

FRENCH NAMES.

The Meaning of Pond d'Oreille, Cour d'Alene, Nes Perce, Grand Coulee—The Names Given by the French Voyageurs.

Visitors of Eastern Washington are always impressed by the beauty of certain French names that have come down from the French Canadians who came in early days in the employ of the Hudson's Bay Company, and from the Jesuit missionaries. Among these are Cour d'Alene, Pond d'Oreille, Nes Perce and Grand Coulee. Cour d'Alene, pronounced as if it were spelled Ker Delane is the name of a beautiful lake, of a mountain range, a tribe of Indians, an Indian reservation, and a very rich mining district, all of which are in Idaho, not far from the southeast of Spokane. There has been a great deal of discussion as to the exact meaning of the name taken as a whole. It came originally, no doubt, from the French Canadians. The Hudson's Bay Company had two forts in this country, Colville and Vancouver, and their trappers traveled through here more than a century ago. Those trappers were almost wholly French Canadians, and very ignorant. They knew the French language more as a tradition than as a correct form of speech. Hence they often misapplied words and got things very much mixed. It may have been so in Cour d'Alene. The French word "cour" means heart, while "alene" means a sharp piece of iron for piercing leather, a shoemaker's awl. The d' is an abbreviation of de, equivalent to the English of, hence the literal meaning of the phrase would be "heart of a shoemaker's awl." By an accommodation it might mean "heart of steel." This is the favorite interpretation, because it is the most poetical. Still there is no known reason why such an appellation should have been applied by the French voyageurs, for the Indians they named Cour d'Alene were, even as late as 1844, when Father De Smet came among them, a poor, miserable, half-clad, half-starved tribe that were a perpetual prey to fiercer and stonger bands of savages. It is doubtful if the true meaning of the name will ever be made clear, though it is one of the most musical in the whole range of language, and this accounts for its popularity. Pond d'Oreille, (pronounced Pon Doray) is the name of one of the largest lakes in the vicinity, as well as of a tribe of Indians. "Pond" comes from the French verb "pendre," to hang. It is the past participle form. "Oreille" is the French for ear. Literally Pond d'Oreille means "hanging of ear," and derivatively, "hanging ear." The idea was no doubt suggested to the French Canadian trappers by the heavy ornaments that pulled down the ears of the Indians to whom they gave the name. Similar in significance is the name Nes Perce (pronounced Ne Percy) from the French "perce" nose, and "perce," to pierce. "Perce" is the past participle form of the verb and the phrase is therefore literally, "pierced nose." These Indians wore their ornaments in their noses instead of their ears, as the Pond d'Oreilles did. Grand Coulee (pronounced Grand Coulay) was the name applied to a remarkable basin or depression in the country east of the Columbia river, known as the Big Bend. It is supposed by some to have once been the bed of the Columbia river. Whatever it might have been, it was produced, no doubt by action of water. The word coulee no doubt comes from the French "couler," which means to flow over, to spill, to slip out, or to run away. The idea of the French voyageurs was that the depression had been caused by a big overflow or washout, hence Grand Coulee. This word is in common use in Canada and is similarly applied there.—Spokane Journal.

HE WANTED VENGEANCE.

But if Youk Him a Good While to Collect His Thoughts. New York Sun: I had been riding in the same seat with a very plain sort of a man for the last twenty miles, when a couple boarded our car at a junction, and he suddenly uttered a cuss word as long as my arm. I saw that he was excited by their advent, and naturally inquired if he knew them. "Know 'em? Why, that woman is my wife," he hissed. "And who is the man?" "It's a fellow she's eloping with." "They haven't seen you yet, and they are nicely caught. How long ago did she leave?" "Three days. I'll have a terrible revenge." "Are you armed?" "No. I'm too dangerous when I'm armed, and I left my revolver at home." "Then you'll swoop down on the man and break him in two?" "I order, I suppose, but when I begin to swoop I don't know where to stop. I might damage a dozen others. My revenge must be swift and terrible, however." "How do you propose to do?" "I dunno. How would you do?" "I should go for the man without delay." "Yes, that is the proper way, I suppose; but if I get wild who's to hold me? I once started in to lick a man, broke loose and finally cleaned out a whole town meeting. I must take bloody vengeance, however." "Perhaps if you would show yourself the man would slink off and the wife return to your bosom," I suggested. "I dunno. If he would it would be all right, but suppose he tried to bluff me? That would make a fend of me in a moment, and I should probably kill everybody in this car. I must have blood, however." "Perhaps you could buy him off?" I said meaning it for a stab. "Yes, I might, but I guess he'd want more'n I've got." "Well, do you propose to sit here and let another man walk off with your wife?" "No! By the canopy of heaven, no; I demand his heart's blood! Let me see;

