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LAYING THE CORNER STONE.

The corner stone of the new University building was laid on Wednesday. The religious exercises and addresses were at the M. E. Church, and consisted of singing under the direction of Hon. S. E. May; hymn read by Rev. D. Rutledge; prayer by Rev. Wm. Roberts; a historical sketch by Rev. G. Hines, and an address by Governor Gibbs.

A procession was then formed and marched to the foundation, when different articles were contributed to be deposited in the corner stone, as follows:

A historical sketch of the University, by Rev. G. Hines; a certified copy of the charter by S. E. May; certificate of scholarship, by Rev. A. F. Waller; sentiment and autograph, S. Ellsworth; sentiment, by Gov. Gibbs; copy of the *Daily Statesman*, by C. N. Terry; specimens of postal currency, by Thos. Rowly, W. R. Crump, and Col. Moores; *Daily Oregonian* of July 18th, and *Oregon Sentinel* of July 16th, by Col. Moores; memorial, by J. Quinn Thornton, in relation to a medal awarded to the discoverer of the Columbia river; *P. C. Advocate*, July 16th, by A. F. Waller; photograph of Bishop Janes, by Mrs. Waller; *Oregon Spectator*, May 14th, 1846, by Rev. D. Leslie; catalogue for 1864; by-laws of Santiam Gold and Silver Mining Company, by A. L. Buckingham; fractional currency, by Geo. H. Jones and J. H. Moores; portraits, by E. O. Smith and W. C. Whitson; closing sentiment of Gov. Gibbs' address, by C. H. Hall; paper containing names of Rev. G. Hines, Lydia Hines and Julia M. Bryant, (now Mrs. Terry) the first white persons who settled on the Salem prairie, and the name of Lucy A. M. Lee, the first white person born in Salem.

After the articles were deposited the stone was sealed by Rev. D. Leslie, and the large assemblage dispersed, little thinking that perhaps some antiquary of future time would puzzle his head over the scrolls there deposited, and after deciphering, publish them to the world as curious evidences of human progress.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF WALLAMET UNIVERSITY, JULY 21.—The following was the programme of the commencement exercises at the M. E. Church yesterday:

AFTERNOON:

Chant—Gloria in Excelsis.

Orettio Salutatoria . . . SYLVESTER C. SIMPSON.
Cardinal Wolsey . . . . . JOSEPH P. JONES.
Mother and Poet—Recitation . CHAS. B. MOORES.

Music.

Beacon Lights . . . . . ANNIE R. ROBB.
Deutsche Rede . . . . . PRESLEY M. DENNY.

Music.

True Nobility . . . . . SYLVESTER C. SIMPSON.
Occasion Premedius . . . . PARISH L. WILLIS.

Music.

Needlework . . . . . CLARA A. WATT.
Barbara Frietchie—Recitation, MILES M. MILLER.

Music.

Fossile . . . . . PAULINE WHITSON.
From Troy to Rome . . . . CHAS. W. PARRISH.

Presentation of Diplomas.

SONG BY THE SCHOOL.

Benediction.

EVENING.

HYMN.
Music.
ADDRESS TO THE GRADUATES BY J. S. SMITH, ESQ.
Music.
Benediction.

The exercices were highly creditable to all who took part in them. We might notice individual efforts that were peculiarly marked with originality and literary merit, but to notice some might seem like a disparagement of others, and we only remark that all acquitted themselves with credit.

The church was elegantly decorated with evergreens and flowers, and the motto—"The Field is the World," in evergreen letters placed over the stage. The address of J. S. Smith, Esq., in the evening was pointed, eloquent, and appropriate.

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY.

The examination and commencement exercises of this Institution, just closed, have awakened, as they always do, a renewed interest in its welfare. The largest concourse of people that has assembled at the Methodist Church during the year past gathered to witness the closing exercises and to hear the address of Mr. Smith.

There have been in attendance during the past school year, two hundred and sixty-four students, a number sufficiently large to bring into requisition all the facilities the institution at present affords. The President, T. M. Gatch, is unassuming, but an accomplished scholar and successful educator. Professors L. J. Powell and F. H. Grubbs, the latter a graduate of the school, the former of an Eastern college, are successful teachers in their departments.

Miss Lucy A. Lee, who graduated with honor a year ago, is acting as teacher of French and several other branches; Miss Breyman as teacher of German and Music, and Miss S. A. Cornell as teacher of the primary department.

This institution has done all that its limited facilities would enable it to do for all who have ever given it their patronage, and has given satisfaction to all except those whose "peculiar" views on certain subjects do not admit of their being satisfied with anything that does not pander to their prejudices. That all who have been connected with it have been unswerving in their devotion to the institutions of our country, and outspoken on the side of Union during the progress of the present struggle, is an honor that will follow it through future years, and endear it to the rising generation.

