Wreck of the Steamship Southerner.

The following account of the loss of this ill-fated steamer is given by the purser.—Our fellow townsmen, Messrs. G. Oppenheimer and S. S. Mann, were passengers; they arrived here on Monday last, after a hard journey by land from Puget's Sound. We are pained to learn that our merchants have lost considerable amounts by the wreck of the *Southerner*, the extent of their losses cannot at present be ascertained.—Among those who shipped on her for this place, was Messrs. Merritt, Oppenheimer & Co., Wadsworth, Peters & Ladd, and Brown, Drum & Co.

Mr. Bush, of the *Statesman*, had an entire new printing establishment on the *Southerner*. All lost.

The steamship *Southerner*, F. A. Sampson, master, left San Francisco with the U. S. mail for Columbia river and intermediate ports, Dec. 20th, at 10 1-2 A. M., and arrived at Humboldt Bay on the 22d at 9 1-2 A. M.; landed freight and passengers and left at 12 1-2 P. M., and arrived at Trinidad same day at 3 1-2 P. M., and left an 5 1-2 Arrived at Crescent City on Dec. 23 at 6 1-2 A. M., and left at 3 P. M. Arrived abreast Port Orford at 12 midnight—blowing fresh from the S. W.,—heavy sea rolling in: Captain did not deem it safe to enter, and proceeded to the Umpqua, where we arrived abreast, Dec. 24th, at 11 A. M. Weather thick, blowing heavy from the S. W., breaking clear across the bar, mast head high. Having laid off there three hours, he kept her off for Columbia river, where we arrived abreast on the 25th, at 1 P. M.—blowing a gale from the S. W., and thick weather—ship leaking badly and no prospect of better weather; at 6 P. M., the Captain kept her off for Puget's Sound.—During the night of the 25th, and all day 26th, all hands kept constantly bailing. At P. M., gale increasing—water gaining rapidly—engine working slowly—wind heading us off, the Captain found it was impossible to weather Cape Flattery, ran under the lee of a small island and came to anchor in seven fathoms of water. (distant about thirty miles from Cape Classitt.)

After being at anchor about half an hour, heavy rolls commenced coming in. The Captain gave orders to the engineer to go ahead on her—engine would not pass the centre. Orders were given to slip the chain and let her go on shore, which was instantly done, when she drifted upon the beach. Orders were then given to cut away the masts and smoke stack, after which she remained comparatively quiet. At day-light, on the morning of the 27th, succeed in landing all the passengers and crew safely.—About an hour after, the after part of the ship broke into a thousand fragments. The three days following it was blowing a perfect hurricane, 27th, 28th and 29th. On the morning of the 30th, the wind and sea having gone down, Capt. Sampson, with Mr. Blaisdell, second officer, and five of the crew, left in a boat for Port Townsend, with the intention of procuring assistance. On the morning of January 13th, at 10 A. M. the steamer *Major Tompkins*, Captain Hunt, arrived and received us on board, and left at 2 P. M. Arrived at Olympia Jan. 19th, after having experienced heavy gales of rain ever since entering the Sound.—Much praise and credit is due to Capt. Hunt, J. H. Scranton, Esq., Mr. T Fuller, and all her officers, for the numerous acts of kindness we experienced at their hands, not only procuring every comfort for us, but actually giving up their own sleeping apartments—they sleeping on the floor and elsewhere, as they could get a chance, during the whole time we were on board. I, for one, will always consider myself deeply indebted to them, and pray God if they should be so unfortunate as to be shipwrecked, they may meet with the same treatment that we have since coming on board the steamer *Major Tompkins*.

JAMES FREEBORN,
Purser late St'r. *Southerner*.

Correspondence of the Weekly Gazette.

We were Blind---Now We See!

The experience of the last year has convinced us that Scottsburg is the point to which we should ship our goods. The wagon road is *now* opened from Jacksonville to Scottsburg; and there is fifteen thousand dollars of government money to be expended on the road between this and June next, which will make a *first rate wagon road*. Farmers along the route are preparing to put teams on the road in the spring, and are willing to contract for the delivery of goods at Jacksenville for six cents a pound. Packers are throwing away their pack saddles, and purchasing wagons; well knowing that they can haul cheaper than they can pack.

