

Church Directory.
 Methodist services, by Rev. H. B. Swafford, are held as follows:
 1st Sabbath at North Fork 11 A. M.
 2nd " " Lampey Creek " "
 3d " " Fish Trap " "
 4th " " Coquille City " "

LOCAL ITEMS.

Jack Laird paid our office a visit last week.

A. J. McNaughton and Al. Lilly came down from Norway on Wednesday.

Messrs. W. Colvin and H. F. Tennis called us on Wednesday the 4th.

Joe Fox came over from Coaledo on Friday last, and proceeded up the river.

Siglin's Bill to incorporate Empire City passed the senate on the 2nd inst.

A new daily paper is to be started at Salem. It will be christened the Morning Tribune.

C. W. Von Pegert is engaged in the construction of a door and sash factory on his claim near Grube's mill.

Rev. J. C. Canterbury has taken up his residence in town, and intends remaining with us permanently.

R. Bullack, of Cunningham creek, called upon us on Saturday last, and paid his subscription. That's business.

D. Carriger, of the firm of Schetter & Co., Marshfield, came over from the bay on Friday last, and proceeded up the river.

The entertainment yesterday evening in the church, for the benefit of the Universalist society of Coquille, was a grand success.

Mr. E. W. Getchell, of Parkersburg, was in town and left for home last Sunday. His son Frank, who has been indisposed for some time past, is improving.

John Scott came up the river and is at the Olive Hotel. We think that Johnny is after the "what is it?" Look out, John! The trap is yawning.

Our old friend, Bill Rohm, is down from Myrtle Point. He is attending to some business, and looks as if time nor circumstances could make any change in his usual serenity.

The friends of Mrs. John Berry, of South Coquille, will be pleased to learn that she has recovered from her mental derangement, and is on her way home from the Asylum.

John A. Dean, proprietor of this paper, has been seriously indisposed and confined to the house during the past week. At the present writing, he is improving. We hope to soon see him "jogging along" as usual.

Remember that G. McEwan has in his possession the bills for Walling's History of Southern Oregon, that yet remain unpaid in this district, and the books for those who have not received them. Call upon him, pay for and obtain your books, and save costs.

Mr. Jones Goeller, of Hall's creek called in on us yesterday. He has had considerable experience as a farmer in other states, but prefers his present location. He slashed 30 acres, alone last year, and speaks highly of the land and the facility in clearing it.

S. E. Steward has sold out his stock and retired from the business in which he was engaged. G. A. Brown, of Myrtle Point, is the purchaser. We understand that his intention is to do a wholesale business in view in connection with his present location, but has not yet decided as to the prospect.

Some one without the fear of the law or the rights of his industrious neighbors, stole the rope by which Al. Gilman's raft was secured, while it was drifting down the river towards Parkersburg. He might mitigate the circumstance by sneaking around in the night and depositing the rope in front of some door in town.

The residence of Dr. W. C. Angell was taken by storm on Saturday evening last. There was nothing belligerent in connection with the storming party, it being one of surprise only. A good, sociable time was enjoyed by all present. Dancing was indulged in, and all departed highly pleased with the evening's entertainment.

Let the Stars in the Union Remain.
 [BY LE GARDON.]

Oh, ne'er be it breathed that the spirit has flown

Which inspired our forefathers to brave
 The arms of a monarch so ruthlessly thrown
 In the land which he sought to enslave.
 No, ne'er be it breathed that in anger we broke

The bond for which heroes have bled;
 For the death-knell of Freedom would chime the sad stroke,
 If the Union's bright glory were fled.

Then still let us cling to that memory dear,
 When the Goddess of Liberty rose,
 And the birth of a nation of Freedom drew near.

Who had scattered and vanquished their foes,
 Let us firmly unite, that none may e'er see
 Columbia's proud flag rent in twain;
 Let the watchword forever be, "Hail to the Free!"

Let the Stars in the Union remain!"

ED. HERALD: Finding ourselves at leisure to-day, we thought ourselves of the idea of giving you some items from this part.

