

start to the Pacific coast with some 75 or 100 families. They intended originally, to form an agricultural settlement, in California, and to settle in a body. Catching an account of the enterprise in the papers, and hearing the vessel was to be at Boston, I determined, if possible, to procure their settlement in Oregon. I wrote the editor of the Boston Post to ascertain the facts, which he did and wrote me word. I next addressed the captain a letter, requesting him to lay it before the emigrant company, to which he wrote the following reply. Really, I think there is something to be gained, by making an acquisition of such a company to Oregon. Men, who, without money or means, will work a ship into existence, and themselves round Cape Horn in her, will be very likely to build up farms and a good neighborhood after they get to Oregon. I have written him another letter, and sent him a published letter of mine, urging the company to go to Oregon direct—I think they will do so. I hope the good people of Oregon will give them a hearty reception.

Very truly yours,
SAM'L R. THURSTON

Boston, Feb. 5, 1850.
Dear Sir: Your favor of the 31st ult. came duly to hand, and for your advice, and the interest manifested for our welfare, you have our hearty thanks.
In reply, I will inform you that it is our intention to go to Oregon to settle, after spending the business season at San Francisco. We think of going to the Klamath river. We understand that it is a very fine place for a settlement—but we may go to the Columbia river. We wish to establish the law, customs and manners of New England, where we settle.
We are a company of poor men. We built our ship in stages of \$150. We built without money, and without credit. Are now fitting out by getting shareholders to pay in their \$150. I commenced last April to build the ship with one man, looking up men and materials to finish her. We have now a fine strong ship of 612 29 25 tons, and expect to be ready to sail in two weeks. Should be pleased to hear from you. Any advice or other help from you will be gratefully received.
Very respectfully yours,
GEO. KIMBALL.

Dear Sir—In a recent number of your paper, I have noticed a letter under date of August 1-14, to the Hon. S. R. Thurston, Delegate to Congress from this Territory, by the undersigned, in which it may appear to many persons that the undersigned was prejudiced against the town of Astoria, at the mouth of the Columbia river; but on the contrary, the undersigned would have the public to understand that there is no prejudice existing under any circumstances whatever. At the time of writing the letter alluded to, it was assumed that the United States government was not aware that the Columbia and Willamette rivers were navigable for a 1,000 miles, and that the whole commerce of this Territory was to rest at Astoria, by its having established the Custom House, post office, and depot for mail steamers, &c., at that point, and the inconvenience of being compelled, by law, to land and re-ship all the goods destined for the interior, with great risk, inconvenience, and expense. The motive of the undersigned was to show that the Columbia and Willamette rivers were navigable and easy of access. The undersigned would further state that he believes that Astoria can be improved so as to make it much more convenient for landing and transshipping goods; which this of itself will show.
Respectfully your ob't serv't,
NATH'L CROSBY.
Portland, May 7, 1850.

The following gentlemen are announced as candidates for election to the respective offices with which their names are associated, at the next ensuing election in Washington county.
For Council—Jas. M. Moore, of Linn City.
For Representatives—Lawrence Hall, of Tualatin; Ralph Wilson, of Hillsborough; W. M. King, of Portland.

We are requested to announce the name of Col. W. W. Chapman, of Portland, as a candidate for Council at the coming election, for the county of Washington.

Also, the name of Judge Hastings, of the same place, as a candidate for the lower house.

Levi A. Rice is requested to become a candidate for the office of Probate Judge, in and for the county of Washington.

David T. Lemay will also be supported for the same office.

Commercial

COLUMBIA RIVER.

ARRIVALS AT ASTORIA.
May 1, Brig Cayuga, G. C. Swinson, master, 19 days from San Francisco, with mchse to T. J. McCarver, K. Wilson, and the master. 25 passengers.
Passengers by the Cayuga—George McCarty, Waterloo, New York; John Parsons, Wm. Purvis, Russell Watts, Mr. Winchester, R. Burns, J. Burns, John Johnston, A. Barbank, I. Williams, Henry Hill, Alonzo Gates, L. D. C. La Tourette, John Zaerie, Daniel Zaerie, Robert Wilson, G. Ahlman, H. Barbank, Ward E. McCroder, and son, J. E. Miller, M. Steward, George Frazier, and Cook, Oregon Territory.
May 2, Brig Tarquina, Wm. E. Moltrop, master, 12 days from San Francisco, with mails and mchse to Couch & Co., A. McKinley, O. M. Sheldon, M. M. McCarver, J. B. Stevens, John