All charges from San Francisco to this place, will not exceed eight dollars a hundred—responsible men are *now* willing to contract for that price. We have been shipping to Crescent City till we are sick of it. Sometimes our goods are carried to Portland, then back to San Francisco—up and down again—because the harbor is so dangerous they cannot be landed. While Umpqua is acknowledged to be the best winter harbor from San Francisco to Puget's Sound, and perfectly safe, in the summer, for all classes of vessels on this coast.

Goods are frequently damaged in being landed, at Crescent City, through the surf. And, to cap the climax, after all our winter goods had been landed there, those of us who had no mules, were obliged to pay seventeen cents, and over, per pound for packing; as the saying is, they had the *dead wood* on us, and we were obliged to *weigh out*.

Some say: "The wagon road will be opened to Crescent City next summer."—Bah! It will cost one hundred thousand dollars; and all that can be raised is thirty thousand. Foreign capital cannot be obtained to open a road over a mountain so high that the snow falls ten feet deep on it, in the winter, when the holders of the same can get 3 per cent. a month for their money, and good security.

Again, there is a scarcity of feed on the route. Packers have to purchase hay, at over one hundred dollars a ton for the same; while the Scottsburg route is over the finest grazing country in Oregon.

The *Southerner* is reported lost, north of the Columbia—what of that? A better Steamer will gladly take her place. The advantages of the Umpqua are *known*, and a revolution of the trade of Southern Oregon and Northern California is at hand.—Goods brought in wagons to this place, in original packages, are worth two cents per pound more than if packed.

We *now see*—and our goods will be shipped to Scottsburg, and wagons will bring them here.

JACKSONVILLE MERCHANTS.
Jan. 26, 1855.

To Hon. J. C. Avery,
Postal Agent of Oregon.

Sir:—The undersigned, residents of Scottsburg, believing it to be esteemed as a great favor by the Post Office Department, whenever failures or delays occur in the mail service, to have those who should be benefited by their punctual and safe delivery, report to the Department such failures or delays, and their causes—together with other information touching the faithful, or unfaithful compliance with the spirit of the contract, by the contractor. In view of what has past, the people of this place do, most earnestly, present the following grounds upon which they ask the suspension of the present mail contractor, referred to, and the appointment of another:

The failures of 30th Dec., 1854, and of 20th January '55, &c., were, in the judgment of the undersigned, unnecessary, and inexcusable, and without the shadow of a justifiable cause to sustain them. The proofs of these facts are herewith furnished. In this connection, we would most earnestly call attention to the violation of so much of his contract as refers to a sufficient number of good and serviceable mules or horses; which we, the undersigned, believe have been needed in the service, since the present contractor entered upon his duties, proof of this fact is herewith furnished. We would here state, that at and during the days on which these failures occurred, men were passing to and from the interior, without any hindrance whatever. And we also beg to call your attention to the fact, that the contractor does not reside on, or near this route, and therefore, is unacquainted with the means required to keep up regular mail service—to which extent he has been, and is at this time, guilty of gross negligence.

Upon these proofs and grounds, we ask for the suspension of the present contractor, and at the same time, urge the appointment of Henry Christian, the young man who formerly had charge of this service. In recommending Mr. Christian, we feel that we are doing great service to this community—because of his qualifications for this service, which entitle him to our esteem, and cordial support in this recommendation of him, and request of you to reinstate him.

We would further remark, that Mr. Christian will be ready to give bonds, at this place, at once, for the faithful performance of this service.

Loyal P. Brown, Wm. M. Barr, Henry G. Brown, M. F. Holbrook, Levi Kent, Peter Johnson, J. B. Cowles, Samuel Rich, L. L. Williams, J. R. Peters, F. W. Merritt, Benj. Brattain, D. M. Thompson, G. F. Bunker, Gard Chism, C. E. Woodman, S. F. Chadwick, G. D. R. Boyd, John Nicholson, Alex. Blakely, D. Mactavish, James Frain, R. H. Lord, Isaac Oppenheimer, E. Spicer, R. F. Maury, A. G. Langdon, Daniel Cook, Job Hatfield, Cyrus Hedden, John Collins.