The predominating topic of interest in this section is that in regard to the bridges to be built across the North fork, below here in Paradise valley. The days for letting the contract are the 23d and 24th inst. The lowest responsible bidder at the public out-crier will be the builder. It is to be hoped the county court will accept none but substantial plans in the hands of those who know how to build a good and solid bridge.

The next occurrence of note is the flourishing condition of the church at Fairview. A long protracted meeting was held there during the holidays under the auspices of the Reverends Edmunds and Hollenbeck whose appeals and eloquent exhortations were rewarded by the enrollment of seven new names under the banner of King Emmanuel.

In striking contrast to the laudable efforts of this particular neighborhood to gain future pleasure and enjoyment, are the efforts of other portions to secure present pleasure and enjoyment. Several dances have come off during and since the holidays; the last and altogether the most enjoyable one of the season being on Middle creek, last Thursday night, at the house of Mr. Sutton, who, by the way is still "heart-whole and fancy free," and has the name of being the neatest "bach" and best cook in the county. Long may he wave and long endure the memory of that pleasant evening.

Uncle Tommy Norris sustained quite a shock while returning from court by being precipitated, head first, from his horse; he is up and quite well we believe, at present.

G. W. Martin and wife are stopping at Geo. W. Stevenson's.

Miss Barbara Bettys is attending school at James Laird's in Brewster.

Mr. Jos. Hengst has completed and moved into his nice and new "log cabin" on the hill opposite H. Bettys'.

Edw. Cornan Jr. is quite ill with rheumatism. Hope he may soon convalesce.

John Lubluser is visiting his old friend M. Kroll.

Yours truly,
 Fair view, Thursday Feb. 5th, '85.

D. Block of San Francisco came up a few weeks ago to inspect Abe Rose's black-sand mine near Randolph, and it is reported that he has bonded the mine at 3500. Block thinks he possesses a process by which most of the gold can be saved, and if he be not deceived, he has a big thing on black sand.

—Mail.
 During a period covered by some twelve or fourteen years, there have been constant repetitions of men and measures with new processes for saving that gold at Randolph in this county, but none ever proved an entire success. The sand has been cooked in all shapes—boiled and roasted without any other effect than the destruction of the kettles. We know but little about the matter, although we have assisted in washing or sluicing sand containing gold on the ocean beach. As near as we can learn, there is some kind of grease attached to the gold, which prevents amalgamation. We hope that Mr. Block may be successful and encounter no block or check in his efforts to obtain a profit commensurate with the undertaking.

We call attention to a remarkable piece of poetry on the first page of this issue. There is evidence of talent in its construction; but, whether it is written in a serious vein, or in that style usually classed as vagrant ideas, we are as much "at sea" as our readers. We are inclined to the opinion that it is merely a vagrant effort; otherwise, it would be condoned as a specimen of rejected love turned to hate and a desire for revenge. In that case, we opine that, "Harry" must be a perfect Adonis, gifted with innumerable charms of masculinity to enable him thus to torture the feelings of the opposite sex. The bachelors, and they are numerous in this locality, must certainly envy Harry.

ED. HERALD: At a recent party in paradise valley, a young man, whom I shall designate as M— proposed to Mr. L— that they ought to accompany a couple of young ladies home from the party. "All right," said L—"you make the proposal." M—made his way to the fair one's side and stated his business; but the honor was declined. Having misunderstood the lady's refusal, he started back to his friend, L— and slapping him on the back, said: "It is all right, I am solid." But, he was not so "solid" as he imagined. At the winding up of the party, the girl went home alone, leaving Mr. M— in deep dejection.

Snapping Andy.
 Paradise valley, Feb. 6th.

The following is the House Joint memorial, No. 7, to Congress in reference to Dolph's bill throwing open the timber lands on this coast to those who are able to buy them up. The vote in favor of the memorial is 48; against it, 11.

