

COMMUNICATED.

UTSALADY, JANUARY 9, 1878.
EDITOR ARGUS:—At the last regular communication of Utsalady Lodge, No. 17, A. F. & A. M., the following officers were installed: Peter DeJeron, W. M.; Edward Hickman, S. W.; Lawrence L. Andrews, J. W.; John E. Carr, Treasurer; Nels DeJeron, Secretary; James A. Gil-land, S. D.; P. A. Peterson, J. D.; John Rhoades and Henry G. Dewey, stewards; John Wilbur, Tyler.

STANWOOD, Jan. 7, 1878.
EDITOR ARGUS:—I believe it is three months since I subscribed for the ARGUS. I have received only three copies since that time. I don't know who's at fault but I suppose poor connections of the mill with Port Townsend and this side, is the cause. I wish it discontinued, as it will amount to 25 cents a copy and over at the rate I get it. I think that is too much. Believe me yours, etc.

THOS. OVENELL.
 Mr. Ovenell's paper has been mailed regularly every week, during the time mentioned, together with several others, in one package; so if our other subscribers at that point experience no difficulty in getting their paper regularly the post-master is the proper person to beseege. Now if this is the way we have to lose our subscribers, after doing our duty to them, some of these irregularities will be traced to their origin.

Port Ludlow Items.

January 10, 1878.
EDITOR ARGUS:—Since my last items, from this place, times are looking brighter for the future in some respects. The mill is running as usual when high tides do not interfere. The ship-yard is full of business and the carpenters are all busy on both vessels.

I noticed a letter in a Port Townsend paper signed "Several Citizens," which in reality is only ONE, from the tone of the letter; and it is only from personal spite that he wrote the letter, as my items to the ARGUS were nothing but the truth, as it is no benefit for me to lie about a bridge which carries one safe across. His letter from commencement to end is a lie and he is noted as a liar, and his professed honesty I doubt very much, he says there has never been any cabin or other place entered, or anything been missing, to his knowledge, or has he any FEAR thereof. It is nothing but FEAR that keeps him from owning to the truth. The items sent to the ARGUS were not an intended "slur" upon this community, as he states, because the residents are as good people as any there are in any town, and if there is anything done such as the items of the ARGUS mentioned, it is not done by the "residents." These things happen in every town. He says "business was dull and the worthy owner tried to raise a lun and cry, to cause sympathy to loosen the purse-strings," etc. He knows, or ought to know that I have the reputation of keeping the best of goods in my line, and a fair share of the trade, and have always been honest and fair with every one. He has a soft thing now, but it won't last long. If required you can publish the whole of my former letter.

OREGON ENTERPRISE.—It is gratifying to be able to announce that true merit is always appreciated by our Western people. THE WEST SHORE started as an illustrated paper nearly three years ago, and has now the largest circulation of any paper in the Pacific Northwest. Its engravings are artistically executed and the articles are well and carefully written. It is one of that class of papers which can safely be admitted into the family circle, the publisher being especially careful not to admit any article or advertisement which would be likely to offend the most fastidious. For 1878 the WEST SHORE has been greatly improved and adorned with a magnificent new heading! Every issue consists of 16 large size pages, filled with the very choicest reading. It is a publication that every resident of the Pacific Northwest can feel proud of. As the subscription price is but \$150 per year, every family should subscribe for it, and those having friends in the Eastern States should send a copy for a year. Any one sending \$2 will receive the paper for 1878, and will also be furnished with six months back numbers, including the mammoth edition in July last. Specimen copy, twenty cents, which may afterwards be deducted when subscribing for the entire year. Address—L. SAMUEL, Publisher The West Shore, Portland, Ogn.

LONDON, Jan. 11.—A correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" telegraphs that he believes a six week's armistice has been already agreed upon.
BELGRADE, Jan 11.—The Russian journals commenting on the capture of the Turkish army in Schipka pass, points out that this is a new evidence that the Turkish power of resistance is utterly broken, and remark that the cabinets at both Constantinople and London must understand the necessity of recognizing in approaching negotiations the decisive military situation created by the Russian army.
 Nisch surrendered this morning in consequence of the capture by storm yesterday and Wednesday of the heights commanding the fortress of Town. The fighting lasted 5 days; the Servian loss is considerable.
ROCKLAND, Me., Jan 11.—The heaviest northeast gale ever known here prevailed last night, doing great damage to ship ping and wharves, and unroofing a number of buildings.

The South African war is seriously contemplated in England. One chief is said to be able to bring 40,000 men into action.

"You're a pretty smart fellow," sneered a lawyer to a witness, the other day, in Court. "I'd return the compliment if I wasn't under oath," replied the witness, preparatory to being told, "That's all."

ARGUS GLANCES.

Ex-President Grant has arrived in Egypt.
 Prof. C. B. Plummer is over in Walla Walla.
 Victor, Immanuel, king of Italy, died on the 9th inst.

There are 25 pupils at the Indian reservation school near Tacoma.

Hayes will make the Chinese question the subject of a special message to Congress.

CAPT. Barrington, of Oak Harbor, and P. DeJeron, Esq., of Utsalady, were in town this week.

The American Dairyman's Association, shipped \$13,000,000 worth of butter to Great Britain, last year.

The first flour mill on Vancouver island is now at work at Saanich, and turning out an excellent article.

The Port Madison mill Company have purchased the steamer Wilson G. Hunt, from Capt. Wright and Finch.

