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# TELEGRAPHIC.

### Five Hundred Implicated.

LA, JUNTA, COLO., Feb 3– The gigantic freight roberries by Santa Fe trainmen are still the sensation,as each day's developments exceed the widest rumors of the previous days. Several more houses were visited this morning, and goods sufficient to load a large dray were discovered, including cases of Winchester rifles, six-shooters knives, ammunition, and the usual stock of fine curtains, carpets, rags and dress goods There has now been recovered at different points between $25,000 and $35,000 worth of stolen freight, and your reporter was today shown a list of nearly 500 names said to be implicated in the steals There has been no compromise so far with any of the men arrested, and the Santa Fe officials say that every guilty man must suffer.

### Well Known Indian Dead.

POCATELLO, Idaho, Feb 3—Charles Rainey, half-breed Indian, and for the past several years government interpreter at the Fort Hall reservation, died Monday of pneumonia He was a government scout under General Howard during the Bannock war, and brilliant service made him famous. He was the most popular Indian on the reservation, and if the Indians take charge of the funeral a great pow-wow is expected He leaves a valuable estate to his wife and five children.

### Two Men Frozen to Death.

SPOKANE, Feb. 3—From Bonner's ferry it is reported tonight that two men were frozen to death on the stage from Kootenai lake. No authentic news has been received from the stage, which is now two days late. The heavy snow storm and the severe cold weather give weight to the theory that the balance of the passengers have frozen to death.

### Strong Evidence Against Hale.

ELLENSBURG, Feb 3.—The trial of Cal Hale was resumed this afternoon. Only three witnesses were examined, but every one indentified him as the robber who took the money from vault. The afternoon passed without special incident.

### Guilty as Charged.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 3—The jury in the case of Robert J. Beatty, charged with being an accomplice in the Homestead poisonings, has brought in a verdict of guilty on all six indictments, after being out only seven minutes.

### Ran Into a Snowdrift.

COULEE CITY, Feb. 4—Friday afternoon the snowplow left here to clean the track between Coulee City and Cheney. The front engine was in charge of Engineer G. H. Brown and Fireman Bob Damon, and the pusher was manned by Engineer Jack Smith and Fireman Jake Herider All went well until a heavy drift was struck nine miles east of this place when the engines, going at the rate of 60 miles an hour, struck the snow and came to a dead standstill. The stop was so short that the force sent the back engine on the front tender. The jar was so sudden that the coal on the back tender was thrown against the boiler with such force that Fireman Jake Herider was pinned tight to the boiler, and was badly bruised about the legs with the coal and burnt from the boiler before released from his perilous position. Engineer Smith was hurled bodily through the cab window. Engineer Brown and Fireman Damon were at first supposed to be buried beneath the engine, but were afterwards found unconscious in the snow bank. Conductor Minehan, who was in charge of the snow-plow train, jumped out of the cupola window of the caboose, and started on a run across the prairie wild and furious, and has not reported for duty yet. Thomas Block, the roadmaster, who was also in the cupalo when the shock came, received a severe blow in the head and was unconscious for a short time but recovered. It was almost a miracle that the men escaped with their lives. The trailing engine, in charge of Conductor T. L. Downs and Engineer Gates, came to the rescue in a short time and helped to rescue the boys from their perilous position in the scalding steam that was then escaping. The wounded men were promptly taken to Coulee City, their hurts cared for, and they are doing well at present.

### Three of the Murderers Killed.

PINE RIDGE AGENCY, N. D., Feb. 4—First Sergeant Joe Bush, of the Indian police, in charge of a detachment sent out this morning by Agent Brown, returned this afternoon and told the story of overtaking the murderers He was instructed by Agent Brown to bring them in, whether they resisted or not. He said the men were camped near No Water camp. When the police came up the mudreters at once opened fire, and the police returned the fire. They killed three of the party, Two Strikes and one of his boys made their escape, It is thought that Two Strikes is seriously wounded. The Indian police were highly complimented by Captains Brown and Cisney. Captain Brown has another squad of men out after the missing two, with instructions to bring them in. Capt Brown and Inspecter Cisney, of the interior department, do not anticipate any further trouble. The story of the troubles leading to the killing of the whites, a near as can be learned, is that Thursday a number of cowboys belonging to the beef camp of Isaac Humphreys, a government contracter, on White river, at the mouth of White Clay creek, 25 miles north of Pine Ridge, returned from town drunk. During the evening they mistreated an Indian named Two Strikes, finally driving him from camp and firing revolvers at him. Two Strikes returned later at night with a number of friends, and commenced a deadly fire on the cow boy camp, killing three and mortally wounding the fourth man, who has since died.

