

The Coast Mail.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

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SATURDAY, - - - APRIL 3, 1880.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

EXCITING RACE.—Although steamboat racing has, to a certain extent, become a thing of the past, yet occasionally is witnessed trials of speed on the water that recall vividly to memory the exciting days when steamboat racing was in its glory on the Mississippi and other great rivers, some of which scenes are so humorously described by Mark Twain.

APRIL FOOL'S DAY.—It is a well authenticated fact that man is prone to kick any inanimate object which may happen to lie in his path, and therefore appears the reason why bricks, covered with an unassuming looking hat, are the cause of so much sorrow on this day.

LITERARY.—The literary society met for the last time this season on Wednesday evening, Mr. E. A. Anderson in the chair. There was not so large an attendance as usual, nor was the programme so well filled, but was well carried out and very entertaining.

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GOKE.—Mr. G. Wingate and wife left for San Francisco on the "Telfair." Mr. Wingate has been connected with the Eastport coal mine for over nine years, and during the last five or six years has had entire control of the business of that mine on the Bay.

W. L. SMITH and Mr. Habersham, of the Engineers, left for Portland on Sunday last.

"15's" Antics.

Marshfield has at last proved no exception to the rule, and has fallen an easy victim to the snares of this captivating puzzle. We came into the composing room the other day and found all hands leaning over the "stone" bucking away at "fifteen."

Things were getting exciting, and, continuing our investigation, for we were determined to see the thing out, we dropped in Golden's drug store. A dozen men or more were darning on the counter; in the excitement our entrance was unperceived, and they remarked as follows: "I tell you it can't be done."

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THE Odd Fellows are going to give a ball on the 26th, but what kind we are not informed. Some say it is to be a masquerade, others say a calico, fancy dress, etc.

Democratic Convention.

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Convention called to order at one o'clock p. m., by Frank Ross. On motion, J. H. Schroder was elected temporary chairman, and Dennis Ross secretary. On motion, the Chair appointed the following committee on credentials: Bro. Fish, T. G. Owen, S. S. Bailey, Wm. Hall and B. F. Ross.

Convention called to order by the chair. Committee on credentials reported the names of those accepted. On motion, temporary officers were considered permanent. Adjourned subject to call of Chairman.

Report of Committee on order of business was accepted. Committee on resolutions made report, denouncing Gen. Grant & Co., which was received with great applause. The Chair appointed for letters, T. G. Owen, J. A. Collier and G. Cook; T. G. Owen was made assistant secretary, and S. S. Bailey, teller.

First ballot: Siglin, 24; Lane, 19; Blank, 4; Hall, 1. Second ballot: Wm. Hall's name placed in nomination. Siglin, 21; Lane, 11; Hall, 16. Third ballot: Siglin, 25; Hall, 20; Lane, 2. On motion, the nomination of J. M. Siglin was made unanimous.

Mr. Siglin was made unanimous. The next thing was to get J. F. Moore out of the way of Hyde for Clerk, so they nominated the poor fellow for Representative.

For Assessor: J. J. Lamb, 31; J. Arrington, 12; G. Brown, 4. Superintendent of Schools: W. L. Dixon, 17; L. L. Harman, 21. Surveyor: Geo. Hall, 23; E. J. Price, 24.

County commissioners: J. J. Fish, 12; S. McDames, 7; Fred. Schroder, 32; Geo. M. Dyer, 45.

W. H. S. Hyde, candidate for County Clerk, is a carpet bagger from Jackson county, came to this county a few years since to supercede W. H. Jackson as Clerk.

COLONEL John Lane, son of Gen. Lane, the man that defeated Harry McIntosh in the Convention, for Sheriff, will dry up and never again be heard of as a politician, but retire to the school room and there teach the rising generation that a nomination on the Democratic ticket was far from being equivalent to an election.

J. J. Lamb, nominee for Assessor, was defeated two years ago for County Commissioner. And we have a man here that will defeat him worse for Assessor, provided that the Democrats don't stuff the ballot box.

L. L. Harman, for Superintendent of Schools, is a man little known in the county, which will probably work to his advantage.

