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Awful Train Wreck.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 15.—The second section of No. 9, with the Andrews opera company on board, left West Superior at midnight for Grande Forks. Near Jonesville the train struck a broken rail; the engine and baggage car passing over in safety, but the sleeping car was derailed. It toppled over, breaking loose from the train, and went down an embankment five feet high, lying on the side. Soon the the windows were broken to liberate those inside. The flames shot out, and in very short order the car was enveloped. The trainmen soon liberated those unable to extricate themselves, but none were able to save their clothes, and the night being the coldest of the season, the thermometer reaching 46 beolw, the sufferings of the injured were terrible. At this time it was discovered that Mrs. Edward Andrews and Lillie were missing, but no human efforts could render them assistance, as the car was a mass of flames. They were burned to death. The injured were placed in a baggage car and brought to Brainerd and quartered at the Arlington hotel.

Florence Joy was severely burned on the back and head, and will probably die; May Douglass, Miss Letitia French, Mrs. L F Barker, Miss Marie Roe, George Andrews, Miss Elia Harris, J C Taylor, H Allen, Fred Allen, Miss Joshearer and L F Barker were injured more or less seriously.

Miss Douglass, when she was brought from the car, was literally enveloped in flames. She will probably recover. The women were nearly nude, but were wrapped up as they were taken out. The bodies of the two woman burned to death were charred beyond all recognition; the heads, legs and arms were entirely gone. Ed Andrews rescued his little baby and and supposed his wife was safe. He is wild with grief. Members of the company lost all their possessions except their stage clothes.

Will not Long be Delayed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15—The president to-day concluded his examination of the diplomatic correspondence in the Chilian controversy and sent the documents back to the state department. At the cabinet meeting to-day he announced this, and indicated that the next step in the case would not long be delayed. The whole matter was discussed informally, but no action was taken, as there is nothing to be done until the correspondence is published. It is ascertained the president will accompany the transmission of the correspondence by a message on the subject that will advance certain propositions that will define the attitude of the administration in a very positive manner. The expectation is he will have the message ready so that it can be submitted to the cabinet at its meeting Tuesday afternoon or more probably Wednesday morning. The government investigation into the attack upon the *Baltimore's* sailors conducted at San Francisco, having come to an end, there is no reason why the facts thus far elicited, which would seem to greatly strengthen the government's case should not be incorporated in the document sent to congress, especially as portions of the testimony have been mailed to Washington from day to day, and the last batch of evidence should be here in a very few days.

Not at all Disturbed.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—The *Herald's* Valparaiso special says there is a decided improvement in the situation during the past twenty-four hours. There is now no more talk. Minister Montt cables from Washington he has assurances of an early settlement of the question involved. Senor Preirera, minister of foreign affairs has assured Minister Egan, the Chilian government will severely punish all persons who have insulted Americans. Two roughs who stoned the occupants of the Yorktown's gig a week ago, have been arrested, and an early conviction and sentence may be expected. Notwithstanding the reports sent from Washington that Presidenc Harrison is urging an immediate reply to the demand made upon Chili by the United States, I have been told by a representative of the Chilian government that no specific requirements have been forwarded to Santiago. Up to this time only general preposals have been made and the Chilian government is now awaiting the delivery of the express terms of the demands which the United States government will make upon it. It is not expected here that the demands will be made until after the entire evidence concerning the *Baltimore* affairs have been received at Washington. I am told, on official authority, the Chilian minister at Washington has been instructed to act in a most conciliatory manner. United States Minister Eagan now meets with great consideration when visiting Moneda. Diplomatic cavilers acknowledges his success.

The Mexican Border.

MONTEREY, Mexico, Jan. 15.—General Reyes' latest advices from Mier are that everything on the frontier is quiet Nothing would better please the Mexican government than for the United States authorities to allow the insurgents to cross over to this side, so that they could be annihilated. In the meantime the authorities are watching the insurgents closely and are ready to promptly suppress any outbreak which might occur. General Reyes contends that the Chihuahua affair amounts to nothing. It is the opinion here that Diaz is willing for the revolutionists to proceed, so that he can find out exactly who is putting up the money and who is the real head. The terrible poverty naturally causes uneasiness. Starving men are willing to fight for their bread, and unless the wants of the people are relieved they could easily be converted into an army, and this is what causes anxiety. Pinkerton men are at work ferreting out the leaders, and a woman has been employed to fascinate Garza if she can find him.

