

CORRESPONDENCE

HARMONY.

HARMONY, March 26.—The funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Agnes Oity, whose death we reported last week, were held at the home of the deceased last Wednesday. A large number of sympathizing friends were present. The interment was in the Multnomah cemetery. Mrs. Oity leaves three sons and three daughters and several grandchildren. The former are William, Charles and George Oity and Mrs. William Stevens and Mrs. Agnes Fortner who reside here and Mrs. Arthur Mather, of Clackamas. Mrs. Oity was 87 years of age. Her husband died several years ago.

Mr. Kilton, who recently resided here has purchased the Barnes place and moved his family out from Portland.

Mr. Counsell has moved to Milwaukie.

Leona Phillips, of Gresham, was visiting relatives here last week.

Misses Elizabeth Blakney, Ella Gilhansen and Martha Sturchler are the committee appointed last Sunday to prepare the Easter program.

MULINO.

MULINO, March 26.—Mrs. Jack Carlisle had the misfortune to step on a rusty nail, and is laid up with a very sore foot.

The Mulino Lumber Company, Geo. M-Cord manager, has sold the plant to Pratt Bros. and will give possession on April 10th.

The Mormon preachers failed to show up Sunday at the Grange hall. A large crowd was in attendance, but no Mormons.

Mrs. Telzer has opened a boarding and lodging house in Mulino.

Adkins Bros. are again running logs. They are putting five hundred more into the main creek.

L. V. Baker, the blacksmith, is building a new fence so the chickens wont fight.

John Helvey is sick with the measles. Mrs. Hines will return from a visit to Roseburg this week.

Lorna Baker will go to Eastern Oregon soon.

Geo. McCord will soon start a mill on the Santiam.

At the republican primary on Saturday last John Dennison, of Molalla precinct, was elected one delegate and James F. Nelson, of Milk Creek, the other one. Frank Muetter, an outtime democrat, was selected as road boss and Mr. Shaw, an old soldier, as justice and Mr. Dogan as constable.

Our school commences next Monday, with Miss Matlock as teacher.

Mrs. C. T. Howard is on the sick list. Dr. Leavett, of Molalla is attending her.

Ely.

Ely, March 27.—Charlie Haas has been dangerously ill several days with lung fever, but is somewhat better at this writing.

W. F. C. Gintner was married to Miss Richter, of New Era, and moved into their own home, in this place Thursday. The same night the boys welcomed them with an old fashioned shivaree.

Prof. F. M. Darling has accepted the Colton school. Term will commence Monday, April 2nd.

George Swafford arrived home from Forest Grove, Friday evening to spend vacation with his parents. He will return the end of this week.

Miss Weiss, of Portland, is visiting Mrs. A. W. Schuebel. Miss Weiss' school will open next Monday. This will be her third year in the same school. Miss Elnora Gintner will teach the Henrici school this spring.

Crescent.

CRESCENT, March 27.—Spring weather is now here and the farmers all seem to be getting in their crops.

There has lately been a wedding in our neighborhood, the contracting parties being John Berreth and Mrs. E. Steibriz. Both are making a second venture in the lottery of life.

Our spring term of school began some time ago with Miss Gutheridge installed as teacher.

J. Clark and family are moving to Clackamas Heights, having sold their place to Mr. I. D. Taylor, who intends moving in shortly.

Mr. Nelson, who has been quite sick is now somewhat better.

Stella Yacht is on the sick list.

Jennie Waldron is at home after having spent the winter in Portland.

Della Kraeff is now at home on a visit, but contemplates soon returning to Portland.

Messrs. A. Kraeff and L. Yacht are soon to be the possessors of new bicycles, your correspondent thinks the young men very selfish not to think of a tandem.

Cherryville.

CHERRYVILLE, March 26.—School is progressing nicely under the guiding hand of Miss MacKerrow.

Mrs. Frasier was the guest of Mrs. Elin, Wednesday.

Claud Baty has been plowing for T. Levenue.

Allie Ware is staying with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Baty and attending school.

Violet Shangle is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shangle.

Viola Struchen has quit working for Mrs. Lang, and is attending school.

Dora Ware is home from Portland visiting her parents and friends.

A dance was given at Mr. Bells, of Salmon, Tuesday March 20th. No one from this villa took part in the grand ball.

