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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

MASQUERADE—The masquerade ball which was given at this place on the 17th, was largely attended, the greater portion of the participants being masked. The hall presented a grotesque appearance, being filled with all imaginable variety of characters—from an angel to a devil. There were many rich and elegant costumes, good disguises and well sustained characters, but the management was decidedly poor. We would have been pleased to present to our readers description of the costumes and names of the wearers, but our reporter was refused admission because he did not have the price of a ticket with him, and being rather timid for a reporter, failed to obtain the desired information. The lunch, which was passed around—at least so far as it went—was good; but was like the "massa's coat," it didn't go half way round, and numbers left the hall without having had as much as a look at the basket. Most of those who came from other places, Empire, etc., were obliged to go to the hotels for lunch. Whether there was too large a crowd for the lunch, or too small a lunch for the crowd, we are unable to say, but it was evident that there wasn't "provisions" made for the half of them. Another miracle, as of the fishes and the loaves, would have been acceptable, but no humane Saviour was present to turn the famine into a feast. Notwithstanding this difficulty all appeared to enjoy the occasion, and it was a success—at least financially, as we understand the management cleared over one hundred dollars by the affair.

LIBRARY SOCIETY—A meeting was held at the Academy last Monday evening for the purpose of taking steps toward the organization of a town library. A committee was appointed, consisting of Hon. A. G. Brown, J. T. McCormac, T. G. Owen, Esq., P. C. Levar and George Davis, whose duty it is to prepare and report a constitution and by-laws adapted to the statutes providing for the incorporation of literary societies, to be acted upon at a meeting to be held in the Recorder's Office, April 12th. After the adoption of a constitution the society will file articles of incorporation and adopt such means as may be practicable to raise a fund for the purchase of books.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY—The 17th of "ould Ireland" came and went very quietly, very few of Erin's sons having imbibed enough of "the critter" to make them quarrelsome—with the exception of the trouble at Eastport nothing serious occurred. How Kearney honored Pat, we have not yet learned, neither our friend Bennett, of the News, who is visiting the "ould soil," but suppose he is enjoying himself hugely in his island home. However, it was most unkind of him to blame in upon them in the midst of a famine, as he is notorious for the quantity of "spuds" he can "warehouse." We noted his arrival in a dispatch which said that £10,000 worth of potatoes had just been ordered from America for Ireland.

ARREST—Mr. J. H. C. Wilson, of South slough, was arrested last week by deputy U. S. Marshal Burns, on a charge of having made a deal to his land claim before he had made final proof, and for swearing in said proof that he had made no contract for sale, etc. We understand that the deal was in fact executed after the proof, and that the charge was made by a party who did not understand the true condition of the case. A man should be sure he is right before he makes such a charge.

CATALOGUE RECEIVED—We are in receipt of the catalogue of South's Commercial College and Literary Institute of New Orleans, in which the name of E. A. Golden, son of Dr. C. B. Golden of this place, appears as "Professor of Natural Sciences and instructor in English Department." The institution is 23 years old, and apparently receives a liberal support; Mexico and eight States being represented in the list of students.

BASE BALL CLUB—"Our boys" concluded that Marshfield could sport a base ball club as well as the other places in the county, and last Saturday met in the academy building for the purpose of organizing. Monroe Upton was elected president; Owen Short, vice-president; Geo. Rotnor, Secretary and James Hill, Treasurer. There will probably be a challenge sent to the "leading club" before the season is out.

ARRIVED—The steamer *Gusnie Telfair* arrived last Monday, three days from San Francisco, with the following passengers: Cabin, Mr. G. Grube, and Mrs. Eliza Dean; steerage, Jas. Finley, J. Ross, John Lynn, Otto Johnson, W. J. Davis, Peter Alberts and Lear Todd.

The crew for the *Emma Clier* arrived on the *Telfair*.

