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NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.
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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

DISCONTINUED.—We see an item in the papers stating that the post office at Salt Creek, Polk county, has been discontinued.

ESCAPED.—One evening last week three prisoners escaped from the county jail in Eugene City, by sawing a hole through the wall.

THE RAILROAD.—The track of the Oregon and California Railroad is now laid to the center of Pass Creek Canyon, 27 miles south of Eugene City.

FINED.—Three boys, whose names we suppress, were before the Recorder one day this week, for disorderly conduct, and were fined eight dollars apiece.

JOSEPH C. HOLLADAY, youngest son of Ben. Holladay, died at Hong Kong, China, March 12th, 1872, aged twenty-two years.

DEAD.—The Eugene Journal says that Mr. Hamilton, who, some days since was severely injured by a log rolling over him, died shortly after the accident.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.—A correspondent writing to us from Greenville says: "I never saw winter wheat looking better at this season of the year than it does in this county."

HELD FOR TRIAL.—Dan. Dale, charged with the murder of his former partner, one Herring, on Whidby's Island, W. T., has been indicted for murder.

DIED.—Charles N. Ward, who was shot by Wm. McAllister, at Walla Walla, Feb. 24th, has since died of his wound. McAllister is in jail, to await the action of the grand jury.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—George F. Hoffman, a well known, popular young man residing at Olympia, was found dead at Tumwater on the 4th instant. An investigation showed that he had, in the dark, fallen down an embankment, struck a stump, fractured his skull and died almost instantly.

STABBED.—In an affray in a whisky saloon, at Dixie Creek, Grant county, some time ago, between Joseph Oldfield and Dad Akers, the former was severely stabbed, receiving nine cuts on his person, without causing death, however.

SILETZ.—The Dallas Republican learns from Gen. Palmer that everything is going on well on the Reservation. The Indians have some forty acres of fall wheat, and will put in several more of spring wheat. They expect to raise potatoes enough this season to supply them the coming winter.

ARM BROKEN.—On Wednesday evening, as officer Bewley was endeavoring to arrest George Franklin, who was drunk, the latter made resistance, and falling sustained a fracture of the arm between the wrist and elbow. Dr. Carpenter was called to his assistance, and attended to the broken limb.

BAKER.—The Republicans have nominated the following ticket: For Sheriff, Walter Fernald; Clerk, Daniel Dwight; County Treasurer, O. H. Clement; Assessor, D. S. Moomaw; Commissioners, John Waldo and Wm. Baldoek; Superintendent of Public Schools, E. H. Bunnell; County Surveyor, J. E. Meecham; Coroner, Dr. Boyd; Representative, H. N. McKinney.

CONCERT.—There was a musical entertainment given by D. W. Prentice with his class of young singers, last Tuesday evening, at the Opera House. The concert drew quite a large crowd, who appeared greatly pleased with the exercises. The musical culture shown by the class was very creditable to Mr. Prentice as teacher, as well as to the learners generally.

SENTENCED.—Blaze Perrin, convicted in the U. S. Court, at Portland, of selling liquor to Indians, has been sentenced to imprisonment in the penitentiary for one year. Alexander McKay, who pleaded guilty to the offense, was sentenced to one month's imprisonment in the Umatilla county jail. Both offenses were committed on the Umatilla Reservation.

LARCENY.—From the Messenger we learn that the usual quiet town of Monmouth, Polk county, was much excited over the larceny of forty dollar's worth of clothing from the store of H. Lindsay. Suspicion pointing strongly to two young men, they were arrested, and after a hearing before Justice Butler, they were held in a bond of \$300 each to appear at the April term of court. Their names are Absalom Hembree and John Burnett.

BOY DROWNED.—Last Saturday, two boys of this city were in a small "dug-out" upon the river, when the waves from the ferry boat and the current of the river carried them against the wharf-boat, causing the dug-out to be upset. One of the boys, Lonah Yocum, after struggling awhile in the water, sunk to rise no more. He was about fourteen years old, and a son of Mr. F. Yocum's, of this city. The body has not yet been recovered, although diligent efforts have been made.

GRAPE GROWING IN UMPQUA.—The Roseburg Ensign says: Our Umpqua farmers are just now beginning to take an interest in grape culture; a number of young vineyards have been planted out, and from the experience of those who commenced the early culture of grapes, it has been proved that portions of this valley are peculiarly adapted to that fruit. The south side of rolling hills is thought to be the best land for grapes in this valley.

DIED.—George Cornelius died at his residence near Roseburg, Douglas county, March 1st, of consumption. Mr. Cornelius came to Oregon in 1845, and was for many years a resident of Marion county. Some months since he removed to Southern Oregon, hoping the change would be beneficial to his health. Mr. Cornelius was about forty-nine years old, and was much respected for his many good qualities as a neighbor and citizen.

ANOTHER MYSTERY.—A few days since, a man in Portland named John Carey, was found lying in his bed in his own room, with his throat cut and with severe knife wounds on his left arm. The night before, he had been out, and drank freely of whisky, as usual, and was heard to go to his room about 10 o'clock. Late the next day, his room was entered, and he was found in a bed, in a state of stupor, wounded as above described. At first it was supposed he had attempted suicide, but later developments show that some one must have attempted to kill him. The case is still involved in mystery.

