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**Local Correspondence.**

**LAFAYETTE**

March 20, 1883.

J. T. Hembree and Frank Large are off visiting the Puget Sound country. They also expect to visit Victoria, B. C., before returning. Mrs. Large is on a visit to her sister's at Hillsboro.

Joe Henderson is at Perrydale doing some painting.

Yesterday Neil Westerfield had the misfortune to cut his foot badly with an ax, while chopping cordwood in the woods.

One day last week the stage, as it came in, was observed to dip to one side in a very remarkable manner. As soon as it stopped at the stable there began a great commotion among the springs, with much squeaking and groaning as if the vehicle was in labor or overdone in some way. But soon something of a rotund appearance protruded itself, followed by a pair of knees, then came a pair of boots, then a head, and Frank Hartly, one of Yamhill's babies "lit" upon the ground. But if Frank "lit" the back didn't. Relieved of the boy, the springs lifted. I hear that it got back some time since.

Now, it happened that Newt Hembree, another Yamhill baby, was close by when Frank "lit," and when Newt saw Frank he opened his eyes, and when Frank saw Newt he opened his eyes. For a while they both stared. Then began: "Say, you?" "Well, you say?" "How much do you weigh?" "I dunno; how much do you weigh?" "I weigh a darn sight more'n you do." "Bet you a nickle you don't?" "Take that bet?" "Put your money up?" "I want a responsible man to hold the stakes." A responsible man was found, the stakes—the two nickles—was put up and the infants put on the scales. Result: Frank Hartly, 265 pounds; Newt Hembree, 286 pounds—two precious little babies. Do their mothers know they're out?

The "Register" folks need a little sanctifying now, all because they failed to get their installment of paper in time last week and could only issue a half sheet. They do say that for the space of a whole day the Judge could not be seen for blue streaks of—well, not prayers.

On the night of Sunday, the 18th, the man Dr. Murphy and the boy Coy, confined in the county jail, concluded that liberty to roam was their right, so they took it. They made a wooden key and unlocked the grate door; then with a pocket knife, cut away the catch of the door between the hall and corridor. The hall door being unlocked no further obstacle remained, so away they hied them to parts unknown. They were not missed until the jailer took the breakfast up, when he found the boarders had played a practical joke on him, and he had to carry his grub home again. The lock is of the kind commonly known as the Scandinavian or jail lock.

Look out for "unbreakable" lamp chimneys. One of our business men bought two; one he put on his lamp and turned the flame up a little way, when the thing exploded, throwing particles of glass a distance of twenty feet. The other was put on the same lamp, unlit, and set aside, and in about fifteen minutes it snapped to pieces without any apparent cause whatever.

The improved appearance of the REPORTER is very favorably commented upon by everybody. It is a credit to the county and to the enterprise of the managers.

Mrs. Talmage, mother of our Assistant County Clerk, is moving back to McMinnville, to-day.

**DAYTON**

March 20, 1883.

The Dayton Cornet Band have received an invitation to join in the prize contest at Eugene.

Mrs. F. A. Hill has a choice stock of millinery and fancy goods.

The farmers in this vicinity are busy plowing and will have a full acreage ready for seeding next month.

The Dayton Flouring Mills have a contract for furnishing the Canadian Pacific R. R. 1000 barrels of flour during the present month.

Mrs. A. J. Smith has opened out a stock of Dress and Millinery Goods. Next week her sister, Miss Wilson, will arrive from Portland, when they will be prepared to fill all orders in the Dress-making line.

One day last week one of Mr. Jacob Satters' little girls fell from a log upon a sharp knie cutting a severe gash across the lower abdomen. Had the wound been a little deeper it must have proven fatal.

Sheriff Colliard and Rev. T. L. Jones of Lafayette were in town during the week.

J. T. Watson is closing out his stock of groceries and will devote all his time to hardware and farm machinery.

Elmer Covert of Webfoot, one of the McMinnville College boys, will teach the school near St. Joe.

W. S. Powell has moved his planer and some of his other machinery from his mill here to the new mill near St. Joe.

Clyde Clubine is behind the counter in the new store.

Mr. Bertrand is the new deputy P. M.

McMinnville Singer Sewing Machine Agent is an industrious, patient and persevering young man and deserving of success. On his last visit here he spent the whole night trying to sell a young lady a sewing machine.

Mrs. Vocum, under the constant use of a battery, is slowly recovering from her paralysis.

"Returning from Captivity" was the theme of an able sermon by Rev. Mr. Wolfe at the Quarterly Conference last Sunday.

The Ashteruffs are preaching to crowded houses.

**AMITY**

March 20, 1883.

