

It is rumored that the O. B. N. Co. have purchased the ships Valley Forge and Garibaldi, now at Astoria, and will place them in the coal trade between Puyallup and Astoria and Portland.

Drowned Soldier.
The remains of a drowned soldier were washed up by the sea at Swag Island, on Shoalwater bay, on the 25th ult. The body showed that it had been in the water a long time. A belt of cartridges and bayonet were found on the remains.

Child Drowned.
A child of three years belonging to Daniel McCoy, residing near St. Helens, toddled into the water-closet one day last week and, falling in, was drowned or asphyxiated in a short time. The body of the little thing was not discovered for some hours afterwards.

Badly Burned.
An infant child of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Neese, of Happy Valley, was rocked from a chair into the fire-place by a small boy who was attending it, last week, and shockingly burned on one side of his head and body. Dr. Young, who is in attendance, informs us that it is a chance if the child ever recovers.

State Printing Expert.
We are pleased to announce that our friend, Mr. George Himes, the gentleman of the big fist, has just received the appointment of State Printing Expert. Mr. Himes is a thorough printer, who understands the business in all its branches, and will discharge the duty honestly and conscientiously.

In Receipt of Sad News.
The Jacksonville Times says: Rev. Father Blanchet this week received the sad intelligence of the death of his aged father at Quebec, Canada, on the 7th inst. He was a brother of the venerable Archbishop Blanchet of Portland and Vancouver and in the 75th year of his age at the time of his death.

Triennial Meeting.
At the triennial meeting of Oregon Lodge of Perfection No. 1, held at Masonic Temple last Wednesday evening, the following officers were elected to serve the ensuing three years: T. W. Pratt, 33d degree, T. P. G. M.; H. L. Hoyt, 32d degree, Sr. G. W.; F. N. Shurtloff, 32d degree, Jr. G. W.; J. N. Dolph, 32d degree, Orator; John R. Foster, 32d degree, Almoner; B. G. Whitehouse, 32d degree, Secretary; Theo. Wygant 32d degree, Treasurer.

Lodge Instituted.
H. G. Oliver, D. S. M. W., instituted Seaside Lodge, No. 12, at Astoria, on the 1st of March, with the following officers: W. D. Hare, P. M. W.; I. W. Case, M. W.; J. H. D. Gray, G. E.; C. P. Upshur, O.; Daniel Welch, G.; C. J. Trenchard, R.; S. T. McKean, F.; James W. Welch, Receiver; Columbus Brown, I. W.; George W. McLean, O. W.; C. J. Trenchard, C. Brown and George McLean, Trustees; W. D. Hare, I. W. Case and Jas. W. Welch, Representatives to the Grand Lodge.

A Clergyman Beaten.
The clergy of Eugene have a difficult time with their congregations, as the following from the State Journal will serve to illustrate: On Saturday evening Rev. Spanswick reproved two girls in his congregation, whether justly or unjustly we do not know. On Monday, the girls' brother, John Brown, met Mr. Spanswick on the street and assaulted him, striking him three times and felling him to the ground. Brown appeared before J. B. Alexander, J. P., and was fined the nominal sum of ten dollars.

Charged With Attempted Rape.
Last week W. C. Hicklin, who lives down on the Tualatin, in the Beef Bend district, was arrested and brought before Justice M. L. Nicholas on a charge of an attempt to violate the person of one of his own daughters, only 15 years of age. The crime, it is said, however, was committed nearly three years ago, which looks a little suspicious. Hicklin waived an examination and was held to appear before the grand jury in the sum of \$2,000, and in default of bail was put in jail at this place. Last Monday he was taken out on a writ of habeas corpus and taken to Portland before Judge Bellinger, who examined the matter and has it under advisement. He is gray haired and about 60 years old.—Hillsboro Independent.