Cherryville is busy now, too busy to visit much, so news is scarce. Some one got up an excitement in this prosy, sleepy little country hamlet.

Colton.

COLTON, March 27.—Earl Hunter has been on the sick list for sometime, but is better at this writing.

Ed Park, H. Cavenaugh, E. and F. Dibble, of Bunker Hill, attended the Colton literary on the 24th.

Archie and Merlie Bonnie are quite sick.

W. E. Bonney, had the misfortune to get his hand pretty badly hurt, last week while handling heavy timber. Dr. Blainy, of Clarks, dressed the wound.

The republican primary resulted in W. E. and P. E. Bonney being sent as delegates to the county seat, and Press Bonney was nominated road supervisor.

School will begin next Monday with F. M. Darling, of Ely at the helm.

Maple Lane.

MAPLE LANE, March 28.—Mrs. A. Mautz, visited with relatives in Portland Wednesday and Thursday.

J. C. Dixon, Geo. Mautz and T. H. Cavies, left for Walla Walla, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Marlin went to Woodburn Saturday to visit with relatives for a few days.

The dance at W. O. Dickerson's Saturday evening was well attended and a good time is reported.

Mr. Gerhauser has traded his farm here for property in Wisconsin.

Mrs. Bradford, of Portland, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Swallow.

At the republican primary held at the school house Saturday, F. Cramer, W. G. Muir and J. R. Davies were chosen as delegates to attend the county convention Wednesday.

The following friends of W. F. Brayton spent a very pleasant evening at his home Saturday night in honor of his 63 birthday; Mr. and Mrs. A. Mautz, Mr. and Mrs. F. Cramer, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Shelly, Mrs. W. O. Dickerson, Mrs. H. Henrici, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Davies, Mr. Gerber, Harry and James Shelly, Albert Mautz, Mary and Birdie Dickerson and Myrtle Henrici.

Damascus.

DAMASCUS, March 27.—The social given at the school house last Saturday was a grand success, although it rained, there was a good attendance. Between thirty and forty baskets were sold and some brought as much as a dollar and thirty-five cents. The band rendered some very good music which was appreciated by all. A good program was rendered by the young folks. All had lots of fun, as old men got little girl's baskets, boys got young ladies' baskets. A. W. Cooke was auctioneer and made lots of fun for all. The amount raised was \$27.00 and will soon have a new bell.

Walter Smith's father has come out to live.

There was singing at Mr. Feathers' last Sunday, but the crowd was small as all the young folks were up late Saturday night at the social.

Mrs. Barton and children, of Portland, and Miss Delsie Newell were out to attend the social.

Alice Bandfield, of Portland, was visiting Mrs. Smith last week.

Michael Johnston has moved on the Harland place.

There will be singing at Mr. Cox's next Sunday.

Mr. Grim and sister of Milwaukie were visiting Miss Kitty and Rubie Cooke last Sunday.

William Cooke and two of his sisters, and Mary Tong took a flying trip to Milwaukie not long ago.

Letter List.

The following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at Oregon City, Ore. on March 29, 1900.

WOMEN'S LIST.

Albright, Jennie Mrs. Reed, Mollie Mrs. Jones, Aretta Treichler, Rose Mrs. Johnson, Abbie Mrs. Whitten, Addie Maher, Hattie Way, Lida Mrs.

MEN'S LIST.

Albright, Frank Davis, Lewis Andrew, A B Gibbs, Merrill Borden, Elzen Hoover, N Bowland, C M Limaus, J Cheatham, J F Myers, John Clouse, F Rev Watson, R A Dodge, Etha Mrs Young, Roth

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CUTTLEFISH INK.

The Peculiar Liquid Which This Curious Animal Ejects.

The cuttlefish are caught in great numbers off the Cornwell coast and are used as a bait for the conger eel, for which this part of the world is celebrated. The cuttlefish possesses no real mouth, but has a long, cylindrical sucker with which it adheres firmly to the bait. The method of capturing the fish is as follows: A long line from which are suspended from 200 to 300 hooks baited with portions of pilchards (almost the only bait the cuttlefish will take) is let down into the sea and allowed to stop there for about half an hour. It is then drawn up, and the cuttlefish are found hanging by means of their suckers to the bait.

