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WESTLINGS.

The Roberts left Portland last Wednesday week.

No work on the harbor at this place before May or June next.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, assist digestion, cure headache, etc.

Osborne Mowers and Rakes for sale at Meyer & Kyle's. Come and see for yourself.

Guns, pistols, etc., repaired by M. W. Knowsky. Leave orders at Funk's hardware store.

The Presbyterian Sunday-School is making preparations for a Christmas entertainment on Christmas eve.

Reverend Millard will be in Florence in the near future to organize a singing-school in the Old Fellows hall.

Representative Wright, of Union, says the Portland Sun, declares himself in favor of the free coinage of silver.

Ferdinand de Lesseps, the builder of the Suez and projector of the Panama canal, died in Paris December 7th.

Joe Morris is erecting a commodious building as an addition to the Morris hotel, which will be used as a barber shop when completed.

Otis Savage has been found guilty of robbery of \$15,000 on October 14th last, from the office of the Pacific Express Company at The Dalles.

Christmas Coss will leave Florence on Saturday day for Mapleton at 3 o'clock P. M., and take all who desire to attend the dance at the fish hatchery for half fare.

The pile driver owned by Benedict & Kobe, and commanded by Mr. Evans, is putting in place for a wharf on the property of J. A. Pond adjoining Washington street.

Mr. T. A. North, who has established creameries all over this coast, will be in Florence the last of this week, so he writes us, and see what can be done in the matter here.

Salt Rheum often appears in cold weather, attacking the pains of the hands and other parts of the body. Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier, cures salt rheum.

A. D. Risdon, formerly with the News, is now a life insurance agent at San Jose, Cal.—Marshallfield Mail. Gus Risdon, as he is known here, was at one time a settler in this valley.

When the stage came over the river road on Friday last, they found a portion of the Beecher rock bridge gone, and the horses had to be unhitched and led over and then the wagon taken apart and carried across by the passengers.

A family of immigrants with household effects, wagon, etc., from Nebraska, came up on the Mosloe last night and took the O. P. for Yaqina today, where they will take a vessel for Florence which is their destination.—Corvallis Times.

For rheumatism I have found nothing equal to Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It relieves the pain as soon as applied. J. W. Young, West Liberty, W. Va. The prompt relief it affords is alone worth many times the cost, 50 cents. Its continued use will effect a permanent cure. For sale by Druggists.

It seems that the people over in Lake precinct, Douglas county, are agreeing about the benefits of a creamery, and will make a start in that direction. The fact is they are a little more progressive than our North Fork dairymen, and then, too, they take very little stock in stove polishers' opinions.

A fatal accident occurred at the Pioneer quarry, Wednesday about 1 p. m., while hoisting the mast for a new derrick into position, the cable broke, letting the heavy timber fall; it rolled over on one of the workmen named Wm. Mosher instantly killing him. Several others had a narrow escape.—Yaqina News.

Parties are coming here to build a creamery or see what can be done about building one. Some very intelligent people may laugh behind stoves about a creamery, but it will be built, and when we are enjoying its benefits, how like wind-lags these sneerers will swell with credit for what they have done to build a creamery.

The Oregonian states that on December 5th, when the steamer Harvest

QUEEN ARRIVED DOWN.

Queen arrived down from Portland, with the four-masted bark Primrose Hill in tow, she exhibited with the tug Roberts, crushing in considerable of the port rail of the latter and damaging the machinery and steamships to the extent of about \$200. The Harvest Queen was unharmed.

A part of the caps on the pilings of the jetty track came up to Florence on Sunday's tide. The rock work being insufficiently high enough to protect the piling, it is only a question of time when they will all be torn out by drift-wood.

A few thousand dollars expended this fall in placing rock, would have saved several thousand dollars of our appropriation.

"It is a pleasure to sell Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," says Stickney & Dentler, druggists, Republic, Ohio, "because a customer after once using it, is almost certain to call for it when again in need of such a medicine. We sell more of it than any other cough medicine we handle, and it always gives satisfaction." For coughs, colds and croup, it is without an equal. For sale by Druggists.

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An attraction brought George Morris to this city Sunday.

Mail carrier and stage owner Barrett, had a rough trip to Gardiner on Sunday.

S. G. Lindsley, a prominent farmer on North Fork, was in Florence on Wednesday.

Wm. Kyle, wife and son Davie, returned from a trip to Portland on Friday last.

It took Geo. O. Knowles two and one-half days to come to Florence from Seaton, in a row boat, the first of the week.

Mr. Storm was in town Sunday and brought a storm, notwithstanding fair weather was at the mouth of the river.

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By E. H.

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Mr. Byers is building a house on his place. Edward makes regular trips to Fiddle creek.

Robert Lowe is helping Mr. Byers build his house. E. H. David passed through here today on his way home.

Noah Black has gone to Drain to attend school this winter. Mr. Sims is the boss bear hunter, having killed three this fall.