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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Write on only one side of the paper.

Do not refer to people by their initials.

Be brief; do not abbreviate any words.

Avoid personal items as far as possible.

Write legible, especially all proper names.

Get the news, the whole news and nothing but the news.

Do not write an item that will be understood by only a few of our readers.

Always sign your name, not necessarily for publication, but for the protection of the public.

Postmaster-General Wanamaker is booming the West.

The last coach on the regular West Side train is an Oregonian coach from the East side, and shows conclusively that the S. P. is in full control of that road.

The indebtedness of the State Normal school, thanks to the liberal citizens of Monmouth, Independence, and other points, has at last all been paid. The amount contributed to that school by people in this county in the last two years has been over $12,000.

It has been reliably ascertained that out of 185 cases of successful swindling throughout the state by traveling sharpers, in various ways, by which people of the rural districts were robbed, some to the extent of thousands of dollars, only nine or ten were subscribers or readers of the home county papers.

There is no safeguard like a newspaper. Nothing can do more to keep up a town and help business. The town that supports a good local paper is the town that is successful and growing, and the newspaper that keeps up with and a little in advance of the town's growth is the one that will live long and prosper.

The United States war ship Charlston which has been chasing around after the Chilian insurgent war ship Itata has not yet captured that vessel, and the impression is that for some reason she does not want to do so. It behooves our government to be careful about aggressive warfare. We are a stay at home nation, and should keep within the three-mile limit if we would avoid complications.

Should any of our subscribers fail to get their paper regularly they will please notify us by postal card, and as far as lies in our power we will cheerfully supply all missing numbers. Occasionally papers get lost in the mails, and without investigating the matter the subscriber jumps to the conclusion that his paper was withheld by the publisher. Make your complaints direct to us and we will see that you get the paper regularly.

An eminent writer who made an investigation regarding the reading tastes of the public has found that in circulation libraries, where all classes of books are read, that those who at first read only trashy literature gradually, of their own accord, read more solid literature until the taste for reading having been sufficiently cultivated, they are satisfied with standard authors only. Those who read trashy literature are those who read scarcely any kind of books.

Independence has always dealt liberally with Monmouth in helping pay and build up the Normal school, two years ago raising $1500 and this year nearly $1000, and it does seem as though those who have the expending of money at Monmouth might remember those who have always stood by them and been their staunch friends. Speaking of ourselves would not be in good taste, but we understand that a great deal of work both for the business men and the school has been sent to Portland and elsewhere when it might have been done in Independence as well and at as small or even less expense. We hope a friendly feeling may be shown between the two towns.

The board of regents of the State Normal school at Monmouth, while the appointments are somewhat of a surprise to many, are all men of intelligence and ability, and while it is probable no extravagant management of the school will be inaugurated for local interests, they are men who will take a great pride in seeing the school prosper. Only one is a resident of Monmouth, and on that account the selection is particularly a good one, since the school is a state institution and should be managed by residents of all the state. A. Noltner, of Portland, a member of the board, is an editor, and you never yet saw a newspaper man who did not favor education. An editor can not appeal to ignorance.

Here are a few facts which a recent census bulletin furnishes us: The debt per capita of the United States in 1880 was $16.59, and in 1890, $20.46. The per capita debt of Great Britain and Ireland is $87.79. The per capita debt of France is $116.35, and of the German Empire only $1.57. The per capita debt of the state of Oregon in 1880 was $2.93, and in 1890 it is one cent, and the smallest of any part of the Union except Montana and Utah. Good for Oregon! The per capita debt of Polk county in 1880 was nothing, and in 1890 it was $1.94. Polk county had a population, according to the census, of 7,838, and a floating debt of $15,269. There are seven counties in Oregon out of debt entirely.

Postmaster General Wanamaker has seen the West, and speaks in no uncertain tone about our needs. President Harrison has in Mr. Wanamaker a member of his cabinet who is entirely absorbed in doing his duty as an officer. He is reported as saying:

I propose to improve the mail service in the West by quickening the time schedules, increasing the working forces of the offices, and by consolidating the offices and extending the free delivery system. I have become a convert to the requirements and demands of the great West. Heretofore when a congressman has come to me to urge an increase in the force of his local postoffice or ask some other improvement in the service, I have sat here and discounted him all the time. I have said to myself that he was inflated with the idea of the importance of his particular town; now I am the warmest advocate that the West has. I am myself the member from California.

