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W. B. CARTER,

"TRAVELER" ANSWERED.

Reasons why Cape Foulweather unworthy of notice as a point to locate a Port of Refuge, as given by "Traveler." in the Oregonian, with observations and extracts from Engineers re-

1st. Traveler says : "Cape Foulwea ther is east in longitude of Port Orford in the indentation of the coast, made by Cape Flattery on the north and Blanco on the south. At Cape Foulweather the northwest fogs concentrate in fearful blackness." Cape Foulweather is about 20 miles east of Port Orford, but not further east than the coast line at the Columbia river. As to fogs, there is mention of them in Engineer Habersham's report; but from "Traveler's" letter we judge the mariner is never troubled with fogs in the vicinity of Port Orford.

2nd. "The entire bottom of the

little bight or cove on the north side of Cape Foulweather is literally filled with large and small boulders, rendering the anchorage foul, which is the most serious objection to any harbor.' Most true, that is, the last portion of the sentence ; but where did "Traveler" learn so much about large and small boulders in the little bight or cove of Foulweather? Compare this statement with the report of Col. Wilson to government of the survey made 1st. The government already owns by assistant engineer Habersham, of the site, and all the material necessary which Col. Wilson says: "Mr. Habersham deserves credit for the manner 2nd. There is already a first order in which he carried out my instruc- light on Foulweather point, and soon tions." As to the size of the little there will be a fog-signal, also. 3rd. bight or cove for present purposes Mr. With the assistance of two buoys, to Habersham says: "It is nearly one mark the entrance, neither tug boats mile in length and one-third of a mile across; the width being measured from the curve of 18 feet depth to the west of reef, and contains about 200 acres. As to the boulders and gravel lamette valley to furnish the same he says: "The bottom is sandy, gen- and to do this, will only require the erally smooth, forming good holding completion of the short line of road ground as far as can be judged; the from Corvallis to the coast, now well depths vary from 3 to 8 fathoms. As under way. We are more than con-"Traveler" or of Engineer Habersham is most reliable, we may remark that "Traveler" writes himself an interested party, while the latter could have no motive in over estimating capabilities of Cape Foulweather for a Port of Refuge; or, in underestimating the cost of work and material necessary on a work of national importance.

3rd. "I (Traveler) cannot see the necessity of expending money in building a sea wall at (Foulweather), to render it only as safe as nature has made it?" This has not been claimed in the reports; what is said, is for contains an editorial under the above Cape Foulweather as against Yaquina caption, and speaks of several content as follows: "But a better harbor, at plated projects for railroads to the sea. much less cost, would be secured by from Central and Southern Oregon, building a breakwater from the ex- and closes the article as follows: *treme point of Cape Foulweather The most favorable aspect now attends northward, inside of the reef above described for a distance of 600 feet, is selected as the site of the harbor of refuge. etc. All that is here claimed is, nature has done much for the purpose desired; a little labor and means ex- of our readers, is situated on the pended upon it, in comparison to other west bank of the Willamette river. points, would render it most complete about 100 miles south of Portland, via not only for the purpose designed but river, and in the center of the great for a Port of Entry, the value of which Willamette valley, comprising the best to the interior of this state it is not grain region of the State, and almost now necessary to consider.

their spinion upon the difference of available passes in the Cascade mouncost between Port Orford and Cape tains, which separate this valley from Foulweather. This shows the want of Eastern Oregon. Its location, as an consideration." Certainly; to him it agricultural and commercial center. also shows a remarkable stupidity on is most fortunate. About fifty miles the part of those who would be satis- of railroad, nearly ten miles of which fied with reasonable appropriations is already graded, and the iron affoat from government for reasonable and for the same, will connect Corvallis practical purposes, permitting the use and the valley with the Pacific ocean of its own territory and material, at Cape Foulweather or Yaquina Bay. much of which would require but lit- The grade for this road is easy and tle cost to remove; while, on the other natural, rendering its success positively hand, by the mere asking, congress can certain, and that in the very near fube persuaded to spend probably 15 or ture. This is an important fact, and 20 millions, to purchase material, etc., should not be forgotten in the considto be used for the Port below.