Anderson, W. S. Cooper, Terwilliger, Wilson & Bryant, and the master. 18 passengers.
The Tarquina brings as part of her cargo 67,000 feet of lumber and 32,625 shingles!
May 7, Brig May & Ellen, Geer, from San Francisco, with mchse to master, J. Rice, Portland, A. M. McKinley, and M. M. Rogers.
May 8, Bark Sarah Moore, G. M. Seaman, master, from San Francisco, with 13 passengers, and mchse to Frost & Co., Astoria, S. C. Smith, Astoria and to order.
CLEARED.
April 29, Brig Sarah McFarland, Brooks, master, for San Francisco.
April 29, Bark Ocean Bird, Hall, for do.
May 2, Bark Ocean Bird, Farrington, for do.
May 6, Brig Seguin, Norton, for do.
" Bark Victory, Ryan, "
" " Toulou, Hoyt, "
" " " Aro Iris, Meloy, "

OREGON CITY

Retail Prices Current.

Apples, dried per lb	none.
Peaches "	25
Beef, retail at market	18 a 20
Pork per lb	16 a 20
Butter per lb	50 a
Cheese per lb	50
Flour, per cwt	9 00
" per bbl	18 00
Grain: wheat per bush	3 00 a
" rye "	3 00 a
" oats per bush	2 00 a
" sheaf, per doz.	8 50
Greenery: coffee per lb	18 a 20
" sugar, brown, per lb	20 a 30
" sugar, loaf "	50
" tea "	1 00 a 1 50
Lard per gal	1 50 a
Syrup per gal	2 50 a
Tobacco per lb	37 a 1 25
" non per lb	20
Eggs, per doz	50 a 75
Lard, per lb	40 a
Salt, per cwt	6 00 a
Oil, lard, per gal	3 50
" fish, per gal	6 00
Glass per 1/2 doz. 7 by 10	7 00
" 10 by 12	7 00
Iron per lb	12 a 20
Nails per lb	16 a 20
Cooking stoves	25 00 a 100 00
Lumber, per M	50 00 a 60 00

NOTICE.
WILLIAM P. ABRAMS, of Portland, being about to return to the United States, and being a practical engineer, will select and furnish on his return, to persons wishing him so to do, engines for mills, steamboats, &c. Address me at Portland previous to the 15th of June next.
Respx to Stephen Collins.
May 16-17-18

TUALATIN PLAINS.
I O all whom it may concern, the subscriber has always on hand a full assortment of GROCERIES AND DRY GOODS, which will be disposed of at wholesale and retail. Prices to suit customers.
Having effected arrangements for goods direct from California and the States, I offer great inducements to farmers and country store keepers.
By prompt attention to the wants of the community, he hopes to merit a continuance of favors.
J. F. Town lot for sale.
ABRAHAM SULGER.
Hillsborough, May 16, 1850-17-18

STRAYED from the subscriber's living at Green Point, a cow about three years old, left ear cut square off, with a notch in it, and a hole through the right ear. Any information concerning her will be thankfully received.
MOSIER.
Oregon City, May 16-17-18

AUCTION SALE.
THE SUBSCRIBER will sell, at his farm in Yam Hill county, on Monday the 26th inst., his large and valuable stock of cattle, horses, grain, logs, and farming implements, in lots to suit purchasers. He will also sell his farm. Terms of sale, for stock, &c. half cash on all sums over \$300, and one half in ninety days. On sale of the farm he will take one third cash, one third in six months, and one third in twelve. Where credit is given, it must be with approved security and drawing interest at the rate of ten per cent. The reason of selling this valuable property is the impossibility of attending to it and at the same time performing the public duties of the subscriber.
O. C. PRATT.
Yam Hill Falls, May 16-17-18

