

CHURCH DIRECTORY.
Methodist services, by Rev. T. P. Haynes are held as follows:

First Sabbath at North Fork	11 A. M.
nd " " Lamprey creek	" "
3rd " " Fish Trap	" "
4th " " Coquille City	" "

LOCAL ITEMS.

Dr. Steele has gone to the city.
Greece and Turkey are on the eve of war.
Capt. J. Parker started to the city Wednesday.
Eld. J. C. Canterbury paid us a pleasant visit Saturday.
Wm. Norris came down from Dora to see many friends.
O'Neil the Jacksonville murderer is to be hanged March 12.
Miscreants have been shooting cattle on Willanch slough.
President Cleveland attended a charity ball at Baltimore on the 25th ult.
Mrs. Capt. C. H. Butler is expected up soon to look after her interests here.
Tom Mansell of Norway, was among his friends in this place Wednesday.
A surprise party was had at Mr. W. A. Dozier's in this place last Monday night.
Rev. T. P. Haynes will deliver a temperance lecture in this place next Thursday night.
Capt. Dunham is spoken of as the democratic candidate for sheriff of this county.

Mr. C. H. Merchant who got his hand poisoned from the cut of a knife is now able to walk around.
Ed. Haynes and Jeff Wilson, of Eckley, drove a band of fine sheep through this place Saturday.

Bandon promises a boom the coming summer. It is a good location and will make a good town.

Mr. McDonald, the proprietor of this town, is making extensive improvements at the Henryville mine.

January has been the wettest month of the season, and we doubt if it has ever been surpassed in this part.

Departures by the Coos Bay, January 27: Felix Cohn, Ed Bumstead, M. W. Davis, D. H. Getchell and two in the steamer.

Yakama valley is making a move to secure the location of the capital which, being at Olympia, works hardships to the people.

The Literary and Debating society, of Myrtle Point, will give a grand ball and entertainment on St. Valentine's eve, February 13, 1886.

The HERALD must have money. It takes that to buy paper and other material, besides the printer must live. Come, hustle up what you owe us.

The choicest of meats constantly kept at our city market. Johnson & Rose will never be left when it comes to good choice steaks.

Montana, Dakota and Washington territories are clamorous for admission to statehood. It is more than probable that all will be admitted.

If you want a good, cheap telephone put up call on Nichols Bros. They will do the work good and at bottom prices. It will save you many a step.

Eld. J. C. Canterbury is now pastor of the Baptist church at Marshfield, and will preach there on the fourth Sunday in each month, morning and evening.

The Smith ryer saw mill will let a contract of getting out six million feet of logs says the Gazette. This looks as though some body has an idea that lumber will sell.

Five logging camps will soon be in operation on the isthmus between this place and Coos bay—another evidence that the price of lumber is assuming an upward tendency.

Retail liquor dealers in Washington territory will doubtless have to pay \$500 license per annum. Druggists have to pay \$100. Wouldn't you be a druggist though.

The Chinese store at Marshfield has been closed out. This is as it should be.

Pacific members of congress are working for a soldiers' home on this coast.

Judge Murphy is at Washington to have a part of the Klamath reservation opened to settlement.
Dr. Stockman returned from Roseburg Wednesday whither he had been on business. He came by way of Scottsburg and Gardiner.

A bloody fight is reported from Arizona between American and Mexican soldiers. The latter made the attack and claim they thought they had attacked Indians.

Another fire-damp explosion occurred at Henryville a week ago yesterday, by which David Morris was severely burned, and Supt. Phillips and one of Steve Lapps boys slightly so.

We hear the name of D. L. Watson spoken of as the probable republican candidate for the county judgeship, and that of J. C. Canterbury for school superintendent on the democratic ticket.

We do not sound a needless alarm when we tell you that the taint scrofula is in your blood. Inherited or acquired, it is there, and Ayer's Sarsaparilla alone will effectually eradicate it.

Haden, the soda-water man, has received new and improved machinery and is prepared to make more and better wares than before. His champagne cider is most excellent. He is agent for the celebrated Oregon grape root bitters.

Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Renewer imparts a fine gloss and freshness to the hair, and is highly recommended by physicians, clergymen, and scientists. It removes dandruff, makes the scalp white and clean, and restores gray hair to its youthful color.

Our worthy deputy clerk R. H. Lowe was in town Saturday and Sunday. From him we learn that Turner, Nay and others are still prospecting on Johnson's Mountain, and are casting about as to the feasibility of sluicing the mountain down in search of the supposed rich quartz vein there.

