

THE THING HURTS.

The Bulletin, an ably conducted Portland daily, has a long article under the head of "Whose Fault is it?" in which it pours forth a perfect diatribe of lamentations over the many naughty words uttered by the Oregon press against the operations of the railroad King.

That paper declares, that Holladay's railroad bonds have greatly depreciated in Europe; that Holladay has always paid the interest punctually, and the editor can't see what's the matter, unless it be the natural result of the denunciation of the Oregon press. We can satisfy the curiosity of the Bulletin by this short explanation. Mr. Holladay bilked the West Side out of the land grant, the State of Oregon out of the land, Congress out of its honest intention, and the Germans out of their money. The people of the West Side have just found out what the REPUBLICAN has told them for three years, that they have been imposed upon by old Flax Break, Ben Holladay and the Portland ring, and now declare that no man who is identified with Holladay and the ring can receive their votes for any office upon any consideration whatever, which resolution will naturally let Dolph out in that county.

The people of Oregon have come to the conclusion that they have been bilked by this selfish pretender, and have made up their minds to repudiate him and his Portland clique. The American Congress have found out that Holladay made the accumulation of money a specialty, without any particular regard for the just rights of others and that he was not over zealous in his legality to the Government during the rebellion, and consequently refuse him any more land grants. The Germans have ascertained that the large tract of land in Oregon donated for railroad purposes and upon which the bonds are based were comparatively worthless, being mountain lands which can not be cultivated for the next two hundred years, instead of fine valley farming lands as represented by Holladay; and they have also ascertained that the shoddy railroads built in Oregon with their money, do not and for a long period will not pay expenses, and that the operations of Holladay and the ring have become offensive to the good people of Oregon, who have determined that the carrying trade of the State shall not be controlled by Ben Holladay and the Portland ring, consequently they, the Germans, have concluded that the bonds are nearly worthless, and that the best thing that can be done is to take the management and control of the Oregon road out of the hands of Ben Holladay and the Portland ring, and make an effort to secure the good will of the people of Oregon toward the railroads by treating them respectfully and stopping this wholesale robbery, and have deliberately come to the very sensible conclusion that, it can be accomplished by a total, absolute, open and notorious repudiation of Holladay and his menials, the Portland ring.

FIXING IT UP.

It is intimated that the Scott, Crawford are fixing up the political state for the next regular election in Oregon, and that it is headed by J. N. Dolph. This is an additional evidence of degeneration. There is an old saying that the beautiful, high bred Spanish Studs, brought to this continent by the proud mariner Cortez who conquered Mexico, have degenerated down to the white eyed cayuse, with long, coarse, heavy main and tail.

WONDERFUL.—The great natural bridge in Virginia is about to be destroyed by the burning earth under and around it. A portion has already fallen, and large volumes of fire and smoke are constantly belching forth and filling the atmosphere around the bridge, to the great dismay and wonder of the near inhabitants.

L. B. Ainsworth, of Hartford, challenges Susan B. Anthony to wrestle him for \$1,000.

STATE NEWS.

The epizootic has got to La Grande. Fine weather after a mixed season at Baker city.

Roseburg has a population of four hundred.

The young hoodlums of Roseburg are rocking the Chinese house.

Chromate of iron has been found in southern Oregon.

There is a flour mill being erected in Pendleton.

Salem is troubled with suspicious characters.

The Court House in Salem only cost 90,000.

Fighting is all the go in the La Grande country, the Sentinel gives an account of two, in his last issue.

Chinamen are passing through La Grande in rather large numbers, according to the La Grande paper, 17,000 at a time. Going for the mines.

A sturgeon was caught in the Columbia last week, three miles below the Dalles, which weighed two hundred and fifty pounds.

On the night of the 6th, two horses were stolen from the farms of J. H. Richey and P. Rowell, near Weston Adams brothers lost a saddle and bridle the same night. Evidently some body wanted to make a raise.

The horses of the Northwestern Stage Co., at Baker City and along the entire line to Boise City, took the "epizootic" a week ago, causing some delay in running the stages.

A Reform School Incorporation was organized at Portland, last Saturday, with eighteen incorporators and fifteen trustees. Henry Failing is Chairman, J. K. Gill, Secretary.

The Oregon Iron Works Company of Portland, will hold a meeting April 25th to consider the proposition to settle its business and dissolve the corporation.

The Portland school meeting, Monday evening, voted to abolish the study of music in the schools; to raise the salaries of female teachers, and then adjourned without voting to levy a tax.

The Bulletin says: "The plans for the State University building at Eugene are partly finished at the office of W. W. Piper, architect, in this city. The building will be 55 feet wide by 112 feet long, two stories with basement and Mansard roof. It will be built of brick."

A man named Harry Donnelly was killed last Saturday in the woods about four miles from East Portland, by being struck by a falling tree. He was an Irishman, aged about 30 years.

MORE FIGHTING.—The boys of Portland ranging from ten to fifteen years of age, and often numbering as high as twenty, will select an open space, and dividing equally will engage in battle. One division represents the Modocs and the others the American forces. The weapons used are sticks and harmless missiles.

