WASHINGTON LETTER. The talk' that is revived every

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Mr. Cleveland's last annual mes-

On the eve of the first Thanksgiv-

took charge of the navy depart-

ment with a big fat turkey. The

retary Whitney, and presented each

whether the new secretary of the

navy and postmaster-general will

follow the excellent example set

Believing in the old adage that

"the early bird catches the worm,"

Représentative Cannon, of Illinois

representatives. Messrs. Butter-

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fice, about attaching to it a pension FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1888 for the benefit of ex-executives who sage to congress is all complete and find ordinary labor incompatible has been submitted to his cabinet As may be seen by referring to a with their lost dignity, is a curious at a meeting called for the purpose, notice in another column. There is thing. And the most curious fea- but what its contents are nobody to be a citizens' meeting at the ture of it is that those who ought to outside knows, or is likely to know, court house Friday evening regard- know better are most diligent in until the document is read at the ing the location of a college at this approving the idea, discouraged capitol Monday. The members of place. This is an opportunity that only by what they acknowledge to the cabinet will only say that it is a is not given to a town every day, be the prevailing opposition of the very strong and interesting docuand an interest in the matter should American people to a civil pension ment, and that it will be well be taken by every citizen in the list. May the shadow of that objec- worthy of a place along with the town and county. The conference tion never grow less. Of all the other state papers which Mr. Cleveof the Evangelical association abuses that can flourish in a cor- land has written. Speaking of this (church) has decided to build up a rupting atmosphere and place their message reminds me that Mr. Cleveschool in this state, and as a burden on the backs of tax-ridden has been particularly fortunate in

CONCERNING EX-PRESIDENTS.

time that a president goes out of of-

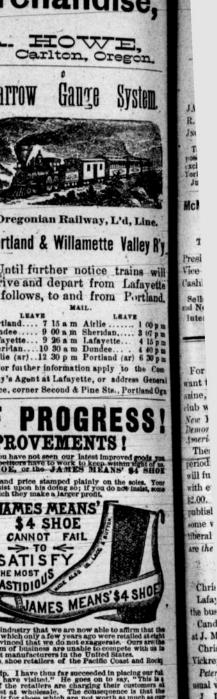
healthful location Lafayette cannot people, none is to be fought with a never having had any "leaks" in be surpassed. The board of trus- greater tenacity than the proposi- his administration through which tees having the matter in hand are tion to attach a pension to public public documents such as presidensaid to be favorable to our town, which alone this proposition seems his promaturely. His is the first and if the proper amount of finan- to be supported is that an ex-presi- lic prematurely. His is the first cial encouragement is given, there dent is set apart as a species of sa- administration for many years enis little doubt of the result. A cred animal by the fact that, for tirely free of these "leaks." seminary or college would be a four years or more, he was the benefit to the town and surrounding To use the remarkable language of country, that cannot be calculated the Chicago Tribune, for example, in dollars and cents. There are it would be "undignified" for him ment, he inangurated the pretty citizens in this neighborhood who to go to work again, and climb to custom of presenting each one of by subscribing liberally, could raise the top by beginning at the bottom. the 400 employes of that departa monument to their names, which the foundation-stone of the Ameriwould be an honor for all time. can system, as well as of all custom has been kept up regularly right theories of political economy ever since, and last Wednesday the

It would seem that the proposed and social-science. As if the presi- employes of that department reannexation of Canada is growing dent of these United States were more and more in popular favor. The publication of the World's map with Canadian states annexed has given the cause impetus. But the ouestion is one to be settled by given the cause impetus. But the had presidents who found civil life lowed the good example set by Secquestion is one to be settled by not unendurable and not without Canadians. We should neither its triumphs after leaving the White Canadians. We should neither its triumphs after leaving the White seek to buy nor seize Canada. So far as England is concerned Canada is of no particular use. It never the triangle of the people. It never the triangle of the triangle of the people of the people of the triangle of the t is of no particular use. It never And the sight of an ex-president enjoyed. It is extremely doubtful was a source of profit. The French quietly pursuing his avocation and Scotch Canadians very gener- among his fellow-citizens is far ally feel that they would be better than the vision of a row of genteel off if annexed to the great Ameri- than the vision of a row of genteer to the by the democratic officials. can republic. When that 'senti- account of a title once worn. No ment reaches the proper point and ex-president need be a needy man. the majority of the Canadians The salary now attached to the ofknock upon our back door it will fice, in spite of its attendant exbe opened unto them to the music economical without parsimony, can began an active canvass for the of "Hail Columbia." -N. Y. World. save what most among even the skeakership of the next house of

well-to-do would regard as a hand-The Oregonian made the statesome competence. In addition to ment that there had been wholesale this, he is sure, if he wishes it, of worth, McKinley, Burrows, Reed removals from office of postmasters immediate and remunerative occu- and company, will, however, make in this state before their terms had pation from the moment that his the fight interesting as soon as they expired. The postmasters appointed of an ex-president is in eager requiand removable by the president in sition by the managers of sound that either Reed or McKinley will Oregon are those of Portland, Al- and reputable enterprises. Mr. be speaker. bany, East Portland, Oregon City, Corvallis, Eugene, Jacksonville, As-toria, The Dalles, Pendleton, Baker City and Salem. All of these had

City and Salem. All of these had fice and emolument. To talk of adopt at the coming session of conrepublican postmasters when Mr. pensions for ex-presidents argues gress; they nearly all express a de-Cleveland took his seat. Everyone simply a frame of mind altogether sire to confer with their democratic Town Property, of these republicans served his term alien to the spirit of American insti-colleagues before committing them-





out or is still in office. According to this record the spoils do not belong to the victors; they belong to the vanquished-Leader.

