THE ENTERPRISE.

OREGON CITY, OREGON, SEP. 29, 1876.

A Parallel.

One of the singular features of the present campaign is the exactness with which it seems to be repeating the history of four years ago. The nomination of Mr. Greeley and his acceptance by the Democracy was instantly taken as the presage of victory. He was the nominee of an element in the Republican party whose strength was by no means to be slighted, and he had every reason to count on an undivided Democratic vote. His personal character and good record came nearer satisfying an honest feeling in favor of reform outside of the Republican party than Mr. Tilden can hope to attain, and there was a sanguine buoyancy among the Democracy and a certain despondency among the Republicans which boded no good to their cause.

This condition of affairs lasted until the North Carolina election came like a lightning flash from a clear sky, heavy with the portent of destruction. Greeley, who understood politics as well as any man ever understood so slippery a subject, never rallied from the blow. The effect on the party justified his worst fears; the alliance between the incongruous elements of Democracy and Liberal Republicanism was shown to be a thing of paste and varnish; the pretense of Reform was pricked like a windy bladder and collapsed; the Liberals began to take to cover and the Democrats to sulk, until the overwhelming defeat in November reversed all the confident anticipations with which the strategic campaign had begun. We are now making the same unmistakable change as it creeps over the political atmosphere. We must wait until the October elections in Ohio and Indiana for proof of the statement that the Democrats are demoralized, but the evidence is too powerful to be resisted. We may even say that the certainty of defeats heralded in the month of September are more agreeable to the Democracy than the agonizing contemplation of Ohio. The best judges among the Democrats concede that they have no chance to win Ohio; timidly venture to say, that they may be victorious in Indiana, although they do not explain how their naturally narrow margin of chance has been widened by the alienation of Independents, who have so many scalps together. The Democracy which started out with such easy assurance of carrying the whole country, had in the course of two months been brought to a conviction that it had to figure up a success in which New York was the one doubtful State that would decide the question. But since the absurd and incomprehensible trick perpetrated not long since at Saratoga, there is not a Democrat who does not realize that New York is quite as certain to elect the Republican ticket as Ohio is. It is possible that Governor Tilden may clear himself of complicity in a fraud which any where else, except in politics, would consign its author to the "rock pile," and in consequence may so congratulate himself. Democrats may say he has explained the charges—what those evasive stories told by proxy? No sir!

We believe that even without the charge of perjury against New York and the fiasco at Saratoga, the result would have run parallel with the result of four years ago. Now, as then, a cry of Reform is set up by men who are greedy for spoils, and now, as then, the people would as soon expect sunbeams from Clackamas county cucumbers as a reform from the Democratic party. And now, as then, there is something else besides Reform involved in the contest; there is such a thing as patriotism, which has a certain hold and influence upon the American heart, and the touch of *amor patria* given us by the Democratic Congress is as pregnant as the touch of Reform they gave us in the organization of the House. We do not pretend to understand or explain why it is that the Republican party should on two successive occasions have entered upon a National campaign with an air of dejection, while their adversaries, who uniformly come out dejected, go in with a light heart and an assurance of victory. It may be because the Republican party has a conscience, and the memory of its sins and shortcomings weighs upon its mind. But without extenuating the faults of the Republican party, we know the worst of them, and they look like mole-hills beside the mountains of iniquity of which the Democrats have been guilty, and of which they have not repented.

A few weeks ago Seymour was the only man in New York, according to the Democratic cry, that could defeat Morgan. But now we learn that they have found another man who can do it "just as easy."

Phelps, the Democratic candidate for Governor of Missouri, is making states' rights the burden of his speeches. State rooms was the burden of his thoughts one night not long ago.

The New Senator.

After a hard fight, and even after hope had given place to despair, Governor L. F. Grover was elected U. S. Senator for the State of Oregon. The State is rife with rumors as to how he succeeded in being elected and why he was opposed. Some say that Ben Holladay "treasuring the wrong" done him by Grover in vetoing a certain appropriation bill came all the way to this State from New York to wreak vengeance. Others take the ground that the opposition was no more than Nesmith's influence and his desire to be elected. Be this as it may, Governor Grover has been elected, and as Republicans we are compelled in taking "Hobson's choice" to make the best of a bad bargain. We truly believe Gov. Grover to be an honest man, and while we never could credit the current stories of his being under Bill Watkins' thumb, we do believe Governor Grover to be an ultra partisan, and a man from whom no Republican no matter what his deserts, need ever expect good offices. Mr. Grover is a shrewd politician, or when weak members began to forsake him, like rats a sinking craft, he never could have won them back. For his own sake we hope the Governor has made no rash promises as to what he will do or will not do in his capacity of Senator, for the "recalcitrant members" who so suddenly veered about and espoused his cause.

