

The Coast Mail.

MARSHFIELD, OREGON:
Thursday, January 24, 1884

"Justice" will appear next week.

B. B. Jones' family will depart for California by this steamer.

A. M. Crawford, Esq., returned from Curry county last Tuesday.

If you want to hire or buy a boat, go to the Marshfield drug store.

Wm. Hall has leased his Isthmus slough ranch to Frank Neida for three years.

Do you want a cow? An A1 No. 1 milch cow? If so, call at Crawford & Lockhart's, who have one for sale. Price \$50.

The sign-board and several life-preservers from the wrecked steamer Victoria went ashore last week at the mouth of Ten-mile creek.

G. H. Richardson and John Lattie, late of the Summer hotel, are now residents of Marshfield. Josh Brown now runs the hotel at Summer.

S. R. Davis is going below by this steamer, to swap points for a few weeks with the mails and bears of Pauper alley and California street.

The steamer brought W. G. Webster another invoice of new goods, and he is selling cheaper than ever, to make room for the new stock.

Wednesday of last week David Roberts and wife, late of Southport, left Empire, via Jarvis, Cornwall & Co's line to Drain's, for Washington territory.

Any one wishing to purchase a couple of first-class corner lots on the hill, close to the academy, will learn something to his advantage by applying at this office.

The steamer brought more machinery for the saw mill, which will be started in a few days. Earle expects to ship specimens of its work to San Francisco by next steamer.

Everybody buys treasure tea; in perfection canisters; a fragrant beverage; scientifically cured, by perfection process. X. L. N. T. cash store, J. Landis & Sons, sole agents.

Judge Dyer has further postponed his decision in regard to the Chinese girl Tye. Tye until the adjourned meeting of the county court February 21. The girl is still in the custody of the sheriff.

A couple of weeks ago J. J. Earle found in the slough near the saw mill a fat cat that had been but little worn and which had evidently been lost there. Earle left the hat at this office and the owner can have it by calling for it.

Dan Hill, incarcerated at Portland, is reported to be in such poor health as to excite fears that he will not survive many months. In addition to heart disease, says an exchange, he is afflicted with quick consumption and rapidly grows worse.

The health of G. Webster's family has not been as much improved by the move to Santa Cruz, Cal., as he hoped it would be. Of late Mrs. Webster has been afflicted with inflammatory rheumatism and their little girl is still troubled with asthma.

Capt. Dan Roberts' little child was severely afflicted with spasms last week, the result of retained dentition, and for a time its case was considered almost hopeless. Drs. Golden & McCormack, the attending physicians, report the child now convalescent.

T. J. Davis and his two sons and A. G. Hoagland have purchased of Wm. Hall the California coal mine and are now working it, with a view to putting the coal upon this market. For the mine and about 60 acres of land they have paid or are to pay \$1500.

L. Simkins left the bay on the 16th inst. He emerged from the sandhills opposite Empire and boarded Jarvis, Cornwall & Co's stage, ostensibly to go to the Siuslaw, but afterwards he paid through fare and went to Drain's, and probably south from there to California. The report is that he defrauded his wife and that he dodged officers with a warrant for his arrest.

Hon. G. Webster, who came from California by last steamer, will remain on the bay till the steamer again returns from California, after which he will go to the Siuslaw to look after his fishing interests there. Webster reports the San Francisco market for salt salmon down to 50 per barrel, a figure that shuts off all profit in the business. "Cause" cheap pork and too many fish.

The compiler of dispatches at the San Francisco telegraph office was considerably off when he sent abroad the statement that Holt had deserted his post as captain of the Arcata after she lost her propeller. As we stated last week, Marshall was in charge of the steamer. The false report in regard to Holt's desertion of the vessel would not be believed where that gentleman is known, but of course it needs contradiction where he is unknown.

Last week Geo. Davis moved John Bear's big house from Bay City to this place and it is now located upon the lot between the Pioneer saloon and the Marshfield lunch rooms, on the west side of Front street, where it will undergo the necessary remodeling to give it a better appearance and make it a desirable business building. The floor of the lower room—30x40 feet in size—will be dropped down a few feet, so as to give it a 10-foot ceiling. This room will be occupied as a store, and rumor says it will be Bear's.

