

Suicide.

We learn that Mr. B. F. Smith, of Yamhill county, committed suicide on Friday, the 27th inst. The particulars as near as we could learn are as follows: On the morning of the day of the occurrence Mr. Smith went to Lafayette to get a pair of borrowed pistols repaired. He returned home about 4 o'clock in the afternoon having procured a pint of liquor at town and drink it was supposed on his return—quite drunk. About sunset he called for his saddlebags, when on their being handed to him he stepped into the adjoining room, drew one of his pistols and shot himself through the body near the heart, expiring immediately.

He is represented as a man of intelligence and good character, and no reason is known for the commission of the fatal deed.

PLUM VALLEY, FOLK CO., O.T., July 20, 1855.

Mr. Editor—DEAR SIR: I had the pleasure to write you from the 14th inst., Mr. J. W. SWOVER and Miss SARAH E. STANTON, all of Marion county. Miss S. E. is a daughter of Mr. Alfred Stanton, some five miles from Salem. We spent a very pleasant evening, strolling over his large and highly cultivated orchard. Indeed, I look upon Mr. Stanton as one of the best orchard men in Oregon. We also had the pleasure of bringing with us home, and on its way to your sanctum, a very fine specimen of cake, with the compliments of the happy young ones; but as the cake is too large to find room in Uncle Sam's mail, we must detain it until a more favorable opportunity occurs, or until you favor us with a look at your pie in Pek.

Years truly,
G.O. BURNETT.

Receiving "the compliments of the happy pair" is certainly some consolation in absence of that splendid cake, which we are truly happy to hear is already "en route" for our sanctum. We are glad to learn that it is in such good hands, and hope that it will reach us before you see our "visage in Folk."

Don't like our Paper. A certain gentleman (?) in Polk county, who has taken our paper for three months, has lately ordered the P. M. to "send it back," without even offering to pay for it. We are informed by one of his neighbors that he bears the well known cognomen of "hog thief" among the citizens of that vicinity. How such a man ever thought of taking our paper we are at a loss to determine. If the copies he has already had shall prove the means of bringing him to a reformation we shall be happy in having furnished them for nothing. We are afraid, however, he has joined the "Apostle's church."

The Methodist Conference is being held in our city at this time. We notice quite a full attendance.

From Mexico—Probable Overthrow of Santa Anna.

The following important news from Mexico we copy from the San Francisco Herald:

News has reached Acapulco, that a large division of Santa Anna's troops, about 1500 in number, had set out from Morelia to attack General Compte's forces, but were met half-way by the Revolutionists and routed with great slaughter. Santa Anna, with his frightened troops, fled precipitately to Morelia, upon which the Revolutionists were advancing, flushed with victory and confident of overwhelming the Dictator and forcing him once more to fly from the country.

In the State of Michoacan, which adjoins Mexico on the one side, and Guanajuato, in which the Revolution originated, on the other, the insurgents were increasing at every point, and the whole of the state may be said to have declared against Santa Anna. It is also reported that the important city of Puebla has pronounced against the Dictator, and that there are a large number of malcontents in the capital prepared for a rising as soon as the Revolutionists approach near enough to sustain them.

Guanajuato, commanding a division of the Government Army in the State of Mexico, reports having encountered the Rebels under the command of Degollado and Plutarco Gómez at Ezayutla, and completely routed them. Neither of the leaders were captured, although many prisoners were taken and instantly shot. Important as this news is from the South of Mexico, it is even surpassed by that from the Northeastern States. By way of New Orleans, we learn that nearly the whole of the States of Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon and Coahuila, were in the hands of the insurgents.

GREAT SUCCESS OF THE REVOLUTIONISTS IN NORTHERN MEXICO.—Montehermoso, the strong hold of Northern Mexico, and key to the Sierra Madre, has been captured by the revolutionists. It appears that the place was attacked on the 27th May by General Santiago Vidaurri, in the morning, and captured after a short engagement, together with the Black Fort, and all that it contained. Governor Cardona and about sixty officers were taken prisoners. All the arms and ammunition, together with thirty pieces of canon, fell into the hands of the Insurgent. This is a death-blow to Santa Anna.