Governor Grover is a man of perhaps more than average ability, energetic and pushing, and so thoroughly conversant with the wants af this State that should his partisanship not get the better of his judgement we have just grounds to entertain "great expectations." The Democrats say of Grover that independent of his being the caucus nominee, he wrs more deserving of the office of Senator than any other Democrat in Oregon. In support of this they cite instances of his leaving his home to go all the way to Portland to address ratification meetings, of his willingness to speak before public assemblies anywhere within the confines of this State, and of the eagerness with which he stumped the country in behalf of Lafayette Lane, in the late fight for Congressional honors. This may be all true, but to us, as a Republican, such a recommendation has but little force or value. We thought the Democratic test was "is he honest, is he capable?" Not "has he worked for the party?" Undoubtedly Mr. Nesmith made enemies in his own party by refusing to support "the worthy son of a worthy sire," but we fail to see any transgression on his part of Democratic law or any inability to pass the Jeffersonian ordeal. "Consistency, thou art a jewel," but Democrats know nothing about you. As we have already intimated, if Governor Grover will cut loose from party shackles we have high hopes in his ability to accomplish good for Oregon, but if his time is to be spent in rewarding his henchmen with the spoils of office, then "good-bye to all his greatness." Our books are open and it rests with him whether he will make in them a good or bad mark.

Gov. Hayes' Tax Return.

The Cleveland (Ohio) *Herald* says: "The tax return of Gov. Hayes is a document which will bear favorable comparison with that of any citizen of the State, revealing a strict honesty and nice sense of honor, which those who know Gov. Hayes best recognize as characteristic of the man. The best evidence of the strict honesty of the return is found in the fact that it was examined by the Board of Equalization, a majority of whom were Democrats, and a special committee of one, a Democrat of high character, made searching investigation, and reported everything perfectly correct. All the county officers were Democrats, and were satisfied of the correctness of the returns. The truth of the returns of Gov. Hayes, and the absolute falsity of some of the statements in the charge against him are known to most of the citizens of Fremont and admitted by them, without regard to party. One of them stated the whole case in a nutshell when he said that 'Gov. Hayes can prove by anybody in Fremont, Democrat or Republican, that he has put in his property for the taxation above its value in money."

In a recent interview Mr. Adams very modestly and sensible said "that a nomination was not an election, and, although he might accept the one, under the circumstances, he hardly felt that he would be called upon to assume again the duties and responsibilities of active political life. Massachusetts, without doubt, is a republican state, and it is a difficult thing for the majority of men to break party shackles, especially in a presidential campaign."

If ex-Boss Tweed, says the Springfield *Republican*, gets mad and discouraged and reckless over this latest piece of ill-luck, and concludes to make a clean breast of it, it won't be comparatively reputable democratic politicians only who will even wish that they were dead. There are quite a number of spared monuments in New York politics, and they are not all found in one party, by any manner of means.

Our Indian Fighter.

The last fortunate hit of Crook's cavalry, by which thirty lodges of Sioux were annihilated, and between two and three hundred of their occupants killed, will not furnish food for ridicule to journalists who have spoken derisively of the fight which Crook's command had to maintain against the fearful odds of Sitting Bull's warriors. Notwithstanding the contumely heaped upon Crook, because he refused to be drawn into the narrows of the Rosebud, where Mr. S. Bull and warriors were waiting to entrap him and annihilate his troops, his fight was one of the severest ever fought in the Indian country, and General Grant himself has commended Crook for his discretion. This surprise of the Sioux village must also cause some abridgement of the praise which has been given to these wild Sioux as contriving to keep themselves as perfectly informed of their enemies' plans and movements as the most prudent and wary civilized commander could do. The occupants, it would seem from the dispatches, had no such knowledge; and if Crook has his own way and keeps on in such chastisement of those who butchered Custer and his men, peace with the Sioux warriors will be brought about before long, in the only way Gen. Sherman thinks it can be—by extermination.

