

The Coast Mail.

MARSHFIELD, OREGON:
Thursday, January 17, 1884

Sengstacken says settle without further delay.

Myrtle Point will have a masquerade ball on the 24th of February.

Miss Hannah Shadden of Newport is ill with typhoid fever, but is recovering.

Miss Ida Hall, who has been at Roseburg for several months, returned home with her father last week.

Word has been received at North Bend that Capt. Hill's little daughter May recently died in San Francisco.

Last week the public school at North Bend again opened, with 12 scholars and Mrs. F. J. Lewis as teacher.

St. Campbell has given up the Lockhart hotel at Empire City and the house is closed for a few days, pending the arrival of a new landlord.

News comes from North Bend that work on the new vessel at that ship yard has been suspended for 30 days, in compliance with orders from San Francisco.

Packages for Oliver J. Truse, Wm. Sampson, Mrs. Frank Stewart, Coquille packing company and J. Ogle remained at the Empire express office last Monday.

John Westery, the blacksmith at the North Bend ship yard, last week returned by the schooner Gotama, from a visit to the home of his parents in Sonoma county, Cal.

M. Kerrigan is finishing up a new dwelling house on the sawdust southwest of his hotel. There is now a fair prospect of men being able at some future time to rent at reasonable figures houses suitable to live in.

At an adjourned term of county court to be held on the 17th of next month it is confidently believed arrangements will be made to build the desired bridge across the south fork of the Coquille river at Myrtle Point.

Surveyor Wm. Hall returned from Portland last week. Business at the surveyor general's office is a little behind and it will be several weeks before the work that Hall handled in will be reached and forwarded to Washington.

Preparations are being made to give a grand masquerade ball at Norman's hall on the 17th of next month. The parties having charge of the affair are eminently qualified to carry it through to perfection; so those who wish to participate can commence preparing their costumes.

Last Friday evening Sunset lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., installed the following officers: W. R. Simpson, O. G.; G. F. M. Phillips, V. G.; R. W. Pierce, secretary; Thos. Huff, treasurer; W. Reynolds, warden; Geo. Steinf, conductor; E. A. Anderson, R. S. N. G.; H. R. Reed, L. S. N. G.; D. J. McLaughlin, R. S. V. G.; John Gamble, L. S. V. G.; Wm. Bowser, R. S. G.; Geo. Rhody, L. S. S.; S. O'Connell, T. S. G.

On the 8th inst. Baker post, G. A. R., installed the following comrades as officers: Morton Tower, post commander; W. A. Willard, S. V. C.; J. J. Earle, J. V. C.; J. R. Lightner, adjutant; C. Woodward, Q. M.; J. G. Cook, surgeon; J. G. Richards, chaplain; C. F. Edmunds, O. D.; Wm. H. Noble, O. G.; C. W. Sanford, S. M.; L. Simkins, Q. M. S. The membership of this lodge at the close of the fourth quarter in 1883 was 71.

R. C. Dement of the upper Coquille country was on the bay last week, settling up with the county court his commission connected with the erection of the new bridge over the north fork at Myrtle Point. Dement reports his live stock business as in a flourishing condition, and the feed so good in his locality that he has plenty of excellent beef cattle still running on grass. S. M. Dement's health is not first-rate at present, and his young son, who has been sick so long, is still an invalid.

Geo. Jordan of the Shulaw came to town last week to have Dr. Tower perform a surgical operation on one of his feet. About three years ago Jordan cut his foot with an ax, since which time the foot has given him much trouble, small pieces of bone coming away from it at intervals. The operation performed on the foot last week consisted in amputating the second toe and that part of the foot connected with it as far as the incision. The bone was in a diseased condition and the chances are that the operation will afford Jordan permanent relief. He went home this week.

The other day Mike Mullerky moved his store, building and all, across Front street, onto I. Harker's lot, without suspending business or losing a sale. The removal of this building being necessary to make room for that prominent two-story structure at Bay City that John Bear intends bringing over and locating on the lot between the Marshall lunch house and the Pioneer saloon as soon as the necessary foundation has been prepared, upon which men are now at work. The Bay City house is a good one, 30 by 40 feet in size, and will present an imposing appearance on its new site.

The late reduction in United States postage did not include the British possessions, and herein many correspondents at this place are laboring under a misapprehension. Almost daily letters are dropped into this postoffice for British Columbia, Ontario or Canada, containing two-cent stamps. The postage on foreign letters has not been reduced and it requires a three-cent stamp to carry a single letter to the places above named. Last Tuesday there were three letters held for postage at the Marshall postoffice, addressed to John W. Jones, Nanaimo, Vancouver Island. Unless the senders of these letters come forward and pay the extra postage the letters will be sent to the dead-letter office.