he's purty solid, isn't he?" "Yes." "Would probably fight?" "I think so." "Don't look as if he'd let go for \$42?" "No." "Well, I must plan for a deep and lasting vengeance. Let me collect my thoughts." At that moment the woman turned and saw him, and she at once arose and came back to the seat. He looked at her with open mouth, and she pointed her finger at him and said: "Thomas Jefferson Bailey, you open your yawp on this kyar and I'll make you wish you'd never been born! At the next stop you get off, or my feller will make your heels break your neck. I've gone and left you, and that's all there is to it, and 'tain't no use to bother us. Mind, now, or you'll hear from me!" And she went back to her seat, and Thomas Jefferson rode nine miles without another word, and as a stop was reached he dropped off as humbly as you please. He stood beside the open window until the train moved and then whispered to me: "I got off to collect my thoughts. Look out for me when I turn loose for vengeance!"

THE EDITORS OF WASHINGTON

They Will Meet in Tacoma and May go to Alaska—The Quill Drivers Will be Given a Warm Reception.

Tacoma News: The executive committee of the Washington Press Association has decided upon Tacoma as the place for holding the next annual meeting of the association. The organization is a lively, energetic one, and every mother's son among its members has the best interests in the new state of Washington on the end of his pencil. The editors recollect with pleasure the exceedingly good time they had at Spokane Falls last year, and the royal manner in which they were received and entertained by the hospitable citizens of the metropolis of the Inland Empire. Tacoma will not be outdone by the enterprising city beyond the Cascades, and the indications are that a warm welcome will be extended by the chamber of commerce. The date of the meeting is August 14. The association numbers about 60 members, and Chairman Hobart of the executive committee, says that the editors will come escorting their mothers, sisters, aunts and sweethearts, and that many more will be in attendance. The place of meeting will probably be in the chamber of commerce. The formal call has been issued. Among the probable diversions of the coming annual meeting is an excursion to Alaska. The executive committee is now corresponding with San Francisco with a view to seeing what can be done to secure such an excursion. If the Alaska trip is not practicable, an excursion of less distance but equal enjoyment will be arranged for some other point.

THE BIG ENGINE.

Description of the New Northern Pacific Locomotive.

The ten-thousandth locomotive built at the Baldwin Locomotive works was shipped from that establishment last week to the Northern Pacific railroad for service on the mountain division of that road. This engine is remarkable, not only for bearing so high a consecutive number among engines turned out from a single establishment, but in making a distinct advance in the progress of locomotive construction, which, among other causes, has made the cost of railroad transportation in the United States less than in any other country in the world. It has a weight one fourth greater than the largest freight locomotives of the Pennsylvania railroad, and can haul, it is said, on a grade 116 feet per mile, combined with reverse curves of 10 degrees, a train weighing 335 tons, of 2240 pounds of car and load, or 30 loaded cars. On easy grades of say 52.8 feet per mile, or one foot per 100, its power is estimated at 1000 tons, exclusive of its own weight. Its principal dimensions are as follows: Gauge, 4 feet 8 1/2; actual weight, in working order, exclusive of tender, 150,000 pounds; actual weight on driving wheels, 135,000 pounds; estimated weight of tender, including coal and water, 75,000 pounds; estimated weight of locomotive and tender in working order, 225,000 pounds; cylinders 22x28 inches; driving wheels, four pairs coupled, fifty inches total wheel base, twenty-two feet three inches; driving wheel base fourteen feet; total wheel base of engine and tender, forty-nine feet. The boiler is of steel, 5/8 inch thick, 72 inches in diameter; height of center line of boiler above rails, 7 feet 8 inches; fire-box, 10 feet 1 inch long by 42 1/2 inches wide inside; tubes, 271 in number, 2 1/2 inches in diameter, 13 feet 6 inches long; heating surface of tubes, 2121 square feet; total heating surface, 1393 square feet; tank capacity, 3030 gallons.

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—John, when you go to town, just stop in at Barthollet's and get me some of that elegant salt pork. It is delicious. *

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 2.

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Last May a large carbuncle broke out on my arm. The usual remedies had no effect and I was confined to my bed for eight weeks. A friend induced me to try Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Less than three bottles healed the sore. In all my experience with medicine, I never saw more Wonderful Results.

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"I had a dry scaly humor for years, and suffered terribly from it, and my brother and sister were similarly afflicted. I presume the malady is hereditary. Last winter, Dr. Eylon, (of Farmington, Fla.) recommended me to take Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and continue it for a year. For five months I took it daily. I have not had a blotch upon my body for the last three months." —T. E. Wiley, 146 Chambers St., New York City.

"Last fall and winter I was troubled with a dull, heavy pain in my side. I did not notice it much at first, but it gradually grew worse until it became almost unbearable. During the latter part of this time, disorders of the stomach and liver increased my troubles. I began taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and after faithfully continuing the use of this medicine for some months, the pain disappeared, and I was completely cured." —Mrs. Augusta A. Furbush, Haverhill, Mass.

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