To the Democracy of Oregon.

The undersigned, Territorial Committee, hereby request the Democracy of the various counties in this Territory, to select delegates to meet in Territorial Convention to nominate a candidate for Delegate to Congress. The committee recommend, as a basis of representation, that each county select two delegates for each member of the House of Representatives to which such county may be entitled, and that each county be entitled to at least one delegate. The Convention will meet at Salem, on Wednesday the 11th day of April, next. In the absence of any resolution or expression by the last convention, as to the place or time of meeting thereafter, the committee have been guided in fixing both, by the precedent established two years ago.

It is confidently expected by the committee, that each county will take prompt and early steps to select delegates, and secure a full and fair representation in the convention.

J. W. NESMITH,
A. C. GIBBS,
A. BUSH,
J. O. WATERMAN, Ter. Com.

Democratic Territorial Central Committee.

The following are the names of those gentlemen who constitute the Central Committee of the Democratic party in Oregon:

J. W. Nesmith, J. W. Wiley,
Asahel Bush, A. C Gibbs
J. O. Waterman.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Register and Receivers Notice to Settlers.

In Township	36	south of	range	one	east.	
" "	37	"	"	one	"	
" "	38	"	"	one	"	
" "	35	"	"	one	west.	
" "	36	"	"	one	"	
" "	37	"	"	one	"	
" "	38	"	"	one	"	
" "	36	"	"	two	"	
" "	37	"	"	two	"	
" "	38	"	"	three	"	
" "	1 north	"	"	one	"	

The above townships having been surveyed, and the plats thereof approved on the 16th day of January, 1855, *all settlers who have claims or parts of claims therein* before the date of such approval, are requested to appear at the office of the Register and Receiver of the Land District of Oregon *within thirty days* from and after the 15th day of March, 1855, or previous to that time if convenient, when and where we shall be prepared to receive the notifications of their claims, respectively, and enter upon the adjustment and settlement according to law, of all conflicts of boundary lines that may be found to exist among them.

And every person who has settled, or shall settle, within such townships after the date of approval aforesaid, is required by law to file at this office the notification of his claim, specifying the precise tract or tracts claimed by him, *within three months* from the date of his settlement, and he is hereby requested so to do at any convenient time within such term.

Given under our hands at Oregon City, this 24th day of January, 1855.

R. WILCOX, Register.
JAS. GUTHRIE, Jr., Receiver.
Feb. 10.-4t.

Post Office.

THE Post Office has been removed to the "Scottsburg House," upper Scottsburg.—Any person wishing to receive their letters and papers at Lower Scottsburg, can have them left at Allan, M'Kinlay & Co.'s store; they can also mail their letters there, if preferable, as the carrier will call on going and returning on his trip to Umpqua City. E. R. FISKE, P. M.
Jan. 27,-tf.

Amos E. Rogers

IS desirous of closing up his business, in order to get a fresh start for the spring trade. He has no doubt but his old customers who have unsettled accounts will readily interpret this as a hint, to call up and settle.

Gold and silver taken at cash value, and stone coal at par.

Coos Bay, Jan. 224, 1855.-3t4.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that letters of administration have been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Coos County, Territory of Oregon, on the estate of V. W. Colfin deceased, late of said county, bearing date of January 15, 1855. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment and all persons having claims against said estate are requested to present the same to the undersigned at Empire City, Coos Bay, within one year from this date, or they will be forever barred. AMOS E. ROGERS.
Empire City, Jan. 24, 1855.-39tf.

TAKEN UP.

THIS is to certify that W. C. Myer, of Ashland Precinct, Jackson county, O. T., brought before me, a Justice of the Peace, in and for said county, a Cayuse horse, sorrel, with a bald face, and three white feet, as an estray to be appraised; valued at $40—this 16th day of January, 1855. S. H. Taylor, J. P.
no39-tf.

In Justice's Court.

TERRITORY of Oregon, county of Douglass, ss. To Joseph Jordon. You are hereby notified that a writ of attachment has been issued against you, and your property attached to satisfy the demand of Wm. J. Martin, amounting to eighty dollars. Now unless you shall appear before Samuel Stover, a justice of the peace, in and for said county, at his office, on the 20th day of March, A. D. 1855, judgment will be rendered against you, and your property sold to pay the debt.