ATTENDANCE—The following is the number of pupils in attendance at the school in this place, for the last eight months. The number of outside scholars was 62, showing that Marshfield had a better school than other places in the county; Marshfield, 90; Coos River, 9; Newport, 4; Eastport, 12; North Bend, 6; Centerville, 3; Aaronville, 5; Myrtle Point, 1; Utter City, 2; Empire City, 1; Sumner, 5; Coos City, 3; Bay City, 7; Haynes Slough, 2; Willanch slough, 2. Total 152.

RIOT—On Wednesday the coal-miners of the Eastport and Newport mines had a slight riot. The Eastporters have lately been on a strike, demanding an increase in wages from \$7½ cents to \$1 per ton, but finally concluded to resume work at the old figure. The Newporters, who were getting \$1, thought to put a stop to the proceedings, and therefore the riot, which resulted in several of the participants being rather badly used.

FREE DANCE—The citizens of Coquille City propose giving a free dance on the night of the 27th, at the Odd Fellows hall. Music by Clark Miller's string band. All are invited to attend.

THE "EMMA UTTER"—This schooner was launched again, fully repaired, last Saturday, and is now alongside the North Bend wharf. She will soon be ready to receive a cargo.

COMING—The schooner *Emily Stephens* is on her way to this port from the Columbia river. What cargo she is to bring or take away is not announced.

DOUBTFUL—The *Corvallis Gazette* says the *Farina* will run to the Alsea and Yaquina Bay when the *Dowaga* is on her other route.

WM WINDSOR, Esq., of Port Orford, is on the Bay.

LIEUT. PAYSON returned from Portland last Thursday.

The family of Capt Campbell of the Juno have moved into town.

EMPIRE'S literary society closed for the season, last week.

THERE is to be an exhibition at the end of this term of school.

ED BUNNELL again runs his "express boat" between here and Sumner.

ONE of the sews for carrying rock for the cribs was towed up the river this week.

The schooners *Enterprise* and *Annie Goe* are carrying lumber from the Columbia.

The *Beulah* now runs regularly up Coos River, going up Catching Slough Sunday.

THERE will probably be no more meetings of the literary society this winter.

The *Java* brought a large crowd of Empireites to attend the ball on the 17th, and returned after the dance.

The *Neva* has "struck its colors" on the "official organ" racket, and withdrawn that obnoxious (?) sentence from its columns. "Honesty is the best policy."

On the night of the ball many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Keating received substantial favors, which, under the circumstances were doubly appreciated.

No literary society was held last Wednesday evening; cause why, masquerade ball. The school exhibition will take the place of the literary exercises of next Wednesday night.

We have been shown a fine portrait painted by Mr. Habersham, of the Engineers. It is handsomely executed, and it is evident that the artist understands the use of the brush.

FREDK. USICAN, deputy Sheriff of Curry county, passed through here Wednesday on his return from Portland, where he had been to convey Mrs. Wilson, adjudged insane, to the asylum.

The schooner *Cashman* had not reached the city when the *Telfair* left, having been required longer than was required to make the passage, in such weather as has prevailed.

Geo. DYER has lately returned from a visit to his stock ranch on the south fork of the Coquille. He reports no more loss among his cattle and sheep than has been usual in former winters and unless the weather again turns cold thinks the stock will come out all right.

The schooner *Daisy Rowe*, Capt. Higgins, arrived last Sunday 11 days from Ounalaska. She brought Capt. Peterson and his crew of the schooner *Bella* wrecked Dec. 16th, about one hundred miles west of Ounalaska. She is loading at North Bend.

It is thought that the *Gusnie Telfair* will be sold and not kept in this trade any longer. If this be true, we may be without steamboat communication with San Francisco till the *Arctica* is put on the line again. We hope some other steamer will run here in the interval.

The house committee on claims has agreed to report favorably to the house a bill appropriating \$3,000 for the relief of A. B. Meacham for injuries sustained while in the service of the United States during the Modoc Indian outbreak.

CORRESPONDENCE.