Lost Her Propeller.

On the 27th inst., when within a half hour's run of the bar, the steamer Arcata broke her shaft, lost her propeller and put back to San Francisco under sail, reaching that port last Saturday. The steamer was in charge of Geo. Marshall, the mate, who was captain pro tem, while Capt. Holt was a passenger, coming up with the intention of remaining over one trip to settle up some business connected with the Newport coal mine.

Capt. Holt's business seems to have been of sufficient importance to prompt him to take one of the steamer's small boats and two of her crew and attempt a landing at Port Orford the next day after the propeller was lost. The captain and the two men left the vessel early on the afternoon of the 28th, when she was becalmed about 55 miles from shore. For a time after leaving the steamer the men pulled the boat, until a breeze sprung up, when they set sail; but their hopes of reaching Port Orford were not realized. They were carried too far south by about 40 miles, and between 1 and 2 o'clock on the morning of the 9th they effected a landing at Arch rock, three or four miles south of Pistol river. In getting ashore they stowed their boat and received a drenching. The morning was cold, but they soon started a fire, warmed up, dried out, and then started for Port Orford. The swollen streams so impeded their progress that it was late Friday evening before they arrived at Port Orford. Saturday they reached Bandon, and Sunday evening they arrived at this place, greatly fatigued and hugely disgusted with the various modes of locomotion they were compelled to adopt in making the trip. Chas. Anderson and Geo. Daniels were the men who came with Capt. Holt. Anderson is the winchman and Daniels one of the seamen of the Arcata.

After his arrival at this place, Capt. Holt at once proceeded to Newport, his urgent business being with P. Flanagan, whose half interest in the Newport mine had been bonded to Hawley & Co., the time for taking it expiring to-day. Monday Holt received from Flanagan a deed for the latter's half interest in the mine, the consideration named being \$37,500. Holt subsequently conveyed the property to the Newport coal company, which company now owns the entire mine, together with the Eastport property. Flanagan still retains an interest of some kind in the Newport mine and is the general superintendent of it and its business on the bay.

The passengers, all males and about 15 in number, returned to San Francisco with the steamer. One of them insisted upon accompanying Capt. Holt, but the captain, blessed him, advised him to stay with the biggest boat, and came away without him.

F. Schetter, the agent at Empire, has a dispatch saying that the Arcata will start back from San Francisco to-morrow, in which event she will be due Sunday or Monday.

Capt. Holt will remain on the bay until the arrival and return of his vessel.

Another Good Man Gone.

C. P. Peterson, the Sumner expressman, died somewhat suddenly at Sumner last Thursday morning. He had not enjoyed good health for some time prior to his death, which doubtless came more suddenly than he or any one else anticipated. Only the most strenuous protestations on the part of his friends prevented him from coming or starting to this place with his boat the day before he died. His ailment was of the lungs. About 10 o'clock Wednesday night violent hemorrhage set in, and from that time until his death, about 1 o'clock next morning, he ejected vast quantities of blood and great chunks from his lungs.

Peterson came to the bay 12 or 13 years ago, and for several years thereafter he was employed in various capacities at different logging camps. For the past few years he had been running the express boat between this place and Sumner. Previous to permanently settling on the bay he had been master of a small coasting schooner, generally plying between San Francisco and the southern ports of California.

Peterson was a good man, who won the confidence and respect of all with whom he transacted business or in any way became acquainted, and his loss to the community is one that will be felt and one that will not be easily supplied. He leaves a wife and two small children, the oldest one only about two years of age. In their bereavement they have the sympathy of a multitude of friends.

Deceased was a member of Sunset lodge No. 51, I. O. O. F., under whose auspices he was buried at Sumner last Friday. The steamer Bertha went up from this place with the members of the lodge and many sympathizing friends and the funeral cortege was the largest and most imposing ever witnessed at Sumner.

