

dig, then take up some of the earth, and washing it carefully, look earnestly for something to appear at the bottom of the basin. One "believed he had it" several times, but was disappointed. At length another sung out "I've got it—I've got it!" But before the party could gather round him, he relieved them by remarking, with a sigh, "O it's nothing but mica."

Wonder what they wanted to get—colds?

"MURDER WILL OUT."—A man has been arrested in Fitchburg, Mass., and is now undergoing examination on a charge of poisoning his wife to death, 14 years ago. It appears that the woman died after eight hours illness, her body being placed in a tomb: and that the sexton of the town at various intervals since, when having occasion to open the vault, has observed that the stomach of the deceased retained a remarkable state of preservation. This fact led to suspicions that she had been poisoned, and the stomach was sent to Professor Webster, of Harvard College, who on analyzing it, detected a considerable quantity of arsenic. The affair has caused great excitement in Fitchburg. (Exchange.)

IMPORTANT TO SLEEPERS.—Supposing that a man rise at six, instead of eight, every morning of his life, he will save, in the course of forty years, twenty-nine thousand hours, which is a great accession of available time for study or business despatch—being in fact, a gaining of three years, four months, two weeks, and six days. To any person of foresight, calculation, and industry, this fact will prove a sufficient temptation to practise the healthy and useful habit of early rising.

If the sovereign grants any thing by mistake, he has the subject of the grant back again, so that a royal exclamation of "Hallo! what have I been about? I didn't mean that," will revoke the strongest grant in existence. If the property granted is worth more than the king or queen thought it was, he or she might take it back again—and, in fact, under almost any circumstances, a thing given by a sovereign to a subject is subject to be made the subject of capture.—(Punch.)

ORIGIN OF THE WORD TARIFF.—The puzzling name 'tariff' is derived from the town of Tarifa, at the mouth of the Straits of Gibraltar, and the most southern point in Europe, not even excepting Cape Matapan, at the foot of the Morea. Tarifa was the last stronghold which the Moors disputed with the Christians, and is still within three leagues of the empire of Morocco. When the Moors held possession of both the pillars of Hercules, it was here that they levied contributions for vessels entering the Mediterranean—whence the generic name.

POWER OF MACHINERY.—At Calicut, in the East Indies—whence the cotton cloth called CALICO derives its name—the price of labour is one-seventh of that in England—yet the market is supplied from British looms.

A DROLL MISTAKE.—A contemporary recently placed a list of Marriages under the head of "causes of war." He subsequently apologized for the error, but main-

tains that the reading was correct in its main principles, nevertheless.

MODEST EPITAPH.

"My name, my country, what are they to thee?
What, whether high or low, my pedigree?
Perhaps I far surpassed all other men,
Perhaps I fell below them all—what then?
Suffice it stranger, that thou see'st a tomb,
Thou know'st its use, it hides—no matter who n."

NOTICE.

GEO. C. LAWTON having this day disposed of his interest in the firm of K. L. & Co. to Theo. Magruder, the business will be continued at the old stand under the firm of Wm. K. KILBORN & Co. Oregon city, Nov. 10, 1848. [tf.]

THE STEAMERS ARE COMING.
COALS! COALS!! COALS!!!

NOTICE is hereby given to persons acquainted with coal localities, that by procuring samples of the same and having them with Capt. John Crosby Jr., at Portland or Gov. Geo. Abernethy, at Oregon City, they will be forwarded to the N. P. S. Co. at New York for the purpose of being tested. The Steamers will require about 100,000 tons annually. [tf.]

WM. C. STOUT.

JUST RECEIVED:

PER "Eveline" and "Sabine," and for sale, in addition to their former stock, at COUCH & CROSBYS.

OREGON CITY and PORTLAND,

the following goods viz—Pink and fancy prints, flannels, fancy drills, berkley checks, ticking, shirting stripe, kreaming, 3-4 & 4-4 bro. cotton, bro. drilling, cashmeretts, linnea drill, long cloth, cotton carpet, cotton umbrellas, foolscap and letter paper, ink, quills, oil stones, crockery & glass ware, castors, looking glasses, dutch ovens & covers, sauce-pans, coat & vest buttons, hair brushes, razor-scrapers, braces, boots & shoes, dressing cases, tea-caddies, cedar boxes, green & black tea, raisins, figs, coffee, sugar, salaratus, pepper, tobacco, sperm & whale oil, tar, chalk, sperm candles, wash-tubs, wooden buckets, baskets, garden hoes, axes, nails, mill-saws, &c.—to be sold low for cash or produce.

LEATHER.

UPPER, SOLE and HARNESS LEATHER, in lots to suit buyers, for sale at Portland, by F. W. PETTYGROVE and Co. [tf.]

PROVISIONS.

BEEF, PORK, SALMON and BREAD for sale low for cash, by W. F. COODE. Oregon City Oct. 13 '48. [tf.]

OLD STORE.

NEW GOODS at KILBORN, LAWTON and Co.'s Just received per Henry the following goods:
Bro. sheeting, do. shirting, do. drilling bed ticks.
ribands: blk, green and gun powder
tea: coffee: sugar: pepper:
glass: nails: lead: smok-
king tobacco: etc. etc.
All of which will be sold low for cash or produce. Oregon City, Sept. 1, '48. 22s.

C. L. ROSS,

"N. Y. STORE," COR. WASHINGTON AND MONTGOMERY STS., SAN FRANCISCO, UPPER CALIFORNIA.

Refer to KILBORN, LAWTON and Co., Oregon City,
GEO. ABERNETHY, do.
San Francisco, April 1, '48. 1s.