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#### DIED.

After a gradual failing of health for the past year, Calvin R. Downey died suddenly at his home three miles east of Sublimity at 2:10 o'clock Saturday morning, Jan. 2, 1904, aged 71 years, months and 19 days.

Calvin R. Downey was born in Montreal, Canada, July 13, 1832. He moved with his parents to Illinois when 8 years old, was married to Arie Ann Bates in Missouri, April 25, 1861, and crossed the plains with her to Oregon in 1865, where they took up a homestead near Sublimity in 1869. One year later Mrs. Downey died leaving with her husband five little children, which he bravely struggled for and kept together for five years, when he married Cyrena Harris, July 20, 1875, by whom he had eleven children, thus making him the father of sixteen children, three of whom have gone before, namely, Minnie B. Smith, who died Nov. 29, 1889, Tim. A. Downey, Sept. 7, 1902 and an infant son in 1888.

The other thirteen, with his wife, survive him, with their residences as follows: Harvey J. Downey, Paha, Wash; Mrs. Callie Van Cleave, Gervais, Ore.; Mrs. Addie Van Cleave, Woodburn, Ore.; I. Alvah Downey, Farmington, Wash.; Mrs. Arie A. Hewitt, Farmington, Wash.; Mrs. Mary F. Stowell, Sublimity, Ore.; Carl H. Downey, Portland, Ore. Charley R., Anna J., Zebedee R., Ralph, Lizzie A., and Clarence D., all of Sublimity, all of whom, with exception of Mrs. Hewitt, were able to attend his funeral.

Mr. Downey's death was the third in a family of nine brothers and sisters. The two dead are Mrs. Sarah McElvain and Mrs. Eliza Horton. The living are Alvah Downey and Adeline Yager, San Bernardino, Calif.; Augustus Downey, Bushnell, Ill.; Harvey Downey, Monmoth, Ill.; Mary Turney, Lincoln, Neb.; Lodenia Hattwell, Red Oak, Iowa.

Mr. Downey had many good qualities: great kindness of heart and sympathy to an unusual degree. To his family he was a kind and indulgent father and a true and loving husband. Unmindful of self he was willing to make any sacrifice for their sakes. He bore his troubles uncomplainingly. Many times when unable to help himself he would make the effort rather than trouble those who were attending him. His was a good life, and now

that it is ended, his children can bring their tribute of affection and can truthfully say the best of it was given for the good of his family.

"God's will be done, not ours."

The funeral was held from his home Monday, Jan. 4, 1904, the services being conducted by Rev. W. A. Elkins, of the Christian church, and interment made in the Hobson & Whitney cemetery, near Sublimity.

A. J. D.

#### Oak Grove.

The fog is gone and we are happy.

Edna McElhaney is on the sick list.

Several from here attended the entertainment at Sublimity New Year's.

Christina King visited at J. T. Hunt's Sunday.

W. H. Tate was doing jury duty at Salem the first of the week.

The young people surprised J. M. King Saturday evening by coming in on him at his home, it being his 27th birthday. The evening was spent in throwing bean bags, Martin Smith winning the prize. At the usual hour lunch was served, after which all departed for home wishing J. M. many returns of the day.

Thursday evening last, at their home, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tate repeated the vows taken twenty-five years ago. It being the last day of 1903, and all their children being home for the first time in eleven years, the evening was spent in music and bean bag throwing, in which F. H. Devoe received the prize. At a late hour all were surprised at being seated to an oyster supper. After supper all formed a watch party to greet the new year, after which all departed for their homes wishing Mr. and Mrs. Tate continued happiness and a prosperous year. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. King, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Devoe, Mr. and Mrs. M. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. King, Mr. and Mrs. Steinberger, Misses Josie Hill, Mabel Smith, Dora Smith, Elva and Louis McElhaney, Mabel, Annie and May Tate, Frances Lambert; Messrs. Art. Branch, Max Hill, John Steinberger, Ed., Lee, Richard and Tom Tate, Roy King, Frank Tate. Mr. and Mrs. Tate received many useful and beautiful silver presents.

#### WORKING WITHOUT SYSTEM

**Lack of Mental Control and Concentration is Fatal.**

A man who does forcible work must dismiss a subject from his mind when he is done with it. This increases the grasp and power of the mind and keeps it clear for concentration upon the thing under consideration. Nothing can be accomplished with half a mind; you must concentrate or focus all your powers upon the thing you are doing. This you can never do when things by the score are half settled in your mind; continually obtruding themselves for consideration, and hindering the thought of present problems.

When you have anything in hand, settle it. Do not look at it, lay it down, then look at something else and lay that down also, but settle things as you go along. It is a thousand times better to make an occasional mistake than never to settle anything, but be always balancing, weighing and considering many things at a time.

It is vigorous thought which counts. A subject which is handled, so to speak, with the tips of the mental fingers, never amounts to anything. You must seize and grasp with all your might the thing you are attempting, and do it with vigor and enthusiasm. If you wish to bear the stamp of superiority when completed. Another defect in your work, which arises from the faults I have mentioned, is failure to complete things. Your work bears the impress of incompleteness, and seems always to lack something.

If you could overcome these defects you might be successful, for you really possess great ability, but lack definiteness. Evidently your mind has not been trained to exactitude. There has been carelessness in your education somewhere. It may be partly the fault of your teachers or your parents in not calling your attention in early life to these deficiencies. If this had been done the task of correction would have been easier than it is now, but the faults may still be overcome if proper diligence be used. I hope, for your own sake, that you will set about it with determination.—Success.

