

**CHINESE FUNERAL.**—On Monday last, a member of the Chinese Masonic Fraternity was buried by the brethren of the Order, with great ceremony, and with all the rites peculiar to that strange people. Quite a number of Americans, among whom were some ladies, were attracted by curiosity, and if Pagan ceremonies could properly be said to be interesting to Christians, those performed on this occasion were certainly so. The body of the deceased was enclosed in a very handsome coffin, in which a number of offerings were thrown by his intimate friends, intended, perhaps, to pay the passage of the spirit across the dark river. The funeral procession was preceded by two Chinamen who strewed the road with small slips of paper, on which the name of the deceased was printed in Chinese characters. Then followed the corpse in a wagon, and immediately after were twelve female mourners, dressed in the height of Chinese fashion, and apparently not overabundant with grief. Next came the members of the order, sixty-four in number, walking two and two, and distinguished by sews made of red and white muslin, sewed together in longitudinal strips. On arriving at the grave the coffin was placed with the feet to the east, and ten or twelve bunches of Chinese torches were stuck in the ground, close to the foot of it, and lighted. Then a collation of boiled pork, rice, and a chicken roasted with the head on, together with chop-sticks, a bottle of gin and drinking cups, was spread for the use of the spirit, if it should happen to be hungry from the grave. A mat being spread directly in front of the collation, the friends of the deceased advanced in couples, bowed their heads three times to the setting sun, and while in a kneeling posture they sprinkled a small quantity of incense on the ground. Rising to their feet, they repeated the obsequies three times more, and then retired. This ceremony was performed by all the males, each one, on retiring, leaving his seat in a bush as a final offering. The same ritual was observed by the females, and then by the common Chinamen, or those who did not appear to be Masons, and who were required to take off their hats before making their "salutations." The coffin was then lowered into the grave, the dirt piled up, and a few made at each corner, on one of which a large quantity of Chinese paper and some green baubles were burned. After burning the bedding and other personal effects of the deceased, the mourners retired, and left "John" to rest until his bones are in a condition for shipment to China. There was no exhibition of grief, whatever, but the ceremonies were conducted with great silence and decorum, and showed that after all our boasted civilization, the communications of the "Pagans" with the Invisible were strangely like those of Christian people.

**EXODUS.**—On Monday last we saw eleven emigrant wagons, with families, from the Willamette Valley, venturing their way towards California. The most of these people assign difficulties to the climate of Northern Oregon, as a reason for leaving. One very intelligent person with whom we conversed, expressed a desire to locate in this valley; but said that he considered the education of his children of paramount importance, and that in California educational facilities were much greater than in Southern Oregon. While admitting the general correctness of his remark, we found food for reflection in it, and we look forward with confidence to the time when our section will have such a reputation for educational advantages as will induce people, who are anxious that their children should acquire knowledge, to make their homes among us and not seek them elsewhere.

**GOT A ROAD.**—The petitioners, as we understand, have finally compromised on a road, running from the vicinity of James Ammerman's up Wagner Creek. There has been a long contention as to where this road should run, and we are pleased to know that all differences are settled, and that the citizens of that neighborhood are to have a public way. It was badly needed.

**LOOK OUT, BOYS.**—Keep out of people's strawberry beds and cherry trees, or you will perhaps find yourselves published as little thieves, the next time you are caught. And you, parents, if you would spare yourselves such mortification, put your religious professions into practice, by teaching your children to obey the Ten Commandments and behave like Christians.

**DEMOCRATIC PROCEEDINGS.**—The First, commenting on the *Pixley row* in San Francisco, says: "Such proceedings as these are bound to work advantageously to the Democratic party in that State." You speak truth, neighbor,—when men descend to ruffianism they soon reach democracy.

**CROPS INJURED.**—The heavy frost of last Saturday night "nipped" several fields of corn severely, especially down the river. Beans melted like ice in a July sun, and in some places the potato crop is badly damaged.

**SALMON FISHERY.**—We noticed in our woods show that Mr. Cameron, of Uniontown, had made a large haul of salmon, and now his good fortune, that the Cannon brothers have made an extensive fishery in this river. At a favorable point in Jennings Creek, where the salmon have some difficulty in making their way over the falls, a somewhat novel trap, constructed of lumber, has been placed, so that if the fish does not succeed in clearing the fall at the first leap, it is whisked into it by the swift undercurrent, and escape is impossible. They are making an average of over two hundred salmon, daily, and on Saturday and Sunday last, about five hundred were caught, weighing in the aggregate, over five thousand pounds. Salt is found in many white fish, but the greater number are salted down to winter use. The Messrs. Cannon intend during a few, while they are fit, and it will need in this way they are quite a luxury.

**A HOUSE IN A BARREN.**—During the week one of our citizens caused to be built a couple of young girls to go a short distance into the country, but before starting the animal all had had company and got so fully intoxicated that they were unable to go. A way named Hill, knowing that the girls were so full of "goodness" he gave them little quantities to drink with him, and before starting company, assembled the animal to make about a gallon and a half of wine, and he performed when "right" because some say that they were exceedingly ill. He commenced pouring stiffly, like a "hot-house," but in a very short way they became very ill, and he was obliged to stop. He put other friends, and especially himself, in intervals with a portion "house" and occasionally whispering as if he wanted a little more liquor. It was some time before he recovered his senses, and the mortification of the girls who had him in charge was better to be imagined than described.

**ROBERTS, JAMES H. 1867.**—A gentleman by the name of Simpson, of Lookingglass Township, was crossed last Saturday, by Sheriff Howe, from the authority of a colleague from Polk county. Sheriff Huggins of Polk county yesterday introduced the prisoner to his "Gardner Shack," and soon started on his return. It appears that a year or two ago, Simpson had a quarrel with his brother-in-law, in Polk, and in the squabble, he killed him. He has been living in this valley about a year.

**WAGONS AND CATTLE.**—Between large quantities of animals are coming to this valley, and the business is becoming very active. The wagons are being driven south from here this summer—generally in pairs for Washoe.

**THE "SCALE"** has pretty generally disappeared, and sheep are in a flourishing condition. A large quantity of wool is on hand in this valley, and sales are daily being made at from 20 to 25 cts.

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**Let us remember** that a heavy frost is in the air, and that the weather is becoming more unsettled. The crops will be injured, and the stock will be affected. It is well to be prepared for all contingencies, and to take care of our families and ourselves.

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**Wool Shipped.**—Messrs. Matler & Sons have shipped about 5,000 pounds of wool to San Francisco this spring, and have about 5,000 more awaiting teams.

**TELEGRAPHIC CHANGE.**—The California State Telegraph Co. have consolidated with the Western Union, and all business will now be done in the name of the latter company.

**THE ONLY "JAN" OF THE DEMOCRACY.**—Ruffianism.

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