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Editorial Correspondence.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—On Saturday the senate got considerably mixed in the consideration of its own matter. Mr. Hamlin asked to take up a bill which he said had three times met the favorable report of the senate committee on naval affairs, etc., "the only little bill upon the calendar in which I feel an interest," etc. The chief clerk read "for the relief of Greenleaf Cilley," etc., in substance restoring him to the active from the retired list of navy commanders. The actual time consumed in the discussion which followed, in which Ceckerell, McPherson, Johnson, Harris, Hamlin, Conkling, Ingalls, Whyte, Withers and Vance all took part, was not noted, but amounted to considerable, in the midst of which the senate discovered that the identical bill had passed the senate June 15th, 1880. The bill was then taken up and discussed about as long, after which Senator Slater submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to the appropriation bill, increasing the sum for the Cascades locks to \$200,000 which was referred and ordered printed. Expect printed copies of the above to-day and also report of Col. Gillespie submitting plans for improving the mouth of the Columbia river together with the report of the board of engineers thereon, which you will please print in THE ASTORIAN when received.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS.

For the survey of Snake river from Lewiston, Idaho, to the mouth of the Salmon river, \$—

It is thought the river will be found practical for navigation by slight improvements which will greatly benefit Willowa valley and a large scope of country.

The following amendments are offered at the instance and suggestion of Mr. Brents: Improving Cowlitz river, Washington territory, \$2,000; also, for improving Chehalis river, \$10,000.

Mr. Slater's proposed amendments are for \$40,000 for continuing improvements at Coos bay; \$25,000 for protection at point Adams; \$10,000 for Coquille; for the Cascades canal, \$200,000, instead of \$100,000; for improvements from Portland "to the sea," including the bar at the mouth of the Columbia, \$70,000, instead of \$45,000; Yaquina bay, \$25,000, instead of \$10,000. We do not think it probable that the committee will report favorably upon any of the proposed improvements. Oregon is too far from home to ever amount to much, and has too many lying and deceitful men opposing her best interests from purely selfish motives. D. C. I.

Under date of Washington, Feb. 19th, the editor says: The New York board of engineers has set down upon Col. Gillespie "and us" in relation to our proposed bar improvements. They say that the Columbia river bar is improving itself and that gives congress more money to improve creeks in Virginia and levees in Louisiana. Senator Slater secured an order for having the report printed, and will send it to THE ASTORIAN in a few days. Secretary Goff has relatives in Marion county Oregon. Prof. Baird says the Columbia river is the finest in the world for variety and quantity of fish. Several new mail routes are to be established in Oregon, one from The Dalles to Harney. Senator Slater and Delegate Brents succeeded in tacking on another \$100,000 to the Cascade canal appropriation.

General Walker estimates that the population of this country will exceed 64,000,000 in 1890.

It is said the postal card has decreased the sale of writing paper \$12,000,000 annually in the United States.

Villard's New Railroad Scheme.

A late number of the London Times gives the particulars of a plan proposed by Henry Villard and associates to take up the Oregon and California railroad and complete it from Roseburg south to Redding, in California. The bondholders are to exchange their bonds for preferred stock bearing seven per cent. interest. The whole road then is to be mortgaged anew to a syndicate for six millions of dollars, or twenty thousand dollars a mile. The proceeds of the sales of these bonds will be taken to build the road spoken of from Roseburg to Redding, some two hundred and seventy-five miles. At last accounts it was said that this proposition was well thought of and would likely succeed. If it does succeed, the Oregon Railway and Navigation company, in connection with the North Pacific Railroad company, will have through trains running from Chicago and the east to San Francisco by way of Portland, Oregon.

New Methods on Trial.

Col. A. P. Chamberlain, an English engineer, has invented a new process of lighting. It is called the atmospheric light, and is produced by a process somewhat like that of making coal gas. The process has been introduced into the engineering and boiler-making works of a Glasgow firm. A furnace has been erected within a small shed, and outside the shed is a gasholder. The furnace contains three retorts, and these are supplied with a combination of mineral oil, water and air, which enter through a small pipe carried from the back to the front of the retort, and the gas finds an exit through a large pipe at the back of the retort. The vapor is conducted to the purifier. Thence it is carried into the gasholders and then led through the old pipes in the works to the various machines and benches in the shop, supplying about 200 burners. The gas is said to give a whiter and more purer light than coal gas, or something between coal gas and the electric light. The odor is not offensive, and it is stated to be free from deleterious effects on pictures and paper than coal gas. The chief advantages claimed are simplicity of application to public works, country churches, schools and mansions. The cost is said to be less than one-half that of coal gas. The utility of the new gas, however, is still a matter of some speculation, it requiring more extensive experiments to determine it.