"Traveler" is arrogant; it wilfully 110 miles south of the mouth of the misrepresents the matter in point; its Columbia river and about 120 or 130 manner suggests fat contracts and satisfied managers, and, while giving the miles north of Port Orford. As to names of prominent popular gentle- the capabilities of Foulweather, the men to the public, hides his own under reader is referred to the official reports the name of "Traveler." Being as on the 4th page of the GAZETTE. It charitable as we can, we are compelled to the conclusion that, deep as are the waters of Port Orford, they are shallow when compared to the chasms in- lent storms that sweep this coast are terested parties are endeavoring to fill north of the California line, which out of the public treasury.

"WHAT HAS NATURE DONE?"

The Roseburg Plaindealer, of the 5th inst., in arguing in favor of Coos Bay, and against Cape Foulweather. as the most suitable place for a harbor of refuge, says:

"In order to decide which is the proper place to make an improvement, would it not be well to ask which place furnishes the best narbor as nature made it? At Coos bay large numbers of vessels are constantly arriving, two tugs are constantly busy beside three steamers come here regularly, and Coos county furnishes the cargoes. Nature has almost built a breakwater let the government but complete what nature has a well begun, and the shadow of these imaginary impassable mountain barriers need frighten no one."

Our cotemporary hits the nail on the head, exactly; in asking "which place furnishes the best harbor as nature made it ?" That is our strong point for Foulweather. If it were one hunof refuge, from the fact that a majority of the heaviest storms occur north of Coos Bay and Port O.ford, and a essel, in distress, could not, after being borne before a south or sou' west gale, far past those ports, ever hope to get back to them, while it could make Cape Foulweather without difficulty. As to geographical location, then, Foulweather has the advantage as a harbor of refuge, but also as a port of entry, being immediatly abreast of the center of the great Willamette valley and Eastern Oregon-a fact that should not be lost sight of-as the board of engineers are required to take into consideration the "general and as that of a harbor of refuge.

As to cost of construction, so as be made immediately available. Foul any other port, in several particulars. for the construction of the work. or pilots will be necessary at Foulweather. And as to furnishing cargoes, certainly no well informed person will doubt the ability of the Wilselected, by all means.

"RAILROAD TO THE SEA."

The Portland Bee, of the 7th inst.,

we may expect to see the road pushed to

Corvallis, as is well known to most upen'a direct line, east and west, be-4th. "Gentlemen seem to base tween Cape Foulweather and the most

eration of an ocean outlet. The whole tenor of the letter of Cape Foulweather is situated about the various bars passable. By this means, it is to be hoped, light draught boats will be able to make Corvallis nearly all summer.

Would that we had about a dozen such men in every county in the State. It is really refreshing to note the able to make Corvallis nearly all summer.

C. B. R. C.—The Blue Ribbon Club had another rousing meeting at the college chapel, last Saturday evening. The address of gives Oregon the best claim for the harbor of refuge—as along our coast and the past, the scraper will be used to make accorded the credit so justly due. Would that we had about a dozen such men in every county in the State. It is really refreshing to note the amount of adamantine cheek displayed by the Portland Board of Trade in this matter. It's a pity they can't have this harbor of refuge built right in their own hall and thus "hog" the harbor of refuge—as along our coast the various bars passable. By this means, accorded the credit so justly due. Would that we had about a dozen such men in every county in the State. It is really refreshing to note the amount of adamantine cheek displayed by the Portland Board of Trade in this matter. It's a pity they can't have this harbor of refuge built right in their own hall and thus "hog" the Would that we had about a dozen such men in every county in the State.

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or six hudred miles due west to strike the trade winds. When overtaken by stories, in this position, the gales generally coming from the south and sou west, it is almost impossible for them to make any point south of the California line, or even Port Orford, but could make Cape Foulweather. Fo these reasons, the latter place would be the most practical as a natural harbor of refuge. In order to make the bay north of Foulweather available as a harbor of refuge, will only require an outlay of less than 700,000, while

diture will run up into millions.

REPORTS ON FOULWEATHER.

