

PERSONAL AND LOCAL.

N. A. Perry, of Houlton, visited Portland Tuesday. R. O. Hason, of Warren, was in town Saturday. Mr. Charles Muckle went to Vancouver last Monday. Miss Damar of Portland, was visiting Mrs. Dillard this week. Judge Doan came up from Rainier last Saturday afternoon. George Hall was a passenger for Portland Tuesday morning. Andrew King, our village blacksmith, was in the metropolis Tuesday. Descriptive pamphlets of this county for sale at this office, only 10 cents each. S. A. Miles, a pioneer of 1850, went to Portland Tuesday to attend the reunion. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dow, of Oak Island, were visiting in this city Tuesday last. Ed Guild and wife, of Vernonia, are visiting relatives at Columbia City this week. Several persons from this locality attended the Pioneer reunion in Portland this week. Mrs. T. C. Watts, of Goble, spent last Saturday in this city, returning home Sunday. Twenty-two miscellaneous deeds were received for record at the clerk's office last Saturday. Mrs. Butler visited Portland Wednesday as a member of the Oregon Pioneers association. Mrs. S. S. Way left a few days ago for San Francisco, where she will visit her sister for some time. Miss Bura Reddick, of Oregon City, has been visiting her friend, Mrs. Cleaton, for several days. George Jaquish, of Reuben, was in town Monday and contributed to the county exchequer in the way of taxes. Lindley Meeker, of Houlton, and A. H. Blakesley, of this city, were among the pioneers who visited Portland last Wednesday. Miss Frankie Way visited in Portland last Friday, Saturday and Sunday. While there she attended the Carnival Madrid. Mr. A. H. Tarbell, of Houlton, was a passenger down the river Wednesday on a tour of inspection of the lower river business points. The St. Helens hotel has been treated to an outward application of paint this week, and as a result presents a much better appearance. Judson Weed took passage on Tuesday's south-bound train for Portland, where he attended the annual meeting of the Masonic grand lodge. Mrs. Ellerson and daughter, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon for several weeks, returned to their home in Portland, Tuesday. We have always considered our friend Dr. Mc— a good hand at sawing bones, but when it comes to sawing a log—well, holy sweat, what a sawyer. Mr. S. S. Way and daughters, Frankie, Mabel and Winnie, will leave this morning for their place on Nehalem, where they will remain about a month. Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Frakes, of Scappoose, were in town Tuesday evening. Mr. Frakes thinks they will be able to move back to their dairy ranch in a few days. Arrangements are under way to move the Methodist church from the hill to a lower elevation. This important change should have been made years ago. Thomas Cooper went to Portland Wednesday to attend the meeting of the Oregon pioneers. We trust we are not divulging any secret when we say Tom was born in Astoria in 1853. Mr. Elijah Hawkins, of Warren, on Tuesday shipped several hundred pounds of cherries to the Portland market. Cherries are a good average crop this season, and are commanding a fair price. Mr. W. H. Dolman, a California pioneer, was in Portland Wednesday. There seems to be a brotherly affection between these old pioneers, no matter from what state they hail, that is as lasting as life itself. Tuesday and Wednesday mornings the mail steamer did not arrive down until after 1 o'clock. A great amount of salmon is being shipped just now, and the up steamer at night seems to catch the bulk of the shipment. The widow of the late Dr. Ruiz, an American who died in a Spanish prison in Cuba, has filed a claim for \$150,000 against the Spanish government. The United States government will no doubt demand that the Spaniards pay the amount. Rev. T. A. Fairchilds has been chosen pastor of the Baptist church at Yankton, and will preach in the Yankton school house at 11 o'clock a. m., and 7 p. m., each fourth Sunday in the month, though at present he will continue to reside at his home in Amboy, Wash. Things seem to be booming at Houlton. One store is enlarging its quarters and a new store building is in course of construction at that place. The sound of the hammer and the rasp of the saw and plane gives our neighboring village an industrious appearance these days. Editor Davis, of the Lewis River Press, was in town two or three hours last Saturday on his way to Kalama, where, he said, he might make some arrangements to move his paper. Davis is a rustler, and if he goes to Kalama he will give his free silver friends a lively paper. The battle ship, Oregon, will not come to Portland this year, but the captain will hazard a visit to the inland metropolis to receive the beer turbine which so much noise has been made about. Captain Barker, of the Oregon, will make the venture on the coast defense vessel, Monterey, which will afford him protection from the "outraged" populace, about July 4th.

