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There will be fewer State elections in the present year than in any other year since the close of the Civil War and few of them are of more than local importance. The Republicans of Iowa have called their State nominating convention to meet at Cedar Rapids on August 17th. A governor and some other important officers are to be nominated and there has been some talk of the nomination of F. H. Conger, American minister to China, by the Republicans. There will be an election for governor of Ohio, and there is already substantial agreement upon the candidates, George K. Nash, Republican, to be nominated for re-election, and James Kilbourne is the prospective Democratic nominee. There will be an election for governor of Virginia, in which State the term is four years, and it will be the first held under the terms of the new Constitution to be agreed upon at the June convention at Richmond. Under this Constitution Virginia Republicans will have still less chance of success than they have had at any time heretofore. Massachusetts will hold its annual election with the same certainty of the choice of a Republican State ticket that Virginia offers to the Democrats. Still another of the States to hold an election this year will be New Jersey, in which a successor to Governor Voorhees will be voted for. All the present State officers in New Jersey are Republicans, and the last Legislature had a Republican majority of thirteen in the Senate and thirty in the Assembly, there being only four Democrats in the former and only fifteen Democrats in the latter. There will be no congressional elections this year, except to fill vacancies where they exist by death or resignation.

A smart Ohio young woman named Miss Emma Schuler stopped at a hotel in Massillon, and wishing to extinguish an electric light, so as to have the room dark, tried to blow it out. Failing in the effort, she hung her dress over the lamp to hide the light. The lamp caused the dress to catch fire, from which smoke pervaded the entire floor, with quite a blaze gaining considerable headway. The door was finally burst open, and the fire extinguished after a hard fight, besides rescuing the young lady almost suffocated. She had heard a good deal about gas, but the incandescent lamp was a new thing to her.

Three men of Modoc County, California, have been indicted for lynching five men and boys a month or so ago, because the victims were known or suspected to be petty thieves, says the Portland Telegram. This is a commendable course, so far, and if the murderers are properly punished it will furnish a much-needed lesson to men who are inclined to resort to lynch law on slight provocation and often on a mere suspicion.

Whenever you hear an old "blow-hard" talking loud enough to a stranger for everybody within a block to hear him, about the country not being fit for anything, and no land in the county left that would, if cultivated, keep a jack rabbit alive, you can put him down as a "chronic kieker" and "calamity howler," who is no good to himself or anybody else. A man who thinks his own county is no good ought to move out.

An editor down in California, somewhere about that hot town of Willows, said recently that silver buckles on garters were becoming fashionable, and hoped to see more of them. His wife sued him for divorce, and the only woman in town who had silver buckles on her garters cow-hided the editor until he was as raw as a potato.

Maine people have been celebrating the 50th anniversary of the enactment of the prohibition law, and everybody who wanted to celebrate by becoming hilarious or inebriated on liquor could do so just as easily as the same could be done in any other state. It was the celebration of 50 years' failure.—Portland Telegram.

The Democracy is now talking of running Cleveland for President, as a third-term candidate. Mr. Cleveland would probably come as near winning as any man ever in the country.

A Redding newspaper heads an article "A Slight Runaway." This sort of an episode is on a par with the "Quiet Wedding" that is so prevalent throughout the country.

### MORE RAILROAD

**Surveying Crews Out in Northern Shasta and Southern Modoc For a Railroad Through Lake County, Oregon.**

There is great reason to believe that a syndicate whose capital is ample is preparing to build a railroad reaching through the timber belt of northeastern Shasta county. The route in view seems to be exactly along the route surveyed by the Union Pacific railroad from Huntington on the Oregon Short line at the Oregon-Idaho line through southeastern Oregon, through Modoc and Shasta counties and finally connecting with the main line at a point close to Redding.

The parties who are apparently getting ready to build this railroad constitute one of the largest lumbering concerns of the west, the Walker syndicate of Minneapolis of which Thomas B. Walker is the head. The route runs through thousands of acres of magnificent timber which is owned by the big company.

News of the operations was brought to Redding Friday by A. J. Opylke, a prominent farmer of Cayton Valley. He states that two surveying parties comprising between thirty and forty men each, are now in the field. One party is camped in the White Horse country in Modoc county, and the other at Dry Lake, six miles south of Burney, on the Tamarack road in Shasta county. Though the parties are large each is endeavoring to secure more men to assist in the work at hand. These surveyors can resume the work of surveying for the railroad just where the Union Pacific left off. The former survey was thorough as far as it went. The work did not end with a reconnaissance, but stakes were set and all that remained to be run was the grade survey.

For the past two years the Walker syndicate has been quietly but actively operating in Shasta and Siskiyou counties. Purchase after purchase of fine tracts of timber have been made known through the filing of deeds for record. It would be difficult to estimate how many thousands of acres lying south from Mt. Shasta this company now owns. Preparations toward the establishing of a chain of mills and the building of necessary railroads and wagon highways have been progressing since last fall. Members of the syndicates have thoroughly explored the lands in person and expert woodsmen have estimated and recorded the amount of lumber which can be cut from every tract. The milling operations are to be on a gigantic scale.

The Walker syndicate is not the only Minnesota company interested in this timber region. In 1892 Hon. Russell A. Alger made a visit here, returned home and Col. John McAlpin came out immediately and bought and located 30,000 acres of sugar pine for Michigan and Minnesota capitalists. One of the surveying parties is now camped in this tract.

While it is possible that a shorter line of railway is contemplated, people who have talked with the men in charge of the surveying parties are inclined to believe that the plan may include building over the identical route which the Union Pacific was forced to abandon while Cleveland was in office. Starting at Huntington on the Oregon border, the route crosses Malheur and Harney counties to the California line, traverses Modoc county diagonally into Shasta county and follows the general course of Pit river, going through the Hatchet creek mountain gap, touching Millville, fourteen miles east of Redding, and making for the main line at Redding or Anderson, or possibly Red Bluff.

Aside from its service to the lumber syndicates this line could be operated at a profit, so rich is the country which it traverses. A railroad man in Redding Friday said that railroad building prospects for this whole region are very bright.—Redding Free Press.

**The Same Old Story.**  
J. A. Kelly relates an experience similar to that which has happened in almost every neighborhood in the United States and has been told and retold by thousands of others. He says: "Last summer I had an attack of dyspepsia and purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which I used according to directions and with entirely satisfactory results. The trouble was controlled much quicker than former attacks when I used other remedies." Mr. Kelly is a well known citizen of Henderson, N. C. For sale by Beall's Drug Store. 26-5

J. M. Yates bought last week in Baker county a large number of sheep, and made the first shipment of 27 carloads from Express. This is claimed to be one of the largest single shipments of sheep ever made from Eastern Oregon. They are destined for Nebraska and other Eastern states, where they will be fattened for the Chicago market. The price paid was \$2 for yearlings and \$2.50 for two-year-olds.

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