SALE OF LOTS.
WILL take place in Hillsborough (the county seat of Washington county) on the first Monday in June next.
This town is beautifully situated, in the heart of the finest and most beautiful farming country west of the Rocky mountains; for health and beauty it is unsurpassed in all Oregon. For the information of the public unacquainted with the business advantages of this place, a few facts may be stated.
The Judges of the Probate Court of Washington county selected and laid off 160 acres of the finest and best land in the county, with a view to the permanent location of the county seat, and had it laid off into lots of five acres—each lot containing near one-half acre—the streets cross at right angles and are 66 feet in width; it is about the center of the plain and has always been considered the most eligible business point in the county; it is high and rising, and has a commanding view of the country for many miles around. There is under way a great saw mill within a mile and a half. Surrounded with beautiful groves of fine timber, persons wishing desirable locations would do well to attend the sale.
Terms, one-third of the purchase money in hand, the balance in six and twelve months—the purchaser giving bond and approved security. The whole of the purchase money will be laid out in public county buildings on the site.
By order of Court,
The contemplated railroad from Pacific City to Lafayette, will pass through Hillsborough.
may 16-17-18

TO THE PUBLIC.
PRICE & MOFFATT have now got their Iron and Brass Foundry, together with their Blacksmith shop, in successful operation, and are prepared to execute all orders in their line of business with despatch and in a workmanlike manner.
Oregon City, May 16-17-18

NOTICE TO LUMBERMEN.—The Subscriber, from Maine, has for sale the machinery for a saw mill complete; also, Single Machines, and two Six-foot Mills, of the best kind now in use, which will be sold cheap, and put the same in operation.
J. G. JOHNSON.
San Francisco, March 15, 1850-1851

REGULAR U. S. MAIL LINE
FOR SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.
Bark Louisiana, Crosby Jr. 28th May
Brig Virginia, Crosby. 1st June
Brig Tarquina, Moltrop. 15th June
Bark Ann Smith, Flanders. 25th June
Brig O. C. Raymond, Menzie, 1st July
Rate of freight \$94 per ton.
" passage \$100 in cabin.
For freight or passage, apply to the agents.
COUCH & CO.,
Portland.
CROSBY & SMITH,
Portland and Milton.
Agents of the regular line at San Francisco, California, Stark & Co., and Benj. Reynolds.
may 16-17-18

50 LABORERS WANTED to complete the road from Milroy to the Tualatin plains. Apply to
CROSBY & SMITH.
may 16-17-18

Notice to Shipowners & Merchants
THE undersigned, having been appointed agent for the disposal of lumber manufactured at Oregon City, Clackamas and Milwaukie, seven miles from Oregon City, the present head of navigation of the Willamette, and will be ready at all times to contract for shipping or sale by the cargo or retail, assorted lumber, square timber, shingles, &c., &c.
This is also an agent for a line of vessels running between San Francisco, California, and this place. Vessels will be loaded with great dispatch, as the cargo can be taken from the wharf shore or raft.
LOT WHITCOMB.
Milwaukee, January 26, 1850.

FOR SALE, at the Brick Store, Oregon City:
Broadcloths
Cambrics
Vestings
Kensley jeans
Ready made clothing
Gentlemen's
Merino, alpaca
Linen & so on
Range dress patterns
Gingham, lawn
Muslin, prints
Wadding, linen
Linen, silk & cotton hdkfs
Blanket and plaid shawls
Bleached and brown sheet-ings and shirtings
Striped shirtings
Bleached, brown and blue drills
Bed ticking
Canton flannels
Blankets
Linen & cotton thread
Sugar, coffee, tea
Walnuts, dates
Tobacco, shot
Gd so, nails
Medicines
Hatchets, hammers
Lamps, lanterns
Candlesticks
Butts, screws
Pocks, knives
Knives and forks
Files, rasps
Pins, needles
Locks, lathe
Shovels, spades
Looking glass at
Umbrellas, parasols
Buggies, &c., &c.
GEO. ABERNETHY & CO.
Oregon City, March 7, 1850-18

JUST RECEIVED direct from the east, per Big John Petty, a choice assortment of
Holloware, Cut and wrought nails of all sizes,
Stoneware, Soap,
Toware, Shot,
Powder, Chalk,
Lead, Candle wick.
Also, per Toulou,
Tea, Coffee,
Sugar, Fire crackers, &c. &c.
And for sale by
R CAUFIELD.
Oregon City, Nov. 15, 1849.