Audley Bancroft of San Francisco came up on the last Arcata, for the purpose of gathering material for H. H. Bancroft, who is engaged in writing a history of the Pacific coast. Mr. Bancroft intends to remain several weeks, which time he will divide between this and Curry county. The history of both this and Curry county is replete with anecdotes and incidents of the days of pioneer life, without mention of which a history of this coast would be incomplete, and it is not soon written these now attainable facts will be lost in the vagueness and uncertainty of tradition. All those who have information of any value to impart will no doubt gladly assist Mr. Bancroft in the full extent of their ability. The historian H. H. Bancroft is placed in the first ranks of living historians, and his works are collected not only for the deep research displayed therein, but also for the excellence of their style.

J. B. Folz of Ligonier, Noble county, Indiana, who arrived on the bay some two months ago, will be a passenger on the outgoing steamer to-day, on route for his home, via San Francisco. Mr. Folz came to Coos county for the purpose of inspecting the various inducements here offered for the investment of capital, and he has given the matter more attention than any other one man from abroad who has lately visited the county, and we have reason to believe that his report to his associates in the east will be favorable. After having seen what he has, a man of his intelligence could not consistently report otherwise, and we expect to soon see him here again, with the necessary capital at his disposal to improve a few of the many splendid opportunities now offered in every section of this county for men of means to develop valuable properties that can now be bought for a mere bagatelle. If Folz and his friends do not improve the opportunity, some others soon will, for such chances for capital as are now offered in this county cannot go begging for any great length of time.

THE VEGA'S VOYAGE

From Humboldt Bay to the Fiji Islands and Back to Coos Bay.

Capt. F. J. Thoros of the schooner Vega, now in port to load at Newport, has placed at our service the following notes of his late trip to the Fiji Islands:

October 7, 1883.—Left Humboldt bay and same day sailed California out of sight and bid good-by to Yankee land. We are now rolling along on a S. S. W. course, and this continues day after day. In 10 days the thermometer has risen to 85°. In 21 days out we cross the equator, 154° west. We are now in the South Pacific, and still rolling on.

Sunday, November 4.—Passed close to Rakahanga island. The natives, in canoes, came aboard, to trade, and reported all well ashore.

Saturday, November 10.—Sailed between the Samoan islands.

Wednesday, November 14.—Sighted Nuku, the first island of the Fiji group.

Thursday, November 15.—At noon we had passed the meridian of 180° and changed our day to Friday.

November 16.—At 8 p. m. we anchored in the harbor of Levuka, on the island of Ovalau, having sailed from Humboldt, a distance of 5000 miles, in 39 days.

The Fiji islands have been colonized by the British and are under British laws. The natives are very dark, resembling negroes in appearance. Their hair is long and coarse. The Fiji group numbers between 200 and 300 small islands, all of which are surrounded by coral reefs, where the sea is always breaking. These reefs afford good anchorage inside, and around many of the islands vessels can sail between the reef and the land. Some of these reefs have no passage for vessels and through others the government has had passages blasted out. Outside the reefs the water is so deep that vessels cannot find anchorage, even close to the reefs, and often, in calm weather, vessels are lost by drifting onto the reefs. Where there is soil, coconut trees grow on all of the islands. Government is sending to the Samoan, New Hebrides and other groups to procure laborers, the native Fijians being opposed to work. There are many sugar plantations and other industries under development at the Fiji group and labor is in demand. The Fiji exports are principally sugar and tropical fruits, which go to Sydney, Melbourne and Auckland, to which ports regular steamers run. Their beef is imported from New Zealand and all staples used by the whites are imported from Australia and New Zealand.

November 25.—Sailed from Levuka for Suva and arrived there the next day. During the 11 days that we remained at Suva it rained all the time.

December 6.—Sailed for Coos bay. Between the 9th and 10th of December we again crossed the meridian of 180°, from west to east, and dated back one day, giving us two Mondays in one week.

December 22.—Crossed the equator in 266° west.

On New Year's day we had 2800 miles to Coos bay, on a northeast course.