We remember once of hearing President Hoyt remark that this school, if properly sustained would make Salem the Athens of Oregon, and we do not think that was an extravagant expression. Nor have we any doubt that the people will sustain it. Near twenty thousand dollars have already been subscribed toward the new building, the foundation of which is already laid, and the remainder will be forthcoming when our newly discovered mines begin to disgorge their wealth, when our young city becomes the active center of a prosperous trade, and the people see an institution struggling for existence which is to supply an actual want of our growing State. It is the oldest literary institution on the coast—was founded nearly a fourth of a century ago, while our State was yet a wilderness—has suffered with her in adversity, prospered in her prosperity, and is destined we trust in future to be the *Alma mater* of many of her worthiest citizens of all trades and professions, and the crowning glory of her literary fame.

GREAT INDUSTRIAL FAIR AT SAN FRANCISCO.—The Mechanics' Institute of San Francisco is making preparations for a great industrial fair to be held at that city. Contributions are invited from the mechanics, manufacturers and agriculturists of not only California, but Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Nevada, and the British and Russian Possessions at the North. Our own manufacturers and mechanics could not adopt a better method of advertising their productions than by exhibiting them on this occasion. We hope that Oregon will be well represented on the occasion. Our productions will lose nothing by comparison with those of other States.

WHAT NEXT?—The Washington Territory papers say that gold has been discovered on the small streams which put into Port Angelos harbor. The average "prospect" was five cents to the pan. Specimens of quartz rock were found which, upon assay, were found to contain both gold and silver—how much is not stated. The whole Pacific coast appears to be full of mineral wealth. It only wants a little time and energy to develop it.

☞ Dodge and Hayward sang at Yreka on Monday evening last to a good house.

Domestic Items.

....The Coroner's jury over the body of the man lately found near Hayden's Island, in the Columbia, mentioned in our last issue, returned a verdict of "unknown." The letters "J. M." appear on the right arm, in India ink; also, the profile of a mermaid. On the left arm the picture of a ship had been marked, and in one ear was a small gold ring.

....S. N. Arrigoni, the well-known proprietor of the Pioneer Hotel in Portland, has lately purchased the Dennison House in that city and opened it as a first class hotel. The dining room is said to be the most elegant north of San Francisco, one mirror in the end of it costing $550.

....The steamer Relief makes her last trip to Salem to-day, returning to Canemah to-morrow. The Willamette has been very low for some time, and the Relief ran aground during one of her late trips and was disabled so that the freight had to be removed.

....Messrs. Durbin and Mr. J. L. Starkey, proprietors of the livery stables in this city, have lately received an addition of fine buggies and harness to their former stock, and are doing a good business in their line.

....The steam saw-mill of Forsyth, Patterson & Co., recently burned, is again in successful operation. Most of the old machinery was used in reconstructing the mill.

SANITARY.—Mrs. A. C. Gibbs has lately received from Lafayette $325 in currency, and from Roseburg, Coll's Valley precinct, and Ten Mile precinct, Douglas county, $351 95.

A LOYAL CHICKEN.—The "Sanitary rooster" at Portland has already contributed $304 in currency to the fund.

....John H. Scranton, for a long time mail carrier in Oregon and Washington Territory, died recently at the Stokton (Cal.) Insane Asylum.

SIDE WALKS.—We notice that, under the late city ordinance, great improvements have been made in the side-walks about town.

....At the celebration in Walla Walla, on the 4th, a beautiful silver trumpet was presented to the Washington Fire Company, by H. Parker, Esq.

....Rev. J. O. Raynor, has been appointed army chaplain at Port Stellacoom, W. T., and has left for the field of his labors.

MURDER IN WASHINGTON TERRITORY.—A Mr. Tucker, living at Dungeness, W. T., was shot a few days since, while mowing in the field, by some person unknown.

STEAMER TELEGRAPHED.—The steamer Pacific sailed from San Francisco for Victoria and Portland on Saturday morning last.

....We are again under obligations to Stratman & Co., for late numbers of the following papers and periodicals. The New York *World, Clipper, Ledger, Illustrated News, Harper's Weekly, Police Gazette and the Phunny Phellow.*

....The *Oregonian* is informed that Capt. Medorum Crawford has accepted the position of Internal Revenue Collector, and has appointed Levi Anderson of Portland as his deputy.