At Jersey City, New Jersey, a new fuel manufactured from steam and petroleum has been tested, with alleged success. The present cost of coaling a locomotive from New York to Philadelphia is twenty-five dollars, and it is said that, by using the new fuel, a train can be run between the points named for four dollars. This would almost revolutionize railroading.

At a fair at Russell, Kansas, on April 13th, a sheep-shearing match will be held by the Central Kansas wool growers, representing 40,000 head of sheep. The shearing is to be done by machinery, and the result is expected to demonstrate the value of such machines, as compared with the old method.

Recent French papers contain accounts of the automatic machines for making "hand-made" lace. From these accounts we learn that from 1,800 to 2,000 spindles are put in movement, and from 200 to 300 pins are used. It is claimed that all kinds of laces hitherto made by hand can be rapidly turned out, including Valenciennes, Malines, Guipure, Chantilly, etc., and that even the old styles, for which it would be impossible to find workers, can be reproduced, the work of several hundred girls being readily done at once. The statement is made that the American and English patents can be disposed of at a million dollars each. The papers praise the work as equal to the best hand work. The success of this machine would

render the making of imitation lace of the present sort unnecessary. Five hundred thousand women are engaged in the making of lace in Europe, and the machine will bring hard times and suffering to most of them, if it does all that is claimed for it.

MARRIED.

In Portland, March 3, by Rev. J. H. Acron, Mr. Wm. E. Thorn and Miss Emma J. Connell. No cards.

NEW TO-DAY.

Last Call.

TO TAXPAYERS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 1: You are hereby notified that the tax list will remain in my hands until the 7th of March. All unpaid taxes on that day will be returned to the County Clerk as delinquent, and costs will accrue. By order of the Board of Directors, J. G. RUSTLER, Clerk.

Notice.

ALL PARTIES ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED not to credit any parties ordering in the name of the estate of Joseph Hume, unless accompanied by a power from the undersigned. All accounts of the estate of Joseph Hume must be paid to the undersigned, or to me, as no other parties are authorized to collect said bills. JOSEPH HUME

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AN ANNUAL MEETING OF THE legal voters of School District No. 1 will be held at the school house on Main street, in Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, on Monday evening, March 7, 1881, at 7 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing one Director for three years and one Clerk for one year. Also to levy a tax to support a school for the ensuing year in said district, and also a tax to pay interest and incidental expenses of said district, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting. By order of the Board of Directors, J. G. RUSTLER, Clerk.

\$80 Reward.

TWENTY DOLLARS WILL BE PAID for the recovery of each of the bodies of four Chinamen drowned in Columbia river near Brookfield on Wednesday last, while going from Pillar rock to Brookfield. One was twenty-one years of age, and had on his person at the time a check of \$200 and seven dollars in silver. The second was twenty-three years old and had a pistol and seven dollars in silver. The third was twenty-four years old and had three twenty dollar gold pieces, a twenty-five cent piece, and a silver watch. The fourth was twenty-eight years old and had \$15 in gold. The above rewards will be paid by the undersigned, CHIN LUNG, At West Coast Packing Co., Astoria, Oregon, 324a 1st St.

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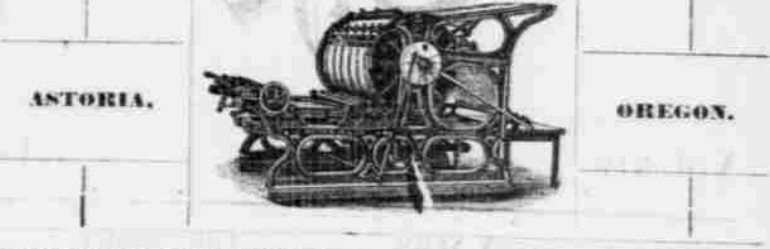
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