Deference no Longer Due.
Miss Levens, the young lady who has been in this county for some time soliciting signatures for the commutation of Brown and Johnson, says the Yamhill Reporter, receives our pity and commiseration. We thought she was acting from good and merciful motives; that she was simply allowing her feelings of sympathy, kindness and mercy, to override her better judgment. All this has been changed since we heard that she was "employed" to perform this "errand of mercy" by a "firm in Portland," which one, we are unable to learn. Our feelings toward the lady are no longer of a charitable nature. We think her conduct is more mercenary than benevolent. It is but right that the authorities and the public should be made aware that she obtained some of the signatures by her pertinacity, some because she was a lady, and a few spoony individuals affixed their autographs because she was pretty.

The County court of Clatsop offers a reward of \$500 for the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons who murdered Mrs. Hager on the 21st day of February, 1879.

His Mother Can't Come.
Word has been received from Watertown, Wisconsin, that the aged mother of Eugene L. Avery, alias Archie Brown, cannot come to see her condemned son before his execution. Grief and excitement have had so great an effect upon her that she is unable to undertake the journey.

A Brave Woman.
One night during the first heavy snow storm this winter, Mrs. Keath, living near Leachville, started from the house of one of her neighbors on horseback, accompanied by two children, for her own home some two miles distant. Just as they had arrived home the horse on which the trio were riding slipped and fell, dismounting the riders and breaking one of Mrs. Keath's legs. There being no one in the house, and the extreme youthfulness of the children rendering them unable to assist the suffering woman, she, writhing in pain, and shivering with cold, crawled to the shed where the horse had gone, took the halter in her mouth, and led the beast to a wagon, where she assisted the children to mount. She then crawled on her hands and knees for two miles through the deep snow and pelting storm, leading the horse on which the children were seated, and arrived late at night, suffering intense agony from her broken limb, at the house of the neighbor which she had left early in the evening. Had not the brave woman been capable of enduring extreme hardships, it is more than likely that she and the children would have frozen to death.—Palouse Gazette.

Terrible Accident.
Last Monday, says the Walla Walla Union, the bell tower of Tiger Engine Company No. 2, a structure of timber 60 feet high, which set on the bank of Mill creek in rear of the City Hall was placed on rollers and moved back several feet from the creek, because the water was tearing away the bulkhead and creek bank. Shortly after one o'clock the people standing on the Main street bridge watching the rush of waters, noticed that the bell tower was being rocked violently by the heavy wind which was blowing. Suddenly it toppled over, the bell falling in the creek and the structure breaking to pieces. Seven men were standing inside and around the frame work of the tower when it fell. Two of them, Patrick Farrell and John Welch, were caught by the falling timbers and pressed to the ground. As soon as possible the horrified spectators lifted the timbers and released the men. Mr. Welch, who it was supposed at first was instantly killed, was stunned and considerably bruised, but not seriously injured. Mr. Farrell, however, had his pelvis broken, his shoulder blade ruptured and his body below the abdomen broken open. He lingered in great agony until Tuesday morning, when he died. Mr. Farrell was one of the oldest settlers of the valley, and was much respected. He left a wife and five children to mourn his sudden death. He was buried with military honors by the Walla Walla Guards, to which he belonged.

A Grave Situation.
A few days ago Father Wilbur, the Superintendent of the Yakima Indian reservation, received orders to have Chief Moses in readiness to go, with other prominent chiefs, from the Umatilla reservation to Washington. This information was imparted to Moses a day or two afterward, but the chieftan looked upon the matter with considerable suspicion and betrayed considerable unwillingness to accede to the proposition, thinking it a device to get him to the Indian territory. In order to relieve Moses' mind from any suspicion, Father Wilbur gave him a furlough of 30 days to go and visit his people, under a promise that at the end of that time he would return to the reservation. On Thursday last Moses left the reservation, where he had been held a prisoner, for the purpose of taking the furlough. He had been absent but about three hours when a crowd of citizens from Yakima City arrived at Fort Simcoe, the agency headquarters, headed by an officer and armed with a warrant of arrest for Moses. The grand jury of that county had found an indictment against him as accessory to the Perkins murders. The posse of citizens were astonished at the action of the agent and strongly expressed their indignation at the proceeding.