The Assessment Law.

We have several times written articles setting forth as clearly as lay in our power the immediate necessity of reform in the assessment law. We stated its many weak points and injustices, showing at the same time a satisfactory goal at which our legislators might easily arrive. Of course the members of the Legislature must expect to meet opposition from the banks and large property owners, but inasmuch as they are sent there to legislate for the people and not for the monied kings of this State, their course is plain, and any deviation should be marked by the voters as treachery and contempt for their interests. We caution the legislators in time to give this subject its just consideration and then take an active part in its improvement. The times, the people, and ordinary justice demand the change, and we must have it, if money's influence is not too potent in the Halls of legislation at Salem. This bill should receive the vote of every friend of the people in the Legislature, irrespective of party.

The Income Tax.

Governor Tilden has a champion in his clerk, Mr. Sinnott, who Curtius-like rushes to the breach, but unfortunately for the Democrats, is armed only with a reed. The grand flourish of trumpets which preceded this piece of self sacrifice was ont of all proportion with the actual deed, as the banging of gongs and waving of standards by the Chinese before a battle is "much too much" for the fighting they do. If Mr. Tilden was honest in the matter why did he not himself write a vindication, and not leave the job to a clerk who has made a serious botch of it? It is customary when a man is charged with a crime for him to make his own denial, and support his innocence with proof, and not refer the labor to a clerk. Mr. Tilden is still under a cloud, the bursting of which in November will create sad havoc in the Democratic party.

Why?

EDITOR ENTERPRISE: I would like to know why it is that the editor of the *Oregonian* never says a word about the present extortionate rates charged by the O & C. R. R.? When Holladay was running this road that paper never missed an opportunity to take him to task, and abused him without mercy. GRANGER.

Tweed's arrest in Spain now brings to light a material portion of his wanderings. He escaped from the custody of his keepers last December. There was a current belief that he would make his way to Cuba or to some South American State. It now turns out that he was in Havana, and went thence to Santiago de Cuba in July last. Alarmed by information that the United States authorities were on his track, he then fled to Spain on a sailing vessel, and after a voyage of forty-one days arrived at the port of Vigo, where he was hospitably received by the Spanish commandant and lodged in prison. The departure of Tweed on the Spanish-bound vessel was known to the State Department early enough to allow the necessary instructions to be forwarded to Minister Cushing, and the Spanish government has expressed itself willing, in the absence of any extradition treaty, to deliver the fugitive to the United States authorities. His arrest and detention at Vigo were in fulfillment of that agreement, and it is likely that William M. Tweed will will be landed in New-York—very much against his will.

The Democrats of Massachusetts are now anxiously wondering if the prestige of the great Adams family will be strong enough to carry them through. It will in a horn.

Letter From Hon. A. J. Dufur.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 12, 1875.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN;

As I have a moment to write, permit me to thank my friends in Oregon for the beautiful specimens of Oregon fruit that are arriving every week. These specimens, although but few in number, are doing more for Oregon than all the Congressional aid we have received in the form of military and railroad grants since our State was first admitted into the Union. Our commission are now at work busily examining report of jurors and declaring awards. Our State has already taken four medals and diplomas and we have only examined about one-fourth of the reports that have been made. We feel satisfied that our State will carry off her full share. Our National Agricultural Congress meet at the judges' hall to-day at 3 P. M. I shall try and be present and make an official report on the agricultural resources and products of our State. My time is so fully employed on the Commission that it is impossible for me to give that attention to our stand in Agricultural Hall that I could otherwise wish. But the interest of Oregon is well attended to by Messrs DuBois, Ryan and Tappan, while every Oregonian who comes to the show seems to take pride in explaining to visitors the resources of our State and capacity of its soil.

Mr. Wilkins is here examing stock and is rendering us efficient aid.

Major Bruce will start for home on the 15th inst. He takes home a valuable addition to the fine stock or Oregon as well as the highest commendations for good judgments, honesty and integrity from all the commissioners and international jurymen with whom he has associated.

California has just put two car loads of her fruit on exphibition and is trying to rectify the mistake she first made.

Yours, etc., A. J. DUFUR,
Commissioner for Oregon.

Incorporation Acts Filed.