....Canyon City is represented as a busy mining camp at this time. Every body seems to be at work, and there appears to be an abundance of water. A new town called Daysville has been laid off at the mouth of Canyon Creek, and already there are a number of houses built and in process of construction. Miner's wages $4 50 and $5 a day without board. Two hurdy-gurdy institutions are nightly running, drawing crowded houses; whisky mills are plentiful.

RATHER WARM.—The *Oregonian* complains that for a few days past, the weather in the commercial Metropolis has been excessively hot. We don't know whether it was as warm as the Nevada *Gazette* says it was once in Cincinnati, when a little nigger who had leaned against the side of a house to sun himself, melted and run all over the yard, compelling his afflicted mother to gather him up in a basket, or whether the range of heat has been below that standard. Up this way, about 85 or 90, in the shade, has been a fair average.

TALL RYE AND GOOD WHEAT.—Mr. Prettyman of Polk county, has left at our office some stalks of wheat and rye that are of uncommon growth, the rye measuring 8 feet. The heads of wheat are large, and the berry uncommonly plump. Mr. P is a good Union man, and as he has good varieties of grain, we judge him to be a thrifty farmer.

THANKS.—To Hon. J. R. McBride for valuable public documents.

....John L. Zieber, son of John S. Zieber, Esq., died at his father's residence this morning. He formerly served as a clerk in the Land Office under his father, and was well and favorably known in and about Salem as a young man of industry, honesty, and sterling worth. He leaves a wife and one child to mourn his loss. His death which was caused by consumption, has been anticipated for several months.

....A considerable number of gentlemen from Portland have been in town during the past week. Some of them attracted we suppose by the examination of the University students and the ceremonies at the laying of the corner stone of the new College, while others were attracted by the glare of the Santiam gold. We recognized Gov. Gibbs, H. W. Corbett, Mr. Masters, Hon. J. H. Mitchell, and others.

FINE GOLD.—Tracy & King made an assay yesterday of the 61. 02-100 ounces of amalgam, from 1500 lbs., of the Ruckle vein quartz, of the Rockfellow lode, which was spoken of in this paper recently, and it has yielded a brick of the finest gold ever assayed in Oregon, being 946 fine, worth over $19 50 per ounce. As we predicted long since, the men who have much of that rock have their piles, to a dead certainty. Col. Ruckle has the brick, and it is a "perfect" specimen.—*Oregonian.*

....Messrs. Cooper, Masters and J. H. Moores started out this morning to locate the road from Salem to Quartzville, in the Santiam mines. They expect to be absent several days, and intend to make a thorough survey of the route. Geo. H. Jones also accompanies the party.

SELLING LIQUOR TO INDIANS.—At the late term of the Circuit Court, at the Dalles, Judge Wilson presiding, James Diffen was indicted for selling liquor to Indians. He plead guilty and was fined $200 and costs. Served him right.

....The navigation of the upper Willamette is closed on account of low water. The Relief came up on her last trip yesterday and returned this morning. We shall hear no more steamboat whistles until the fall rains again raise the river.

COMPLIMENTARY.—A complimentary dinner was tendered to Capt. Olney's Company at the Dalles on Monday last, by Thomas Smith, of the "Empire." The company marched out on Tuesday afternoon.

....S. W. Sawyer, who in an affray at Kirbyville on the 7th inst., killed a man named Hughey, has been held to bail in the sum of $10,000 for his appearance at the next term of the Josephine county Circuit Court.

....A piece of gold-bearing quartz was on exhibition at the Dennison House in Portland, on Wednesday, taken from a late discovery in the Eagle Creek Mountains, Baker county, Oregon.

PROVOST MARSHAL.—Col. English, of the 1st Regiment, Washington Territory Infantry, arrived last evening from Walla Walla, to assume the position of U. S. Assistant Provost Marshal General for Oregon, Washington and Idaho, vice Major McLean, resigned.—*Oregonian.*

NEARLY A FIRE.—The alarm bell was sounded about 9 o'clock last night, upon the discovery of fire in a stable belonging to Mr. Biglow, in the rear of S. Maltese's store. The fire was evidently the work of incendiaries, as a quantity of cotton cloth saturated in coal oil was found to be in flames, and had it not been for its timely discovery, much valuable property would have been destroyed.—*Mountaineer, July 25th.*

....The work on Griswold's Theater approaches completion. When finished it will be a neat hall, well-seated and well-ventilated, and will supply a want that lecturers, vocalists and theatrical troupes heretofore visiting our city, have felt the importance of. We understand it has been leased to G. B. Waldron, who expects to be here with a star troupe during the session of the Legislature and the State Fair.

....The Moores brothers are an enterprising firm. They have arranged a gentlemen's furnishing department in the second story of their building, and any gentleman who has the "scads" can step in there for a few minutes and come out a "new man." There is but one secret of their success—they advertise.

