# The Coast Mail.

### NOTICE TO LAND CLAIMANTS.

ROSEBURG LAND OFFICE, Aug. 4, 1880

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,—I hereby give notice that I have designated the COAST MAIL as the paper in which I shall hereafter publish all pre-emption and homestead notices, and applications for mining patents for lands lying near Marshfield, Coos county, Oregon.

WM. F. BENJAMIN, Register.

SATURDAY, - - AUGUST 21, 1880

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

NEW ORDERS.—Says the *Telegram*: Orders have been received at the Surveyor General's office, in this city, which will be rather grinding upon parties who receive surveying contracts in the future. According to the new order of things the surveyor must bring his instruments to this city, where they will be tested, also the chain, that it may be measured. The axeman and chainbearer are furnished with blank books, so arranged that every mile surveyed can easily be marked as the work progresses, and they are compelled to make affidavit to its correctness when the survey is completed.

WORK SUSPENDED.—Work on the harbor was suspended Tuesday, the appropriation having been exhausted. Thirteen cribs have been placed, making 650 feet of sea wall. This work, which has been carried on under the superintendency of Capt.'s Payson and Littlefield, has been prudently and economically managed, and the appropriation has been made to do more work than was expected. When another appropriation shall be made, which will probably be at the next session of Congress, we hope to see work resumed under the same officers.

ARM SAWED.—Last Saturday Mr. Glyden, who was employed in the stave factory, at Empire City, came in contact with one of the saws and his arm was sawed nearly off in an instant. It severed the bones, we are informed, and it was at first thought that he would lose his hand; but there is a prospect that he will recover without more serious loss than a few months time and the expense of surgical attendance.

APPOINTED.—Mr. Smart, the newly appointed keeper of the Blanco light house, has arrived at Empire and will to-day relieve Mr. Crosby and assume the duties of his office. Wm. Walker of Empire City is appointed assistant keeper. Mr. Walker is somewhat disabled from the performance of more ardious labor, and it is gratifying to know that he has a situation that will afford him a livelihood.

LARGE FISH.—Eugene O'Connell and Dr. Smith returned Tuesday from an excursion to Millicoma river where they were fishing for trout; they had remarkable success, catching over 100 pounds of fish. Smith caught one trout that weighed 4¼ pounds, which is said to be the largest fish of the kind ever caught in this part of the country.

DANGER FROM FIRE.—During the early part of the week the fire raged fiercely in the vicinity of the Newport coal mine; at one time reports were in circulation that the bunker was in danger. By the most active precautionary measures a destructive conflagration was avoided.

REMOVED.—The Marshfield Drug Store was removed last Monday from the old location to the building immediately south of the Palace Saloon, where customers will receive the usual prompt and courteous attention.

HOUSE SOLD.—Mr. Thos. Divine has purchased from John Norman the lot and building adjoining the Palace Saloon, on the corner, now occupied by Dr. Golden's drug store.

THE logging camp of Alfred Butler situated on the Willaunch slough, was burned out in the early part of the week, but little damage sustained.

A SHARK some eight or nine feet long was caught by a fisherman down the bay a few days ago; the fish must have made it very lively for its captors.

ROSS & TIMMERMAN, of the New Market, have lately brought in a fine assortment of canned goods, and their stock now embraces a greater variety than heretofore.

MR. CAMPBELL, who is sinking for fresh water on the tide lands opposite town, passed through a ten foot stratum of clay and struck clean white beach sand and fresh water.

THE *News* says Mr. Kronholm's little boy had a "bank" in which he had about $30 in halves. When the hotel burned at Gardiner, the "bank" was in it, and being of cast iron, partially stood the test, but the boy's coin melted into a solid mass.

JOHN HEMLOCK was in town Thursday, having just made a drive of some beef cattle from his ranch to Whitney's slaughterhouse. He says it sometimes looked as though the fire on the trail would make a grand barbecue of the whole lot, but they managed to get through without any other accident than a few head getting away and going back.

## LOCAL BREVITIES.

THE *Arcata* sailed Thursday for Southport.

