

Table with columns: Station, Date, Time, Direction, Force, etc. Includes data for various locations like Olympia, Portland, etc.

Maximum temperature, 88; minimum, 82. River above low-water mark, 8 ft. 1 in.

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THE LEADING

Paper of the interior is the WEEKLY UNION. No other journal presents itself so favorably to the people of the coast, as it is issued twice each week.

THIS MORNING'S NEWS.

In New York Government bonds are quoted at 110 1/2 for 10 1/2 and 103 for 10 1/2. Sterling, \$4 9/16; silver bars, 111 1/2.

Another plot to wreck and run a passenger train on the Santa Fe road was frustrated by an accident. One man was killed in an accident on the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad yesterday.

The Siberian plague is ravaging certain districts in Russia. Anxiosa Lopez, 17 years old, was terribly burned at Santa Barbara Thursday, while kindling a fire with coal.

Three boys were drowned yesterday at Fall River, Mass., while bathing. The town of Colfax, W. T., was nearly destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss, \$75,000.

WILL THE LESSON BE APPLIED?

The attempt to assassinate President Garfield has elicited from journals of all shades of opinion the conviction that the crime is one of the fruits of the spoils system.

In the first place it must be realized that the mere sentiment is of no use in the case. What is wanted is practical work, and of a very definite and well-considered kind.

The principles upon which the new system rests are simple. The practice of appointing people to office on the recommendation of politicians is discarded absolutely.

The service has been directly benefited by the high qualifications and example of the persons admitted under these rules, and indirectly so by the assurance to all concerned that efficiency and character are the sole requirements for admission.

The competitive system has been applied practically in the New York Custom House and Postoffice, and in some of the Departments at Washington.

And here we come face to face with the greatest difficulty. That difficulty is Congress. Civil Service reform has been fought by Congress from the first, and it will be so fought by Congress to the last.

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FRANCE AND ITALY.

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RESERVED SEATS.

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PACIFIC COAST.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY FIRE.

The Town of Colfax Almost Wiped Out by the Flames. ANOTHER DESTRUCTIVE GRAIN FIRE.

A Nephew of C. P. Huntington Accidentally Killed.

Advices from Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, July 23.—The Arizona train is not expected until about 1 A. M. The cause was a washout in Arizona. The San Francisco express will wait for its arrival.

Death of a Well Known Farmer. MARYSVILLE, July 23.—Michael O'Connor, a well known farmer of Sutter county, died last night after a brief illness, of pneumonia, while visiting a neighboring farmer in this county.

DESTRUCTIVE GRAIN FIRE. MERCED, July 23.—A barn belonging to George Nagas, about six miles north above Oroville, was totally destroyed by fire Thursday morning.

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