EUCHEE CREEK, March 11, 1880.
ED. MAIL—Will you allow me a short space in your paper to reply to several charges made against me by J. M. Siglin of the *Coos Bay News*? As to the first charge, of making the *Coast Mail* the official paper of Curry county, I plead guilty; as to the second charge, in swindling the county by selling my store for a courthouse, I have no apology to make. The other charges are false, and no gentleman would publish such statements unless he knew them to be true. I understand that Siglin has several correspondents here, and it would be very easy for him to select the wrong kind of men to keep him posted. Suppose for instance that he should select some coarse, ugly, ill-shap'd brute one who is too lazy to work, to cowardly to steal, (except by his profession) one who has never been known to do a day's work in his natural life; one who makes it a practice to lie around saloons watching for some drunken wretch that he may decoy him up stairs or into a back-room and rob him at cards. One who resembles one of Capt. Strabin's bull sealions, after having lain in the sun on the beach for a week; one who is apt to make a flip flap from one side to the other; one who seeks office to-day from one party, and seeks it to-morrow from the other. I ask would you justify an editor in publishing the same? I answer no; and in conclusion will say to J. M. Siglin, "Lay on, McDuff; and d—d be he who first cries hold, enough!"
DELLOS WOODRUFF.

OSKASPEEL POINT, March 18, 1880.
MR. ED. I would suggest the following named candidates for officers on the Republican ticket: Senator, Andrew Nasburg; Representative, Wm. Morris; Clerk, Alex. Stauff; Sheriff, Alex. Lang; Assessor, Joe Gilbert; Treasurer, David Morse Jr.; Commissioners, S. Rogers and Dent; School Sup., Clark Miller; Surveyor, J. J. Clinkenbard; Coroner, Cyrus Landrith.
I am a Republican and in favor of J. G. Blaine for President.

Taking the Census.

Yesterday Mr. H. F. Suksdorf received his commission as Supervisor of the Census for the District of Oregon. He will immediately divide the State into about 75 districts. The last general vote of the State will be taken as a basis on which to lay out the work. There will be one enumerator to each district, of which he must be a resident. Portland will probably be divided into eight districts. Next week Mr. Suksdorf will go up the valley and confer with the county officers possessing the necessary information relative to districting the various counties, and on the same trip will receive applications for the position of enumerators. On his return he will make a trip east of the mountains for the same purpose. The boundaries for election precincts will form boundaries for subdivisions in each district. The work of enumeration will begin throughout the State on June 1st and end June 30th, except in this city. Here the census must be finished in fifteen days. Enumerators in the thickly settled portion of the State will receive a certain amount for each name, farm, factory, etc., taken. In the thinly settled districts enumerators will receive \$6 per day. Mr. Suksdorf has already received 63 applications for situations as enumerators. As soon as he returns from his trips he will make his selections and send the names to the Department for confirmation. The census of the Chinese in this city will be an interesting part of the work, and in order to have it correctly taken, it is probable some intelligent Chinaman will be employed to assist the enumerators in the Chinese quarter.—*See*

The death of E. Goulard, the last survivor of the French frigate *Medusa*, recalls the particulars of that famous shipwreck, which is one of the most frightful on record. The treaty of 1815 having restored Senegal to France, the *Medusa* and three other vessels of war sailed from Rochefort to take possession of the restored colony. The Captain of the frigate was M. Duroys de Dhaumerey, a scion of the ancient noblesse whom the Restoration brought back to France and power. His utter incapacity caused the loss of the vessel and the awful calamities that followed. Nearly two hundred persons took refuge on a raft that was constructed after the frigate struck on the African coast. They were almost without food or water, and for two weeks they drifted out on the tropical sea. A brig picked up from the raft fifteen wretched creatures from whom nearly all resemblance to human beings had departed and in whom there was scarcely a breath of life. The others had perished. The most horrible instance of cannibalism occurred on the raft. De Chamurey, who escaped from the frigate in a boat, was cashiered and thrown into prison. The raft of the *Medusa*, by Gericault, is one of the most remarkable paintings in the Louvre.

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Railroads in Asia Minor.

