

WE MUST HAVE WATER.

Ever since the agitation of the water question the TIMES MOUNTAINEER has advocated what it considered the best and cheapest method of procuring a supply other than the one now in use...

THE RECORD GOOD.

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and we hope in another year to have a new system of water-works, and not by, as we are now, monthly sending our revenue to a Portland corporation.

Mr. C. E. Oliver, engineer of the Portland water-works, staked his line out and made field notes for eight miles from the head of The Dalles Lumbering Co.'s ditch on Dog river towards Hood River and verified the statement of Mr. Habersham that the project of bringing water to The Dalles was perfectly impracticable.

The opposition tried last Monday to place themselves on Mayor Moody's platform—in favor of Columbia river water, and issued circulars to that effect. This came too late. Ever since the question has been mooted they have opposed every measure tending to segregate The Dalles from the dominating influence of Portland capitalists.

Speaker Reed, it is reported, says the River and Harbor bill should be reduced 25 per cent., as it is too great an expenditure at one session. Mr. Reed comes from the economical east, and when elected, it was expected he would exercise the closest scrutiny over appropriations.

We hear very little political talk from the present administration, or any of the great leaders of the Republican party. This is much different from the way in which Mr. Cleveland and his cabinet managed affairs.

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THE FARMER MONARCHS.

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"Booming" a town is not always advisable, for, like inflation, it may react and have a bad effect. But this is not always the case; especially when there are natural resources which will insure permanency.

The eighteenth annual reunion of the pioneers of Oregon is being held in Portland, and among them are some of the leading minds of the state. Coming at an early date to this portion of the northwest, they have done noble work in shaping the destinies of this great commonwealth.

We are much obliged to the Baker City Democrat for the fraternal feeling it displays in publishing our editorial items, without credit. In the issue of June 15th it had four articles from this paper, as original, and on the 16th one. Gentlemen, we extend to you our heartiest thanks, and we have an unqualified appreciation of your excellent taste.

The national Democracy have commenced looking around for a candidate for 1892. It is not probable they will try the fortunes of Mr. Cleveland again before the American people, as it is evident they must find new material.

national questions, and the Democratic party has produced very few of these. Free-trade was not the open sesame in 1888, and it will not be in 1892.

TAXPAYERS STAND FIRM.

The council will be all solid on Dalles City water works; but there are two commissioners to be elected on July 17th to fill the vacancies occasioned by the expiration of the terms of office of Hon. Z. F. Moody and Geo. Rach, Esq., which requires some attention.

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The pioneers of Oregon are heroes in every sense of the word. Some of our first settlers were shot to pieces by Indians; but they maintained their lands and houses in the midst of the most trying circumstances.

The Due d'Orleans, who was lately imprisoned for appearing on French soil, is having a gay time in London, and it is reported he will enter the Russian army as soon as he tires of the amusement of the English metropolis.

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Nelson W. Durban, editor of the Spokane Falls Review, has been vindicated on a charge of contempt of court, brought by the attorneys of Harry Baer, the man who killed H. McCrossin in that city sometime ago.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

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Denver, June 17.—A special from El Paso, Tex., says: "A freight crew, which arrived here this morning over the Southern Pacific road reported that when they arrived at Sepon station, just this side of Lordsburg, N. M., at 2:30 this morning they found the train in the wildest excitement over the arrival of a cowboy who had just reached there barefooted, and his feet covered with cuts and lacerations from having run ten miles from a ranch north of Sepon, where he and ten other men were captured. He stated that at 10 o'clock last night a band of Indians surprised them and shot them down as the men jumped out of their blankets to escape. He thought there were about thirty Indians in the band. The cowboy had been in bed but a short time when the attack was made. Some of them were armed, but did not have their guns handy not expecting to find the Indians in the warpath in that section. He saw three men, and thinks that the rest shared the same fate. A posse was organized at Lordsburg and one at Deming this morning to go and hunt the Indians across the border at once."

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