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Our Good Neighbors

Waldport Waves.

Business is not very brisk at present but we expect a boom in the spring.

Everybody is busy getting ready for the mask ball the 13th of February.

There has been very high water in the river the last few days. It has stopped the Steelhead fishing for a few days.

Our school is progressing nicely with Nellie Graff at the helm.

C. R. Evens is getting out material for his new launch. He has the model for it which is a beauty.

W. H. Harrison has sold his ranch across the bay for a very good sum, and he expects to move to Waldport in the near future.

Rev Ayers preached for us Sunday. It was his first trip here and he had a disagreeable experience coming down the beach.

There has been several of our fellow citizens on the sick list the last few days, but all are reported getting better at this writing.

W. E. Wann started valleyward Monday on a business trip.

We are informed that our fellow-townsman, A. L. Baldwin, who went to Ashland for his little daughter's health, is very homesick and wishes a smell of the mud flats once more.

Mrs. I. B. Everson has gone to Portland to visit her sister which she has not seen for 28 years.

We expect to have a wedding in Waldport in the near future.

Harlan Hash.

The Big Elk valley as well as the surrounding mountains are dressed in white to day. The heaviest snow storm of the season. Such weather as we are having the last week is very hard on cattle that are out on the range.

Bill Mulkey made a trip to the Peak last Monday. He reports the Peak people as being sick.

W. W. January's family have nearly all been sick, but are some better at this writing. They have something like scarletina.

We had the hardest rain of the winter last Friday night and Saturday. The creeks and river were the highest they have been for years. Nearly all the bridges on Spout creek were floating the approaches. Some of them washed away.

The mail carrier made a trip last Saturday through the storm returning at three p. m.

Our little school miss is having overtaxing work this kind of weather. She has to sit in the school house all alone and keep her own fire. We think some of the young men might brave the storm and keep her company.

There was a crowd of young people gathered at the hall last Friday night to skip the light fantastic, but the musician failed to appear so they danced to the music of a French harp. One of the young men that attended the dance accompanied a couple of young ladies

home up Spout creek, but failed to return until Sunday noon. We think there must be some obstacles in the way. Another young man went up Grant creek with the same failing. The girls must be good entertainers that live up those creeks.

Last Sunday a young gentleman went up Big Elk and in the evening on his way home he stopped at a house to inquire if the folks had heard any news from the sick. He was invited in but seeing grandpa and grandma sitting on the lounge playing the pioneer game, concluded it was an old people's party and plodded on towards home.

Johnson Jottings.

The highest water of the season was the 29th inst.

Cattle are doing well this winter. But few persons have lost any.

Chesley Bones is home again. He came in Jan. 20th and brought with him his brother, Finley, and his cousin, Walter Bones. Samuel Farmer, a second cousin from Tennessee, and John Durst, of McMinnville. Each one is looking for land.

A party looking for land in our vicinity last Friday got lost in trying to return to Johnson. They wandered about for some hours—had an awful time, and finally rounded up at Mr. Harding's, who kindly loaned them a lantern and put them on the right track for headquarters, dry clothing, etc.

Otis Cullings.

Manford Duel was called to this place on some business last week.

A. S. Thompson has been laid up for some time with a bruised foot.

Mr. Scaley who has been at the point of death, is recovering.

The buzzing of our saw mill does not keep any one awake yet, but look out.

Preparations are being made for the entertainment at the school house on the 29th. Full particulars next week.

Yaquina Tidings.

There was quite an exciting time here last Saturday between Professor Barber and Will Emery of Newport. The steamer Richardson came up with a large crowd of people to hear the trial between Mr. Barber and Mr. Emery. It appears there has been some trouble between Mr. Emery's son and the teacher. It was brought before Mr. Blaser at Yaquina, as there is no justice of the peace at Newport. It did not take long to decide the case. It was dismissed and Mr. Barber went to teaching again Monday morning.

Mr. Mulvaney was in the city Tuesday.

Fred Howard is crabbing for Mr. Scott. Fred says it "beats nothing."

The new store building is ready for shingles. They should have been here a week ago, but on account of bad luck, H. H. Cook & Son's mill dam broke and it took several days to repair it. It is running full blast now.

Jessie Frey came up from Newport Wednesday.

Mrs. E. Rhoades of Yaquina, went to Toledo Monday morning on business.