### The Rails Spread.

FERGUS FALL, Minn, Feb. 4—A serious accident occurred near Vining station, on the Northern Pacific today, and a trainload of passengers had a miraculous escape from death. The rails spread as the west bound express passed over them, letting all the cars off the track, which rolled down an embankment. The trainmen were obliged to cut open the windows and doors to get the passengers out. Fortunately the coaches did not catch fire, the stoves not breaking. John Foster, Andrew Olson, of Vining, were seriously injured and may die. Among the others painfully but not seriously injured were: Dr. Mary Pratt, of Fergus Falls; Dr. Emanuel, of Milnor; William Atkins and S Harrison, traveling men of St. Paul; Fred Cummings, of Staples, Minn; Mail Agent Ouse, A. Oman, section foreman; Mrs. Stipman, of Wahpeton; Express Agent Dittmore,

### A Girl Disappears.

OREGON CITY, Feb. 4.–Ella Dicken, a young girl about 15 years old, has very mysteriously disappeared from this place. She came in from the country last week with the intention of attending the public school at this place, and was to stay with Mrs. Greaves, while in town, but Mrs. Greaves decided later she could not keep the girl, but would, however, keep her until her folks came in from the country after her. Last Monday Mrs. Greaves, on returning to her house after a short absence down town, found that the girl had gone. Thinking that her folks had come in from the country after her, she did not pay very much more attention to the matter Today her parents came to town and went to Mrs Greaves' house to see how the girl was getting along. They were informed that the girl had not been there since last Monday A search was immediately instituted, but no trace of the girl has been found up to this evening. She is described as a very plain looking girl, eyes set rather far apart, rough, sallow complexion, teeth project somewhat, and has a large, peculiar shaped mouth. She wore a red hood with veil and carried a black umbrella with an oxidized silver handle.

### Riot in Colombia

PANAMA, Feb. 4—There was a serious riot at Nogota, which lasted two days. It is said that 100 men were killed and 200 wounded. The riots were not political The trouble grew out of the publication in *La Cristina* of an article by K. Ignacio Gutierrez, a professor in the local Jesuit college, alleging widespread ignorance among the laboring classes. The artisans rose en masse. A mob of about 400 gathered about the house of Gutierrez, stoned the building, broke the windows and drove the police away. The officers returned with reinforcements, and a collision occurred, in which shots were exchanged. The police were victorious. Another fight occurred later in the day, but the rioters were dispersed Next evening the workmen gathered by thousands, overpowered the police, and for a while were in full possession of the city. The newspaper offices were sacked. A general assault was commenced on the police barracks, and the government called out the military. After a sharp fight the mob was dispersed. The capital is still in a state of siege, although it is officially announced that quiet has been restored.

### Squatters Under Arrest.

UNION, Or. Feb. 4—Some time ago a number of persons jumped various sections of the large tracts of land owned by Fred Nodine, in the valley near this city. Small houses were built in a few hours by the squatters, in which they took up their residence. They were allowed to remain for several weeks undisturbed. A few days ago, however, Mr. Nodine served notice on them to leave the place, and when they refused, had them arrested for trespassing The persons arrested were W H. Packwood, jr, John Kenwell, Michael McCormick, George Cole, Jack Fads, Thomas Graves, Patrick Smith, Isaac Maxwell, Andy Eliot and James Green. The case was brought before Justice Hendershott and after two days' trial they were each fined $15 and costs, the whole amounting to $33 Part of the defendants being unable to pay their fines, were taken to jail. This is the beginning of what promises to be an interesting case.

