

# THE OREGON SENTINEL.

SATURDAY, April 20, 1861.

**THE ROAD.**—It is with regret that we find it incumbent upon us to refer so repeatedly to the bad condition of the roads near town. A fortnight ago we called attention to the road leading to Overbeck's Grove, and a correspondent directed particular attention to a section of it just upon the town boundary, which was in exceedingly bad state. Last week we referred to the necessity for repairs upon the road over the big hill near town on the Applegate road, and now we feel it a duty to direct the attention of the supervisor of the district, and likewise of those living along the road, to that portion of the Yreka road, just beyond the town, along the side hill. The stages must pass over it at all hours of the night, moonlight or pitch dark, as the case may be, with passengers and mail; yet to any but a skillful driver, the getting over it with a team in broad daylight without accident, is quite as much attributable to luck as to management. A single stage upset with injury to passengers, would certainly cause bitter self-reproaches to those whose duty it is to keep the road in decent repair, and they can stand guard against such emotions by immediately applying a day or two in performances of their duty. There seems to be a hitch between the respective local authorities of the County and Town, in regard to the obligations resting upon each to repair and improve the county roads. It is claimed on one side that the road tax raised throughout the county should be applied without distinction of population or number of tax-payers, wherever the roads require work done upon them; on the other side, it is held that each district should keep in order its own roads, and that the road tax collected in one district should not be dispensed for the benefit of another. Under the first, as a matter of course, the tax collected in Jacksonville must be used on the county roads at large, without reference to the town; under the latter, Jacksonville is entitled to the taxes collected from her own citizens, to be expended in repairing the streets and roads within the town limits, subject only to the town authorities. As the town pays a large proportion of the road-tax, the determination of the question at issue is important to every citizen of the Valley, and we hope the respective authorities who have the power and means to settle it will soon do so. While the issue remains open, many of the road repairs needed will be withheld.

**THE WESTERN UNIVERSITY.**—In another column will be found the Constitution for the proposed Collegiate Institute in Overbeck's Grove. Parents and others who feel an interest in the project can examine for themselves the plan upon which the University is to be founded. Very many object to sectarian schools. It will be observed that the Constitution particularly provides that the University shall never become sectarian in character. We are told that some persons have withheld donations, demanding a review of the Constitution before they would subscribe towards the good work. We trust those persons will be satisfied, and at once come forward with their names and means, in aid of a speedy commencement of the building. When fairly under way, there will be little fear for its time of completion. The structure should be ready by Fall for the reception of pupils and students. Some weeks since we stated that School Superintendent Humphreys gave the number of children between the ages of four and twenty years, in the county, at nearly five hundred. A recent enumeration shows that there are over six hundred. With this number within our own county, eligible for school education, it will be a reproach and shame if a suitable institution of learning is not provided. We know that money is scarce and trade dull, but yet there is ample wealth in the Valley to build the proposed University, and poor as many of our citizens are—farmers, tradesmen, mechanics, &c.—surely one of them all is amply able to furnish a sum fit to start the institution. The Legislature would power to have him in the position, over any other person in the State. He is among the earliest of pioneers to Oregon, is eminently qualified for the place, and the land does not boast a more upright, liberal-minded citizen.

**NEWSPAPER CHANGES.**—S. J. McCormick has retired from the Portland *Daily Advertiser*. Ex-Governor Curvy is sole proprietor and editor. He has our wishes for success.

The last Eugene *Herald* contains the valediction of Mr. Alex. Balch, who has disposed of his interest to Mr. G. C. Ashbury. The retiring publisher made the *Herald* a good newspaper; we trust it may continue so under the new regime, with ample success.

**THE WEATHER.**—For the week, until yesterday, the weather has been very warm, clear and dry. The thermometer reached 84° on Tuesday at noon, and has ranged about 80° during the middle of each day, except yesterday, which was a dull, murky day, with slight rains. A few fine showers would much benefit farmers and gardeners. Clouds and fruit trees look well.

**MASONIC PAPER.**—We have received the first number of the *American Freemason*, published monthly at New York City. The paper is edited by J. F. Brown, and is devoted exclusively to Masonry. The number before us is a very neatly printed and interesting sheet. It is published at one dollar per year; five copies for four dollars; ten copies for seven dollars.

**NEW GEMS.**—While Morgan & Co. will have large additions to their fine stock of goods in a short time, they have no invoice of the noted Japanese tea, which we see is much commended by the papers of California, as altogether superior to the Chinese tea. Good tea is a good thing—so hasty to have in the house.

**TELEGRAPH.**—The Yreka Telegraphic Agent informs us that the line, which has been for some time broken, will be in working order next week, after which we hope to be able to give our readers the very latest news from the mining camp.

**FROM JOSEPHINE.**—From R. B. Morford, Esq., who isjourning in town for a few days we learn that parties are at work on the new wagon road from Kerbyville to Jacksonville, via Mooney mountain. The distance by the projected road between these two points is eight miles less and the grade much better, than the present road. Mr. Morford thinks the road will be opened for travel early in the ensuing Summer.

Our correspondent at Galice Creek writes that the digging in that section continues to pay handsomely. Witt's claim has paid \$100 an ounce a day to the hand; Thos. Martin's, from \$6 to \$14 a day to the hand; Sam. Green & Co.'s new hill diggings, struck recently, is paying big wages, and Dridit's claim has yielded as high as \$50 to the hand per day—and never less than \$4 per day. Conway's ditch is completed, and will supply plenty of water to all the claims along the line. The quartz mill is steadily progressing. Our correspondent says there are good prospects for forty or fifty men at the diggings.