In order to correct any false impresquation, and give his real name.

have been already commenced on the O. C. looks idly on and allows railroads to The following executive appoint R. R. (westside), and the graders are nearing McMinnville. After passing that place she knows under her, and we need you last: Allan Parker of your coun-Corvallis will be reached early in the sea- ing on the annual State Fair and the of Portland, Notaries Public. Chas, remark that the dirt is flying "for all that's of securing an appropriation from the sioners of Deeds. Charles A. Cogswell, of Lakeview, aide-de-camp on sition across the North Yamhill, just as rapidly as men and horses and machinery legislature, together with the chances of Dover, of Collax, W. T., Commissioners of Deeds. Charles A. Cogswell, of Lakeview, aide-de-camp on Covernor's staff with rank of Lieut-collary appearances and drive the wolf from the door. We cannot believe the Gen. with rank of Major, and Silas J. rapidly as men and horses and machinery can make it. Mr. Ward informs us that he spirit of enterprise has entirely died Day and Chas. Nickell, aides de-camp has about three hundred men at work be-out among our citizens. It has been on staff of Brig. Gen. Thomas G. tween McMiunville and St. Joe. A big manifest here, and must needs be Reames, with rank of Captains—all along, though, and best of all to the eyes of than a selfish desire to hoard.

W. B. Crane, Esq., of this city, is McMinnvilnans, it is headed right plumb,

The adjourned meeting of citizens lying dangerously ill as also the infant

RIVER IMPROVEMETS. -On last Sabbath morning, at an early hour, the steamer A. A. McCully passed up the river. On board was R. A. Habersham, Assistant U. S. Engineer, who was en route to Centennial Chute, about seven or eight miles above this place. Mr. H., with his own small boat. was landed at the point designated, made examination of the same and dropped down to Corvallis, where he spent most of the day, and took a private conveyance to Albany, in the evening, so as to connect with the exnow supplied with steam for propelling and working purposes, is an independ-

The Board of Delegates of the Corvallis

Fire Department held a meeting at Judge
Burnett's office last Wednesday evening.

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FROM THE CAPITAL.

