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### NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

The election has come and gone, and people are beginning to breathe somewhat easier in consequence. Particularly is this true of the Republican element throughout the State, for we glean from latest Seattle dailies that the entire Republican State ticket is elected, and that the returns indicate a majority of at least 10,000. Elisha P. Ferry will be the first Governor of the new State, and two Republicans will represent her in the United States Senate. The result is doubtless pretty correctly summed up in the telegram of Chairman Govey of the Republican State Central Committee to Governor Ferry, in which he says: "I estimate your majority at 10,000. The balance of the State ticket about the same; fifteen thousand majority for the constitution, and twenty to twenty-five majority in the legislature." The constitution is undoubtedly adopted by an overwhelming vote. Prohibition and woman suffrage are defeated by emphatic votes. The capital question will probably be left undetermined.

Few people hereabouts, we imagine, are aware that we have in our community the champion marksman of America with the shotgun, but it is nevertheless a fact. The gentleman alluded to is Zero Doty, who bought the Kittles claim on Cottonwood island, some time ago, where he now resides with his family. Mr. Doty is said to be a marvelous shot with the rifle as well as the shotgun, and has in his possession models galore, as well as other trophies of his valor, from various portions of the United States where he has taken part in tournaments. He has contested with Capt. Bogardus and other crack shots, and has downed them all with the shotgun, and on one occasion beat Bogardus with his own weapon, the rifle. Mr. Doty will go East in a few days to take part in a number of tournaments, in the principal cities, commencing at Philadelphia.

No election was held at Cypress precinct on Tuesday, for the reason that no tickets and none of the necessary election blanks were received there. The citizens of that precinct are naturally hostile over the matter, and would like to know who is to blame for this most culpable blunder. W. H. LaForge, among others, pulled to Cottonwood in a small boat, in a heavy sea and high wind, in order to vote in his own precinct, but like the rest of them, got left. No Republican tickets were received there, but the Democrats had their tickets on hand all right, wherein they showed considerable more energy than their opponents, particularly when it is understood that there are but half a dozen Democrats in the precinct.

Verily the cheek of the Washington Farmer man is mastodontic and his gall is something that passeth understanding. After reading that 'twas through the influence of his paper the Fidalgo Brick & Tile Company and other enterprises were induced to locate here, one would not be surprised to learn that the Swinomish Indians got a "pointer" from the same source when they made up their minds to camp on the slough a century or two since.

A 30-ounce Gloria Mundl apple, 15 1/2 inches in circumference, was brought into our office this week by Al. Graham, of the Anacortes Nursery. On receipt of Mr. Wilford's apple last week we believed the climax had been reached in the big apple line, but this last one rather knocks the perchance; although it would not surprise us to receive an apple some time a little smaller in circumference than a hoghead.

Capt. Nichols of the steamer W. K. Merwin left Seattle Friday morning last for New York, to bring around the steamer recently purchased by D. B. Jackson for the Washington Steamboat and Transportation company. It is said to be one of the fleetest and best-appointed boats on the Hudson river.

Twenty-eight votes were cast in Guemes precinct Tuesday—twenty-two Republican and six Democratic. The majority of the ballots cast favored Olympia for State capital, and but one vote was cast against the constitution. Ten ballots were for Prohibition and ten for Woman Suffrage.

Messrs. W. J. Henby and John B. Nary, attaches of the Oyster, a recent Seattle publication established by B. Use & Co., arrived at Anacortes in a box-car on Thursday and immediately caught on to cases on the Progress.

Mrs. Anne Rowman returned from her visit to Sumas, B. C., on Thursday.

After much unavoidable delay the actual business of brick making was commenced by the Fidalgo Brick & Tile Company, located near Anacortes, at about 3 o'clock on Tuesday last. About 35 men are employed in the yard, and it is expected that they will finish burning the first kiln in about two weeks. A number of small off-bearing trucks came down from Seattle for the company on Monday. H. C. Hutton has been given charge of the cook house for the yard. The company has contracted ahead for its output, and will doubtless have little difficulty in disposing of all it can produce.