....There were one hundred and sixteen students in attendance at the Sisters' school in this place during the last term. This is about as many as they have facilities for accommodating. We understand they intend making additions to their building.

....We omitted in our report of the school exercises to give the names of the graduates. They were as follows: Regular course, S. C. Simpson, C. W. Parrish; scientific, J. P. Jones. Young ladies: Eliza Cross, Annie Robb, Pauline Whitson, and Clara A. Watt.

HOT.—Yesterday was one of the hottest days of the season in these parts—mercury 90 in the shade. We learn that it stood 96 the day before in Portland.

....The County Court of Marion county advertise for proposals to repair the Court House. A chance for some one who owns no feet in Santiam.

....The *Mountaineer* says that incendiary attempts have been quite frequent at the Dalles of late.

....The roof of the dwelling of Mr. John Byrne, in this place, caught fire on Saturday night last, but the flames were extinguished before any material damage was done.

PORTLAND MARKET.—Following are the prices for the week ending July 23d: Flour, 56a87; wheat, $1; bacon, 19a22; butter, 20a25; eggs, 25a28; wool, 20a22.

....Judge Huelat, of Clackamas, has resigned.

BADLY BURNED.—Mr. Smith, the owner of the Mansion House, and the heaviest loser by the fire, had his hands and arms badly burned in endeavoring to extinguish the flames. Mr. Smith has in every way been unfortunate, though we hope he has yet something to lean upon in his old age. To be left penniless in his time of life, is indeed a sad calamity.

RE-INSTATED.—We learn that Col Steinberger, formerly in command of the Regiment of Washington Territory Volunteers, has been restored to his military rank, and assigned to the command of a cavalry regiment now in active service in the army.

CONVICTED.—John W. Patten and Charles Baggs, convicted of burglary, were sentenced to three years in the penitentiary by the Circuit Court of Oregon for Wasco county on Thursday last.

DEDICATION.—The new Catholic church at Milwaukie was dedicated yesterday.

....The new building owned and lately built by Varony, opposite the Mansion, was considerably damaged by fire on Saturday.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

NEW YORK, July 20.—The *Herald's* Washington special says it is reported in official circles, and is generally believed, that Stanton has resigned his position as Secretary of War. The immediate cause appears to be the quarrels which grew out of the rebel attack on Washington, Blair charging incompetency and cowardice upon Stanton and Halleck for their want of management during the raid. Among the candidates mentioned to succeed Stanton are Senator John Sherman and Gen. Schenck. The burning of Post Master General Blair's house by the rebels has led to other than Cabinet complications.

WASHINGTON, July 19.—Gen. Sherman announces on the 18th, that having previously crossed the Chattahoochie with his whole army, he advanced five miles south of the river and crossed Rooah Tree creek. This advance was made without resistance, except slight skirmishing with the rebel rear. This move necessarily forces Johnston into the defenses of Atlanta, and places that city within range of Sherman's guns. Subsequent to crossing the Chattahoochie, Gen. Sherman has occupied his troops in tearing up railroads most important to the rebels.

CHICAGO, July 20.—A letter from Sherman's army says the 11th and 12th corps have been consolidated, forming the 20th corps, under Hooker.

HALIFAX, July 19.—The Europa, from Liverpool, 9th, and Queenstown, 10th, has arrived.

The debates in Parliament resulted in a majority of 18 for the government in the House of Commons, and a majority of 9 against in the House of Lords.

The steamer Yedo, which was supposed to be a Confederate vessel, has been sold to the Russian government.

The Great Eastern left London on the 10th to take on the Atlantic cable.

The result of the vote on the resolution to censure, is regarded as a satisfactory indorsement of the ministerial policy, but no great triumph.

The Danish ministry have resigned.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 21.—The markets are firm. Flour, superfine, $9,50; extra, $10; Alviso, $10,50. The Trent, 109 days from Rio Janeiro, with a condemned cargo, has arrived; also the ship Berlin, from Glasgow.

Legal tenders, 40 @ 40½.

NEW YORK, July 19.—A dispatch to the New York papers from Washington says Secretary Fessenden will soon issue proposals for a more extensive loan than fifty millions. He reports that the confidence felt in the Government by the bankers of New York is among the most gratifying features of his visit to that place. It also says Mr. Fessenden will put a loan of a hundred millions on the market.

The damage done to the railroads has been fully repaired. Trains are running regularly to and from Washington.

Correspondence from the Army of the Potomac says the artillery fight on the 15th lasted two hours, during which our shells burst directly over the rebel embrasures, destroying their cannon and forcing them to retire. They lost six guns.