SALEM, April 8, 1879. EDITOR GAZETTE: Since I wrote facts. By all means build the port of you last, "a change has come o'er the refuge in their hall or else in Scotch spirit of my dreams" and unlike the feelings cherished a week ago when I knocked at the door of your sanctum his fingers in the pie. Really, laying sanctorum, and craved admission, it all jokes aside, we are ashamed of is this time with apparent thankfulness to escape the storm which is rag ing on the outside. Old Pluvius has apparently made up his mind to have Board of Trade. It is not fair, how one more short period of control, and ever, to presume that the Board, by weilds the scepter of power in the any means, represents even the feelto improve any other point the expen- very face of dame Sunshine who, for a few short hours, held her own and The advantages of Cape Foulweath- gladdened the hearts of all with her all-a self-esteemed set of individer are, then, briefly: It is the most presence. Not only a storm of wind uals who have taken advantage of natural and available harbor of refuge; and rain prevails about my ears, but organizing under a name which elseits cost is trifling compared with other one of wrath bids fair to annihilate dred miles farther south, it would not points. It is just where it can best me. Strange, is it not, that one bad tion of the majority of the business answer the purpose so well as a harbor subserve the "general and local inter- break made by a newspaper corres men in the community where it exests of commerce," and is, already a pondent obliterates all the good he ists. Not so at Portland, however. port of entry. In less than twelve has ever done, or all the kind words A half dozen slimy, smooth-tongued months from the time of its selection he has ever written about the subject sanctimonious schemers will get toas a harbor of refuge, it will be con- in hand? During well nigh half a ly the minority of the membership nected, by rail, with Portland by a score of years we have been more or will transact business of the most imroute forever free from ice-blockades, less connected with the newspaper portant character and indorse or consand-bars, and the annoyances and de- business in this State and never have demn the actions of others, covering lays inseparable from the navigation we allowed an opportunity to slip of their organization, and compelling of the Willamette and Columbia rivers. of saving a kind word for Salem. others to bear the responsibility of an For these reasons, alone, Portland is We have praised its citizens; we act which by their vote, had they of any point south of there, not only standing in her own light, by allowing have commended its enterprise, we been present, would have met with the Board of Trade, even indirectly, have collogised its future prospects, this become that good men have to throw obstacles in the way of locat- we have abused its boys and flattered heretofore resigned from the society ing the harbor of refuge at Cape Foul- its girls and have, in fact, so often in disgust. It has made several blun stretched our consciences in this res. ders before, and this, their last move, In our advocacy of Cape Foul- pect that we imagined a few words is but another addition to the list, weather as the proper location for a of criticism would not be out of harbor of refuge, we are not, and have place, and would perhaps be received not much thought of in Portland; but, local interests of commerce," as well not been, governed by any selfish or with kindly indulgence. We there unfortunately for the citizens of this sectional motives, but simply because fore, in our last letter, indulged in a State, the name it bears gives its acwe believe, upon the facts presented, little grumble and "went for things tion a stamp of stability and credence that it is the best and most natural without gloves" and what is the reweather has greatly the advanvantage of any other port, in several particulars, and we hope you'll in Reed's Opera House, Salem, on the 7th most available point for a harbor of myself of having got my work in on never let up an inch until you carry the place under the friendly shelter your point. Stay right with it and of a nom de plum and that no one old Benton will yet be the top dog also, the most practicable point for the locahere had the least idea as to a in the fight. correct identity of "Ned," I have Notwithstanding the inclemency been bounced a dozen times by irate of the weather the improvements in sions as to the official reports of Major citizens who insist upon it that I was and around the State House are being his andience can never calculate how he will Wilson, and Assistant U. S. Engineer, too severe and that I owed an apolo- pushed forward with marked success. R. A. Habersham, we republish both gy for my remarks. Well, perhaps I Hexter & May's contract of putting reports, in full, upon the 4th page of do; and if I said or wrote anything up the galvanized iron cornice is be-I'm sorry for I'm glad of it. It was ing put through rapidly, and on the the GAZETTE. All we desire in the truth, none the less, and that's no east side of the north wing, where it showed that the natural outlet of the comdiscussion of the harbor of refuge doubt the reason it hurts. Gents, I is completed, it looks very handsome n question, is truth and fairness. Noth- like Salem, and always have; but if and has what is better still every a; ing is gained, in the long run, by mis- you would see your town thrive, you pearance of durability. Tom. Huntrepresentations and false statements. must wake up and do something your ington and his force of men are selves. Opportunity is not wanting spreading on the cement with amazing that the great bulk of losses was north No mere assertions that Capt. so and but energy and enterprise is. Capiling rapidity and as it dries out preso, has made certain statements, can tal, which now lies idle, should be set sents a handsome appearance. The cut any figure in this matter. Mr. affoat and it will return double fold. heavy iron castings are being painted, Habersham, in the discharge of official Unless, however, you do exert your and, taking it all together, the outduty, has made as careful an examina-Wheatland, and even Bethany, will proved. Work on the interior is also tent to let the whole matter rest upon the question of "natural advantages."
As we have said, from the first, all we desire is fair play, Facts, and the greatest good to the greatest good to the greatest good to the greatest plants. If Cape Foulweather does not not be the work of the bay north of Cape Foulweather does not not to remote from this city. Paper will have accomplished on progressing very satisfactorily. The this office devoted exclusively to this subject, and will make arrangements to take parties desiring to purchase to all lands of the other valley counties, are awaking to purchase to all lands of the other valley counties, are awaking of the other valley counties, are awaking of the other valley counties, are awaking to sell citims of the other valley counties, are awaking of the other valley counties, are awaking of the other valley counties, are awaking to sell citims of the other valley counties, are awaking of the other valley. The other valley counties are awaking of the other valley counties, are awaking of the other valley counties.

The meet If Cape Foulweather does not possess have weight against it. If "Traveler" gy, we will have accomplished our placed therein, with new carpets, etc. these requisites, we do not want to see or "Shipowner," in the Oregonian, has mission. We can but notice the dif. will but increase the natural pride of public funds expended there; but if it the interests of the commerce of the ference in the spirit of enterprise friends Hirsch and Wheeler. The does possess these necessary qualifications, then Foulweather should be tions, then Foulweather should be regard to our coast, he should come out, land town is alive to the fact that the provements visible everywhere. Seclike other gentlemen, who discuss this "gods help them that help them retary Earhart displays no little meselves," and leaves no stone unturned chanical skill in his general superinto induce and encourage individual tendence of the work and evidently WEST SIDE COMING. - Active operations improvement, the capital of the State takes pride in its progress;

but little heavy grading will be required, and not be surprised some day to see an ty, J. P. Cochrane of Chewaucan, the work will progress very rapidly, and "air" line passing over her; depend- Lake county and Ward S. Stephens son. In speaking of this work, the Yant U biennial forty days session of a reform | Chancey, of Philadelphia, and Jacob Reporter (McMinnville) says: We wish to legislature, together with the chances Hoover, of Colfax, W. T., Commissquad of Chinamen is camped on the common just to the west of Mr. Merchant's res. convened for the purpose of hearing daughter of D. F. Wagner, Esq.