Many good people waste their time and accomplish no good for humanity because, although their intentions are good, they are too selfish and iron clad in their demands. They believe that the saloon is the curse of humanity, and yet when something is proposed in place of the saloon, while it will entertain and amuse will be a grade better, they raise their hands in holy horror, and say "No! No! not that!" We believe that the great mistake of reformers consists in their having an idea that unless the world comes to their standard at one jump, that intermediate stations are of no use. These thoughts are suggested from a request made to an official of this city stating that the saloons and billiard halls should be suppressed. Many persons who admit that intemperance is an evil would take issue about a game of billiards being harmful. In London, England, and other great cities, one of the most successful plans of lessening intemperance has been in supplying social plans of meeting, conducted on the same plan as a saloon, but having coffee instead of liquor. We quote from an editorial on the "Coffee-House Plan," published in the Chicago *Inter-Ocean*:

Among the most practical schemes for the promotion of temperance is that which is known as the coffee-house plan. It has been in operation for some years in Great Britain, and, as we understand, is in its tentative stage in New York. It is proposed to give it a trial in Chicago. The drinking habit is almost wholly social; it has been adopted by many as a relief from care or squalor. "Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto those that be of heavy hearts," said Solomon, the great and wise. It is said that the drinking habit is not so much an outcome of inherent vice as of acquired weariness. Men hate wretchedness and love pleasure. Upon knowledge of this why not proceed to devise pleasure that is not fleeting and followed by severer pain or more thorough weariness and wretchedness than that which it briefly supplants? The coffee-house of the plan is to be as brilliant as any wine shop or beer-hall. It is to be as social as the "free and easy" of the British public-house, as well adorned with the glittering ware as the saloon of the United States. It is to be a place where men can smoke and crack jokes or discuss politics or sit and meditate. The coffee-house was the resting place and talking place of Addison, Johnson, Steele and all the wits and politicians of Queen Anne's reign. There is no reason, other than that of custom, why the coffee-house of the plan should not serve as a nursery for the labor politicians of this era, as the coffee-house of Queen Anne's time served in its day. The project certainly is worthy of trial. Of course it must not be offered to the wage-earner, for whom, mainly, it is intended, as a charity, nor openly as a reformatory agent. It must be offered as a business experiment. The manager of a system of twenty-five plan coffee-houses, started in an English town by the temperance people, reports a dividend of 12 per cent. upon the capital stock. The houses were opened, made attractive, managed with the shrewdness displayed by saloon keepers, and proved profitable from the first. Meals were served cheaply and elegantly, as they are in those saloons where they have lunch or restaurant attachments. Customers were made to feel at home. The result has been a notable reform in the lives of many who had been frequenters of saloons. Equally, of course, the experiment, to be successful, must not be under the control of any temperance society, though the capital must be furnished by people who desire a diminution of the drinking habit.

Applying the rule to local matters, it would seem that our temperance people should encourage rather than discourage places of amusement, when the temptation of drinking liquor is removed. There is too much of a tendency to say to the drinking man, "We want you to quit drinking, then quit smoking, and playing billiards, and we want you to go to church every Sunday." The perhaps repentant sinner sees so much of his pleasure in life taken away that instead of reforming he goes still farther in his downward course. Do not attempt too much in attempting to reform mankind. Would it not be better to win a young man from the the habit of drinking liquor even if he should play billiards, or smoke a cigar, than in attempting to reform him in all his bad habits, fail in reforming him in any?

"West Side" Gags.

Man who stutters, at Buena Vista—M-m-my d-d-dear, I l-l-love you. W-w-will you b-b-be—

Girl from Independence, in a matter of fact way—That will do; I do not care to be wooed on the installment plan. You ought to make love to a deaf mute.

Dallas statesman (confidentially, to a supposed friend from Independence)—We can just beat them fellers at anything. Why! (enthusiastically) I worked on a farm when I was only one year old.

Independence man (making his identity known)—What did you do on a farm at that early age?

Dallas man (honestly)—Milking.

The Independence man has been using distilled angle worm grease on his forehead since, and says when another Dallas man gets him to bite it will be chilly weather.

Monmouth teacher (to little boy)—Clint, give me a sentence where "but" is used as a conjunction.

Clint—See the goat but the boy.

Monmouth teacher—How is but used as a conjunction there?

Clint—It connects the boy with the goat.

A deep silence follows in which there is plenty of loud breathing.

