

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 s. J. Farrell 3d b. Clement s. Miller c. f. Burkhardt f. Cleland f. Jackson pitcher. Evening for practice, Monday, Wednesday and Saturday.

BEAUTIFUL HOMES.—Many of our citizens have been engaged in the last few weeks in beautifying their homes, building new and tasteful fences, putting on fresh coats of paint, fixing up and planting their flower and vegetable gardens, etc.; and it is now a real treat to shake off the dust and cobwebs of office-labor, and spend an occasional hour in wandering over the city.

USEFUL LAW POINTS.—Here are a few useful law points in a condensed form that may prove interesting to our readers: A note by a minor is void. It is a fraud to conceal a fraud.

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 jocular 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. The Indian then went down again, and when he came to the surface, he said he saw another man, who was larger than the first, whom he seized by the ankle. He described the position of the body by saying that the feet were underneath a log and the balance of the body bent over it.

THE INDIAN WAS IN AN ENTIRE STATE OF nudity when engaged in diving. Parties are still engaged in searching for the body of Mr. Pearman, and if not successful earlier, tonight intend using torches to aid them in their search, as an opinion seems to prevail that with such light they can penetrate the water to a much greater depth. Yours, &c., THOS. G. TAYLOR.

HEAT.—On Wednesday night, at Corvallis, during the excitement which prevailed consequent upon the destructive conflagration which swept away a large portion of that little city, Frank Purdon, the gentlemanly driver of the daily U. S. mail between that city and this, was severely injured while attempting to save the stock in one of the livery stables there.

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. After several hours' search, the missing one was found, calmly sleeping away the hours, in blissful ignorance of the trouble he was causing. The real culprit had forgotten all about his action in the matter until the box was turned over and the lost found.

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. We can assure our readers and friends that nowhere can they do better, and cordially invite them to call on these gentlemen and "see for themselves."

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. The excursionists from each point along the line of the O. & C. Railroad can meet on the evening of the first of July, elect a chairman, and select the point at which they propose to celebrate—Portland, Astoria or the Cascades. If either Astoria or the Cascades, the number of such persons wishing to go to those points will be telegraphed, five of charge, by the station operator to the O. S. N. Co.'s office at Portland, and the necessary number of steamers, appropriately victualled and decorated, will be in readiness to receive them on their arrival at Portland. If Portland be decided upon, the various hotels will be informed of the number of guests which they will be called upon to take care of, so that all needed preparations may be made for their comfort and ease upon their arrival there.

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. Farmers had all got through seeding, and the prospects for fair crops were excellent. Grass was plentiful and cattle rolling fat. John Day is pronounced as good a wool country as the Willamette valley, and the writer says the only drawback to sheep raising is the abundance of coyotes. Grain and all kinds of vegetables flourish in the valley, and salmon-trout and speckled trout abound in all the streams. Cattle command good figures, four-year old beef calves being quoted at \$75, cows with teats, \$45 to \$60. Pork is 16c per pound on foot; chickens from 75c to 71c. April was the coldest he ever experienced. The writer thinks the valley is suitable to the fruit business, as several frost-free seasons have been enjoyed. Land is reasonable in the valley, being held at from \$5 to \$10 per acre, except in some favored localities and where well improved.

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! An Oregon Democratic editor's titillation that "We are living at this moment under absolute despotism," is explained by the fact that he has lately been married.

A California editor heads an article "Hoags." The subject of the article is delinquent subscribers. A gentleman recently made a bet with his wife that he could undress and go to bed, get up, dress, and then undress and go to bed again, while she was preparing to go to bed—and he won the bet.

An immense number of people are expected to take part in the 4th of July excursion, as the fare for the round trip, either to Portland, Cascades or Astoria, will be less than half the usual rates charged, giving people a chance to take a ride on the keels and steamboats, and see the country, that may never occur again.

If you want to know how long it takes a man to move his "household and kitchen furniture" when invited so to do by the Sheriff, go and ask somebody that knows.

The beautiful and interesting Swashes that were lost on Tuesday, causing the dark-eyed Klotzchman (we mean their mother, who had her canny and crickets for them, such agony of mind as to change her complexion from the color of the bottom of a camp-kettle to that of a yellow-brown, were found, late in the day, by Mr. Arnold, thus calming the fears of the wailing mother and subsiding the commotion into which the loss of the babes had thrown the Indian camp at the east end of town.

The celebration on the 4th at this city is intended to extend three days, and will include trials of speed over the Fairground race track, etc. Liberal purses will be offered, free to all. Albany is bound to be on hand this time. Corvallis has elected an anti-whisky municipal ticket.

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.

NEW GOODS.—Mrs. Bridgefarmer received a splendid invoice of new millinery per last ocean steamer, to which the attention of the ladies is specially commended.