TO LET.
A CONTRACT of about 50 perch of Stone Masonry. Apply to
J. D. & W. C. HOLMAN.
Oregon city, may 2. 50-16-21

UNITED STATES MAIL PACKET, FOR SAN FRANCISCO.—The fast sailing A 1 coppered and copper-fastened Bark "LOUISIANA" will sail from Milton, for the above port, on the 25th inst.
For passage, only having first rate accommodations, apply to
CROSBY & SMITH,
Portland and Milton.
may 16-17-18

TOWN OF MILTON
IS situated on the lower branch of the Willamette river, just above its junction with the Columbia. The advantages of its location speak for themselves. All we ask is, for our friends to call and see the place.
For particulars apply to
CROSBY & SMITH,
Portland and Milton.
may 16-17-18

OREGON TERRITORY—YAM HILL COUNTY.
DISTRICT COURT—MIL IN EQUITY.
Sarah A. O'Brien,)
vs.)
Hugh O'Brien)
THE said defendant, Hugh O'Brien, will take notice, that the said complainant, Sarah A. O'Brien, has filed her bill on the chancery side of the Yam Hill District Court, praying a decree of divorce from the bonds of matrimony from said defendant, on the ground of wilful desertion. It was therefore ordered by said court, that notice of the pendency of this suit be given by publishing the same in the "Oregon Spectator" in eight successive numbers thereof, commencing the said defendant that if he does not appear on the first day of the next regular term of said court, to be held in the town of Lafayette, on the second Tuesday of October next, then and there to plead, answer, or demur to said bill, the same will be taken as confessed, and a decree entered accordingly.
M. F. DEADY,
Solicitor for Compl't.

COMMISSION & AUCTION STORE
THE UNDERSIGNED would respectfully inform the public, that he intends to commence in Oregon City a general commission and auction business. He flatters himself that he will be able to give entire satisfaction to all merchants and ship owners, who may send to him their goods, wares and merchandise to be sold on commission, or to be disposed of at auction.
WILLIAM HOLMES.
Oregon City, May 16, 1850-17-18

ARRANGERS.
Geo. Abernethy & Co., Oregon City.
J. D. & W. C. Holman, "
Campbell & Smith, "
Robt. Caufield, "
John McLaughlin, "
Andrew Hood, "
Lieut. D. M. Frost, U. S. A., "
Lot Whitcomb, Milwaukie, O. T.
His Excellency P. H. Burnett, California
Hanus, Jennings & Co., Sacramento City.
Maj. Samuel Hensley, San Francisco, Cal.

NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!!
RECEIVED per brig Oregon, direct from New York.
12,000 feet white pine flooring board, tongued and grooved,
9,000 feet white pine ceiling tong'd and grooved,
4,000 do do do lumber, clear,
22,500 do do do do cleboards,
60,000 do shingles,
3 bbls dried peaches,
7 do do apples,
10 1/2 bbls cider,
50 bbls cider vinegar,
1,450 yds French cotton duck, am'd. nos.,
7,000 lbs Russia best rope do steel,
1 fine manilla hawser,
1 roll hand leather,
50 lbs cement, best quality,
1 large salamander safe,
10 small do do
cases preserved green peas, beans, tomatoes, haddock, halibut, mackerel, sardines and oysters,
50 boxes sardines raisins,
55 lb do do do
50 bbls Princeton crackers,
25 do salt,
20 M brick,
120 bbls put bread, best quality.
Wire and whip brooms, wash boards; size hoes; pick axe handles; lamp wicks; twine; paw lines; brass hoops oak pins, maces and carriage stocks; tin pans; coffee pots; colanders; sauce pans; covered meat pails; wash basins; flour boxes; pepper boxes; wash kettles; candle sticks; look and stand lamps; mirror pans; tin plates; cups; tin kettles; tin strainers; japanned tinware; enamel ware; tinware; galvanized plates; stove shelves; sp. tins; dippers; shovels and tongs; dinner boxes; round brass bound coolers; nest boxes; hand boxes; faucets; blue and green paint; brass and iron; book binding; book ladders; cocoa dip-pers; shoe and scrub brushes; shaving boxes; mal-lons; corks; putty; camp stools; do with huckle and hinges; dusters; kitchen window dusters; gut mirrors; zinc mirrors; shaving brushes; 100-ft dishing flasks, ink stands, with springs; military and Yankee shaving soap; tooth brushes; clothes brushes; small trucks; penknives; stampers; cutters; butter cut; assorted extractors; pliers; tin snips; six narrow; hair oil; shaving lotions; barber's bottles and assorted hair brushes; dressing, round, back and ivory pocket combs, shik, mind and pickard snuff boxes; fancy purses, red and black; red penknives; german silver p. nails, ivory tooth p. nails; blue and ivory spoons; mustard spoons; writing desks; sea, pen and pen holders; various lead pens; penholders; penholders; back gannets; buttons; playing cards; hickory shirts, &c., &c.

