Weekly Corvallis Gazette.

FRIDAY MORNING, APR. 27, 1883.

An economical woman after the death of her infant used the remainder of her soothing syrup to poison rats.

There was great excitement in New Jersey the other day over the rumor that a bank cashier had not absconded.

A man in Syracuse boasts that he has had 202 colds in his head in one year. He'd better rent his head for an ice-box.

A glass coffin is the latest invention. This will give the deceased a chance to see what kind of a procession he has.—*Oil City Blizzard.*

A henpecked husband says: "Before marriage I fancied wedded life would be all sunshine; but afterwards found out that it was all moonshine."

"Thank heaven!" exclaimed a fond father, as he paced the floor at midnight with his bowling heir; "thank heaven you were not twins!"—*N. Y. Commercirl Advertiser.*

"Pa, why do they call 'em high schools?" "It's because we pay so much for 'em, my son. You'll understand these things better when you get to be a tax payer."

A few years of co-operation on the part of the farmers and creamery men of Iowa has brought the business to be so profitable that to-day the dairy product is valued at $25,000,000. What *has been* done in Iowa *can be* elsewhere.

A Texas editor woke one night to find a burglar in his sleeping-room over the printing office. "What do you want here?" shouted the Texan. "Money," was the concise reply. "Fly 'round then," said the editor; "I'll go halves on all you can find here."

The first thing a city man does when he becomes rich is to buy a farm, move into the country and bankrupt himself trying to raised enough to keep him from starving. A rich countryman, on the other hand, buys a brown-stone front in the city and becomes interested in stocks, with a like result.

It is reported that Pennsylvania farmers use 70,000 tons of commercial fertilizers, annually, at a cost of $2,250,000. By a chemical analysis made under the direction of the State Board of Agriculture $3 per ton, ($210,000) was saved to the users of these fertilizers, or more than fifty times the annual cost to the State of the Board.

TEMPERANCE COLUMN.

(Written by a special correspondent.)

YOUNG MEN COUNT THE COST.

A young man that commences at the age of 21 years to drink, and if he lived to be 56 years old he drink 35 years. If he drinks 25 cents worth a day it will amount to $1.75 a week; for one year—52 weeks—it will make $91; for 35 years, he will spend the sum of $3,185. Young man think of this, figure it out yourself, and see if its true; you know the old adage "figurers wont lie." This is the *financial* phase of this drinking question. If you would make an iron box with a hole in the center of the top just large enough to drop in a twenty-five cent peice every time you are tempted to spend one for the drinks you will find it a very handsome income at the expiration of ten twenty or thirty-five years. It will be sufficient to purchase you a nice home. What a libary it would purchase. What home comfort you would be able to purchase in your old age. On the other hand if you continue your reckless and pordigal habits even at the little apperantly penurious rate of twenty-five cents per day you keep this up for thirty-five years there will be *three thousann one hundred aad eighty-five dollars*, of your money run down the hole just under your nose. This money has all run down gutter lane.

You will make yourself a walking barrel, a living drain pipe and a moving swill tub your skull will be a living whisky flask, your brains a whisky sponge. your purse will be relaxed by continued depletion. Remember this drinking business robs the cupboard and table, starves and strips the wife and children it is a great thief, house breaker and heart breaker and the best thing for us all to do is to resolve to break to pieces the entire business. Let us all determine that we will "burst the business" before it "bursts" us. So young man look out for your twenty-five cent pieces, and join yourself to the cold water guards to live and die.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 5, 1883.

On Wednesday the President, returning from his usual evening drive, stopped at a book-store to look up some reading matter with which to beguile the tedium of his long southern journey. Before he could step from his carriage to the door he was observed, and in a few minutes a crowd gathered and blockaded the sidewalk to the extent of compelling passers-by to take the middle of the street, and the services of a policemon were required to prevent the crowd from invading the store. Truly, greatness and distinguished positions are subjected to ordeal terribly trying to a satisfied oppetite. I do not wonder that the President pants for a little obscurity, for the depths of some vast wilderness, and is betaking himself to the deuse shade of the Florida orange groves. And yet, if he is still an object of curious inspection in Washington where Presidents have always lived, moved and had their being, what may be expected to remain of him on his return from his trip to the far south, where the natives have exception of a real live President? Think of the excruciations in store for him during the next few weeks, when even for some time past he has been sickening and turning livid at the sound of the airs "Hail to the Chief" and "See the conquering Hero comes". He left the city Thursday morning at 11:50 o'clock, on a special train, accompanied by Secretary Chandler, Mr. Mille, of New York, and Private Secretary Phillips, and many kind wishes that his journey might be pleasant and his fishing good.

Before his departure he named the new Cabinet officer, Judge Walter Q. Gresham Indiana. The appointment is extremely well received in Washington. Judge Gresham has reputation of being a man of decided force of character and has been mentioned for positions of the highest prominence for years. His courage on the field during the war attracted the notice of General Grant, and the warmest personal friendship has existed between the two men ever since. He says his appointment was entirely unsolicited and unexpected by himself. His political enemies accuse him of intense partisanship, which means that he is a strong republican. His home is in Indianapolis, and he is said to be an insatiable reader of books.