INDIAN SUPERINTENDENCY.—The Washington correspondent of the Eugene City Journal, in his letter of Feb. 14th says:

Rev. Father Mesplic, a Catholic priest, arrived here last week from Idaho. He favors the removal of the Umatilla Indians to Fort Hall, and wants Major Berry to remain in charge of that agency as the representative of the Catholics, but is willing to let the Methodists have Grande Ronde, lately transferred to the Catholics by the removal of Mr. Dyer and the appointment of Mr. Sinnott. He is also dissatisfied with the removal of Mr. Meacham.

CLACKAMAS.—The following is the Republican ticket: Senator, Hiram Cochran; Representatives, N. N. Matlock, L. T. Barin and John D. Crawford; Sheriff, Robinson Ramsby; Clerk, Peter Paquet; Treasurer, W. H. Pope; Commissioners, L. D. C. La-tourrette and Warren Corby; Assessor, Nelson McConnell; School Superintendent, J. A. McCrum; Surveyor, S. L. Campbell; Coroner, Forbes Barclay.

DOMESTIC NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

WHEELING, March 9.—Quite an excitement was created at the Burlington and Ohio railroad depot this evening by the discovery of a box shipped from Cincinnati to Thornton, West Virginia, which proved to contain the remains of a human being—head, legs, arms, hands etc., completely severed from the body. It is believed to be the corpse of a female. The discovery was made by a portion of the lid being knocked off in transferring the box, when a piece of the mutilated body dropped out.

LOUISVILLE, March 9.—Early yesterday three negroes broke into the house of an old man 80 years of age, named James McNeill, near Shelby City, and brutally murdered him, splitting his head open with an axe and stabbing him in several places. The purpose evidently was robbery, as there was a small amount of money in the house. The villains were frightened away by the screams of the wife of the murdered man. Two were arrested in the evening and lodged in jail, at Danville, and identified by the wife of the murdered man.

NEW YORK, March 9.—Nine cases of small pox were reported yesterday and twenty-four cases during the week. Vaccination is increasing.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—The Commissioner states that apprehensions exist that hostilities may be resumed by the Indians and military authorities, whereby the policy inaugurated by General Howard is, after proceeding to Arizona and New Mexico, ordered to take such action as may be deemed best for the preservation of peace. Gen. Howard is requested to consider the propriety of inducing the nomadic tribes of Arizona to unite and accept a reservation further east of the Territory of New Mexico, where they may be more readily reached by the efforts of the Government and the citizens. Gen. Howard's mission is generally condemned by Pacific coasters here as opposed to Crook's practical measures. Sargent asserts that it is only for the protection of friendly Indians, and to carry out the previously announced policy of the administration.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Chief Justice McKean, of Utah, is still in Washington on business connected with the judiciary of that Territory, and has had several interviews, with the President and Attorney General Williams. There is no probability whatever that the criminal suits already commenced will be abandoned. A measure will soon be introduced in Congress to supply the necessary pecuniary means to meet the expense of the prosecution. Some members of Congress, considering the subject of Supplemental Anti-Polygamy bill, in order to obviate present obstacles, assert it cannot be enforced, owing to the secrecy with which polygamy marriages are consummated. Remedy is suggested by making proof of cohabitation or acknowledgement of the same sufficient to sustain indictment.

CHICAGO, March 11.—A Washington special says U. S. Attorney Bates, of Utah, will reply to the Attorney General's request to-morrow asking his resignation. Bates will refuse to comply with his request on the ground that charges have been brought against him and because Utah, recently organized as a district of justice, has expressed entire satisfaction at his course in the Mormon prosecution. In this connection it may be stated that Dr. Newman had a recent interview with the President, wherein the latter was urged to persist in the prosecution of Mormons, as the country would not now endorse any compromise with the condition of Utah. Dr. Newman, ended by stating that Bates' resignation should be demanded, both as a matter of policy and justice.

The question whether Palo shall be received as Spanish Minister, is still unsettled. The State Department does not look upon Roberts' resignation with the least favor, and in the present delicate condition of affairs between the United States and Spain, Polo's presence, it is feared, will be only calculated to increase the complication of the situation. If the Department can obtain in time certain speeches and pamphlets against this country, the authorship of which is

attributed to him, they may be made the basis of expressing a wish not to receive him.

CHICAGO, March 11.—Yesterday Sergeant Buckley, of the city police, while attempting to protect the people on the streets from a crowd of rude boys, was set upon by a number of grown ruffians and beaten terribly, and left insensible. His injuries, it is feared, may prove fatal. Never in the history of this city has it been so overrun by the vilest class of rowdies and desperadoes, and the press unite in the demand for stringent remedial measures.

Near Arcola, Douglas county, Illinois, one day last week, Henry Landery, an old citizen, was shot three times—probably fatally—by his son, a young man 21 years old. The old man had a violent temper, and had driven the family out of the house, which caused the difficulty in which he was shot.

