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ANY subscriber who fails to receive THE HERALD on time will please notify us at once by mail.
An article of unusual interest to the G. A. R. and readers generally by Gen. H. V. Boyton in the October "Belmont" gives the true story of the battle of Shiloh. He claims that the documents Sherman has to show that he was not surprised then, are forged.
Vol. 1 No. 2 of the National Democrat, an aggressive newspaper edited and published in Washington City, D. C., by Edmund Hudson, reached us this week and, as it costs only \$2.50 a year, and THE HERALD can let its subscribers have it at special rates, it is in the reach of everybody that likes a live, wide-awake, No. 1, large, 7-column quarterly, political newspaper.
OREGON, aged 30 years, has two senators and one representative. South Dakota, not yet one year old, has two representatives and two senators. What's the cause of Oregon's stand-still condition? Too much territory? Too much of the "tributary to California" game played on her? Too much grazing and not enough farming? Too much—yes decidedly "too much" from which a political "too little" is the result.
The most nefarious scheme by northern demagogues in existence is to remove the terrible Negro evil from the South to the growing Northwest—to colonize the States of Washington and Montana, with "refugees" from the Sunny South. "This movement" says the author of the idea, "has been quietly worked for a long time, and will be continued in that way until we have settled Washington and Montana from end to end with refugees."
If the Negroes were men of means sufficient to return them to the South after their first winter's experience in the comparatively bleak climate of the States mentioned, the movement would be of lasting benefit to this section of country, as one winter of snow, ice, bare hills, and pioneer existence would be worth all efforts of like nature done by Negro boomers since 1865. If there be one thing more abhorrent to Sambo than another, it is thought's suggested by the words "ice" and "snow."
DR. EASTON, a San Francisco preacher, said:
"If the spirits can come back to earth and speak to us, why do they not expose and denounce the murderers that are undetected and unpunished?"
This kind of doctrine is like a two-edged sword, cutting both ways, for if God is a just God, why not He, or his ministering angels and all powerful, stop murder and other crimes that are daily occurring; but it is reasonable to believe that God can and will carry on His Laws independent of man's belief or unbelief.
The Long Creek Eagle
Seems to have fallen into the hands of an editor-typo, at last, and is issued every Friday, by Orin L. Patterson, who does not have half the paper printed at Portland or Idaho, but in his own printing office, the plate matter in use being fresh, bright and newsy. Long may the "Eagle" stream for the Long Creek Republic.
Where will be the County Seat next June Election?
This is a question seldom asked, as it is a foregone conclusion that the Permanent County Seat will be at Burns. This, we think, is the accepted opinion of a large majority of the citizens of Harney county, so let there be no contention or division of opinion, but ALL work to build up one good town in Harney valley, with a permanent County Seat and Land Office which should be inseparably connected.
EXCHANGE NOTES.
Sept. 20th a British war ship struck a rock off Point Arthur, became a total wreck, sank, and the lives of seven of her crew were lost.

Mary Martin, the young woman sent to the King county, N. Y. penitentiary, was transferred to the hospital at Flatbush, where the doctors will endeavor to find out the source from which she has a remarkable power. She is timid and extremely sensitive, but possesses the strength of a Samson. She is only four feet six inches in height, small limbed and has the hand of a child ten years old.
When arrested in Brooklyn she had torn up a lamp post in the street, and it required five officers to arrest her. She was locked up in an iron cell, and an hour later surprised the Sergeant by appearing before him, having bent the door bars and crawled out of the prison.
She was given the strongest cell, but a few hours later was found airing herself in the prison yard. Mary had snapped the bars of her cell door as if they had been sticks of sealing wax.
Warden Hayes gave orders for the confinement of the female Samson in one of the strongest cells in the woman's prison.
Mary quietly submitted to her transfer, and the following morning the discovery was made that she had again escaped. She was carried to another cell and a special guard placed over her.
The girl escaped from the "cooler" by using her fingers as a wrench for the purpose of removing the nuts from the ends of lock-bolts, and afterwards taking off the lock.