On Tuesday, the close of Mr. Merrick's cross-examination of Ex-Senator Dorsey marked an epoch in the Star route trial. In spite of Mr. Dorsey's evasions, convenient memory and partial blindness, Mr. Merrick succeeded in extracting from him some important admissions for the Government. It is claimed by the by the prosecution that Dorsey was the initiator and organizer of the conspiracy, and the cross-examination developed a good deal in support of this theory. It has shown that Dorsey furnished the money out of his own pocket to start and equip the combination. The headquarters were in his own residence on I street, and he personally watched and directed the preparation of bids In carrying out the scheme he had devised, he sent to postmasters whose continuance in office largely depended upon him, certain bonds, in blank, with the request that they procute sureties and certify to them without even knowing the character of the bonds. In one case at least a postmaster indignantly refused to comprmise his honor, even at the request of a U. S. Senator who might be able to put him out of office.

Senator Jones of Nevada positively denies that there is any foundation for the rumor that he has had a disagreement with President Arthur, or that he expressed himself as having made his last visit to the White House. He further says his relations with the President were never kindlier or warmer than at the present time.

The citizens of Washington were shocked Wednesday morning on learning of a gastly crime that had occured the night before in a quiet neighborhood of Capitol Hill. A drunken husband by the name of de Frouville, who had been separated from his wife for seven or eight months, forced an entrance to her house, shot her down, and placing the pistol to his own head fell at her feet. The lady was well and favorably known by many persons here. She possessed more than ordinary personal attraction, and was an accomplished linguist, being employed as translator in the Agricultural Department. The report of the tragedy rapidly spread, and the house was soon surrounded by a curious throng. On the floor of the tastefully furnished parlor lay the wife in an attitude indicating that she had tried to escape from the theatened death. Her fair face was bespattered with blood, and a small stream trickled to the floor from the deathwound. Her husband lay upon his back at her feet, his vest torn open exposing his shirt, and over his face a rivulet of blood flowed.

A COON HUNTER'S WIFE.

A minister laboring in the mountain districts of Fayette county, West Virgina, gives the following conversations he had with a woman there recently.

"Is your husband at home?"

"No; he is coon-hunting, he killed two whooping coons last Sunday."

"Does he fear the Lord?"

"I guess he does, 'cause he always takes his gun with him."

"Have you any Presbyterians round here?"

"I do not know if he has killed any or not. You can go behind the house and look at the pile of hides, and see if you can find any of their skins."

"I see that you are living in the dark."

"Yes; but my husband is going to cut out a window soon."

SMILE WHEN YOU CAN.

Let the sunshine into your hearts. Do not live in the shadow if you can avoid it. There are dark hours for us all, but smile when you can. Your smile may make more smooth some rugged pathway or lighten some ones burdens, and your own life will be pleasanter for the good you try to do. And when life is almost over and you are about to cross the dark river, it will be pleasant to look back and remember that you tried to do some good.

When we are doing good to others we are filling our own cup of joy. Our Savior has said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." How many have realized that I wonder. A kind word and a bright smile often do a great deal of good.

The Horse.

We have received a quantity of treaties on the horse, which we propose to give away to every subscriber paying in advance, if requested, whether personally, or by mail; if by mail send 3 cent stamp to pray postage. This book is well worth the price of the paper $2.50 to any person having horses. The *American Cultivator* has the following to say of the treatise:

"Kendall's Treatise on the horse is a book of about 90 pages, with paper covers, fully illustrated, and containing an "Index of and the best treatment of each; a table giving all the principal drugs used for the horse, with the ordinary dose, effects and antidote when a poison, a table with an engraving of the horse's teeth at different ages, with rules for telling the age of the horse; a valuable collection of receipts, and much other valuable information. In preparing copy for this book it was the aim of the author to make it as plain as possible for the non-professional readers, and give them information which is of the greatest importance to horsemen, and yet avoiding all technical terms as much as possible, and also condensing the book as much as possible without leaving out the real essential information in treating each subject. Every farmer or horse-owner should own one of these little books.

For Sale.

For a long time there has been in the GAZETTE office an over abundant supply of type and printing material sufficient in many things to furnish a bountiful supply to run about two such offices. We have concluded to offer for sale all of our surplus material which we do not need. Among other things are the following: About 100 lbs. of long primer, 16½ lbs. long primer talic, including upper and lower cases, 27 lbs. of another kind of long primer, 26 lbs. bourgeois, about 50 lbs. brevier upper and lower cases and italic, about 100 lbs of minion including italic and upper and lower cases, about 50 fonts of job, advertising and poster type of all kinds and sizes, 30 lbs. of 12 em leads and other sizes of leads and slugs, two or three cabinets, column rules, dashes, and many other things too numerous to mention. Any person wishing to assort up or start a new, we can furnish them many things they need on reasonable terms. If parties desiring any thing in the line of printing material will drop us a postal card we will take pleasure in telling them whether we have what they want.