McKinley on the Wool Tariff.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 15.—In a speech before the agricultural convention yesterday afternoon, Governor McKinley said: There is one thing that they all might as well make up their minds to down East: That they can't have wool free when it comes from the sheep's back and put a tariff on it when it comes on our backs. They cannot have wool come into their factories in New England free, and come out of their factories with a tariff to the American people."

Willing to Fight.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 15.—The controversy existing between the United States and the Chilian government has caused the young Americans in East St. Louis to organize a company of volunteers with the intention of responding to the first call of the president for troops to go to Chili. A committee of prominent young men has been appointed to write to the secretary of war and inform him of the steps taken toward forming a company, and to ask him to give the East St. Louis boys first place in case trouble should ensue. The same committee is authorized to write Governor Fifer and ask him to furnish guns and equipments. Although the enlistment papers have been in circulation only one morning, they contain almost half a hundred names. A meeting will be held some evening this week to elect officers.

A Mail Driver's Bravery.

SIOUX CITY, Iowa, Jan. 17.—A bold but unsuccessful attempt to rob the transfer mail wagon was made this morning at 6:10 in an alley back of the Sioux City postoffice building. The remarkable courage of J. C. Newell, the driver, frustrated the designs of the would be robbers, and they were compelled to seek safety in flight, leaving the booty behind. Newell had made his regular trip to the Omaha train and received a load of mail. This morning there were six pouches, some of them very valuable. As a baggage wagon box on runners had been substituted for the regular mail wagon the mail had been thrown into the back seat, and Newell sat down upon the sacks and started for the office. It was still dark when he drove down the alley near the rear door of the postoffice. Suddenly four rough-looking men sprang up to the side of the wagon, and one of them thrust a revolver in his face and ordered him to throw up his hands. Another robber stood at the head of the horses while the remaining two began to take out the pouches. At an opportune moment Newell grabbed the revolver by the muzzel and tried to wrest it from his assailant, but the trigger was pulled and the ball crashed through the driver's hand, shattering many of the bones and causing a painful wound. The robber again cocked the weapon and fired, but Newell dropped on his face in the wagon. Then he began to shout for help. The highwaymen picked up several pouches and started to run, but they did not go far before they became frightened and dropped their booty. Newell had observed two men suspiciously watching him for two days at the railroad station, and yesterday reported the fact to the postmaster. The police are following the clews and expect to capture the men. It is believed that they are amateurs. Postmaster Kirk has written Superintendent Tracy, of this division, giving the details of the robbery, and asking that Newell's bravery be given official recognition.

Protection Not Guranteed.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The *Herald's* Valparaiso special says: Definite instructions were cabled Minister Montt yesterday directing the withdrawl of Matta's offensive note. It was presumed this was done before, but now it is known the withdrawal was not made. New complications arose to-day in regarde to Balmaceda's refugees, permited to go aboard the *Yorktown*. At the last moment the Chilian government refused to guarantee safety to the refugees while going from the *Yorktown* to the departing steamer, or even to agree that the steamers upon which they took passage were not to be searched Egan had been tacitly assured by Perreira, the minister of foreign affairs, that those to whom he had given an asylum would be permited to leave. Acting on these assurances they purchased tickets and prepared to sail to-day. The refusal of the authorities to guarantee safety to their late foes, made it unsafe for them to sail. In order to make certain the promise that their flight would not be prevented, they offered to take any steamer sailing either north or south from Valparaiso, but their offer would not be accepted without a guarantee of safety, as they were liable to arrest or assault by a mob. Under the circumstances they remained aboard the *Yorktown*. Captain Evans has cabled to Washington for instructions.

The Earth Came Down.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 16.—The largest landslide occurring for years on the Northern Pacific road came down the bluffside at Eagle Gorce last evening about 7 o'clock. The slide completely buried a large steam shovel, worth $8000, and the main line for a distance of 300 feet. Engineer J. M. Dixon and Division Engineer Bibler said this morning that it will take his force five days to dig out the shovel and ascertain the damage done. The force at Eagle Gorge numbers 150 men, who started to dig out the big shovel to-day. The bluff there rises up from the Green river to a height of over 100 feet. The slide brought down the entire brow of the bluff, including huge bouilders, stumps and trees. The earth will be taken away by work trains. A side track was run around the scene of the slide at Eagle Gorge, which trains are using. Two dozen men quit work on and around the steam shovel an hour before the slide occurred.

Again in Prison.