It is an odd and suggestive illustration of the daring and restlessness of modern enterprise that a company should be incorporated under our State laws, and organized in this city with a view to constructing a railroad through Palestine. But neither this road nor the "Euphrates Valley Railway," with which it is designed to connect, exhausts the railroad projects in Asia Minor. A scheme is under contemplation which combines political and commercial considerations in a marked degree, and aims to give England entire control of Asia Minor, and to enable her to check Russian encroachments. The proposition is that England should acquire possession either of Mersina or Alexanretta, Turkish ports lying on either side of the Gulf of Iskanderoon, and within easy reach of Cyprus. Starting from this point, it is proposed that a railway be constructed, curving around the head of the Gulf, and extending northward to Adana, 81 miles distant. Thence the projected route, passing along the southern slope of the Taurus Mountains, traverses 100 miles of wooded country to Marash, and thence runs almost due east 130 miles to the river Euphrates, crossing a rugged and broken region. The line passes the Euphrates a little beyond Tarnedah, and reaches Diarbekir, an ancient and important commercial town 38 miles distant, on the head waters of the Tigris. This would be the terminus, but branches might be extended to Erzeroum, to Mosul, or in other directions. The engineering difficulties in the way of the construction of such a route are not very serious, and the commercial advantages would be very considerable. A political motive would be found in the command which the railway would give over the Euphrates Valley and over Russia's Armenian frontier.—*Boston Journal.*

A Wreck at the Columbia.

Wednesday of last week, while the British Bark *Dilbarree* was crossing the bar at the mouth of the Columbia she ran aground near Swash channel at the lower end of Sand Island. The vessel was in tow of two tugs but she took a sheer and the tugs were unable to hold her. The vessel was lying in a very dangerous position, but hopes were entertained of getting her off Wednesday night. Three tugs were sent to her assistance but at last accounts the cargo was being thrown overboard and she will probably prove a wreck.

The *Dilbarree*, Moore master, is an iron framed, planked, copper fastened bark of 2,293 tons register. She was built in February, 1865, by Fletcher of London, and is rated A. L. Her dimensions are: Length, 227 feet 7 in. breadth, 34 feet; depth of hold, 22 feet 7 in. She is valued at \$50,000 and is owned by J. Lidgett & Sons, London, and is probably insured.

Her cargo consists of 2,031 tons of Oregon and Walla Walla wheat, loaded by Sibson, Church & Co., and sold by them through J. M. Ten Bosch, a London firm, who of course are present owners. The cargo is insured for \$15,975 in the British and Foreign Marine Insurance Company.

Drowned in Alsea.

The *Corvallis Gazette* is informed that Willis Vidito, of Alsea Valley, while crossing the Alsea river with a load of hay, upon which were his wife and babe, drove upon a sunken rock, which inclined the wagon so much that Mrs. Vidito and the babe were thrown into the water. Mr. Vidito at once jumped to the rescue, but the current being very rapid, the wife and babe were carried under a drift some thirty feet and emerged below it before he could get to them. They all drifted some sixty feet further down before a landing was effected, when they discovered that the babe was gone. Mrs. Vidito was entirely exhausted, and while struggling in the chilling water was unconscious of having relaxed her hold upon the child. After getting his wife safely ashore, Mr. Vidito went in search of the babe, which was found dead some distance below. Efforts were made to resuscitate it, but to no avail. Mr. Vidito, having but one arm, had to struggle manfully to save his wife, who is quite a large woman.

OREGON CITY levies a five mill tax to support her public schools.

The Virginia Legislature adjourned without passing the appropriation bill.

The ship "Ringleader" will load at New York for Portland with railroad material.

OZE of the Ties is so noted for eating everything he sees that he is known at the agency as Hanker Chief.

The committee on coinage, weights and measures have reported favorably a bill to establish an assayer office at Deadwood, Black Hills.

Lewis Jory, a Baltimore glass blower was married eighteen years ago. On Friday last the nineteenth child was born to the industrious pair. This has a tendency to refute the theory that glass blowing is an unhealthy business.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

MONROE, March 11—Edward Sorcosen, a brewer, aged 23 years, suicided at his brother's saloon this afternoon, with a pistol. Lack of employment and love troubles are supposed to be the cause.