Dated this 22d day of January, A. D. 1855.
Wm. J. Martin, Pl'ff.
no39-4t.

In Justice's Court.

TERRITORY of Oregon, county of Jackson, ss. To Geo. Turner. You are hereby notified that a writ of attachmen has been issued against you, and your property attached to satisfy the demand of W. G. T'Vault, amounting to forty-six dollars and costs. Now unless you shall appear and answer before S. H. Taylor, a justice of the peace, in and for said county, at his office, in Jacksonville, on the 1st day of March, 1855, judgment will be rendered against you, and your property sold to pay the debt.

Dated this 29th day of December, 1854.
W. G. T'Vault, Pl'ff.

Roseburg Hotel.

THE undersigned having recently erected a large and commodious hotel in the flourishing town of Roseburg, solicits a share of public patronage. The table will always be furnished with the best the market affords, and the bar will be supplied with the choicest liquors and cigars.
A. ROSE.
Roseburg, Jan. 13, '55-9t *

Look Here!

EVERY person indebted to me is requested to come forward and make payment immediately, as I will grant no further indulgence to any one; fair warning—you'd better profit by it.
ALEXANDER BLAKELY.
Jan. 13, 1855.

Wadsworth. Peters & Ladd

TENDER their thanks to their numerous customers for their past liberal patronage, and solicit a continuance of the same. They take pleasure in informing the public that they have on hand a large and desirable stock of Dry Goods and Groceries, to which they are making constant additions, and are enabled to sell at as low rates as any other store in Scottsburg. One of the partners residing at San Francisco, and in constant attendance on the markets, we thus have increased facilities for making purchases at the lowest rates as well as selecting the best and most suitable articles.

The highest price paid for gold dust.
Scottsburg, Dec. 30, '54-tf.

TIN Ware, a good assortment for sale by
Wadsworth, Peters & Ladd.
Dec. 30, tf.

A SPLENDID assortment of Sattinetts for sale cheap by M. O. & Co.
Dec 30, tf.

Scottsburg still Alive!

MERRITT, OPPENHEIMER & Co., have on hand and are constantly receiving large and well selected stocks of merchandize from San Francisco, per steamer Southerner. Consisting of Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware, &c., which they offer for sale cheap. Having made up their minds to do a *strictly cash business*, can afford to part with their goods at a less profit than by entering the same on book.
Dec. 3o, '54-tf.

NOW DUE, and hourly expected, a large lot of Drugs and medicines. M. O. & Co.
Dec 3o, tf.

ALL the favorite brands of tobacco constantly on hand at M. O. & Co.
Dec. 3o, tf.

SWAN GIN always to be found in original packages at M. O. & Co's.
Dec. 3o, tf.

50 PIECES linsey for sale at almost States' prices, by M. O. & Co.
Dec. 3o, tf.

HAMS, Pork, &c., a good supply on hands and for sale low by
Wadsworth, Peters & Ladd.
Dec. 30 tf.

CHOICE liquors of all kinds for sale cheap by Wadsworth, Peters & Ladd.
Dec. 30.tf.

New Year.—Pay Up.

AS I wish to settle my business up to the first of January, 1855, all those knowing themselves indebted to me by book account or otherwise, will please come forward immediately and make payment. S. S. MANN.
Scottsburg, Dec. 3o, tf.

3000 Dozen sheaf oats for sale by
S. S. MANN.
Dec. 3o, tf.

A CHOICE lot of Scotch Whiskey for sale by
S. S. MANN.
Dec. 3o, tf.

TOBACCO of the finest brands for sale cheap by S. S. MANN.
Dec. 3o, tf.

COFFEE, Tea, Sugar, a good supply just received, and for sale by MANN.
Dec. 3o, tf.

THE BEST qualities of liquors and cigars always on hand and for sale cheap by
Dec. 3o, tf. MANN.

PEORIA Premium Steel Plows—a few left and for sale at reduced prices by
Dec. 3o, tf. Brown, Drum & Co.

$300 Reward.