A brave sheriff in Birmingham, Alabama, prevented a crowd of citizens from taking a man from the efforts to get to the prisoner, who spared.

It is now generally admitted that change is among the present possi- take not to the a clean sweep, bilities. Certainly our people are There may not be a clean sweep, the republicans will have a major- not inclined to lengthen the presi- but in my opinion, at the close of Ity of from five to nine in the next dential term or to in any way alter Harrison's term there will not be house. Colonel Elliot F. Shephard, the relative strength of the execu- one democrat in office here for each of the New York Mail and Express, may now tie up the dors of way es. But if some of our great men Sam's pay. In other words, I don't may now tie up the dogs of war, -and intelligent ones, too-will believe that Harrison will keep onedischarge his substitute, select his persist in advocating a change of tenth as many democrats in office next text of Scripture from the Ser- some kind, why not let them hit as Mr. Cleveland has kept republimon on the Mount, and soak his at the rudiment, the electoral col- cans.

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Roseburg Herald.

selves. An exception to this rule is A DIRECT VOTE FOR PRESIDENT. Representative Springer, of Illinois. After every presidential election He insists that one, of the first some one wants to reform the consti- things the house will do will be to tution of the United States. We pass his Oklahoma bill, and that have got along very well with it for the next thing will be to pass a bill more than a hundred years. It for the admittance of at least four stood the strain of the fiercest and territories into the Union as states. zens were killed by the sheriff's greatest civil war that the world The clerks in the government deposse before they would quit their ever knew. There were some partments in this city below the changes made in the text in conse- grade of chief are all in an easy efforts to get to the prisoner, who they wanted to lynch. The maneis they wanted to lynch. The manies in its construction while the war rison is a genuine civil service re-accused of murdering his wife and was in progress. These war con- former and that there will be no children, but stoutly denies it. It was in progress. These war con- former and when he comes in. The structions-doubtless necessary to clean sweep when he comes in. The is better in such a case that the self-preservation at the time-have principal cause of this belief was an law should have its course, and had since been mostly overthrown by article in our local papers, taken the citizens kept in their proper our courts sitting in time of peace. from the editorial columns of the places their lives would have been It furnishes a very fair method of Indianapolis Journal, a paper which government as it stands, and it is is thought to be Harrison's home not apparent that any material organ, which warned the republi-

change is among the present possi- cans not to expect a "clean sweep. lege? Our "fathers" who builded Harrison's Southern policy con the constitution were afraid of the tinues to be a subject of general dis-

The state tax levy having been people-afraid to let them choose a cussion here. The opinion is alfixed at 4 mills and the county levy venice her ancient electoral system. bers of both parties, that Harriat 16 mills, the total for this county The people were to vote for a body son's administration will be a very is 20 mills. Last year the total of high muck-a-mucks, who, in conservative one unless something levy was 18 2-10 mills. The amount which the levy this year will raise is about \$\$1,000, of which the state will get over \$16,-

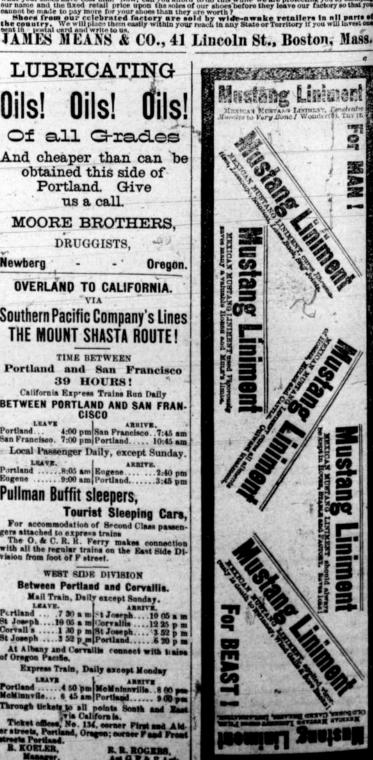
00. There will be a total eclipse of wake up some cold morning to find this class of things is the negro the sun, January 1, 1889. But it be about four years before we shall be called upon to chronicle the total eclipse of the "grandson."— wake up some cold morning to find this class of things is the negro ercising their undoubted constitu-tional right to vote for whom they please. It would be a rather start-ing performance, but no one could office in the South. In fact there is office in the South. In fact there is challenge their power to do it. It an undoubted disposition among re-



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