Richmond papers have a dispatch from Charleston, July 10th, which says the Federals have evacuated Johnson's Island. It is noticed that transports are quite busy moving troops, chiefly to Morris Island. The bombardment of Sumter is still kept up.

LOUISVILLE, July 19.—Four rebel prisoners have been sent from our military prison to Mitchellsville and Clarksville, Tenn., to be shot in retaliation for the murder of two Union men near those places.

On the 5th of July, Gen. Washburne sent from Memphis a force of infantry, cavalry, and artillery to La Grange, under Maj. Gen. A. J. Smith, with Brig.-Gens. Mower and Grierson, with instructions to pursue Forrest, bring him to bay, fight and whip him. The orders were to pursue him to Columbus, Miss., if they did not overtake him this side of that point. A dispatch from Smith to Washburne, received July 17, says: I met Lee, Forrest, and Walker at Tupelo, Mississippi, and whipped them badly on three different days. Our loss is small compared to that of the rebels. I bring back everything in good order.

A scout who has since arrived at La Grange reports the enemy's loss at 2,500, and their defeat as overwhelming.

From other sources we learn that Smith met Forrest near Pontotoc, Mississippi, on the 13th, and fought that day and the two following days, driving him below Tupelo, whipping him badly in five different battles. Our loss is said to be 300, while the rebel loss is over 2,000.

ROUTE FROM RED BLUFF TO BOISE.—The Virginia *Union* publishes a letter from John Edgar who has travelled the road from Sacramento by way of Pitt river to the Boise mines. The writer speaks in very disparaging terms of the road and thinks that "few travelling to Idaho will be fooled by the Red Bluff pathfinder after this year."

The best route from California to Bannock and Boise mines—though not the shortest—is undoubtedly through the Willamette valley.—A straight line from Red Bluff to the mines leads across such extensive parched and barren deserts, and over so rugged and difficult mountains, that it can never be used as the main thoroughfare.

DOWN IN COOS.—We have received a long communication from a gentleman in Coos county in relation to the writ of *habeas corpus*, in the case of the Indians removed by the Agent, Mr. Harvey. He avers that our statement that no writ was issued was incorrect. We believe the facts were that a writ was issued, but never served, and therefore the *result* was the same as if had never issued. Our limits would not permit us to publish the long letter of our correspondent, even if the matter had not measurably ceased to be of interest to the public.

THE NEW P. M. AT SAN FRANCISCO.—Much dissatisfaction appears to exist in San Francisco with the lately appointed postmaster, R. F. Perkins. Petitions are in circulation in that city, asking for his removal and the appointment of Wm. H. Stevens in his place.—The petitions allege that Perkins is notoriously incompetent, and grossly mismanages the affairs of his office, to the great detriment of the public and of the department. Mr. Stevens was the former Superintendent of the Branch Mint at San Francisco.

☞ The rebel papers state that Stonewall Jackson and other of their Generals were shot by their own men. This is ominous. No such accidents—if they were accidents—ever happened in our army. Robespierre was guillotined by the very men he had deluded into revolution. Let Jeff. Davis take care.—*N. Y. Herald.*

An "accident" of this kind was said to have occurred in this State (then Territory), in the Indian war of 1855.

INTERESTING RELIC.—At the Sanitary fair at Pittsburg, Pa., a piano was exhibited which formerly belonged to General Washington. It is now the property of a gentleman who resides at Barnesville, Ohio.

FIRE IN SALEM.

On Saturday last about 1 P. M. a fire broke out in room No. 3 of the Mansion House, in this city, and the flames spread so rapidly that in five minutes the whole upper stories were enveloped. The Mansion was soon consumed, and the fire continuing to spread, in about 40 minutes burned all the buildings adjoining on that block, to Shiel's law office, which was not at all injured. The Wilson building was destroyed, with more or less of the fixtures of the S. of T. Division, which had its hall in the second story. Mr. Kronenberger was just getting a start in business, having closely applied himself for some years here, and Mr. Marshall was preparing to commence marketing again in the new front of his building. The residence of Mr. J. D. Smith, near the Mansion, was new, as were all the buildings adjoining the hotel. The losses, as near as we are able to ascertain them, are as follows: J. D. Smith, $5,000; J. G. Wilson, $500; G. V. Marshall, $1,600; K. Kronenberger, $1,700; total, $7,800. This includes only the losses of real estate owners, and if all losses of persons who had property in the buildings were included, such as the clothing of boarders in the Mansion House, and other articles of individual property of which we are not able to obtain any correct account, the total loss would probably reach at least nine thousand dollars. The loss of the Mansion House, enlarged, and refitted, as it was soon to be, so short a time before the convening of the Legislature and the State Fair, is one that will be seriously felt.