THERE has been some fog at the bar the past few days.

THE *Laura May* is ready for sea, with a cargo of lumber.

TEMPLE is painting Devine's building lately purchased from John Norman.

SIMPSON BROS. have commenced a new vessel in their ship yard at North Bend.

DEAN & Co's mill has been shut down for repairs a portion of the past week.

JOS. FERRY is at Golden City, Colorado, where he is likely to remain for a time.

THE *Arcata* will hereafter carry only coal, not taking passengers nor freight.

GEO. M. DYER'S new house is well under headway; Mr. Thomas Johnson is the architect.

THE *Gussie Telfair* sailed from San Francisco for this port Wednesday last, and is now due.

ROBERT MCDONALD is said to be improving; he is at Empire City under the care of Dr. Mackey.

WE call attention to the notice of Kruse & Dimmick, tanners, which appears in another column.

NOBLE & Co. are driving spiles and rebuilding the wharf in front of Dean & Co's ware house.

A PARTY of telegraph repairers are engaged on the line between here and Roseburg, and will leave it in good repair.

LOBREE'S mill suspended yesterday, on account of the breaking of some part of the machinery; it will be immediately repaired.

WE understand that the fires between here and Beaver Slough have driven some large bands of elk near the settlements on Isthmus slough.

### Sectionalism.

The Republican party in the South is annihilated as any party based upon the hate of one section against another should be.—*News.*

The above is the language of a Democratic paper of to-day, and it is the language used by the Democrats of 1860. The Republican party was then annihilated in the South, and the cry of "sectionalism" was raised against the Republican party by the same men who are supporting Hancock now. Some of them by the force of circumstances got into the Union army, and even then made no secret of their condemnation of Lincoln and his policy. Of these men McClellan and Hancock were prominent, and the people of the South knew them as their best friends, and relied upon them, as they do at present to give them a victory through Northern Democratic votes that they could gain in no other manner.

THE *Western Star* says: Gen. Jos. Lane returned from Portland Tuesday, where he had been sitting for a picture. He understand that money has been raised by private subscription with which to procure paintings of the first Governors of Oregon, which will be presented to the State for the adornment of the Legislative halls. The portraits of Govs. Lane and Curry have been completed and Gov. Whiteaker has been invited to sit for his. We trust the good work will not cease until the likenesses of all the Governors grace the walls of our State Capitol. It should be so.

THE work of improving the Columbia channel has probably commenced. The *Astorian* says that Mr. Buchanan has been assigned, by the Government Engineer, the work of scraping a point on the bar considered to be the most favorable for opening out a new channel, and this probably will be across the centre of the middle sands. The Government drag has been enlarged to double its former capacity, and we understand that Col Gillespie's instructions are that the work be thoroughly and speedily prosecuted.

THE editor of the *Astorian* saw the famous Edison, the inventor, on his recent trip East; he says: There is not a more consumate fraud living, than Edison. He has perfected nothing (see patent office), and been a success in but one thing, that is to say he draws piles of money from deluded members of the "leisure class" who put up for stock in his imaginary schemes. He pays the press for publishing those letters, the same as patent pill men pay for advertising.

IN view of the numerous pardons granted by Gov. Thayer, the *Plaindealer* says: The horrors of confinement in the Oregon Penitentiary are becoming a farce, and if the Governor's commutations are as plentiful in the future as in the past, the average murderer or robber will actually enjoy the romance of a short episode within the walls of our State prison.

THE Democrats claim that the Republicans have proved a failure in their management of the country. That is the same platform they advocated in 1864, and with about the same foundation in fact. McClellan has hopes of a Democratic victory; so he had in 1864.

THE *Great Eastern* steamship is now being refitted for the live cattle trade.