A gentleman who is about catching on to "printer's signs" asked us the other day if printers who print "Our Washington Letter" get pay for it. This is a good one, and we advise our cotemporaries to leave off the "stars." Comment is unnecessary.

Peter Hickey and Mr. Davidson came near being killed at the latter's mine on Sixes a few days ago. Leaving the mine for a short time, they found on returning to it that a big slide had occurred filling their mine, covering up their tools and their cabin. It was a narrow escape, and as a compensation for their loss, we hope a rich mine may have been unearthed for the boys by the slide.

Hermann Introduces an Indian War Bill.

Washington, Jan. 26.—Hermann, of Oregon, has introduced a bill providing for the appointment of three commissioners to visit county seats nearest the scenes of Indian depredations, in the states of Oregon, California and Nevada, and the territories of Washington and Idaho, and there receive testimony as to the loss and destruction of property by Indians in the wars of 1853, '54, '55, '56, '72 and '78, and to report to the treasury department for an appropriation by congress, the commissioners to consider all proof now on file in any department, and to receive testimony of witnesses who may be absent from their respective states or territories. Thirty days' notice is to be given of time and place of taking proof, in two newspapers in the state.

At a Sacrifice!

A gentleman living near Parkersburg, on this river, has a fine lot of hogs which he will dispose of at a sacrifice. Several of the hogs are large, and ready to fatten, there being in all 20 head. Call or write to this office. tf.

School Report.

The standing of Summer pupils in their studies is as follows for the second month of school:

Name	Attendance	Spelling	Reading	Writing	Arithmetic	Grammar	History	Geography	Science	English	Latin	French	German	Italian	Spanish	Portuguese	Other
Lacy Black	10	9.9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Ida Turner	10	9.9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Charles Dully	10	8	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Lora Williams	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Clara Williams	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Nettie Williams	10	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Adda Musick	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Walter Williams	10	8.6	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Carrie Dyer	10	8.4	9.8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Jack Williams	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Milas Canterbury	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Kate Johnson	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Ira Johnson	10	9.2	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Ida Scofield	10	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Laura Beyers	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Allice Beyers	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Josie Beyers	10	9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Creed Beyers	10	8	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Jesse Beyers	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Frank Black	10	9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Ella Masters	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Alva Masters	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Elijah Masters	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Andrew Masters	9.9	8	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Mamie Hudson	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Abbie Hudson	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Josie Hudson	10	9.9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Johnnie Hudson	10	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Lizzie Hudson	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Mollie Mehl	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Henry Kennedy	9.9	8	9.9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Fred Wilson	10	9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Winnie Bailey	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Mattie Bailey	9.9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Elba Bailey	10	9	9.5	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Belle Hill	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Delmar Dyer	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Johnny Newburg	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Lolo O'Brien	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10

Total number of scholars enrolled 39, attendance 29; those deserving special mention for punctuality and good examinations are Winnie Bailey, Nettie Williams, Milas Canterbury, Ida Scofield, Alice Beyers, Visitors five. Patrons and friends of education are cordially invited to visit our school and see how we are progressing.
M. Lehman, Teacher.

Communicated.

Ed. HERALD:—The are in the United States thirty-seven Light-house Districts and thirty-seven Collectors of Customs who act by Superintendents.

As there is some controversy in this section, upon the length of time certain acts of congress have been in force, it would be an item of useful information if you can hunt up and print the following: The date of the pre-emption act. The date of the homestead act. The date of the donation act, with strict reference to Oregon. At the same time be kind enough to furnish your readers with the date of the granting the swamp land to the state of Oregon. As I expect to make, or, which would be more appropriate, to express an opinion on the swamp land act, and the loose manner in which the framers of the bill guarded or did not guard at all against fraud from whatever source, I would prefer to approach the subject carefully; but I have no data at hand of guide me through the labyrinth of complex details.

It does appear to me to have been the correct thing for the receivers and registers at land offices to have questioned an applicant for pre-emption as to the quality of the land, after the passage of the swamp land act. Having, with five others, filed on pre-emption claims in 1872, I can assert, with truth, that no such questions were put. Why not? Would such ruling not have acted as a preventive against both ignorance and fraud. Ignorance of an act of congress will not prevent the punishment of those who treat that act with contempt; yet, it seems to be a weak point in a governing body to throw no safeguards around that portion of its citizens and they are a multitude—who know not anything about acts of congress. It will not suffice, in answer, to say that many persons filed on those lands knowing their character, and who made final proof, with abundant witnesses to swear to anything. The damaging point still remains, that, the government made no effort to prevent this, and left itself open to the accusation that, it donated land to one party and then sold and received the price for it from another. It will work great hardship on some of the settlers who have taken up and improved swamp land in this county, if they are ejected. While we have a fruitful country, our progress has been slow, owing to the distance of the market; but, with quicker dispatch, we are improving daily. If an eviction takes

place, it may not be as demoralizing as evictions in the old country, still, the government being the prime cause of this litigation, it would be but the fair thing to grant some relief.
Bob.

