

CORRESPONDENCE.

OLYMPIA, W. T., March 1st, '72. Ed. REGISTER:—Permit me to give you a synopsis of my journey from the land of much plowing and grain gathering to this land of tall timber and head-of-navigation and tidewater on the Puget Sound.

Portland and its surroundings give a stranger a favorable impression and makes an Oregonian feel proud of the Commercial Emporium of his State, and, in fact, of all north of San Francisco, for such she is bound to be, being at present the outlet of all the grain market of the upper Willamette and the goods exchanged therefor, therefore these need no blow.

On the morning of the 15th we embarked for Monticello, W. T. Our trip down the Willamette and Columbia in a little tub, is not of any great moment. The day was misty and rainy, and the villages were past without much remark until we came to Kalama, on the north bank of the Columbia, and about half way between the mouth of the Willamette and that of the Cowlitz.

Monticello, on the Cowlitz, is a pert, sandy-bottomed little burg, fast washing away. At this place we shipped for Pumphrey's, the head of navigation on the Cowlitz. We took the mountain pass, known as Paddy's Road, and made Pumphrey's by noon Saturday.

Here we begin to find Oregonians and receive welchot hospitalities. W. G. Scott and sons, live on large farms near here. Mr. Scott has a well cultivated, deep, loamy, situation. He is farming as he did of yore in Linn county.

At the edge of this prairie, we left the stage-road and took the tele-

graph trail, which is a very good road. The telegraph poles are made of hewn cedar, and superior to any we had seen.

Now for Olympia: Situated on Budd's Inlet, Puget Sound, built on a small, level and gently sloping sandy-clay. Mills, houses are all made of wooden materials, surrounded by maple shade trees—busy fishermen and hawling huckmen—every boy you meet is on the trot—the capital of Washington Territory and headquarters of U. S. federal officers.

It is also a terminus of the N. P. Railroad. I have seen the city only during the rainy season, and shall not speak of its present appearance. There are two bridges built over the Inlet, one at Olympia, 600 hundred yards long, and one connecting Olympia and Tumwater, a cozy, quiet lumber-making town, at the head of salt-water, and at the falls of the Deschutes river. The railroad to Kalama passes through it. It contains saw-mills, two grist-mills, three planers, two chair and furniture shops, and one sash and door factory.

Now for Chehalis, 30 miles west of Olympia. I took the mail road leading to Elma, on the Chehalis, Friday noon, and made Clarley Nye's by Sunday at 10 o'clock A. M. Here I found many Linn county friends. It is situated on rich bottom lands, on a navigable river, fifteen miles from tide-water, connected with Olympia by a good stage road, and a road up the bottom to Black river, to be made the coming Summer. For depth of soil, vastness of timber, morality of citizens, scarcity of liquor-shops and Democrats, it can't be beat.

NORTH WEST.

A SLOW TRAIN.—Artemus ward, when a young man, once brought up in Cleveland and took up the profession of reporter for one of the papers there. Out that way there was a remarkably slow railroad, and Artemus used to say there was a man, young, buoyant, full of hope, and as lighthearted a convict as could possibly be found, who was going to spend a couple of years in the penitentiary at the other end of the road.

The road was a source of great annoyance to Artemus, and one day he remonstrated with the conductor, telling him that the road was an injustice to mankind, "You ought to put the cowcatcher on the other end of the train—there's where the danger is."

"Here you little rascal, walk up here and give an account of yourself—where have you been?" "After the girls, father."

Can a lover be called a sutor when he don't suit her?

A Racy Account of the Ball.

A crazy correspondent thinks that he attended the ball given in honor of the Duke Alexis at the Academy of Music, New York, and gives the following account of it:

IT WAS GENERALLY EXPECTED that the Duke would arrive by the way of the Fourteenth street entrance, in fact the committee had by a strategic movement conveyed this impression, and it was here that the heaviest and most skillful butchering was done. And as fast as a corpse fell, it was removed to one side, until at nine o'clock the street was blocked by several cords of victims who had forfeited their lives by their curiosity. Alexis did not make his entrance at the Fourteenth street, or private entrance. On the contrary, a tunnel had been constructed from Thirteenth street, leading to and opening in under the stage of the Academy, and while the brilliant throng were impatiently peering the hall awaiting his arrival, there was a sudden fall in the conversation, a bell sounded behind the scene and with a bang! and sounding blast from musclicans, a trap-door opened in the stage and the Grand Duke shot upward several feet in the air after the most approved Harlequin fashion, came down on all fours, and stood upon his head while he removed his overcoat and furs, and then turning a back-ward-mannered salute, he rose on an erect position and came down suitingly to the centre of the dancing floor.