### A Double Murder Near Scio.

ALBANY, Or Feb. 5—A messenger arrived in this city this morning from Scio after the coroner, who left for the scene of one of the worst tragedies ever enacted in Linn county, in which Otto Serfling killed himself and wife. Serfling was a well to do farmer, living three miles west of Scio. In June, 1891, his wife died. About six months afterward he was married to Mrs. Lydia Johnson, in Portland. Mr Serfling being her fifth husband and she being his third wife They did not live happily together, and Mrs. Serfling packed her trunk a few weeks ago and left for Portland, but he followed her and induced her to return She again threatend to leave him, and packed her trunk yesterday for that purpose.

### The Roslyn Bank Case.

ELLENSBURGH, Wash., Feb. 4—The last witness for the defense in the case of Cal Hale was examined this afternoon, and Snively made the opening address for the state. He was followed by Myers for the defense, after which the court adjourned till Monday, when the closing arguments will be made. Snively, who is assisting the prosecution, has made a splendid effort in this case He put the witnesses for the defense through a rigorous examination. The main effort of the defense was to prove an alibi, and a host of witnesses were called for that purpose.

### Murder in the Second Degree.

PENDLETON, Or Feb. 4—The jury in the case of the State vs Frank Fletcher, indicted jointly with Pete Gaskill for the murder of Charles Petrie, after being out 45 hours, returned a verdict of murder in the second degree. The jury stood six for aquittal and six for conviction in the first degree until the last minute, when a compromise verdict of second degree was agreed upon.

### Pecani to Hang.

TACOMA, Feb. 4—Judge Parker, of the superior court, today sentenced Salvador Pecani to hang March 7 for the murder of Salvatore Couchilla, an Italian fruit vender, last May. Pecani was sentenced to hang July 1, but the supreme court granted a respite, later affirming the lower court's decision.

### A Druggist Commits Suicide'

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 5—Harry S. Miller, a well-known druggist, shot himself twice in the right temple at his father's house, corner of Duke street and Park avenue, this morning with a 22-caliber revolver. Both bullets entered the brain, but the man lingered nine hours in a semi-conscious condition, raving at times in a pitiful manner. The cause of his despondency was hereditary insanity. The recent snow storm caused business to drop, and with each day's continuation of the storm Miller became more despondent. On coming down stairs this morning he took a Colt revolver from his desk and went to a wood shed, where he fired a bullet into his right temple. His father and sister ran to the scene, but he waved them back and, placing the muzule of the gun within an inch of the other wound, pulled the trigger. He fell to the floor before his father's and sister's eyes. Physicians were called and worked on him all day, but to no purpose The deceased owned considerable real estate in Seattle, and had $3000 in a drug store. There were no incumbrances known His life was insured for $5000 in the Equitable Life of New York.

### A Costly Blaze,

PRESCOTT, Ariz., Feb. 5—A fire occurred this morning at 4 o'clock, at Copper Basin, destroying the entire reduction works of the Commercial Mining Company, consisting of smelter, chlorination and leaching works. It is difficult to ascertain the exact loss, as no representative of the company lives here who can give it, but it is not less than $150,000, and some estimate it at $200,000, as part of the machinery was very expensive. None of the local insurance agents had ever placed any insurance, and there is none on the property, unless placed from the New York office. The origin of the fire is unknown, but by some it is supposed to have been incendiary, while others think it the work of tramps. On account of the scarcity of water, the works had been closed for several weeks, and there had been no fire on the premises,

### A Plum For Lawyers.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5—Mrs. Fritz W. Hinkley, nee Florence Blythe, brought her husband a *douceur* of over $4 000,000. The matters of the inheritance and the heiress' marriage are well known, but the public has never known what it cost Mrs Hinkley to attain her rights in the adjustment of the estate Her attorneys, W. H. Hart, McAllister & Bergin, W. W. Foote, Garner, Boalt & Bishop, took her case upon the basis of a contingent fee The arrangement was made by them and James Crisp Perry, the grandfather and guardian of the youthful Florence. The successful prosecution of the case has been of extraordinary financial benefit to the survivor of the legal team. The contingent fees and advances contemplate a payment of $834,342.44 to the attorneys and executrix.

