[illegible] SPECTA[illegible]

"[illegible] cleared up way."

Oregon City, (O. T.,) [illegible]day, January 2, 1851.

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Scolding—An Anecdote.

We will not say that any who have the scolding propensity are absolutely incurable, but we know some very obstinate cases. We also know some persons who have such a happy mental organization, that they never indulge a peevish spirit. An anecdote will illustrate these cases.

Two thriving farmers, A. and B. lived near neighbors, whose wives were patterns of energy, industry, frugality, neatness, &c. Each had been married about fifteen years, and the wife of A. [illegible]

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This is one of [illegible] to be a well-governed [illegible] —[Sunday Times.

[illegible]

[illegible] while her [illegible] But we [illegible] out [illegible] The [illegible] which [illegible] always [illegible] may have [illegible] marriage [illegible] the first place, the [illegible] to the same religi[illegible] der to secure a [illegible] or concert in [illegible] that point. We think [illegible] acter, habits and [illegible] harmonize and [illegible] possible. [illegible] and of course [illegible] tune gives, are apt [illegible] dy, and [illegible] poverty [illegible] great good sense and [illegible] lated to make the [illegible] discontented [illegible] a woman [illegible] thing which [illegible] not be attainable [illegible] Persons born in affluence [illegible] poverty, frequently [illegible] painful changes [illegible] those suddenly and unex[illegible] from obscurity. [illegible] of mind, and resig[illegible] which sustain the [illegible]

[illegible] feelings of [illegible] past and [illegible];
The [illegible] checked by [illegible] of [illegible];
In after days [illegible] together they [illegible]
[illegible] that [illegible] their happy home [illegible] found;
[illegible] and died, leaving his wife and child;
[illegible] through weeds and [illegible] wild;
[illegible] of one who was so [illegible];
And [illegible] him for many a year.

[illegible]

I [illegible] of the characters of my [illegible];
[illegible] Lemuel, who [illegible] sighed for [illegible];
To [illegible] mother, her only child, Phoebe, and [illegible] in [illegible];
[illegible] of this my length[illegible] song!
The [illegible] the [illegible] of paper white,
[illegible] of thought [illegible] I write,
[illegible] I'll [illegible] a theme, and give my feel[illegible]
[illegible] pure and noble, shall [illegible]

[illegible] done with the [illegible] simple enough [illegible] He will be [illegible] We dismiss [illegible] that if [illegible] was finished to [illegible] we shall claim [illegible] call on the P.

[illegible] to Congress, [illegible] will be [illegible] It is a matter [illegible] of the people [illegible] and at the [illegible] House, we in-

[illegible] have ap[illegible] for a charter to [illegible] city was in[illegible] and there are [illegible] for a repeal of [illegible] to be[illegible] for them. Low [illegible] We have [illegible] We are therefore [illegible] of opposition. [illegible] B. Parrish, of [illegible] steamer. [illegible] and weigh[illegible] been that

[illegible] of a new [illegible] Francisco. [illegible]

by the way. He will certainly become a favorite too soon.

☞ When the Gold Hunter left San Francisco, on the evening of the 24th the mail steamer from the States had not yet reached that city; consequently the Gold Hunter brings no later advices from the States. We were anxiously awaiting the arrival of the mail in hopes to [illegible] news in this number. But we were [illegible] appointed, and it is said our disappoint[illegible] ment is not to end here; we have been told that we shall not be able to get a mail at all this month; that the agent at San Francisco said as much; that [illegible] be under the necessity of [illegible] gon when the mail should arrive. There appears to be a screw loose somewhere. Aspinwall & Co. have lost, it is said, the contract for carrying the mail to Oregon, and that no new contract had been enter[illegible] ed into. Our people have been cheered up with the false hope of receiving a semi-monthly mail after the first of December. We should like to know whose efficiency has brought about such a beautiful state of things. We have come to the conclusion that Aspinwall & Co. have the whip in their own hands, and are disposed to lash the Government into submission to their own terms. Our business men feel no little concern upon this subject. They ought to inquire into it.

We have since learned that Aspinwall & Co. having failed to comply with their contract, Government had, or was about to, re-let the contract at about one-fourth the amount of the former contract. We are glad to see this change, as overgrown [illegible] have less enterprise and punc[illegible] tuality than aspiring capitalists who are working for a name. The former rely too much upon their wealth, whilst the latter rely upon their efforts to accommodate the [illegible]

Up to the [illegible] of the 26th ult., the time when the Gold Hunter left, the steamer from the States had not made its appearance. She had been due some five or [illegible] days.

☞ Our thanks are due to Capt. T. A. [illegible] of the steamer Gold Hunter, for late [illegible] San Francisco papers. We shall [illegible] We [illegible]

[illegible] pounds, di[illegible] of the Spectator, has [illegible] It is truly a very pretty [illegible] of what Oregon can do in this [illegible] by Mr. O. C. Moxley,

[illegible]

Launching of the Lot Whitcomb

[illegible]

[illegible] death.

Capt. Moses was a man who had acquired many warm friends here, and whom a short acquaintance with had strongly prepossessed us in his favor—and his untimely fate has cast a gloom over our [illegible] which we cannot easily dispel. He leaves a family, we understand, at Newbern, North Carolina.

This being the day for launching this new and beautiful Steamer, which has been built here within the last few months, naturally called together a large assemblage of people from the surrounding country, to witness the launch of a steamer, the product of the enterprise and energy of one of our most worthy citizens, which must be of incalculable benefit to the interests of Oregon.

At about 3 o'clock P. M., everything being in readiness, and a goodly number on board, she was cut loose from her fastenings, and slid from the stocks into the water, like a meteor from the heavens. Everything being so well arranged, she went off nicely without any straining of the boat, or any other damage or accident.

Great credit is due to the constructor, Wm. L. Hanscom, for the fine model, and the workmanlike manner in which she has been built; and also for the nice arrangements perfected for the safe and expeditious launch, which we had the pleasure of witnessing.

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In view [illegible] the Legislature [illegible] the late Provisional Government of them [illegible] were [illegible] of defence as were in their power. Accordingly an act was passed by that body dated December [illegible] 1847, authorizing Governor of the territory to issue a Proclamation to the people of the territory to raise a regiment of riflemen [illegible] enlistment not to exceed [illegible] men, to be subject to the rules and articles of war of the United States army, and whose term of service shall expire at the end of ten months, unless sooner discharged by the Proclamation of the Governor. By the terms of this act, this regiment "was rendezvoused at Oregon City on the 25th of December, A. D. 1847, and proceeded thence, with all possible dispatch, to the Walla Walla for the purpose of punishing the Indians, to what tribe or tribes soever they may belong, who may have aided or abetted in the murder of Dr. Marcus Whitman and his wife and others at Wailatpu." The act also provides for the appointment of "one Colonel," one "Lieutenant Colonel," and "one Major,"

[illegible] made in the ledge, [illegible] satisfies the company that [illegible] certain richness are discoveries yet made in California.—[The Californian.

Practical Annexation.—The opening of the Fitchburgh railroad has done more to annex Canada to the United States than any number of Political speeches. At Boston, a party of thirteen hundred and fifty persons left that city, in one train, on a visit to Montreal. It was composed of substantial citizens from various parts of England. What will the Canadians think of such an irruption?—[N. Y. Post.

[illegible] We have seen this experiment [illegible] repeatedly, and never knew it to fail.—Ex.

☞ A returned Californian says [illegible] country and the people [illegible] and they [illegible]