the report of the committee on resolutions expressive of the sense of the people of Marion county as to the severe illness as to again appear upproposed location of the harbor of on our streets. refuge, met at Reed's Opera House last evening and adopted a series of Grange have been elected as follows: preambles and resolutions, a copy of Hon. R. P. Boise, Hon. George S. which I enclose herein. By it you Downing and wife and Mrs. Irene S will see that Salem is with you in Hilleary. your good work, and will aid you in F. B. Rinearson, M. D., a graduate carrying your project to a successful of the medical department of thetermination. The meetings have been Willamette University, has hung out well attended and were presided over his shingle at Turner's station: press train on Monday morning. Mr. Ha- by Hon. R. P. Boice, P. H. D'Arcy, bersham was up in discharge of official du-ties, preparing work for the U. S. snag boat, ence of that thoroughly wide awake the Willamette University is altowhich will soon be at work removing snags business man of your city, Col. T. the Willamette University is alto-and improving the channel of the Upper Edgenton Hogg, aided by Dr. J. R. gether a mistake. Willamette river. The snag boat, being Bayley, added enthusiasm to the first meeting and stirring addresses were made by each. The former gentle Chief Moses a new Sampson has been develent institution, and will do effective work, man is a host in himself, and when oped in the person of his brother, and he we doubt not, on the upper river the present success does crown your efforts—we now claims to be the great leader of the season. Instead of building wing dams, as feel confident it will—to him will be fragmentary tribes who have hitherto looked in the past, the scraper will be used to make accorded the credit so justly due. upon Moses as their chief ruler in peace and

river, Astoria might occasionally rake | Cape Foulweathe in a dollar or two. How could these monopolists have overlooked these

Reid's 90 per cent, per annum bank, on Frst street, in that city, At all events let the dapper little cuss get Portland's selfishness in this matter. having given her credit for a spirit of more generosity than has been dis played by her representatives in the ings of a majority of the capitalists of the metropolis. They are a self-organized, self-constituted, and above where wields a power and whose ac tions usually meet with the approbatheir nefarious actions by the cloak We know whereof we speak when we say that as an organization it is elsewhere. We are much pleased to see the way in which you go after it.

with excellent schools, the very best | Over \$66,000 of State taxes have idence. These felllows go ahead and grub out the line wherever there is timber. Fifty of society, and all it needs to insure been paid into the treasury during been paid into the treasury dur teums were called for by the contractor on Thursday morning, and quite a number had responded last evening, but not enough to fill the demand. The work is walking right then a select the demand. The work is walking right the new of the contractor on Constant and permanent growth is enterprise, with a liberal manifestation of judicious expenditure rather do well to present them for payment. W. B. Crane, Esq., of this city, is

> S. F. Matthews, Esq., of the Chemeketa, has so far recovered from his

Delegates to the Oregon State

Rev. F. P. Tower anthorizes us to

A New CHIEF. -Since the humiliation of

eeting at Albany.

LINN COUNTY WIDEAWAKE!

Last Monday afternoon, we accompanied Hon. F. A. Chenoweth, B. W. Wilson, County Clerk and Jas. A. Yantis, Esq., in one of Sol. King's best rigs, to Albany, to attend the mass meeting of the citizens of Linn, in the interest of Cape Foulweather. The unexpected storm prevented quite a number of our citizens from attending, who had made arrangements for going. With Judge ready for clients next month at latest. Chenoweth, as our "Jehu," and he proved by his dextrous manipulation of the ribbons that he was no amateur in this line, we reached our sister city, in ample time, and turned the team over to Ans. Marshall for kind treatment. After a sumptuous repast, which the entire party discussed with a zest, at the Revere House, we wended our way to the court house, where we found many of the leading and influential citizens of Albany and vicinity in waiting, and others constantly arriving, ready to hear, and exchange views upon the proposed breakwater. At the proper time, the meeting was called to order by Gen. Brown, ch'n Pygall, Cy. Powers, Jno. S. Baker. If the of former meeting, who briefly, but clearly weather should prove favorable, we may exstated the objects of the meeting, after which the secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting, also report of the comnittee on resolutions.