All persons desiring extra copies of the GAZETTE while our articles descriptive of Benton county giving the names of tax payers &c., are being published, will please leave or send their orders to the office immediately so that we may be able to know how many extras to print.

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SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

Written expressly for the GAZETTE by a celebrated Eastern Scientist.

Prof. Milne, the seismologist, declares it to be his increasing conviction that there are "earthquakes" of so slow period that neither observers nor ordinary instruments record them. He is urging upon the Japanese government the importance of establishing a series of observatories for studying earthquakes and allied phenomena.

The accidental discovery has been made by a French surgeon that lowering the head and raising the feet of patients who have been treated with chloroform will cause a speedy return of consciousness; and it is thought that an observance of that simple fact will greatly lessen the danger attending the use of anaesthetics.

An English tramway has commenced running by electric accumulators—or "storage batteries"—a car capable of carrying forty-six passengers. The accumulators —fifty cells of eighty pounds each—are placed under the seats of the car, and so arranged that any part of the current required may be used or the whole of it may be switched off. The car is provided with electric bells and four incandescent lamps, all operated by the current which drives the motor. A full charge of the accumulators runs the car, when heavily loaded, seven hours, equal to half a day of tramway service.

Baron Nordenskjold considers that vast regions covered with perpetual ice are a physical impossibility on our globe south of the eightieth degree of north latitude. His proposed exploration of the interior of Greenland is expected to give evidence confirming this view.

In a recent lectura, Rev. W. H. Dallinger, F. R. S. remarked that modern inquiry had shown that two microscopic organisms may have the same forms but totally unlike functions—the one being harmless and the other deadly. This explains how it is that putrefactive germs may be everywhere present without always causing disease.

There are good reasons for doubting that the Australian Eucalypti—or "fever trees" —exert any greater influence upon the healthfulness of marshy tracts of country than do other trees. Rev. J. E. Woods, at Queenland botanist, refers to a certain mining district which is famous for fever and ague despite the fact that species of Eucalyptus abound in the locality.

As marine plants do not exist at depths of more than 330 feet, or thereabouts, Mr. A. Milne Edwards concludes that the plant-eating animals of the deep-sea wastes must live upon food produced at the surface and gradually dropped into the depths beyond the region of plant-growth.

Prof. Binz, of Germany, asserts that chloride of lime has given good results as an antidote to snake-poison when introduced under the skin near the wound. In cases where the patients failed to recover, the fatal effect of the poison was evidently retarded by the chloride of lime solution.

Spectroscopic observations of comets have yielded results which, in Berthelot's opinion, indicate that the light of those bodies has an electric origin.

Mr. A. A. Common, the English astronomer, believes it to be possible to photograph stars not visible to the eye in the telescope with which the photographs are taken.

Among the grants of the Swedish Government this year is one of $300 to an entomologist, whose duty it will be to advise farmers as to the best means of destroying troublesome insects.

Carefully recorded observations extending over a period of twenty years have shown Dr. C. C. Abbott that the autumnal storing of nuts by squirrels, the building of winter houses by muskrats, and other habits of these and other animals, or the absence of such habits, have no relation to the mildness or severity of the winter which follows. It thus appears that such creatures are no more reliable as weather-prophets than the human charlatans who claim to foresee storms months in advance, and another widespread and deep-rooted notion is proven to be groundless.

Comparatively few plants were known to the ancients, progress in botanical knowledge having made wonderful additions to the catalogue in recent years. According to a German authority, Hippocrates described 234 species. Theophrastus followed with 500, and—as nearly as can be ascertained—Pliny knew 800. Even as recently as the date of Sinnaeus' death—1778—only 7294 had been described, although Tournefort had claimed 10,146. Early in the present century De Candolle made 30,000 named species; and Sindley, in 1853, placed the number at 92,920. At the present time nearly 150,000 species are known, and it is quite possible that twice as many actually exist.

LEGAL.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office of Oregon City, Oregon.
April 10, 1883.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Benton County, at Corvallis, Oregon, on

TUESDAY, MAY 22, 1883.

viz: John Steeprow. Preemption D. S. No. 3756, for the Lots 1 & 7 of Sec. 33, T. 13, S. R. 10 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Ulysses S. Holgate and James Vidito of Tidewater, and Harvey Steeprow and William Howell of Alsea, all of Benton County, Oregon.

20-17:5w L. T. BARIN, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Roseburg Oregon
March 17th, 1883.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of Benton County at Corvallis, on

SATURDAY THE 21st DAY OF APRIL 1883.

viz: Andrew Houck Preemption D. S. No. 40 74 for the lots 9 and 10 sec 6, T. 15, S. R. 5 West Will. Mer.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Geo. W. Houck, Robert Davis, Robert Shelton and Jos. J. Cubic, all of Monroe Benton County, Oregon.

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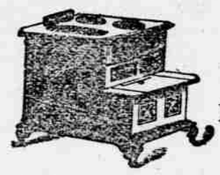
STOVES.  STOVES.

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