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Another Cinch.

ABOUT two weeks ago the residents of Yakima and vicinity, at a public meeting, drew up a set of resolutions and a memorial to be sent to the Secretary of the Interior. It seems they have a grievance as intolerable as that which this section complains of. Here is how the Yakimates state their case:

"At the time the Northern Pacific Railway company was incorporated, Congress granted to it a tract of land embracing every oddnumbered section for a distance of forty miles on either side of the track, and extending the entire length of the road through this and other-territories. In other words, the company received from Congress a half ownership in a strip of land eighty miles wide and as long as this and the other territories through which the proposed road was to pass. In addition to this the company received a similar grant of lands along its branch road," thus constituting a donation of nearly one-half of this territory! In area this donation is larger in size than many of the Eastern states-larger than many an empire renowned in the world's history! For what was this munificent and princely donation made? It was given ostensibly to aid in reclaiming and settling what was at that time a wild, uninhabited country Seventeen years have elapsed since that time and the road is still uncompleted. In the meantime the country has been reclaimed and settled through other agencies. This "railroad" land, however, still remains withdrawn from settlement, greatly to the disadvantage of the country the dosation was designed to benefit. Besides thus retarding the settlement of our country it is now operating to keep out other railroad builders, who, without subsidy, would race with each other to gain the most desirable route through the Cascades to the Sound. Backed up by its great to you. It seems at that time he had collected money for cer-(owned now by the Oregon Company) can keep out competition and at the same time delay construction of the road themselves By this means they can perpetuate their Columbia river monopoly for an unlimited period. Judging from the recent utterances of Mr. Villard, the president of the concera, this is undoubtedly the policy his company will pursue, unless interfered with by congress. After the government has given to the Northern Pacific Company an photographs. You know you have eighty-mile strip of the people's land and doubled the price of the them, and it is right that you remainder, have the people no should pay me a reasonable royright to demand an untrammeled alty. What will you give to settle and competing thoroughfare? And without trouble or expense? Yours is the road, after seventeen years of dillydallying to be completed only when it shall suit the interests Please give Mr. Scoville half dozen of a monopoly which will be broken side view photographs for me up and ruined by its construction? C. G. The Northern Pacific company long since forfeited its land by reason of its failure to build the the public up to his insanity plea. road within the time prescribed by law. Yet, owing to the peculiar ernment are taking active steps to wording of the grant, it requires explode the insanity ples. A an act of Congress to declare the physician is engaged to visit the forfeiture, and it is supposed that jail and make studies of the crimi the powerful influence of the com- nal. Said a reporter to Scoville pany will be sufficient to prevent yesterday: "The Government will this declaration being made. If oppose you with a formidable array on the other hand, an honest set- of lawyers." "Yes," said Scoville tler upon the public domain, by any mishap or dereliction of duty fails to comply with the require ments of the homestead, pre-emp-

these acts? Pacific road across the mountains, be a little prejudiced. It will be and prevent, as far as practicable, shown on trial that whatever Gui-

the land grant forfeited. These or bad man as he has been repreare the objects to which the en- sented. I do not think that the closed resolutions respectfully in- history of the world affords a case vite your attention, and with such of a man who had lived to be forty in view we trust that they may years of age without crime, lead receive your careful considera- ing a religious life, and not revenge-

This is a dignified remonstrance against existing injustice and should meet with attention commensurate with its importance.

Washington Letter.

The estimate in the annual report of the Chief Engineer, for rivers and harbors and public against \$28,000,000, last year. estimate less than one-third.

the guane pile, floating around elections. The occupants of the loose in the Pacific, and torn down | Senate Restaurant not only pay no the stars and stripes, and there is rent, but are furnished with fuel, music in the air. The American gas, water, ice and farnishings for FRUITS AND VEGETABLES. bird stands erect on the top of rooms and tables. said hill, claiming it as his own inheritage, and shrieking ven- inventorship cases have just closed geance, to the tune of "E Plunderus Mexico."

Guiteau has lately written to several public men to get money to carry on his case; among the first, perhaps the very first, was one to President Arthur, in which he said "that as the instrument of the Lord, he had promoted him from vice President, an \$8,000 position, to one paying \$50,000, it was just that he should give a portion of the latter sum for his (Guitean's) defence. It was useless to say this never met the President's eye. Another of these appeals was addressed to the proprietor of the New York Herald. In it he wrote: "I ask you to make a liberal contribution for my defence, in view of the sufferings the Herald caused me in '74, and I have no doubt, considering your liberality and rightmindedness, but that you will do it. As your reporter sugfully received. I have no doubt at present. had I proceeded with the case (in '74) it would have cost twice that to you." It seems at that time tain parties in New failed to hand over. This the Herald exposed, hence the suit then, and the request now. The latest production from the pen of the assassin is addressed to C. M. Bell of Washington who photographed the villain just after his

arrest and reads as follows: Mr. Bell:-This will introduce to you my attorney Gen. Scoville Esq., who wishes to talk to you about the royalty due me on my been supplying the country with truly, Charles Guiteau, U. S. Jail, Washington, D. C., Nov. 2, 1881.

All these appeals are fruitless, the evident aim being to educate It is well understood that the Gov-"it is hardly fair. Unless Mr. Trude comes there will be no one but Robinson and I for the defence. The District Attorney too, tion or forest-culture laws, he can use all the agents of the Govnot only loses his lands but also ernment in preparing his case. If his rights to acquire land under I had money, I would have been very well prepared. I think now It is the opinion of the people the people are beginning to look of this section that the govern at the case without prejudice. ment should compel the immedi. I have little fears now about the ate construction of the Northern jury. Of course I expect them to

ful by nature, and then, without cause or passion and in his sound senses shoot another man down. On the other hand there are many cases where an insane man has committed such an act."

A dozen candidates are making desperate efforts to seeme the Senate Restaurant. President pro works amount to \$38,000,000 tem. Davis is undivided umpire in this important struggle. He has The increase is due to the demand decreed that a list of prices must in the West for internal improve- be submitted with the bid, former ments, and the rapid settling of prices being too high. A tasting the country. The Secretary of committee cannot be selected this War will probably cut down this week, as those best adapted to act on that committee have gone on Mexico has scaled the top of to New York to rejoice over the Glass

The arguments in the telephone in the Patent Office, but it will take WIRS, LIQUOTS, TODACCO & Cigars weeks yet to know who is what.

The Hon, John Foster has taken his abode here for the season, his resignation as Minister to Russia having been accepted.

THE regular crop of early winteralarmists is being heard from. The first harvested is a U. S. lieutenant who informs a shuddering world that the oysters are all dying, and that the bivalves will soon be

THE Polaris makes this editori al announcement: "We want to Salmon Net Twine. turn the faucet and have things run to our hand, and the faucet must be on easters, that it may be convenient." A faucet "on casters" is a most ornate plumbing suggestion.

The Austrian government has appropriated twelve millions of dollars for the improvement of the Danube. A little touch of Austrigested, a \$10,000 check, or the anism in that respect on the part cash if you do not wish your of our own government would be name to appear will be very grate. very acceptable out this way just

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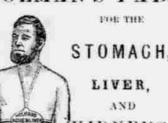
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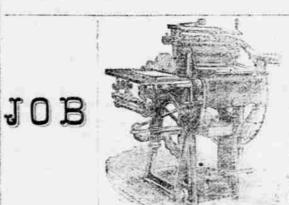
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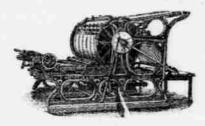
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