BUTTE, Jan. 16.—Four of the county jail prisoners, who escaped on the 6th inst., have been recaptured. They are: J. B. Smith, the negro wanted for assault to kill; Stafford and Sparks, two of the safe burglars, and C. G. Price, the murderer of Cunningham. Ever since they escaped a search has been kept up for them. Smith was caught in a cabin in the southeast part of the city. A woman, who lived near the colony, gave the police the tip. He was caught in bed and made no resistence. Stafford and Sparks were betrayed by a "hop fiend," in the cellar of whose house they were secreted. Price was found in the attic of the Miners' Union hall. He was undoubtedly placed there by a member of the union, though, of course, to the majority of the members it was unknown. It will have a disastrous effect on the union, whose members are all smirched by the discovery. It will undoubtedly take some means to exculpate itself.

Other National News.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16—Representative Scott, of Illinois, has introduced a bill prohibiting the postoffice department from selling stamped envelopes bearing the usual printed request for a return to the owner after a limited period. Speaking of the resolution, Mr. Scott said:

Under the present law, the government is a direct competitor with every printing house in the country. It is an unwarranted trespass by the government upon the private business of every printer in the United States. Many millions of dollars annually are by this act taken from the printing business. This does not seem fair or just. The government should take its hands off and not oppress one of the greatest and most important industries of our country.

The Last Sad Rites.

LONDON, Jan. 19.—The general gloom caused by the death of the Duke of Clarence and Avondale will have a very bad effect upon the London amusement world. The death of the duke means a heavy loss and bad season to caterers of all kinds of public amusements. The already heavy loss through the bad weather and heavy log which preceded Christmas, and the long period of state mourning, means empty seats at all the theaters. Preparations for the funeral of the duke are being made, but all the details are not arranged. It is announced positively the interment will take place at noon Wednesday. The body of the duke will be conveyed from Sandringham, and will arrive at Windsore Castle Tuesday. It is believed the statement regarding the condition of the queen's health is grossly exaggerated. That she is seriously or at all ill is not shown by the arrangements made for her presence at the funeral ceremonies.

The body of the duke was removed from Sandringham to the parish church this morning. The Princess of Wales and Princess Victoria Mary are recovering somewhat from the shock of the duke's death, and are becoming more resigned. The body will be taken to London, and then to Windsor. There will be a public and semi-military procession through London from one railroad station to the other. The body will be received at Windsor with military honors and be guarded to the castle by a squdron of cavalry. Guards will be detailed to line the route and keep it clear.

General Algers's View of the Situation.

DETROIT, Jan, 17.—General Alger, in an interview here to day, said:

There is a good deal of Chilian war talk in Washington and war may be the outcome of the present situation. The army and navy naturally favor it and their influence is felt. War preparations always excite and enthuse the masses too, and a war policy is apt to be temporarily popular on that account. But it seems to me it would be prudent and proper to send a commission to Chili, previous to a determination to begin hostilities with the view of thus securing ample preparation and avoiding an appeal to arms, which would sacrifice not less than 10,000 lives and cost $300,000,000. If the commission failed, war would be inevitable, and I only refer to the appointing of a commission as a means of honorably avoiding hostilities. There is one good result of the war scare, anyway. It has convinced people of the necessity for a strong navy.

Garza Still Under Cover.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 17.—The Garza troubles have apparently subsided so far as open hostilities are concerned, but there is still a widespread distrust all along the border that the wily revolutionists may bob up again at any time and the troops remain in the field. So far as Garza is concerned, there is no reliable information as to his whereabouts or plans, but this is no indication that he has given up the movement or is without sympathizers or supporters. The report that he is in the vicinity of Eagle Pass with a considerable following appears without foundation. While the movement was believed from the first by the Mexican authorities to be unimportant, it has no less operated to the detriment of Mexico from a business standpoint, if not politically.

Mrs. Greenwood's Murderer Identified

NAPA, Cal., Jan. 17.—Sheriff George S. McKenzie arrived here this morning with Carl Schmidt, who confessed at Denver to killing Mrs. Greenwood at Greenwood's home, south of this city, in February last. McKenzie sent for Mr. Greenwood and called about forty other men. Schmidt was then brought in, and without any hesitancy picked out Mr. Greenwood from many others. So soon as Schmidt was taken out Greenwood positively identified him as one of the murderers.

