

THE COAST MAIL.

SATURDAY, - Dec. 4, 1879.

THE HARBOR IMPROVEMENT.—The subject of the proposed improvement at the entrance of the harbor is one in which our citizens are deeply interested, and the time of commencement, the character of the work and the manner in which it is to be carried on, are matters on which there is much conjecture and but little if anything known. There have been rumors afloat during two weeks past, that the work was to be commenced soon, but there appears to be no foundation for the report, and it is not probable that the work will be regularly commenced until spring. It is stated upon good authority that the experiment of the improvement of the channel will first be made by building a wall of heavy and strong cribs filled with rock, on the line of the proposed permanent wall. The effect of this work upon the channel will then be noted, and if it causes the desired change, a permanent wall in accordance with Major Bolton's report, will be added as rapidly as the appropriations will permit. It is supposed that the rock used in the crib-work will be the sand rock from Coos river.

AT SUMNER.—Mr. J. Ellsworth, Secretary of the Sumner Literary Association, favored us with the following list of exercises at a late meeting of that Society. The communication should have appeared last week, but was received too late:

Miss Addie Sherard: "The Wonderful Sack."
Mr. S. Parsons: "The Soldier Boy of Braddon."

Mr. Anderson Wright: "Reminiscences of Lincoln."
Mr. J. E. Ellsworth: "The Curlew."
Mrs. Wright: "Billings on Marriage."
Miss Hudson: "Wonderful Sack, part II."
Mr. H. Offord: "Richard of Gloucester."
Miss Bunnell: "Pudding and Milk."
Miss Mary Amfield: "Hand and Heart."
Master Sherard: "Somebody's Darling."
Master Amfield: "Poetry."

The question for debate—Press vs. Pulpit—was decided in the affirmative. Question for next meeting: Resolved, That Chinese immigration to the United States is more injurious than beneficial. Principal affirmative, S. Parsons; negative, D. Palmer.

OLD FELLOWS LIBRARY.—The Old Fellows society at this place have shown their appreciation of the true spirit of their order, by establishing a library of useful and instructive books at their Lodge rooms, for the benefit of the members. They have made a direct appropriation of an amount of money, which has been, or is to be, expended in purchasing books, and members of the society and others, have donated volumes until the little nucleus started only a short time since now numbers about seventy-five volumes. From the stability and intelligence of the society, we expect the library will be permanent, and that ere long it will become an institution of which the Lodge will be justly proud.

SHERIFF'S SALE.—At the Sheriff's sale which took place last Saturday, the N.E. 1/4 of section 36, T. 25, S. R. 13 west, and a lot in Marshfield, were bid off by Wm. M. Hilliard for \$95, the former being sold subject to a mortgage. David Holland purchased a lot across the street in front of the Palace Saloon, for \$510, and Wm. Saunders purchased the lots across the street east of the "P. K. Saloon," for \$310.

EXAMINATION.—Last Monday, S. S. Bailey was arrested upon a warrant issued by Justice Sengstacken of Empire City, for the crime of assault with a dangerous weapon. The complaint was made by Jas. Magee for the shooting affray which occurred some weeks since at this place. An examination was held and Mr. Bailey was held to answer, his bond being fixed at two hundred and fifty dollars, which was readily given.

RETURNED.—S. H. Hazard, Esq., who has been absent for some time attending the courts in the interior, returned to the Bay last Thursday by the Coos Bay Stage, accompanied by his wife. The weather was as bad as is made, but the proprietors of that line take pains to see that their passengers are made comfortable in all kinds of weather.

CAPTURED.—Ed Guhn, who made his escape from the sheriff at Empire City last week, gave himself up to parties on the North side of the Bay last Monday. He was put on his trial before Justice Brown at this place Wednesday on a plea of guilty was fined twenty-five dollars. The other case against him and Moore was compromised by payment of damages and costs, and was dismissed.

TO BE ENLARGED.—It is said that in a few weeks the Arcata will be taken out and lengthened by the addition of forty feet amidships. Her upper work will be built new on a plan that will afford greater capacity and better accommodation for passengers. This change will nearly double her present capacity for freight. The work will require about two months time.