### A Steamboat Destroyed.

PORTLAND, Feb. 6—The iron steamer Wilmington caught fire last night while lying at Linnton, several miles below this city. The fire originated in lime in the hold. The vessel is a total loss. All the woodwork is consumed, and the iron frame is so warped as to be useless. Fire broke out of the hold at 9 o'clock last night. All efforts to subdue it were ineffective, and the vessel was beached. The Wilmington's cargo consisted of 1000 barrels of lime, the loss of which is nominal. The vessel was valued at $50,000 She was insured for two-thirds of that amount. The steamer was owned by the Merchants' steamship company, of this city. She plied between this city, Vancouver and Puget sound ports.

### Wanamaker's Possible Successor.

LAKEWOOD, N. J., Feb. 5—From a man who is very close to Cleveland comes the news tonight that Isidor Strauss is slated for the postmaster-generalship. The informant says that Cleveland offered the postmaster-generalship to Strauss last night. When the proposition was made to Strauss he asked time to consider it. When Strauss was asked tonight by a friend if he would be the nex postmaster-general he smiled and walked away.

### Cold Weather Continues.

HUTCHINSON, Minn, Feb. 6—For the last three days of last week the temperature was not above 20 below zero and from that down to 44 below. Nearly three feet of snow fell in the meantime and terrific winds combined to make it the worst blizzard of the winter. All roads are blocked. No farm teams have been on the streets for several days. Public schools closed two days and many business places are closed.

MARSHALLTOWN, Iowa, Feb. 6—The most violent storm of the season has prevailed here since midnight, but abated somewhat by noon. The mercury dropped 57 degrees in 12 hours. The snow has badly drifted, railway traffic is greatly impeded, and business practically suspended.

### Thinks it Was Suicide.

LINCOLN, Neb. Feb. 5—William H. Dech, late Populist candiate for congress in the fourth district, took an overdose of morphine Friday night. Some say it was with suicidal intent, though his friends deny this. The doctors think he will yet recover. The theory of suicide is due to the fact that he left a note to his son intimating that he might be found dead.

### A Fatal Railroad Wreck.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 6—A disastrous wreck occured this morning at Williams station on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad. Two men are under the wreck and are no doubt dead Another was fatally injured. The collision was between two freight trains, and was due to the icy rails rendering the trains unmanageable. Twenty-four cars were demolished.

### A Girl's Rash Act.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 6—Ella Dicken, a young girl who mysteriously disappeared from here last week, was today located at Milwaukee,Oregon. On being informed that she was to be sent back home she tried to commit suicide by setting fire to her clothing. She was burned in a frightful manner and cannot recover. She gave as the cause for her rash act that she did not want to return home.

### The Sherman Act.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6—In the senate today Hill made a motion to take up the bill repealing the Sherman act. The motion was rejected by a vote of 42 to 23 Senators Dolph and Mitchell voted with the majority against taking up the bill. The yea vote was made up of 12 Democrats and 11 Republicans, and the nays of 22 Democrats, 17 Republicans and three Populists.

### A Doctor Beaten to Death.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Feb. 4—At Pelham, Ala., late last night, Dr. O. G D'Erson, who was returning home from a professional visit, was waylaid by two white men and beaten to death with a bar of iron. Revenge is supposed to be the motive for the crime. Bloodhounds and officers are on the trail of the murderers

## Death of an Old Citizen.

Miss C. F. Roberts, of this city, received a dispatch Monday, announcing the death of her father, Rev. E. P. Roberts, at Los Angeles, on that day. For a long while Mr. Roberts had been sick, and last fall, in company with his wife, he went to Southern California, hoping that the change of climate would benefit his health, but the sequel proved otherwise. Mr. E. P. Roberts was born in Massachusetts about 70 years ago, and was graduated from Williams College. After graduation he went to the Sandwich Island as a missionary, and from there to this coast. For over twenty-five years he was a resident of The Dalles, and at one time was principal of the public schools. Mr. Roberts was a ripe scholar, a man of varied information and a consistent Christian gentleman. He was highly respected by all who knew him, and his death will be universally regretted. Mr. Roberts leaves a widow and a family of four sons and four daughters.

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## ITEMS IN BRIEF

### From Saturday's Daily

An east-bound train left the depot on time this afternoon at 1:25. There were few passengers.