### The "Columbia."

Standard

The new and magnificent steamship *Columbia*, of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, was yesterday opened for public inspection, and during the hours set for the occasion the vessel was visited by thousands of citizens. In the afternoon the crowd of visitors was but moderate, but from 7:30 in the evening until 10 o'clock it was not a crowd, the word sinks into insignificance to describe the jams of people that sought to see the pride of the Pacific and the handsomest steamship ever coming to this port. The wharf was blocked with people. So great was the crowd, constantly increasing in size, that those on board had to hurry and see and then leave by the gangway on the starboard quarter to give room for the new comers. The visitors were of all classes of men and women without regard to previous condition, and the unanimous verdict of all was that the *Columbia* was the handsomest steamship ever seen. As it grew dark the electric light was displayed, the main saloon and the cabin being brilliantly illuminated by the little horseshoe of dazzling brightness, while aloft was a dock lamp casting a glare of light over the open hatchways where the night shift was busily engaged in loading freight. The scene presented under the bright light was an animated one, and the crowds of spectators, on the docks, the wharves and in small boats only heightened the effect.

### Horrors of the South American War.

Some time since it was stated in the dispatches that on the occasion of the capture of Arica, by the Chilean troops, the officers were unable to control their commands, and the city was plundered and many citizens killed. Now comes a letter from Lima to New York which says that at the taking of Tacna by the Chilean troops, only one street escaped sack. Hundreds of wounded prisoners were slaughtered in cold blood. Not one wounded ally was found alive on the field the day after the battle. Women and girls of tenderest ages were violated and many killed. The farmers in the vicinity shared the fate of the town. Every day six, eight or ten murders are committed, and the bodies of the victims are allowed to remain unburied until their removal becomes a necessity. Arica suffered even more severely than Tacna. All the houses are either totally or partially destroyed. Out of 1,800 defenders only 600 survived. Those of the 1200 who did not fall in the fight were subsequently massacred in cold blood. It is an authenticated fact that forty-nine soldiers who had thrown away their arms and taken refuge in the U. S. commercial agency, over which a flag was flying, were taken out and butchered in the street.

### What would Lee and Jackson do?

Wade Hampton made a speech at Staunton, Va., recently, in the interest of Democratic harmony. He besought the opposing factions to reconcile their differences and thus insure a Solid South for Hancock. His remarks were earnest and fervid, and led gradually up to a thrilling climax. Strange as it may appear, *The World* newspaper reproduces the whole of the speech except the climax, thereby doing gross injustice to Hampton's rhetorical abilities, as well as utterly destroying the force of the speech. Here are the eliminated sentences: "Consider what Lee and Jackson would do were they alive. *These are the same principles for which they fought for four years.* Remember the men who poured forth their life blood on Virginia's soil, and do not abandon them now." Probably *The World* cut out these fiery sentences in the interests of "reconciliation," for it cannot be denied that they have a sectional squint.—*Tribune.*

### Remarkable Gold Discovery.

A Santa Fe, New Mexico, dispatch of the 13th says: A sensation was created here yesterday by the announcement of a rich mining strike in the Mexican village of Los Placitas, about 60 miles distant. The village is built of abode huts and the corrals and foundations are of rock. A prospector, Josse Martin, detected mineral in this rock and pounded up and hammered some of it, getting a rich result in gold. He located the streets of the town whence the gold rock was taken, and had assays made, with the result of $1600 gold to the ton. The lowest grade of rock assayed $43 Gov. Lew Wallace has returned from the place. He paced off the lead, making it four paces in width. Subsequent assays in Santa Fe give from $3000 to $6000 per ton. The whole village is built on the ledge, and rock worth $3 per pound has been thrown about as worthless.

A WASHINGTON dispatch of the 13 says: The Chinese minister has given formal notification to Secretary Evarts of the decision of his Government to revoke the decree prohibiting subjects form engaging in commercial relations with foreign parts. He also informed the Secretary that a Chinese merchant vessel would shortly arrive in San Francisco with a cargo, which would be the beginning of active steamer trade between United States and China.