A. B. Collier of South slough left with us last week several specimens of new potatoes grown at his place since the fall rains began. The potatoes were of the early rose variety, as large as hens' eggs, grew from seed left between the rows where others had been dug in the fall, and when cooked were quite as toothsome as new potatoes at the regular time early in the spring. The tops of these potatoes are from one to two feet high and have not been at all affected by the prevailing frosts of the season, which have been severe in almost every locality except Collier's. He says they will continue to grow throughout the winter and that they will mature early in the spring. A sugar beet brought with the potatoes had a green and growing top over three feet long. The young peach trees on Collier's bottom land, and those low down on the hillsides, remain evergreen and grow throughout the year, one year's leaves remaining fresh until crowded off by the next year's growth, while the trees further up the hillsides shed their leaves in the fall. His barbed wire continues green throughout the winter and furnishes excellent feed for stock. Until a week or two since, when the high winter tides flooded the field, he had red clover growing that was two feet high. Collier's ranch on South slough is at a place designated by old settlers as Charleston bay, and this anomaly in vegetation is due to almost perfect protection from blasting winds from all quarters. The old gentleman calculates on a bonanza in peaches by and by, but if they fail he can with certainty fall back on the truck patch and furnish new potatoes for Christmas and New Year.

Billy Stillwell, the mail robber, in default of \$2000 bail, is in jail at Portland, awaiting action of the grand jury. Wesley Doney was taken to Portland and there turned loose penniless. He started to walk back home. At Oregon City he met Martindale, the Canas valley postmaster, who assisted him to Roseburg. There should be some relief for an innocent boy under such circumstances.

Sickness has compelled Miss Sadie Hall to relinquish her school at Coquille for a time. It was taught last week by Miss Charlotte Vanderburgh, who is now in charge of her own school at Kentuck slough. Charley Vanderburgh has the Coquille school until such time as Miss Hall's health will warrant her in taking charge of it again.

J. D. Garfield is building a new dwelling house on a portion of the lot he lately purchased of Fred Webber and is improving the front of the Webber house.

Thanks Returned.

At a meeting of Sunset lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., Monday evening, the thanks of the lodge were voted to Messrs. Wright, Johnson and Bruce of Sumner for their kind assistance in preparing the remains of the late Chas. P. Peterson for burial, and the secretary of the lodge was instructed to furnish each of them with a copy of the resolution.

Members of the lodge are also sincerely thankful to John B. Dully of Sumner for his generosity on the day of Peterson's funeral in gratuitously providing them with refreshments when the public house at Sumner was unable to accommodate the large and unexpected rush made upon it that day.

In Memoriam.

At a regular meeting of Sunset lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., held January 12, 1884, the following resolutions in regard to the death of C. P. Peterson were adopted.

Whereas, In view of the loss we have sustained by the death of our friend and Brother Chas. P. Peterson, and of the still heavier loss sustained by those who were nearest and dearest to him; therefore be it

Resolved, That it be a just tribute to the memory of the departed to say that in regretting his removal from our midst we mourn for one who was in every way worthy of our respect and regards.

Resolved, That we sincerely condole with the family of the deceased on the dispensation with which it has pleased Divine Providence to afflict them, and commend them for consolation to Him who orders all things for the best and whose chastisements are meant in mercy.

Resolved, That this heartfelt testimonial of our sympathy and regard be forwarded to the family of our departed friend by the secretary of the lodge.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the lodge and a copy thereof be transmitted to each of the newspapers of Marshfield for publication.

South Coos River Items.

To the Editor of the COAST MAIL: We are having nice weather again. The wind storm that visited us Friday night, week before last, did but little damage aside from blowing down fences.

We have been having much sickness on the river. Jas. E. Mortimer is sick. Fuller Sprague is convalescent.

J. W. Judd has a badly sprained wrist. Mrs. Wm. Palmer is visiting friends at Marshfield and Empire.

The Mosher parsonage has been fired up and new walls put down between it and the church. What has become of all our old correspondents? I suppose they disappeared with the old year and that new ones must take their place. I see by a reply that Jerry Lily made to Minnie May that she has a beau out west. What a pity it is that the word "she" is in there instead of "he."

I suppose Grumbler must be very happy now, for he does not grumble at us any more. Good Nature has forgotten us altogether in her matrimonial happiness, and Minnie May seems to be rather lazy in her correspondence.

South Coos river, January 14, 1884.

Collector Watson of Empire had in charge Julius Frederick, a sailor from the schooner W. H. Stevens, whose feet were badly swollen from exposure. While the Stevens was loading with lumber at North Bend for the island of Tahiti, Frederick ran away from her, and after she had sailed he shipped on the schooner Big River for San Francisco. New Year's day, while the latter vessel was lying at Aaronville, Frederick again ran away and remained in the woods for six days and nights without food. He finally brought up at Empire, where Collector Watson took him in charge and he remained in the ferry.