A Milton young man recently called on a Weston young lady to spend the evening. When about to return home the conversation chanced to turn on art, and the lady told him that he reminded her of the Venus of Milo, whereupon the young man chuckled with delight, thinking it was his symmetrical form his sweetheart alluded to. When he got home he consulted an encyclopedia, and to his deep chagrin and mortification found that the Venus of Milo had no arms. He went down in the cellar and tried to butt his brains out on a soft cabbage.—Athens Press. The Westfield, Ind., News prints the following in regard to an old resident of that place: "Frank McAvoy, for many years in the employ of the L. N. A. & C. Ry., here, says: 'I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for ten years or longer—am never without it in my family. I consider it the very best remedy of the kind manufactured. I take pleasure in recommending it.' It is a specific for all bowel disorders. For sale by Dr. Edwin Ross. Columbia county bears the distinction of having furnished a part of the material out of which the light-ship, Unatilla Reef, is constructed. The stempost, which is a solid piece of oak, was taken from Mrs. A. McDonald's place, near Deer Island, and cost the contractors \$30, \$30 for the tree and \$10 to Mr. Edwin Merrill, for hauling it out. This ship is being built by Wolfe & Zwicker, at Portland. Captain Good has made arrangements to have a small boat to leave Bacon's store at Warren each morning and connect with the Young America morning and evening, carrying freight and passengers. This is done in order to accommodate the people near Warren and at the same time assist the steamer in arriving at Portland earlier. The new schoolhouse at Bachelor Flat is assuming considerable proportions, and when finished will be a creditable and convenient structure. Miss Daisy Watkins has been engaged to teach the summer term of school there, which will open immediately upon the completion of the building, about July 1st. A 66-pound salmon was the center of attraction on the wharf Monday morning. It was a genuine Chinook, and was captured by Fred Watkins. One boat delivered 16 fish that morning which averaged 41 pounds each. The fish now being caught average larger than was ever known before. Mr. M. F. Hason, formerly of Warren, but recently of Hillsboro, is now the keeper of the Wilson river toll road. This road is reported to be in better condition this year than ever before, and as a result there undoubtedly will be an immense amount of travel in that direction this season. In Lincoln county, Wash., the competition for the county printing was so spirited that one publisher offered to do the work for one year for \$1; another offered \$26 for the privilege of doing the work, and a third one bid \$101.50 for the privilege. The latter bidder was successful. The way to really enjoy the Fourth is to take your family and perhaps a few friends to some spring or small stream in some shady nook with well filled baskets and spend the day in quietude, with good books and papers to read. Heavy rains are reported to have fallen in Carico valley last Sunday. Rain had fallen to a considerable extent throughout the entire western portion of the county for several days previous to Sunday last. Mr. T. J. Cleaton returned home from Oregon City last Saturday night to remain a week. He will go to Astoria Sunday evening to attend the regular term of circuit court there next week. Arthur S. Austin, the attorney who was to have gone to San Francisco to clear Durrant, was arrested and jailed for vagrancy in Portland a few days ago. And now Durrant may not be cleared. The grand chapter, O. E. S., convened in Portland Monday last. Mrs. J. G. Muckle, Mrs. Mary George, Mr. E. E. Quick and Mr. Jacob George were delegates from the chapter here. Attorney W. M. Davis, Mr. Parrott, clerk of the municipal court, and a number of other gentlemen from Portland, made the trip to this city on their wheels last Sunday. The grand lodge of Masons held its annual session in Portland this week, beginning Wednesday. Mr. E. E. Quick and Judge Switzer represented St. Helens lodge. The Children's Day exercises at the church last Sunday evening were attended by a large crowd and were much appreciated. The children acted well their parts. Miss Dell Butler, stenographer in the law offices of Mitchell, Tanner & Mitchell, Portland, spent Sunday with her mother in this city, returning Monday morning. Mrs. Elizabeth Perry, of Houlton, went to Portland Monday morning to attend the Pioneers' reunion, which was to take place there on Tuesday last. John Schmitka was in town from Scappoose last Saturday with several head of horses, which he shipped to a seining ground down the river. Mr. F. M. Webber, of Bachelor Flat, was in town early Monday morning after material for the new schoolhouse being built at that place. Mr. Edwin Merrill and Mrs. A. McDonald, of Deer Island, were attending to business matters in this city last Saturday. Clerk Weed and family went down to Kelso Saturday to visit relatives. Mr. Weed returned Monday morning. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Proper spent last Sunday at Oak Island with Mr. and Mrs. Dow. Mrs. T. C. Watts, of Reuben, has been in Portland this week in attendance at the grand chapter, O. E. S. Plans for the new Congregational church are being perfected, and in a short time will be on exhibition.