The moment that they leave the waters they eject with considerable force a great quantity of deep, black, viscous substance which is about the consistency of treacle, and the stain made by it upon the clothes of the fishermen is permanent if it happens to fall upon them.

I had a conversation with one man who has several times received a full charge in his face, and he assured me that beyond the smell, which is most nauseous, he felt no inconvenience at all, no smarting or pain in his eyes and no bad after effects.

If any of the liquid gets upon the nets, it rots them beyond repair unless it is washed off immediately. Another curious fact is that this fluid will not injure cloth in the slightest degree beyond making a permanent stain. One man told me that he had used a jersey for several years which had been squirted all over at different times by these cephalopods, but that except for the cloth being stained it was as good as ever.

When this "ink" is ejected under water, it hangs in a sort of cloud and does not spread.—London Leader.

Browning and the Cook.

To Robert Browning a man was a man, whether he was served by many people or the servant of others. On one occasion his son Barrett had hired a room in a neighboring house to exhibit his pictures, and in the temporary absence of the artist Mr. Browning was doing the honors to a roomful of fashionable friends. He was standing near the door when an unannounced visitor made her appearance, and of course he shook hands with her, greeting her as he did the other arrivals.

"Oh, I beg pardon!" she exclaimed. "But, please, sir, I'm the cook. Mr. Barrett asked me to come and see his pictures."

"And I'm very glad to see you," returned Mr. Browning, with ready courtesy. "Take my arm and I will see you round."—New York Press.

Discovered a New Answer.

The Professor—I have a new conundrum for you. Why is a mouse like a haystack?

The Doctor—A new conundrum! That had whiskers when I was a boy. A mouse is like a haystack because the cat'll eat it. New conundrum! Ho, ho! Ha, ha!

The Professor—That isn't the answer at all. The points of resemblance are these: You can't find a needle in a haystack, and you can't find a needle in a mouse. Some people weary me exceedingly by their affectation of superior knowledge.—Chicago Tribune.

IMPERTINENT SIMIANS.

An Experience in the Monkey Temple at Banaras.

On the occasion of our visit to the monkey temple at Banaras we had provided ourselves with popcorn and other goodies which we expected to offer their holinesses. But the monkeys did not give us a chance to do that. They snatched the dainties from our hands, and when our supplies were exhausted they amused themselves by mimicking us.

One of our party, who had a bad cold, used his handkerchief with considerable emphasis. Scarcely had he replaced his handkerchief in his pocket when a monkey seized the protruding end, pulled it out and gave an excellent imitation of the act. Then, of course, some of us had kodaks, and after we had taken several pictures another personification of impudence picked up a little block of wood which lay upon the ground and with it took several snapshots at us.

A third ill conducted simian (a vain female, who deserted her infant for the purpose) grabbed from my shoulders a red chudder scarf and in a few flying leaps carried it to a lofty minaret. There she put it on and evidently "fancied herself" immensely. But she was not allowed to retain her prize. In about three minutes at least 40 monkeys had bit a piece of my precious chudder.

Then our native guide informed me that the monkeys were very fond of scarfs and that they captured a great many on the stone "ghats" near the temple while their owners were bathing in the river. Perhaps on the principle that "misery loves company" he seemed to think his item of news ought to console me; but, although the "monkeyshines" continued as long as we stopped in the temple "compound," I no longer found them quite so ludicrous.—Chaptaquan.

Red Tape Illustrates.

A correspondent passing hurriedly into the room of the committee on rivers and harbors pulled the knob off the door.

"How can I get that fixed, do you think?" asked the congressman. "Should I get the carpenter or the locksmith?"

"The locksmith, I suppose."

"No, sir. Were I to send for the locksmith he would tell me to consult the architect of the capitol. He has an authority to fix doorknobs. Doorknobs are permanent fixtures and are solely within the jurisdiction of the architect of the capitol."

"Do you see that bookcase there?" said the committee secretary. "I caused the carpenter to paste some cloth on the inside of the glass doors in order that the books might not show. He did the work, but when he had finished I noted that he had not cleaned the glass before he put the cloth on. The thing looked so disreputable that I asked him why he had not cleaned the permanent fixture and that he had no authority to touch it, but that the placing of the cloth upon it was a temporary matter and was entirely within the province of his labors. The whole thing's got to be done all over again."—Washington Cor. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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