DAMAGED BY THE FIRE.—The Dudley House, in this city, suffered by the fire on Saturday. Loss, near $200. Windows were broken in, and all the furniture, beds, bedding, carpets, &c., removed. And to facilitate the removal, looking-glasses and furniture of that description, were pitched out the second story, as far as possible, of course, to remove them from danger by fire. Dr. Hamilton, on coming from the scene of the conflagration, found that his "pill shop" and apothecary stand had been removed, and distributed, by some kind friends, promiscuously over Wilson Avenue. Neighbor Coleman was used rather roughly, though he will be able to serve his customers in a day or two.

THE RAILROAD.

We find the following in the Pacific *Tribune* of July 24:

THE PROJECTED RAILROAD.—The following letter was last week received by Judge McFadden, making inquiries in regard to some extracts we published a few weeks since, from a letter written to him by Hon. Geo. E. Cole.—The road referred to in Mr. Gaston's letter is the same connecting link of iron that will soon bind California and Oregon. It is the continuation of the proposed road from Sacramento to Portland, connecting the salt waters of the north with the Sacramento river. A joint memorial was unanimously passed by both houses of the Legislature at its last session, introduced by Judge McFadden, asking that an appropriation of lands and money be made to assist in the construction of a road from the Columbia river to Puget Sound, corresponding with similar grants for the construction of a road through California and Oregon. In obedience to this memorial Mr. Cole introduced a bill embracing the general features we have spoken of.

It is truly gratifying to notice the energy displayed by the company in pushing the enterprise, and we trust they will extend their survey to the Sound during the present season, and secure the valuable tracts of land granted to the company building the road:

OFFICE OREGON R. R. SURVEY,
JACKSONVILLE, OG'N, June 22, 1864.

HON. O. B. MCFADDEN, DEAR SIR:—I clipped the enclosed slip from the daily *Oregonian*, and now I take the liberty of asking a question for information. To what railroad does Mr. Cole refer in the first sentence of the extract from your letter. Is it the California and Oregon railroad now being surveyed through this state, or where has it the beginning and end. I make this inquiry for the reason that the friends of the above named railroad have determined to embrace in it an extension to Puget Sound if possible, and if Mr. Cole has already procured the extension, I will endeavor to have the engineers go through to the Sound with the survey this summer. I send you a marked copy of the Oregon *Sentinel*, with an article therein on the subject. Please answer and oblige. Very truly yours, J. GASTON,
Sec. Cal. and Og'n R. R.

FROM MEXICO.—Dates from Mazatlan, 7th. The Mexican General Uraga is said to have surrendered with his army to the French General Douay at Guadalajara.

The Mexican General Ortega, with 2000 troops, had fled to the north, and Durango was expected to surrender to the French.

The fortifications building at Mazatlan had been abandoned and the troops discharged for want of pay.

The anniversary of the defeat of the French at Puebla was celebrated with great *eclat* in Mazatlan by the Mexican and American residents, in full view of the French blockading fleet.

IMPROVED MAIL ARRANGEMENTS.—We are informed by Mr. C. M. Carter, Esq., Special Mail Agent, that the U. S. Mail is now running from Portland through to Olympia, without interruption at Monticello. The new schedule time, just received from the Department, requires the contractor to wait until one o'clock P. M.—the boat arriving at noon—instead of leaving at 7 A. M., as heretofore.—*Oregonian.*

"Have we a Postal agent among us?" is now the question. If Mr. Carter has any authority from the department to act, we hope he will give our entire mail system a thorough overhauling. Mr. C. is very competent for the service and can benefit the state very much if he will undertake it.

MINING IN YREKA.—The Yreka *Journal* says: "Greenhorn creek seems to be turning out as well as in its palmiest days. Some of the drift diggings are paying rich, while the Chinese companies are all making money.—The receipts of gold from this little creek will average at least $5,000 per week.

Many an Oregonian has made his "pile" on that same Greenhorn gulch.

☞ General McDowell is inspecting the forts and batteries around the harbor of San Francisco. The California papers are as loud in his praise as they were in laudations of Gen. Wright when he took command.

