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ITEMS IN BRIEF.

From Wednesday's Daily. A grand racing season will begin at Princyllie next Wednesday, Nov. 11. · The Chronicle deserves credit for

having got out a morning extra giving the election returns up to 3 o'clock this morning. Henry Phirman left for points in Elickitat county this morning, whore he goes to buy cattle for the Columbia

Packing Co. The people of Nausene could not agree upon the location of the polls, hence they all went to Dufur yesterday

and voted There will be no further need for street sprinklers in The Dalles, nature lay the dust.

It is reported on the streets today that wool has advanced to 10 cents a pound. Whether there is any truth in the report lacks confirmation

The steamer Sarah Dixon will be here tomorrow with a load of excursionists from Portland. The Company having made the fare \$1.00 for the round trip.

Mark and William will run the United States the next four years. We trust they will run the government in the interest of the masses, but we can-

The recent rains were most beneficial to farmers, but it has been rather an unfortunate visitor just at this time when The Dalles wanted dry streets. on which to celebrate the opening of the locks.

The first appropriation for the Cascade Locks was got through congress by Hon. Lofayette Lane in 1874, and the last by congressmen Hermann and Ellis, and senators Mitchell and Mc-Bride in 1896. Only 22 years.

The result of yesterday's election in the four precincts of The Dalles was a great surprise to everybody. The re publicans had claimed the city from 225 to 300, and when the vote showed only lol for McKinley everybody was surprised.

Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets moves the bowels gently, relieves the cough, cures the feverish condition and the headache, making it the best and quickest remedy for coughs, colds and la grippe; cures in cneday. "No cure no pay." Price 25 cents. For sale by Biakeley & Hough on.

The average American can accept defeat gracefully, i ut he doesn't enjoy not be too pronounced in their demon- the 121st. strations of joy. Just place yourself in the place of the vanquished and imagine how it would feel to be jeered

Immediately after supper last night, when the wires began ticking off the election returns, the Umatilla Hous was crowded with people anxious to learn the result of the great contest. Half the male population of the city were there, and remained until 3 o'clock when the dispatches ceased coming and when sufficient was known

Yesterday's election was probabl the most exciting ever held in the United States, yet while excitemen was high, true Americanism predomi nated, and no bloodshed of any conse quence resulted. In The Dalles, while the feeling was most intense, vote met voter as a neighbor, and not as an enemy. The election certainly passe off very quietly, and nothing occurred to disturb the security of the electors.

From Pricay's Daily Circuit court will convene next Mon-

Hon. J. A. Smith, of Gilliam county, is in the city.

Killing frosts have occurred throughout the county the past few nights. Portland on the 1 o'clock train.

returned from a visit to San Francisco. Dr. and Mrs. Brosius, of Hood River are visiting in the city the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Hollister.

Mrs. Capt. Waud and little son

L. S. Logan, of Prineville, delivered returns are as follows: 200 head of cattle at Saltmarshe & Co.'s stock yards for the Union Meat Co. Everybody was satisfied with the grand celebration in The Dalles com-

memorating the opening of the locks. Dr. Blalock, of Walla Walla, was a guest of The Dalles last night, he having been here to aid in celebrating the opening of the locks.

The Dalles City went to Ponneville today where she met the Ione which was employed to bring up the D. P. & A. N. freight fron Portland. There will be a meeting of the

Bryan club tomorrow evening at 7:30 All members are requested to attend as business of importance requires at-A majority of the directors of the D.

