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SOCIETY MEETINGS.  
HILLSBORO GRANGE, No. 78, P. of H.—Meets in Good Templars' Hall, second and fourth Saturday in each month, at 2 o'clock p. m.

HILLSBORO LODGE, No. 17, I. O. G. T.—Meets in Good Templars' Hall, every Saturday evening, at 8 P. M.

QUALITY LODGE, No. 6, A. F. & A. M.—Meets on Saturday or after each full moon. All brethren in good standing are cordially invited to attend.

MONTEZUMA LODGE, No. 56, I. O. O. F.—Hillsboro Meets every Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock. Sojourning brethren cordially invited to attend.

CELENOE LODGE, No. 22, K. of P.—Meets every alternate Saturday at 7 o'clock, in Odd Fellows' Hall. Sojourning brethren in good standing cordially invited to attend.

HILLSBORO LODGE, No. 61, A. O. U. W.—Hillsboro Meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 o'clock p. m. Sojourning brethren cordially invited to attend.

PHOENIX GRANGE, No. 202, P. of H.—Meets at Gaston, Or., on the third Friday of each month.

WALFORD LODGE, No. 40, I. O. G. T.—Meets in Gaston on the first and third Saturday in each month.

CHARITY LODGE, No. 75, I. O. O. F.—Tualatin Meets Saturday evening at 7 o'clock, on or before each new moon. Brethren in good standing invited to attend.

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CHURCH NOTICES.  
HILLSBORO METHODIST PASTOR'S Appointments—First Sabbath in each month: Beaverton, 11 a. m.; Wesley Chapel, Hillsboro, 11 a. m.; Keosauhee, 3 p. m.; Hillsboro, 7 p. m.

CORNELIUS METHODIST PASTOR'S Appointments—First and third Sabbath in each month, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Second and fourth Sabbath in each month, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

CONGREGATIONAL PASTOR'S Appointments—First and third Sabbath in each month, 11 a. m. and on the hill, back of Gaston, 3 p. m. Second Sabbath, 11 a. m.; Hillsboro, 11 a. m.; Keosauhee, 3 p. m.

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THE VOICE OF THE TIDE.  
BY M. C. MEDON.  
I am only a hole in an humble vocation,  
Yet I greatly control your civilization;  
I am very tenacious, and hard as a stone,  
And am like old Hercules in holding my own;  
So lay me down, keeping me straight in the ditch,  
And, while you are sleeping, I'll be making  
you rich.

Every farmer of pride dearly loves to provide  
For the future—the son and the daughter;  
I give me the chance, and I'll greatly enhance  
Every acre I drain of its water:  
And here's my great beauty—I'm always on duty,  
Out of reach of the "Bulls and the Bears,"  
And when you're in your grave I'll continue to sleep  
For your children—their children—and theirs!

My habits are good—I require no food—  
(My joints are all made without mortar)  
And I always abstain when deep in the drain,  
From anything stronger than—water.  
And if your land is too wet, and you're harrowed  
And encumbered begins to encumber,  
Obey nature's law—by removing the cause,  
Drain your farm—or it will drain you.

'Tis so foolish to plant where the goose and  
the brant  
Might paddle from March to September;  
You might as well sow on a November snow,  
And expect it to grow—in December.  
Some farmers are failing, and weeping and wailing,  
And blame the good Lord without reason;  
When if they would stop sowing seed in the  
slope,  
They might raise a good crop every season.  
Most farmers lament the money they've spent  
For things only made to beguile;  
But never as yet did a farmer regret  
The money expended for tile.

WASHINGTON LETTER.  
[From our Regular Correspondent.]  
WASHINGTON, March 16th, 1888.  
The national capital has known next to nothing about the rest of the world for the past few days in consequence of the storm which visited it in company with the severest blizzard of the winter. Boreas gave it such a shaking up as it had not seen for years. Not only were telegraph poles and wires blown down but wagons and horses were over turned and trees torn up by the roots all over the city. Of the latter, some were large and had stood the storms of nearly half a century. The storm, by the way, has given fresh life to the demand for underground wires as opposed to aerial telegraph lines. General Greeley, of the signal office, said he hoped this storm would carry conviction to congress that the over-head wires ought to be abolished, except, perhaps, for local work.