Judge Sibley sold his fine Durham calf on Monday for \$30 to Mr. Wells, a farmer on the flats near LaConner. A pretty good price for a critter only four months old. But buying an animal here and getting it to LaConner by steamer are two different things, as Mr. Wells has thus far been unable to find a steamer that will take his calf to that place, although there are six steamers touching here daily. Mr. Wells, LaConner, and the calf, have our sympathy. We would suggest to Judge Sibley that he send the calf home in a registered letter—it will then be sure to "git thar, Ell."

Young Jerry Mangan, while following the potato-digging machine at C. P. Woodcock's place, on Guemes island, Monday afternoon, was kicked by a colt and severely bruised about the head. It is a singular coincidence that at about the same time this accident occurred, his sister, Addie Mangan, fell from a teeter board at the school house and injured herself about the head. Fortunately the injuries of neither of the children are of a serious nature.

The sociable and dance given by the ladies of Fidalgo on Friday evening last week, we learn, a financial and social success. Some \$57 were realized for the benefit of the school. There would probably have been a larger attendance from this side were it not for the pleasant hope dances at Chas. Burr's house, where an enjoyable evening was spent. It being our busiest day, we were reluctantly compelled to miss both of these social gatherings.

A number of whales and blackfish have been noticed in the harbor of late. It is reported that they are also numerous in the Gulf of Georgia at present. Several persons who came over from there recently said that the whales were to be seen spouting and jumping out of the water in large numbers, making things appear quite lively. Young whales seem to be plentiful.

The equinoctial wind came sweeping down upon us about midnight on Friday last, and the way it made things rattle around in this quarter was a caution. Happily, 'we have no accidents to record as a consequence of this windy visitation, but the steamers plying on this route evidently had a rough time of it.

Finley Gillis was over from Cottonwood island on Wednesday on his way to Graham Bros.' nursery. Mr. Gillis intends setting out eleven acres of his fine farm in fruit trees, for he thinks that fruit culture is about as profitable a business as the island farmers can engage in. His place is particularly adapted to the raising of fruit.

At H. C. Hutton's place, on Fidalgo bay, may be seen a potato vine of most unusual growth. It grows partly under the house, and has already reached a height of nine and a half feet. The potatoes growing upon the vine are apparently of the Late Rose variety and perfectly sound.

The sloop Prospector, Capt. John Thomas, from Waldron island, arrived in port on Tuesday. After anchoring his sloop, Capt. Thomas went up to Seattle on land business. James Murrow and wife, who have been visiting friends among the islands, returned home on the Prospector.

Graham Bros. shipped a quantity of fruit trees from their nursery, on Monday, to Missouri, to relatives of Mrs. Eliza Fulk of LaConner. They also shipped several thousand strawberry plants to customers on the Skagit.

Miss Rosa Hatton, the efficient teacher in charge of the school at Guemes during the past term, closed her school on Saturday last and departed for the East.

Capt. Still's little schooner, Maid of the Mist, was in port Wednesday. She is doing a good business freighting between Orcas island and Seattle.

Martin Tellison, who has been running M. Sullivan's threshing engine on the flats during the past season, returned to Guemes island on Saturday.

Mr. Hunt and wife, formerly of the Skagit, but now living in British Columbia, are visiting Capt. Blackenton at Guemes.