P. & A. N. Co. with their families went to Portland on the Regulator this morning to accompany the boat on its first trip to the metropolis.

which graced the tables at the in the death of William Cederson. The gressmen Hermann and Tongue, as a period in the history of Eastern banquet last night was barbecued accident was indeed a peculiar one, meet, consisting of five quarters of such as seldo a occurs. Conductor barked on the Regulator, Dalles City Dalles, where universal prosperity beef and six whole sheep. They were Burns' train was coming down the and Sarah Dixon, for this place to con- must begin. barbecued under the supervision o road loaded with wheat, and Mr. The Dalles had a metrepolitan ap-

steamert lying at the dock and the streets thronged with enthusiastic peowhat will be seen in the future. The city cannot but forge ahead since it is

The Dalles was handsomely decorated yesterday. All the residences and business houses along the line of Seufert Bros. for 10 or 15 years. He march taken up by the procession were | was a member of Friendship Lodge, decorated with bunting and transpar- No. 9, K. of P. and was buried by that encies. About the handsomest dec- order today. rations were those in the stores of A. M. Williams & Co., and Pease & Mays. In the windows of each were miniture ships passing through the locks.

Gov. Lord, Treasurer Metschan, Hermson and Tongue remained at the and other outbuildings, one mile from Cascade Locks yesterdry to accept the hospitality of Day Bros, after the locks were opened and ignored the parts or the whole farm for \$2200. celebration in The Dalles, however they did arrive here at 11:45, after the Nov 7-tf J. A. FLECK. celebration was all over, and accepted the hospitality of the Commercial Club until morning.

and Vancouver came up on the Sarah through by river.

D'xon last evening, and left for home at 9 o'clock this morning. The Lixon had on board Battery A. O. N. G. of had on board Battery A. O. N. G. of Portland and a brass field piece, and went out of port with its fligs Critic. its cannon booming and attitude litera ing. The Dixon is a bundacase possei and a perfect river gray hour t. She is commanded by Cape Fred Sherman, and he expects to put her in reg-

ular service between The Dalles and

THANESGIVING PROCLAMATION.

Portland next spring.

President Cleveland Designates Nov. 26 as a Day for Thanksgiving. On Wednesday the following Thanksgiving proclamation was issued by the

should never be unmindful of the gratitude they owe to the God of nations for his watchful care, which has shielded them from disaster and pointed out to them the way of peace having supplied sufficient moisture to and happiness. Nor should they ever refuse to acknowledge with contrite hearts their proneness to turn away from God's teachings and to follow with sinful pride after their own

"To the end that these thoughts may be quickened, it is fitting that, on a day especially appointed, we should join together in approaching the throne of grace with praise and sup-

"Therefore, I, Grover Cleveland, president of the United States, do hereby designate and set apart Thursday, the 26th day of the present month not have much confidence that they of November, to be kept and observed as a day of thanksgiving and prayer throughout our land. On that day let all our people forego their usual work and occupations and assemble in their eccustomed places of worship; let them with one accord render thanks to the Ruler of the Universe for our preservation as a nation, and our deliverance from every threatened danger; for the peace that has dwelt within our boundaries; for our defense against disease and pestilence during the year that has passed; for the plenteous rewards that have followed the labors of

"And let us, through the mediation of him who has taught us how to pray, implore the forgiveness of our sins and a continuation of heavenly favor.

of charity let our offerings of praise be the Lord.

to be hereto affixed. "Done at the city of Washington, this 4th day of November, in the year being joked to severely when he is in of our Lord 1896, and of the indepenthe "soup," hence the victorious should dence of the United States of America,

(3-11) "GROVE" "By the Preident, "GROVER CLEVELAND. "RICHARD OLNEY, "Secretary of state."

LATE ELECTION RETURNS McKinley Will Bave about 40 Majority in

the Electoral College. The latest returns "eceived up to the ime of going to press indicate that coo majority in the popular vote, and him 265 of the electoral vote:

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e	Delaware 3	Ohio
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The only states that are in doubt are Kentucky and Wyoming, and possibly Oregon, since late reports from this state have narrowed his majority down to less than 2300 with four or five counties to hear from. It is hardly possible bowever that the complete returns will make any material change in the vote of the state. In Kentucky Judge Bradshaw and son went to and Wyoming the vote in very close, and the official count may be necessary Mrs A. K. Dufur and daughter have to determine which party has been victorous.

The Vote in Wasco.

