NEWS DEPARTMENT.

New History of the State of Washington.

A four-volume history of the State of Washington is being prepared by The Century History Company, of New York, of which E. O. Wilson is the moving spirit in this State. The editor of the work is Clinton A. Snowden, of Tacoma. The associate editors are Judge Cornelius H. Hanford, of Seattle; William A. Tyler, of Tacoma, and former Governor Miles C. Moore, of Walla Walla. The work is being sold by subscription at the price of \$25 for the entire work, even if it should be found necessary to put out more than the four volumes promised. Mr. Snowden's long association with newspaper work in this State has given him a good equipment for the undertaking. The history promises to be a valuable addition to the literature of the Pacific Northwest.

A Massacre on the Frontier.

The article on this subject was written by Major Joel Graham, of the United States Army. It was copied and forwarded to the Quarterly by Will J. Trimble, instructor of history in the High School of Spokane.

Professor Bourne's Death.

The death on February 24th, 1908, at New Haven of Professor Edward Gaylord Bourne, of Yale University, is worthy of more than passing notice by the readers of history in the Pacific Northwest because of his special interest in the history of Oregon acquisition, his valuable contributions upon that subject, and the general acceptance of his conclusions by the members of the American Historical Association. The thoroughness of his research and the systematic arrangement of his material the writer of this brief notice is able to vouch for by reason of having been given personal access thereto. That his conclusions were carried into controversy was of course inevitable, but quite

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