A place could be found in which to keep Frederick, as no one wanted him around his premises, so, as a last resort, the collector was forced to lodge Frederick in the corridor of the county jail and appoint a guard to watch him. Monday night, while the aged guardian of demented Jack was peacefully snoring the snore of the sleepy sentinel, Frederick, with the aid of a stove poker, pried off the door latch of his compartment and disappeared in the darkness. Nothing had been seen or heard of him since up to Tuesday night, although the entire population of Empire turned out to hunt for him, stimulated by a reward of \$25 which had been offered for his return. The man had nothing but stockings on his feet and was otherwise but scantily clad, and doubtless he will perish in the woods if not soon found.

We recently mentioned the fact that Judge Dyer, their agent, had received from Foster & Doy a check for \$8000, which money had been paid to W. A. Luse for his late interests at Sumner, and that another check for \$4500 was coming. That also has been received. Of it \$3000 went to Isaac Brigrum, for 160 acres of choice timber land that he owned in the vicinity of Sumner, and \$1000 to Fred Jarvis, for 160 acres in the same locality. Perhaps the other \$500 went for incidentals.

It is Jap and not Joe Yoakum who is building the road from McKnight's to Wm. Knowlton's place. Last Sunday the steamer Bertha took Jap and his outfit to McKnight's, and the presumption is that active work on the road has been inaugurated. The road will be about three miles in length and is intended for one over which to carry supplies to a new logging camp that Yoakum contemplates opening next season at Knowlton's place.

In Empire City, last Thursday, at a sale of property by the sheriff for delinquent taxes, the south half of the southeast quarter of section 16, township 27 south, range 12 west, assessed in 1882 to A. B. Brown, was bid in at \$50 for Mrs. Ada Brown of Oakland, Oregon. Also lots 1, 2 and 3, block 48, Empire City. We put up. No bids were received on lots 1 and 2, but lot 3 was bought by I. Harker at \$16.

Holiday presents were in that mail recently delayed and damaged by the superfluity of water on the wagon road. A beautiful book sent to Dr. McCormack's little girl reached here in a worthless condition. A map for this office was wet and torn in two. We received the half that contained the table. The individual who has the other half can have ours by sending for it, and the postal agent is entitled to a chrome.

John Bear has moved the Pioneer saloon building a few feet to the east, on a line with the buildings south of it, and is giving the structure a new foundation and such needed improvements in and outside as will soon cause it to present a much better appearance than it did on its original location.

A. M. Crawford and Percy Levar lately had a nice dwelling house built on the sawdust in the vicinity of the Baptist church. They say it is to rent. Perhaps it is while the girls are preparing their trousseaus. A tatterer says the one who gets married first will win the other's interest in the property.

Nowadays the mails between Portland and this place are carried on the go-as-you-please plan. Some days they come and some days they don't. Wednesday of last week was one of the days they didn't come and last Monday's mail brought none of the Portland dailies.

Geo. Ferry will speak at the Academy next Sunday, and will occupy part of Rev. A. R. Little's evening service. Subject: "The Bible on Trial." Come one, come all, for I have some important statements to make.

GEORGE FERRY.

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

January Term, 1884 - Dyer, J.

BILLS ALLOWED.