WM. PITT FESSENDEN.—This gentleman, who has succeeded Mr. Chase as Secretary of the Treasury, the Call says, "is a man and statesman, as well as financier, worthy of the position. He is nearly fifty-eight years of age. At the age of twenty-five, thirty-three years ago, in 1831, he was a member of the Legislature of Maine, as also in 1839, 1845, 1846, 1853, 1854. He was elected to Congress in 1840, and again in 1850, having several times declined a nomination. The Whig party on several occasions give him their vote for United States Senator. He was elected to that position in 1854, and again in 1857, for six years. Besides these, he has held several other important positions, all of which he has filled with consummate ability. He has no superior in the Senate, if indeed an equal, either as a debater, a statesman of broad and patriotic views, or a financier of marked ability. He is the son of General Samuel Fessenden, of Portland, Maine, formerly one of the ablest lawyers of that State. He has ever expressed a preference for the practice of his profession, the law, but has sacrificed his inclinations to his fellow-citizens. The country will doubtless be the gainer by a similar sentiment of patriotism which has induced him to accept the responsible position to which the President nominated without consulting him, and which the Senate unanimously confirmed."

☞ Iratahn, the great Indian chief, has become so far civilized as to appear at Washington in a suit of fashionable wearing apparel, made by Heuston, Hartings & Co., of New York, ordered and presented by Uncle Abe himself.

Special Notices.

Religious.

Elder George W. Richardson will preach at Mill Creek Church, three miles west of Sublimity, on the 30th and 31st inst., at 11 o'clock, A.M., on each day.

MRS. S. A. ALLEN,
A LADY OF WORLD-WIDE REPUTATION.

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Always Safe! Always Effectual!—Are you a sufferer from Fever and Ague? Are you afflicted with the periodical return of that cold and formal visitor, the chill, followed by its faithful attendants, the burning fever and drenching perspiration? Lose no time, then in procuring a bottle of Dr. Osgood's India Cholagogue. You will have but one chill at most after you commence it and probably none at all. Your neighbor who has used the medicine will assure you of this. It is but the promise of a result which thousands have already realized, and which your own experience will most fully prove. If you have been disappointed in other medicines, and are doubtful of all, obtain the Cholagogue and you will doubt no longer.

Imitations are abroad! Be particular to enquire for *Dr. Osgood's India Cholagogue.*

Sold everywhere. REDINGTON & CO., 416 and 418 Front street, San Francisco, sole agents for the Pacific Coast. 1m19

MR. R. HOCKADY stated that he was induced to try Dr. WM. HALL'S BALSAM FOR THE LUNGS from the recommendation of others. He gave it to a child eleven months old; also used it in his family generally for coughs and colds, and in every instance found immediate relief, and that he would not be without it. Mr. J. B. MILLER states that he used Dr. Wm. HALL'S BALSAM FOR THE LUNGS with great benefit to himself; he was entirely relied of a severe cough. His neighbor was bleeding at the Lungs, to whom he administered a part of one bottle and it entirely cured him. Mr. JOHN DAVIS was cured of a severe cough, and also gave it to his infant child for the hooping cough, and says it is the medicine of medicines. Mr. JAMES N. HARDEN of Rock Castle, wished it proclaimed everywhere that his daughter, aged sixteen years, was sorely afflicted with cough and bleeding at the lung for seven months. She was cured sound and well by using part of one bottle of Dr. WM. HALL'S BALSAM FOR THE LUNGS. Mr. Wm. HARDEN testifies that his wife was greatly afflicted with cough, and suffering much with pain in her breast and side; also her little daughter, aged two years, had so greatly suffered with phthisic that her life was despaired of. Both mother and child found immediate relief in using Dr. WM. HALL'S BALSAM FOR THE LUNGS. These are a few of the many testimonials I have received in favor of your great Lung Remedy, and if you desire, I can send many more which have come to my knowledge. Respectfully yours, I. D. SMITH, Richmond, Ky., July 15, 1856. Sold by REDINGTON & CO., 416 and 418 Front street, San Francisco, who are also agents for the Pacific Coast for the sale of *Scovill's Blood and Liver Syrup*, and we would direct the attention of those who suffer from scrofula, eruptions, or any other impurity of the blood, to *Scovill's Blood and Liver Syrup* as it will cleanse the blood and permanently eradicate from the system the cause of the disease, thereby restoring health and vivacity to the system.—*Scovill's Blood and Liver Syrup* is compounded upon scientific principles and with great care. We do not pretend it is a cure all, nor that in all cases and under all circumstances, it is absolutely infallible. *Common sense teaches us that the day of Miracles has passed*, but science and facts remain, and on the strength of these we call attention to *Scovill's Blood and Liver Syrup.* The noble science of medicine is controlled by the same powers which govern the entire world.—Were the invalid patients simply to take this medicine for a short time, in cases of *Goitre, syphilitic or scrofulous tumors, ulceration of the bones, etc*, and then drop it, they would receive from it but very little good; for unless *persevered in*, the money expended for it is comparatively *thrown away*, nobody is benefited, the disease remains uncured; and the reputation of the medicine is injured. The action of *Scovill's Blood and Liver Syrup* is through the secretion of the absorbent vessels, which consists in receiving or taking up certain substances known as *virus or poisonous principles*, and removing them from the *diseased parts* through the secretions and exhalants, until they are carried from the system; at the same time *good blood is transported through the vessels* to the diseased parts of the body. REDINGTON & CO., Agents, 416 and 418 Front street, San Francisco, and for sale by all druggists. 1m20

Notice.