Young lady (to doctor)—Doctah, do you evah dance the lancers?

Doctor—No, madam; but I have lanced the dancers on many occasions.

Ozias (of Falls City)—Did you heah de parson say dat whoeber had stole his pumpkins would go to de bad place?

Unnamed colored person—Heah! heah! ain't I glad I didn't steal nuffin' but cabbages.

ELECTRICAL.

There was a little dude from Ohier,
Who laid his hand on electric wire;
They buried a boot and a swallow-tailed suit—
But the rest was consumed in the fire.

P. S. This poem was found etched in a pane of window glass supposed to have been cut there by the dude's ghostly diamond pin.

Solomon A. Craven.

Solomon A. Craven died April 29, 1891, aged 30 years, 5 months and 7 days. He was born in Missouri, and at the age of five years his parents with their little family came to Oregon and located in Polk county, but in a few years the parents both died, leaving two sons and a daughter, the elder of whom is the subject of this sketch. Solomon made a profession of religion in 1877, and united with the Baptist church and remained in that relation to his death. As far as his means and health would permit, he sought to obtain an education, spending two years in McMinnville college and one term in Portland business college, from whence he came to Independence, and for three years was in the employ of Mr. L. W. Robertson as druggist; at the end of this time Mr. Robertson took him in as a partner, and began business in Buena Vista, when he formed the acquaintance of Miss Helen Spaulding, with whom he was united in marriage in the autumn of 1887. Three years before his death his health began to decline, but until a few months since he was able to attend to business, and always bore the name of being faithful and true. He was an honored member of Buena Vista Lodge of I. O. O. F. for some years, and the bereft widow desires here to express her thankfulness to the lodge for their untiring interest in the welfare of herself and husband during his protracted illness, also to say she will ever hold in greatful remembrance the kindness shown by the members of Valley Lodge No. 42, in Independence, during the last days of her departed one, and to thank the many friends for the tribute of respect paid to the deceased on the funeral occasion. The brother, the sister, the widow, all sorrow, but not as those who have no hope. H.

Grange Picnic.

The grange picnic at Rickreall June 5 and 6 is going to be largely attended. The program includes speeches, music, and plenty to eat. J. C. White, the president of the grange, will deliver the address of welcome, commencing at 10 o'clock Friday, June 5, followed by the Declaration of Purposes by H. C. McTimmonds. After dinner there are to be speeches by members of Suver grange, by lecturer Wm. Holder, and H. E. Hays of state grange, by members of Mono grange, by Mill creek grange, and by Ballston grange.

The second day's program includes speeches or essays by Pleasant Valley grange, by Salt Creek grange, by Oak View grange, also a speech by Hon. R. P. Bois; and after dinner speeches by visiting grangers, by members of Dallas grange, by Oak Grove grange, followed by volunteer speeches.

Real Estate Transfers.

Wm Ruble and wife to T J Gardner, land near Eola; $1020.

James Harris and wife to C M Brown, lots in Independence; $425.

J C Hastings to J A Hannum, land near Lewisville; $700.

J C Hedgpeth and wife to F A Link, land near Independence; $800.

J B Conlee to L M Ovitt, land near Ballston; $425.

M M Ellis et al to D M Doty, lots in Dallas; $180.

C E Herren to C Dockstleader, lot in Buena Vista; $300.

E S Adkins and wife to Jason A Adkins, land in Monmouth; $5.

J F Adkins and wife to Mrs H A Adkins land in Monmouth; $5.

A E Flecklinger and wife to C M De Jean, lots in Dallas; $745.

F A Patterson and wife to R Shelley, land in Monmouth; $150.

I Levins and wife to L F Collins, land in Dallas; $70.

Polk Co Land Co to J Dornsife, lots in Monmouth; $200.

L J Elkins and wife to J Dornsife, lots in Independence; $600.

J Holter and wife to J Morris, land near Eola; $3000.

S S Whitman and wife to C W and T W Barr, out lot at Monmouth; $100.

Jos Craven and wife to R Shelley, land in Monmouth; $800.

F A Patterson and wife to R Harris, lots in Independence; $225.

Wm Jones and wife to Johan Holm, land near Eola; $1200.

Polk Co Land Co to Geo Rogers, lots in Talmage near Independence; $300.

Geo E Brey to Rebecca Harris, lots in White's addition to Independence; $202.

Henry Hill and wife to W M Law, lot in Independence; $100.

