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The Cascade Canal as Approved.

The line of the proposed canal commences on the Oregon side of the river, just above the main rapid, runs through a plateau covered with heavy bolders, mingled with sand and gravel resting upon bedrock and closely hugging the Oregon shore, is continued after the fall is made in the river proper by a cribwork breakwater about 4,050 feet long.

The excavation through the plateau will be upon a line 3,150 feet in length, including the guard gate and two locks, and after the fall is made it will continue where necessary for 4,050 feet further within the line of cribwork.

DIMENSIONS OF THE CANAL.

The dimensions of the canal will be as follows:

Total length, including breakwater	7,200 ft.
Width in cutting at surface at low water	58 ft.
Width in cutting at bottom at low water	50 ft.
Depth at high water over mitre sill	68 ft.
Depth at low water over mitre sill	8 ft.

The total fall from the upper to the lower landing, a distance of about five and two-thirds miles, is thirty-eight and four-tenths feet; 26 feet of this is in the first mile and a third, the rest being distributed over a distance of four and one-third miles.

The fall of 26 feet at low water will be overcome by two locks, of lifts of twelve and fourteen feet respectively; these locks will be 300 feet long by 50 feet wide, the walls of solid masonry, the lower lock seventy-two feet high.

At the upper end of the canal will be a guard gate, and it will be connected with the locks by a cribwork filled with stone, carried up to high water mark. The breakwater running below the locks will also be a cribwork filled with stone and carried to high water mark. The canal will be constructed so as to pass steamers at all stages of the river, except when closed by ice.

As soon as the title to the land is vested in the United States operations upon the construction of the canal will be commenced.—*Oregonian.*

No Party Lines.

The Puget Sound *Courier* has the following upon the constitutional convention:

The movement itself is of almost vital importance, in view of the future. It is a matter of deep interest that "good men and true" shall be members of the convention. Indeed, the best men of the Territory ought to be selected without strict regard to party, professional or personal considerations. We are informed that the chairman of the Republican Territorial Committee has already made overtures to members of Democratic Committee for satisfactory and just arrangements for the selection of candidates without regard to party—at least that party strife and partisan tickets may be avoided. We like the suggestion and are pleased to know that prominent Democrats favor it.

Telegraphic Matters.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—President Orton, of the Western Union Telegraph Company, states that an agreement has been reached by the Western Union and Central Pacific authorities by which all telegraph lines of the railroad company are to be consolidated with the Western Union system. Mr. Orton is reticent as to the terms of agreement, but states that the transfer is in the nature of a co-operative arrangement by which the offices of the railroad lines will be discontinued, and all business carried on under the immediate control and name of the Western Union, the new arrangement to go into effect January 1st, 1878.

Oil Yourself a Little.

There is true humor in the following story: Once upon a time there lived an old gentleman in a large house. He had servants and everything he wanted, yet he was not happy. and when things did not go as he wished, he was very cross. At last his servants left him. Quite out of temper; he went to a neighbor with a story of distress.

"It seems to me," said the neighbor, sagaciously, "'twould be well for you to oil yourself a little."

"To oil myself?"

"Yes; and I will explain. Some time ago one of the doors in my house creaked. Nobody therefore liked to go in or out by it. One day I oiled its hinges, and it has constantly been used by everybody ever since."

"Then you think I am like the creaking door," cried the old gentlemen. "How do you want me to oil myself?"

"That's an easy matter," said the neighbor. "Go home and engage a servant, and when he does right, praise him. If, on the contrary, he does something amiss, do not be cross; oil your voice and words with the oil of love."

The old gentlemen went home, and no harsh or ugly words were ever heard in the house afterwards.—*Ex.*

New Way to Pay Old Debts.

A singular way to obtain payment of money due Hindoo is for the creditor to plant himself before the door of the debtor, and vow that he means to remain there, without food, until his money is paid. As a point of honor, which it is deemed impossible to violate, the debtor must, in like manner, remain without food; and if payment is not made the parties immediately begin to put their mutual power of enduring hunger to the test. This trial might sometimes prove illusory, and therefore the creditor usually makes sure that the fastening of the debtor is real by cutting off his supplies. This kind of *dherma*, employed by troops against their paymaster, or the prime minister, or the sovereign himself, has often been effectual in obtaining their arrears of pay. In America the creditor often starves, but the debtor grows fat by paying ten cents on a dollar.

The Northern Pacific.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The prospect in the House now seems quite good for the passage of a bill extending for ten years the time allowed to the Northern Pacific R. R. Co., to complete its line. Sympathy for the present bondholders in that unfortunate enterprise is very marked. This has secured the support of their pending application, by many who are earnest opponents of subsidies. It is expected to receive its worst opposition from Senator Mitchell in the interest of the Portland, South Pass and Salt Lake Railroad, which many believe has no real purpose but to cripple the Northern Pacific.—*Tel. of Oregonian.*

WASHINGTON CITY OPINION.—There is considerable comment here amongst persons cognizant of the facts, over the findings of the court in the case of Captain Perry, of Cottonwood house notoriety, and who feel greatly indignant that this man has escaped the punishment he so justly merited. Idaho was honored through Mr. Fenn, by his appointment to the committee on Indian Affairs. He is a hard worker and indefatigable in his efforts in behalf of our people.—*Washington cor. of Idahoan.*

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