The following organizations have recently filed acts of incorporation with Secretary S. F. Chadwick, and propose to take immediate steps towards carrying out the several projects for which the companies were formed.

Messss. H. Theilson, S. G. Reed, C. H. Lewis, B. Goldsmith, M. S. Burrell, L. White, Frank Dekum, Sol. Hirsch, J. Lowenberg, R. B. Knapp, L. Fieschner, John McCraken, Douald Macley, R. Jacobs, Wm. Wadhams, W. J. VanSenyver, S. Farrell, I. Kaufman P. Wasserman, Chas. H. Dodd, S. G, Skidmore, J. A. Chapman, W. W. Chapman and J. M. Strowbridge, known and recognized as the Oregon Pacific Railroad Company. The duration of the corporation shall be perpetual, and the object is the construction of a railroad and telegraph with all the necessary branches, side tracks, fixtures, building, etc,; from the city of Portland through the counties of Multnomah, Wasco, Umatilla, Union and Baker, and on through Idaho to the Union Pacific railroad at or near Ogden. The principal office is to be located in Portland. The capital stock is placed at $10,000'000, and the amount of each share is placed at $100.

William Morton, Bent. Killen and John Catlin, have filed articles of incorporation, the name of which shall be known and recognized as the Ocean Ship Company, and the duration shall be twenty years. The object of this corporation and the business in which it proposes to engage is navigation by sail or otherwise of the Pacific Ocean and all other navigable waters, seas and inland; to lease, purchase, charter, or to own boats, ships or other vessels necessary in the prosecution of such business. The principal office of the company shall be located at Portland. The capital stock shall be $20,000 in gold coin, subdivided into shares of $100 each.

Pacific Coast.

VICTORIA, Sept. 23—Earl Dufferin drove the first pile of the long-talked of Esquimalt dock yesterday afternoon in the presence of a large crowd of people.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 27.—Gen. Sherman and Secretary Cameron are guests of Senator Sharon at Belmont to-day, and it is understood that Lord and Lady Dufferin are also of the party.

Gov. Moses Brayman, wife and daughter, arrived at Boise City on the 17th inst., from Wisconsin. The new Governor, according to the *Statesman*, is good looking and polite, and is about 65 years of age. Governor Brayman served through the war, was under Grant in all his campaigns the first two years, and attained the rank of general. He is a lawyer by profession and has been a popular editor in Illinois, where he has spent the better portion of his life. He was well received,

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The new oyster company at Olympia is making extensive preparation for planting the bivalves on the flats just below the Marshfield bridge. The beds are laid out across the bay 25 feet wide by 50 long, and will be extended for a considerable distance down the bay. There are 1,000 bushels already planted: and the planting will continue till all the suitable ground is covered.

The farmers of Puyallup are about half through hop picking. The crew of 200 Mongolians which Mr. Green imported from Portland to do his hop picking got miffed, and have folded their tents and stolen away. Indians are employed there exclusively now. There was a slight frost throughout the valley on the 19th, and the hops were slightly nipped.

The Port Madison mill is running day and night, cutting every twenty-four hours, over 120,000 feet of lumber.

The Snohomish County Fair will commence at Snohomish City. W. T., Wednesday, Sept. 27th, and continue three days.

Lord Dufferin and suite left Victoria for San Fradcisco on the 21st on board the H. M. S. Amethyst.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Eastern.

