

## THE DAILY DEMOCRAT.

During the year 1889 Minneapolis received 41,779,000 bushels of wheat, and shipped 12,603,000 bushels. Her mills consumed nearly 30,000,000 bushels of wheat and shipments of flour footed up 6,096,000 barrels.

China, with a population in the vicinity of 380,000,000, has only three newspapers at present. Considering that an editor's head is chopped off on the slightest provocation the wonder is that there are even three.

The second wife of each of two men in Hartwell, Neb., is the daughter of the other man. Both women have children. We leave it to some of our ingenious readers to determine the tangled relationships in the family.

A resident of Salem came near going through life with a name that would have made him miserable. The name was Lynn C. Doyle and, strange to say, no one present at his baptism noticed the strange sound it made when pronounced.

It has been estimated that about 15,000,000 bushels of wheat are used annually in manufactures of starch, whisky, food preparations, sizing for cloth and paper, etc. The annual consumption of wheat for food is placed at 4 1/2 bushels per capita, although estimates have been made as high as 4.65, and some less, as low as 4.30 bushels.

Brother Ingalls ought to have been born in the palm days when the country was stirred by the stump speeches in the Senate. He can talk like a blizzard when he lets himself loose, and the idlers in Washington go to hear him in the expectation that he will say something personally insulting to somebody, but in the world at large there is a shrewd suspicion that Ingalls is a back number.

There will be general unanimity in favoring the proposition of Congressman Kenna of California to suspend the coinage of one dollar and two dollars and a half gold pieces, and also the three cent coin silver coin token. The latter lost all the reason for its being when letter postage was reduced from three cents to two cents. As for the small gold pieces, they are small, easily lost, and not convenient for any use. Their similarity in size to other coins often entails loss on those holding them. There is still another reason for stopping this coinage: As small as these pieces are, they entail a loss on the Government, as they contain more gold than their full value, and are frequently melted up by jewellers, who find this a comparatively cheap mode of getting what gold their business requires.

### GLASS TELEPHONES.

Jerome Prince of Milford has lately been granted a patent on a new telephone of his own invention, says the Boston Herald. His invention consists in the transmission of sound by the vibration of glass, and his attention was directed to the subject in a peculiar way. While waiting in Boston one day he chanced to wander into one of the dime museums, and as he entered he noticed a young girl playing a tune on tumblers, each tumbler being partly filled with water. Mr. Prince instantly thought if the vibration of glass can be made to give forth such varied and musical sounds by the manipulations before him, why can not this vibration of glass be brought to some practical utility, and with these thoughts and expectations he set to work. The new telephone consists of a diaphragm or transmitter of simple glass resting on a number of glass rods, and these communicating with an ordinary wire. The line in operation at Milford extends from a grocery on Main street to the residence of one of the proprietors, a distance perhaps of some thirty rods passing some five or six angles before reaching its destination. Over this wire the ticking of a watch can be distinctly heard, and a whispered conversation carried on with no difficulty whatever. The distance that sound can be transmitted with the new telephone varies according to the thickness of the glass transmitter. The one in consideration allows a whispered conversation three miles, and by using a thicker glass a much longer distance. It makes no difference how many angles the wire takes in reaching its destination, the sound is transmitted just as readily. Another peculiarity of the invention is the increased intensity of the sound that is transmitted. Each vibration seems to gather strength and force from the vibrations behind it, and when the sound reaches the ear of the auditor it is wonderfully clear and distinct. The transmission of these sounds without the aid of electricity would seem to be dependent upon principles not hitherto well understood.

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## THE WICKHAM PLAN.

It has occurred to an Ohio Congressman named Wickham that the gerrymander which gives the Republicans sixteen Congressmen and the Democrats only five from the evenly divided State of Ohio, and the other gerrymander which gives nineteen Republicans to sixteen Democrats from the strongly Democratic State of New York, are excellent aids to the Republicans in their scheme of retaining their control of the National Government in spite of popular majorities against them.

Accordingly it occurs to Wickham to deprive the States, by Congressional enactment, of their right to redistrict their territory, no matter how iniquitously it may have been distorted or how greatly population may have shifted since the last apportionment.

There is no constitutional provision which can be justly interpreted as giving Congress any such power as this, and the traditions of a century forbid it, but when an Ohio Republican Congressman sniffs danger to his party's supremacy and to his own seat and salary little matters like the Constitution and the traditions of the country exercise a very slight deterrent influence upon him.

The Wickham proposal, however, is too impudent to be passed even by the present Congress in its frantically arrogant mood. It will be smothered in Committee doubtless, but the fact that it is made serves to illustrate the fact which the World recently pointed out, that the Republican party has in large part come to regard itself as possessed of a vested right to rule, irrespective of the popular will, and is disposed to hold on to power by desperate means now that the people manifest a determination to take it away from that party.

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### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.—Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Albany Street Railway Company will be held on Wednesday, March 5th, 1890, at the hour of 7 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the office of the secretary of said company, the same being at the real estate office of Burkhardt & Keeney on First street, in Albany, Linn county, Oregon, for the purpose of electing seven directors to serve for the term of one year next ensuing from said meeting and until their successors are elected and qualified, and to transact such other business as may legally come before said meeting. Dated February 18th, 1890. C. G. BURKHART, Secretary.

ANNUAL MEETING.—Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Albany Building Association will be held at the Opera House in Albany on Monday, March 17th, 1890, at 7:30 p. m., for the election of directors and such other business as may come before the meeting. Dated Feb. 18th, 1890. W. F. READ, Secretary. W. C. TWEDDALE, President.

SCHOOL ELECTION.—Notice is hereby given that the regular annual school election in School District No. 5, Linn county, Oregon, will be held at the Central school building in said school district, on Monday, the 10th day of March, 1890, for the purpose of electing one director to serve three years and one clerk to serve one year. Said election to begin at 2 o'clock p. m. and continue until 5 o'clock p. m. of said day. By order of the board of directors. Dated February 14th, 1890. C. G. BURKHART, Dist. Clerk. JOHN FOSTAY, Char. Board Directors.

ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING.—Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of School District No. 5, Linn county, Oregon, that the regular annual school meeting of said school district will be held on Monday, the 3rd day of March, 1890, at the hour of 7 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the Court House, in the city of Albany, Linn county, Oregon, for the purpose of hearing the reports of the directors and clerk of said school district and to levy a tax for the support of the schools for the ensuing year. Also for the purpose of paying interest on the bonds of said school district and for the transaction of any other business that may legally come before said meeting. By order of the Board of Directors. Dated February 14th, 1890. C. G. BURKHART, Dist. Clerk. JOHN FOSTAY, Char. Board Directors.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.—Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the stockholders of the Odd Fellows Hall Building Association held at their office in Albany, Oregon, on Monday, the 10th day of March, 1890, at the hour of 7 o'clock p. m. of said day, for the purpose of electing seven directors to serve the ensuing year and for any other business that may come before said meeting. Tails the 5th day of February, 1890. W. C. TWEDDALE, President. E. A. PARKER, Secretary.

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