

# PUGET SOUND WEEKLY ARGUS SUPPLEMENT.

PORT TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON TERRITORY, APRIL 5, 1878.

## COMMUNICATED.

LOPEZ ISLAND, March 31, 1878.  
EDITOR ARGUS:—Often, when visiting my parishioners, I meet with interesting reminiscences of their experiences, worthy of record, as the following, related by a friend residing on Lopez Island.

Once, when engaged as a commercial traveler, for a firm in New York State, he lodged for a night at a wayside house where, during the evening, a party of gamblers took their places around a faro table. Our friend retired at an early hour, when the tremulous voice of a woman—a WIFE AND MOTHER—was distinctly heard from an adjacent room, earnestly supplicating at the throne of grace, for the salvation of her inebriate and wayward husband who was spending his precious hours at the gambler's shrine below.

The narrator of this affecting story, being deeply impressed, arose from his bed and penned the following appropriate lines, which, please insert. Respectfully Yours,

T. J. WEEKES.

Ye who have hearts to sympathize  
With those in trouble deep,  
Think of the drunkard in your prayers  
And those who for him weep.  
The innocent hath suffered wrong,  
Her child in time must know  
His father dear a drunkard is,  
And ask why is it so?  
Who shall answer to that child  
And satisfy his mind,  
That they who make and mend our laws  
Are great and good and kind?  
Our laws protect the very men  
Who sell the poisonous dye;  
With pity for the wife and child,  
They turn and pass them by.

Oh that these men could only see  
The work they are about,  
For not long hence the judgment day  
Will surely find them out.  
Let us rejoice that we are free,  
And in the cause be brave;  
In Faith and Hope and Charity,  
The drunkard try to save.  
To heaven let the prayer ascend,  
In accents low and mild—  
Remember still, in mercy, Lord,  
The drunkard's wife and child.

ON BOARD STEAMER PILOT, March 27th.  
EDITOR ARGUS:—Knowing the interest you take in the Temperance movement, and that you are always glad to hear of its onward march, I pen these few lines to you.

I am now on my way home from Comox, which is a farming settlement, on the east coast of Vancouver Island—nearly two hundred miles from Victoria.

I arrived at Comox on the 20th inst. I at once announced a public Temperance meeting to be held the following evening. There is one whisky house in the settlement. A notice of the meeting was posted up at the entrance of said saloon; but, as I learned afterwards, the good lady of the said house tore it down. But in spite of that there were a large number of the settlers assembled at the hour appointed for the meeting. The Rev. B. K. McElman, opened the meeting by reading a suitable portion of God's words, following with prayer, after which he made some very appropriate remarks. I then spoke at some length on the question of Total Abstinence. The collection taken up at the close amounted to ten dollars.

The "Star of Hope" lodge was organized with 22 charter members. The following is the list of officers installed for the ensuing quarter: John Berkeley, W. C. T.; Maggie Griene, W. R. H. S.; Agnes Piercy, W. L. H. S.; Barbary Duncan, W. V. T.; Byron Crawford, W. Sec.; John Griene, W. A. S.; Thos. McPhee, W. F. S.; Samuel Piercy, W. T.; Robt. Grant, W. M.; Elliozer Griene, W. D. M.; Joseph Wellwood, W. I. G.; Walter H. Piercy, W. O. G.; John Grant, W. Chap.; P. S. Smith, P. W. C. T.; Rev. B. K. McElman, Lodge Deputy.  
I Remain Yours Truly,  
NOAH SHAKESPEARE, G. W. C. T.

SAN JUAN ISLAND, March 30, 1878.  
To the Port Townsend ARGUS:—Farmers are busy here plowing, and large quantities of grain are being sown. Prospects are good for a splendid crop. Work on both the Catholic and Presbyterian churches will commence soon, and will add greatly to our island.

Messrs. Katz and Dodge, under the name of the San Juan Packing Company, are making extensive preparations to go into the business of salting and smoking salmon, hams and bacon. Their establishment will add greatly to our island. It is their intention to commence first on salmon. Their smoke-house will smoke six tons at a time, and the packing-house has a capacity which will allow of the killing of 100 head of hogs per day, with room besides for the packing of many pounds of salmon. Success, we trust, will follow them, as they are the right men in the right place. They expect to commence operations in about four weeks, and we all trust their business will commence to build San Juan up again. Your good paper gives satisfaction here.  
PEOPLE.