GOOD INVESTMENT.—The schooner Eater Cabos, which went ashore a short time since at the mouth of Rogue river, was sold by the underwriters, and struck off to Capt. Carroll at \$1,000. She has been successfully launched, and is in the river now, probably worth as much as before she struck the bar.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION.—The annual election for municipal officers in this place, occurred last Tuesday. Very little interest was manifested and the vote was slight. The following is the result:

TRUSTEES.—T. Hirst, 86; Anderson, 86; Lohree, 87; Webster, 85; Ralston, 74; Webber, 10.

RECORDER.—A. G. Brown, 64; J. C. Bull, 10; W. A. Werden, 13.

MARSHAL.—Henry Rhodes was elected without opposition, receiving 87 votes.

WHEAT FOR SHIPMENT.—Reed & Nelson of the Coquille have about a thousand sacks of wheat at Uter City waiting to be shipped to San Francisco by the Arcata. The same firm shipped a considerable quantity by the Mose at \$7 50 per ton, and owing to the great expense of getting freight from the river to the Bay, it is probable that it will cost little, if any, less by this route.

HIGH WATER.—The highest flood which has been known within many years, existed in Coos river yesterday morning. The water was entirely over the bottom lands and in some of the houses. A great deal of drift wood was carried down the stream, among which were intermingled logs, fences, landings and even pumpkins and other produce.

THE LITERARY SOCIETY.—The programme for the exercises of this society next Wednesday, so far as arranged, is as follows: Subject for debate, RESOLVED, That the pleasures of anticipation are greater than those of realization. Affirmative, J. T. McCormac; negative, J. M. Siglin. Reading, Mrs. C. W. Tower; singing by Tony Ward.

JUVENILE NIMROD.—Frank, son of Stephen Rogers Esq. of Coos river, one day last week, went out on a hunt and dispatched a large cinnamon bear. These animals are noted for their ferocity, and Frank must be a heroic boy, for a twelve-year-old, to attack and get away with such a monster.

PETITIONS.—Petitions have been printed and are in circulation praying for the establishment of a new inspection District for steam vessels in southern Oregon. It is being numerously signed and will soon be forwarded to our Senators and Representative at Washington.

JUDICIAL.—In Maj. Brown's Court on Wednesday, Gunn and Moore put in the plea of guilty to a charge of violation of the town ordinances by loud and boisterous talking and breaking glass &c, upon which they were duly fined \$5 00 each, and required to pay the costs of the prosecution.

THE KATIE COOK. The big Katie Cook is said to be ready for business, but we have not been able to learn whether she has succeeded in getting out of the Alsea. We understand that she is chartered by the government for duty in the coast survey.

LECTURE.—Capt. Tichenor, of Port Orford, was on the Bay during the week. At the request of some of the citizens of Empire he delivered a lecture, which was appreciated by his audience. The subject we have been informed, was "Reason."

MOVED TO ROSENBERG.—Judge Bonham, of Salem, has formed a partnership with G. O. Holman, Esq. of Roseburg for the practice of the law, and will remove his family to the latter place to reside at an early day.

TO LAY UP.—It is expected that the Guisette will be laid up for two or three weeks to receive new boilers. Her old boilers have been long in use and have served their time out.

MR. WELCH COMMENCED SCHOOL in Empire last Monday.

THERE IS TO BE A DANCE at Norman's hall in this place to-night. Music by Harpham and Ward.

MR. MARK will soon make a trip south for the benefit of his health, which is still quite poor.

WE PUBLISH elsewhere in the paper Recorder Brown's official statement of the finance of this town.

MR. LOSE did not wait for his goods that had been seized by the Sheriff, to be sold, but came around with the money covering all accruing costs.

WE CALL attention to the notice of the dissolution of the firm of Simpson Ross & Holland, appearing in another column. Persons who have been dealing with the firm may find something of interest there.

NO ARRIVALS or departures of vessels to record this week except the sailing of the Telfair last Saturday. Three schooners reported outside, and will probably be in to-day.

AT THE MEETING of the Board of Trustees last Thursday, the newly elected Board organized and re-elected Thos Hirst, President; John Kenyon, was chosen Treasurer for the ensuing year.

WE EXPECT to hear of settlers on the low lands of the Coquille river, being "drowned out" if nothing more. There has been doubtless, some loss of stock on both Coos river and the Coquille.

THE CELEBRATED road tax case from the Coquille, was tried before Justice Sengstacken last Saturday, and the jury hung again. This is the third or fourth jury that have disagreed in that case, and it is time the cause was dismissed. The costs are already between \$300 and \$400.

