

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Monmouth and Vicinity.

All who attended the State Temperance Alliance from this place report a good time.

Quite a number of our people are attending the County Temperance Alliance at Independence this week.

The annual school meeting of this district will be held in the College on Monday, March 5th, at 1 o'clock.

The Band of Hope will meet in the Church, on Friday evening at 3 o'clock. All members are requested to attend.

We are informed that Grandma Stewart, who formerly lived at this place, is lying dangerously ill, with but little hope of her recovery.

The weather has been delightful during the past week and we hear that some of the farmers are getting ready to re-sow where the Fall grain was frozen out.

The Public School of this district will open next Monday, and all the children of the district would do well to be in attendance so as to be organized in classes at the beginning. D. T. STANLEY.

Pacific Coast.

Farmers of Douglas have commenced resowing in places where the Fall grain was frozen out.

The Marion county jail is without an occupant.

Wheat is \$1.03 at Albany mills, with prospect of a future rise.

Brick are selling for \$14 to \$17 along the Sound, and scarce at that.

Six new business houses are now under way in Puyallup.

The increase of population and business in the City of Seattle has compelled the enlargement of the post-office building at that place.

Cyrus Gleason, an old settler at Hubbard, Marion county, died on the 19th.

A daily express line is to be established between Pomeroy and Dayton and a half hourly express between Pomeroy and Pataha City.

Oregon is to be honored with a visit of Senator Edmunds, wife and daughter, this summer.

News was received by George Hodges, of East Portland, recently of the death of his brother, James Hodges, near Hydesville, California, who was murdered by a companion while out hunting.

Property has about doubled in price at Salem within the past year.

Over three thousand nine hundred feet of cribbing on the O. P. R. R. at Yaquina Bay has just been completed.

There are 1,637 school children in Pierce county.

A large quantity of railroad iron is lying at Kalama, which is being removed as fast as the O. R. & N. Co. can supply barges.

The Hammett residence, Bear valley, Mariposa county, Cal., was burned on the 21st. Loss, \$8,600; insurance, \$1,500.

The teachers of the Second Judicial district will hold their next institute session at Eugene, May 21 to 4th. The district includes Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas and Lane counties.

Prominent grain buyers of Umatilla county report that this year's crops in

their county promises well. It is expected there will be a larger yield in that section this year than ever before.

Work has begun on the buildings of the East Portland Gas company.

Seed wheat is worth from \$1.15 to \$1.20 at Albany.

Hartley Baker, son of John Baker, and brother-in-law of Hen. B. F. Bonham, of Salem, received intelligence of the death of an uncle, for whom he was named, at Memphis, Mo., leaving him an estate valued at \$50,000.

There are nice occupants in the county jail at Astoria.

Grand Ronde farmers are burning rails in many instances. The deep snow prevents their hauling wood.

Len. Eoff and wife celebrated their golden wedding on Howell prairie, Marion county, where they have resided the last 33 years, on the 1st inst.

Lewiston is less than 300 miles from the present headquarters of the construction force of the Short Line company.

Arrangements have been perfected by which the powerful tug *Holyoke*, now operating in San Francisco bay, will return to the Sound to do the towing for the Seabeck mill company.

Eastern.

The river floods are slowly subsiding. Susan B. Anthony has gone to Liverpool.

The jury in the Croft murder case at Grayson, Ky., have returned a verdict of guilty. The punishment is hanging.

Eight persons were drowned on the 23d, while attempting to cross the Mississippi river in a small boat near Wolf's landing.

A bottle has been picked up near Cape May enclosing a slip of paper, stating that the steamer *Eleanor* had foundered at sea.

A lot of dissatisfied laborers in Chicago tore up and otherwise damaged 500 feet of the Chicago & Evanston railroad on the 23d.

A train collision on the Fort Main road resulted in the killing of Graham, engineer, and Quinlan's fireman.

A boiler in a brewery at St. Paul exploded on the 22d, wounding eleven persons.

Two thieves stole \$35,000 worth of silks at Joliet, Ill., and shipped them to Chicago, where they were caught, and the goods recovered.

In Meigs county, Tenn., a man named Cagle was killed by John Harwood. Cagle's brother then fatally shot Harwood and dangerously wounded Scott.

A fire at Georgetown on the 23d destroyed property valued at \$40,000, partially insured. The property burned consisted of a warehouse, stores, dwellings, and cotton.