J. H. Minard, for lumber furnished road district No. 24, \$20 14

Whitney & O'Connell, for spikes furnished road district No. 13, 15 00

E. O'Connell, for spikes furnished road district No. 3, 30 00

Whitney & O'Connell, for spikes furnished road district No. 18, 51 87

Whitney & O'Connell, for spikes furnished road district No. 2, 20 50

Mrs. L. Labree, for lumber furnished road district No. 3, 50 50

A. S. Bull, official services in road district No. 30, 28 00

R. C. Dement, superintending building north fork bridge at Myrtle Point, 36 00

C. Volkmar, clerical services for superintending north fork bridge, 5 00

J. B. Garfield, spikes and planing for road district No. 4, 34 50

Geo. McEwan, spikes for road district No. 13, 10 00

C. F. Von Peger, building north fork bridge at Myrtle Point, 1845 00

E. B. Dean & Co., lumber for road district No. 3, 98 44

B. Hermann, lumber and spikes for road district No. 7, 12 41 and 20 43

A. L. Nisler, planks for road district No. 10, 10 00

S. D. Howell, planks and official services for road district No. 21, 48 00

Dr. W. T. Tower, money advanced to Senter, discharged pauper, 5 00

Dr. C. B. Golden, money advanced to Jas. Clark, indigent, 25 00

Dr. Golden & McCormack, attendance on Senter, discharged pauper, 12 50

Dr. C. W. Tower, quarter's salary as county physician, 100 00

Dr. C. W. Tower, keeping pauper, 47 71

Dr. W. T. Tower, examination of E. F. Dyer, 10 00

D. L. Steele, for same services, 10 00

Andrew Johnson, keeping Francis Miller, pauper, 39 00

Jas. Verrey, keeping Phelps, indigent, 44 00

Mrs. A. C. Schwere, keeping Jas. Budd, indigent, 77 50

Drawing jury lists for Coquille, North Coos river and Hall's prairie precincts, 21 00

J. Hare, assistant jailer, 20 00

A. B. Camp, quarter's salary as school superintendent, 100 00

Dr. J. B. Crawford and M. G. Miller, attending in examining teachers, 24 00

Bennett Bros., county printing, 6 00

A. M. Crawford, fees as deputy district attorney and examining insane, 27 50

B. Hermann, mentalist, 2 50

Juryman at circuit court, 590 00

Witnesses at circuit court, 428 50

August Schroeder, costs in case of State vs. W. S. Jenkins, 49 15

State vs. Julius Larsen, costs, 83 85

State vs. J. W. Otto, costs, 36 45

State vs. Sue Quong, costs, 31 50

F. Mark's bill for coffin for W. N. Carlson was returned.

PROBATE BUSINESS.

In the matter of the estate of H. Witte, deceased—Second semi-annual account of Thomas Hirst administrator, filed; administrator ordered to pay certain claims against the estate and expenses of administration, and the balance (\$38 84) to be distributed among the heirs of said deceased. Sale of real property confirmed and administrator ordered to make to Andrew O'Connell a conveyance of the east half of the northeast quarter of section 15 and the west half of the northwest quarter of section 14, township 26 south, range 13 west.

In the matter of the estate of James Flanagan, deceased—Final account of Patrick Flanagan, administrator, approved, administration declared closed; administrator discharged and bondsman exonerated.

In the matter of the estate of Aaron Hoover, deceased—Christina Hoover, administratrix, ordered to file receipts of A. Hoover, Susanah Myers, Willis Hoover and Laura B. Hoover, and to deposit the same with the clerk of the court, and to report on closing out the estate of said deceased.

In the matter of the estate of W. T. Perry, deceased—Semi-annual account of J. H. Schroeder, administrator, filed and approved; administrator ordered to pay all claims against said estate.

In the matter of the estate of Helen Hutter, deceased—Semi-annual account of M. Mullen, administrator, filed and approved; administrator ordered to pay all claims against said estate.

In the matter of the estate of Francis Frank, deceased—Treasurer's receipt filed, showing that J. W. Bennett, administrator, has paid \$105 73 of his balance in his hands, the state fund, as directed. Administration closed; administrator discharged and bondsman exonerated.

In the matter of the estate of Chas. Metcalf, deceased—Semi-annual report of the administrator filed and approved; administrator ordered to pay all claims against said estate.

In the matter of the estate of Rebecca Henderson, deceased—W. H. Henderson, administrator, discharged and bondsman exonerated, on petition of heirs.

In the matter of the estate of Neil Erickson—Account of R. J. Cussans, guardian, filed and approved.

In the matter of the estate of Jas. A. Scott—Final account of J. W. Bennett, guardian, filed and approved and guardianship closed.

In the matter of the estate of C. W. Warner, deceased—Semi-annual account of Fannie Warner, administratrix, filed and approved.

In the matter of the estate of Chas. Metcalf, deceased—Report of the administrator filed and approved; administrator ordered to pay all claims against said estate.

In the matter of the estate of Richard Hancock, deceased—Administrator's semi-annual report filed, and he ordered to pay to each of the heirs \$50 and to apply the balance in his hands toward paying the demands against said estate.

In the matter of the estate of W. R. Martin, deceased—Administrator's report filed and accepted.

of Coquille City for a license to retail spirituous liquors—Continued, with leave to interested parties to produce and file further evidence. The remainder of the proceedings reached us too late for this week. They will appear next.

SUMNER EXPRESS.

From and after this date the undersigned will run a regular express boat between Marshfield and Sumner. All business and orders entrusted to me will receive prompt attention.

JOHN RUTH.

Marshfield, Or., January 16, 1884.