CHICAGO, March 11—C. E. Davis, whose four or five wives have turned up recently in various parts of the country, was brought here by an officer to-day and met by one wife and by the parents of another, and taken to a police station. The case against him appears to be very clear.

ST. PAUL, March 11—Dispatches received at headquarters say that a detachment of the 5th infantry, with Capt. Baldwin and Hamilton, pursued the Sioux who had been committing depredations near Fort Keogh and killed three of them. Two Cheyenne scouts were killed. Much stolen stock was recovered.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11—Martha B. Mitchell, aged 15, daughter of D. C. Mitchell, Superintendent of the Eastern Cider Co., committed suicide this afternoon by shooting herself through the heart. The only cause for the act was a threat of an older sister to report to her father a trifling disobedience of deceased regarding some household duty.

A San Francisco dispatch of the 11th says: This morning the police seized a number of placards exhibited in the public streets bearing the announcement "Read the Communist and awake and be freemen; Thieves in council; price 10 cents by news-dealers." The authorship of the placard has not been ascertained by the authorities.

EXORCISATED—The trial of the divorce case of Daniels vs. Daniels, based upon the story that Mrs. Daniels has deserted her husband and gone away with Capt. L. L. Williams has resulted in a complete vindication of Mrs. Daniels and Mr. Williams from the charge. It appears that Daniels is a worthless and unprincipled fellow, who made this charge either to persecute his wife, or with the hope to extort money as the price of a compromise. Those newspapers that have given currency to the falsehoods told by this Daniels should do themselves and Williams the justice to publish the result of the trial.

A HARD CASE—The ship *Dilbarree*, the wreck of which on the Columbia bar is mentioned in another column, was evidently a "hard case." The *Asst. Comdr.* says: "It is said that her builder, when she was launched in London in 1865, was so demoralized in consequence of the outrageous model that he cut his throat. When she came down the river she would run here and there, just where she was not wanted, until the pilot became so exasperated that he turned to cursing the steersman, but was checked by an officer, who told him that no human being could keep her in steerage way."

The people of Nehalem valley are having grand times killing elk, and every farm house resembles a slaughter-house. Hundreds of these animals have been killed at the very doors of the settler's cabins, and the valley is full of them. The snout in the mountains is six feet deep, and they have been driven to the valley for food and shelter. They are devouring all the food from the cattle, and are so plentiful that killing them only ceases when the hunter is weary of shooting. Elk meat is at a discount, and could be purchased for half a cent a pound.—*Telegram.*

The Stockton *Independent* says: A visit to the paper mills last Monday developed the information that the new Froudrinier machine has arrived and will be placed in position next week, taking the position now occupied by the cylinder machine. When the new machine is set in motion the capacity of the mill will be eight tons per day, which is next to the largest paper mill in the United States. The advance in the price of paper in the East must necessarily stimulate home production and thereby increase the business of the Stockton mills.

Count Rochambeau, a descendant of Lafayette, has signified his intention of coming over to take part in the Yorktown centennial observance, and our Government will send invitations to the French Government and to the French societies in New York to join in the national ceremonies. At least one French vessel and one French regiment will be present.

The cost of cars is much less than a few years ago, though higher than some months since. The new Pullman sleepers cost from \$14,000 to \$16,000; dining-room cars from \$7,000 to \$8,000; ordinary passenger cars \$3,000 to \$4,000; mail and baggage, \$2,000; box cars, \$400.

PARDONS—An exchange says the records prove that Governor Tayer has pardoned 112 convicts from the Penitentiary since the time of his inauguration; in fact, it is estimated that within less than two years time he has pardoned more convicts than did Woods and Grover during their administrations of twelve years.

The Silver We Ought to Take.