THE ABOVE sum will be paid to any parties giving information which will lead to the conviction of any person or persons counterfeiting the labels used by us, and bearing our names. All printers are hereby notified that should they print any of the above labels, they will be prosecuted to the utmost extent of the law.

WM. H. BOVEE & CO.,
94 Battery, corner of Clay street.
San Francisco.

All persons selling our Coffee and Spices will confer a favor by returning any article manufactured by us and bearing our name that does not prove as represented, and all cost and expenses will be cheerfully refunded, as it is our determination to sustain the present high reputation of our Coffee and Spices. [dec23-3m.

A Cook Wanted

IMMEDIATELY at Langdon's Hotel, Scottsburg, O. T. None need apply unless well qualified and experienced in the business.
Dec. 3o, tf. A. G. LANGDON.

☞ Oregon Statesman and Democratic Standard please copy the above 4 weeks and send bill to this office.

Notice.

ALL PERSONS indebted to Camman & Co. are requested to settle their accounts with GEORGE HAYNES, on or before the 15th day of January, 1855. If not paid by that date they will be handed over to the proper officer for collection. CAMMAN & CO.
Scottsburg, Dec. 16, 1854.
n33-4t]

Justice's Blanks.

JUST printed, and for sale at this office, a large lot of Justice's blanks of various kinds, also blanks for the District Court, county orders, &c., &c.

SCHOOL BOOKS.

"Delightful task!—to rear the tender mind,
And teach the young idea how to shoot."
Thomson.

THE undersigned have just received, per steamer *America*, a large and splendid assortment of School Books, of which a catalogue can be seen at their store.

Prices very reasonable.
ALLAN, McKINLAY & CO.
Lower Scottsburg, Sept. 5, 1854.-tf.

Just Received,

PER Steamer Southerner—
A STOCK OF NO. 1 CHINA SUGAR, COFFEE, SALARATUS, TOBACCO, BACON, &c.,
which they will sell at the most moderate rates.
Allan, McKinlay & Co.,
Dec. 16,-tf.] Lower Scottsburg.

Dissolution.

THE copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned and D. W. Wood, is this day dissolved. The undersigned will settle all demands against the firm contracted previous to this date by D, W. Wood & Co., and receive all outstanding dues. PETER MACKIE.
Dec. 30, 1854. 6t.

TAKE NOTICE.

IT is hereby understood that the undersigned, Allan, McKinlay & Co., of Lower Scottsburg, having retired from Coose Bay, they have left all their affairs in that place to be settled by A. E. ROGERS, Esquire, said A. E. Rogers being fully authorized by them to collect all outstanding debts due them, and to pay all demands on them that he considers just and proper.
Allan, McKinay, & Co.,
Lower Scottsburg.
Nov. 11, 1854.-tf.

Mechanics, Inventors and Manufacturers.

$570. IN CASH PRIZES. $570.

Volume Ten of the "Scientific American" commences on the 16th of September. It is chiefly devoted to the advancement of the interests of *Mechanics, Inventors, Manufacturers and Farmers* and is edited by men practically skilled in the arts and sciences. Probably no other journal of the same character is so extensively circulated, or so generally esteemed for its practical ability. Nearly all the *Valuable Patents* which issue weekly from the Patent Office are *illustrated with Engravings*, and the claims of all the Patents are published regularly in its columns as they are issued, thus making it a perfect Scientific and Mechanical Encyclopedia of information upon the subjects of *Mechanical Improvements, Chemistry, Engineering* and the *Sciences* generally. It is published weekly in quarto form suitable for binding, each volume contains Four Hundred and Sixteen Pages of Reading Matter, Several Hundred Engravings, with a full and complete Index. Its circulation on the last Volume exceeded twenty-three thousand copies per week, and the practical receipts in one volume are worth to any family much more than the subscription price.

The following Cash Prizes are offered by the Publishers for the fourteen largest lists of subscribers sent in by the first of January, 1854:—One hundred dollars will be given for the largest list; seventy-five dollars for the second; sixty-five dollars for the third; fifty-five dollars for the fourth; fifty dollars for the fifth; forty-five dollars for the sixth; forty dollars for the seventh; thirty-five dollars for the eighth; thirty dollars for the ninth; twenty-five dollars for the tenth; twenty dollars for the eleventh; fifteen dollars for the twelfth; ten dollars for the thirteenth; and five for the fourteenth. The cash will be paid to the order of the successful competitor immediately after the first of January, 1854.