On motion of D. G. Clark, the resolutions were unanimously adopted.

On motion of Hon R S Strahan it was ordered that copies of the resolutions be furnished to the Albany and Portland papers and board of engineers. We did not secure a copy of the resolutions and cannot give them in this issue of the GAZETTE. Judge Chenoweth being called for, re-

arguments were irrefutable. B. W. Wilson, Esq., was then called for.

and responded in a neat little speech, with telling effect. It was one of Mr. Wilson's happiest efforts, and he presented the subpensable, and that Foulweather was not H. D'Arcy, secretary. The following resoonly that natural outlet, but that it was lution, among others adopted, shows the tion of a harbor of refuge.

Next followed Gen. Lish Applegate—who

must be heard to be appreciated. The Gen. case demand the immediate improvement of never makes a speech like anybody else, and | Cape Foulweather in view of the economy begin or where end. He devoted considerable time to showing the circuitous and expensive route now made by the produce of this valley in finding a market via the Wilbridges, P. H. D'Arcy, Committee. nerce of this valley was through the channel that nature has prepared, and which is now being developed at Cape Foulweather. Support of the resolutions. The people of He also referred to the long lists of marine Salem and Marion county are all right for isasters, upon this northwest coast, showof the California line, and that Cape Foulvisable to build a harbor of refuge. The Gen. made some strong points, and his ad-

DATE	WEATHER.	THERMOMETER.	
		HIGHEST	
	Cloudy	41	34
	Rain	43	33
	Rain		33
	Rain	41	32
	Rain	38	33
" 6	Rain	40	34
" 7	Snow storm	38	33
. 0	man, man, snow	99	32
	Stormy		34
" 10	Rain	48	44
" 11	Clear	48	35
" 12	Clear	52	34
" 13	Clear	54	38
" 14	Clear.	54	44
" 15	Clear	49	40
" 16	Clear.	49	38
** 17	Clear	52	43
" 18	Rain	48	42
" 19	Rain	49	39
. 20	Rain	45	40
" 21	Rain	46	40
1 22	Rain	47	41
" 23	Rain	53	44
" 24	Rain	53	50
" 25	Rain	- 56	53
rt 26	Rain	52	40
	Rain	48	40
" 28	Clear (high water)	62	50
** 29	Clear	64	54
" 30	Clear	64	50
" 31	Clear		50

VERY PROLIFIC. - As another evidence that "crops never fail in Oregon," Mr. Geo. W. Houck, of this county, informs us that he has a fine thoroughbred merino ewe, pur- expected to address the Club at the next chased from Dr. Bayley, which lambed THREE TIMES IN THIRTEEN MONTHS-giving birth to four fine, healthy, strong lambs. For one of the lambs, when a yearling, he was offered \$40. If anybody can beat this, editorially refers to it thus : Read the action let them step to the front. Otherwise Mr. and resoulutions of the people of Corvallis in Houck has the banner ewe of this coast. If this statement needs substantiation, Mr. H. Foulweather is the most eligible site for this is prepared to furnish proof. With such in- harbor, as it has been shown by competent crease of flocks, and a soil and climate unsurpassed, there is no reason why Oregon should not take high rank among the sistershould not take high rank among the sisterhood of States.

Rainfall, 7.31 inches

FINE CHAIRS.-While in San Francisco Messrs, T. J. Buford and Nick Baeson, bought four very elegant chairs for the hall of Corvallis H. & L. Co. No. 1. The Hooks have their hall fitted up in splendid style, and these chairs are in keeping with their fine carpets and other furniture. The "boys" have just reason to feel proud of their half. It is furnished with good taste. To fill those chairs, as officers of the company, will be no small honor. We shall expect to see a lively contest at the next annual election of officers.