## Telegraphic Summary.

CHICAGO, March 25.—The "Tribune's" special from London says the feeling of anxiety here is very great, and warlike sentiments are becoming general. The two leading conservative newspapers are becoming very violent indeed, demanding war without further parley. Russia has not yet made her expected communication to England relative to the presence of the English fleet in the Sea of Marmora, but she has decided to postpone the withdrawal of her troops from the vicinity of Constantinople so long as the English fleet remains inside the Dardanelles.

CHICAGO, March 27.—Unofficial but trustworthy information from Fort Walsh confirms the recent story of a large confederation of hostile Indians in that vicinity. Sitting Bull and Spotted Tail have been reinforced by lodges from the Missouri river agencies, including Red Cloud's, and it is now estimated that there are from five to seven hundred warriors, within a hundred miles of Fort Walsh. Some of these bands have been seen by Miles' scouts. The savages are very restless, and are under constant surveillance of a limited force of Canadian mounted police, who anticipate trouble. At the council held the last week in February the Indians resolved to resist. Buffalo Law and Sitting Bull counselled moderation toward Canadians, but breathed defiance against Americans. The force is well armed and splendidly equipped and could probably be augmented to 10,000 men, in which case a vigorous summer campaign would be probable.

VIENNA, March 27.—To-day's newspapers consider that the congress has failed and that Austria must now look to the protection of her own interests.

A Berlin dispatch says the powers have declined a suggestion made by Russia that the congress be held without Eug and.

Russia is understood to have indicated her willingness to make further concessions to Austria, and some concessions to Roumania, being prompted it is thought, by growing apprehensions of differences with England.

Germany has, under the circumstances, abandoned for the present all idea of issuing invitations for a congress.

The Berlin "Post" which prints nothing political without a purpose, and which is one of Prince Bismarck's organs, says the failure of the congress would probably result in Russia and England remaining at peace but arming for war. These prolonged armaments England can infinitely better afford than Russia, who would be reduced to exhaustion where she is obliged to maintain her armies on a war footing for some years, as Russia cannot attack England, while England is perfecting her position to bide her time. The Czar will probably be desirous to extend his conquests in the interval, the better to be prepared for a collision when it does occur, but in such case, Austria and Greece would join England to protect their own interests. As to Germany she will never fight for the Russian or any other foreign interests. Russia therefore had better restrain her ambition.

LONDON, March 27.—The "Times" in a leading editorial says the hope that the congress will meet has now almost vanished. Disagreement between our government and that of the Russians seems insuperable.

NEW YORK, March 29.—A special from London says it is stated that a Russian camp of 200,000 men is forming at Khokand, destined to operate against India.

The Vienna Friedenblatt says Turkey shows no disposition to ask a withdrawal of the British fleet, though Russia has intimated that its presence causes a continuance of Russian occupation.

VIENNA, March 28.—Count Androssy has informed Sir Henry Elliot that Austria would remain neutral in the event of an Anglo-Russian war.

THE LITTLE MEN.—A reporter of the Portland "Standard" recently while in conversation with Commodore Nutt, learned that he and the Major have retired from the stage and will make their home generally in that city. They will travel between Portland and San Francisco, and their extensive ranch in the Palouse country. For the past fifteen years Mr. J. D. Nutt, their brother—and by the way a man of usual stature—has been superintending the ranch, and herds of cattle in which they are all interested. A few days since the Commodore purchased a large tract of land adjoining their place and also 1,500 head of cattle with which to stock it. On the last steamer from San Francisco came a "little man" named Win. Yeoman who sold to Commodore a number of fine-blooded horses, which are coming via the Sound. These brothers, whose reputation reaches from the rising to the setting sun, and who have visited almost every court and cline are satisfied to discard the stage with its flattery and popularity, and become citizens of Portland in the far west State of Oregon. Notwithstanding the storms of the past unusual winter, they declare themselves better pleased with that than any other country they have visited, and make it their future home. It is the intention of these brothers to purchase property in Portland, for which negotiations are now pending.

The Walla Walla "Statesman" says Mr. E. L. Smith, formerly Secretary of Washington Territory, is proposed as the Republican candidate for governor of Oregon. He is residing in Wasco Co. of that State. Rev. H. K. Hines, another resident of this Territory, at one time, is also named as a probable candidate for representative in Congress.