Health, never better.

Ginghams at the new store, 12½ cts. per yard.

Flour, \$1.50 per sack at Nathan Newby's mill.

Our friend "Nat" was in town last Saturday, looking as pleasant as ever.

Mrs. Addie Harrison will have up a new stock of millinery goods about the 1st of April.

We learn that Mr. Jay Gooi leaves this morning for East of the Mountains, and also E. H. Springer and C. Goutigly and wife.

We understand that E. F. Messinger has sold his warehouse at McCoy to Mr. Worthington. Mr. Messinger and family have been visiting friends at this place for some time.

What beautiful summer weather we have. But the farmers seem to think we are favored in that way a little too much and are now wishing for rain. Oh! ye Oregonians; are you never going to be satisfied?  
Ed Sherman was arrested last Saturday at Portland, for the stealing of those horses near this place, and they are on the track of others who seem to be implicated in the affair. Smith Allen returned home from Hillsboro yesterday, with his horse that had been sold at that place by Sherman.

The masquerade ball on the 16th went off smoothly, there being a large crowd in attendance. The following list of characters were present:

- GENTLEMEN.**  
Bert Reya, Tramp.  
Ed Geisell, Indian chief.  
P. Y. McCarter, Esquimaux.  
J. W. Alderman, English swell.  
Chas. Wades, Song and dance.  
Samuel Lyons, Big Van Winkle.  
Bulley Chaney, Negro wench.  
Dr. A. E. Sanders, Just after the rebellion.  
Henry Huff, Indian princess.  
R. W. Phillips, Jr., Lost widow.  
A. C. Couler, Jack of hearts.  
Ben Thornber, Anything.  
Lawrence Woodruff, old woman.  
Dr. Taylor, Negro.  
John Cook, English footman.  
Frank Hill, Domino.  
Geo. Hulery, Billy Martin, the foot-racer.  
Link Wilson, Bookkeeper.  
W. H. Jellison, Brother Jonathan.  
Grant Smith, Comic.  
M. Tilley, English suit.  
A. J. Wauh, Sister of Charity.  
E. W. Phillips, Sr., Frow out.  
Charley Chaney, Bob James.  
Frank Ferguson, Scotch groom.

- LADIES.**  
Mrs. Dr. Sanders, Old woman.  
Mrs. J. W. Alderman, Jocely.  
Estie Larson, Drummer boy.  
Laura Sanders, Turkish girl.  
Jesse Terry, Flower girl.  
Addie Porter, Diamond suit.  
Eadie Thorber, Topsy.  
Maud Hubbard, Chambermaid.  
Minnie Hulery, Sammy Logan, fireman.  
Minnie Francis, Red Riding Hood.  
Els Gentry, Champion of the Red Cross.  
Mrs. McCarter, Valentine.  
Fannie Woodruff, (not given).  
Mrs. Geo. Hulery, School girl.  
Mrs. Edgeway, School girl.  
Mrs. Ja Eggen, Scotch servant.  
The prize of \$25 was given to Lawrence Woodruff, of McMinnville, for the best sustained character, he acting the part of an old woman, which he did most excellently.

**NORTH YAMHILL.**

March 19, 1883.

Fire in the mountains.

Mr. Thos. Stevenson and wife were able to sit up yesterday but the baby is very sick.

Mr. Perry Glandon of Salem, was in town last week; his health is much improved of late.

Willis Westerfield was in town yesterday as smiling as ever. He says everything is on the move in Lafayette.

We understand Mrs. Isaac Davis offers her house and lot for sale, price \$300.

Mr. J. D. Edwards had his new buggy out to-day for the first time and a nice buggy it is.

Ed Burton of Washington county was up to visit his mother last week.

James Hatcher returned last week from California where he has been for some time.

Mrs. James Roberts left for Prineville to-day where her husband has been for several weeks.

Wilibur Sifton has the finest blooded dog in town.

James Clark moved to-day into Lee Smith's house recently vacated by C. F. Royal.

Dr. Howell is in town ready to jerk out the old snags so painful at times. You will find him at the Maddox hotel.

Wm. Ball has torn down the old blacksmith shop and is putting up a nice new picket fence which adds much to the looks of the place.

J. L. Bowers, near Petch's mill, met with quite a loss last Tuesday by having his house destroyed by fire. Nothing saved but some bedding. Fire caught in the roof.

Mrs. Kate Dempsey returned home to-day where she has been to visit her mother; her sister, Miss Vocum, returned with her.

We understand Geo. Myers is very much disappointed in his Carp; in selling some he found he had been deceived. He had taken a great deal of pains with them and had some very nice large fish but no Carp.