### Judge Swayne on Garfield—An Infamous Falsehood Refuted.

Among the many campaign slanderers against the character of Garfield, is that which orriginated with the *New York World*, to the effect that Justice Swayne of the U. S. Supreme Court, had rendered a decison to the effect that the contract by which Garfield was to be paid $5,000 as a fee in the De Golyer business was void on grounds of public policy; that he said the contract "was a sale of official influence, which no veil can cover, against the plainest principles of public policy. No counselor-at-law while holding high office has right to put himself in a position of temptation, and under pretence of making a legal argument exert his official influence upon public offices dependent upon his future action. Certainly the courts of justice will never lend themselves to inforce contracts obtained by such influence."

This infamous falsehood was brought to the notice of Judge Swayne and he has given it the following explicit and unqualified denial: "So far as I am concerned there is an entire misstatement. I never wrote a word of what is attributed to me with quotation marks. I never knew anything of the facts of the matter charged against General Garfield, and it was certainly never in any shape before the Supreme court. I had, therefore, neither occasion nor opportunity to express any judicial opinion upon the subject. It is not stated where any case in which General Garfield was concerned is reported. My confident impression is that I never heard of such a case before. General Garfield is a personal friend of mine, and I have the highest confidence in his integrity. The statements in *The World* are an entire fabrication and without a particle of truth to sustain them."

In order that there might be no mistake in reporting his words, Justice Swayne himself wrote out the above denial.

### This is What it Means.

Tribune.

A Republican President for another four years means a continuance of the present safe, conservative, honorable policy of the Government toward the business interests of the country. A Democratic President means heaven knows what, but certainly no good to those interests. A general upturning of the financial policy of the Government would be sure to follow the accession of the Democrats to power. They are pledged by their platform to destroy the protective tariff system. They are pledged by the speeches and votes of a majority of their leaders to abolish the national banks, and to play some dangerous pranks with the currency. A great reduction, if not an entire repeal, of the tax on whiskey and tobacco may be expected from them, to be followed of necessity by the laying of new taxes upon other articles to make up the deficit in the revenue. It is no wonder that prudent Democrats who have business interests at stake begin to wish for the defeat of their party.

### Business for the Foolkiller.

The *Times* says a Washington Democratic newspaper desires the immediate services of the "fool killer" in behalf of journals of Democratic faith which have circulated several newly invented campaign falsehoods. The story that General Grant would support Hancock and the fraudulent opinion attributed to Mr. Justice Swayne, censuring Mr. Garfield, are cited as particularly flagrant instances of silliness. If the executioner who is entreated to visit the Democratic camp performs his whole duty, he will be kept busy until election, unless all signs fail. Thus far, the only capital of the Democrats is the invention of false reports. As during the Greeley campaign, when each day brought out one or more "prominent Republican who would vote the Democratic ticket," the country is amused with tales of similar accessions which are good for twenty-four hours. This sort of thing may give employment to idle committee clerks; but it serves no other purpose.

THE Mexican prisoners in confinement at Larrdo, Texas, broke jail in a body and dashed tumultuously for the Rio Grande, pursued by the sheriff, his deputies and a posse of police. Two of the escaping prisoners were shot and killed and several were dangerously wounded while crossing the river, by their pursuers, who lined the bank and took steady aim at the fugitives. The firing drew numbers of Mexicans to the opposite bank of the river, these being armed with rifles opened fire on the Americans, on this side.

THE Lewston *Teller* says: Lent, Farrow with a party of Indian scouts and enlisted soldiers passed through Lewiston this week en route for the Sheep Eater country, on the East side of the South fork of Salmon river. We learn that it is their object to ferret out the last vestage of the race of Sheep Eaters and either kill or capture them, and thus render it safe for white men, single or in small parties to penetrate and prospect the country for mines, or any other busness to which the country is adapted.

THE *Colonist* says of Skeena river: The run of salmon in this river has been unprecedentedly large, the fish being of very fine quality and fully equal to any taken in Columbia river.

## CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

SAN ANTONIO, Aug 13.—A dispatch received at army headquarters from Quittman, says: Indians are all around us. It is impossible to get word to Gen. Grierson. Indians are driving off stock and murdering everybody along the route.