Mr. W. H. Dolman visited Portland Monday last. Mr. and Mrs. William Proper went to Portland yesterday. Thomas Cloninger, of Scappoose, was in the city Tuesday. Mr. Charles E. Hall, of Rainier, spent Sunday in this city. Commercial job printing neatly and quickly done at this office. Got 'em! Diamond dyes. Large assortment, at the drug store. Captain Crang is again at his post of duty on the Bailey Gatzert. Mrs. James Dart celebrated with other pioneers in Portland this week. Attorney G. W. Cole was attending to business affairs in Portland last Saturday. A. B. Little was a passenger for Portland on the early boat yesterday morning. Rev. Philbrook will preach at Scappoose next Sunday at 11 a. m., also at 8 p. m. Dr. C. G. Caples, of Columbia City, was shaking hands on our streets last Saturday. Attorney C. W. Avery, of Portland, was attending to legal matters in this city yesterday. James McNaughton, of Goble, was in town last Saturday. He was accompanied by his wife. For our own table it pays to hatch chicks from February to November, but the number should be limited. Mrs. J. N. Rice and children, of Clatskanie, have been spending several days in this city with the sheriff. The Congregationalist are busy, and the church funds continues to grow. They have already begun to look around for the best place to buy material. The coast defense vessel Monterey and battle ship Monterey will visit Portland on the Fourth of July, but the Oregon will seek inspection in the waters of Victoria harbor. Rev. Blackwell will preach next Sunday at Houlton at 11 a. m., at Deer Island at 8 p. m., and in this city in the evening at 8 o'clock. Come out and hear the text and the singing. David Cole, of Knappa county, Cal., father of our G. W. Cole, is in this city the guest of his son. Mr. Cole, Sr., will remain in St. Helens and other parts of Oregon most of the summer. Henry L. Buchler, the oldest Odd Fellow in the world, is dead. He was a pioneer member of William Tell lodge, and associated with John Wilder, the founder of the order, of which he was a member for 64 years. At the meeting of the pioneers association held in Portland this week, Hon. George H. Williams was re-elected president and George H. Himes secretary. An organization known as the Sons of Pioneers was organized. John Hummel, a laborer on the Astoria & Columbia River railroad, dropped dead at Bugby's Hole, Clatsop county, Tuesday afternoon. The corner of Clatsop county, who held an inquest over the remains, decided that death resulted from heart disease. Hummel was a resident of Astoria, but, as far as known, was without friends or relatives. Eugene V. Debs has under consideration a plan to establish a colony in the state of Washington for the purpose of taking the initial steps to revolutionize the American government by inaugurating, in a measure, the ideas advanced in Bellamy's famous book, "Looking Backward." Governor Rogers, of Washington, is said to be friendly to Debs' scheme. "Once upon a time," says the Boston Herald, Senator Cameron called upon President Lincoln at the White House in behalf of an applicant for a consulate who was a particularly pestiferous person to him. "Where do you want to have him sent?" asked the President. There was a large globe in the room. The Pennsylvania senator put his arm around it as far as he could reach and said: "I do not know what my finger is on, but send him there." And he was sent." CELEBRATION AT VERNONIA.—There will be a grand celebration at Philip Sheeley's grove, four miles above Vernonia, on the Nehalem river, July 3. The exercises will be opened in the morning with orations, songs, declamations, etc. The afternoon will be spent in foot-racing, hurdle racing, boat racing, catching greased pig, climbing greased pole, pole vaulting, etc. There will be swings and lemonade stands on the ground. Dancing in the afternoon and evening at the grounds. A cordial invitation is extended to all. By order of the committee. EASTERN STAR ELECTION.—At the annual meeting of the O. E. S., held in Portland this week, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Worthy grand matron, Madeline Conkling, of Corvallis; worthy grand patron, G. C. Poling, of Portland; associate grand matron, Margaret Lutke, of Portland; associate grand patron, W. P. Conway, of Independence; grand secretary, Jesse Cavans, of La Grande; grand treasurer, Jennie Muckle, of St. Helens; conductress, Susan J. Heppner, of Portland. NEXT.—To Columbia county belongs the distinction of furnishing a most striking object lesson in the danger of maintaining the old exchanging free and easy system of road working. According to the St. Helens Mist, a man by the name of Smith, in the Nehalem valley, who was working out his road tax in company with a number of his neighbors, was stricken with paralysis of the tongue and was rendered unable to talk. Of course this brought the road work to an end for that day, and the poor fellow was taken to Hillsboro for medical treatment. Had Mr. Smith been a Clatskanie county rancher this distressing accident would not have befallen him, for in this county the cash system is in use and men employed on the roads work instead of gossiping, thus obviating all danger of their tongues becoming tired out and refusing longer to vibrate.—Oregon City Enterprise.