HOW LOVELY! How elegant! came from a hundred rosy lips on every side, and it was universally acknowledged that his manner of entering the ball room was superior to that of the Prince of Wales. Alexis was neatly, but not plumply, attired in a bear-skin "wanwan," ornamented on either breast with the striped tail of the same animal, which, hanging pendant, swung and bobbed with his every motion, and likewise served as a handle for his partner while waiting.

HIS TROUSERS were of the "Well" pattern, full breasted in the rear and were from a piece of plush cloth which Pullman had left from trimming one of his coaches. He wore a pair of De Wellington Boots, with soles an inch and three quarters thick, and ornamented with a bay window over each toe to give ease to his coxae. His shirt was of the jockey pattern, and ornamented with horse shoes, while on the bosom were admirable portraits of Dexter and Lady Thorne. This shirt was worn in compliment to Robert Bonner, whose paper the Duke takes regularly, and is much interested in the "answers to correspondents." His head was clipped in the customary Mace and Colburn style, and was slightly oiled with goose grease, which diffused a delicious and intoxicating odor.

HIS MUSTACHE which was beswaxed to the firmness of a clerk's in the Erie Railroad office, gave a most picturesque appearance to his chin, which was shaven clean. A magnificent Alaska diamond completed his outfit, which was gay in the extreme. But it is his commanding figure that wins for him the admiration of the fair sex. Standing with two feet in his boots and six feet above them, making in all eight feet, he compares the Herculean beauty of Ned O'Ballwin the "Irish Giant," with the gentleness of a last year's clam. And his symmetrical proportions, not unlike the Colossus of Rhodes, added to a smiling demeanor like that of the "Heathen Chinee," serves to inspire all around him with a platonic affection that only needs cultivation to inspire the possessor to know more of him and borrow money of him if possible.

IT WOULD REQUIRE THE BRAIN of Alexander Stephens, and the product of a paper mill, to describe the rare and magnificent toilettes present. Diamonds were to be seen in countless numbers, from the gorgeous solitaire of a Sixth-ward politician, and the mammoth cluster of a buckwheat oil prince, down to the modest, unassuming sparkler of Tweed or Fiskian style. An eminent importer of hair said that there was five hundred thousand dollars' worth of purchased capillary substance to be seen in the room, or enough to mix all the mortar used on the Court-house, and give the desired consistency to all the boarding-house butter consumed during the past year.

MADAME CATS-CRAZY was attired in a lovely lamb and green peas silk out appropos in the back, and gored in the bulkiest manner about the bottom. Her hair was cut daodele, and her slippers were run down at the heel a la mode de clambermaid.

On the western coast of Africa is the State of Iberio. Kambull is the king thereof. He is evidently a wise and prudent monarch and has not postponed preparations for death. An envoy extraordinary from this country has recently brought to one of the principal cabinet makers of Paris, instructions for making a coffin for the king. It is to be three meters in length and a meter and a half in height, blue in color, polished and varnished, and the walls are to be made of gold. It is to rest on four feet of massive silver. The interior will be lined with red velvet, and a magnificent cushion will be placed for the head to repose on. Six windows will be made in the lid, and windows are also to be placed in the side. The maker has also received orders to place inside the coffin six bottles of cognac, two pipes, and a chessboard and chess-men. These objects are destined to accompany his majesty on his voyage to the other world.

Alexander H. Stephens takes this view of politics:

If the Democratic leaders should condescend with so-called liberal Republicans, and nominate a Republican for the Presidency, a large number of the Southern Democrats will vote for General Grant. They have no particular objection any way to General Grant, and they will, by voting for him, not only manifest their just indignation at those of their leaders who will have betrayed them and sacrificed their principles by nominating a Republican, but they will show their good sense by preferring the real to the spurious article.

A Novel Gun-Carriage.