FINE HORSES.-Mr. A. J. Fairbanks, of California, has just arrived with three fine Percheron-Norman stallions. Wideawake

NOT GOING TO EUROPE. sometime since an item went the rounds of some of our state exchanges, to the effect that Scuator Mitchell and family were intending to make a tour through Europe. Under date of April 2, Senator Mitchell telegraphs to the Oregonian and Statesman, as follows:

I am not advised on what authority this announcement is made, as I have never thought of it, much less authorized such announcement, however much I might enjoy such a tour. Aeither time nor means will permit, nor have I ever had any other intention than to attend to the legal profession in Oregon and expect to be located in Portland The Statesman, of course, and all other fair newspapers in Oregon, will please cor-

J. H. MITCHELL

FIREMEN'S PICNIC.—At a regular meeting of Young America Engine Company, last Saturday evening, it was decided to have a grand firemen's picnic on the 9th of May. On motion the fire departments of Albany, Independence and Salem were invited to participate in the same. On motion of T. Donahue, the invitation was extended to the fire departments of the State. The following gentlemen were appointed a commitpect a lively time, especially if the various departments should bring "masheen along. The Corvallis "fire laddies" are for a "way up" time.

PREMIUM LIST. - Thanks to E. M. Waite, Secretary of the Oregon State Agricultural Society, for the list of premiums for the Oregon State Fair for the year 1879, nineteenth annual exhibition, and the programme and regulations of the same ; reports of committees, and of Secretary and Treasurer for 1878, and a sketch of the early history of the Society. It is a pamphlet of 150 pages, and is valuable for reference. It is printed Judge Chenoweth being called for, responded in his usually happy style, giving facts and figures, and showing, by clear and logical argument that Cape Foulweather was, beyond all doubt, the proper point for the location of the harbor of refuge. His arguments were irrefutable.

> SALEM SPEAKS.-We have been furnished the proceedings of a rousing meeting, held feeling in that city toward Foulweather:

Resolved. That the emergencies of the in the construction of, and the brief time in

lamette and Columbia rivers, and clearly Hon. John Minto, D. Newsome, Esq. Judge R. P. Boise, made stirring speeches in Cape Foulweather.

REAL ESTATE AGENCY. - Mr. J. W. Rayburn contemplates opening a Real Estate Agency in this city-provided he meets with short speech, and explained the location of Cape foulweather.

Applegate, in a property to sell. He will issue a paper from this office device. unless a sale is made. Get your property advertised in the first issue of his paper

Long Josepher. -- Mrs. Miller, aged 91' years, mother of Mr. John Miller of Newport, arrived a few days since, from Chicago. She is hale and hearty, for one of her advanced age, and comes to meet her son and make her home in Oregon. Mr. M. has heen absent from his mother about one year. The meeting was a joyful one, Last Wedn-esday morning they started for their home, iu Newport, in Peter Mead's "coach and four." The weather was not very propi-tious, but the old lady was anxious to reach the end of her journey, and would not con-sent to any delay on account of weather.

New Goods .- M. Stock and Myer Harris' have just opened their very large stock of new goods, which they propose to sell at "way down" prices. "Quick sales and small profits " is their motto. Call and examine their goods and prices before purchasing elsewhere. They are here to stay, and expect by fair dealing to merit a share of the public patronage.

SOAP CREEK .- A correspondent, writing from that portion of Benton county, informs us that the farmers are very busy, and grain looks unusually well,

protracted meeting there, with consider The Blue Ribbon Club is flourishing, and the meetings are very interesting. At the last meeting of the Club there were 119 members reported. Rev. Jos. Emery was

Rev. Mr. Bowersox has been holding a

CAPE FOULWEATHER. -The Junction City Republican of April 2, publishes the address

to the citizens of the Willamette Valley, and be named, Money will flow like water to defeat establishing a harbor at this point, for 'tis the central Willamette Valley's golden opportunity, that will never come again, at BORN.

To the wife of J. D. Johnson, near this ity, April 3d, 1879-a son.

MARRIED:

At Lower Alsea, March 27, 1879, by Jus-Their wedding tour, though short, proved to be the "pursuit of happiness under diffi-

culties "-and in consequence of an accident to their boat, during a heavy storm, the bridal party were compelled to camp in a "dcs serted dwelling" the first night. "The course of true love never runs smooth." At the residence of the bride, in Corvallis,