The funeral of Samuel J. Medill, late manager and editor of the Chicago *Tribune*, occurred on the 23d.

The steamer *Nederland*, rumored lost, has arrived safely at New York.

The vast ice gorge, opposite Alton, Ill., broke on the 22d.

N. F. Wilson has been arrested at Alton, Ill., with \$4000 counterfeit silver coin in his possession.

Rev. Paul A. Chadbourne, D. D., died Saturday in New York.

The effects of the flood on the railroads at Cincinnati are now practically removed.

Six new names are added to the list killed in the Diamond mine, making eighty in all. It is feared the number may yet reach one hundred.

Ex-Judge Moss Taggart, the oldest practicing lawyer in western New York, died in Batavia, Saturday, after a brief illness, in the 85th year of his age.

A Pittsburg family named Gillespie, came into possession of a \$300,000 fortune by the death of James McKee, at Stockton, Cal.

Father Steyer died at St. Louis, on the 22d. He was the oldest Catholic priest in the United States and one of the oldest in the world, being over 80 years old.

Fannie Driscoll, a well-known poetess and writer, died at Milwaukee, on the 24th.

Vanderbilt donated \$25,000 to the Ohio valley sufferers.

The steamship *Ohio*, of the American line, in a gale on the night of the 13th, lost her smokestack, third officer Charles Worth and eight boats.

During a fire in Mirtle avenue, Brooklyn, John Bushing and wife leaped from a window. Both were seriously injured. The firemen saved their children.

The Grand jury in the Newhall house case agreed on the 26th on a true bill against Scheller's former lessee of the Newhall house bar, indicting him for arson on three counts. Scheller's counsel insisted on immediate arraignment. The prisoner was taken from jail almost unobserved. There are no signs of any disturbance. Scheller pleaded "Not guilty, sir," in a firm tone. Bail was fixed at \$10,000.

The residence of Peter Dennon, at Montague, Michigan, was burned on the 26th. A hired girl and three children aged 5, 3 and 1 years perished in the flames. Mrs. Dennon barely escaped from a sick bed in her bare feet.

The mills, of the St. Joseph Lead company, at Bonne Terre, St. Francois county, Missouri, were totally destroyed by fire on the 26th, together with a large amount of valuable machinery. Loss from \$200,000 to \$250,000; insurance not known. The property was owned chiefly by New York parties. Several hundred workmen are thrown out of employment.

The number of vessels now engaged in the United States Revenue Marine service, first organized by Alexander Hamilton in 1790, is eighty-six—five of which are sailing vessels. Only about 1,000 are employed, including officers and sea-men.

Water for domestic uses is so scarce in Augusta, Maine, that many families are having ice in large blocks hauled from the river to their doors, and melting the ice for drinking, washing and culinary purposes.

A report comes from Michigan that a cook, in a camp fifty miles from Saginaw, used strychnine for soda in making biscuits and that seventy lumbermen were poisoned to death.

According to the reports of the mine inspectors there were 296 persons accidentally killed and 1,014 injured in and around the mines in the anthracite coal

region of Pennsylvania during the past year.

It is estimated that the sparrows quartered in Massachusetts destroyed a fourth of the apple crop in that State.

At Leadville and surrounding towns small-pox is raging, and all efforts to retard its spread have failed. The schools are closed, and the situation is becoming alarming. Denver is taking every precaution.

A special from Hull, England, says that the steamship *Byrnell Castle*, from the Black sea, with a cargo of cotton seed and beans, bound for Boston, is thought to have foundered, and that all on board have been lost.

Kate Gerlach, aged 7, is dead, making the seventeenth victim of the disaster at the German Catholic school.

Mrs. Emma B. Drexel, wife of Francis A. Drexel, of Philadelphia, who died last Monday night, was noted for her extensive philanthropy. She paid the rent of more than 150 families and distributed among the poor over \$20,000 a year.

Foreign.

Canton, China, complains of drouth. Twenty-two Turks were drowned on the 22d by the wreck of a steamer in the Bosphorus.

Earthquakes and volcanic disturbances are reported from Japan.

Germany is to give \$25,000 for scientific exploration in Africa and other countries during the financial year 1883-'84.

Baron Nordenskjold, the Swedish explorer, has notified the Dutch Minister from Stockholm that he intends to claim the reward of 25,000 guilders (\$10,000) offered in 1596 for the discovery of the northeast passage.

The government of Chile remains firm in its determination to appoint its own ecclesiastical dignitaries.

Business Locals.

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