Your correspondent stated two or three weeks ago that Alfred Smith was very much offended about the valentine he received and drew a revolver on the man that sent it. He informs us that he didn't have a revolver, and wants it distinctly understood that there was not a word said until after the exhibition, and that Hinkley drew the revolver on him before there was a dozen words spoken. He feels quite offended as it was spite work and was very much abused. I admit that I either misunderstood or was misinformed as to who carried the revolver.

**TRAVELER.**

March 19, 1883.

Good deal of sickness amongst the horses. Prof. Antrim pronounces it "pink eye." It has been called to treat quite a number since his arrival and with good success.

**WHEATLAND.**

March 19, 1883.

Prof. A. M. Tood, dentist from Amity, is at the Wheatland House and prepared to do all kinds of business in his line.

Noah Robison has sold out his mill route from Wheatland to Amity, to A. L. Williamson, who is running a hack on said route and is prepared to carry passengers to and from both points on reasonable terms.

G. A. Michael is remodeling the Wheatland House and is prepared to entertain the traveling public with bed and board, also good stable for feeding horses.

I. T. Isham has his new ferry boat in running order and is prepared to cross both footmen and teams, this being the nearest route to Salem and Gervais from this point; he solicits a share of the public patronage.

Uelce Mark Sawyer was in town the other day and gave us a call. He has to come down to the ranch occasionally.

Farmers being busy, not much going on in town. Last week about four or five hundred bushels of seed wheat was landed here from Portland and was soon taken by the farmers.

Mr. Abram of Lincoln, has seed wheat of the "red chaff" variety which he is selling at one dollar thirty-seven and a half cents per bushel.

Prof. Antrim gave a lecture at the Tightville school house, on the horse. Those who heard him say he handled the subject in good style. Quite a number from Marion county came over to hear him and were well satisfied.

**BELLEVUE.**

March 19, 1883.

Items, dried up.

Geo. Bryan and wife, of Lafayette, paid Bellevue a hurried call, Friday.

Sheridan wants a whisky license, but don't like to "crawl-fish."

William Rangley and Provost Bros. are making improvements in the way of fencing.

Mr. L. W. Watts, of Portland, was up last week paying friends and relatives a visit.

If we don't have rain, soon, it will be impossible for farmers to finish their plowing. Where is Wiggins? we want rain.

The new college building at McMinnville can be seen quite plainly from the hills west of Bellevue, when the weather is clear.

John Lercher, who was granted license to sell liquor for six months, keeps in Williamina and not in Sheridan, as some think, although it is in Sheridan precinct.

Who was he and where is he who said that wild oats that were in the ground were all killed by the freeze during the winter? If he ever ventures to farm he will learn that wild oats do not die in the ground.

Some of the farmers put off sowing for a time on account of the wild oats, waiting for them to come up; some who sowed early this month think it is a much better plan to let them come up before sowing. A few who sowed early will have their grain smothered by the wild oats. I hear of some who have sown the same ground twice, this month, making the third time the same ground has been sown for one crop, and there are others who would do the same if the seed could be had. One man has re-sown over 200 acres, and the wild oats have completely covered the ground. The cause of this unusual growth of wild oats is on account of the freeze loosening the ground so deep, causing them to sprout from an unusual depth. Some have come from a depth of 10 and 12 inches, which is uncommon for them.

**BELLEVUE.**

March 19, 1883.

The air full of smoke for the last few days. Quite a fire in the mountains.

A singing class has been organized at this place, to meet once a week.

**WILLAMINA.**

March 19, 1883.

Ned Duvall told us three weeks ago that it would rain within three days. He said he knew by a sign the Indians taught him and said sign never failed. Ned and the Canada prophet had better unite their forces.

Mr. Caleb Booth has bought the Breeding property, and is moving into town.

Rev. F. Elliot, of Sheridan, will preach here next Sunday at 11 a. m.—A meeting will also be held at 3 p. m. to organize a Sunday school.

Several head of cattle have died in this vicinity, from the effects of eating a poisonous herb that grows on the banks of the Williamina.

Mr. Huber Sifton comes to town occasionally. He is feeding a band of horses up at Mr. George Fennel's farm.

School begins next month. Would it not be well for parents to look a little ahead and have their children provided with proper books, &c.? Some people seem to forget that there is a series of text books laid down by law which we must use. Mr. Editor, will you please publish the list and we will post it up and see how many will take notice and have their children prepared when school begins.

The Churchman Bros. have purchased three yoke of oxen. They intend to bring back a portion of the logs that passed over the dam during the high water.