ALL persons holding a license under the U. S. Excise Law are required to comply with the following instructions, viz: Changing their place of business from that specified in their license, selling out to other parties to occupy the same place, dissolution of partnership, or taking others others into partnership, using the same license, must apply to the Assessor in their division; that the changes so made in their business, may be entered on their license; otherwise they will be liable to pay for a new license.

THOS. FRAZER,
U. S. Assessor of Oregon.

U. S. ASSESSOR'S OFFICE,
Portland, Oregon, July 21st, 1864. d1w3w4w21

Notice.

AT a meeting of the Directors of the Union Gold and Silver Mining Company, held July 21st, an assessment was levied of Five Dollars upon each and every share of capital stock of said Company for the purpose of paying for a Quartz Mill already contracted for, and said assessments to be paid within thirty days from date, to the Secretary of the Company in United State gold coin. RUFUS MALLORY, Sec'y.
July 22, 1864. dcod4w3w21

MILITARY COMPANIES, ATTENTION!

THE undersigned have received, direct from New York, the following goods, suitable for uniforms of infantry, cavalry and artillery:

Sashes, Coat and Vest Buttons,
Silk Cord, Red, Yellow and Blue,
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QUEENSWARE, IRON AND STEEL, etc.,
Salem, July 16, 1864. 20t

Notice.

OFFICE SANTIAM GOLD AND SILVER MINING CO
Salem, Oregon, July 14, 1864.

AT a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santiam Gold and Silver Mining Company, on the 14th day of July, A.D., 1864, an assessment of three dollars per share, in U. S. coin, was levied on the capital stock of said company. Two thirds of said sum to be paid within thirty days, and the remaining one-third at the end of sixty days.

GEO. A. EDES, Pres.
RUFUS MALLORY, Sec'y. 4w29

Administrators, Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed Administrator of the Estate of C. F. Bourne, deceased, of Douglas county, Oregon. All persons having claims against said estate are requested to present the same to him at Scottsburg, in said county, within six months from this date, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment. JOHN NICHOLSON.
Roseburg, July 16, 1864. 4w30

Administrator's Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of H. G. Reinhard, deceased, of Douglas county, Oregon. All persons having claims against said estate are requested to present the same to the undersigned at his residence in Deer Creek precinct, in said county, within six months from this date, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment of the same. 4w30 L. HOWE.
Roseburg, Douglas Co., Ogn., June 11, 1864.

Sheriff Sale.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT BY virtue of an execution issued by the Clerk of the circuit court of the State of Oregon, for the county of Polk, in said State, and to me directed, in favor of Ashbel Bush and against Wm. Taylor, for want of personal property to satisfy the same, I have levied upon and will proceed to sell to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, at the court house door, in Dallas, in said county, on Saturday, the 20th day of August, A. D., 1864, between the hours of 9 o'clock, A.M., and 4 o'clock, P.M., of said day, all the right, title and interest of the said defendant of, in and to the following described premises, to wit: Known as the s e ¼ of sec 12, and a strip 3 chs wide from the south side of the n e ¼ of said section; also the following tract—Beginning at the n e corner of claim no. 50 not no. 1,915, thence w 10 chs, thence s 78.84 chains, thence e 10 chains, thence n 78.84 chains, containing 250 acres, more or less; the above described tract being part of sections 12, 13, and 24 in t 7 s, r 5 w of the Willamette meridian; also the fractional w ½ of sec 19 in t 7 s, r 4 w, and the n e ¼ of sec 24 in t 7 s, r 5 w, in the county of Polk, and State of Oregon, containing 301¼ acres, more or less, it being the land claim originally held by Daniel Chandler and Marth Ann, his wife, sold to satisfy said execution, costs and accruing costs. I. M. BUTLER,
Dallas, July 4, A. D. 1864—4w13 Sheriff.

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Notice.

SEALED proposals for repairing the Court House in Marion county, will be received at the County Clerk's Office, in Salem, in said county, until the 1st day of August, 1864, at which time said proposals will be submitted to the County Commissioners, for examination. All necessary information concerning said repairs, can be obtained at the