Hardly anyone likes to take a heavy silver dollar in his pocket, if he can get a paper one instead. And the reluctance would not be much lessened were the value of the silver and paper dollars precisely and invariably the same. Coin is heavy and inconvenient, while paper money is light and pleasant to handle. Therefore, when a measure is introduced in Congress for the substitution of coin for notes of small denominations, there will be no especial enthusiasm for the change on the part of the public. But the American people are nothing if not intensely patriotic, and they will gladly yield to whatever is demonstrated to be expedient, although a little inconvenient. It is understood that the Secretary of the Treasury believes that the smaller notes should no longer be issued, in order that the Treasury may be relieved somewhat of the pressure of an enormous quantity of paper. This coin should not all lie idle in the vaults at Washington and millions upon millions of it should be scattered throughout the land to take the place of one and two dollar notes. The people of Rome once consented to use coins of iron because it was thought inexpedient to use finer metals, and the people of the United States will now consent to take silver in the place of paper, when it is shown that for the public good we ought to take it.—*N. Y. Mail.*

A Boy Shoots a Neighbor at the Command of his Mother.

Dispatches received in Portland on the 12th, say a shooting affray took place at Schome, on Puget Sound, on Monday last. A man named Michael Padden was shot and killed by an eight-year-old boy of a neighbor named Clark. It seems that Padden had sold land to the Clark family, and in the trade hard feeling was engendered. The boy did the killing with a double barreled shot-gun. Additional particulars, just received by a correspondent, concerning the homicide, to the effect that Padden was engaged at the time of the shooting in fencing in a piece of land in dispute between himself and Clark, and which had been cleared off by the latter. Clark being absent from home at the time, his wife ordered Padden to quit the premises, and upon his refusing to do so, she returned to the house, and placing a shot gun in the hands of her son, aged eight years, sent him forth to drive Padden off. The boy did as ordered, with the result as above stated. No arrests have been made up to the time our informant left.

The Bridge Over the Tay.

There are ten truss bridges across the Mississippi above St. Louis, which are not regarded as very wonderful structures, and yet seven of them have spans as long as those of the Tay bridge. The bridges at Winona, La Crosse, Dubuque, Keokuk, and Hannibal have spans of 240, that at Rock Island 250, and that at Louisiana of 256 feet. The span which gave way at St. Charles was 310 feet in length, yet the same bridge has two spans 400 feet long. Over the same river is a truss bridge at Leavenworth, with three spans of 340 feet, and another at Glasgow with five of 315 feet. Across the Ohio there is a truss bridge at Steubenville with a span of 320 feet, one at Parkersburg of 350, one at Cincinnati with a span of 515 feet—the longest truss yet built—and one at Louisville of 400 feet. The truss bridge over the Kentucky River on the Cincinnati Southern Railroad has three spans 175 feet in length, resting on iron piers 775 feet high. The bridge over the Hudson at Poughkeepsie has five spans of 600 feet, with piers 135 feet above high water.—*St. Louis Democrat.*

A Large Steamship.

The new steamship *Columbia*, built at Chester, for the Portland and San Francisco trade has been launched and is on her way around the Horn. The *Columbia*, on her load line, is 310 feet long; length over all, 332 feet; beam, 38 feet 6 inches; depth of hold, 25 feet; tonnage, 3,000. She will be supplied with compound engines, 2,750 horse power, the working pressure of which will be 80 pounds. Her boilers are ready to be put in position as soon as she is towed to the shears. This vessel will be fitted out in first-class style, with a carrying capacity of 250 cabin and 400 steerage passengers. She is to be illuminated by Edison's electric light, fitted with electric bells connecting state rooms, engine room pilot house, etc., and have all the latest improvements in utensils, etc. Her smoking room will be fitted up in Pullman palace car style, of elegant finish. Her joiner work is already well advanced.

Fire at Nannimo.

A dispatch dated March 11th from Nannimo, B. C., states that a fire broke out in the buildings of the Vancouver Coal Co.'s machine and repairing shops. The buildings comprise three repair shops and one engine house, all large buildings. The tools, nails, ropes and stores were saved, but all the machinery is a total loss. The long railway bridge leading to the shops was on fire in several different places, and had it not been for the efforts of the firemen and citizens, the bridge would have been destroyed. A strong wind was blowing from the west at the time and in an hour after the alarm the buildings were a smoking pile of ruins. It is believed to have been the work of an incendiary. The loss is estimated at between \$20,000 and \$30,000. No insurance.