January 22.—In 137° west we had variable winds, squally and stormy weather, with much rain. Thence to the bay we had easterly winds and made the bay on the 17th, in the evening, and was towed in next day. The distance sailed between Suva and Coos bay was 6500 miles. In 43 days, without sighting land or seeing a sail. All well on board.

Fred Nelson, an employee at Dean & Co's mill, was severely injured last Sunday by being thrown from a horse on the road between Empire and Newport. Nelson and three companions were out for a pleasure trip on horseback, when his animal became unmanageable, ran away, fell, and threw him into the top of a fallen tree, one of the broken and jagged limbs of which penetrated the upper part of his left thigh, on the inside, inflicting a wound about two inches deep and about three inches long, immediately over the main artery of the leg. Had the wound been a trifle deeper, the artery would have been severed and Nelson would have died from the loss of blood before medical aid could have reached him. The wound bled profusely, as it was, but Nelson remounted his horse and rode to Newport, from which place he was brought to town in a buggy. Dr. Tower dressed Nelson's thigh and he is now getting along nicely.

Z. Walin's son John, a lad about 15 years old, was brought to town from Willoughby slough last Monday and placed under Dr. Tower's care. The boy's ailment is inflammation in one of his knees, which is so sore and stiff that he cannot endure the pain incident to straightening his leg, which has been kept in a half-doubled-up and cramped condition for several days, until the final result of the disease is hard to foretell.

Christmas day, while employed at John Bear's ranch, young Walin fell and hurt his knee, the trifling injury then sustained having since developed into a disease dangerous to the future usefulness of the limb.

The steamer Arcata, Capt. Marshall, arrived at this place last Monday afternoon with the following list of passengers: Henry Rhodes, G. Webster, J. Kirkland, J. C. Vale, A. Fox, H. Rising, Grube, S. Bernard, J. Jensen, AM. Butler, G. B. Knowles, A. Bancroft and 24 in the steerage. The steamer left San Francisco Saturday and was 45 hours in reaching the bar. Her late failure to reach this port was due to the breaking of her shaft and the consequent loss of her propeller, as heretofore reported. If the captain's calculations connect, the steamer will sail from Empire this forenoon.

John Kennedy, and employee at Lobree's mill, met with an accident last Saturday by which he lost the second toe of his right foot. Kennedy was chopping with an ax, which glanced into the foot and severed the toe, with the exception of a small particle of the skin. He was brought to town and Dr. Tower completed the self-imposed amputation by taking off more of the toe and putting it in a condition to soon heal up and never more trouble Kennedy. A singular feature of the accident was that the one toe was the only part of Kennedy's foot that sustained any injury from the ax glancing into it.

Capt. Magee and the crew of the tug Escort were last week erecting a new lookout station at Empire. The new lookout is near the old one, but will be about 50 or 60 feet higher, which will afford a good view of the mouth of the Umpqua and as far seaward as the eye can reach. The increased elevation has been obtained by drawing together the tops of three trees, which are reached by a ladder and held in place by wire rigging, upon which foundation they propose building a house to protect the lookout during inclement weather.

Wm. Phillips, late superintendent of the Eastport property, with his wife, will depart for California by the steamer of to-day. Previous to relinquishing his position as superintendent at Eastport, Phillips closed up the mine and snugly stowed away all of the movable property connected therewith. When the mine is again worked, it will be through a new opening somewhere up Boatman gulch.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Issued at the Coos County Clerk's Office During the Year 1883.

January 20—John Ruth and Annie Wybarak.
January 20—W. E. Bennett and Eliza M. Hillmers.

January 30—Geo. Chard and Minnie M. Elliott.

February 3—Matt Mattson and Christine Esterbeck.

March 5—Henry C. Williams and Lucina C. McNeil.

March 13—John F. Swansen and Rosella Stemmerman.

March 13—Jesse Bellieu and Maggie Fridenberg.

March 20—Robert W. Bullard and Malinda Ann Hamblock.

March 23—Henry Gaanra and Sophia Kallia.

March 30—Thos. D. Holland and Annie J. Gilmore.

May 2—Peter Lindskog and Amelia Grady.