TRANSPORTATION FROM THE COQUILLE RIVER.

With the rapid increase in the production of various articles of export in the Coquille valley, the question of cheap and regular transportation for these products becomes each year of more importance. The people of that region are wide awake to the supposed advantages to be derived from an improvement of the entrance to the river, and we wish them success in their effort to secure it; yet it seems that the condition of things might be improved even in the present state of the outlet of that river.

There is no doubt that the various export products of that valley are more than sufficient, in an average stage of business, to furnish cargoes for a small steamer adapted to the trade between that port and the various harbors along the coast. The schooner Mose has been compelled to reject large quantities of freight, even during the depressed condition of business in the past year, charging at the same time \$7 50 per ton for every thing she carries. Wheat and other articles are being shipped via Coos Bay, and there is matchwood, stave-timber, and other commodities too numerous to mention, waiting for transportation, and capable of being increased almost indefinitely. A steamer constructed with reference to that trade, with carrying capacity of from 150 to 200 tons could make trips with comparative regularity from that port to San Francisco, and would be of inestimable value to the business of the Coquille settlement. Such a steamer could be built by the people of the river, if they would but act in concert to the extent of their means, and there is no better opening for such an investment on the coast. Such a boat, if properly managed, would make money for its owners; and there is no other move that is within the power of the residents of that region which would contribute so greatly to their prosperity. We hope before long to hear that some practical and responsible parties have decided to go into this enterprise.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.
Financial statement of the receipts and expenditures of the town of Marshfield from Dec. 19th, 1878, to Dec. 4th, 1879, both dates inclusive:

Dec. 19, 1878, balance cash in treasury, -	\$248 34
Receipts to Dec. 4, 79 950 75	
	1,205 09
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Dec. 4, 79, Warrants drawn on the treasury for the year ending this date, -	\$775 20
Bal. cash in treasury Dec. 4, 79	429 89
	\$1,205 09

I hereby certify the above exhibit to be a true statement of the financial condition of the treasury of the town of Marshfield to this date.
Marshfield, Dec. 4, 1879.
A. G. BROWN, Recorder.

The Arcata arrived in the Bay yesterday about 5 o'clock P. M.
WHEAT has been selling on the Coquille this season for 75 cents per bushel; we cannot see why a farmer cannot make a living, with the large crops for which that region is distinguished, even at that price.

The telegraph line being down, we are unable to learn the condition of things on the north Coquille, but on Thursday afternoon Brewster valley was submerged, and the water must have risen considerably after that.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON a boom on Coos river containing logs belonging to several parties to the amount of 150 or 200, broke loose, and the contents came down the river. Probably the greater portion will be saved, but some loss will be sustained by owners.

THE NEWS tells a very pretty little anecdote about how two boys, who, "once upon a time" were typists in that office, and now are in possession of lucrative situations. This serves to illustrate the saying that men can rise from the very lowest walk in life to honorable positions.

GENERAL NEWS.
The regular semi-annual revolution in Mexico is commencing and promises to be a lively one.

GARFIELD, it is supposed will be chosen U. S. Senator from Ohio, to succeed Thurman.

ELEVEN thousand ties have been brought down to Wallula and taken up the river for the Northern Pacific Railroad.

Matters are quieting down at Leadville, but guards patrol the city, still, and the conflict between vigilantes and plugugies may be resumed on slight provocation.

A \$250,000 fire occurred in New York City on the 25th ult. Several firemen were injured by falling walls and one was killed.

THE three patriotic holidays of the Nation, February 22d, Decoration Day and the Fourth of July occur on Sunday in 1880.

NEGOTIATIONS are pending for the purchase of the Douglas county cinabar mine by Portland capitalists.

ABRAHAM WHEELER & Co. of Roseburg have made arrangements to put up a grain elevator at their ware house in Roseburg. It will be propelled by steam.

It is becoming a fashion in Europe to travel in private railroad cars. The Baroness N. de Rothschild owns one that cost \$20,000, and the Countess Potocka has ordered one at \$25,000. These vehicles are smaller than American cars, but are very elegant.

The total loss by the great fire of last September, in Deadwood, Dakota, territory, was \$2,356,000. A stranger arriving there now would not know that the city had ever been visited by a conflagration.