She wouldn't remain locked up, so Judge Moore remitted her fine, and she was discharged to be again arrested and taken to the hospital.
Mary can't account for her remarkable strength.—Ex.
Mrs. Hiram Snell, of Malad City Idaho, has given birth to sixlets, three boys and three girls. They weigh eight pounds altogether, and are quite hearty. They promise to live.—Ex.
Golden Censer: The convicts of the Tennessee penitentiary were leased at auction at the State capital, Saturday last, for a term of six years. The lease was secured by the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company, which was the only bidder. The consideration was \$100,000 per annum.
Prof. Peynaud jumped from a tower 150 feet high at Montreal Sunday night. A netting was stretched at foot of the tower, and underneath this was a canvass held by ten men. Several of the men became frightened and lost their grip on the canvass, and Peynaud struck the ground with such force that one arm and five ribs were broken; he also received internal injuries, which may prove fatal.
Eugene Guard: Some fifteen days ago an Indian in this neighborhood named Jack, became drunk and went to sleep in his tent on Row river, and during the night by some means got into the fire near the tent and burned off his boots; the flesh on his legs from his knees to the bottom of his feet was completely cooked, so in a short time the bones of his legs were bare almost from his knees to his feet, being a most deplorable looking object. The skin on his thighs in some places was firely burned off, and one place on his right thigh burned to the bone. Dr. W. W. Oglesby of this place was called and pronounced it a hopeless case. The Indian persisted in having his legs taken off, and it was done, the Indian living thirteen hours after the operation.
Ochocho Review: Deputy Sheriff John Gage, arrived here Wednesday from Canyon City with Mike Flarity, who had been arrested by Grant county authorities, for being mixed up in the Manning-Flarity shooting scrape in Little Sunmit Prairie. It appears that the shooting was in Crook county, hence Flarity was turned over to the authorities of this county.
This week a number of families from Kansas passed through here en route to the Willamette valley. They come all the way in wagons, and their teams did not look able to go any farther. They say for the past two years crops in Kansas failed, and it would have been starvation for them to have undertaken to remain longer in that State, so they loaded their effects into wagons and came to the State where crops never fail.
Wasso Sun: Three thousand telephone poles are being shipped from Hood river and points along the Columbia to Salt Lake.
Among the Hood river exhibits is a plate of acorns, specimens of this year's crops, which is estimated at 50,000 bushels.

COMMUNICATIONS BY OUR READERS.
A cordial invitation is extended each and every Reader of THE HERALD to contribute to this department of the paper, on any subject of general interest. We claim the right to accept or reject any part of the whole, but not to change the ideas presented. We prefer articles over the writer's own signature, but non-disclosure are admissible. We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions advanced by writers under the above caption.
OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.
[From our regular correspondent—Sept. 23.]
The Pension Office muddle still furnishes the Republicans with worry, and the Democrats with amusement. The trouble seems to have been to find a representative who was willing to reverse the methods of Tanner in the conduct of the office. Ex-representative Warner, of Missouri, to whom the position was first offered, was rather inclined to accept, but after spending a night with President Harrison at Deer Park, and finding out what was expected of him, he declined, and it was given out that he could not afford to give up his private business. The real reason was that he would not agree to conduct the office on any other method than that adopted by Tanner. Then the position was tendered to G. S. Merrill, of Massachusetts, and it is understood that he has accepted it with all the conditions imposed by the President. Gen. Merrill is an ex-commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., but he is very conservative on the Pension question, and always voted with the minority of that organization in opposing the proposed service pension. The present acting commissioner of pensions, acting it is supposed under orders from the President, has revoked the orders of Tanner allowing all pensioners receiving less than \$4 per month, to be examined upon application for a re-rating, and the one making the evidence of a single private sufficient to prove original disability. The administration has taken the back track on the Pension question. In the mean time Tanner is waiting to receive the appointment of Recorder of Deeds for this district, which his friends claim was promised him if he would resign, while the citizens here, irrespective of party, are up in arms against his getting this position, which President Harrison has promised them should not be given to any one not a citizen of the District of Columbia. President Harrison's position is far from a bed of roses.