The weather moderated somewhat last night, the mercury indicating this morning 6 degrees above zero.

There are about sixty people at the Umatilla House, detained by reason of the blockade between this city and Portland.

We are pleased to state that Rev. Father Bronsgeest is improving nicely, and is doing as well as can be expected under the circumstances.

There are no news from the train, and it is not known whether it started from Portland this morning. The rotary is at Bridal Veil, and the snow is very deep east and west of its position.

Rev. L. Verbaag, of East Portland, who intended to come to The Dalles on the noon train, telegraphed that he cannot come on account of the blockade; hence there will be no services at the Catholic church tomorrow.

Charles Cunningham, the sheep king of Umatilla county, owns between 12,000 and 15,000 acres of land beside 20,000 head of sheep. He came to that country in 1869 and began life as a sheepherder in the employ of Major Barnhart.

Mr. Rasmus, of Heppner, assisted by members of Doric lodge, K. of P., will put on the histrionic boards the drama of Damon and Pythias. It will be given under the auspices of the Knights, and the proceeds will be for the benefit of the lodge.

The cattle train, which was blockaded near Bonneville, was freed from obstructions today by the rotary, and passed on to its destination. Since the storm has ceased, the rotary can do effectual work, and a train may be expected through this evening.

Hon. James Hendershott, of Cove, Union county, is one of the blockaded passengers waiting for the road to be opened with Portland. He described the weather in the Grand Ronde valley as not very severe, the mercury registering 6 degrees below zero. The snow fall has been about the same as it has in this vicinity.

The La Grande *Gazette* is cruel enough to perpetrate the following: "A maiden fair, with sun-kissed hair, came trippling down the street; the air was keen, her age was -'steen," but gee-whiz! wasn't she sweet? The sidewalk was slick and she went down quick, with a jolt that took out her curls, and the words she used must be excused, for she's one of our best girls."

The residents of The Dalles should be somewhat satisfied with the weather in this vicinity when it is known that at other points it has been much colder. At Walla Walla it has been 15 degrees below zero; Colfax, Davenport and Spokane, 30. The Dalles is considered the warmest place east of the mountains, and when the mercury is hugging zero in this vicinity farther east it is very much colder.

Hon. W. J. Snodgrass, of La Grande, arrived in town on the west-bound passenger train this morning. He is en route to Okanagon Falls, B. C., where he is now engaged in business. His family still remain at La Grande, while he carries on his business in British Columbia He still manages the *Gazette*, his son conducting the business for him. Mr. Snodgrass speaks in very glowing terms of his new location, and says it is the best fruit country he has ever seen. It is over ninety miles from the Canadian Pacific, near Okanagon lake, and is developing very rapidly under the liberal policy of the Dominion government. He will remain in the city until connection is made with Portland, when he will go to his destination, via the Union Pacific and Bellingham Bay and British Columbia railroad.

The weekly dancing party of the Mignonette club last evening at Fraternity hall was one of the pleasurable social events of the season. About twenty couples were present, and for the time rendered their devotions to terpischore. The next meeting will be a calico costume party. Those present were: Dr and Mrs J F Snedaker, Mr and Mrs F L Houghton, Mr and Mrs D C Herrin, Judge and Mrs W L Bradshaw, Judge and Mrs G C Blakeley, Captain and Mrs Sherman, Mrs Hilton, Mrs Phirman, Mrs French; Misses Mary Frazier, Grace Marden, Aimee and Evelyn Newman, Minnie Gosser, Jessie Lown, Ruth Cooper, Annie Williams, Clara and Etta Story; Messrs J H Worsley F Garretson, M Donnell, S G Campbell, Jno Booth, M Vogt, H French, Jno Hertz, M Jameson, F Faulkner, G B Snowden, Wm McCrum.

A dispatch from Umatilla states that there is much suffering at the Indian camp near that place. The cold is intense, the thermometer registering 5 degrees below zero Wednesday morning, and the supply of fuel in the camp is running short. A number of the shivering aborigines have taken refuge in the railway depot waiting-room, and the remainder are huddled around the scant fires in their tepees. Reports from the surrounding stock ranches are that the range horses are standing the severe winter comparatively well, but there will be a heavy loss of cattle on account of their poor condition at the beginning of the season. Many stockmen along the Umatilla river are feeding their cattle hay, but a majority of the animals are left to shift for themselves. Very little snow remains on the ground, but all verdure is frozen stiff.