NEW ALBANY, Aug. 13.—Roger Russell, 70 years old, this evening fired two barrels of a shotgun into the face and breast of John Morgan, his son-in-law, tearing both eyes out and inflicting a mortal wound. Alleged cause, ill treatment by Morgan of his wife.

YAZOO CITY, Miss. July 26.—Dr. M. F. Williams, of Mechanicsburg, was assassinated while riding home Saturday evening. His horse reached home riderless, and search being made the Doctor's body was found. A negro was arrested on suspicion, and has since confessed his guilt. He says he was paid to kill the Doctor.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 8.—John Baitz, who murdered his wife in May, 1879, was taken from Athens, Alabama, last night by a mob of horsemen and hanged. Four previous attempts had been made to mob him. He had been twice sentenced to death and was each time granted a new trial.

STOCKTON, Aug. 13.—Jose Rezes, a vindictive wretch, has been arrested for throwing vitriol or other destructice acid in the face of a young lad of 11 years, named Frederick Martinez, who will lose the sight of one eye and probably of both. There is much feeling manifested against the perpetrator of the dastardly crime.

ST. PAUL, Aug. 13.—A freight train on the St. Paul & Dublin railway was wrecked near Pine City this morning by a broken rail. Nine cars were thrown from the track. Three boys, living at Minerale Poles, named Peter Martin, John Ervine and George Adams, who were stowed away in a freight car to steal a ride, were killed.

### Covicted of Manslaughter.

The case of Mrs. Clark of Washington Territory, and her son, the lad who was told by his mother to kill a man and obeyed her, has closed. A Seattle dispatch of the 12th anounces the result as follows: Mrs. Clark and her eleven-year old son, Thomas, who have been on trial before the district Court at LaConner during the past week, were yesterday convicted of man-slaughter and sentenced to the territorial penitentiary. The son it will be remembered, at the instigation of his mother, a few months ago, shot and instantly killed Mitchell Padden, a prominent citizen of Whatcom county, while the latter was engaged in fencing in a piece of land in dispute between the Clark and Padden families.

### Eruption of Mount Vesuvius.

NAPLES, July 25.—An eruption of Mount Vesuvius begun to-day. A sharp shock of earthquake was also felt here to-day.

MADRID, July 25.—A dispatch from Manila says: Another earthquake shock occurred there on Saturday, doing much damage. No details have been received up to the present time.

LONDON, July 56.—A dispatch from Madrid says the total loss of life by the earthquakes at Manila is estimated at 320, including 200 Chinamen. Almost every family is houseless.

### Carried to Sea.

Miss Eva L. Burbank, a gay and accomplished young lady, was drowned at Ilwaco beach, Clatsop county, last Sunday, while bathing. She was bathing in company with Mr. Graves, a printer of the "Astorian," whom she induced to go too far into the surf, and they were carried out by the undertow. Graves and a man named Chambreau did their utmost to save the girl, without avail, and narrowly escaped drowning themselves. She was a favorite among her acquaintances, and her death cast a gloom over all at the resort.

*The Marshfield Drug Store has moved into the building adjoining the Palace Saloon. "And don't you forget it."*

THE effort to carry Coos county for the Democrats, by telling what stupendous majorities they will have, has been tried in every campaign for six years past, but it never was a success.

A PARTY of Government engineers will examine the Snohomish, the Steilaquamish, the Skagit and the Nookschack rivers, with a view of ascertaining their needs for navigation, their commercial importance and adaptability to improvement.

SENATOR SHARON, who has bought the Grand hotel at San Francisco, just across the street from his Palace caravansary, proposes to span the dividing street, 75 feet wide, with an iron arch, roofed with glass and embellished without regard to cost.

THE *Post* says there is a middle aged gentleman at Port Orford who desires to correspond with a young lady of suitable age, with a view to matrimony. We have no doubt there are several such gentlemen in that county, if they would only make their desires known.