VERNONIA GLEANINGS. Gentle showers have prevailed lately. Wheat and oats are at a premium in this valley at present. Mr. A. Shannahan took a load of rustic chairs to Buxton last week. George Solomon was visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity last week. Louis Slegert, who has been quite sick for the past month, is improving slowly. Alex Sword is making some improvements on his table-land south of town. Bert Mills visited his friend, Thomas Anderson, of Upper Nehalem, Wednesday. Rev. Fisher started for Jewell last Thursday to fill his appointments at that place. Willard Tucker, formerly of this valley, is making a visit with old friends at this place. S. G. Schoonover came in from Portland last Friday with a load of goods for F. A. Zilgitt. U. M. Beeghly made a trip to Oswego last week to visit relatives. He returned home Saturday. Harvey VanBiaroom, who has been confined to his bed for several months, is now slowly recovering. J. E. Dow went out to Houlton last Saturday to meet a cousin from the East. He returned Sunday. Sig Wilkinson has been hauling lumber from Pittsburg for late, preparatory to building a new house. Quarterly meeting will be held at Beaver next Sunday. Rev. Burlingame will be present instead of the presiding elder. Hunting seems to be the order of the day, as most of our young men have gone to Upper Rock creek for that purpose. Mr. North, of Clear creek, who has a machine for cutting shingles, took a load of that product to Forest Grove last week. Frank Wilson passed through town last Wednesday en route for Pittsburg. He returned the same day with a load of flour. George Rice has been hauling lumber up from Pittsburg for F. A. Zilgitt, who has a shed under construction, which, when completed, will afford storing room for many thousand feet of lumber. The roads are being worked at present in the best possible manner. Some very good work has been done on the road between this city and Cape Horn, and on the east side of Nehalem river to Pittsburg. Mr. Wm. Tindle, who has recently been visiting his daughter, Mrs. I. Spencer, of this place, started for Washington last Thursday. He was accompanied by his granddaughter, Miss Bertha Gillham. After visiting in Washington a short time Mr. Tindle will return to his old home in Missouri. The citizens of Auburn precinct met in the maple grove north of Phillip Sheeley's place, and made arrangements for a picnic to be held on July 3. Everybody is invited to come and enjoy themselves. There will be all kinds of games, races, etc. Dancing will be indulged in at the grounds during the afternoon and evening. Last Wednesday Mrs. John Dallas left home for a visit to the outside, but after traveling a few miles a tree across the road was encountered, and while attempting to turn the buggy around it upset and herself and small child were thrown out, the vehicle falling upon Mrs. Dallas, bruising her head and shoulders quite severely, but the child was unhurt. The horse returned home, leaving the buggy scattered along the road. "Rums Ready." REUBEN ITEMS. Dr. H. R. CHEE was in town last week. Tom Erickson caught a 60-pound salmon Monday. G. C. Jaquish went to St. Helens Monday to interview the tax collector. Henry and Fred Woodham accompanied their father to Portland Wednesday. Samuel Mann and D. D. Dillard are working for R. R. Foster this week, making hay. Mrs. T. C. Watts went to Portland Monday to attend the grand chapter of Eastern Star. J. G. Watts, school superintendent, paid the schools in this vicinity an official visit last week. The state railroad commission was in town last Friday inspecting the Northern Pacific railroad. Miss S. R. Thompson, of Woodstock, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. W. Taylor, of this place, this week. S. B. Parrish, of Portland, passed through Reuben last Friday on the way out to his farm on the Clatskanie. R. R. Foster went to Portland Monday to attend the Indian war veteran's meeting, also the Pioneer Association. Mrs. H. B. Borthwick, of Portland, who had spent a week in this vicinity, returned home on the Iraida Monday morning. Misses L. H. Wilson and Ollie Farr, of Mooreville, went to Portland Friday evening and returned home on the Shaver Sunday evening. Miss Ida Black will close her term of school Friday. Mrs. Kossay has been engaged by the directors to teach a three-months term in this district, to begin about the middle of July. A pleasant surprise party was given Father F. B. Woodham last Sunday afternoon in the church at Goble. The afternoon was spent in a social manner, after which a delicious luncheon was served. Those present were: Mr. F. B. Woodham, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Woodham, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bachelor, Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Mann, Mr. and