Complete returns from the different precincts of the county have not been received, only majorities from most

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Cederson started, it is supposed, to cross the track, but had stopped some began leaving the track and fell on him, crushing him to death. A flange ple. This sight is only a sample of on a wheel of a Great Northern car

> cannery it carried that car and several others off the track. Mr. Cederson was a highly respected citizen and had been in the employ of

when it struck the switch near the

For Sale.

Now is the time to buy land, since plenty of wood and running water, J. A. FLECK.

Yesterday the Dalles City brought 64 tons of through freight from Port-About 100 passengers from Portland land, the fires to arrive straight

GREAT WORK IS

Locks at the Cascades Proclaimed Opened by Governor Lord

AN OPEN RIVER TO THE SEA

"The people of the United States The Dalles, the Queen City of the Inland Empire, Celebrated the Opening.

> The Hope of a Quarter of a Century Realized-Great Rejoicing Among Ten Thousand People.

long be remembered by the people of band. Eastern Oregon. It marks the date when the key which has held the commence of the Inland Empire is thrown into the great Columbia. This noble

water way, the natural outlet to commerce, is now open to free and unrestricted navigation, and the fleets of the city as follows: the world can float upon its broad bosom without interruption. This great event was duly and ap-

Dalles began at 9:30 when the Regulator cleared from her dock with 300 people on board, and a half hour later a special train on the O. R. & N. pulled out with 300 more East Oregonians en route to the Cascades.

At 1:30 Gov. Lord, in the presence of several hundred people, who had our husbandmen; and for all the other blessings that have been vouchsafed canal, delivered a proclamation announcing the opening of the locks. This was responded to by Capt. W. L. Fisk, chief of the engineer corps, after which Col Day, one of the conmade more acceptable in the sight of cial opening of the gates. Several Queen, that were anchored just below the lower gate.

Sarah Dixon began belching forth the made bright, a city of buzzing factor-

this cemons ration the Regulator, forced upon it. which was nuchored in the upper bay. At the conclusion of Mr. Michell's

cades that the locks were opened. Arthur, went to Portland on the of the precincts have been reported, steamed up into the upper river, fol partook of the banquet. The crowd lowed by all the other boats in the being so great that the 50 or more

> the edges of the canal. Harvest Queen, which was built on with "music and with dance:" the upper river a number of years ago | Indee! The Dalles' celebration of

> clude the celebration. The boats started on their voyage up the river with the Dixon in the lead. followed by around the obstructions in the Colum-

city of the Inland Empire. the boat that has been such a success. gates of each to be 54 feet high. ful regulator of freights.

ns of The Dalles as royally as if engineers, was in cl march was formed as follows: 1st-Lieut Col. J. M. Patterson com-

manding Third batalion O. N. G. 2d-Dalles Concert Band. 3d-Carriages with reception committee and invited guests. 4th-Mounted squadron as guard of

November 5, 1896, is a date that will | 5th-Drum Corps and Grass Valley 6th-Commercial Club of The Dalles.

7th-The Dalles Fire Department. 8th-Floats and decorations. 9th-Fireworks and transparencies Taking up the line of march the procession was led through the streets of

From the boat landing on Court street south to Second, west to Union, south to Third, west to propriately celebrated, not alone by Liberty, south to Fourth, east the people of the Inland Empire, but to Laughlin, north to Third on Montby representatives from various parts gomery, north to Second, dust to of the state. The celebration in The Wasco warehouse, and countermarch west on Second to Court, thence east to armory.

> The procession marched first under the arch erected across Court street at the intersection of First on which was inscribed "Welcome, the Key is found" and "An Open River to the Sea 1896.