Fred. Schroder, the people down the river will remember, was one of the three that were appointed (as we are informed) by the County Court at the September term to assess damages for the laying out of a county road from the island to Copuille City.

CORRESPONDENCE.

EDITOR COAST MAIL.—In your issue of the 27th, appears a letter written by Rufus Mallory, District Attorney for Oregon. The brief editorial seems an endorsement by you. Now, Sir, I have lived in this county nearly three years. I claim to be a peaceful, industrious and orderly citizen, and can show that such has been the tenor of my life.

Now I suggest that this is being dangled on a little too thick—it won't stick—I have done nothing to merit disgrace or prosecution. If his skirts were as clean as mine, there would have been no trouble between us. I might not entertain the favorable opinion of him I once held, in spite of the warnings I received from various quarters as to his real character.

ANDREW RAMSAY, EMPHATIC CITY, March 30, 1880.

WE OBJECT.—We are naturally quiet and not of a quarrelsome disposition, but there are "times that try men's souls" and—well, we can't stand everything. The News has told us of our faults, and last week added insult to injury by saying that we represented the hole of a chicken-coop; we wouldn't have minded it so much if it had been put in but one week, but when it runs for two, why, it's "two" much.

Snow.—A fall of snow about three inches in depth was given us last Saturday, but the town was so busy playing "fifteen" that they failed to take advantage of it—except with a shovel.

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Child Outraged by a Chinaman.

It is with feelings of sorrow and regret, says the Telegram, for the little victim, and deepest hate toward the infamous leprosy heathen, that we make the above announcement, and would gladly write up an account of torturing the life from the scoundrel if such justice were given him. By special request we omit the name of the family, as the lady is at present dangerously ill. The circumstances are as follows: The family resides in the northern portion of our city, and employed as a domestic a Chinaman. The lady having friends and relatives in Salem, left the little girl at home in care of the Chinaman and went on a visit to Salem.

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THE Chinese Government has disgraced its late Minister to Russia because he did not bring the Russian bears to terms. Chinese victories in Central Asia have given great confidence to that Government, and the foreign envoys have united to present a memorial showing numerous late breaches of treaty stipulations on China and claiming redress.

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Cattle for Cheyenne.

On Tuesday last, says the Standard, Col. Joe Teal left for Wasco county to superintend the gathering up of his herds of cattle prior to starting over the plains to Cheyenne. Col. Joe will make the overland trip himself, for which they have been making extensive preparations. He will take 10,000 head of cattle, and for driving this large herd he will have about 40 men to act as herders and drivers, all of whom will be mounted on fine horses and fully and comfortably equipped for the extended trip.

A Head Worth Having.

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Grant at Galveston.

A Galveston dispatch, dated March 26th says: General Grant at last night's banquet, answering a flattering toast to himself, thanked the city for the cordial reception, and referred to his visit here as a lieutenant a little more than a third of a century ago. He complimented the State on its vast domain and wished for them and the entire South that they might go on developing their resource, and in their prosperity forget that there is a boundary between the North and South. He concluded as follows: I am sure we will all be happier and much more prosperous when the day comes that there will be no sectional feeling. Let any American who can travel abroad as I have done and with the opportunity of witnessing what is there to be seen that I have, and he will return to America a better American and a better citizen than he was when he went away. [Loud cheers.] He will return more in love with his own country. Far be it from me to find fault with any of the European Governments. I was well received at their hands on every side by every nation in Europe, but with their dense population and their worn out soil it takes a great deal of government to enable the people to get from the soil a bare subsistence. Here we have rich virgin soil, with room enough for all of us to expand and live with the use of very little government. I do hope that ere long we may be able to get along happily and contentedly without being too much governed.

A DISPATCH from San Francisco, dated March 28th says: There was a large attendance at the sand lots today. Kearney was the principal speaker, devoting his attention to the election, and urging the election of Freud and the W. P. C. freeholder ticket. A resolution was offered pledging the citizens of San Francisco that if the Freud and W. P. C. ticket was elected agitation would cease for want of fuel. It was amended to read "that agitation would take a more conservative turn, but never cease until the Chinese question was settled, and adopted as amended."