Says the Statesman: The noted Confederate cruiser "Shenandoah" was sunk lately in the Indian Ocean, off the island of Socotra. Most of the crew were drowned. The vessel belonged to the Sultan of Zanzibar.

A new wagon road has been surveyed from Jackson county to Crescent City. The cost of construction is placed at \$40,000, and subscriptions are being made to raise money for the project.

The various mines lately opened in Alaska are turning out well, and there is no doubt that an extensive and rich mineral district will be developed there.

The widow of Charles Dickens died at her residence, Gloucester Crescent, Regent's Park, on the 23d ult. after an illness of 18 months.

TELEGRAMS from Valparaiso confirm reports that a decisive victory has been gained by Chileans near Iquique. The defeat of the allied forces is described as crushing.

The motion to quash the indictment against Chas. De Young for shooting Kallach, has been denied, and his case will proceed to trial.

BUTLER, the candidate of the Republicans for State Treasurer of Pennsylvania, received a majority of over 60,000. This is the largest majority given in that State since the party was organized, except in 1872.

A MILLION feet of logs recently seized on the Snohomish river, W. T. by a U. S. special agent of the interior department for being out in violation of the U. S. timber laws, sold recently at private sale to the Port Gamble Mill Company, for four dollar per thousand feet.

An exchange says the shrinking of the water in Tulare Lake, Cal., has uncovered a prehistoric settlement. Stone buildings, traces of canals once bordered with planted trees, and other evidences of former occupation, by an unknown race, are being clearly defined as the water subsides.

Wong Fook, convicted in the Circuit Court at Portland of the murder of Hu Qui, a Chinese woman, was sentenced by Judge Bellinger to be hanged on Tuesday, January 20, 1880. As no motion for a new trial was made justice will be speedily meted to this murderer.

HENRY P. BALDWIN, ex-Governor of Michigan, has been appointed to fill the vacancy in the United States Senate occasioned by the death of senator Chandler. Hon. F. C. Beaman, the first appointee for the position, declined to accept on account of ill health.

Two Chinamen were hung at Warren's mining camp, Idaho, a few days since. A robbery had been committed and the unfortunate Celestials were found with the stolen property. The citizens dealt out what they supposed was summary justice, but the Chinamen say the wrong men were punished.

ASSISTANT-POSTMASTER NEW, of Pittsfield, Mass., added \$1,000 to his income in a year by removing fresh postage stamps from letters, putting on those that had been used, and selling the stolen ones. He used the money in maintaining his social pretensions.

A SAN BERNARDINO dispatch of the 20th, indicates ground for a revival of the hopes of San Diego for a railroad. It says: Messrs. Wilbur and Pratt, representing the Atchinson, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Company, in Company with T. A. Hinchman and W. J. Wiley, of San Diego, arrived here this evening overland from San Diego, and together with Mr. Morley, chief engineer of that company, are looking over the route via Cajon pass.

BORN.

In Marshfield, Dec. 3d 1879, to the wife of Dr. O. E. Smith, a daughter.

DIED.

At her residence on Isthmus Slough, Nov. 30th 1879, N. M., wife of L. N. Low.

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NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.

Land Office, ROSEBURG, Or., Nov. 3, 1879.

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 secure final entry thereof at the expiration of thirty days from the date of this notice, viz: Thos. H. Green, homestead application No. 2345, for the SW 1/4, sec. 15, T. 27, S. R. 13 W., and names the following as his witnesses, viz: John Lamont, of Coos county, and Titus Willard, of Coos county, Ogn.
[45] Wm. F. BENJAMIN, Register.

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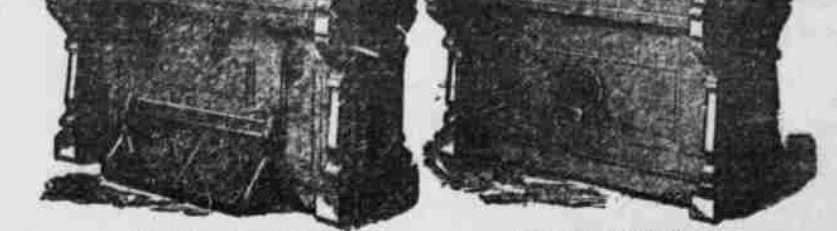
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