### Southern Democratic Sentiment.

This is the sentiment that prevails where the Democrats get their large majorities. It is the approved doctrine, and occupies a prominent place in the correspondence of the Memphis *Avalanche*:

White men who dare to avow themselves here as Republicans, should be promptly branded as the bitter and malignant enemies of the South. The name of every Northern man who presumes in this community to aspire to office through Republican votes should be saturated with stench. As for the negroes, let them amuse themselves, if they will, by voting the Radical ticket. We have the count. We have a thousand good and true men whose brave ballots will be found equal to those of five thousand vile Radicals.

### Hancock's Record.

It is stated in a Washington dispatch that documents are now in the course of preparation and will shortly be published officially, to prove the truth of the statement that General Hancock entered into a conspiracy with Fitz-John Porter and other Democratic generals to resist the removal of McClelan from the command of the Army of the Potomac and to depose President Lincoln and Secretary Stanton.

The foregoing is a Chicago dispatch and we publish it for what it is worth. It is undoubtedly true that the same element by which Hancock is now supported, and by whom he hopes to be elected, was in the warmest sympathy with the policy of surrendering to the South in 1864.

UNLESS steel shall in the not remote future replace iron very generally for the current use of the last named metal, it will puzzle most people to know what is to become of the continually increasing output of steel. The capacity of the steel works of the world at the present time is figured at about 300,000,000 tons per year. The Bessemer works of the United Kingdom, with 120 converters, contribute to this total from 750,000 to 800,000 tons; the United States, with probably half as many converters, but much superior plant and management, produces 750,000 tons more. Germany has lately increased her capacity for steel production, and at present can produce about 500,000 tons; France produces 575,000; Belgium 150,000; Austria, 250,000, and Sweden and Russia, about 150,000 tons.

COMMON SENSE.—The phrase "common sense" is generally applied to individuals, and used to indicate a certain style of character. It designates a man who is well ballasted and moves on an even keel—one who is not carried away by the winds of passion or warped by prejudice—one who does not change his mind very often, and is not easily led astray by dreamy and speculative people. When the coast is clear and the light is strong, he moves boldly and confidently—but he always feels his way in the dark. He is circumspect—that is, as the etymology of the word signifies: he looks all around before acting, and not merely in one direction. He very rarely, if ever, makes a fool of himself—and this is a great thing to say of a man.

THE American consul at Geneva says that American beef and livestock have penetrated as far as that region, and the value of good cattle, raised in large numbers in Switzerland for the Paris and French markets, has been sensibly diminished by the importations from America. Preserved meats and fruits from the United States are so well established and advertised that they may be left to take care of themselves, but the butter and cheese could be sold in much larger quantities in central and southern Europe, and a profitable market for the more nutritious brands of American flour could be found.

THE new marine railway at Clifton, R. I., was opened for the first time a few days ago. A large brig was hoisted high and dry with success. The railway consists of a great car, which somewhat resembles one of the East river dry docks, except that it stands on wheels. To this car are attached about five hundred feet of heavy chain The car, when placed in the water, is partly sunk, to permit a ship to float into it; then the car is raised and drawn with the ship on the beach by steam power, the car chains being attached to an engine stationed about five hundred feet distant on the shore. It cost many thousands of dollars to construct the railway.

A MARYLAND farmer proposes to utilize the potato bug for the manufacture of dyeing mixtures. The granger was opposed to the use of paris green and soused his bugs into boiling water. A piece of sheepskin got into the mixture by accident and in half an hour had changed to a rich crimson color. This arousing his curiosity, he inserted other materials which changed first dark brown, then a greenish hue, then pure yellow, then light blue, dark blue, light red, terminating in brilliant scarlet, which was the permanent color.

THE Chinese Government is said to desire the removal of all trade restrictions, and the U. S. Government and also our commercial people are considerably interested to know that the China steamer *Ho Chung* is dispatched to San Francisco, and want to know what all this will lead to. It looks as if China hereafter intended to do all her own business without help.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

COL. T. H. CANN is making arrangements to remove to Seattle with his family.

SIGLIN says Garfield is a Hessian; he doesn't claim to have known him when he was a boy, however.