The new silver dollar successor to the "dollar of our dads," has already been paid in at the New York Custom House for duties. The "Sun" of that city doesn't like its appearance, and says: "Some dishonest faces are fair to look upon, but the silver dollar of ninety cents has not even the poor merit of beauty. The eagle has the beak of a crow, the wings of a six months' pullet and the attitude of a campaigning preacher in the act of exhortation. The Goddess of Liberty is burdened with about 45 per cent. too much chin.

T. J. Winship, the best known and most distinguished steamer engineer on the Pacific slope, died at San Francisco on the 5th of March, aged 51 years. Mr. Winship was for a long time chief engineer of the revenue cutter Shubrick, and on the transfer of that vessel to the light-house service, became lampist of all the lights on the coast. He had been on the Shubrick alone more than eighteen years. Mr. Winship leaves a wife and son.

Squirrel scalps at two cents each are better than a silver mine to the boys of the Walla Walla country.

A Californian has just arrived at the Touchet with 6,000 sheep and says he has at last struck "lie."

There is a lake not far from Walla Walla which now has ice on it 15 inches thick.

## A CARD.

I, the undersigned, Captain of the French barque Quillota, certify that Mr. R. W. DeLion has been my stevedore in taking on board a cargo of lumber, at Port Ludlow, on Puget Sound, and that he has acquitted himself to my great satisfaction.

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**Local and News Items.**

**THE WAR**—England demands that Russia must submit every one of the peace conditions to the congress. And the czar says: "I won't do it. The 'sick man' and I have settled most of them between ourselves." Hence peace is not altogether sure, but probable. England is backed by Austria and Austria is backed by some extent by Germany, but Russia knows how to give and take.

Mr. Willis B. Fry, of Portland, agent and general manager for the Singer Sewing Machine Company, called at this port yesterday on his way to Victoria. Mr. Fry is a very gentlemanly person, and is disposed to make friends. Mr. Peterson, our resident tailor, is now the general agent for Puget Sound, for these machines, instead of M. W. Parsons as heretofore.

The Portland "West Shore" will become a weekly publication about the middle of next month, according to a statement in the last issue of the monthly, or rather a weekly and a monthly edition will be published containing 12 and 16 pages respectively. The subscription price will be \$1.50 for the monthly and \$3 for the weekly—per year.

The latest San Francisco "Journal of Commerce" records the fact that the discount in San Francisco on trade dollars is down to two per cent.; that on the halves to 3 per cent.; and gold only at 1 1/2 per cent. premium, predicting that as soon as the new trade dollars get into circulation there will be no discount on silver or premium on gold.

School opened on Monday last in two of the districts at Dungeness, one being taught by Mr. S. T. Walker, a former resident of the place, but more recently from Canada, and the other by a Mr. Johnston, also of Canada. The former begins a term of six months, and the latter of three. School is also about opening in one of the Port Angeles districts.

N. S. POITNER, Esq., G. W. Sect., I. O. G. T., writes that Jefferson Lodge, No. 12, located at Port Townsend, is the banner Good Templar Lodge in this jurisdiction. People who speak so disparagingly of Port Townsend's temperance standing would do well to remember this.

A new sternwheel steamer is being built at the shipyard of Mr. Lake, at Belltown. King County, with dimensions as follows: Length, 75 feet, width 18 feet and depth 4 feet. She will be about the size of the Nellie, will belong to Capt. Smith of the Comet, and will be used for the White river trade.

We are in receipt of a complimentary ticket to the grand Old Fellows' anniversary, to be celebrated in the city of Portland, on the 8th inst. The exercises will consist of public parade in full regalia, musical and literary, oration, historical review, etc. It will no doubt be a splendid affair.

CAPT. C. N. Leavitt, of Dungeness, has opened a dry goods and grocery store at that place, at the stand formerly occupied by Wm. Law, deceased. We wish him success, especially as he has eliminated the whisky traffic which was formerly carried on with the other business at the stand.

CAPT. Adams, of the schooner Mary Parker, and Miss Friend, formerly living in Port Townsend, were married at Coupeville, Island County, on the 2d, inst. They went up the Sound on a short wedding tour, and will shortly return to the prosy routine of life.

REV. Mr. Parsons will preach in Chlmacum on Sunday morning next, at 11 o'clock and in the M. E. Church here at 7 P. M. His appointment here in the morning will be filled by Allen Weir.