Carvajal, who had been living for some time on the Texas side of the river, had crossed the Rio Grande near David Ranch, just below Camargo, and Don Macdonald Capistran had crossed a short distance above Matamoras, with his forces, intending to unite with the Monterrey Insurgents. Capistran already had a fight.

The Glory of Humiliation hath Departed.

The Buffalo Republican says: "A German citizen on Batavia street 'cares not' to the requirements of the recently enacted law, by hanging his bar in black, on which is inscribed: 'Nix larger bier.' Do glory ob Hans is debarrt."

It is with faded beauty as with a cloak—the more the face is enameled, the more clearly do we see the process of Time.

Tremendous Gold Excitement! in Portland!!

The 'Times' out with Two Stirring Extras!!

Everybody Going...Going...Gone to the Mines!

Excepting Those Who Stay at Home:

**A. V. Wilson, Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Messenger, Klamath!—Highly Uninteresting News from Fort Colville!—No News from the Mines!—Indians said to be Sullen!—Water thought to be all over the River!—Hars!—Dry Diggings, perhaps Overhauled, and perhaps can't be Worked till the Rain Sets In!—Will probably be ascertained when the Digging are Discovered!—Probably Good Mining Somewhere, East of this!—
Nothing Advised either to Go or Stay at Home!!!**

Read the following report of Mr. Wilson, which we take from the Standard of last Thursday. It contains the very latest news.

We are indebted to the very obliging Express House of Wells, Fargo & Co., for the following full report of their messenger, who reached this city on Tuesday last, 4 o'clock p.m., from Fort Colville:

Arrived at Fort Colville on the 18th July, and was informed by the settlers that there were no miners at work in the mines in consequence of the high stage of water; also met with two Americans in the valley who have been waiting several weeks for a fall of the river. There had been four persons up to the Pend Oreille a few days before and found water over all the bars, and not being able to prospect had to return. The universal opinion of the settlers in the employ of the Hudson's Bay Co. is, that but little if anything can be done at mining until the 1st of September. On the 19th, after obtaining all the information I could at the Fort, I packed my animals to go to the mines, distant 30 miles; but was informed by Mr. Shuttleworth, the gentleman in charge of the Fort in the absence of Mr. McDonald, that Pierre Journe, the chief of the Kettle Falls Indians, objected to my going. I immediately had an interview with him through Mr. Currier, the interpreter at the Fort, to obtain his consent. He said he did not want the Americans to come into his country until a treaty is made with the American government; that all his people were opposed to it. I assured him that I did not come into his country to mine—that I was only traveling through to see it, and that I had heard of the mines and had a curiosity to see them. He wanted to know if there were any more Americans coming; I told him no. He said he had been informed that there were a great many on the way. I told him it was not so. Finally consented to my going. I then got ready to leave. In the meantime Gregor, 1st chief, and Lauder, 2nd chief of the Lake Indians in the British possession, came to the Fort. Pierre Jerome then had a talk with them, and told me that I could not go any further—that some time in August all the tribes would hold a big talk and would then determine what course to pursue towards the Americans—that all the Indians were opposed to Amercans coming until the treaty is made. And even as a beverage, it's capital, mixed with a little brandy."

That's the Talk.

"My son," said Mr. N., "how could you marry an Irish girl?" "Why, father," said the son, "I'm not able to keep two women—if I'd married a Yankee girl, I'd had to hire an Irish girl to take care of her."

Young writes its hopes upon the sand, and age advances like the sea, and washes them all out.

Fats Rats and other vermin are kept away from grain by a sprinkling of garlic when packing the sheaves.

The following from the Indiana State Journal will do for this latitude by substituting Corvallis Statesman in the place of "State Sentinel":

Mr. Evans—Have we indeed an emigrant from the Five Points among us, or is the Editor of the State Sentinel laboring under some alteration of mind, that he utters common decency, and insults all that is pure and virtuous in our community, by the publishing of a filthy story in this day's issue—so filthy that the cheeks of a courtesan would crimson on reading it? Have we become so degraded that such vile publications are to be thrown broadcast over the country, introduced to the sacred precincts we call home, and placed unblushingly in the hands of our mothers, wives, sisters and daughters? In the name of charity let us hope that the man is demented—crazy, it may be, by the indulgence of a pernicious imagination.