Out in a certain West-Isle fort, some time ago, the Major conceived the idea that artillery might be used effectively in fighting with the Indians, by discharging with gun-carriages and fastening the cannon upon the backs of mules. So he explained his views to the commandant, and it was determined to try the experiment. A small howitzer was selected and strapped upon an ambulance mule with the muzzle pointing toward the rear. When they had secured the gun, and loaded it with ball-cartridge, they led the mule and standstill mule out to the bluff and set up a target in the middle of the river to practice at. The rear of the mule was turned toward the target, and he was backed gently up to the edge of the bluff. The officers stood around in a semicircle, while the Major went up and inserted a three-four in the touch-hole of the howitzer. When the fuse was ready, the Major lit it and retired. In a minute or two the hitherto muffled mule heard the fizzing back there on his neck, and it made him uneasy. He reached his head around to ascertain what was going on, and as he did so, his body turned and the howitzer began to sweep the horizon. The mule at last became excited, as his curiosity grew more and more intense, and in a second or two he was standing with his four legs in a bunch, making six revolutions a minute, and the howitzer, under-stated, threatening sudden death to every man within half a mile. The commandant was observed to climb suddenly up a tree; the Lieutenant were seen sliding over the bluff into the river, as if they didn't care at all about the high price of uniforms; the adjutant made good time toward the fort; the sergeant began to throw up his hat with his bayonet, and the Major roared over the ground and groaned. In two or three minutes there was a puff of smoke, a dull thud and the mule—oh! where was he? A solitary jackass might have been seen tumbling successive back-somersaults over the bluff, only to rest at anchor, finally, with his howitzer, at the bottom of the river; while the ball went off toward the fort, lit the chimney in the Major's quarters, rattled the adobe bricks down into the parlor, and frightened the Major's wife into convulsions. They do not attend to it now, and no report of the results of the experiment was ever sent to the War Department.

Practical Civil Service Reform.

The following pointed paragraph is from the New York Herald: President Grant has a practical way of settling about civil service reform which is not acceptable to office holders of a certain description or to those who are simply political reformers. When the realities of the general order business were proved to his satisfaction, the President went to the root of the evil by ordering the abolition of the system. Now that the abuses existing in the New York Custom House are exposed, he wastes no time in beating about the bush, but begs his game at once by ordering the United States District Attorney to proceed against every officer who has been shown to have received a bribe, and against every person who has offered a bribe to an official. Grant deals with dishonest public employees as he dealt with the southern rebels—he marches direct on their lines. At this rate the growers who are in the President had better be contented to remain out of office.

BLANKET YOUR HORSE.—At this season of the year, when we have many cold, windy days, horses when left standing in our streets for any length of time, should have some sort of covering thrown over them to keep them warm and comfortable and prevent them from becoming chilled. Careful drivers will always do this, and in passing through our streets it is very gratifying to notice so many horses kindly cared for in this respect, indicating the pleasant sympathy and interest of the owner for the welfare of his beast. There are those, however, who possess so little sympathy and care for their animals that they never think of protecting them against cold, even when sweaty from hard driving or overwork. Such people ought never to have the charge of a horse, but as this cannot always be regulated, they should be compelled in some way to take proper care of them.—Horsehold Publisher.

PAPER COMFORTABLES.—The mode of making comfortable carriers by lining them with newspapers, is good, as long as they last, which cannot be long, especially after washing a few times. I have tried a similar way of attaining the same object on cold nights, when I have not had sufficient bedding over me, especially at hotels, where we cannot always get just what we want. Throw off one or two of the top covers from the bed, then pull from the pocket, or satchel, two or three large newspapers—one very large one will do—spread them on the bed, replace the cover, and you will have a warm and comfortable night, without any perceptible increase in the weight of the bedding. Again, when you have a hard, cold ride in a cutter, of ten or twenty miles, against the wind, place a spread newspaper over your chest before you button up your overcoat, and you will not become chilled through. Nothing can be cheaper, and as far as it goes, nothing more efficacious.—Cor. Country Gentleman.

A few days after the Chicago fire, a respectable dressed lady left three bright and handsome children at the Protestant Orphan asylum, St. Paul, promising to return for them in a few days. She has never been seen since and the children are unable to give any account of themselves except that they love their parents and want to go back to them.

Under President Grant's Administration, a Republican Congress has cut down taxes to the amount of \$105,055,000, and will reduce them this session by \$50,000,000 more—a total of \$155,000,000. These are facts. Are the promises made by Democrats and disappointed Republicans worth more.

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