The Tacoma "Herald" says that Cook is back from east of the mountains, and that a brighter sun is again rising in Tacoma; new hopes are springing up, etc. Fortunate Tacoma!

It is reported that the steamer Wilson G. Hunt is having new boilers placed in her, at San Francisco, preparatory to taking a place on the Westminster and Victoria route.

THE "Perfection" Combination pen and pencil, sold by Mr. A. F. Learned, has been appropriately named. We are indebted to him for one. Get one and try.

BISHOP Morris arrived yesterday, and will conduct public worship in St. Paul's Church on Sunday next at the usual hours, morning and evening.

MANY of our readers will be interested in the letter published to-day, from Mr. L. B. Hastings, an old resident of Port Townsend.

The little steamer Wenat a few days ago, in the Duwamish river struck a snag and sunk. Part of her load will perhaps be lost.

HON. E. N. Oulmette, a prominent dry-goods merchant of Olympia, has been almost unanimously elected Mayor of that city.

THE Rena Combination Company will most likely perform in Coupeville one or two evenings this week.

MESSRS Cline and Wm. Payne, of Dungeness, came up a few days ago and went up the Sound.

THE pupils and teachers in our public school have been enjoying a holiday for the past week.

We acknowledge a call from Mr. G. W. Morse, of Oak Harbor, on Wednesday of this week.

Two of the Pullen brothers of Quillyhute, were in town this week.

None but good men can frame desirable laws.

**OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8, 1878.

Many instances of partial intoxication have been noted in both Houses of Congress during the present session. While it is potent that totalism is making gradual progress among the permanent residents of Washington, and also among many brought here for the Congressional sessions by business or from social and political considerations, it is both humiliating and disheartening to know that the evil of dram-drinking and whiskey guzzling is as certainly on the increase among those entrusted with the enactment of national legislation, and who from their positions will be followed as examples, morally and socially as well as politically. The former excesses of members of Congress formed the basis of many of the scandals of Washington life. But up to a recent date there had been a steady amendment, particularly as regards drinking, according to the testimony of the oldest observers. Street and hotel brawls in which they figured as participants, had almost wholly, or entirely ceased, and the scenes of violence in both Houses had become a thing of the past. Even during the turbulent and demoralizing years of the war such outbreaks were rare and the reputation of members of Congress was not much worse than that of the ordinary visitor to or resident of the Capital. But with the coming of the 44th Congress, a reactionary sentiment seemed to assert itself, and it seems to have reached full flood tide since Congress convened in extra session last October. None have forgotten the many wordy personal encounters of last session; and the present one has had its full share of indulgence in personalities and blackguardism that would have disgraced any groggery under whose roof they were permitted to occur. And it is too apparent to need substantiation that they nearly all were provoked by sneering or insulting insinuations or remarks from men whose passions were inflamed with alcohol. The disgrace is not exclusively chargeable to representations of either of the great parties contending here for national supremacy. But each must suffer in the estimation of an intelligent public just in proportion to the number of its character they have contributed. The imbricated condition of from half to a full score of Senators on the night of the passage of the silver bill has passed into the history of current events. The house on Wednesday added another to the many humiliating scenes enacted in it during the past two years. The offending member disgraced a Virginia constituency and forfeited the respect of every one whose good opinion is worth striving for. His drunken condition was noted by the temporary Speaker (Cox, of New York); and with the best of intentions no doubt, he refused to recognize him. But he was impressive and insisted upon making his condition known to all present. The admonition of the Sergeant-at-Arms failed of any good effect, and he was finally hustled into a cloak-room where he was retained under surveillance till able to demean himself as a man.

A newspaper engagement between Secretary Sherman and Mr. Kelly, members of Congress, is attracting some attention. Without prejudice to either side, I believe it will be the verdict of more than a majority that Mr. Sherman made many allusions that were undignified and unwarranted by good taste in the letter he is alleged to have written to Canton. (Ohio) paper and which appeared at such date in the New York "Post" as to make it seem that the letter was sent hence to that paper for publication. A very sharp reply from Kelly, that must, seemingly, prove very galling to Mr. Sherman and Mr. Foster, in Ohio, N. C., appears in this morning's "Republican."

One of the most frequent inquiries by public men heard about town is for some one who can give definite information as to when that message on civil service reform, may be expected. It has been looked for a long time but the hope cherished of its appearance seems of the kind that "maketh the heart sick."