CHICAGO, Sept. 24.—Specials of Sept. 23 from Fort Sully, Dakota, says the disarming order has been met with open disaffection among the savages. Bull Eagle threatened to kill the garrison last night, and the agency was placed under arms with artillery properly trained on the hills Four hundred Brueles left for the hostile camp lately and were joined by the great part of the Cheyennes here. The hostiles are within 90 miles of Sully and are powerful enough to clean out the Northwest, if so disposed. Gen. Buell does not consider the scare sufficient to officially mention it, and preserves a determined front, ready for any number of assailants; but there is no doubt of the result were they to visit us, as the posts are, by skeletons of regiments.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Hell Gate was blown up at 3 P. M. New York time. The shock was slight in New York, and the explosion as heard in New York was only a rumbling noise with a slight tremor of the earth throughout the city, and the upheaval of two columns of water, accompanied with considerable rock, which all fell into the river. Hallett's Point Reef at Hell Gate was settled this afternoon. This triumph of American engineering, conducted by General John Newton, was completed in the precise time and manner intended, and without single accident. Probably the finest view of the whole explosion was from the Heights, a place some several hundred yards away. It was from this point that General Newton and the telegraph operator sent the electric fluid into the main. Suddenly a cloud of water, turned into white spray, shot up just off Hallet's Point. This was followed by clouds of black smoke, rocks and lumber, and at the same moment a heavy shock as though the ground rose up and gave one the impression of being lifted two inches. The sound of the explosion was not loud but low and rumbling; and a deep cloud of yellow smoke followed by rocks, and in ten seconds the water had become again level, no trace being left but a large yellow space caused by mud and other substances thrown up. At the works it was found that the cofferdam which surrounded the shaft was entirely gone. The small house which stood close by the shaft was thrown ten feet, but all other buildings were just as before the explosion. The affair was a complete success and the whole reef was blown up. The tide has been materially materially changed by the explosion and now the current sets directly on the Big and little Mill rocks. They will have to be exploded next.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—The general verdict here among candid men is that Tilden's income tax explanation through his law clerk has failed of effect because while it carefully contraverts so much of the *Times'* article, charging evasion and perjury as concerned the only estimate of his sources of large revenue in excess of what Tilden returned, the facts show that his oath that his income in '62 was $7,118, is inconsistent with his more recent oath in the court proceedings that he received in that year two fees of $10,000 each. it is argued that as the law required a full statement of the gross income, no claim of tax paid through corporations in which Tilden invested, covers the case.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 23.—The Democracy are straining every effort in Ohio, with some success, to concentrate the German Catholic vote in Tilden's favor on distinctive sectarian grounds. This however, reacts by drawing to the other side the Protestant Democrats, who are disgusted and alarmed by these attempts to achieve political ends through religious prejudice. The Republicans are believed to be gaining in this State over the last gubernatorial comparative vote.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—The *Tribune's* Washington special says: The statement of Democratic papers that the commissioner of internal revenue has declined to answer Congressman Hewitt's letter about Tilden's income tax are false. Kaum has not answered all the details of Hewitt's inquiries, because the record in Washington don't contain the necessary information which is lodged in the office of the collector of internal revenue in New York only. Transcripts of all the records relating to Tilden were ordered, upon the receipt of Hewitt's letter and will soon be completed, when Tilden will be sued.

CHICAGO, Sept. 26.—The news from South Carolina contains horrible details of the operations of the White Leaguers against negroes. Butler a brother of the hero of the Hamburg massacre, is the leader of a band of whites who patrol the country killing the negroes wherever found. Within a few days he has, according to reports here, stopped the train and taken colored members of the legislature from it and shot them.

Foreign.

LONDON, Sept. 24.—A Reuter's telegram from Belgrade says preparations are being made to enable General Tchernayoff's army to carry on the war for a long period if an armistice is not concluded at the expiration of the present truce. Volunteers and contribution of money continue to arrive from Russia.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—It is understood that Sir J. Stepston has been ordered to Port Natal immediately, trusted with special power to represent Great Britain in the Transvaal Republic, and to give assurance of the willingness of Great Britain to annex Transvaal if the inhabitants so desire.

London, Sept. 24.—The British ship Lamon Ermin, bound from Calcutta to Demarra, is reported at Loyd's missing. It is believed she was foundered with all hands and 300 coolies.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—The *Daily News* says John O'Connor Powers, member of Parliament for Mayo county, etc., has resigned as member of the executive committee of the Home Rule Confederate, and has started for the United States, bearing the Irish congratulatory address on the Centennial of American Independence, which he and Charles Stewart Harneil, Home Ruler member for Meath, have been delegated to President Grant.

SUMMARY OF STATE NEWS.

Salem wants a steam fire engine.

Pendleton wants to be incorporated.

Deschutes bridge is ready for travel.

Teaming and fighting are prevalent in Roseburg.

Trains now leave Roseburg at 5 A, M. and arrive at 7 P. M.

George W. Fletcher has been made debuty sheriff of Lane county.

The number of inmates in the Oregon Insane Asylum is 218.

A hotel and store are in course of construction at Dora, Coos County.

A male teacher is wanted in Ochoco; wages $40 to $50 per month and board.