Terms:—One copy, one year, $2; one copy, six months, $1; five copies, six months, $4 ten, copies, six months, $8; ten copies, twelve months $15; fifteen copies, twelve months, $22; twenty copies, twelve months, $28 in advance.

No number of subscriptions above twenty can be taken at less than $1,40 each. Names can be sent in at different times and from different Post Offices.

Southern and Western money taken for subscriptions.

Letters should be directed, post paid, to Munn & Co., 128 Fulton-Street, N. Y.

Messrs. Munn & Co. are extensively engaged in procuring patents for new inventions, and will advise inventors, without charge, in regard to the novelty of their improvements.
Oct. 21

BOOKS! BOOKS!

NOTICE TO READERS IN THE UMPQUA AND ELSEWHERE.

THE undersigned, having just received direct from New York a splendid assortment of Books, herewith take occasion to enumerate a few of them, and to state that they are selling off cheap.

Harper's Magazine,	Hallam's literature,
Greek and Latin Dictionaries,	Dwight's Theology,
	Addison's Works,
Encyclopedia of Science and Art,	Grey's Nat. Philosophy,
	Sherwood's Works,
Coleridge's Works,	Rollin's Ancient History
Barnes' Notes,	Henry IV, by James,
McLean's Church Hist.	Dickens' Works,
Burke's Works,	Thos. Campbell's Life & Letters,
Hannah Moore's Works,	
Robertson's America & Charles Fifth,	Family & Classical Library,
Jay's Works,	Boys' & Girls' do.
Dryden's Works,	Abbott's Works for young People,
Johnson's do	
Hall's do	Mills' Logic,
Ben Franklin, illustrated	Blair's Lectures,
Dr. Chalmers' Works,	Edgeworth's Works,
&c., &c. &c.	

There is also soon expected, direct from New York, a general assortment of School Books.

AAN. McKINLAY & CO.
Lower Scottsburg, July 10-tf.

Adams & Co.'s Express.

WE DESPATCH WEEKLY for California, the Atlantic States and Europe.

We are prepared to forward **Treasure, Parcels,** and **Merchandise,** to and from

ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

The Collection of Debts, Claims, Legacies Drafts, &c., and *all private and confidential business* transacted with

Fidelity and Dispatch.

We draw *BILLS OF EXCHANGE*, in sums to suit purchasers, payable at

EVERY CITY OR LARGE TOWN IN CALIFORNIA, THE ATLANTIC STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN.

ADAMS & CO.
Portland, July 24, 1854.

NOTICE.

ALL those knowing themselves indebted to this Office, for subscription, advertising or job work, prior to this date, are respectfully requested to either call on us and settle, or pay the amounts to some of our authorized agents, as the recent change in the proprietorship of the printing establishment makes it necessary to settle up our accounts to this time.

BOYD & BLAKELY.
Feb. 3.

JUST received by the undersigned, per schooner Frances Helen and steamer America, a general assortment of goods, consisting of

Dry Goods,
Carpenters' Tools,
Groceries,
Chili and Fresh California Flour,
&c., &., &c.,

All of which they invite their customers to inspect. Prices very reasonable.

ALLAN, McKINLAY & CO.
Lower Scottsburg, Aug. 21, 1854-tf.

SHIPWRECK.

BROWN, DRUM & Co. have the pleasure to inform their friends that they have made a second deposit in the Sand Bank at the mouth of the Umpqua; in consequence of which they are compelled to request immediate payment of all demands due them.

BROWN, DRUM & CO.
Scottsburg, Dec. 22, 1854.-3t.

BILL-HEADS.

A LARGE lot of Bill-Head paper, just received per steamer *America*. Bill-Heads executed in the best manner, and on the most reasonable terms, at THIS OFFICE.
September 5, 18 4.

COFFEE, Sugar, Tea, of the finest qualities just received by
Wadsworth, Peters & Ladd.
Dec. 30, tf.