A Duel by Moonlight.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 16—A duel took place by moonlight Thursday night between Carlos Espaza, a discharged prison official, and Innocencio Arriola, of the *Diario Del Hogas*. This newspaper published an article which led to Espaza's dismissal. The combatants were placed twenty paces apart, and exchanged shots without effect. Then they advanced five paces and fired again, when both were wounded, Espaze more severely than his adversary, but neither fatally.

The Situation in Kansas.

TOPEKA, Jan. 17.—The resignation of Judge Botkin will result in restoring peace in Seward and Stevens counties, but Botkin will not resign. He says he has never shown the white feather and will continue to abstain from doing so if he has to carry an arsenal around with him. His friends have been pleading with him to resign and he agreed, as a compromise, to absent himself from the district for a time, allowing the bar to select a judge pro tem.

A Death-Trap Discovered.

CHANDLER, I. T., 15.—For years the disappearance of travelers across the river from here has been frequent and mysterious. To day a house which was evidently built for criminal purpose was discovered. The house was so arranged that persons entering must pass over the trap, which, when sprung, precipitated them to a cavern beneath. In the cavern hair, dried blood and bones were discovered on the rocks at the bottom.

Tennessee Mine Troubles Over.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Jan. 15.—Miners from the Coal Creek region are passing through here en route to the Onita mines in Arkansas, owned by Chattanooga parties. One hundred or more will emigrate, taking their families with them. The latest information from the mine regions in the eastern part of the state is very encouraging, and there is little probability of any further trouble.

Ordered to the Indies.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—The monitor *Maintonomah* has been ordered to the West Indies. It will take only a few days to get her ready for sea. Her commander will report to Admiral Gherardi. The cruiser *Newark* will probably act as convoy.

The Railroad Strikers.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 18.—Last night the Arkansas Pass road tendered the Southern Pacific a car which was made up with the west-bound train. This morning the Southern Pacific trainmen refused to take out the train unless the Arkansas Pass car was cut out. This was done, and the train departed. The superintendent of the road will arive tomorrow and look into the state of affairs. Further trouble may be precipitated at any hour. Local business men are moving to assist in settling the strike on the Arkansas Pass, and prevent a spread of trouble.

A Powder Explosion.

CATLETTSBURG, Ky., Jan. 18.—A powder mill at Central City exploded this morning with terrific force. The sound was heard at Ironton, twenty-five miles away. Window glass was broken in Catlettsburg. Seven men were killed and six injured.

ITEMS IN BRIEF.

From Saturday's Daily.

The river is clear of ice; but no boats made the trip to-day.

Hon. E. O. McCoy, of Grant, is registered at the Umatilla House.

Mr. A. J. Wall, the celebrated caterer of Eight Mile, is in the city.

Three capatans or crabs are at work drawing the *D. S. Baker* out on the ways.

From the *Glacier* we are pleased to learn that Mr. George Herbert is improving from his serious illness.

Yesterday the chinook changed the temperature so that the thermometer ranged in the forties. Last night it rained, and winter gave place to spring.

In the bed on which Mr. Hochschild died was found $135 in gold and greenbacks, although for many years he had been a dependent on the estate of his daughter for support.

Geo. West and Pat. Lynch, two "tough" characters, were jailed at Condon during the week for burglary. They will very likely have work at Salem after the next term of the circuit court in that county.

From parties who arrived to-day from Dufur we learn that Chinook winds prevailed yesterday, and the only snow that could be seen was on Tygh ridge, where good sleighing has been enjoyed for some weeks.

Mr. Bright, who arrived from Wasco, Sherman county, Thursday evening, says a heavy chinook wind was prevailing at the time, and the ground was clear of snow. There was good feed on the hills, and the cattle were in excellent condition.

We are informed that deer are being driven from the mountains by the severity of the recent storms, and they can be seen on the foothills. Mr. Wall says from his hotel on Eight Mile he can see them on the neighboring hills.

Mr. H. B. Sibley has resigned his position as agent of the D. P. and A. Transportation company, and Mr. W. C. Alloway has been appointed to fill the vacancy. In transportation matters Mr. Alloway has had several years experience, and no doubt will fill the position very acceptably.

The *Regulator*, before she is again put in the trade will have eight state rooms built on the deck, and the hog chains strengthened. In other respects the craft will be thoroughly repaired and made more suitable for the traffic. This will very likely take about three weeks.

Barbed wire fences are playing sad havoc with horses, and we are informed that some very valuable animals have been injured by coming in contact with these. It seems the ground since the recent thaw has become very slippery, and horses are liable to fall on a hillside and become injured by these fences.