Frank N. Gilbert and Miss Emma F. Gilbert, of Salem, were made one last week.

There are 29 cases in the circuit court which will meet in Lafayette in October,

The entrance at the mouth of Rogue river for vessels of twelve feet draft is easy.

Curry county is largely devoted to wool growing, which sells at 20 cents this season.

Two hotels are talked of for the next year, besides other improvements, at Port Orford.

Nineteen trotters and running horses in training at the fair grounds, Union county.

R. L. Simpson, of Amity, was burglarized to the tune of $40, Sunday of last week.

Mrs. Snyder, of the Dalles, came near losing her eyes by applying carbolic acid, by mistake.

Henry Rosebrook, charged with the murder of McMillen at Empire City, has been acquitted.

The barn of Mr. Warren Cranston, in the Waldo Hills, was burned Saturday last. Loss, about $600.

Rev. W. A. Smith's child was badly scalded at Roseburg a few days ago, by pulling a teapot of hot liquid over him.

A bold robbery was committed at the house of J. B. Henderson, near Brownsville, on the evening of the 19th inst.

Mr. Hans Weaver, of Myrtle creek, bought 500 head of sheep last week from J. C. Aiken, the price paid being $1 25 per head.

The sources of the North and South Umpqua rivers have been discovered to be three small lakes in Douglas county.

James McDonough has this season raised about 1,000 pounds of sweet potatoes on his place near Willow Springs, Jackson county.

The ordinance preventing the sale of spiritous liquors on Sunday was repealed at the last session of the Eugene City council,

Oregon takes thirteen medals and diplomas, and one special diploma for State exhibits, at the Centennial exhibition at Philadelphia.

The "musteta pustorious," otherwise polecat, is considered a delicacy by the Dalles Chinese, who are glad to buy all that the gamin can catch.

Young Burch shot at Buena Vista last week, was reported on Saturday evening as improving. It is now thought that he will recover.

Two soldiers, kept as prisoners of war at Fort Canby, escaped through the floor of the guard house on Wednesday night, stole a boat and got away.

A correspondent writin to the *Roseburg Independent*, from Myrtle creek, says that vicinity is blessed with as fine water power as the State affords.

Chas Hayden, found guilty of attempting to leave the county without liquidating his accounts is in the Douglas county jail for sixty days.

D. L. Davis, formerly editor of the *Oregon Progressionist*, published at Cornelius two or three years ago, died recently at his home in Unch, Lucas county, Missouri.

W. B. Campbell, of Eight Mile Creek, former Surveyor of Wasco County, tried to commit suicide by cutting his throat while temporarily insane, last week. His recovery is doubtful.

Robert, son of A. B. Gilliland, of Douglas county, was accidentally shot while out hunting several days ago. The charge took effect in the forehead, and the unfortunate young man lived but a short time,

Since the steamer has opened a trade between Ellensburg and San Francisco quite an interest is taken by the citizens along the Rogue river valley for a better outlet for the growing products thereof.

Says the Coos Bay *News*: The wire and other material for the construction of the telegraph line between Empire City and Roseburg arrived on the steamer Empire. The work has begun and it is expected the line will be in running order in six weeks.

The copper mine near Sailor's Diggings, Josephine county, has been sold to California capitalists. The sale was effected by sending down to San Francisco 230 sacks of ore. When the company take charge of the mine extensive smelting works will at once be put up and other improvements made.

The entrance at the mouth of Rogue river is easy for vessels of 12 feet draft on tide. The steamer Continental has taken several cargoes of lumber this season to San Francisco. The bar is usually smooth, the channel plain, and since the mill company started the steamer has made quite regular trips.

Four Chinese companies mining on Beaver and Hungry creek, Southern Oregon, were sucessively visited the other day by three masked men who demanded their money, and after getting this, obligingly cleaned up the sluices for them. The cabin of a miner known as "Lazy Henry" was broken into the night before and robbed of some $200 in dust and a gold watch.

TERRITORIAL NEWS ITEMS.

The Lancer Club is a new organization at Seattle.

Four siwashes in the pest house at Port Townsend.

The Grand Lodge of Masons met in Olympia last Wednesday.

A man named Gowen won nearly all the prizes at the athletic games at Victoria last week.

Five hundred families have settled in Whitman and Stevens counties during the ast year.