### From Monday's Daily.

The cold weather has not abated.

The thermometer registered 5 deg. above zero this morning.

The movement of trains is somewhat uncertain during these days of snow blockade.

Senator Cogswell's sheep bill died a very meritorious death in the senate. *Requescat in pace.*

Snow has been on the ground for the past seven weeks. This is a long winter for Wasco county.

A party of men went up to Celilo yesterday to cut ice, which is reported very thick and of good quality at that place.

The cattle-train was blockaded forty-eight hours between this city and Portland before released by the rotary snow plow Saturday. There was a great deal of suffering with the dumb brutes, and we are informed that several died.

This has been the coldest winter ever experienced on the Sound; but at last accounts a chinook had visited Tacoma.

Another blockade. Hard times side-tracked and Herrin's Paris panels on through train. Gallery over the postoffice.

Coasting mishaps have been quite frequent in the northwest this winter; but only one serious one has happened in The Dalles thus far.

Rabbits are being brought to the city in large numbers. The poor brutes, during this cold and snowy weather, are easily chased down and killed.

Mr. Julius Weiseck had the second operation performed for tumor on the neck Saturday, and rallied after it was removed and is getting along nicely.

There were two hoboes arrested by the police last night. They were found wandering around the streets aimlessly, and were taken in out of the cold.

The World's Fair bill passed the house Saturday by a vote of 32 to 20. We have not seen the amount appropriated; but this is a movement in the right direction.

The steps to the bluff addition have been kept in good condition this winter, and the snow shovelled off after each storm. Thanks are due for this good work to the street commissioner.

According to a Grant county exchange, lynx are hanging around North Fork sheep corrals and feasting on fat mutton at the expense of sheepowners, who have declared war on the midnight prowlers.

Centerville *Leader:* The extremely cold and blustering weather stopped the stage on its run between The Dalles and this place the first of the week. We hope, however, traffic will soon be again resumed.

Seventeen carloads of cattle are being fed at the stockyards of R. E. Saltmarshe & Co. Their destination is the Portland market, and they will be shipped as soon as the road is clear of obstructions.

Our young people have become tired of the pleasures of coasting, and one can walk up any of the hills in the vicinity of The Dalles without the least danger of being run against by a sled and having a limb broken.

We have received from the *Astorian* a good print of the last portrait of Hon. James G. Blaine. It is a good picture of the gentleman as he appeared in the last years of his life; but not when he was in vigorous manhood.

Lee Miler and Frank McBean are running a "drift" up near the livery stable in the hope of finding a lost channel containing gold, says a Canyon City exchange. Miners found that portion of the camp very rich in early days.

*East Oregonian:* These are the senators who voted for "an open river" and greater freedom for Eastern Oregon: Smith, Raley, Denny, Willis, Hirsch, Fulton, Steiwer, Matlock, Woodard, Blackman and McAllister. The people of Eastern Oregon will not forget them. They voted in the people's behalf.

It is not at all conducive to peace and harmony for *pater familias* to awaken these mornings and find the water mains frozen solid, and after igniting the kitchen fire to be forced to thaw out water pipes before he can partake of a stimulating cup of coffee and eat his morning meal; but such has been the experience in many families in this city during the present winter.

Grant County *News:* This country is prolific in resources. Bob Ray informs us that he cut a "bee tree" a few days ago that contained 150 pounds of fine honey, and he says the mountain forests contain many more trees inhabited by the tireless little toilers. The millions of wild flowers that grow on the mountain sides and in the meadows every summer are coveted by the busy bees.

The Cogswell stock bill should not pass, says the Heppner *Gazette.* To divide the taxes on stock that go into another county is fair, and such bill would meet the approbation of stockmen. But to have to pay taxes, and an unjust license besides, for the privilege of herding on Uncle Sam's grass, is out of reason. There is a mean as well as two extremes to this question, and the Cogswell bill seems to court one of the last named.