May 17—John C. Bryant and Clementina Hatcher.

May 22—Everett Hayes and Lena Matheson.

June 2—Dennis Donovan and Margaret Quigley.

June 9—Wm. B. Curtis and Rosetta Hirst.

June 7—Francis J. Lewis and Rosa B. Jones.

June 11—John A. Lehnher and Lizzie G. Harris.

June 22—Andrew J. Bunch and Augusta C. Swansen.

July 6—D. C. Krantz and Annie Dyer.

July 25—B. F. Sharp and Mattie A. Henderson.

August 14—A. B. Young and Laura A. Stokes.

August 15—G. W. Martin and Laura E. Bennett.

August 30—Fred Holm and Hannah Suderland.

September 4—Wm. Phillips and Barbara Neal.

September 6—Jos. Laird and Sarah Tripp.

August 20—Byron Hodson and Kate L. Perry.

September 15—Frank R. Robinson and Ellen Henderson.

October 5—Chas. E. Hansen and Annie E. Nilsson.

October 5—Victor Lackstrom and Hanna Stora.

October 6—John C. Epperson and Mary D. Winningham.

October 9—Matt Mattson and Lucy Morgan.

October 11—Jas. A. Hatcher and Alice Darnelle.

October 18—John W. Mullen and Margaret A. Huntley.

October 23—Edward Hoffman and Ettie Williams.

November 1—Wm. T. Brady and Martha A. Bright.

November 10—Wm. Johnson and Sarah Darnelle.

November 16—Henry Huden and Isabella A. Fowells.

November 19—Jas. E. Hoosman and Mary A. Palmer.

November 22—Wm. Phillips and Emma A. Gilmore.

November 23—Angus McMillan and Margaret E. Lower.

November 27—John T. Lewellen and A. B. Graham.

November 27—Smith B. Lewellen and Katie Overholzer.

November 27—Price S. Robinson and Laura B. Hoover.

December 7—John A. Laird and Virginia C. Lusk.

December 20—Geo. A. Smith and Annie Miller.

December 22—Manley Roberts and Teresa Blacklock.

December 22—Cyrus E. Landrum and John L. Richmond.

December 28—Jesse E. Bundy and Lottie E. Ballard.

December 13—Geo. P. Miller and Martha J. Johnson.

December 24—L. N. Lowe and Susan McCabe.

December 27—Allen Arrington and Rose E. Lyons.

December 31—Samuel E. Dicker and Cora B. Roberts.

December 31—Joshua B. Brown and Nancy Sutton.

CORRESPONDENCE

From Jackson County.

I have seen several letters from Coos river in your paper. I lived on Coos bay myself at one time, and I like to hear from there. I look for the COAST MAIL as anxiously as I do for a letter from home.

The railroad boom is gradually dying out in this part of the country, the track now being laid within five miles of Phoenix.

There has been considerable rain here within the last few days, the rise in Rogue river being eight feet.

The town of Grant's Pass is flourishing just now, it being the terminus of the freight division until after the track is laid to Ashland. Owing to wet weather, track laying is suspended for the present.

Tunnel No. 8, at Grave creek, is giving the railroad company considerable trouble, by saving in and blocking the track.

There will be three depots between Grant's Pass and Ashland: one at Chavner's bridge, known as Dardanelles; one near Central point, known as Medford, and one at Punta.

What became of the "Illinois Sucker"? Did some one pick him up on a pin hook, or did he pick us all up on a pin hook?

I think the girls of Quinn college had better come to Jackson county if they cannot find beaux enough on Coos river. What have they done with all those they used to have? Sent them off broken-hearted?

Among other events happening here was a dispute about a placer mine on Wolf creek. One party fortified themselves in a log hut and refused possession to the lawful owner, when the sheriff put in an appearance with a posse of 35 men and took them prisoners without resistance.

What has become of "School Girl"? Is she among the past or is she married? Like all the rest would like to be.

Shed not for her the bitter tear
Nor give the heart to vain regret.

I will close, hoping to hear from "Minnie May" and others.
CHARMANT.
Jackson County, Or., January 11, 1884.