The white clerks in the navy pay division of the Fourth Auditors office are in a bad humor because Secretary Windom has appointed a negro chief of that division. Those that remain under him deserve no sympathy.
Tanner's friends are starting a movement to drive Secretary Noble out of the cabinet. They want representative Goff of West Virginia, to succeed him. But Mr. Clarkson's friends will probably have something to say about that.
The Civil Service Commission has written a letter to the postmaster at Minneapolis scoring him for violating the law in making appointments in his office.
Representative Cutchings, of Mississippi, thinks that the only legislation of importance which will be passed at the coming session of Congress will be the repeal of the tobacco tax, and that only can be passed with the assistance of democratic votes.
Secretary Tracy is getting on very dangerous ground. He is considering the advisability of building the two 3,000 ton cruisers provided for by last Congress in Government navy yards. Mr. Tracy means well, but if he escapes the political strikers he will do well. It does not require a very long memory to remember what attempting to build vessels in Government Navy Yards a few years ago cost the people. Better stick to the contract system.
Representative Bynum, of Indiana, expects a lively session of Congress. He says: "We have a lot to worry the Republicans about and we will be very apt to make it interesting for them."
Members and Senators are getting quite plentiful around Washington. They recognize that the session of Congress, which begins in December, will be a long one, how long no man can say at present in a position to make an intelligent guess, and they come early to make preparations for it. The absence of decided opinion on both sides as to what will or what will not be done is very marked.
Judge Groff of Nebraska, is the new Commissioner of the General Land Office. His appointment was a great disappointment to a number of aspiring gentlemen.

Senator Sherman still lingers here, and there are people who say that Foraker would prefer his staying here. He fears the assistance of the Senator more than his absence, and has not yet asked him to take any part in the Ohio campaign. Somebody must have been whispering something in the Governor's ear.
Letter about Harney Valley.
As we were about to distribute the Camp Wright article on our 1st following letter was received by a prominent citizen, and will be of interest to many of our readers:
PLEASANT HILL, Or., Sept. 20, 89.
DEAR FRIEND: Your of 29th ult. received and not answered as I have been very busy with my hops. Printed slip from EAST OREGON HERALD is correct in the main as I remember it; am acquainted with John Craven, but have not seen him since 1866.
You ask in regard to the nature of the land in Harney valley. I did not scout any while there, but I did not think of it being swamp, only in small places, as I judge by the tules. When we went there in the fall of 1865, in September, there was no water only in Silver river and mostly in holes there, and it remained so until the break up of the snow in the spring of 1866, when it overflowed the banks and out into the low places.
In 1865-66 I could see nothing except the spring thawing of the snow, from its being good cultivable land, and was all, as far as I saw, good meadow land.
We have had the driest season here that I ever saw in the Willamette, only one little rain since May, consequently crops are a little short; prices are ruling low. Hops are so what of a drug. Lane county has changed in population considerably since you left, especially the towns. Eugene has made great improvement. If you were there and the natural land mark removed you would not know it.
Respectfully,
R. G. CALLISON.
—Jno. E. Roberts returned from his trip south 29th inst.
—P. F. Stenger sold off about half his sheep last week.
—Mrs. P. F. Stenger was visiting friends in Harney last week.
—Fresh beef 10 cents a pound at W. C. Byrd's meat shop.
—Nice assortment of Bird Cages just received at Geo. McGowan's.
—The death last week of J. T. Barnes' youngest child is reported.
—Mrs. D. L. Grace visited her parents and friends in Harney last week.
—Cal. Johnson, wife and two children moved into town 29th inst.
—Walter Cross and his father were in Burns Monday attending to land matters.
—Miss Roberts and Mrs. Pierce, of Enterprise, were shopping in Burns Saturday.
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