

The Astors have recently added five miles to their already numerous holdings.

Dr. Tanker, the foster, contends that Edgar A. Poe, was buried alive. He says that the poet was subject to catalepsy or trance fits.

Some one in New York state has sent Bismarck a barrel of fine mellow peppins. Bismarck will not reject the peppins as he did the pork.

Richard Henry Stoddard informs us that he can write as well with his left hand as with his right. This is not saying much for the left hand.

A recent visit to the library of Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes says that the books in it that appeared to be most frequently consulted were a bible and a copy of Shakespeare.

The only negro in this house of representatives will be H. P. Chentham, from the second North Carolina district. He is thirty-two years old, and is a prominent man in his community.

The king of the Netherlands is fighting death inch by inch. The chief evidences of his state are the queen's evidences; when she goes out he is better, when she keeps in the palace he is worse.

Navigation on the Nehalem.

Thursday afternoon two of Cooper's surveyors named Henry Ford and C. F. Caldwell, living in Misawaka started to go home, intending to make the trip in a boat upon the raging Nehalem rather than face the terrors of a fearful muddy road. They built a good sized boat, and placing their baggage aboard, left the stern line and were at the mercy of the waves. They ran the rapids at the mouth of Rock creek in safety, suffering no damage beyond shipping a few seas, and ran down to Port Adams. Here is where their trouble began. In trying to get the vessel over the bar, or rather under the foot log, a heavy sea struck her on the port bow and she careened so far to leeward that she filled and sank. Her captain was thrown into the water, but with the aid of a life preserver managed to swim to the beach. All of the crew were saved and he went to the house of hospitable T. L. Adams to dry out. The cargo was a total loss; no insurance. Vessel now lies at the bottom of the bay.

Such are the dangers of navigation on the Nehalem.—Nehalem Journal, 11.

The Nehalem Coal Fields.

Geo. W. Baker, who has the contract to run the prospect drift on the Walker coal claim on Pebble creek, was in town Thursday, and stated that work on the tunnel had been suspended for a time, owing to the absence of Mr. Tupper; upon the arrival of that gentleman from Gaston the work will be resumed and the prospect pushed ahead as rapidly as possible.

The quality of the coal found at a depth of nine feet is much better than heretofore procured, and it will be surprising if the desired assay (45 per cent. fixed carbon) cannot be obtained in much less than 100 feet of tunnel. Mr. Tupper is expected in a day or two.

LATER.—Since writing the foregoing it is learned that work has been received from Mr. Tupper, and that work has been started up.—Nehalem Journal, 11.

The Correct Visiting Card.

The preferred visiting card just now for the married lady is rather large, not quite square, very stiff and dead white. Your oldest daughter is Miss Black, your second one Miss Virginia Black, and your sons always preface Mr. before their Christian names after they pass the egotistical age of 16. These seem like small matters to people who are absorbed in the big things of this world to the entire exclusion of the small courtesies, but as everything in being is judged a little by the card, certainly care should be taken to make it correct. A vulgar card will impress a woman with the fact that there is a strain of vulgarity in you, and she may not care to make an acquaintance that might mean a great deal to you, and all because you did not think it worth while to notice the little things of life.

A Gallant Rescue.

Last Saturday night Otto Hall and Robert Hawkins started from Ilwaco for Astoria in a fishing boat, and after pulling round the head of Sand Island they found the east wind and ebb tide so strong that they drifted out over the bar. Capt. Al Harris and the life crew saw the boat drift out about dark and they went to the rescue, and after pulling around between four and five hours, found the boys about 11 o'clock, almost numb with cold. They were taken to Ilwaco and were long in the straits of Capt. Al Harris and his gallant crew for saving them from a watery grave.

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A CASE IN POINT. In our forefathers' days, pimples were attributed to diseased blood. But modern medicine has demonstrated that rich food does not create eruptions by fouling the blood, but retards digestion, which makes the stomach torpid, and the circulation sluggish, and in turn causes an unobscured action of the pores which congest or become pimply. The modern theory therefore is not to treat the blood, but the stomach and liver, and it is under this new idea, that Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla was conceived. It is wiping the old "blood disease" idea out of existence. A case in point: "I have had for years spells of indigestion and dyspepsia and tried nearly everything. Finally I took one of the leading sarsaparillas. It caused pimples to break out on my face, which I was told was caused by the poison. Hearing that Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla did not contain mineral, I sent for it. The pimples disappeared and I have had no return of the old spells. It is a cure for indigestion and dyspepsia and the attendant face eruptions." Mrs. C. D. TRACY, 4221 Mission Street, S. F.

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The undersigned Committee of Arrangements request all Members of the Order who have friends, that they desire to invite, will hand the friend's name to the Committee on or before Monday, the 14th.

J. H. D. GRAY, C. REED, JAS. W. WELCH, Committee.

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