Iowa Slough Items.

To the Editor of the COAST MAIL:
Ha, ha! weather fine and clear. Ranches not for sale now; you should have called a fortnight ago.

The river has receded to its normal condition within its banks.

The people here are all up with bad colds that have been going the rounds of the country. Adam Pershaker called on us the other day. He reported his sheep at Randolph about the day previous.

Divine services were held in the school house here a week ago, but owing to some misinformation it was not generally known and the congregation was small. Your correspondent did not get the news even in time to be there at the eleventh hour.

Rev. W. M. Noller, who had a severe attack of erysipelas on the hand, a few weeks ago, is again able to attend to his duties at his ranch.

B. Vowel came down from Coquille City a few days ago, preparatory to digging fruit trees to fill the numerous orders now on hand, but sickness in his family called him back home.

S. T. Jenkins and Evert Hayes were down on a sporting expedition. They said they had not enjoyed a good duck stew this winter and that they intended to take home a couple of feathers, if nothing more. Judging from the cannonading I heard, they were fortunate to get home with a couple of shoulders.

I noticed an item in the News a short time ago stating that Q. A. Noller is writing some tariff articles for the Herald, and that his republican friends should see to him. In this connection I would inform that paper that it is mistaken. W. H. Noller is the gentleman who is writing that tariff stuff, and I believe him to be a democrat. It is bad policy for a man to back against his own party; however, the editor should see to Noller.

CRICKET.
Iowa slough, January 20, 1884.

South Coos River Items.

To the Editor of the COAST MAIL:
S. C. Rogers is doing some plowing and ditching. He has also sent for his spring stock of goods for his store.

J. A. Youkiss is at work on his road from McKnight's to Knowlton's place. He says he will make a toll road if it if the neighbors do not turn out and help build it.

Some time ago Jas. Judd became disabled in one of his wrists while pulling a boat. He is still unable to work, and now three or four members of his family are reported sick abed.

Who ever saw a finer and better winter in Oregon for stock than this?

Rev. Wm. Bonebrake held services at the Daniel's creek church last Sunday.

Henry Folk is going south to work on the railroad.

S. C. Rogers has a half dozen of Albert Colver's 32 patent bee-hives. They are the boss hives and worth \$15 any man's money.

Ducks are scarce on the river at present.

LUCKY QUEEN.
South Coos river, January 21, 1884.

Three Papers for \$3 25!

We have received and accepted a proposition to club the COAST MAIL with the San Francisco Weekly Call. The Call is an eight-page paper of 64 columns, printed on a sheet 40 by 52 inches in size. We consider it by far the best weekly published on the Pacific coast, and the price at which it has been offered to us enables us to offer it and the MAIL to advance-paying subscribers at \$2 75 cents per annum. This includes the Call's splendid lithographed "Bird's-Eye View of California." Those of our subscribers who want an excellent San Francisco paper should at once improve this opportunity to secure the Call.

This arrangement with the Call does not in any way affect our clubbing arrangement with the Chicago Weekly News, except we give our subscribers their choice between the two papers and charge them 25 cents extra when they select the Call.

We will furnish the MAIL and the News for \$2 50, or the MAIL and the Call for \$2 75, or all three papers for \$3 25 per year in advance. Few people need more good reading matter than these three papers will furnish. Subscribers who have paid for the MAIL and the News, and would have the Call also, can have it by paying us the difference of 75 cents.

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JARVIS, CORNWALL & CO.

Leaves Empire City and Drain's station every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY. The steamer JUNO or RESTLESS meets the stages at the mouth of the Umpqua. New and comfortable stages. Fare to Drain's station, 57 through in Portland, \$15.50. Each passenger allowed 30 pounds of baggage. Passengers are requested to be in Empire City the night before departure. Any information in regard to the time can be procured at the Blaisance or Central hotel in Marshfield and the post office or any public house in Empire.

Capt. Wm. Tichenor, now at San Francisco, pronounces as premature the report that Jay Gould has purchased a large water front at Port Orford, but the captain says that negotiations are going on with eastern men for the sale of such property, though nothing has yet been consummated.

