

THE CONTRACT SYSTEM.

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Under the management of the war department over sixteen years have elapsed since the locks were begun, and from present indications, it would take a much longer period in the future to so nearly complete them as to admit the passage of river craft.

Eastern Oregon looks forward to many good results from irrigation, as there are vast tracts of land that could be cultivated if water were available...

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The dispatches state that the Lutheran in session in New York assured the Democratic committee last week that they may expect a large German vote in the northwest...

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