rived at the Vogt opera house where about one-sixth of the assemblage found admission. The spacious hali tractors, invited all guests to assem- would hold only about 1500, while there ble on the steamers Marie and Sadie were no less than 10,000 wanted to get thanksgiving the needy, and by deed. B, which were stationed in the lower in. Mayor Menefee took charge of the basin of the canal, to witness the offipleasing address, rehearing the imhundred congregated on those boats portance of the event, introduced Hon. while thousands boarded the steamers John Michell, who delivered an elothe United States which I have caused Dailes City, Sarah Dixorn and Harvest quent address of welcome, citing the importance of the occasion which the people were assembled to celebrate Mr. Michell's adddress was a pleasing At 1:40 the machinery of the canal one, well suited for the ocasion, and was put in operation, and gradually his remarks met a responsive echo in the water in the lower basin began to the large audience. In his remarks, recede. At 2:15 the lower basin had Mr. Michell stated that the dream of It did not use to be here, but it got been emptied, and the pondrous gates the Inland Empire had at last been began to swing open. This was a sig- realized; that nature and the United nal for demonstrations without restric- States congres had given to us blesstion, and every steam whistle on the ings we wot not of, an open river to the reservation began blowing, the bands sea, and our future, the future of The began playing, and the canon on the Dalles, was now in our hands, to be

glad tidings that the lock was opened.
When the great gates swung apart,

was opened.
When the great gates swung apart,

was of buzzing factories, teeming commerce and busy business life, or still monotony, just as we
stock.

was opened.

cut ready for the stove, at \$2.00 per
cord in order to obtain room for fall
stone, have also been found in the When the great gates swung apart, ness life, or still monotony, just as we stock. the steamers Marie and Sadie B, and shall choose. With the great commer-McKinley has received about 1,000,- a little launch, the Water Witch, drop- cial advantages we now enjoy, the ped down to the entrance of the canal. speaker could see untold prosperity to convince all that McKinley was has carried 24 states as follows, giving and then steamed back to the lock for The Dalles, which might become a gate, the Marie taking her position on city of tens of thousands, or he could the Oregon side, while the other two see a bamlet by the side of the greatvessels crowded closely to the edge of est water-way in the world, neglecting the canal on the river side. During to avail itself of the greatness really

kept up a continuous whistling, an- address of welcome, Mayor Menefee nouncing to the people above the Cas- introduced Hon. N. P. Brooks, of Gol dendale, who in a brief address, re-The Dalles City, ladened with peo-sponded in well chosen words to the ple from Eastern Oregon, soon floated | welcome extended by The Dalles to proudly into the lower lock, followed her neighbors, inviting them to parby the Sarah Dixon and Harvest take of her prosperity and take ad-Queen, and when they were safely vantage of her commercial advantages. anchored within the canal, the big Ex-Governor Moody followed with a gates began to close, and promptly at short history of the construction of 2:45 the gates from the aqueducts were the locks, of how the first appropriaopened, and the lower bay began filling tion was secured and how the work with water. It required just 45 minutes | had been prosecuted to the final comto fill the lower basin, and while this pletion. The substance of the historiwas going on the different bands en- cal facts as given by Gov. Moody are livened the occasion with patriotic airs found in the conclusion of this article

and a quartet from Portland sang a When the exercises at the Vogt had number of well known vocal selections. concluded a portion of the guests When the lower basin was finally of The Dalles assembled at the Umafilled, the Sadie B. carrying Gov. Lord, tilla house to partake of the banquet Senator Mitchell, Congressman Here that was prepared by the committee mann, State Treasurer Metschau and a and the ladies of the city. There number of other invited guests, were however only 1250 of the mwho canal. This called forth another voci- willing hands were unable to serve ferous demonstration both from the the many who were present to accept people on board the vessels and the the hospitality of The Dalles on the thousands who were standing along occasion, and thousands went away unable to be served.

It was 4 o'clock when the last boat | Long before the banquet had conhad glided into the placid waters of the cluded, the doors of the Ballwin opera upper river, and none seemed prouder house were thrown open, and the final to get back into those waters than the celebration was appropriately observed

and taken down over the falls after the the opening of the locks was one of completion of the railroad had obviated the grandest events that has over ocits necessity in these waters. On curred in Oregon. Fully 10,000 people board this vessel was the Grass Valley participanted in the festivities. They cornet band, which discoursed some were assembled from all parts of excellent music, and on board the Oregon and Washington, and that they Dalles City, was our home band rent- entered into the zest of the occasion ing the air with sounds of joy and glad need not be re-asserted. There was nothing too good for the guests, and After the canal and locks had thus with one accord they asserted that The been successfully operated, Day Bros. Dalles celebrated the event most roy About 6 o'clock Wednesday evening an accident occurred on the O.R. & N. near Seufert Bros. cannery a few One of the most acceptable viands of the Dalles, that resulted Mitchell, ex-Senator Dolph and Consembled, white The Dailes people em. Oregon, and especially in that of The