Rev. G. W. Black went over to Gardiner last week to labor a few days with the good and bad people of that locality, where quite an interest has of late been awakened in religious matters. Rev. C. P. Bailey will supply Rev. Black's place here next Sunday.

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

January Term, 1884—Dyer, J.

(Concluded.)
BILLS ALLOWED.

Henry G. Ploeger, justice of the peace.
Empire precinct—State vs. M. Mullen. \$1 35
Henry Kroeger, cleaning coat house. 4 00
R. W. Getty, wood and coal. 30 00
Geo. Bennett, justice peace—jury list. 1 00
Leo Gunt, same. 2 00
M. E. Anderson, same. 2 00
Alex. Stauff, stationery and blank books. 75 75
H. Sengstacken, supplies for jail. 2 75
D. Morse, jr., supplies for court house. 10 20
John Lane, services as sheriff. 437 35
Alex. Stunt, county clerk. 354 00
G. M. Dyer, county judge. 150 00
S. C. Rogers, county commissioner. 22 00
W. H. Holmstrom, same. 24 00
C. Lehnher, spikes for road district 21. 6 12
R. H. Rosa, lumber and spikes for road district 27. 391 48

R. W. Getty, supervisor road district 1. 24 00
C. E. Van Housen, district 2. 13 00
H. P. Whitney, district 3. 60 00
J. D. Garfield, district 4. 36 00
John Mackelbrink, district 6. 24 00
O. F. Moore, district 9. 20 00
W. T. Miller, district 9. 20 00
J. Randellman, district 11. 8 00
D. P. Strong, district 12. 25 00
R. Buck, district 13. 24 00
W. C. Bullard, district 14. 24 00
T. M. Hermann, district 15. 14 00
G. W. Stevenson, district 18. 10 00
E. Carman, district 19. 10 00
Hiram Letts, district 20. 20 00
M. Krantz, district 24. 10 00
E. P. Mast, district 27. 12 00
D. L. Watson, district 28. 12 00
H. Nichols, district 29. 2 00
D. Bush, district 30. 25 00
Stephen Johnson, district 31. 16 00

ROAD BUSINESS.
E. Fahy and others petition for a road from the black sand mines near Randolph, to the Randolph ferry. Adam Pershaker, J. J. Lowe and E. W. Fahy were appointed viewers and J. F. Hall surveyor, to meet at the black sand mines on the 25th of February.

The petition for a road on Rock creek, in district 21, was rejected, for the reason that a lawful road is already established on said creek.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.
Ordered that the county clerk issue a warrant for the collection of the delinquent taxes for 1882. Ordered that interested parties file with the county clerk plans and estimates for the proposed bridge across the south fork of the Coquille river at Myrtle Point on or before the 11th day of February next.

Court adjourned till February 11, 1884.

REAL ESTATE

Transactions Recently Recorded at the County Clerk's Office.

Patrick Flanagan and wife to Geo. A. Holt—Flanagan's interest in the Newport coal mine property—\$37,500.

Geo. A. Holt to the Newport coal company—The Flanagan interest before transferred—\$1.

Geo. A. Holt, F. C. Peters and J. C. Hawley to the Newport coal company—The S. M. Mann interest in the Newport coal mine property—\$1.

United States to Wm. Bowron—South half of southeast quarter of section 13 and north half of northeast quarter of section 24, township 23 south, range 12 west.

Jas. Clark to Andrew Nasburg—Lots 5 and 6, block 38, Clement's plat, Marshfield—\$200.

United States to Wm. Bowron—South half of southeast quarter of section 13 and north half of northeast quarter of section 24, township 23 south, range 12 west.

United States to Wm. Roberts—Lots 3 and 4 and south half of northwest quarter of section 15, township 29 south, range 12 west.

United States to Wm. E. Aasen—South half of southwest quarter of section 1 and north half of northwest quarter of section 12, township 29 south, range 13 west.

J. T. McCormac to Hattie E. McCormac—Lots 3 and 4, block 5, Hall's plat, Marshfield—\$250.

W. O. Christensen and Thos. Walker to F. Mark—Part of lot 2, block 3, Cathart's plat, Marshfield—\$250.