To-morrow the following schedule of time on the Union Pacific will go into effect: West-bound—No. 1, fast mail, arrive 4:25 A. M., depart 4:30 A. M.; No. 7, Pacific express, arrive 6 P. M., depart 6:20 P. M. East-bound—No. 2, fast mail, arrive 12:01 A. M., depart 12:06 A. M.; No. 8, Atlantic express, arrives 12:30 P. M., departs 12:50 P. M.

The postoffice department has issued orders that hereafter circulars having anything printed on them with a rubber stamp will have to be paid for as first-class matter. The order is based on the principle that the stamp is nothing more nor less than writing, from the fact that it is used as a pen and the legends it produces are as indelible as those of a pen.

Condon *Globe*: Pursuant to call of Capt. Wilcox, the members of H Company met at Condon Saturday evening and elected Herbert Halstead to the position of 1st lieutenant. T. G. Johnson was elected 2d lieutenant to fill the vacancy just made vacant by Mr. Halstead's promotion. Our boys in blue feel a trifle disappointed (?) over the fact that there will be no war with Chili after all.

Eugene *Register*: The annual meeting of the Upper Willamette Lumber Manufacturers' Association was held in this city last Saturday, and J. C. Goodale was re-elected president and A. Wheeler secretary. Many have considered the past season a quiet one in the matter of building, but the sales of the association last year amounted to $32,000 as compared with $29,000 in 1890, and $44,000 in 1889.

A progressive tiddledywinks party was given by Beulah Patterson last evening. First prize was won by Daisy Beall, and Evelyn Newman carried off the booby prize. An excellent lunch was served. Those present were. Daisy Beall, May Beall, Georgie Sampson, Bessie French, Myrtle Michell, Beulah Patterson, Victor Marden, Win Curtis, Will Crossen and C. Clark.

Salem *Statesman*, 12: At its meeting yesterday the state land board made a formal ruling which is in effect that certificates will not be issued to intending purchasers of school land that has not been surveyed. Practically this rule has been in force for several years, but it was not until yesterday that a formal entry of it was made. In all of its rulings this board shows preference to actual settlers as opposed to mere speculators.

F. X. Matthieu still owns the land in Marion county, between Butteville and Aurora, where the first crop of wheat grew that was ever raised in the northwest. This piece of land illustrates the richness of Oregon soil, for it has grown seventy-five crops of wheat in forty-six years, and still produces thirty-five bushels to the acre. The wheat grown on this land, if spread on the surface, would occupy as great a depth as the soil has been cultivated.

It appears that hoodlumism is rampant at Dufur, as the following from the *Dispatch* will verify: "When some of the youngsters have been rebuked from the pulpit a few more times, they may learn—or may have to be taught—that the House of God is not the place for an exhibition of bad manners and disregard for the rights and feelings of others. One who cannot maintain a quiet and reverent attention had better keep—or be kept—away. And a church is not a 'flirtation corner,' either."

On the arrival of the north-bound freight Saturday evening at Sprague, the brakeman discovered a tramp riding on the brake-beam. He was so benumbed with cold that he could not talk nor move. The trainmen took him from the brake-beam and carried him into the depot to a fire, where the agent rubbed him thoroughly, and the blood soon began to circulate freely. He is now all right, but it was a narrow escape. Had he gone a mile or two further he would have died.

Iowa has passed a stringent but just tramp law. It declares that any male person sixteen years of age or over, who is physically able to work, who wanders about begging or idle and who cannot show reasonable efforts to secure employment, shall be deemed a tramp, sent to jail and put to hard work. While in jail he shall not be allowed tobacco, liquor, sporting or illustrated newspapers, cards or any other means of amusement. The tramps will no doubt avoid Iowa like they would an unmuzzled bull dog.

Corr. Condon *Globe*: They are having lively times just now at Mitchell and along the toll road. Recently G. L. Frizzell and H. H. Wheeler built a road around the toll gate, at their personal expense, for their own private use. Accordingly the toll company sued Mr. Wheeler, and the justice at Mitchell has asked for ten days' time in which to make his decision. Last Saturday they had Mr. Frizzell up before the city dads of Mitchell on a charge of whittling Walter Helms with his knife. Also the honorable attorney of Shoofly for drawing his shooter and firing it on the street.