We found a nice parcel in the road, to-day, and thought what a nice beef-steak for supper; but lo! our lip fell and so did the parcel—of mud. And as we moved on the mud began to fly in every direction. Then a lot of little boys yelled "mud." We threw some mud in getting away, and hardly "dinks," they will fool us again.

A slight mistake appeared in my item of last week, regarding the stone quarry. It should have read "a deep sea sediment."

Mrs. Annie F. Rimer is visiting friends near her old home and McMinnville, this week.

Mrs. M. V. Enslay is visiting at McMinnville.

Wild oats are appearing in as great quantities as ever, in this locality.

**THE HIGHLANDS.**

March 12, 1883.

Grass is starting.

Some early "garden sass" has been planted.

Quite a number of our farmers have been kept back by the condition of teams.

Newells lost another horse last week to the same old disease.

At our school meeting, last Monday, A. B. Pollard was elected Director and S. J. Berry, Clerk.

Stevenson and Newells have finished re-seeding their fall wheat fields.

A sewing machine shop passed through here, lately. Hoberg, we believe is his name, a very gentlemanly appearing young man, and says he doesn't intend to transact sewing machine business at the "point of the bayonet." Good idea.

The Kansas family we spoke of here shows us "what they know about farming," pulled up stakes and gone to live in your town for a few months, perhaps during the time they will conclude to stay in this "awful" climate.

Pollard, the bee-hive agent, has returned home. The fact is Bud can't tell lies enough to make a good canvasser. None of our Highlanders would make successful "agents" on that account.

In our excitement about the wheat and horses dying out, we forgot to mention that the women folks look nearly all their flower plants during the cold weather. We will miss the next little marks of a well-ordered home, but perhaps should be thankful that we still possess their fair owners that are fairer than the fairest flower.

**LATER, MARCH 19.**

Seeding is progressing finely.

All sorts of prophecies about the weather. "Moonites" watch carefully the phases of fair Luna's face.

We heard of an attempt to pass a quit-claim deed on one of our neighbors where a warranty deed was promised. Not much, our old friend of Gopher was nipped in something after this fashion once. As the land in question is in this neighborhood and "for sale" we think it proper for us to say "look out," but as the parties owning it are non-residents and we are ignorant of what is behind the curtains, we with-hold names.

Our Spenserian philosopher comes frequently but we believe his mind is wandering from the themes of the sepiast that has been his idol and now dwells on better themes and a more worthy idol. We hope neighbor you may get "yes" for an answer and will pass us the cake.

The horse disease does not "read" as we anticipated in our last, Newell, Whelan, Steward, Ballard and Scott are still troubled to some extent.

Both Pollard and Berry have leased out their plow-land for the season—Steward and the Newell's get it.

Starr Southmayd will seed the Potter farm. This farm (that is in the Highlands) is one of the most productive in this vicinity, but like its mate on the Bald Hill division of the Highlands is not easy of access with machinery. Men of the Bald Hills, fix up the roads!

Chandler, of Gopher, is moving to a hill ranch near Charley Feudall's.

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**HIG. H. LANDER.**

**NEWPORT—ON THE YAQUINA.**

March 11, 1883.

Weather, all that could be desired; roads splendid; lots of flounders, crabs, clams and oysters.

The schooner "Vanderbill" came in from San Francisco Feb. 28th, with all the freight she could carry, principally for the O. P. R. R. She is now loading with lumber from Chitwood's, near Toledo, for San Francisco.

The steam schooner "Ona" makes regular trips every two weeks from Portland always with full freight and the steam schooner "Katie & Anna" semi-once in a while.

The government works on south beach are progressing finely. Mr. Polhemus says he is going to push it right through. The water on the bar is deepening all the time, there being an average of twenty feet at ordinary full tide.

The merchants of this place are doing a splendid business. There are three stores, besides Walling & Wright have a heavy stock of tinware, stoves and hardware.

The Good Templars have a lively lodge here of thirty-three members and some ten or twelve to join shortly. They have been—rather G. P. Walling has been fitting up a Lodge room that will compare favorably with lodge-rooms in much larger cities. The hall is calculated to be used by the Good Templars, Masons and Odd Fellows.

J. W. McGrew, James Riggs and Ray, of Perrydale, have been here a few days. They calculate to "stay about ten days and look around."

The wife of Gabriel Walling has been quite poorly for some time; but is able to be about again.

By the way, Johnny Wright—you all know Johnny—was married this morning to Miss Ella Stearns Morgan. They were married at the residence of George Walling, and we had a "way up" dinner, and J. says he would send you some of the cake, were it not so far. Johnny, we hope you may never have cause to regret the step you have taken and will close this item by wishing you and yours many years of happiness and prosperity.

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