One Joe Wright, of Union County killed an Antelope, he was tried for violating the game law, but the Justice finding nothing preventing any person from killing Antelopes, He was rightly discharged.

Following is a statement of the lands disposed of in the Roseburg Land Office during March, 1873: Sale of public land, 1,623 acres; homestead entries, 2,356 acres; final homestead entries, 320 acres; mineral application, 40 acres; land warrant location, 360 acres; State Capitol selections, 1,360 acres; and 38 pre-emption filings. Total 6,700 acres.

The Statesman of the 13th inst. says.

"We were yesterday informed of a serious accident that happened to Mr. Glover a few days since in this city. Mr. Glover had just come in from the Cross farm to get some articles from the old market building, which he found to be locked. Not wishing to be delayed, he attempted to climb up one of the awning posts, but just as he caught hold of the railing on the upper porch it gave way, precipitating him to the pavement, a distance of twelve or fourteen feet, striking upon his head. The post also fell, and as it struck within a few inches of his head rebounded several feet into the air. Mr. Glover was picked up insensible, and after restoratives had been administered he slowly returned to consciousness, but his mind wandered in delirium for two days. He is doing very well at present, although the injury is very great."

POSTED.—A St. Paul paper remarks that the liveliest operations of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company for this year, will be between Page Sound and the base of the Rocky Mountains, a distance of two hundred and eighty miles. That paper must be posted.

A meeting of the citizens of Astoria was held here on Monday night at Arrigoni's Hotel, for expression of the views of the people there concerning the treachery and murders by the Modoc Indians. Hon. A. Hinman was called the chair, and W. W. Parker chosen Secretary. A Committee of three, Colonel Spedden, W. W. Parker and H. Aiken, were appointed to prepare resolutions condemning the Indian policy, and to tender condolence to the families so cruelly bereaved. The meeting adjourned until to-night at 7 o'clock.

Out of a population of 833,000 in Berlin 125,000 are receiving public charity.

The snow was two feet deep at Rocky Bar, Idaho, week before last.

R. S. Stringer of Walla Walla was awarded the contracts for furnishing a large amount of wood, grain and transporting freight for the Government. In the aggregate they amount to something like \$125,000.

A Kentucky infant can't walk yet; but it can say Greek alphabet right off.

Minnie Myrtle Miller has been lecturing to goods houses in Ohio and Indiana.

On the farm of Mr. Harrison Whaley, near Moorefield, Kentucky, is a skirt of woods which possesses characteristics of deep interest. About three inches beneath the surface of the entire tract may be found innumerable bones, evidently the remains of in extinct species of the human race. Several mounds are also in the woods, and in one which has been partially explored were found skulls and bones which, from their size must have belonged to a race of beings far more gigantic than the race which now inhabits the earth. In this mound were also found many clay utensils; also arrow heads cut out of the solid rock, and pipes of the same material. Such a memorial of the past starts many inquiries. Was the place once a battle-ground, where the aborigines fought to maintain the glory of their respective tribes; or was it a burial-ground? The first seems to be the most plausible theory, inasmuch as the whole tract, covering at least fifteen acres, has multitudes of human bones but a few inches beneath the surface. It is evident that they were never buried, but originally lay exposed to view, until the accumulated deposits of time formed the black, rich soil which covers them. But whatever theory may be adopted it is certain that these bones materials antedate history and furnish another proof how little is known of the races and tribes who flourished, it may be centuries ago.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Yreka, April 16.—Mr. Page, who left the lava beds at dark last evening and arrived here this forenoon, having rode one horse seventy and another twenty miles, brought pretty full reports of yesterday's fighting. We quote from the Journal extra: "The soldiers moved up night before last and commenced closing in early next morning. The Warm Spring Indians are working around gradually. The battle was opened by Col. Bernard on the opposite side, and the Indians fought the troops on all sides, which indicates that there are a great many more Indians than have been reported hitherto. Some shells were thrown into Jack's vicinity late in the afternoon yesterday, and the flight was to be resumed in closer quarters to day, with the prospect of to-day's fight deciding the result, or probably continue till tomorrow."

Camp Tule Lake April, 15.—A battle has been in progress from early this morning. Our troops, aided by the Warm Spring Indian allies, have driven the Modocs from every position into their stronghold, the cave in the Lava Bed, and at 6 P. M. the Modocs were nearly surrounded, and the mortars were in position throwing shells into the Indian camp. But six of our men have been wounded so far as heard from in the day's fight.

Benicia, April 14.—The Steamer Amador stopped at the Government wharf to night and took on howitzers ammunition of various kinds and cavalry equipments for the Modoc country.

Jacksonville, April 14, 1873.—Received at Salem 11:30 A. M. 14th.—Gov. Grover: Road to Linkville dangerous. Settlers warned, and travel stopped. What shall be done with guns? Are at Jenny Creek.

J. E. Ross. The flags on nearly all the public buildings are at half-mast in respect to the memory of General Canby and Rev. Dr. Thomas.