A pack train from Yakima county brought into Seattle on the 20th, one thousand pounds of butter.

An insane man from Seabeck was sent to San Francisco on the 17th. His family reside in California.

Mr. J. G. Janicke, immigrant and land agent at Falls City, W. T., intends to start a German newspaper somewhere on the Sound.

Judge E. P Oliphant, formerly of Washington Territory, has been invited to "step down and out" of his position in the general land office.

Pierce county (W. T.) farmers are being troubled with crickets and grasshoppers. In some places they are doing fearful damage to vegetation.

On the 18th there was an Indian melee at Coupville in which one was killed being shot and another one badly cut. Cause—whiskey,

An indignation meeting was held at Port Townsend on the 21st concerning the action of the officers of the Dakota for introducing smallpox in that place.

The Walla Walla county commissioners have levied the following taxes for the year 1877: 4 mills Territorial; 4 mills school; 8 mills county and ½ mill road tax, making a total of 16¼ mills.

Horace A. Dunbar and A. Adams, late of the State of Michigan, arrived at Olympia on the last steamer. They went out hunting shortly after their arrival, and up to Sunday had not been heard from.

The Tumwater pipe factory, which has been closed for the past two weeks, has started up again. They have just received a raft of 14,000 feet of pine logs, The company have on hand ten miles of pipe, ready for shipment.

Wm. Whitfield, superintendent of Sam Pinney's ranch on Lapwai, says the yield of oats on that ranch this year was one hundred and thirteen bushels to the acre. Jo Craig, living near him, has a mare that dropped a foal early last spring, and four months after dropped another; both colts are alive and growing finely.

Rev. Rodolphus Weston, the pioneer Baptist minister of Washington Territory, and his worthy spouse who reside near Steilacoom celebrated their silver wedding last week. The visitants left a hundred and sixty silver half dollars as a *souvenir*.

[From the San Francisco Chronicle.]

The Wonderful Show. Visited by over One Hundred Thousand People in San Francisco. Montgomery Queen's Centennial effort.

WILL EXHIBIT IN OREGON CITY, SATURDAY, OCT. 7TH.

This establishment was institution with a recognized reputation, and widely known as the only show which gives the public fifty times more than is actual promised for their money. As this is the age of huge events, so it is also the age of one a honest exhibitor. Montgomery Queen has stepped to the front with the conscientious scruples of a high-toned gentleman, with a soul the very embodiment of the almighty dollar, and a show of such combined attraction and magnitude as to sink into significance all former efforts of narrow, contracted, and feeble minded show proprietors and managers. Montgomery Queen understands that the people of the Pacific Coast are not slow to patronize first class amusements, and when properly convinced that such an entertainment as Queen's elegant circus and liberally conducted managerie is in their midst, success which has everywhere greeted Mr. Queen is a fact, as fixed as the starry hosts of the celestial space above us. The advertisements of Mr. Queen can hardley give a correct idea of the many artistic elegances of the great golden show. In fact it can hardly be faithfully described, it must be seen. No language can understandingly paint in sufficiently glowing colors the beautiful outfit and the daring and seemingly almost super human endurance of the wanderous association of talent selected from every civilized portion of the globe. Whilst the richly embellished street procession was passing through Montgomery street a few days ago, and which attracted fifty thousand curious sight seekers, a gentleman of the most cultivated taste remarked within our hearing: "that the gorgeous public pageant was the most elegant affair ever witnessed, and that it had been most certainly designed by some renowned artist or master of the highest order of poetry, whose conception of the beautiful only, could have prompted such cunning arrangements, magnificent displays and appropriate groupings of the massively carved chariots, the tablean cars, mounted knights, elegant cages, the trappings, and paraphernalia of the great show."

It is most refreshing to be entertained by an asemblage of riders like Sig. Quaglieni, Abelardo Lowanda, and Mollie Brown, and such surpassingly beautiful arenic talent as the Matthew family, the Kenebels, Levantine, Austin, and their host of auxilliaries. The great feats of strength by the French female Samson D'Atallie; Pierce, the tamer of Tigers; Drayton the conqueror of Hyenas, and the youthful M'lle Pauline, subduer of Lions; the elephants of Thomson, and the great caravan of wild beasts, comprise a show which has been visited by over one hundred thousand of our citizens.

Lithographic stone has been found on the North Umpqua.