

The Daily Astorian. ASTORIA, OREGON: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1885. POSSIBLE COMPLICATIONS.

In reference to Secretary Whitney's order sending the Tennessee and Galena to the isthmus of Panama, the Washington Star says that it is inferred that he is anxious to prevent another outbreak similar to that of last spring, which will endanger isthmus transit, rendering this government liable for damage, and quotes a naval officer as saying: "We have not received a bill for the burning of Aspinwall yet, but it will be along this winter, and there will be quite a howl raised. Damages to the extent of a good many million dollars were caused by the burning of Aspinwall, and it looks very much as if the government would be compelled to foot the bill. We guaranteed to keep transit open. Colombia could not do it, and in the event of its failure the responsibility rested upon our shoulders. We opened transit, but before that was done Aspinwall was burned, and millions of dollars worth of property was destroyed. The people who suffered will expect remuneration, and as said, will send a bill to the United States."

A Washington special says: The sudden ordering of Admiral Jouett to the isthmus of Panama is the sole topic of conversation in naval circles. It is said that the people of Aspinwall have preferred claims aggregating between \$7,000,000 and \$8,000,000, which will be presented to congress for payment. This is a claim for property destroyed during the late troubles, and for which, it is alleged, this government is responsible. Admiral Jouett's mission is in connection with this matter.

THE Fresno, Cal., Republican thinks that the newspaper of this day is an American institution that has come to stay; that it is an educator and all that. So it is. It will stay so long as it is true to the theory of its mission. But there is a great deal in its present practice that in the eternal justice of the ages should condemn it; things that must be eliminated from it or it will cease to be a public educator. For instance: it must cease to be a vehicle for personal assault as a substitute for reason, thought and fact. An old lawyer said to a young one, "When you have a bad case, abuse the opposing counsel." That is advice that is altogether too readily adopted by the modern newspaper. Take the example of the Cincinnati Enquirer, for instance. It was made the medium for a personal assault by Mr. McLean upon Mr. Halstead, of the Commercial Gazette. It is not too much to say that that affair had a direct influence upon the recent Ohio election, disgusting self-respecting men and resulting in votes adverse to the party represented by the Enquirer. The very fact that the newspaper is an educator emphasizes the necessity for the rooting out utterly of the personal phases of journalism. Continued, its influence tends to vitiate public tastes and to lower the standard of an influence that should be actuated by principle alone, and that cannot afford to move upon any low levels. The Republican reflects this sentiment when it says, because the press is a public influence both reflecting and molding public sentiment, "it becomes apparent to every thinking mind that the morale of the newspaper should be of a pure type and reach a high standard. Vicious and depraved minds, giving vent to vicious and depraved thought, but engender and foster a moral leprosy that is evil and only evil in its tendency."

THE Democratic state central committee met in Portland last Saturday. The topic of discussion was the action of the governor in convening the legislature in special session. The commit-

tee passed a series of resolutions declaring that there was no occasion for such convention, denouncing it as an oppressive abuse of public office, asking that the Republican party be held responsible, recording the wisdom and sagacity of the party representatives at the late session, and viewing with alarm the alleged agency of "organized capital" in the calling of the special legislative session.

THE present legislature has the opportunity to elect a United States senator who will zealously work for the material interest of the state, for a free river, for the good of the people. We refer to John H. Mitchell. He has made enemies; what man of ability lives that has not. No one, but those destitute of ability, is exempt from ill will on the part of some one. But personal antagonism may be carried too far and defeat the object that was intended to be gained.

THIRTY-FIVE states and territories are now represented by exhibits at the exposition which opens at New Orleans November 10th. It is said that all available space has been spoken for, and that the exhibits from Europe and elsewhere will be extensive.

THE last spike of the California Southern railroad was driven last Monday at Cajon pass, San Diego Co., Cal. This gives the Atlantic & Pacific railroad through connection to the Pacific coast, with San Diego as its terminus.

MARRIED. In Astoria, Nov. 10th, by Rev. Dr. Garner, Robert L. Boyle to Susan Gustafson, both of this city.

NEW TO-DAY. Notice. TO THE INDEPENDENT VOTERS OF the 1st and 2nd wards of Astoria and of Clatsop county in general. You are hereby requested to meet at O'Brien's new building situated on Water street, on Thursday, Nov. 12, at 8 o'clock P. M. to take into consideration the best means to procure impartial representation at the coming city and county elections to be held in Astoria.

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Sec. 2. Said J. C. Trullinger and his assigns shall have the right to and shall erect poles and stretch wires so as not to interfere with the free and unobstructed use of the streets for travel, and shall erect the poles at such points on streets and place the wires at such height as may be designated by the committee on streets and public ways, and the right and privilege hereby granted is subject to modifications, limitations and change by the Common Council, whenever in judgment the public interests require it. Sec. 3. Whenever it shall become necessary in the erection or repair of such wires for the said J. C. Trullinger and assigns to dig into or in any way interfere with any public street or part thereof, said J. C. Trullinger or assigns shall, without delay, put the street in as good condition as it was before it was so broken up, dug up or disturbed, and shall remove all surplus sand, earth, rubbish or other material.

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