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 fine 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. Dolse, the lower or first story of which was occupied by Clas. Kiefer, of this city, as a beer saloon. The fire spread rapidly, there being a brisk wind blowing from the northwest, and soon the entire block, from Fisher's two-story brick on the northern corner of the block, southward was in a blaze, defying all efforts to save. As before stated, nine buildings were destroyed, occupied as follows: Five saloons, two butcher shops, one dry goods and grocery store, and one saddle and harness shop. But one of the buildings burned was insured. The City Hotel which stood on the corner south of the building burned, was several times on fire, and was only saved by the persistent efforts of parties with patent fire-extinguishers, eight of which were kept in constant use. We have heard no reliable estimate of the loss, but suppose it is large, and will be seriously felt by our terribly unfortunate sister city. It is thought the fire was had been used in the building in which the fire originated for some hours. We hope, if such prove the case, the guilty party may be speedily detected and brought to justice.

Since writing the above, we learn that Mrs. Dolse'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, we are glad to learn, had an insurance on their stock. Williams & Co. succeeded in removing the larger portion of their goods. H. C. Bird removed 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.

THE PATENT CHURN MAN WAS IN TOWN on Wednesday. "Toothache" was what's the matter with the homely who fell down stairs the other night! We learn that Jack Split had married Miss Ella Lief—glad to hear that wild Jack has turned a new leaf. Xenith toots his horn at the Court House, for the benefit of the possums, on Saturday. John Clelan is the happy dad of a bouncing boy—first of the week. Eggs twenty-five cents per dozen—receipts fair.

The largest farmer in Linn county is Mr. J. M. McConnell. He expects to harvest this season, should crops prove reasonably fair, fifteen or sixteen thousand bushels of wheat, and four thousand bushels of oats. Quite a number of old time Democrats in this vicinity have thrown off the yoke, and announced that they intend voting the Republican ticket. Carothers & Co. furnish a splendid article of soda. The news from Benton county is cheering. Great dissatisfaction exists among the Democracy, and "scratching" will be indulged in immensely. Through the politeness of Senator Corbett we are in receipt of Congressional Directory for 1872. Messrs. G. B. Haight and Abe Hackleman arrived home from their trip east of the mountains on Wednesday. Attorney General Williams, one of the ablest and most eloquent speakers in the United States, will address our people on Thursday next at one o'clock P. M. A large audience is expected. Butter is selling at 20c to 25c per pound; eggs at 25c per dozen; wheat at 65c per bushel; oats at 50c per bushel. Strawberries are rapidly ripening, and as soon as cream ripens we expect to be able to corral some. The Democratic candidate for the Legislature who lives in the Forks, it is asserted, cannot write his own name. He will make a good Democratic Representative, perhaps. More new goods at Blain, Young & Co.'s, at figures to suit. An invoice of 900 bottles were received by Carothers & Co. the other day—all to be filled with soda. A. E. Ellis, Esq., Republican candidate for the Legislature, called on us Thursday. Mr. Ellis has just recovered from a severe attack of fever. He is willing and anxious to meet the enemy, and has high hopes for the success of the Republican ticket in Linn county.

PARAGRAMETS.—

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. Democracy in Linn county was never so thoroughly demoralized or had less backbone. The Grand Lodge of the I. O. G. T. convened at Salem on Thursday, June 14th. The Grand Lodge I. O. of O. F. convenes at Salem on Tuesday, May 21st. Mr. Shaw, of Salem, candidate for District Attorney, in company with C. G. Carl and J. J. Whitney, went out to Brownsville last Friday, but refused to attempt a speech. He did not make an impression on the good citizens of Brownsville—in fact he had not gone at all he would have stood much better than he now does. Wool in the Portland market shows a declining tendency. Quoted at 50c 3/4 lb., but liable to fall at any moment. Another Republican voter at Jim Harris' on Monday night. Late wheat quotations from Liverpool show wheat at 12s 9d a 13s, a considerable advance, but San Francisco buyers refuse to advance their rates, considering the advance in Liverpool only temporary. Range of San Francisco market \$2@2 1/2. Swashes are beginning to show their handsome, sumbrut countenances on our public promenades. New potatoes (California) are retailing at 4c per pound at our groceries. Country hams are retailing at 18c a pound, at present. Dow & Crane are on hand again with a good assortment of all styles of feet coverings. They have succeeded in eradicating the "chills," and have marked goods down from ten to thirty per cent, below former rates—a good place to go to for 4th of July gifts. On Wednesday Mrs. A. C. Layton presented her "old man" with a little Layton Mother and daughter doing well. Prof. Warren has moved into his new residence—one of the most elegant looking dwellings in the city. We saw a very rich specimen of lead ore taken from a newly discovered lead somewhere on the Santiam. John Briggs sells tin ware at the old prices notwithstanding the recent advance in tin. The patent churn man was in town on Wednesday. "Toothache" was what's the matter with the homely who fell down stairs the other night! We learn that Jack Split had married Miss Ella Lief—glad to hear that wild Jack has turned a new leaf. Xenith toots his horn at the Court House, for the benefit of the possums, on Saturday. John Clelan is the happy dad of a bouncing boy—first of the week. Eggs twenty-five cents per dozen—receipts fair.

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