Henry Hill and wife to E C Pentland, lots in Independence; $300.

F I Burnham and wife to J Hill, land below Eola; $300.

S A Gross and wife to J Shepherd, land near Sheridan; $160.

Polk Co Land Co to M J Lee, lots in Talmage; $330.

R Shelley to F A Patterson, land in Monmouth; $200.

S B Irvine and wife to H Hirschberg, lot in Independence; $500.

Polk Co Land Co to T J Lee, lots in Talmage; $200.

W C Brown to L C Parker, land near Dallas; $700.

Mary E Harris to T J Hayter, land near Dallas; $1000.

W L Hodgin and wife to Nelly M Hill, lots in Independence; $1500.

Julia Muney to E Bidwell, lot in Monmouth; $90.

D T Stanley to H E Law, lots in Monmouth; $1000.

J N W McBeth to Frary Bros, land in Kings Valley; $50.

Laura Harris et al to A A Cattron, lots in Monmouth; $1.

O & C R R Co to J B McTimmonds, 40 acres near Kings Valley; $100.

Mrs S E Peak to H E Law, land in Falls City; $100.

O & C R R Co to S A Gross, 65 acres near Ballston; $196.50.

J Mann to A J Elliott, land near Dallas; $5.

Murderers Apprehended.

The man, W. M. Barbour, of Lebanon, who was murdered in Portland, and whose murderers were unknown, is at last avenged, as the murderers have been apprehended. On Wednesday they were arrested at Butte City, Montana, and were traced there from Portland, Oregon.

Barbour, who was a rising merchant of Lebanon, and married but a short time, came to Portland on a matter of business on the fifteenth of April. He was to return to his home on the sixteenth, but all trace of him was lost after he left the Holton house on the evening of the fifteenth. The young wife did not know what to make of the mysterious disappearance of her husband. She knew that he could not have deserted her and she feared the worst. The matter was finally placed in the hands of the Portland police, and although they made every effort to find the missing man they obtained no trace of him. This was a mystery for the police to clear up, and although they had but a single thread to work on, they finally succeeded in doing it. Detective Barry took up the clue furnished by the watch in the pawnshop. He learned that the watch had been traded for a cheap silver watch. He got a description of the men, and also of the diamond ring worn by Barbour when he was last seen alive by his friends. This ring the murderers did not pawn, and by it they were traced to the Sound, and finally to Butte, Montana, where two of them were under arrest for vagrancy. The telltale ring was found in the possession of one of the men.

On the third of May the body of an unknown man was found floating in the river between the logs at Pennoyer's mill. Appearances indicated that the body had been in the water at least ten days or two weeks. The forehead was crushed in and through a bullet-hole in the back of the head the brains were oozing out. A scarf-pin found on the body led to its identification. It was the body of Wm. M. Barbour, the missing Lebanon merchant.

A VIGOROUS KICK.

A Merchant's Wife the Bone of Contention A Denunciation.

A well known merchant who has been greatly benefited by Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla, desired to give it to his wife, who was very delicate, but out of caution first consulted his physician, Dr. W. H. Griswold of 850 Market street. The doctor who is one of our leading practitioners objected, saying he had never seen a sarsaparilla that did not contain potash, which thinned the blood that his patient did not have any vitality to lose, and that what delicate people need is not decreased vitality, but more blood. He consented when assured that Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla was directly opposed to the old mistaken blood thinning idea of other sarsaparillas, and that on the contrary by specific vegetable alteratives it stimulated the excretory organs, promoted digestion, and repaired nutrition, hence created new blood and was the very thing for feeble people. The above explains the hundreds of cases in which aged, enfeebled, delicate and run down people, have been built up by Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla after the potash sarsaparillas failed. Its effects are creating a sensation.—*S. F. Examiner.*

THE CRY OF MILLIONS!

OH, MY BACK!

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I have been troubled many years with disease of the kidneys and have tried many different remedies and have sought aid from different physicians without relief. About the 15th of April I was suffering from a very violent attack that almost prostrated me in such a manner that I was bent over. When I sat down it was almost impossible for me to get up alone, or to put on my clothes, when kind Providence sent Dr. Henley, with the OREGON KIDNEY TEA, to my hotel. I immediately commenced using the tea. It had an almost miraculous effect, and to the astonishment of all the guests at the hotel, in a few days, I am happy to state, that I was a new man. I will recommend the tea to all afflicted as I have been.

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