San Francisco, April 15.—The following dispatch has been received: HEADQUARTERS, CAMP SOUTH, TULE LAKE, APRIL 14.

Lieutenant Sherwood, of the Twenty-first infantry, died at one o'clock today of wounds received on the 11th, while receiving a flag of truce from the Indians.

Seventy-two Warm Springs Indians under Donald McKay arrived at camp east of the Modoc position last night.

Yesterday morning, while the signal officers were engaged between General Gillem's headquarters and Colonel Mason's camp, a Modoc got up on a ridge near Jack's cave, with a white rag on a pole, an imitative the movements of the signal officers, waving it to and fro.

The following letter has been received by Colonel A. P. Dennison Adjutant General of Oregon:

ORDINANCE OFFICE, WAR DEPT. WASHINGTON April 1, 1873.

To the Adjutant General of the State of Oregon, Portland, Oregon, Sir: I have the honor to inform you that in compliance with your requisition of the 5th ultimo, 57 Springfield B. L. R. muskets, model 1868, 57 infantry accoutrements and 3,000 metallic cartridges, cal. 50, amounting in value to the sum of \$165 80, have been ordered to be sent to you at Portland, Oregon, from Vancouver Arsenal, W. T.

The above issue leaves the sum of \$5 02 still due the State of Oregon. Respectfully, your obedient servant, by order of Chief of Ordnance.

S. V. BENET, Major of Ordnance.

(Dispatch to Military Headquarters Portland.) HEADQUARTERS MODOC EXPEDITION CAMP SOUTH OF TULE LAKE, April 11, 1873.

To Adjutant General, Department of Columbia: General Canby, with the Peace Commission, went out to meet the Indians about one mile in front of the camp at eleven o'clock this morning. At half-past one this afternoon the signal officer whom I had watching the conference reported firing. Reaching the place of meeting, I found that General Canby and the Rev. Dr. Thomas had been killed, and Mr. Meacham seriously, if not mortally wounded.

Mr. Dyer, the other Commissioner, escaped unhurt. I shall at once commence active operations against the Indians.

ALVAN C. GILLEM, First Cavalry, Com. Expedition. IN THE LAVA BEDS, Cal. April 11, 1873. VIA YREKA, April, 12.

Yesterday afternoon five Indians and four squaws came into camp and were made presents of clothing and provisions by the Peace Commission, and a message was sent out by the Commission asking for a talk this morning at a point a mile from our picket line. Later in the evening Bogus Charley came in and told the picket he could take his gun; that by (Charley) did not intend to go back any more. The picket brought him in and took him to the tent of General Canby, where Charley left his gun, and remained at the tent of Frank Riddle during the night. This morning

BOSTON CHARLEY CAME IN

And told the Commission that Captain Jack and five other Indians would meet the Commission outside our lines. Boston and Bogus then mounted a horse and started for the Lava-Bed. About one hour after their departure, General Canby, Dr. Thomas, Mr. A. B. Meacham and Mr. Dyer, with Frank Riddle and his squaw for interpreters, started for the place appointed. The party arrived at the appointed place and were

CLOSELY WATCHED BY THE SIGNAL OFFICER.

Lieutenant Adams, from the signal station on the hill overlooking our camp. About half an hour after the party had arrived a cry from the signal station was heard, saying that the

INDIANS HAD ATTACKED THE PEACE COMMISSION.

And that an engagement had commenced between the Indians and Colonel Mason. In a moment the troops were under arms and deployed as skirmishers under command of General Green, and orders were given, "forward, double quick!" Very shortly after Mr. Dyer returned and told us that the Indians had attacked them, and that he thought he was

THE ONLY ONE WHO HAD ESCAPED.

But in a few moments after Riddle and his squaw were seen within the picket-line. From him we gather the following account of

HOW THE MASSACRE COMMENCED:

Meacham made a short speech to the Indians, followed by General Canby, and then Dr. Thomas. Then Captain Jack made a speech, asking for Hot Creek and Cottonwood, the places now occupied by Fairchild and Dorris, for a reservation. Mr. Meacham told Jack that it was not possible to give him what he asked. Scoonchin told Meacham to say no more; that he (Meacham) had said enough upon this subject; and while Scoonchin was talking Capt. Jack got up and walked behind the others and turned back and exclaimed,

"ALL READY!" Dren his pistol and snapped a cap at Gen. Canby cocked his pistol again and fired.

GENERAL CANBY FELL DEAD,

Shot under the right eye, Scoonchin then shot Meacham in the shoulder and in the head, but he is still alive. Boston Charley and another Indian shot and killed Doctor Thomas. Hooka Jim chased Dyer for some distance, but Dyer turned on him with pistol in hand, and Hooka Jim ran against an Indian, knocked Riddle's squaw down and took her horse, but Captain Jack made him return it; and then another Indian chased Riddle and shot at him. This last may be taken with a grain of salt. The troops are now

A MILE IN THE LAVA-BED,

Lying upon their arms, and will probably advance under the cover of the darkness.

There are about six hundred troops here which can be brought into active service, and I believe they will end the Modoc war. Meacham is not expected to survive.

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