

CONCERNING THAT COW.

RAINIER, July 20 1885.

EDITOR COLUMBIAN—Dear Sir: I see in your last issue a letter in answer to the one I wrote July 2d. speaking about a preacher cutting his cow's tail off. Mr. Coe, the writer, seems to be laboring under the impression that G. G. Goodfellow claims the cow's tail was not cut off which is not true as I admit the preacher cut the cow's tail off and split the same to cure the hollow horn as stated by the COLUMBIAN.

Mr. Coe says her tail was cut off Sunday June 7th. instead of Saturday June 6th. Will Mr. Coe be kind enough to prove that it was done on Sunday? I repeat my statement it is a falsehood. Even suppose the preacher did cut the cow's tail off on Sunday was that any of Coe's business? Was it anybody's business? Is it not a Christian act in case of necessity to help or aid a poor dumb brute or in case of sickness? Is it for a stranger that is at home wherever his hat is off to come and unmercifully arraign an old man simply to cause comment and gossip? What if he did preach on Sunday? Was Mr. Coe obliged to hear him? Was anybody obliged to hear him? Mr. Coe gets indignant at being called a liar. Did he not call the Rev. an old hypocrite and a scoundrel? People that live in glass houses should not throw stones. These are points I respectfully ask the citizens of Beaver Valley to consider.

Mr. Coe says a spider-legged dude is a new kind of a dude to him. Now if Mr. Coe will write to the Rev. Samuel Jones, the noted Evangelist of Tennessee, he will get the correct definition of the word. Mr. Jones further says a man had better be in Hell with a clean mouth than on Earth with a slanderous tongue.

Coe names 3 kinds of dudes. I quote his version of the cranky dude. He says "the cranky dude is a middle-aged man who thinks that ever female ought to be stuck on his shape and when a dance is got up in the neighborhood he will go from house to house until he finds a girl who would sooner go with him than to see him go away with a tear in his eye." Great Scot! it seems one Q. Q. Quincy has called him a cranky dude some time. Anyhow it suits said Coe to perfection.

I learn the cranky spider-leg goes to dances and imagines every girl is in love with him. The last dance he went to he did not come away with a tear in his eyes, but a genuine black eye, as he ran against a one-legged man of this place and from his talk would make mincemeat of the cripple in a twinkling, but this inoffensive citizen of Beaver Valley objected to such proceedings and promptly took Mr. spider-leg down and sat up on him and but for the timely interference of others would probably have had him under some seedling cherry-tree as a substitute for guano.

Mr. Coe alluding to being called the Champion liar of Beaver Valley says "now I have moved out of the valley I will turn the medal over to him." Great Scot! we was lucky enough to secure the job of moving him? It must have taken a pretty good team to move him, as he had a pie-box containing a two-bit straw hat, two fried shirts, a pair of tooth-pick shoes and a bottle of hair-oil. I wish he would hurry up with the medal, I hope it is pure gold.

He requests me to name the witnesses, they are as follows, R. Johnson, I. Roberts, G. Johnson, all of Beaver Valley.

Respectfully,
I. ROBERTS.

NEWS DROPS.

Professor Brower has gone to Michigan.

Mr. Konkle has built a piazza in front of his hotel.

Mrs. Olive Winton is at her father's Hon. Nelson Hoyt.

The United Brethren have prayer-meetings in the church.

Our office has been remodeled and is the admiration of all beholders.

Mr. T. H. Taylor has great quantities of fine pears on his ranch on Sauvie's Island.

T. J. Corwin, son of Asa Corwin has arrived all the way from Nebraska in 3 1/2 days.

The McBride clan have come in from their camping ground on the South Fork of the Scappoose.

Miss Lena Blakesley and Miss Kitty Moore have received letters from our daughter Blanche.

Miss Peterson has been sick at her father's with a severe attack of pleurisy, but is now convalescent.

Mrs. Watts has cleared the path of rocks from the lower street up to the Church. She is a Christian that believes in works as well as faith.

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A LIVE LETTER.

SCAPPOOSE, July 22, 1885.

DEAR MAJOR—Not having seen any items from Scappoose in your valuable paper for some time, I venture to drop a few.

Haying has begun in earnest, the sound of the welcome mower is heard once more, and indeed brings joy to our hearts and money to our pockets, a long fat on the Scappoose.

Our school has also begun for a new term with Miss Carter of Portland as teacher and she seems to be well liked by all the scholars.

Our enterprising merchant, A. T. Creecy seems to be doing well; if no cash is in hand he can oblige on tick. Just the right kind of a man for hard times.

We have heard it rumored that our trusty mail-carrier Is Potter is about to be bound in the holy bonds of matrimony, the bride's name withheld for a short time, and has rented his intended father-in-law's farm, so he would not have to move as he has a dread for moving.

Our sun-flower has made his appearance once more, not as cow-slip or a cow-boy but an honest haymaker.

The Scappoose dude has quite regained his health since his trip to Hillsboro and looks fine.

The Richard Mills are soon to start up with a new set of hands J. R. Watts the proprietor, is one of our substantial whole-souled men, and is not afraid to shake one by the hand, if he is out at the elbows and signs of hard times on the chin.

W. W. West is still doing quite a cash business in the cord wood line, and the road is kept dusty with teams.

Our friend, Robert Borsner met with a frightful mishap while playing ball. The ball missed the bat but not his nose and therefore he beholds a gee whizz nose. We are sorry for friend Robert as he does not look on the wine, it must have been the charming widows he was eyeing.

A little drive around Scappoose gave us a fair chance to look at the fine gardens and some grain that equals any we have seen this season, and fruit in abundance, and gives the good house-wife time to dry and can for the lean ones at home.

Our 75 ct. dandy has bought the famous dude spade and will try the Nehalem mines. We wish you luck.

We understand there was quite an exciting time at Mr. Henry Thomas' lately, in which a beautiful little girl put in an appearance and broke her brother Cleveland's nose.

The Cloninger brothers will cut several tons of wild hay this season; they are workers and deserve all they earn.

The blackberry season is past and gone; all have their share but one.

We understand our friend, S. C. Knighton has gone to Sauvie's Island to repair the residence of Jonathan Moore who is a wealthy widower and no drone.

Soon the fair ones of the Island will sigh and say, "I'd rather be an old man's darling than a young man's slave."

Are glad to state Mrs. Andrew Miles is recovering fast, but are sorry to say Mrs. Moses McNamee is very sick at her home on Scappoose. This will be sad to her many friends.

We were offered a year's subscription of the Oregon Mist if we would stop the COLUMBIAN. We could not see it in that light. We think the COLUMBIAN still a little ahead of the Mist.

Quite a reward is offered for the Scappoose post dead or alive. Truly yours,

I. X. L.

We have received the Fifteenth Annual Circular of the Bishop Scott Grammar School, Portland, Oregon, from C. E. Webber, teacher of Penmanship & Drawing. He is a proficient in his art. Two of the other teachers are from Yale College, our Alma Mater.

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Complaint having been entered at this Office by Frank Merrill against William S. Parsell, Jr. for abandoning his Homestead Entry No. 3625, dated August 11th, 1884, upon the S. 3 of N. E. 1/4 of Sec. 8 in T. 20 N., R. 7 E., Township 7 N., Range 2 W., in Columbia County, Oregon with a view to the cancellation of said Entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear before the County Clerk of Columbia County, at St. Helen, Oregon, on the 26th day of May 1885, at 10 o'clock A. M. to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

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