The Post-Intelligencer of Monday publishes the following sad story of two little waifs picked up on the street in Seattle who traveled alone across the country on the way to relatives in Skagit county: "Officer Sheahan, while patrolling Union street yesterday morning, noticed three girls, aged 17, 10 and 9 respectively, wandering about the street, apparently looking for a refuge from the storm. He approached them and learned that all three were penniless and strangers in the city. The oldest gave the name of Annie Lang, and said she had come to Seattle from Centralia to seek employment as a domestic. The other two girls she had picked up on the train between Tacoma and Seattle. Their names were Myra and Laura Floyd. Upon the breasts of each were three tags bearing the following inscription: Soldier's orphan—G. A. R., 'Old Fellow's orphan' and 'Trainmen and all charitably disposed persons will please help these orphans on their journey.' The last tag also bore traveling directions from Kansas City, Mo., to Seattle. It appears that the father of the two little girls died in Kansas City a short time ago, and his friends sent the children to their mother who, for some reason or other had come to Washington ahead of the family, and who is now living somewhere in Skagit county. They started out with tickets to Seattle, and depended entirely upon the kindness of trainmen and passengers, whose attention was attracted to their forlorn condition by their labels, for assistance. The two little ones will be sent by the police to join their mother as soon as her exact location can be learned."

Chief Engineer R. H. Talcott of the Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern railroad states that work on the extension toward the British Columbia boundary was steadily going ahead. Earl & McCloud, the contractors, have a large force of men grading about 21 miles north of Snohomish. The present force, however, is being constantly increased. Nine miles of track will be laid this fall from the Snohomish terminus. The main purpose at the present is to clear and grade as much of the route as possible before the winter sets in. A corps of engineers is engaged in making a survey between the point where Earl & McCloud are grading and the Skagit; also a force of men are at work clearing along the route near the Canadian boundary.

The Washington hop crop is now nearly all harvested. The yield has not come up to earlier expectations and there will be less than 40,000 bales. Some yards have not been picked because of the prevailing depression arising from the absence of an early demand, Oregon will have no more than two-thirds or, at best, three-fourths that of last year, so instead of a marked increase in the output of the two districts, as compared with the crop of 1888, there will be a lessened supply.

The steamer City of Kingston, one of the handsomest boats on the Hudson, has been sold to the O. R. & N. Co. The steamer will at once be brought around by way of Cape Horn and the Straits of Magellan. The price paid was \$125,000. The same company is looking for other boats along the Hudson.

A sign board erected on Rose point, a short distance from the Bowman residence at Anacortes indicates that the festive tide land claimant has designs on the flats in front of the Progress office. The placard sets forth that Messrs. Lynch and Gray lay claim to the land in question and will file on the same with Valentine scrip.

The necessary papers went on to Washington this week for the appointment of Lucius Blackenton as postmaster at Guemes, vice T. B. Mangan, resigned. Capt. Blackenton will make an efficient postmaster.

The Stillaguamish Times is the title of our latest exchange, and hails from Stanwood. It is well written and well printed, and bids fair to be a vigorous advocate of that rich and growing section of Suohomish county.

Having finished driving piles for Capt. Blackenton's new wharf at Guemes, the pile driver of Kinghorn & Davis was towed up to Whatcom by the steamer Saranac on Sunday.

G. K. Hiatt went up to Whatcom on Tuesday to procure a couple of scows on which to load cordwood, and will endeavor to dispense with the use of the wharf in future.

Cold weather comes, baldheaded men observe the fact with glee, For each may say, and say again, "There are no flies on me."

### FIDALGO MATTERS.

FIDALGO, October 2, 1889.

EDITOR PROGRESS:—The election came off here all straight and quiet, with a big Republican majority. There were 24 votes cast—22 Republican and two Democratic—only one against the Constitution. Majorities: Schricker 3, Payne 21, Olympia 22, Ellensburg 2, Bridge tax, No 2 and Yes 1.

Mrs. Ball and Mrs. White, of LaConner, are visiting with friends here for a few days.

The steamer Washington has been coming in here of late and getting a good deal of freight that the O. R. & N. boats might get if they would have a little more accommodation and take freight when it is put on the wharf instead of letting it lay on the wharf two or three trips. Farmers cannot afford to have their fruit, etc., delayed.