The proposition to build a canal pearance this morning. Three fine eight or ten feet away, when the cars the Dalles City and Regulator. This bis river at the Cascades was first pro order was maintained until Mosier was posed by Colonel Michier in 1875. The ceached, when the Dixon and Dalles following year the government made City fell to the rear, allowing the the first appropriation of \$99,000 for that was in the train was broken, and Regulator to lead the way to the queen the commencement of work on that important undertaking. The first plans The arrival of the fleet at The Dalles, of the engineers contemplated the conwas announced by the booming of can- struction of a timber crib breakwater on, shooting of sky rockets and all structure, 7200 feet long, to extend other appropriate demonstrations, and from the lower entrance of the canal when the Regulator landed at her for a distance of 5000 feet. The lift to dock, a deafening cheer went up for the noble vessel, indicating that the to be overcome by two lacks each 250 people of this vicinity are still loyal to feet by 46 feet in size and the guard

At the time the first appropriation we have an open river. 300 acres of The fleet of boats and the passengers was made by congress, Colonel, then deeded land 41 miles from The Dalles, they carried were received by the Major Wilson, of the United States Senator Mitchell and Congressmen about 50 acres in cultivation, 2 barns they had been harbingers from heaven. ment works in this district, with head-Stationed along the dock were the quarters at Portland. Colonel Wilson members of Co. G. and Jackson Engine proposed that the locks be placed on Co. to receive the guests, and a line of the Oregon side of the river, and after a careful examination by a board of engineers in 1877 Colonel Wilson's proposition was approved, the board recommending, however, that the locks be increased to 300 feet in length by 50 feet in width. This board estimated the total cost

Cascades to be \$2,554,000. The same year, on the recommendation of Col. Wilson, the width of the locks was in-

creased from 50 to 70 feet. In the fall of 1878 Colonel Wilson being the most constitutional of all the constitutional monarchs of Europe. was succeeded by Colonel Gillesple, So well has he fulfilled this rule that, and the active work of constructing the canal at the Cuscades was begun the first contractors being Mesers, Bail and Platt, of New York, who for 8340,-000 undertook to excavate both for the looks and a certain part of the prism. In 1879 another board of engineers was convened, which recommended an appropriation of \$100,000 be made for improving the river canal below the locks, which was done.

In October, 1881, Captain C. F. engineer in charge of the work, he being succeeded in 1838 by Major Hand-Handbury invited attention to the meager ap ropristious that had been male for the work since its inception, the entire and for the 12 years being but \$1,142,500, or an average of 89,500 construction of the gates changed from wood to steel. By 1890 there had been appropriated to the construction of the Cascade locks \$1,889,000, and it was stimated by Major Handbury that an additional \$1,745,000 would be necesary to complete the work. In 1392 the river and harbor act appropriated \$326,250 for the locks and

awarding of a contract for the completion of the entire work. In the latter part of the year this contract was awarded to Messrs. J. G. and I. N. Day, of San Francisco, they agreeing to complete the canal and locks acording to specifications for \$1,521,265. After this contract was awarded, the great flood of 1894 made it necessary to change the plans and specifications, the water that year having risen six feet above all previous records. After the plans had been changed, more appropriations were required, and the history of how these appropriations

were secured, and the manner in

which the work has progressed is fresh

in the minds of all, hence it scarcely

canal and a provision was made for the

requires mentioning at this time.