A Coos Bay Cow-Catcher.

Wm. Phillips of Eastport has been granted a United States patent for a new and improved locomotive cow-catcher. The object of Phillips' invention is to provide a cow-catcher that will throw or remove from the track cows, horses or other animals and heavy obstructions without danger of displacing the engine from the rails. The cow-catcher is made of plates of boiler iron firmly connected to form a A-shape box, open at the under side and inclined to a point at its forward end. At the bottom is a frame of bars that serves to strengthen the plates, and the catcher is firmly bolted to the bumper. The catcher is made of a width to cover the rails, and to the lower edge of each side is connected a strong spring plate, having its end extending backward and downward, so as to terminate just above the rail. Made as described, this catcher is strong enough to lift an animal or other obstruction so as to throw it back upon the rear part, from which it will roll off. The springs, being strong enough to resist heavy pressure, will remove small objects not removed by the catcher, and in case the rails should be sprung these springs would act to force the rails down, so that the wheels could pass safely over. The catcher may be made of numerous plates riveted together at the joints, or the plates may be bent to shape. The chief merit, as we understand it, that Phillips claims for his invention is a closed cow-catcher for locomotives, made of boiler iron, in the shape described. He has already received many proposals from agents who desire to handle the new patent, and the chances are that it will be a good thing.

Dan Hill Committed to Jail.

[Oregonian, January 9.] Daniel T. Hill, a blacksmith of Coos county, who is implicated in the Canas valley mail robbery on the 19th of last month, was arraigned yesterday before United States Commissioner Paul Deady. Hill is a rough looking man, with a very bushy head of unkempt hair, and exceedingly dirty raiment. The commissioner proceeded with the examination of the prisoner, and the first witness called was R. S. Belknap, postmaster at Angora. He testified to his uniform care in locking the mail pouch, and to there being six packages of registered matter on the day of the robbery. Postmaster Martindale of Canas valley testified that whereas six registered packages should have arrived, only five came, No. 32, from Denmark, being gone. William A. Stillwell, the carrier between Angora and Canas valley, a boy of 16 years, testified that he opened the pouch and took out the registered package, having been incited to the crime by Hill, who is his brother-in-law. Hill gave him the key with which he unlocked the pouch. The registered package contained \$100, of which Hill received \$25, according to previous agreement. Young Stillwell's evidence was straightforward and unswerving. Hill offered nothing in his own defense, and was committed to the county jail in default of \$1000 bonds.

The Plaiddealer says Hon. J. F. Watson was in Roseburg last week on business connected with the sale of the Coos bay wagon road land to the Coos bay railroad company. Here on the way it is understood that the formal transfer of this land has been made to the railroad company. Henry Sengstacken, Crocker's agent, has received intelligence to that effect.

C. F. W. Von Peger finished the building of the bridge over the north fork of the Coquille at Myrtle Point about Christmas. The main span is 90 feet and the north approach 150 feet and the south approach 80 feet, making a total length of 320 feet. The contract price was \$1870.

Last year Dean & Co's mill at this place ran 303 days and cut, in round numbers, 13,000,000 feet of lumber. This is about the same as it did the preceding year. New machinery now at the mill and soon to be put in will doubtless greatly increase the output of the establishment this year.

Barnum is having trouble in insuring his white elephant, now en route from Siam. He has offered \$25,000 premium for an insurance of \$300,000 on the life of the animal for one year, but the insurance companies seem adverse to having a white elephant on their hands.

W. B. Clark has been awarded the contract for keeping the paupers of Douglas county for six years.

Josh Brown has become proprietor of the Sumner hotel and is supposed to take the management of it to-day. He traded to John Levar other property for the hotel premises.

Miss Gussie Palmer of Scottsburg is at Drain's, spending the winter with Mrs. W. E. Palmer.

BORN.

In Marshfield, January 14, to the wife of H. W. Dunham, a daughter.

MARRIED.

In Empire City, January 13, B. Barker to Mrs. Kate Teigh.

DIED.

In Sumner, January 10, C. P. Peterson, a native of Stockholm, Sweden, aged 41 years.

NOTICE

TO FRED. TIMMERMAN'S DEBTORS.

HAVING DISPOSED OF MY MARKET BUSINESS in Marshfield, it has become necessary to close and settle up all accounts with ROSS & TIMMERMAN, and parties indebted to the late firm or to me individually are requested to come forward and make payment without delay or further notice and thus save me trouble and themselves extra expense.

F. TIMMERMAN.

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