Frank Van Valkenburg returned last week from his trip to Illinois and Colorado. Frank had a pleasant trip, and says he would not live in his old home in Illinois if any one would give him a fine farm, after living on Puget Sound—the same old story.

The dance we had for the benefit of the schoolhouse was a grand success, both socially and financially. The baskets sold for \$3 up to \$6.50 apiece—twelve baskets realizing \$51, and with the tickets sold to outsiders, the affair netted \$50.70. Several people were over from Bay View; but we are sorry to say that none of our neighboring districts helped us at all, for this place has helped Deception, Anacortes and Guemes, but not a person from either of the places mentioned came to help us. We intend to have another soon, and hope they will help next time.

That the Valentine scrip men consider their position impregnable is evidenced by the amount of money they have risked on their filings. In Tacoma harbor 960 acres have been filed on with Valentine scrip; in Seattle harbor, 700; Port Townsend, 120, and in Whatcom, 80. This makes a total of 1860 acres. The average price paid for Valentine scrip is \$100 per acre. Some scrip has cost its owners \$200 per acre and some has been purchased as low as \$75 per acre, but a fair average is \$100 per acre. This would make filings represent \$186,000 worth of scrip. The risking of so large a sum by well known capitalists is not made without some reason or basis for the same. The scrip men claim that the tide land they have filed on is unsurveyed government land. The qualification of Valentine scrip is that it can be filed on any government land, surveyed or unsurveyed, that can be found. A well known Valentine scrip man recently received advices from Washington to the effect that Acting Commissioner Stone of the land office did not render his decision in the Burns Valentine scrip case until after he had consulted the attorney general and the secretary of the interior. Both officials concurred with him in the decision which he rendered. If this is true, it puts a new phase on the Valentine scrip filings.

The new hop house recently finished on the Sharpe place (now farmed by Charles Burr) and jointly owned by Wm. Allard and Will Sharpe, is one of the most complete buildings of its kind in this part of the county. The main building, which is about 50 feet high, consists of a heating room 17 1/2 x 18, and 20 feet high, and a drying room 15 x 18 and 10 feet high. This has been plastered within four feet of the dome, and is heated by means of coiled tubes extending around the sides, which are supplied by a furnace or heater about six feet long and three feet in circumference, fed from the outside of the building, and those qualified to judge say it is fully equal to the best hop houses in the county. But two crops were dried there this season—those of Mr. Allard and Mr. Burr. The former will probably keep his crop for an advance in price.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Following is a record of recent real estate transactions in this section of the county:

Sarah Moffit to Alice B. Campbell, lot 3 in block 4, Bayview; \$50.  
A. Seigfeld to Mary E. McKenna, fractional tract in Bayview; \$100.  
Joshua Mason to W. E. Schricker, NW 1/4 of Sec. 20, Tp. 33, R. 5; \$1500.  
Amos Bowman to Albert Taylor, a tract of land 0 1/2 x 100 feet in Anacortes; \$135.  
Same to same, a tract of 18 1/2 x 100 feet in Anacortes; \$1.  
C. R. Donnell to Eliza Best, E 1/4 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Sec. 14, T. 34, R. 1; \$640.  
G. V. Calhoun to B. L. Martin, lots 2, and 3 in block 3, and lot 1 in block 3, Calhoun's addition to LaConner; \$775.  
Mary Benn and M. Christanson to B. L. Martin, part of fractional block 3, LaConner; \$300.

Thirty-two votes were cast in Ship Harbor precinct on Tuesday. Of these twenty were Republican and twelve Democratic. For the Constitution there were eighteen votes and ten against. Ten votes were also deposited for Prohibition and Woman Suffrage and twenty against. There was an almost unanimous vote against the bridge tax, and most of the ballots favored Olympia for State capital.

A telegram from Rutledge, Missouri, received by James Murrows of Guemes island this week, brought the sad intelligence that his aged mother was dangerously ill at that place. It is not improbable that Mr. Murrows may have to go East in a few days.