Yaquina is having all kinds of weather—snow, hail and rain—this week.

Rev. F. O. Jones of Newport, will hold services at Yaquina Sunday morning and evening.

The steamer Richardson had quite an accident Wednesday morning. She ran into the wharf at Yaquina, knocking the pilot house off. Captain R. A. Bensell was lucky not to get seriously hurt. They lifted the broken pilot house up and he crawled out. Mr. Reeder and Ora Copeland worked all day to get the pilot wheel in order so she could return to Newport in the evening with the mail. She made her usual trip to Yaquina yesterday morning, but minus the pilot house.

Elk City Events.

Master Fish Warden Van Dusen was here inspecting the fish hatchery last week. He expresses himself as being satisfied with the results so far. He is of the opinion that Yaquina bay is the best point on the coast to establish and maintain a permanent hatchery. He is in hopes that congress may be induced to make an appropriation for this purpose. One hundred thousand little salmon have already been turned loose in the upper river and two hundred thousand more will soon be large enough to take care of themselves. In watching the process of hatching and developing it appears a wonder that any of them, when propagated in the natural way, ever live until old enough to move themselves in the water.

The high water last Saturday and Sunday caused some of the older settlers to refer to the big flood of 1890.

Rev. Doran preached to a good sized congregation Monday evening.

Newport Notes.

S. G. Irvin, accompanied by his daughters Lola and Alda, left for Salem Wednesday morning where they expect to remain about two weeks.

Services will again be held in the Presbyterian church in this city every alternate Sunday. There will be services in Newport this Sunday, and at Waldport the following Sunday.

Rev. Ayres, formerly of Los Angeles, Cal., will occupy the pulpit of the Presbyterian church for the ensuing year.

Street Commissioner William Neal is laying a much needed sidewalk between Fall street and F. H. McDonald's residence.

At a meeting of the board of School Directors held Monday, Jan. 26, Mr. Fleming was elected as director, to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Grammond removing from the district.

The public school was closed Thursday and Friday of last week. Professor Barber had legal business to attend to at Yaquina.

John George left Saturday for Seattle where he will oversee the treatment of piling for the prevention of their destruction by the toredos.

Last Saturday about seventy-five people of Newport went to Yaquina to attend the trial of Professor H. D. Barber, who had been arrested by W. G. Emery for punishing his son Cecil, the previous Wednesday. After investigating the matter Prosecuting Attorney Swope moved for a dismissal of the case on the grounds of insufficient evidence. The motion was granted by Justice Blaser. The decision seems to meet with the hearty approval of a very large majority of Newport citizens who are interested in the welfare of the school.

Miss Mollie Walch of Yaquina was the guest of Mrs. P. M. Abbey Thursday and Friday.

The steamer Vosburg of Nebalem arrived in port Wednesday morning. She will take on a cargo of flour and feed at Yaquina.

Atty. W. E. Yates of Corvallis had business in this city Friday and Saturday.

Ed. Sullivan has moved his family into his building on Front street. They will remain there during the fishing season.

The Face.

It is well to bear in mind the fact that the face is a sure index to character, and however great an effort may be made to keep the features under control, a person's disposition will be faithfully reflected in his countenance. At odd moments, perhaps, it will be easy to adopt an artificial expression, but as soon as the effort is over, the face is sure to return to its natural state, and, in any case, throughout the long hours of the night it is left undisturbed. We all know how clearly the face of the grizel or pessimist, with its pinched features and wrinkled brow, shows the cankering spirit that exists within; and, to take an opposite case, there is no mistaking the contented face of the optimist, who fears no trouble, but intends to make the best of life, and to take all things as he finds them. The proud man and the vain woman can be detected instantly by the semi-sneer hovering over the countenance, which is a sure sign of the abominable spirit that is eating into the heart.

The pleasing expression, with clear, calm eyes, which is to be found in the face of the straightforward man, can not be better described than by the term generally made use of—"open countenance"—and it presents a striking contrast to the face of the crafty man, whose small, piercing eyes are not for one moment at rest.

It will be seen, therefore, that we should never lose sight of the fact that whatever our disposition may be, it will be faithfully reflected in our countenance, and no effort should be spared in our younger days, whilst the features are pliable, to correct any undesirable qualities we may have acquired, in order that our features may not in the course of time assume an expression repulsive to others, and unpleasant even to ourselves. - McCall's Magazine.

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