Astorian: Mention was made a few days ago of the strange disappearance of Robert Wallace, a young man working at Ingalls' place on the Lewis and Clarke. He had gone hunting in the last days of the year and had not returned. Search for him resulted in the finding of a place in the tideland dyke where he had left two empty cartridge shells, and further on was found the boat. Yesterday further search resulted in finding the dead body of the unfortunate young man, with a ghastly wound under his arm from which blood was slowly welling. He had been dead some days. He was lying in a heap where the little slough makes into the larger one, and from the position of the body and attendant circumstances, it would seem that he had reached the junction of the two sloughs when he saw a duck, and reaching for his gun drew it toward him muzzle first, when it went off with fatal effect.

Arlington *Record*: A large flow of slush ice reached this point in the Columbia on Monday morning, causing the steamer *Alkali* to tie up after making one trip, the first time for the winter. If the present cold weather in the north and east continues the river will be blocked in a few days more. We understand the *Alkali* will not be taken out for the winter as has been usual. She is now anchored behind the point on the Washington side. The *Lizzie Lina* has been taken out by Mr. Powers to be recaulked, and will probably remain on the Oregon shore until after the blockade season. At present the ferry management are using small boats to accommodate their trade.

Mr. Chas. Nieuberger, yesterday afternoon, in going down to the slaughter house west of the city, stopped off to call on the old gentleman, Mr. Hochschild, father of the late Mrs. Goldstein, and who lived alone in a building adjoining the Mohrenbach dwelling-house. He found him lying prostrate on the floor, in a helpless condition. Mr Nieuberger helped him on the bed, and came to town and told Mr. Geo. Wilhams, administrator of the estate of Mrs. Goldstein, who ordered several delicacies to be taken to him. Mr. Williams hired Mr. Nieuberger to take them down and to wait on Mr. Hochschild. When he arrived at the house he found him dead in the bed where he had placed him on his first visit. He was aged 76 years, and had received a comfortable support from the estate for some time past. Last Monday he came in town, appearing as well as usual, and his death was unexpected.

From Monday's Daily.

Mr. Morgan Walker, of Biggs, gave us a pleasant call to-day.

Yesterday was as delightful as spring, and our citizens thoroughly enjoyed the day.

Marriage license was issued to-day to John W. Brown and Martha E. Hurst by the county clerk.

The new Methodist church is rapidly approaching completion, and, when finished, will be a very imposing edifice.

A carload of sheep from this vicinity are at Saltmarshe & Co.'s stockyards. They are in good condition, and will be shipped to Troutdale.

Business at the warehouses in the East End will be at a stand still until spring opens, when the products of the interior begin to move.

A and C companies are drilling regularly, and are in good preparation for war. We understand the militiamen are anxious for a collision with Chili.

The river is free of ice, except some loose floes from the upper river. These readily pass down the current of the stream and cause no impediment to navigation.

Last Saturday, Mr. Edward F. W. Beyer declared his intention under oath of becoming a citizen of the United States, and for that reason renounced his allegiance to the emperor of Germany.

The number of new buildings in the burned district is a matter of astonishment to the most sanguine of our citizens. When spring opens several substantial business buildings will be erected.

Next Thursday evening Jackson Engine Co. No. 1, the pioneer fire organization of The Dalles, will give a masquerade ball at the Umatilla House. A large number of tickets have been sold, and it will undoubtedly be a success in every particular.

Seventeen carloads of cattle, from Payette, Idaho, left the stockyards this morning for the American Dressed Meat company at Troutdale. These were in excellent condition, and will furnish good beef steaks for the denizens of the Willamette valley.

Mrs. Ida Stout died last Saturday evening at the residence of her father, Mr. C. W. Denton, on Mill creek, near this city. She was aged about 25 years, and was born on the old homestead of her father on Mill creek. The funeral will take place tomorrow from the family residence at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

Dr. Blalock, of Walla Walla, took a sure way of exhibiting railroad extorting to the board of trade at Seattle. He sent a box of apples, omitting to pay the freight. The board paid 95 cents freight charges and 25 cents for city delivery. "Now," said the doctor, "you can perceive why Walla Walla ships so little fruit to Puget Sound."

Asotin *Sentinel*: The hillsides along Snake river in the vicinity of Couse creek are now in a rather dangerous condition for range stock, and some loss from sliding has already occurred. C. A. Hollenbeck, a stockman, whose horses range in that neighborhood, recently lost three head from this cause, one of the animals having its neck and three legs broken.

Two inebriates found their way into the city jail last night.