From a gentleman down from Seattle on Thursday it is learned that Dunham & Collins' pile driver has been ordered back to Anacortes to finish up bridge and trestle work in this neighborhood. A large raft of sawed timber has been towed down to the neighborhood of Graham's Landing, to be used on the wharf, it is supposed.

Charley LeBallister, the well known logger of Mt. Vernon, was married in Seattle on Monday to Miss Constance Cedarbrand of Illinois.

A surprise party, in honor of Miss Rosa Hatton, was given at Mrs. Mangan's, at Guemes, on Wednesday evening of inst week.

The PROGRESS office is under obligations to Mrs. T. B. Mangan for a quantity of her delicious preserves.

### ALDER BOTTOM FOR SALE.

Do you want to purchase 80 acres of choice alder bottom land on Cottonwood island, on the county road, only twenty-eight rods from the water? If so, call at the PROGRESS office, and you will hear of a chance to buy such a place on easy terms.

### FOR SALE.

The undersigned has for sale at Wm. Payne's place, on Guemes island, between 25 and 30 tons of good Oni Hay, six or seven tons of Potatoes, and 1 1/2 tons of Onions. Apply to J. M. Moore, Anacortes.

### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE.

In the Probate Court of Skagit County, Washington Territory.

In the matter of the Guardianship and Estate of JOSIAH WOOLLEN, MAUD WOOLLEN and ALICE WOOLLEN—Order to Show Cause on Application of Guardian for the Sale of Real Estate.

It appearing to this Court from the Petition this day presented and filed by Shadrach Woollen, the guardian of the Persons and Estate of Josiah Woollen, Maud Woollen and Alice Woollen, minors, praying for an order of sale of certain Real Estate belonging to his said wards, that it is necessary and would be beneficial to said wards, that such Real Estate should be sold.

It is hereby ordered that the next of kin of the said wards and all persons interested in the said Estate appear before this Court on Monday, the 28th day of October, A. D. 1889, at the hour of two o'clock p. m., at the court-room of this Court in Mount Vernon, Skagit county, W. T., then and there to show cause why an order should not be granted for the sale of such Real Estate.

And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published at least four successive weeks before the said day of said hearing in the ANACORTES PROGRESS, a newspaper printed and published and of general circulation in said Skagit county, Wash. Ter.

Done in open Court this 26th day of September, A. D. 1889. (Signed) C. Von PASSENER, Probate Judge.

TERRITORY OF WASHINGTON, )  
COUNTY OF SKAGIT, )  
I, C. Von Passener, Judge and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Probate Court of Skagit county, Wash. Ter., do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of an order made by the Judge of said Court on the 26th day of September, A. D. 1889, as the same now appears of record in the office of said Court.

Witness my hand and the seal of said (Seal) Court this 26th day of September, 1889.  
C. Von PASSENER, Judge and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Probate Court of Skagit county, Wash. Ter.

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### TIMBER LAND NOTICE.

U. S. LAND OFFICE,  
SEATTLE, W. T., Aug. 28, 1889.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1873, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," Amos Bowman of Anacortes, county of Skagit, Territory of Washington, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 4861, for the purchase of the lot 2, sec 8, lot 1, sec 10, and lot 1, sec 15, in twp No. 35 n, range No. 3 e, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or some other agricultural purpose and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Seattle, W. T., on Friday, the 29th day of November, 1889.

He names as witnesses: John M. Grimith of Anacortes, W. T.; Frank A. Graham of Anacortes, W. T.; John M. Moore of Guemes, W. T.; H. P. O'Bryen of Guemes, W. T.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 29th day of November, 1889.

14-10 T. M. REED, Jr., Register.

### REWARD.

A reward of \$50 is offered to any one giving information as to the recovery of a boat bearing the following description:

Boat rigged, square stern, clinker built, length over all 31 feet, beam 6 feet, hull blue with white streak, deck red, inside red, tips of boom, mast and bowsprit painted white, deck in inch strips.

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