A strong plea will be made for underground wires when the government once decides to establish the contemplated postal telegraph system. The expenditure would be very great at first, of course, but in a few years the money saved from the cost of repairs would more than amount to the original outlay, so many think. The only wire in this city that withstood the storm was an underground postal telegraph line running to Baltimore.

Again this week, the senate was treated to a batch of petitions praying for prohibition in the District of Columbia. Although no action has been taken on the local option question here, it is understood that several members of the senate district committee have that subject under consideration, and that a variety of plans have been suggested. There is a strong sentiment in favor of making every adult resident of Washington, both male and female, eligible to vote upon the question.

It is also urged that the question shall be so presented that the verdict of the people is not in favor of prohibition, they may have an opportunity to state what solution of the liquor question they prefer. Another question under consideration is as to whether high license legislation or other action to decrease the number of saloons or remove the worst features of the present system should be taken, pending the proposed popular vote.

The latest tariff bill introduced in the house was Mr. Randall's revenue bill, upon which he has been at work and has employed the efforts of tariff experts for many months. It strikes out the tobacco tax, reduces the whisky tax, and makes but small change in customs duties. The republican leaders do not admit that they intend to adopt it. The majority of the democrats ridicule it.

There is a determined effort on the part of the large cigar manufacturers to prevent any repeal or reduction of the tax on cigars. Petitions to this end are received every morning in the house and referred to the ways and means committee. They claim that the trade will be seriously affected by a repeal or reduction of the tax, and that the workmen will be decreased in consequence.

Among senatorial speeches of the week may be mentioned that of Mr. Colquitt, of Georgia, highly indorsing the president's tariff message; that of Senator Beck on the denationalization of silver; Senator Dolph's protection speech, declaring the tariff bill prepared by the democratic majority of the ways and means committee to be destructive to every industrial interest on the Pacific coast. Senator Allison tried to bring the underavalation bill to a vote, and Senator Sawyer spoke of early action on private pension bills.

The evangelization of Washington has been begun in earnest, it would seem, by some of the Christian workers of the female sex. On last Sunday afternoon the dirty windows of the dingy old police court room lighted an unwanted scene. A picnic on the railing in front of the building announced that the W. C. T. U. would hold a gospel meeting there at 3 o'clock. When the ladies entered and began the services, quite a crowd gathered to listen to them.

Bishop Paret confirmed thirty-four people at Ascension church on last Sunday. When they walked up to the chancel, among their number was a single Chinaman, the first of the race to unite with a Christian church in Washington. He was one of the pupils of the Chinese Sunday school, which has been in operation at that church for over a year. He united with the other candidates in the solemn renewal of the baptismal vows, and knelt at the chancel rail between a manly-looking young American and a young girl dressed in pure white.

THE QUEEN'S CONDITION.  
The startling rumor by telegram which was published in the News yesterday, of the mental condition of Queen Victoria, recalls the malady of her grandfather, George III, whose aberration continued through a long period, in which he was four or five times afflicted, at last necessitating the appointment of a regent. It has been an open secret since the year of the death of Prince Albert, the royal consort, that her majesty has at times been clouded in mind. But now, in her advanced age, with troubles of state and family afflictions to task her strength to painful tension, it is not surprising that her faculties have become more alarmingly affected by these complications. She is not happy in her family. She has suffered disagreeable strained relations with the Prince of Wales and the Princess Louise, wife of the Marquis of Lorne. The frigid treatment of Prince Battenberg, husband of the Princess Beatrice, by the other members of the royal family, has occasioned her much anxiety, and her conduct toward the Russian princess, who is wife of her son, the Duke of Edinburgh, reveals her personal dislike of that daughter-in-law. Besides these family troubles, is the seclusion she feels for her eldest born, the Crown Princess Victoria, the wife of the Emperor Frederick of Germany, who has for years endured the displeasure and slights of the Empress Augusta, and of Bismarck, and since the dangerous illness of Frederick, and now, since the death of the Emperor William, the ill-temper and unkind conduct of her son, Prince William, who is eager in his aspiration to the throne of his father. All these vexations and trials have, it now seems, been overmuch for the aged queen to bear up against. Nor is the forecast for her kingdom satisfactory or consoling. The condition of Ireland, the growing discontent of her subjects in Wales and Scotland, and even in England; the portents of terrible and widespread war in Europe, the menacing attitude of Russia, in respect to her possessions in India, the complications in Egypt, and the disposition of her territory ministry to aggravate rather than conciliate affairs