H. J. M. No. 7.—To the Honorable, the senate and house of representatives of the United States in congress assembled:

Your memorialists, the legislative assembly of the state of Oregon, most respectfully represent that we have read with astonishment and regret the bill as reported from the committee on Public Lands, by Hon. J. N. Dolph, senator from this State, amending the act for the sale of timber lands in Oregon, Nevada, California and Washington Territory, so as to throw open all the fine timber lands of the great Northwest to the grasping power of combined capital, and most earnestly urge that his proposed amendment be rejected.

That under the existing law, the settler seeking a home upon the public domain can select from our forest lands, and thereby reap the double advantage of securing valuable timber and excellent soil. Under Senator Dolph's proposed amendment, these privileges would be taken from the settler in the near future, as these lands would soon pass into the hands of wealthy corporations.

That as the Forest Grove and Astoria land grant is now forfeited, the northwestern portion of this state will soon receive a large immigration of actual settlers upon these lands, and thus contribute to the general wealth and prosperity of the state, as also to the pioneer settlers already there, by aiding them in building roads, organizing schools, and establishing trade.

That this uncalculated amendment is not in the interest of the poor man, the settler or the general welfare, but wholly in the interest of the money power; as is also his proposition to reduce the price of coal lands.

It is against that benign public policy which would save our magnificent forests from the ruthless grasp of capital, and our domain for the actual settler.

That, as a people, we are all unalterably opposed to both of the propositions, believing it would be against public policy to lock up in large tracts our coal and timber lands in the hands of corporations, which, if in small tracts, would be developed at an early day, enriching alike the energetic laborer and the state.

Wherefore, your memorialists pray your Honorable Body to reject the propositions referred to, and all others in which is couched any design to pass the public domain into the hands of monopolists.

A Little More Grape, Capt. Bragg— Gen. Taylor at Buena Vista.

The dubitative didactician who grinds the organ at Marshfield, says that our clothes don't set well. Dog-gon him, does he suppose that our clothes have been translated into chickens? He is snorting and cavorting around as if he had the mullygrubs. The last dose of soothing syrup that we administered does not seem to agree with him. He is a billious critter, anyway. We've tried hoaxing, coaxing, sugar, oil and doggerel, but all without effect. We'll try capsicum next. Cuss him, we'll pepper him. We are perfectly satisfied with our clothes and ears also; but if he must object to them let him peg away; it will stimulate us to renewed exertion.

A Card.

In view of the fact that certain parties have circulated reports derogatory to my character, I have decided to make a public defence, and refute the ill-founded charges, in the church in Coquille City on Friday evening, Feb. 13th. The public is invited. The presence of mine accusers is specially desirable, for their names will be used freely. J. P. Easter.

The gold watch belonging to Louis Neilson, who was killed by the explosion of the Sol Thomas, was found in the wreck last week. The watch was in the pocket of a vest, which was not worn at the time of the accident.—News

Legal Tender.
 [LE GARDON.]

Your argument, my friend, is rash; It needs some demonstration— To say you buy without the cash Is but equivocation.
 You say: "Believe me, water's fire." I will, when you can show it— I can as well prove you a liar, As you, that I'm no poet.

BORN.

At Myrtle Point, on Wednesday, Feb. 4th, to the wife of P. P. Herman, a daughter weighing seven pounds. Mother and child are doing well, and the father—well, don't mention it. Frank will accept our congratulations.

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Beefsteak, . . .	8
Beef, per fore qr.	6
do, per hind qr.	8
Mutton, . . .	8 @ 12 1/2
Salt Pork, . . .	8
Corned Beef, . . .	8
Hams, . . .	15
Bacon (sides) . . .	15
do (shoulder) . . .	12
Lard, . . .	13
Potatoes, . . .	1
Cabbage, . . .	1
Sugar, . . .	12 @ 15
Coffee, in tins, . . .	25
do, green, . . .	16 1/2
Tea, green, . . .	30 @ 75
do, English bkfst. . .	75
Rice, . . .	10
Beans, . . .	4
Apples, dried, . . .	10 @ 16
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