JUST RECEIVED
PER bark Melton, direct from New York, and for sale at the "BRICK STORE."
40 doz chopping axes, 29 do axle scythes,
4 do broad do 31 do grass scythes,
4 do carpenters' adzes, 21 boxes try the stones,
10 do ha chets, 25 doz c. & l. y. forks,
135 kgs nails, 56 bbls shovels & spades,
4 doz iron squares, 12 do grass scoops,
50 cooking stoves, 50 doz short link chains,
10 doz shovel & tongs, 4 do log chains,
32 doz tin axes, 140 yds trace do
6 do belovs, 4 doz spring balances,
1 red steel faced anvil, 4 pattern scales,
1 do do do do, 10 casted and stoves,
51 hammers sheet iron, 10 boxes tacks,
10 kgs saw crates, 50 lbs white lead,
20 bars oakum, 12 bbls sardines,
chest and door locks, 4 doz hand saws,
brasses & bits, files, 8 do wrought nails,
ciseis, gouges, locks and saws,
augers, gimlets, knives and forks,
hammers, nails and paper, glue,
couch w. rashes, stoves and pencils,
frying pans,
GEO. ABERNETHY & CO.
Oregon city, may 2, 1850-16-18

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Oregon city, may 2, 1850-16-18

NOTICE.
THE French Brig "DUC DE LORGEN," of 215 tons burden—seven years old, will be sold at Portland.
AT PUBLIC AUCTION, for the interest of whom it may concern, on the TWENTY-FIRST day of May next.
Care of T. A. VAILLOTT, D. L.
Portland, April 24, 1850-16-21

JUST RECEIVED
PER bark "Louisiana," from San Francisco, the following goods:
A large and general assortment of Ready made CLOTHING,
oil cloth carpeting,
burnels do
FURNITURE—such as bureaus, tables, bedsteads, wash stands, chairs, &c.,
woolens and tickle shawls,
superior cigars, tea, soap, sash, window glass,
tobacco, knives and forks,
silver plated & german silver tea & table spoons,
tin, iron and brass do do do do
assort'd tinware,
complete sets in new, sets iron axes,
trunks, port bags, trace chains,
pictures and picture frames,
anti-rust cooking gloves, with p'ps and furniture complete.
All of which will be sold, together with their former stock of goods, upon the most favorable terms, by
CROSBY & SMITH.
Portland, April 15, 1850-16-18

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE
FOR SALE.—1 store and 2 lots in Champe.
One store and one lot in Oregon city—the store is 23 feet by 40, two stories high, hand-saw finished, and has a dwelling home attached; situated in one of the best business locations of the city. One store and lot in Portland.
For terms &c., apply to
CROSBY & SMITH.
Portland, April 15, 1850-16-18

TOWN OF CASCADE.
THIS town is situated on the left bank of the Columbia river, at the head of the rapids, and about 22 miles above Fort Vancouver. It has recently been laid off by Justin Chenoweth, Esq., Surveyor. It is situated at the head of ship navigation on the Columbia, and being surrounded by a fine producing and grazing country, it has an admirable location and it will probably be one of the largest and most commercial cities in Oregon. The undersigned is authorized to sell lots and to make deeds in the name of the proprietors. A plat of the town may be seen at my office.
J. QUINN THORNTON.
Oregon city, May 1, 1850-16-18