Events in Congress the past two days have been of minor interest. Senators continue to wrestle with the problem of forcing Pacific Railroads to provide some means (a sinking fund is in greatest repute) for paying their indebtedness to the Government, which it is asserted will amount to fully \$120,000,000 when the loans shall have all matured.

There is a languid attempt to observe the letter of the Catholic and Episcopal law relative to the observance of Lent. But from the number of parties, Kettledrums, etc., and the number reviling and making calls "rather on the sly" is painfully evident that their spirit is ignored by many a beautiful, charming and altogether lovely (in the restricted sense above indicated) fraud.

Weather a little more like March than heretofore but still very enjoyable by everybody. KNOX.

**OLYMPIA AND TENINO RAILROAD.**—From the latest indications Olympia is not going to let herself die without a kick. We have word from San Francisco that the President of the Olympia and Tenino Railroad Company has closed a contract for the iron for that road. As the track is already graded, this probably means serious business, and we congratulate our neighbors on the good news. Eventually we look to see that road run on down the Chehalis to Gray's Harbor, and a new empire won.—"Intelligencer."

THE Teaser arrived yesterday afternoon from Hoko river river, having taken down the family of Mr. E. B. Ebeby, of Whidby Island. We are told the salmon company is preparing to commence active operations in about a month.

A gentleman from the Swinomish country, informs us that at least 2,000 more acres of the reclaimed tide lands will be put into grain this season than any year previous.—"Intelligencer."

A State Constitution should represent the wishes of the entire people, and not those of any political party merely.

CERTAIN cotemporaries do the Federal officers of this Territory great injustice in representing that said officials are opposed to the formation of a State Government, alleging that this opposition not only exists, but that it is based upon the sinister desire of continuing in office. They even charge that our Delegate in Congress is withholding from passage the bill enabling the Territory to become a State in the Union. No evidence is or can be adduced to prove that such opposition exists on the part of the Federal officials and Delegate to Congress, and hence the injustice of the charge. On the contrary, the fact is susceptible of proof that such is not the case, particularly so as regards Judge Jacobs, whose able argument in support of the measure of Admission was recently published in the columns of the MAIL. As for the Federal and Territorial officials, we may say that they have manifested a high sense of good taste and propriety by refraining from any conspicuous demonstration in favor of the measure. Had they acted differently, the organs above referred to would doubtless hasten to attribute such heavy support to ulterior or selfish designs on the new organization. It is a lamentable fact that whatever part these men take in the matter of admission into the Union—whether they support, oppose, or remain passively indifferent to the project—their motives are bound to be misinterpreted.—B. B. "Mail."

The above hits pretty nearly the spot as many intriguers well know, who have endeavored to advance the opinion that if the Federal officials of this Territory depended upon the direct votes of the people for their offices they would necessarily be dismissed.

I. O. O. F. BALL.—Very extensive preparations are being made to make the Old Fellows' ball that comes off in this city under the auspices of the Olive Branch and Seattle Lodges and Unity Encampment, on April 23rd, to eclipse, if possible, anything of the kind ever gotten up in the Territory.—Seattle "Intelligencer."

**Shipping Intelligence.**

Port Townsend.	
ARRIVALS—MARCH 29.	
Cello, Milton	
Mastick, Ludlow.	
Favorite, straits	
Winifred, Neah bay	
DEPARTURES.	
Cello, Milton.	
Favorite, Seattle	
Dispatch, Semiahmoo	
Favorite, Seattle	
ARRIVALS—MARCH 30.	
Phantom, Ludlow	
Favorite, Seattle.	
Donald, Milton	
Blakely, Pt Blakely	
DEPARTURES.	
Mastick, straits	
Bk Matilde, Callao	
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DEPARTURES.	
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Donald, straits	
Blakely, straits	
Phantom, Seattle	
Bk Montana, Seattle	
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Mist, Dungeness.	
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Tacoma, Neah bay	
DEPARTURES.	
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Mist, Dungeness	
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Phantom, Gamble	
Donald, straits.	
Sch Alfred, Semiahmoo	
Sch Reporter, S F	
Polikotsky, straits	
DEPARTURES.	
Teaser, Sequim bay	
Polikotsky, Madison	
Mastick, Pt Discovery	
Sch Reporter, Seattle	
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