Mrs. J. Severon, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Link, Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Watts, Mrs. Geo. Link, Mrs. D. Kenney, Miss Grace Tamplin, Miss Hessel Mann, Mr. M. Mann and Master R. Link. Father Woodham will leave for New Zealand next Wednesday. Mrs. Henry Woodham and Mrs. M. D. Link will accompany him as far as San Francisco. VALLEY NEWS ITEMS. Wm. Miller has a large patch of tobacco growing. W. J. Miller went to the county seat last Monday. Ignatz Sintak is working on the Astoria-Goble railroad. Mr. Bonnell and family are expected to arrive at their place here very soon. N. J. Dupont has about five acres of eluding ready for the fire this summer. Mr. Charles Wallace and wife, of Houlton, visited relatives in this valley a few days since. Fred Zeller is to try his luck at raising hogs, and has half an acre planted to artichokes to feed them with. Feed for stock is becoming scarce on the Banker hill range owing to the large number of cattle and horses having been pastured there during the high water. Owing to the recent rains in this vicinity the hay crop will be largely above the average this season. Besides this benefit the good done to other vegetation is incalculable. Mr. Choldelin, of Krasay, passed by this place one day last week on his way home from the Willamette valley. He says that rain is very badly needed to insure good crops. Real Estate Transfers. N. J. Bergman to H. S. Tutill, sw 1/4 sec 14, t 4 n, r 5 w, trust deed; \$500. F. T. Day and wife to W. H. Miller, and 1/4 of sec 14, n 1/2 of sec 20, n 1/2 of sec 21, n 1/2 of sec 22, t 6 n, r 4 w, quitclaim; \$1. E. B. Elliott and wife to O. E. Elliott, n 1/4 of sec 15, t 7 n, r 5 w; \$1000. Annie Nichols to Annie S. Lindsay, 1 acre in sec 13, t 6 n, r 2 w, quitclaim; \$50. L. M. Sims and wife to Annie Nichols, 1 acre in sec 13, t 6 n, r 2 w, quitclaim; \$100. John R. Watts to Elizabeth M. Watts, all land owned by me in the State of Oregon; \$1. United States to Albert Krohn, sec 26, t 6 n, r 4 w; 1/4 of sec 25, sec 25; 1/4 of sec 26, t 6 n, r 4 w; patent. The Best Remedy for Rheumatism. From the Falchaven (N. Y.) Register. Mr. James Rowland, of this village, states that for twenty-five years his wife has been a sufferer from rheumatism. A few nights ago she was in such pain that she was nearly crazy. She sent Mr. Rowland for the doctor, but he had read of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and instead of going for the physician he went to the store and procured a bottle of it. His wife did not approve of Mr. Rowland's purchase at first, but nevertheless applied the Balm thoroughly, and in less than an hour's time was able to go to sleep. She now applies it whenever she feels an ache or pain and finds that it always gives relief. He says that no medicine which she had ever used ever did her as much good. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by Dr. Edwin Ross. ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—A Swede, giving his name as Mattes Fallqvist, attempted suicide by jumping from the ship now loading at Rainier last Sunday morning, but was rescued by two of the ship's crew. Fallqvist had, up to about a month ago, been working in a railroad camp at Bugby Hole, but had gone off on a protracted spree and was no doubt mentally deranged from drink. From the time he made the leap from the ship he swam in the direction of the opposite shore, and at times would swim high and look around. He said there was someone after him trying to take his life. He acknowledged he intended to commit suicide, which he no doubt would have accomplished had he not been rescued. He was guarded at Rainier until Tuesday when he was sent to one of the camps above there. It is thought he will be all right in a few days. "It is the Best on Earth." That is what Edwards & Parker, merchants, of Plains, Ga., say of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, for rheumatism, lame back, deep-seated and muscular pains. Sold by Dr. Edwin Ross. On the village green at Meriden, in Warwickshire, is a large stone cross, which is supposed to mark the central point of England. IMHOFF & MINAR, MANUFACTURERS OF MARBLE AND GRANITE MONUMENTS AND ALL KINDS OF CEMETERY WORK. ITALIAN MARBLE A SPECIALTY. 321 E. Morrison St., Portland, Or. —THE— BANQUET SALOON CLONINGER & COOPER, PROPRIETORS. Wine and Liquor Card tables, pool table, billiard table and other devices for the entertainment of patrons, where time can be pleasantly spent. FAMOUS FIRE LADDIE CIGARS Besides other popular brands, are kept constantly on hand to supply the increased trade at this very popular saloon. —THE FAMOUS— CYRUS NOBLE WHISKY IS KEPT AT THE BANQUET.

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