#### PICKINGS FROM FICTION.

She took on mighty few airs for a person in *"Robin"*.—*"Dovey Mary."*

One cannot be happy until he has learned how, and for that one must suffer.—*"One's Womenkind."*

If we could only take chloroform for difficult tasks and wake to find them done!—*"His Daughter First."*

There's no hope this side of the grave for the man who knows it all. On the other side the devil doesn't want him—the Lord won't have him.—*"Adam Rush."*

Some of us see the rosary of life only as separate beads, not touching the divine constraining thread, and are taken by surprise when we come to the cross.—*"Moth and Rust."*

Our thoughts, our opinions, are like apples on the tree; they must take time to ripen, and when they are ripe how easily they fall! A mere nudge brings them down.—*"Literary Values."*

The only ghosts, I believe, who creep into this world are dead young mothers returned to see how their children fare. There is no other inducement great enough to bring the departed back.—*"The Little White Bird."*

#### Sticky Onion Juice.

A very convenient mullage can be made out of onion juice by any one who wishes to use it. A good sized Spanish onion, after being boiled a short time, will yield on being pressed quite a large quantity of very adhesive fluid. This is used quite extensively in various trades for pasting paper on to tin or zinc or even glass, and the tenacity with which it holds would surprise any one on making the first attempt. It is the cheapest and best mullage for such purposes and answers just as well as many of the more costly and patent cements. Some of the cements sold by street fakirs at 10 cents a bottle consist of nothing but onion juice and water, and the bottle and cork cost a great deal more than the contents.

#### Animals and Second Sight.

It is a common belief that many animals see ghosts and future events. Kerner declares that they are endowed with second sight. This faculty is thought to be especially strong in dogs and horses. Storks are known to have foreseen the burning of houses on which they have been wont to build their nests and to have abandoned them, taking up their abode on other buildings or on trees in the vicinity. No sooner had the anticipated conflagration taken place and a new house been erected on the same site than they returned and built their nests as before.

## Great Clearance Sale

### Ladies Skirts

\$1.75 late style overskirt  
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- 1 wood bottom spring mouse trap.....3c
- 1 pint tin cup.....3c
- 1 iron stove lift.....3c
- 1 cork screw.....3c
- 1 paring knife.....4c
- 1 11 inch spring wire meat fork.....4c
- 1 14 in 2 prong wood handle " ".....4c
- 1 combination cast iron tack puller and hammer.....5c
- 10c potato masher.....5c
- Wood handle cake turner.....5c
- Pint tin dipper with ring in end of handle.....5c
- 1 ladle.....5c
- 1 fancy ladle with ebonized wood hand hold.....10c
- Regular houses or credit concerns will sell this ladle at 25c and tell you it can't be sold for less.
- 1 6-inch standard gauge stove pipe new goods, no rusty pipes, joint, 18c Time concerns ask you 35c for this same goods.
- Acme flour sifter.....10c
- 4 qt. tin milk pan retinned.....8c
- 6 " " " ".....10c
- 75c Dietz lantern.....60c
- \$1 Dietz buzzard cold blast lantern best made.....90c

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**G. D. TROTTER,  
STAYTON, OREGON.**

#### Weather by Wireless Telegraphy.

It is interesting to note that the weather bureau at Washington is about to make a practical test of wireless telegraphy. The seacoast telegraph line, which is rendered useless in nearly every storm, will be re-enforced and perhaps supplanted by a wireless system which has been perfected by the officials of the agricultural department.

If the experiments now being conducted are successful, the entire Atlantic seaboard will be spanned by a system of wireless stations which will ultimately be extended to Havana and Porto Rico. It is expected by this means to be able to notify vessels at sea of approaching storms twenty-four hours ahead, but the value of this feature will, of course, depend upon the number of vessels equipped with receiving apparatus.

As an indication of the progress in the perfection and utilization of wireless telegraphy the results of the weather bureau's efforts to put the system into practical service will be watched with keen interest.

#### Four women of Wabash, Ind.,

burned the feathers of their hats when told by a preacher that no woman wearing plumes could hope to enter the kingdom of heaven. It is hardly probable that they could have been induced to give up corsets by any such argument.

#### Sharing His Bed.

A Grub street friend of Dr. Johnson's was Derrick, of whom he wrote, "I honor Derrick for his strength of mind." One night when Floyd, another poor author, was wandering about the streets he found Derrick asleep upon a bulk. Upon being suddenly awakened Derrick started up. "My dear Floyd," said he, "I am sorry to see you in this destitute state. Will you go home with me to my lodgings?" And they turned in on the bulk together like the good fellows they were.

#### An Anecdote of Ben Wade.

In the early winter of 1861 bluff Ben Wade, the Ohio senator, is credited with saying, "When Chief Justice Taney was ill I used to pray daily and earnestly that his life might be preserved until the inauguration of President Lincoln, who would appoint a Republican chief justice, but when I saw how complete his recovery was and how his life was prolonged I began to fear that I had overdone the business!"—L. E. Chittenden's "Personal Reminiscences."

#### Cured After Suffering 10 Years.

B. F. Hare, Supt. Miami Cycle & Mfg. Co., Middleton, O., suffered ten years with dyspepsia. He spent hundreds of dollars for medicine and with doctors without receiving any permanent benefit. He says, "One night while feeling exceptionally bad I was about to throw down the evening paper when I saw an item in the paper regarding the merits of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. I concluded to try it and while I had no faith in it I felt better after the second dose. After using two bottles I am stronger and better than I have been for years, and I recommend Kodol Dyspepsia Cure to my friends and acquaintances suffering from stomach trouble." Sold by Brewer Drug Co.

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