DAYTON, March 11.—A horrible murder of a wife and three children, by the husband, was committed at a farm house six miles from this city on Saturday. The wife was found in bed naked, strangled, and the children, aged six and eight years, and six months respectively, were found on the bank of the creek, a short distance from the house. The baby's skull was crushed, and the two elder were evidently drowned and afterwards taken from the creek. Leonard Maguard, the supposed murderer of his family, was arrested. An inquest will be held over the victim. He is evidently insane.

CINCINNATI, March 11.—A Dayton special gives the testimony before a Coroner's jury of Elizabeth, aged seven, and Habbakuk, aged six, surviving children of Leonard Maguard. They say that after dark on Saturday night that their father and mother hunted for all the children, but these two hid. They heard their parents take the other children, the mother taking the two eldest, and the father the baby. There was a light, and they saw their father and mother kill these three with their hands, the father killing the baby and the mother killing Leah and Samuel, and then came into the house naked and began praying to God. They saw the three dead on the ground and the father and mother naked. The two children were hunted for by parents after the death of the three, but were not found. They got away to a strawstack at daylight on Sunday, and staid there till they were found in the afternoon. The skull of the baby six months old, was found crushed in.

MANCHESTER (N. H.), March 12.—Returns from the State, as far as received, indicate the election of Shaw by about 1,500 majority. The Republicans are holding a congratulatory meeting at the City Hall; short speeches are being made and election returns read to the audience. The Republicans have made a gain of seven in this city, and have probably secured a good working majority in the Legislature.

PORTSMOUTH (N. H.), March 12.—Republicans are jubilant over the result of the election, and paraded the streets until a late hour with a band of music. Marcy, Democrat, is defeated by Warren Brown in this Senatorial District by a majority of 2,000.

LANCASTER, March 12.—The District delegates chosen to-day to the National Republican Convention were instructed to vote for Grant and Colfax.

POLITICAL.

MARION COUNTY.—The Republicans met in convention last Saturday, and made the following nominations: Representatives, R. Mallory, T. M. Patton, Wm. Darst, John Downing, and Joseph Engle. Sheriff, L. S. Scott. Clerk, J. J. Murphy. Treasurer, J. E. Boynton. School Superintendent, P. S. Knight. Assessor, Thomas Shaw. Commissioners, Wm. M. Case and Wm. Porter. Surveyor, L. H. Judson. Coroner, T. W. Shelton.

The following named were appointed a County Central Committee: T. B. Rickey, Chairman; Chas. Bowler, C. F. Woodworth, J. A. Huffman, L. H. Poulade, E. N. Thomas, David Newsum, Linus Brooks, A. D. Coolidge, W. W. Northcutt, Wm. Darst, John Downing, J. W. Grim, J. C. Peebles, Wm. Cline, John Goodell, Wm. Case.

"OUR WOOL MARKET."

ED. FARMER: Under the above heading I notice an article in your issue of March 2d, quoted from the Herald, which gives the authority of some San Francisco firm for the statement that Oregon wool of the clip of 1871 was not "considered as good as the clip of former years, being more tender and not up to their former standard in texture," and claims that "the toughness, glossy appearance, and general freedom from dirt and burs, which make it desirable for combing, have completely changed," and that, except in only a few sections, Oregon no longer produces combing or clean wool. Now, Mr. Editor, the whole of this is so well known (by those who care to know) to be entirely false, that it is hard to believe that any Oregon paper can have any other motives for giving the falsehood currency than to depreciate the price of wools in our own market. There never was a time since sheep were introduced into Oregon when wool-growing received as much care as now. In twenty-four years of interested experience, I think I never saw a better clip taken from sheep in Oregon than that of 1871, and that its character is appreciated in market is evidenced by the fact that Oregon wool of that clip was selling in the New York market on the 21st of February at 61 cents, and California wool, in the same market, at the same date, was selling for 35@40 cts. Oregon papers should by this time have learned that the little game long played by California business men of a certain grade, in running down our wools in order to cheapen them, is about played out. J. M.

"OREGON AND HER RESOURCES."—This is the title of a pamphlet of 120 pages just issued in San Francisco by Hugh Small, Esq., who last year traveled the length and breadth of our State, acquiring the information which he has embodied in the book we are noticing. We have to give it only a cursory glance, but we are satisfied it is a most useful work to circulate in the Eastern States and Europe, among those who have their eyes turned westward, seeking homes for themselves and their children. The book can be had of S. J. McCormick, Portland—price twenty-five cents.

PORTLAND, March 9th, 1872.
ED. FARMER: * * * Your articles on "Political Corruption" have such a ring of independence, boldness, and freedom from partyism, that I have concluded to order the paper continue, and as long as you continued to deal blows at political corruption, without regard to party, you may be assured of the support of your humble servant. * * *

LAFAYETTE COURIER.—This paper has been revived by J. H. Upton, its original proprietor, and now presents a much improved appearance. It claims to be the litigant organ for Yamhill county.

INDICTED.—Albert Merchant has been indicted by the Grand Jury of this county for libel and slander against J. F. Chute. The Grand Jury has also found two indictments against Morris Graves for forgery.