The act of congress, and the first one affecting the public lands in Oregon, relating to donations, passed Sept. 27, 1850.
That of the pre-emption Sept. 4, 1841. The homestead act passed May 20, 1862, and the swamp land grant March 12, 1860.

Ladies.

In delicate health and all who suffer from habitual constipation will find the pleasant liquid fruit remedy Syrup of Figs more easily taken, and more beneficial in effect than any other remedy. It acts promptly yet gently on the Bowels, Kidneys, Liver and stomach, and does not sicken or debilitate. For sale by W. L. Dixon, Myrtle Point, J. H. Nosler, Coquille City, H. Sengstacken Marshfield & Empire.

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BORN.

On Two-mile creek, near Bandon, Dec. 27, to the wife of Capt. A. B. Young, a son.
At Port Orford, Wednesday, January 20, to the wife of S. J. Culver, a son.
On Middle fork, January 22, 1886, to the wife of Sam Fish, a daughter.
In Coquille City Jan. 30, to the wife of John T. Jenkins, a daughter.

St. Valentine's DAY!

Entertainment and Ball
Given by the
M. P. L. and D. SOCIETY,
At Myrtle Point, on Sat'day,
February 13, 1886,

Programme for the Entertainment:
Instrumental music.
Astronomer's Dream—by C. Wilkins.
Song—By Miss Bonnie Reed.
"Flight of Time"—By Amy Wilkins.
"Curtain Lecture"—By Augusta Prey.
Reading—By Miss Christina Harris.
"Guilty or not Guilty"—By Willie Reed.
Song—By Mrs. Amie Miller.
Reading—By Mrs. Fannie Dixon.
Charade on the letter H—Mabel Wilkins.
"Corn"—By James Bush.
Recitation—By Mrs. Belle Endicott.
Speech—By Orvil Dodge.
Song—Quartet.
Dialogue "Men of Nerve"—By Miss Bonnie Reed, W. Mast and—
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NOTICE.
NOTICE is hereby given that there has been an assessment levied of \$15.00 on each share Occident Water Co's stock, which if not paid in 15 days from this, 19th day of January 1886, will become delinquent.
Coquille City, Or., G. McEwan, Sec.
January 19, 1886 G. Andrews, Pres.

NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that Mary Peterson, the Administratrix of the Estate of Charles P. Peterson, deceased, has rendered and filed in the county court of Coos county, Oregon, her final account of her administration of said estate, and that Tuesday the 6th day of April A. D. 1886 at 10 o'clock a.m. at the court room of said court, at Empire City, in said county and state, has been duly appointed by the Hon. G. M. Dyer, Judge of said court, for the hearing of objections to, and the settlement of said account.
Signif. and Gray, Attorneys.
Mary Peterson, Administratrix.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, January 6, 1886.
NOTICE is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of Coos County, at Empire City, Oregon, on Saturday, Feb. 27, 1886, viz: John L. Wagner homestead D. S. No. 4229 for the W. 1/2 of S. W. 1/4 Sec. 19, T. 31 S. R. 11, and E. 1/2 of S. E. 1/4 Sec. 24 T. 31 S. R. 12 West.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz:
J. D. Hays
E. B. Robinson
Calvin Gant
Ben C. Gant
all of Myrtle Point, Coos County, Oregon.
Wm. F. Benjamin, Register.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of Coos county at Empire City, on Saturday Feb. 20, 1886, viz: Lemuel Atkins, Pre-emption D. S. No. 4216 for the E. 1/2 of W. 1/2 of Sec. 24 T. 29 south Range 12 west W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz:
S. S. Endicott
Thos. Jerrald
Philip Brack
Alva Rowley
of Angora.
of Myrtle Point.
Wm. F. Benjamin, Register.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.
NOTICE is hereby given, that the business partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the firm name and style of Averill and Alberson, doing business at Bandon, Coos County, Oregon, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Alberson retiring. William H. Averill will continue the business of the old firm; assume possession and control of all partnership property; pay all outstanding debts, and collect all accounts of the firm.
Dated at Bandon, Coos County, Oregon, December 21st, 1885.
W. H. Averill.
S. Alberson.

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