

LOCAL MATTERS.

POST OFFICE REGULATIONS.—Persons mailing newspapers will please remember that a name or memorandum written on a newspaper inside of the wrapper, may get the party doing the business into trouble.

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.—This body, consisting of delegates from the various Sunday Schools throughout the State, will hold its third annual meeting at the Congregational church in this city, on Tuesday, the 28th inst.

TWO MEN DROWNED AT HARRISBURG.—On Monday last three men, named respectively Wm. Farrier, Jas. Riley and Jos. Pearman the latter gentleman a partner of Mr. Lane in the ferry across the Willamette at Harrisburg, were enjoying a canoe ride in the river opposite Harrisburg.

FIRST NINE.—Following gentlemen constitute the first nine of our First Ball Club: Prof. Sox c. We take L. C. Cushing st. b. Farrell 3d b. Clement s. s. Miller c. f. Burkhardt f. Cleford H. Jackson pitcher. Evening for practice, Monday, Wednesday and Saturday.

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OUR HARRISBURG LETTER.

FULL DETAILS OF THE DROWNING OF PEARMAN AND FARRIER IN THE WILLAMETTE AT THAT PLACE ON MONDAY—THE BURIAL OF FARRIER ON TUESDAY, ETC.

HARRISBURG, May 14, 1872.

FRIEND VAN:—Yesterday morning, when venting my way to my daily labors, I stopped a few minutes on the sidewalk and listened to a few joacular remarks from a small knot of our citizens. Three of them left me, apparently in high spirits, going in the direction of the river, where they got into a small, dilapidated canoe.

It appears that Messrs. Riley, Farrier and Pearman were crossing the Willamette in a canoe—to say the best, a very unsafe way of crossing so wide and turbulent a stream—when it struck a sand bar which capsized it. Mr. Riley says that they were precipitated into the river where it was not more than four feet deep; he (Riley) seized a willow shrub and drew himself to the shore; the other two men clung to the boat (I suppose to save it), until it floated into deep water, where, as it would not support any additional weight, it sunk.

A large party were engaged in dragging the river yesterday. They procured the services of an Indian, who dived seven or eight times. The second time the Indian dived, he seized one of the bodies, supposed to be Mr. Pearman, and drew it within a foot of the surface, but becoming strangled, he was forced to let go.

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LOST AND FOUND.—A little two year old slaver, tired with play, went to sleep in the yard; a playmate, a year or more older, found him, and thinking to shield him from the sun, turned a large drygoods box over him. The mother, missing the little one, and not finding him in any of the accustomed nooks, became alarmed, and aroused the neighbors.

BLAIN, YOUNG & CO.—Are receiving goods by almost every steamer, thus keeping up the very large and varied assortment of goods with which their shelves and counters are constantly filled, and their unsurpassed facilities for buying goods enable them to sell at prices that suit all.

FOURTH OF JULY EXCURSION.—Arrangements having been completed by Rev. C. W. Shaw, of this city, with the Oregon & California Railroad, Oregon Central Railroad, and with the O. S. N. Co.'s steamers, both on the upper and lower Columbia river, the people of the State are invited to take part in a grand excursion on the 4th of July next.

The fare has been reduced to half rates, for the round trip. It will doubtless be a time of grand reunion, as excursionists will be brought from points south of Roseburg, and as far east as Wasco county. As soon as the number of persons wishing to take part in the excursion at any point on the railroad is ascertained, the requisite number of passenger coaches will be ordered to that point, and being left there on the night of the 3d, can be taken possession of by the excursionists, flagged and decorated to suit them, and will be for their exclusive use during the excursion, so that each community, as it were, will have an excursion on its own hook.

LETTER.—Since writing the above, we learn that Mrs. Dolise's building was insured for \$500, and two of the other buildings were covered by insurance policies. Messrs. J. W. Williams & Co., the dry goods firm mentioned, were glad to learn, had an insurance on their stock. Williams & Co. succeeded in removing the larger portion of their goods. H. C. Bird moved all his bar fixtures, counter, &c. before the fire reached his saloon, and the doors and windows in the building, amounting to \$50 or \$60 in value, were saved.

FROM JOHN DAY VALLEY.—Through the kindness of Mr. John Luper we are allowed to make the following extracts from a private letter received by him, dated John Day Valley, May 7th, 1872, written by a former resident of Linn county: They were anxious for more rain, as very little had fallen in the valley up to the date of the letter.

HERE AND THERE.—It was a touching sight, and one well calculated to reawaken a feeble faith in human kind, to observe an inebriated constable, led tenderly home by a forgiving prisoner whom he had just arrested!

NEED IT ALL THEMSELVES.—A party of possums, on their way to Brownsville, last Friday, came across a number of farmers by the road-side engaged in some kind of labor. The team in which the possums were riding came to a halt, "howdy-doo" were passed, when one of the possums (probably from the description given us, Whitney's) brought out the "time-honored Democratic persuader," a bottle, and invited the farmers to take a nip.

PERSONAL.—Mr. Smith Knox, of Beach, Monteth & Co., City Mills, but a resident of San Francisco, arrived in this city last week. M. V. Brown, of the Democrat, has been laid up during the week by a bilious attack. His physician informs us he has no fears it will get away with Mart.

PROFESSIONAL CARD.—Dr. J. W. Harris has located among us for the practice of his profession, having taken the office formerly occupied by Dr. D. B. Rice, on First street adjoining the telegraph office. The Dr. is a young man of fine ability, excellent reputation—a gentleman every way qualified to give satisfaction to those who may need his professional services. See card.

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TERRIBLE FIRE AT CORVALLIS.—

News reaches us just before we go to press, that a most destructive fire occurred at Corvallis, on Wednesday night. Some new buildings on Maine street, the scene of a devastating fire but a few months ago, are laid in ruins. The fire originated in a two-story frame dwelling, owned by Mrs. Dolise, the lower or first story of which was occupied by Clas. Kiefer, of this city, as a beer saloon.

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PARAGRAMMETS.—

Wheat never did look better or bid fairer to pan out largely. Weather during the week somewhat mixed—some sun, some clouds, some rain, and somewhat cool. Fair crop weather. Politics quiet. Possums averse to canvassing the county—at the same time they are freely scattering their money in a private way.

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D. M. JONES, M. D., PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, ALBANY, OREGON.

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