In each of the mining localities of Josephine, from good reports are had of the constant employment and handsome reward of the miners. Business of every kind was reviving, and large orders for goods had been sent to San Francisco, to be shipped as soon as the uncertain road was open. Now that teams can come over, there is no doubt that teams will be able to make trips in a week or two more.

**LATEST FROM THE NORTH.**—The mail of Thursday night brought us the Portland papers of the 15th, and the Olympia papers to the 12th and 13th. The latter contain nothing of importance to readers in this section. The *Times Extra* gives a flaming report of the riches of the Northern mines. It says that \$8,000 in dust is awaiting safe conveyance to Walla Walla, and gives an extraordinary item that four men had washed out \$1,300 in seventeen days—quite a common occurrence which prospects richly. Over two hundred miners are led at the diggings on the 12th and 13th. The whites and Indians had made a treaty of peace. No Chinamen are to be permitted in the mines. New diggings had been discovered thirty miles further north.

**GOOD FOR STOUR?**—We always said that our late honored Representative, Lansing Stour, was one of the most sensible, as he is one of the truest and best gentlemen in the land, and every act of his verifies our praise. He remained true to Oregon to the last hour of the session; he is true to his party as the people to the pole; he is loyal to the Union as any that breathes; and to better establish that he is, we copy from the letter of the Washington correspondent of the S. F. *Bulletin*, the following, which exhibits his good sense and love for the union at once:

Lansing Stour of Oregon is to be married on the morning of the 3d of April to Miss Sophie of Maryland. I am informed by a friend who knows the exacting bride, that she is both beautiful and wealthy.

**SCHEMING.**—The Red Bluff *Independent* of Thursday gives an account of the suicide of Phineas L. Miner, a long established and wealthy merchant of that place. The deed occurred on Monday morning. He had shot himself through the breast, above the heart. No cause is known for the terrible act.

**DIFFERENCES.**—The communication sent us from Roseburg, concerning the navigation of the Umpqua, came too late for insertion this week. It shall appear in our next without fail.

**SPECIAL NOTICES.**

**WARREN LODGE NO. 10, A. F. & A. M.**

**WILL hold their regular communications**

**on the Wednesday evenings on preceding**

**Wednesday evenings in**

**JACKSONVILLE, OREGON.**

**G. W. GREER, W. M.**

**H. BLOOM, Secy.**

**I. O. F.**

**JACKSONVILLE Lodge No. 10, holds its regu-**

**lar meetings every SATURDAY EVENING,**

**EXCEPTING THE FIRST WEEK OF EACH MONTH,**

**AS ANY SHOP IN TOWN.**

**WORK DONE AT AS LOW RATES**

**AS ANY SHOP IN TOWN.**

**HORSE & OX SHOEING**

**Natty and quickly executed.**

**OREGON CHAPTER NO. 4,**

**BY THOMAS MOONEY.**

**Shop opposite Manly & Davis Store.**

**BLACKSMITHING!**

**BY THOMAS MOONEY.**

**Work done at as low rates.**

**ROYAL ARKE MASON.**

**JACKSONVILLE, OREGON,**

**Will hold its regular communications on the**

**First Saturday Evening of Every Month.**

**Alljourning Companions in good standing**

**are cordially invited to attend.**

**W. W. FOWLER, H. P.**

**Jas. T. GREEN, Secy.**

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**Sand's Saraparilla.**—No remittent agent

was ever introduced that has proved so uniformly successful as this for purifying the blood, and for the cure of rheumatism, rheumatic ulcers, salt rheum, liver sores, eye-pains, pleuris, boils, menstrual diseases, cutaneous eruptions, liver complaint, bronchitis, consumption, female complaints, loss of appetite, general debility. It will specially remove the worst symptoms of these distressing complaints, and in a brief period complete a radical cure.

**Notice.**

The Willow Springs Mining Association,

which organized at Willow Springs, Jackson county, Oregon, on the evening of February 1st, 1861, will meet at the appointed place this (SATURDAY) evening, March 14th, at six o'clock, for the transaction of business. The Association will hold regular meetings on each succeeding Saturday evening until further notice.

STEPHEN ARTZ, President.

Geo. A. Shepard, Secretary.

Willow Springs, March 14, 1861. mds4949

**Printing Press for Sale.**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that,

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**1861, at the door of the Court**

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**JOHN FULLERTON,**

**Sheriff of Douglas county, Oregon,**

**April 30, 1861.**

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**Strayed**

**FROM the premises of the undersigned, three**

**miles below Gasburg, on Bear creek,**

**an AMERICAN FIFLY,** three years old,

**will be found.** She is a pale bay,

**with white tail, has a star in**

**forehead, is rather small for her age, and**

**has a dim brand on the left shoulder in the shape of a figure 6.**

**Whoever shall return her to the subscriber,**

**or shall give information of her whereabouts,**

**will be handsomely rewarded.**

WM. JUSTUS,

**Bear Creek, April 18, 1861.**

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**DEPARTURE.**—On Saturday morning last,

Mr. P. Donegan, a long-time resident of Jack-

sonville, and a very upright, worthy man, left

by the stage, for San Francisco to take pa-

geage for the East and his native land, old Ire-

land. He contemplates an absence of about

one year. Pleasant days to him throughout

his travels.

**THE OREGON SENTINEL.**—We are

under obligations to Mr.

Dr. V. Ingram, of George River, for

a good mess of delicious trout, which taken, sent by

stage on Monday night. They did not keep

long, and yet it was not the warmest

weather, though, just before they

disappeared from our view, they were in a

grayish net place. Caught trout are a very

fine fish.

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