The Great Northern switchback over Stephens' pass in the Cascade is a trifle over ten miles in length. The eastern approach to the summit is four and a half miles long, the distance being mainly gained by one long loop on the south side of the main line, The western approach is only a mile longer, and follows a more intricate path, in one place making four nearly parallel tracks along the mountain side. The tunnel through the mountain, which is to be completed in 1895, will be about 13,000 feet long.

Goldendale *Sentinel:* Tuesday morning, in this city, the thermometer stood 8 degrees below zero—the coldest day, so far, of the winter. At noon it stood at zero at Gobat's jewelry store, and from that time on kept falling. A keen east wind, sharper than a serpent's tooth, blew all day. The Dalles stage went as far as Centerville and then returned, while the Grant mail failed to arrive altogether. On Wednesday morning it was from 12 to 14 below zero, and snowing. At the present writing there are indications of a considerable rise in temperature.

Noble Grand Bonney, of Enterprise lodge No. 2, I. O. O. F., on Wednesday night received a dispatch from Winlock, stating that James Haggard, formerly of Walla Walla, says the *Statesman*, had been frozen to death in the snow near that place. A severe snow storm had been raging and it is supposed he became lost and so perished. Upon receipt of the news, Mr. Bonney at once sent orders to the brotherhood at Winlock to take charge of the remains and bury them, as Mr. Haggard was a member of the lodge, and formerly resided in this city, having kept a harness shop here about four years ago.

Arlington *Record:* The safe of the well-known firm of Coffin Bros., was robbed of about $100 on Monday last. The facts are about as follows: Stanley Coffin left the safe partly open and went skating. During his absence a young man who was formerly in their employ came in the store, went to the safe and took out the money, the party in charge not thinking anything about the matter. When Stanley returned, he missed the money and made inquiry, and was informed who had been in. A warrant was sworn out, and Marshal Carlisle soon had the party. He acknowledged the theft and returned nearly all the money. He was taken before Justice Zeigler and placed under $150 bonds, to appear before the next grand jury.

Albany *Herald:* Two separate and distinct rumors reached this city yesterday from Corvallis, in reference to the matter of the right to examine the books of the Oregon Pacific company. One that the decision of Judge Fullerton was that the New York experts has no right to examine the books and had left for San Francisco by the way of the Bay and the steamer. The other was that the decision was in their favor and that the result of their examination was the discovery of rather extravagant salaries paid to certain officials. The New York gentlemen have started back and Mr. Hoag has gone to San Francisco is really about all that is known upon the subject.

Albany *Herald:* Friday quite an exciting scene took place at the Oregon Pacific depot, which elicited a great deal of attention at the time and considerable comment afterwards. It consisted of a genuine, old-fashioned cowhiding, in which the lash was thoroughly applied and the victim had to take the medicine and acknowledged that it was deserved. The man in the proceeding is one of the carpenters on the Oregon Pacific railroad and just ready to take the train for Yaquina, by name Geo. Ridinger, and the lady was the wife of one of Albany's contractors and builders. The cause was derogatory and scandalous talk made by Ridinger against the lady, without any grounds whatever. The lady's husband witnessed the castigation and emphasized it with some talk to the traducer as to his future conduct.

Several days ago, says a Hillsboro paper, a Chinaman, who lived at Beaverton, met with a sudden and tragic death through his own thoughtlessness. The Chinaman was the owner of a team, and, having occasion to enter the stable where he was keeping his horses, he passed very near the heels of one of the animals without taking the precaution to speak first. The horse was frightened by the sudden and unexpected appearance of the Chinaman, and the animal gave a vicious kick, striking the poor Mongolian in the back between the shoulders. The blow was so powerful that it killed the Chinaman almost instantly. Beaverton is along the line of the West Side railroad, eleven miles from Portland, and, as the station is located in Washington county, Coroner Holman was not notified of the fatal accident, as it was outside of his jurisdiction.

### From Tuesday's Daily.

The chinook bloweth not though earnestly desired.

J. B. Haverly and S. V. Mason, of Boyd, are in the city to-day.

The roads to the interior are nearly blockaded by snow-drifts.

At Nanteue the mercury indicated 15 degrees below zero last Sunday night.

The temperature is sufficiently high to-day to raise expectations of a chinook.

