

THERE is something wrong with the municipal government of Spokane Falls. Three disastrous fires in a year, and a magnificent river flowing through the city with power enough to force a stream 200 feet high.

LAST week THE ASTORIAN had a paragraph about the new flags and the 44 stars required on them. The paragraph, exactly as written, appears in the Seattle Times of the 26th, in its "special correspondence" from Washington, D. C. They all do it.

SAN SALVADOR and Gant-to-maul-ye, are at each other's throats. This doesn't look favorable for brother Blaine's Pan-American reciprocity. Still it may turn out all right. People are often better friends and heartily in accord after a good square fight.

THIS morning's dispatches bring the pleasing news that the river and harbor bill comes up in the senate on August 8th, taking precedence of the tariff bill. Let us hope that this important measure goes through congress all right, and will be promptly signed by president Harrison.

PORTLAND feels badly over the result of the census and justly demands a recount. This is a matter in which the whole state is interested. A recount of the Oregon metropolis may add just enough rightful residents to the state census roll to give the commonwealth another congressman.

MONEY is convenient in a variety of ways. Last Thursday a man assaulted Fred Marriott, proprietor of the San Francisco News Letter, hitting the newspaper man in the cheek, and striking, of course, a glancing blow. Marriott had a sack of \$20 gold pieces in his hand, and with the sack of money he fought and routed his antagonist.

SEATTLE and Tacoma are discussing which has the largest population. If Astorians would stand in and pull together Astoria's population would equal that of Seattle and Tacoma combined. Sometime, let us hope, this will come to pass, and those that try to pull down will stand in with those of us who are trying to build up and make this city what it should be.

THE San Francisco Daily Report is making money pretty fast. On the 7th of this month it charged for a city assessment notice, 3 1/2 inches, \$472.50. Boss Buckley has a third interest in the Report's profits. Note that it is in the "profits." He has no interest in the plant of the Report. When the "profits" cease, his interest in the paper ceases. Since boss Gannon died boss Buckley is making more money than ever. However if San Francisco can stand it it's nobody's else business.

A PARTY has been organized at Brussels, Belgium, to trace the sources of the Congo river. To effect this purpose it is proposed to explore the three head-water tributaries of the Congo to Lunala, Lunafala and Lunluga, the last named of which leads the waters of the great Lake Tanganyika to the Congo. According to the Arabs these three rivers unite in an inland sea called Lake Landji, out from which the Congo issues, a sea which white men never have looked upon. To find this lake is one of the objects of the exploration, which, it is estimated, will occupy about a year and a half of time.

THE DALLES Times-Mountaineer thinks that if the river and harbor bill doesn't pass "somebody will be blamed." Very likely. Somebody is always blamed for everything that does and everything that does not take place. What good is blame. The thing is to do all in one's power beforehand, and not hold useless post mortems. The Times-Mountaineer seems in a hurry to get in a dig at our Oregon senators and representatives. Whether the bill passes or not, our faithful delegation in congress have done all they could and should receive praise and not blame from the entire press of the state.

THE ASTORIAN directs attention to a careless practice which is fast becoming a custom, and which will result in considerable litigation in the future. It is the hasty preparation of "a plat" of some "addition," far or near and having it recorded without any surety or guaranty or evidence of its genuineness. Every plat when offered for record should be endorsed by some official, the county surveyor for instance, as being exact and correct, and what it purports to be. There is no intention on the part of anyone to defraud or to be dishonest, but the result of the present system will, unless changed, be veritable land litigation in years to come.

SENSATIONAL reports continue of a possibility of war between England and the United States over Alaska. There is very little possibility of such an unwarlike event. England has too much sense. After ninety days of war with the United States, England would be short of her East Indian possessions; would be out of Africa, Egypt and Turkey, and would be slightly shaky as to Ireland. She would have captured the north Pacific coast, which would be defensible, but would be defeated everywhere else, and would have to pay a three-fold for every dollar's worth of property destroyed. England's statesmen are too smart, though, to permit any war with this country. Besconfield has been dead nearly ten years, but in case of a little assumption on the part of Great Britain, a little dignified threat from that great maritime power, it will be

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in order to remind our transatlantic cousins that they got an American breakfast in 1776, a lunch in 1812, and can have a red-hot dinner any time they want it.

The New York legislature probably didn't mean it, but they made April fools of the prohibitionists. The last New York legislature did just as our Oregon legislature did in 1887—yielded to the prohibitionists so far as to provide for a special confirmation or rejection of a prohibitory amendment to the state constitution. The vote is set for April 1, 1891. But the expenses of this special vote is figured at \$800,000. The joke is that the legislature forgot to provide for this expense of \$800,000. So, unless the brethren and sisters raise that amount by special subscription, there will be no vote in the state of New York on the 1st of next April. Those things come high, and if they want them they must pay for them.

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BY VIRTUE OF A WARRANT ISSUED out of the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Clatsop, to me directed on this 10th day of July, 1899, commanding me to levy upon the goods and chattels of the delinquent taxpayers named on the delinquent tax roll for said county for the year 1898, thereunto named, and if none be found then upon the real property as set forth and described in the said delinquent tax roll or so much thereof as shall satisfy the amount of taxes so charged thereon, together with costs and expenses, I have levied having been unable to find personal property out of which to make said taxes upon the real estate set opposite the names of the respective parties, firms and corporations contained in the following list to satisfy the amount of tax assessed and charged against such persons, firms and corporations in said delinquent tax roll, all of said real property being in Clatsop County, State of Oregon, to-wit:

- Adams, A. M., lots 5 and 6, sec 20, T. 9 N., R. 6 W., 28 acres. \$ 7.76
- Carroll, O. V., S 1/2 of S E 1/4, sec 20, T. 9 N., R. 6 W., 28 acres. 11.21
- Anderson, Edward, improvements only, near Smith's Point. 3.68
- Dunkle, J. & W., land on Necanicum Creek, 1/2. 2.94
- Erickson, Josephine, imp on Smith's D. I. C. 588
- Hendler, Fred, lot 16, Union & Allen add. 5.88
- Hartman, M. S. W 1/2 sec 22, T. 6 N., R. 9 W., 80 acres. 11.70
- Holmes, E. C., lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, blk 28, Williamsport. 5.50
- Holmes, T. S., lots 11 and 12, blk 14, Shively's Astoria. 5.15
- Holt, Amelia, lots 2 and 3, blk 6, Bradbury's add to Ocean Grove. 1.47
- Huber, A. N. W 1/2 sec 21, T. 7 N., R. 10 W., 160 acres. 11.70
- Hume, Jos, lot 3, sec 11, T. 9 N., R. 7 W., 160. 1.52
- Imhoff, J. M., blk 14, Williamsport. 5.88
- Johnson, Carl, lots 7 and 9, as laid out by O. D. Young, 80. 5.88
- Knott, A. J., lot 6, blk 101, McClure's Astoria as extended by Cyrus Olney. 1.47
- Kierman, John, lot 6, blk 12, McClure's Astoria as extended by Cyrus Olney. 1.70
- LaFayette, J. E., N 1/2 sec 26, T. 2 N., R. 7 W., 220. 23.02
- Leah, J. S. E 1/4, sec 21, T. 8 N., R. 8 W., 160. 12.50
- McNulty, E. R., lot 3, blk 49, Shively's Astoria. 2.00
- Marras, G. N., S 1/2 and NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 sec 2 and NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 sec 3, T. 7 N., R. 7 W., 160. 4.05
- McLean, Elizabeth, E 1/2 of SE 1/4 sec 6, T. 8 N., R. 4 W., 80. 8.40
- Peoples, Edward, E 1/2 of sec 16, T. 9 N., R. 7 W., and W 1/2 of sec 16, T. 9 N., R. 6 W., 80. 7.79
- Robt, J. H., lot 3, blk 130, McClure's Astoria, as extended by Cyrus Olney. 1.47
- Roch, W. J., NE 1/4 sec 12 and SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 sec 17, T. 8 N., R. 6 W., 200. 4.41
- Spalden, Tobias, lot 27, Union & Allen's add. 1.47
- Row, B., NE 1/4 of NE 1/4, sec 17, T. 7 N., R. 9 W., 160. 2.91
- Sandell, E., lots 4, 5 and 6, sec 4, T. 5 N., R. 6 W., 72. 6.74
- Sherman, M. J., N 1/2 of SE 1/4 and NW 1/4 of SE 1/4, sec 17, T. 8 N., R. 6 W., 200. 5.88
- Smith, J. E., N 1/2 of NE 1/4 and NW 1/4 of SE 1/4, sec 17, T. 8 N., R. 6 W., 200. 25.28
- Spalden, R. B., lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, blk 102, McClure's Astoria, as extended by Cyrus Olney. 5.88
- Starr, J. L., lot 20, blk 2, First Add to Ocean Grove. 4.41
- Seiffert, N. W 1/2 sec 27, T. 7 N., R. 6 W., 160. 11.70
- Taylor, W. W., NE 1/4 sec 33, T. 5 N., R. 6 W., 160. 11.70
- Thomson, C. E. and Geo Noland, lot 6, blk 22 and lot 7, blk 135, McClure's Astoria, as extended by Cyrus Olney. 9.01
- Thompson, C. E. and V. Boehling, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, blk 15, Williamsport. 2.94
- Tucker, H. R., NW 1/4 sec 1, T. 6 N., R. 9 W., and N 1/2 of NE 1/4, sec 2, T. 6 N., R. 9 W., 200. 1.91
- Tonshunen, F., 1/2 of lot 6, blk 3, Shively's Astoria. 5.15
- Thompson, E. and F. C. Reed, SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 sec 14, T. 8 N., R. 7 W., 200. 29.40
- Thompson, A. E., sec 22, T. 6 N., R. 9 W., 160. 11.70
- Upton, W. W., undivided 1/2 of blk 11, Shively's Astoria. 49.62
- Watson, Geo., lot 5, blk 51, McClure's Astoria. 3.68
- Wells, F. W., NE 1/4 sec 22, T. 6 N., R. 9 W., 160. 11.70
- Wesling, A., lots 3 and 10, blk 25, Alderbrook. 5.88
- Wilson, M. D., lot 10 and 17, blk 1, First Add to Ocean Grove. 1.45
- Wingard, H. E., S 1/2 of NE 1/4, NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 and SE 1/4 of SE 1/4, sec 14, T. 6 N., R. 4 W., 160. 10.88
- Wood, J. H., S 1/2 sec 36, T. 5 N., R. 7 W., 200. 25.52
- Worsley, F. H. and B. S., lots 2 and 4, blk 70, McClure's Astoria, as extended by Cyrus Olney, improvements on lot 7, block 61. 27.95
- Worthington, W. L., est. of undivided 1/2 of lots 1 and 2, blk 75, McClure's Astoria, as extended by Cyrus Olney. 2.00
- Wright, F., SE 1/4 sec 22, T. 6 N., R. 9 W., 160. 11.70
- Warren, M., NE 1/4 sec 21, T. 7 N., R. 8 W., 160. 11.70
- Yeoman, G. W., lot 3, blk 147, McClure's Astoria, as extended by Cyrus Olney. 1.76

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