At the Metropolitan temple this evening, Mayor Railoch addressed a large audience, reviewing the whole history of the recent agitation, and speaking in defense of his own course and that of his party. He gave a history of the much mooted conference with representatives, substantially agreeing with the press report heretofore telegraphed. He concluded with the advice that the agitation should cease, that the people had grown weary of it, and so far as the Citizen's Protective Union was intended to stop the agitation he indorsed it, but urged that it was prudent in its methods of accomplishing that end.

REMARKABLE, and, perhaps, unprecedented combat took place at Bostick's Mills, Peck Dee, N. C., March 9th. It seems Gen. Bostick and one of his employes, Anderson Wayles, went into a corn house which has been stored with corn for nearly twelve months, and which had been closed for that length of time. After getting in they found that the place was literally alive with rats, who so far from showing terror, began to attack fiercely the two men, who in vain attempted to beat them off. They came upon them in droves, biting them about the hands and face and legs, several actually getting under Wayles' shirt. In the struggle Wayles, unfortunately turned over a heavy bale of fodder, which blocked up the door and prevented their retreat. Both men cried for help and were rescued from their perilous situation. The whole of Gen. Bostick's left ear was eaten off and his face was horribly gorged. Wayles presented a sickening sight; his nose and lips being literally eaten so that his best friends could not recognize him, while his left eye was torn from its socket.

A DISPATCH from Chicago, dated March 27th says: DeLesseps arrived this afternoon from San Francisco and was received by a delegation of French residents and a committee of civil engineers at the club of the Northwest. The latter organization tendered him a banquet to-night at the Grand Pacific Hotel at which 100 persons were present. Speeches were made by Gen. Sooy Smith, Mayor Harrison, Gen. Stiles, Gen. Hurlbut and others. DeLesseps spoke in French and his remarks were translated by Nathan Appleton of Boston. In an interview this afternoon, DeLesseps set the time for the completion of the canal at six years; cost 600,000,000 francs, half to be subscribed in France and half offered to American capitalists. He said in answer to a question, that if any Chinese applied for work on the canal they would certainly get it.

MARRIED.

At the Centennial Hotel, Utter City, by A. Ketcham, J. P., Mr. Chas. E. Edwards to Miss Mary C. Roberts; all of Coos county.

DIED.

In Marshfield, Nellie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh, aged 9 years and 4 months.

At the residence of his widowed mother, on the Coquille river, March 23, 1880, Henry H. Herman, aged 20 years, 3 months and 16 days.

The deceased was the sixth son of the late Dr. Herman of Coos county, and since the death of his father, has been the main prop upon which his beloved mother depended. And since he was fifteen years old, he, with the aid of a younger brother, has carried on the old homestead farm with the energy and skill that would seem to belong to riper years. About one month previous to his death, he took a severe cold, which seemed to settle in his throat, and confined him to his bed for two weeks, when he was able to be up. During his first sickness he was very delirious. During his convalescence he stated that he heard beautiful music, and saw beautiful angels hovering around him, and elegant mansions, presenting to his weary soul a foretaste of that better world where he was soon to go. On the afternoon of the 21st he was taken suddenly worse, and resigning himself to the will of God, stated that he was going to die. When asked if he would like to live in the beautiful mansion he had seen, his answer was "Yes." At about 10 o'clock on the third day in the evening, while surrounded by his loving brothers, sisters and friends, he raised his eyes, seeming to take one farewell look, then dropping back to his pillow, sweetly breathed his last.

Henry Herman's death has cast a gloom over the entire community in which he lived. He was the first child born to Dr. Herman on the Coquille river, and every one that knew Henry knew him but to love him, for "A soul more spotless ne'er claimed a tear; A heart more tender, open and sincere; A hand more ready blessings to bestow; Beloved, lamented, and without a foe. How proud in life, say ye who knew him well; How woe in death, brothers' tears may tell."

THE American ship St. Charles, with kerosene, from New York, burned with her cargo at Oigo. The next day the second officer was murdered by one of the crew.