No rebuke for such an outrage can be too severe—no denunciation too bitter. He should be taught that there is such a thing as purity, as virtue, and that they cannot be wrung with impunity.

Let them remember the honest but true adage, "Immodest words admit of no defense."

For want of decency is want of sense.

Rather than pollute our atmosphere with his baseness, let him go to the Crimea and pack Canoe to pack him in a "stink pot" and blow him into Sepulchre. In such a case Heaven help the Russian nose!

DECENCY.

A Improvement.

Thirty-six years ago, says an Ohio paper, there were in county thirty distilleries and no church; now there are thirty churches and no distillery.

Men and women are not so different as some philosophers try to cipher out. Men are fond of quacks, and the women almost invariably take to a duck of a fellow. The reader will please put this down in his note-book for twilight meditation.

Mr.—do you keep—anything—good to t-a-k-e—here?

"Yes, we have excellent cold water—the best thing in the world."

"Well, I know it," was the reply, "there is no one thing that's done so much for navigation as that. And even as a beverage, it's capital, mixed with a little brandy."

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MARRIED:

In Portland, O.T., on the 27th ult., by the Rev. Mr. Barnard, Dr. R. T. Lockwood to Miss Mary C. Barnard, all of Oregon.

The cake which accompanied the above was hard to beat. If the happy bride understands all the departments of cooking as well as that of getting up sweetmeats she must be a housewife worth possessing.

On Tam'sm, July 25, by Rev. Geo. M. Berry, Mr. HARMON HARRIS to Miss FANNY KURTZ.

Fre Trad.

This morn and its draft harz haz pryd beyond doubt that the Wilmet is kapab or being navigated from Kamens to Kervals during the last stojaz or the river.

She will be in reduced at of time to da frating to or en pi on the Uper Wilmet, at the most resonable prizex injahil.

N. B.—Particular atencion ped to the handling or frats.

JUN 23, 1855—LENARD HWIT.

Notice.

Territory of Oregon, ss.

District Court of Clackamas County.

Betsy A. Barnes, Petition for Divorce.

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JOSEPH A. BARNES, Defendant in the above entitled suit:—You are hereby notified that Betsy A. Barnes, Complainant in said suit, has filed a complaint against you in the District Court of Clackamas county, Oregon Territory, on the 4th day of August, A. D. 1855, charging you with habitual gross drunkenness, and the commission towards her of personal indignities, rendering her life burdensome, and praying a divorce from you by reason of her being unable to support her of the bonds of matrimony, and that alimony may be allowed her out of your estate.

You are hereby notified, therefore, to appear at said Court, to be held in Oregon City, in said county, on the third Monday of September next, and answer said complaint, or the same will be taken as confessed, and judgment had against you by default.

WITNESS, F. S. Holland, Clerk of said [L. & S.] Court, and the Seal of said Court, this 4th day of August, A. D. 1855.

F. S. HOLLAND, Clerk.

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE partnership existing between Geo. ABERNETHY, Thos. Pope, Hiram Clark, and Jas. R. Robb, under the name of GEO. ABERNETHY & CO., expires this day by limitation. Persons interested in will please call and settle their accounts immediately, as we wish our books closed. Thos. Pope is authorized by us to close the business of the late firm.

GEO. ABERNETHY,

THOS. POPE,

HIRAM CLARK,

JAS. R. ROBB

Oregon City, August 1, 1855.—LENARD HWIT.

Partnership.

CEO. ABERNETHY and HIRAM CLARK will con-

tin business under the name of GEO. ABER-

ERNETHY & CO., at Oregon City. Thos. Pope

will attend to the business, and is authorized to sign

the name of the firm.

GEO. ABERNETHY,

HIRAM CLARK,

JAS. R. ROBB

Oregon City, August 1, 1855.—LENARD HWIT.

GEO. ABERNETHY & CO.,

MERCHANTS,

OREGON CITY, OREGON TERRITORY.

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