Eastern Apples in Portland The scarcity of apples in this state has led to the importation of apples from the middle and eastern states in considerable quantities, says the Oregonian. They come in barrels, and look well, but not so well as the Hood River apples. Dealers say they are now prevail-before, in fact, the present not so good as Oregon apples, and there are some wormy ones among them. Several years ago, when the apple crop was short here, some eastern apples were imported, among which were some wormy ones, and some claim that in this way the Codlin or horns of other animals which have moth was introduced into this state. here somehow, and now old neglected orchards produce as many worms as

Reduction in Wood. The Dalles Lumber Co. will clos. | the out their stock of 16-inch stove wood,

BORN.

GUNNING-in this city, Nov. 4, to the wife of Frank Gunning, a daughter. LANGUAGE OF FISHES.

An English fisherman, Mr. Basil Field, has been making some investigations which lead him to suppose that lishes have some way of communicating a notion of their experiences to other fishes. Mr. Field, says the Fortnightly Review, carried on his experiments in the fish ponds of Mr. Andrew at Guildford, Eng. Those pends are full of trout, which at the time when Mr. Field first visited them were so little accustomed to being troubled that when he threw a baited hook into the water all the trout in sight-a great number-rushed eagerly upon it. He caught one, and, removing it from the hook, threw it back into the pond. Then he put in a freshly-baited

hook. Two or three trout only came after it One of these he canght and threw it back into the water. Again he re-sumed his fishing with a newly-baited hook, and this time, although the pond was swarming with fish, it was only after a long time that he lured another trout to his bait. And after a little further time it was entirely impossible to eatch a trout in this pond. However, by experimenting in another pond equally well stocked, and not throwing back any fish, Mr. Field found that he could eatch trout as long as he chose.

The fish did not seem to understand that the removal of one of their number by this strange means meant the bait. If, Mr. Field reasons, it is only when the captured fish, released, goes back and mingles with his fellows that the danger is learned, and then is learned instantly, it must follow that the released fish has some means of making the others understand the perils of the hook. This whatever it is, may be called a "language."

WHAT ARMY BUTTONS SIGNIFY. Different Designs and Styles According

The interrelation of the buttons on a uniform is just as much a matter of regulation as the cut of a coat. The general wears two rows of buttons on the breast of his frock coat, twelve in each row placed by fours. The distance between the rows is five and a half at the bottom. The lieutenant general is entitled to only ten buttons in each row placed by threes. The brigadier general, eight, in groups of two. The colonel, lientenant colonel and major have nine buttons in each

row, arranged at equal distances.

There are different designs, of course, not only for the buttons of the army, the navy and marine corps, but for the different branches of the service. There are the infantry, artillery and cavalry buttons, the engineers' buttons, the ordinary corps button, and the button of the marine corps, and the navy but-ton. The navy button is made in Engbecause no American manufac turer has been able to make a bronze which the sea air will not tarnish. All of these buttons the army and navy tailor must keep on hand and send on secording to regulation.

"The Younger the Better." The Chinese minister at Washington is fond of young girls, the younger the better, and the authors of "The Show at Washington" tell this little story of how he was fascinated by the vivacious ten-year-old granddaughter of Senator Palmer: He saw her at a reception one afternoon, and, asking for an in-troduction, devoted himself to the little maiden while he remained. Everybod crowded about, but all unconcerned through his interpreter, he carried on an interesting conversation with the equally unembarrassed little girl. The next day the minister's carriage drew up in front of Senator Palmer's door and an attache delivered to the child a packet containing six exquisite silk handkerchiefs, embroidered in the highest style of Chinese art, and ten little chests of the kind of ten which Chinese gods, on a Chinese Olympus, make Chinese nectar of. of overcoming the obstructions at the