A meeting of citizens was held to take steps to re-arrest Moses. Father Wilbur was present at the meeting and promised the citizens that if they would remain quiet he would deliver Moses to them within twelve days. Moses has gone directly to his camp beyond Priest's Rapids, and is doubtless aware of the intent of the people and will prepare himself accordingly. He, if pursued, will look upon the matter as a violation of his parole, and surmising treachery from the first, he will be loth to return now, and any precipitated attempt, at the expiration of the twelve days of grace, will involve the entire country in a relentless and bloody war. The situation is one of great peril, and it is now looked upon as almost certain that war with Moses and the other tribes is inevitable.

Burglars are operating about Coos Bay.
Wheat is worth 81 cents at Buena Vista.
Wheat is worth 83 cents at Independence.
There are 325 school children in the Roseburg district.
A military company has been organized at Prineville.
A silver mine has been discovered in Perrydale, Polk Co.
The Grand Applegate Company now have five miles of ditch dug.
A Jacksonville man was fined \$10 for trying to make the Chinese go.
Astoria church people are having a little squabble among themselves.
Considerable wheat is being shipped from Independence to the Salem mills.
The Ochocho people think they have some good nickle ledges in their country.
Job Hinton, of Prineville, was bucked off his horse and killed on the 18th ult.
The Grave Creek Mining Co. has levied an assessment of four cents per share.
A few hundred goats have died in Benton county, having no shelter from storms.
An eastern buyer recently bought 4,000 head of cattle at Prineville for \$10 a head.
Quite a number of able-bodied men are anxious to serve as marshal of Jackson County.
A miner named Briggs was stricken with paralysis and died, on Applegate last Sunday.
A Chinaman was accidentally killed near Ankeny Landing last Friday. Still they go.
Mrs. Abner Fickle, of Buena Vista, was trampled upon by a cow and severely injured.
Have you seen Mr. Jas Emery, and if so, how much? His wife back in Maine wants him.
Curtis Manning, a miner at Grave Creek, had a leg broken by the caving of a bank last week.
Floods have caused considerable damage in Puyallup, Stuck, and White River valleys, W. T.
Another unloaded pistol went off at Bethel the other day, wounding James Burnett in the thigh.
Josephine County miners are working night and day. Make money while the water runs.
The Roseburg and Coos Bay people want a railroad, but are not anxious to have it controlled by foreign capitalists.
Many sheep have died in Southern Oregon this winter. Mr. Dear, of Butte Creek, has lost 1,100 out of a band of 2,000.
Hon. N. B. Willey, president of the Idaho council, was presented with a gold headed cane by his fellow members.
The Southern Oregon stages have to change their time table so as to strike the worst part of the roads by daylight.
The Idaho legislature has created two new counties: Cassia, out of the eastern portion of Owyhee, and Washington, out of the western portion of Ada.
Fence fight at Fair Oaks, Douglas county. Smith put up a fence on Sutherland's land in the night. The latter's men tore it down, were arrested, tried and discharged. Costs of \$100 taxed to Smith.
Good sleighing at Fort Klamath.
Ashland property is assessed at \$122,000.
Salmon are running up Southern Oregon creeks.
The Port Blakely mills are running day and night.
Spring grass is getting a fine start in Jackson county.
The Jacksonville Times dishes up lots of local items.
Diphtheria has appeared in the vicinity of Jacksonville.
Coyotes are getting away with the sheep on Rogue river. Strychnine.
Three ounce nuggets have recently been found on Wolf and Foot's creeks.
The Olympia Experiment will try the experiment of taking a three weeks' rest.
The Olympia Experiment sees signs of Spring in the revival of base ball business.
The late snow storms in Northern British Columbia have been the most severe for many years.
Over 1,000 head of sheep have died from starvation and scab on Butte creek, Jackson county.
Horses in Josephine county are staggering around with the stiff staggers. Some have staggered over and died.
The Jacksonville Times says the county jail mourns for an occupant. Isn't there a mouse, or even a greyback in it?
The George Washington Literary Society has just been organized at Independence. Every member has a little hatchet.
Mrs. P. Boschey, of Jacksonville, has raised and cured some figs, which are pronounced excellent. Crops never fail, etc.
The Improved Order of Red Men had a grand ball at Jacksonville. The unimproved order will probably open their ball before long.
As the acoustic properties of the Walla Walla City Hall are not very good, it is proposed to furnish the audience with ear trumpets.
Immense quantities of gold dust are being taken out of the Snake river placer mines. The electro-plated machines for saving the dust cost from \$2,000 to \$3,000.
Mr. Harrison Hartlep, of Silvercreek, a few days ago, killed six deer at two shots and two at three shots—eight at five shots, all inside of a minute. Gating or Hotchkiss gun?
The Experiment says: Puyallup having failed in the hop enterprise, is going to have a tobacco factory. Anything to save producing our great essentials, grain, hay, potatoes and fruit.
Jacksonville people petition for the appointment of T. G. Reames as Brigadier General. His command will consist of himself and four staff officers. Uniform, white shirt, open behind, three studs in front. Brass spurs.
The Jacksonville Times says the road to Silvercreek is now open and there is a perfect stream of miners flowing into that region. A few have returned after