A photographer lately took the portrait of a lady so admiradly that the husdand preferred it to the original.

THE increase in the wheat production of Oregon this year will be about 33 per cent over any previous year.

CARLTON, who killed Brummett, a rival editor at Hollister last winter, has been convicted of manslaughter.

ADJUTANT-GEN. JONES, of Texas, reports that the State has about 6,000 criminals at large, 1,000 of whom are murderers.

THE DALLES is going to have a new Masonic temple, of brick, two stories high, with a frontage of 34 feet and a length of 90 feet.

THE Mormons celebrate, with imposing ceremonies, the 24th dav of July, as the 33d anniversary of the first colony's arrival at Salt Lake.

ABOUT 150 men are now employed by the C. P. R. R. Co. at Emigrant Gap rebuilding the snowsheds crushed by the snow last winter.

COL. JOHN B. NEIL, newly appointed Governor of Idaho, arrived at Boise City on Tuesday of last week, and has entered upon the duties of his office.

THE citizens of Albany and Linn county have arranged for the holding of a county fair at Albany, commencing October 6th and ending the 9th.

AN $800 threshing machine belonging Mr. Cone, was burned up near Butteville recently. The fire originated from the heat of the mechinery.

LATE news from disinterested parties is to the effect that the Skagit mines are a humbug; and the boom is kept up by Seattle for the profits of the business.

DR. A. M. LORYEA, of Unk Weed fame, who at one time was a prominent citizen of Oregon, is in San Francisco; he manages the Hamman baths and is prospering.

A COURTISAN named Mattie Piper, from Seattle, died at Astoria on the 10th from the effects of an over dose of morphine. It is said she owns considerable property at Seattle.

THE San Francisco Board of trade has concurred in the resolution of the Portland Board, the necessity for the establishment of signal service at the mouth of the Columbia.

THE bee men in the foot hills of Pasadena have been compelled to surround their hives with fences of bed wire, to keep off the bears which make frequent raids for honey.

FIRE IN PORTLAND.—Last Monday morning a fire occurred in Portland that consumed eight buildings, and caused damage to the amount of about $30,000, a large part of which was insured.

JUDGE PRIM was lately admitted to practice as an attorney in the Supreme Court of this State, he having been on the Supreme bench ever since the State was admitted to the Union.

THE new Governor of Idaho is Col. Neil, who was for a time Mr. Hayes' private secretary when he was Governor of Ohio, and for the past two years was register of the land office at Salt Lake.

A LARGE amount of sorgham has been grown this season in Jackson and Josephine counties, which has generally done well. A great quantity of syrup will no doubt be manufactured this fall.

THE census office says that the total population of the United States will be a little over 49,000,000. The official count will be needed to determine whether Ohio or Illinois is the third State of the Union in population.

A one-armed soldier in New York who was asked whether he would support Hancock, made this reply: "There have been two Generals nominated; one is backed by the solid South, and the other by the loyal North. I will support the latter."

MR. BEN HOLLADAY, now a resident of Washington city, informed the editor of the *Astorian* while in Washington, that it is his intention to return to Oregon and stay here.

CHINESE railroad workers at Walla Walla undertook to strike for higher wages, but Hallet, the *Statesman* says, gave their leader a sound thrashing and as the men could not cook their grub on the ground unless they were at work, they went to shovelling.

THE town of Alameda, Cal., was excited on the 10th instant by the conduct of G. R. Clark, formerly night clerk in the San Francisco post office. In a fit of insanity he drew a pistol and fired twice at his wife, whom he wounded in the left arm, shattering the bone. After the firing he escaped.

SERIOUS rioting took place in Glasgow, Scotland, at the Home Rule demonstration last Saturday, owing to the Home Rulers passing an Orange Lodge. Seven police who endeavored to restore order were overpowered. Two policemen were injured so badly that they are not expected to recover. One man was stabbed by a spear. Twenty persons were arrested.

## BORN.

On Coos river, August 15th, 1880, to the wife of W. D. L. F. Smith, a son.