shawls, Pants, Dry Goods, Embroideries, Hats & Caps, Boots & Shoes, &c., &c., &c., &c.

AT SAN FRANCISCO COST, Without Freight and Expns. This will be the last chance to get bargains, prior to closing the concern. COHN & BOHM.

N.B.—All Bills must be paid by the First of January 1866. If not settled within that time, the same will be placed in legal hands. detf.

REMOVAL. J. GOETZ, Dalles. F. KOENIGSBERGER, San Francisco.

J. GOETZ & CO., TOBACCONISTS, Have removed to Rudio's New Stone Building,

Washington Street, near French & Gilman's, and have opened a well-assorted stock of HAVANA and DOMESTIC SEGARS, VIRGINIA and WESTERN TOBACCO, FRENCH and SCOTCH SNUFF, MEERSCHAUM and other PIPES, PLAYING CARDS, SPORTING GOODS, INDIAN and FANCY GOODS, &c., &c. The trade supplied at LOWEST MARKET PRICES.

TOYS! TOYS! TOYS! TOYS! FOR TOYS AND FANCY GOODS For the Holidays, we recommend all dealers in that line to the BASKET AND TOY EMPORIUM of THUMAUER & ZUIN, 329 and 322 Battery Street, San Francisco. n253m

J. W. GURLEY, DENTIST, Main St., Dalles, Oregon. WOULD RESPECTFULLY INFORM the citizens of this place and vicinity, that having returned from a professional tour through the mines, he has again resumed the practice of DENTISTRY, in the room formerly occupied by him, in the building occupied by Wood & Butler, Photograph Artists, and adjoining Waldron Bros' Drug Store. He takes this method of extending thanks, for the liberal patronage heretofore extended to him, and solicits a continuance of the same.

LIST OF PRICES. Entire Denture on Gold Base.....\$150 to \$225 " Upper Denture, Gold Base..... 90 " 120 " Denture, Vulcanite Base..... 70 " 125 " Upper Denture, Vulcanite Base..... 35 " 65 Gold Fillings inserted from one dollar upward. Childrens' Teeth extracted free of charge. sel5-4f

Dissolution Notice THE FIRM OF J. W. MILLER & CO. have this day disposed of their entire stock, in this city, to Messrs. Bunnell & Miller, who will continue the business at the same stand. Mr. Thomas Miller is authorized to settle all liabilities and collect all debts due. All persons knowing themselves indebted will please come forward and settle and save costs. J. W. MILLER & Co. Dalles City, Nov. 23d, 1865. n231f