supplies and give a favorable account of those mines. The melting snow has raised the waters of the creek so high as to render effective mining impossible for the present.
The Walla Walla railroad has had too many washouts to run to good advantage.
Heppner has a flouring mill in operation, making an excellent quality of flour.
The two main bridges across the Grand Ronde river have been washed away.
The lowest bid for furnishing wood at Fort Lapwai was \$13 10 per cord, all bids were rejected.
The Astorian says the Oregon ran down to that place in six hours. The Republic was seven hours.
Remains of a man, supposed to be a soldier, were lately discovered on an island in Shoalwater Bay.
A new stage road is talked of between Owyhee and Winnemucca that will shorten the distance 60 miles or more.
The Idaho Statesman says the gold in Palouse country is too thin to pan at wages, and thinks the excitement won't pay.
Mr. Porter and two other men were drowned in White river, W. T., while attempting to cross in a canoe last Tuesday.
The bridge on Main street, Walla Walla, was swept away by a freshet and damage caused by high water is placed at \$2,000.
The Puyallup coal road has been troubled by high water, being four feet deep on the track in places. Considerable injury done.

New Zealand Insurance Company.
The company was organized in New Zealand in the year 1859 with a capital of \$5,000,000. It has gross assets of over \$2,000,000. The company has done a very successful business since its organization, and its stock now sells in London at a large premium.
The shareholders and directors of this company are the very first business men and capitalists of New Zealand, and are the same as those of the Bank of New Zealand, an institution, which shows by its last statement, October 30, 1878, assets of \$57,771,877. This grand corporation is also one of the best managed financial institutions in the world; as a proof of which we will note that in London, where it has a large branch and does an immense business, the Bank of New Zealand stock suffered less in the crisis following the Bank of Glasgow collapse than any other bank stock on that market.
The same Directors also manage the New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, another large financial institution, with assets of \$47,500,000.
The company has deposited \$50,000,000 in United States Bonds with the Treasurer of the State of Oregon, and a large bank audit for the immediate payment of losses that may occur.
The company's liabilities, including a sum to reimburse all their risks, amount to \$600,000, while their assets amount to \$2,000,000 leaving the handsome surplus for the protection of policy holders at \$1,400,000.
Since the extension of the company's operations to the Pacific coast, it has commenced the creation of a special reserve fund which now amounts to \$200,000 to cover any extraordinary losses in this field.
The shareholders are individually liable for all obligations of the company. The results of the failure of the Bank of Glasgow, when the unlimited liability of shareholders played so prominent a part, the great wealth of the shareholders controlling the New Zealand Insurance Company should specially recommend this company to the insuring public.
The company has done business here since December, 1878, and during said period have met with quite a number of losses, all of which were not only paid and settled promptly, but each and every individual having sustained losses, speak in the highest terms of the company, and through their influence and the general manner of doing business have acquired a No. 1 reputation, and already have a splendid business on their books. The company has appointed Mr. W. F. Brown, agent for this State. Mr. Brown has long been identified with the insurance of this city, and has, by his courteous manners and strict business habits, gained an enviable reputation—one that will do much to protect the company's interest and add to its already large business; for insurers knowing that while he will protect the company's interests, will rest satisfied that their interests will be fairly protected and all losses incurred be promptly and honestly met.—Commercial Reporter.

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