EASY-GOING KING HUMBERT. His One Conspicuous Weakness a Fond-

ness for Military Display. King Humbert has the reputation of

according to the Baltimore Sun, he may be said to have, save in one point only, completely extinguished his personality. That point is his determination, at all costs, to keep up the army and navy to their present state of efficlency and numbers. The various ministricathet have succeeded each other in Italy with such rapidity have really governed the state. This one condition they had to accept-the maintenance of the army as desired by the king. His usual costume on Powell was assigned as superintending himself to his subjects is the military costume. He is the first soldier in Italy. That he possesses great courage has bury. In his first annual report Major | been made fully evident by his devotion when, the cholers having broken out with virulence in Naples, he visited the sick and dying day after day in their low and unhealthy dwellings. he may be as a legislator, a thinker, or a wit, the public is not informed. per year. During this year Major No legislative measures of paramount Handbury succeeded in having the benefit or importance are attributed to his initiative; no striking thought that might enter the heart of the nation has been pronounced by him or has reached the people; even the faculty of making a witty phrase, which, though little in itself, being attered by one in high place acquires a value and a currency which carries it far and renders popular its originator, is not a quality which he pos-A generous, good-nasesses.

turad, easy-going gentleman, who desires to live and let live-in fact, a person of rather neutral characteristies-is the picture that people make to themselves of King Humbert. He is to the fore when a review is held. He looks well when, arrayed in grand military costume and riding a noble steed and surrounded by the exceptionally brilliant staff of the Italian army, he reviews the troops in their march past him. Again, when seated in one of the gala carriages, accompanied by the tall, steel-clad regal guards, he goes to open a new session of parliament he is a figure well worth noticing. So deeply has the military spirit entered into the nation that the king is never publicly seen on state occasions in any other than a military costume.

FOUND IN THE PEAT BEDS. emains of Prehistoric Animals Discovered

in England. From time to time the peat beds at Newbury have yielded abundant remains of prehistoric animals which in primeval ages roamed along the Kennet valley, when the physical conditions obtaining in western Europe were altogether different from those which insular position was brought about. In these peat beds, according to a London dispatch, have been found the remains of the colossal mammoth, including the portion of a tusk which, when entire, must have been ten to twelve feet in length, together with the bones, teeth ntterly disappeared from the face of the earth. The drainage works which are now being carried on in the toof Newbury have brought to light, mostly in a high state of preservation, numerous bones, skulls, and other for sil portions of animals which lived on subsequently to the disappearance of wolf, bear, wild boar, red deer, ros lower layers of the peat, from which it is evident that the prehistoric inhabi ants of the river valley possessed great dexterity in the fabrication of these SAN FRANCISCO, CALA.

primitive weapons and tools, some of the "knives" being beautifully calaged The Creatures Seem to Have a Means of as a razor. Several articles of a later epoch have been also met with, forming a curious melange, such as brodze

buckles of many kinds, implements of bone, Roman pottery, a few coins, a variety of keys. In the upper or made earth of the cuttings in that part of the town fought over by eavalier and roundhead many relies of the period have been found, including portions of swords, stirrup-irons, spurs, bridlebits, horseshoes and many other things of this date. A Gigantic Undertaking. Undismayed by their experience in the Suez and Panama enterprises, the French are undertaking to build another great canal. They have now

determined to connect the Bay of Biscay with the Mediterranean by canal over 400 miles long, from 144 to 215 feet wide and from 28 to 34 feet deep, and with widened passing places every eight miles. There will twenty-two locks, each 650 feet in length and 80 feet in width. The cost is calculated at \$100,000,000. It is, however, safe to say that it will be much more. It is claimed by its promoters that besides greatly expedit ng commerce, this waterway will be vast political significance. If it could only be kept open in war, Gibraltar, the strongest fort in the world, would be rendered useless, and France, instead of England, would hold the "Key to the Mediterranean."

An Old English Chestnut Tree. It is said that the largest chestnut tree known in the world is at Mount Etna, in Sielly, but one of the oldest and most remarkable trees in Great Britain is a chestnut at Torworth, the residence of the earl of Ducie, near Bristol. In the reign of Stephen, who ascended the throne in 1135, it was, according to the Naturalists' Journal, deemed so remarkable for its size that, as appears upon record, it was well known as a signal boundary to the Manor of Tortworth. It seems probable that this tree is a thousand years old at least. It is still in very fair vigor, and last year produced a large crop of nuts. It measures nearly fifty feet only about ten feet in height—and it | BLOW SLEW in circumference; the body is shortthen divides into three huge trunks, one of which measures nearly thirty feet in girth.

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