FACIAL EXPRESSION—There are few women who, if they have exhibited the judgment and tact which generally command a certain measure of happiness in life, arrived at middle life without acquiring an expression of face which is often no bad substitute for actual beauty. Character and experience leave their mark upon the feminine countenance in a more conspicuous degree than time itself, and when a woman has passed the age of thirty her face proclaims, with increasing distinctness, whether she is the daughter of wisdom or folly.

New York detectives are again working on an old clew for Charlie Ross, in connection with the Mosh-gang.

A Distinguished Arrival.

Richard Henry Dana is visiting San Francisco again. He first came here in 1834 as a common sailor on board the bark *Pilgrim*. An affection of the eyes compelled him to quit temporarily, his studies at Harvard College, and, acting on the advice of his physicians, he took a long and laborious voyage around the Horn. Improved eyesight and the charming volume, "Two Years Before the Mast" were the result of it. The book was one of the most popular published in its day, passed through innumerable editions, and was reprinted in English and ordered placed in the library of every vessel in the British service. On his return home he completed his studies at college, and read law at the Dane School, under Judge Story and Professor Greenleaf. He then became adjunct to Professor Channing, in the department of rhetoric at Harvard, and in 1840 was admitted to the bar, at which he became conspicuously celebrated as an admiralty practitioner. In 1841 he wrote "A Manual of Sea Usages and Laws;" in 1854, a pamphlet on the legal right to require the use of the Bible in the schools of Maine; in 1852 on the Canon Law of the Episcopal Church, in the Rev. Mr. Prescott's case, and on the Title to Public and Religious Charities, in the case of the Presbyterian Synod vs. Dr. William Ellery Channing, in 1854. He was engaged in the numerous trials for the rescue of the slave Shadrack in 1853, and in the well known Anthony Burns case in 1854. In 1848 he entered political life in the cause of the Free Soil party, and was sent, in 1848, as a delegate to the Buffalo Convention that nominated Martin Van Buren for the Presidency. He was elected, in 1853, delegate to the Constitutional Convention of Massachusetts, and was one of its ablest and foremost members. At a subsequent period he was appointed by the President, Minister to the Court of St. James, but his nomination, for an alleged reason here Mr. Dana was not to blame, was rejected by the Senate. Mr. Dana, besides being a lawyer of distinction, is exceedingly fond of literary pursuits. He has written many articles for the "North American Review" and the "Law Reporter," together with biographies of Major Vinton and his family, Professor Channing and Washington Allston, the last two of whom were related to his family by marriage.

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A Daring and Successful Robbery.

A Cheyenne dispatch of the 11 gives the following: A bold and successful robbery of gold bullion occurred at Sydney, Nebraska, to-day, while the Union Pacific express agent (Snyder) was at dinner. The amount taken is variously estimated at \$20,000 to \$200,000. Entrance was effected through the floor of the express office. The robbery was evidently planned in advance of the treasure coach from the Black Hills.

A later dispatch from Sydney, just received, states that the treasure has been recovered, except \$13,000. It was found under a pile of coal near the U. P. track, where a trackman had seen the robbers conceal something in the afternoon. One of the missing bricks, valued at \$8,000, is from the Esmeralda mine on Black Tail gulch, near Deadwood, partly owned by Hibbar, of the Cheyenne and Black Hills Telegraph Company. Of the balance, \$2,000 is in express packages and the rest bullion. The immense weight of the treasure—480 pounds avoirdupois, prevented the robbers from carrying it off, and they were compelled to conceal it at the first available spot, a coal pile.

An exchange says: The most effective method of preventing cows from kicking is to have a strap buckled tight around the body just forward of the hip bones and close to the forward teats. They may dance a little on first trial, but they soon give it up and remain quiet.

L. H. PALMER, of Lodi, has been re-appointed a Notary Public.