There are seventeen carloads of cattle at Saltmarshe's stockyards awaiting shipment to the Seattle market.

J. B. Crossen, county clerk, J. L. Story and E. B. Dufur returned from Salem on the noon train yesterday.

The inhabitants of Seattle are reported to be suffering a meat famine. This is caused by the blockade on the railroads.

Two west-bound trains are in the city, waiting for the blockade to be opened to take their passengers to Portland.

The latest intelligence is that the rotary snow plow has been damaged, and a train will not be expected from Portland to-day.

Two "professional" chimney sweepers visited the city yesterday, and made themselves useful by cleaning the soot from dirty flues.

Sheep and cattle on the range are quite thin, and if the cold weather continues much longer the loss will be quite considerable.

The best sleighing experienced for ten years have been enjoyed this winter, and our citizens fully appreciate the favors received.

Hon. W. H. H. Dufur, of Dufur, came in town yesterday. He reports farmers very well satisfied with the prospects for a good crop next harvest.

Mr. H. H. Riddell, of this city, was a passenger on the east-bound train yesterday for Grant, where he has gone to attend to some professional duties.

The mercury marked 20 degrees above zero this morning, and the weather is evidently moderating. Spring with its flowers may be expected in a little while.

In conversation this morning with a farmer who resides on Tygh ridge he said he had feed enough to last him until next October, and his neighbors are nearly as well situated.

Mr. Henry Hudson, of Dufur, gave us a pleasant call to-day. He says the winter has been very favorable to farmers in that vicinity, and abundant crops are expected next season.

Notwithstanding the earnest desire expressed by our farmers for a bountiful fall of snow they appear to be fully satisfied now and would be gratified it the "beautiful" would cease falling.

The annual meeting of The Dalles Military Road Company was held at the office of T. A. Hudson yesterday, and the following officers elected: Hon. J. K. Kelly, president; Edward Martin, vice president; T. A. Hudson, secretary.

Passengers who arrived in the city on the east-bound train yesterday report the snow about five feet deep on a level at Bonneville. The snow plow, in many places, bored its way through drifts twenty-five and thirty feet deep; but in a little while the cuts would be refilled by drifting snow.

A dog strayed from the premises of the owner in this city last Saturday, and any one returning him to Mr. Frank Hill, agent of the Pacific Express Co., will be suitably rewarded. The dog is a setter, of dark brown color, and had white breast and forward legs, and white spot on side, about eighteen inches high, and had leather collar on.

*Oregonian:* Mr. Raley, in presenting his bill for the construction of the portage railway at the dalles of Columbia, did not support the bill with the strong arguments that he presented two years ago, probably for the reason that he did not think it necessary to repeat what he said so fully then; but it was necessary, as the sequel showed, for by many senators the subject had not been considered more than superficially, if at all. But now, since the vote has been reconsidered and the bill taken from the table, it is hoped that Mr. Raley and other friends of the measure will use in its behalf the arguments which they are so well prepared to advance. The bill ought to pass. Western Oregon ought to join hands with Eastern Oregon in this matter, so important to both.

## Fossil Coal Fields.

Journal.

Last week we thought Chas. Miller, the coal miner, reticent about giving us definite information concerning the work at the coal mines, and so we have found the following: A tunnel was commenced down the steep hill 800 feet from the north opening of the mines (the one highest on the mountain this side of where Mr. Peterson lives) and about half way between that opening and the one near the base of the mountain. Mr. Miller concluded that if the strata of coal was regular and continuous, this tunnel would strike it at 420 feet, and that the quality would be likely to improve. We ascertained that the tunnellers reached the vein as expected at the distance of 420 feet, and that the dip of the vein is the same as at the upper opening, but the quality is superior to any coal mined on the Pacific coast. The strata of coal in this vein measures about thirteen feet in a perpendicular cross section. This proves a good deal, and ought to convince the most skeptical person that these coal mines are valuable property.

**Is It Safe**

To neglect yourself if troubled with any disease of the kidneys? No, it is dangerous; and if you are so afflicted, attend to yourself now. Do not wait, but use Sulphur Bitters at once. They cured me when I was given up to die by several physicians. JONATHAN HAM, Boston.