THE Sacramento "Union" thinks that criminal laxity on the part of parents is the most fruitful source of hoodlumism.

WE are informed that an attempt has again been made to set fire to the building occupied by the Bishop Scott grammar school, in Portland.

A FRESH idea has just cropped out in Seattle. In the shape of a diminutive sheet known as "The prompter." Its use is explained to be for criticising theatricals.

FOR the eleven months ending on the 30th of November, San Francisco received 10,000 tons of coal from Washington Territory, of which 90,528 tons were from Seattle, and 10,455 from Bellingham Bay.

The Seabeck mill has lately received four new boilers, and during the coming month will receive four more. The average cut of this mill is 60,000 feet of lumber per day, which after the improvements and repairs will be increased.

The New York "Tribune" argues that the remonetization of silver will stop investments of foreign capital in this country.

Turks have begun assaulting the Christians of Crete, and England will probably take temporary charge of the island.

There were 100 failures and assignments in New York during December, with aggregate liabilities of nearly \$8,000,000.

The following lighthouse work has been recommended by the engineer in charge of the district: The establishment of a lighthouse and fog signal on Tillamook head; the establishment of range lights on Sand island, mouth of Columbia river; and of range lights and day beacons on the Willamette and Columbia rivers from Portland to the sea; the establishment of a fog signal on Point Wilson, Washington Territory. — Portland "Evening Telegram."

A new Pacific Railroad bill will be presented as soon as Congress re-assembles. The Eastern terminus is to be at Memphis, thereby forming connections with the present railroad facilities to all points northeast and southwest. The proposed railroad will pass Lake City to Jefferson, Texas; thence by the International and Great Northern Railroad to San Antonio; thence in a northwesterly direction to El Paso and Del Norte, to connect with any road or roads on the Pacific Ocean, now or hereafter to be built, thus affording communication with the various military posts on those lines and the valley of the Rio Grande. Projectors of the road ask 13,000,000 in all, to be refunded to the Government as rapidly as money may be earned by transportation of mails and Government supplies.

Two first-class sewing machines, a Wilson and a Singer, NEW, for sale. Apply at the ARGUS office.

Shipping Intelligence.

Port Townsend.
ARRIVALS—JAN. 11.
 Schr Mary Parker,
 Dashing Wave, S F
 Bkt Discovery, S F
DEPARTURES.
 Mary Parker, Victoria
 Golph, straits.
 Sch Pannooia, Seattle,
 Oregon, S F
ARRIVALS—JAN. 12.
 Bk Rainier, Honolulu
 Golph, Straits.
 Bkt Katie Flickinger, China
 Donald, straits.
DEPARTURES.
 Rainier, Gamble
 Golph, Gamble
 Dashing Wave, NADARNO
ARRIVALS—JAN. 13.
 Mastick, Seattle
DEPARTURES.
 Donald, Milton
 Mastick, Port Discovery
ARRIVALS—JAN. 14.
 Dakota, Morse, Victoria.
DEPARTURES.
 Dakota, Seattle.
ARRIVALS—JAN. 15.
 Mastick, Pt Discovery
 Donald, Milton
DEPARTURES.
 Mastick, Seattle
 Bkt Katie Flickinger
 Donald, Nanaimo

HE DON'T KNOW BEANS.—He sat alone in her father's parlor, waiting for the fair one's appearance the other evening, when her little brother came cautiously into the room, and gliding up to the young man's side, held out a handful of something and earnestly inquired: "I say, mister, what's them?" "Those," replied the young man, solemnly taking up one in his fingers, "those are beans." "There!" shouted the boy, turning to his sister, who was just coming in. "I knew you lied. You said he didn't know beans; and he does too!" The young man's stay was not what you may call a prolonged one that night.

Winter brings pleasures to the rich and privations to the poor.

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE undersigned, late partners of the firm of McNaught & Haller, hereby give notice that they have on this, the 1st day of January, 1878, dissolved said partnership, by mutual consent.
 JAMES McNAUGHT,
 G. MORRIS HALLER.

BOOK LOST

If the person who took from my office a copy of Kitto's Encyclopaedia of Biblical Literature, will have the kindness to return the same, I shall esteem it a favor.
 JAMES G. SWAN.

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 A fair share of the patronage of the public is solicited.
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 ASK YOUR MERCHANT FOR Men's and Boys' Clothing
 Made of OREGON CITY CASSIMERES,
 The Cheapest, Best and Most Durable Clothing in the Market
 Sole Manufacturers and Wholesale Dealers,
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 This House is new and newly furnished, and possesses all the appointments of a **First-Class Hotel.**
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Though these Machines have been greatly reduced in price, the Quality will be Maintained at its Highest Standard. The Public is Cautioned Against Buying Imitation Machines, which are always made in a very inferior manner, and are sold by irresponsible parties, whose guarantees are worthless. All Genuine SINGER Machines are sold through authorized Agents at a less price than any other good machines can be sold for, and always bear the patented TRADE MARK and the name of The Singer Company distinctly printed on the arm of the machine. Machines sold on note and lease plan, and a liberal discount made for Cash.

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ROMAINE GOLD, so extensively worn in Paris, was first discovered in 1870, by the celebrated French chemist Mons. D. Be Laine, who manufactured it into jewelry, and for five years sold it to the leading jewelers of Paris for solid gold. In 1875, when his secret became known, ten of the manufacturing jewelers established a stock company, with a \$10,000,000 for the purpose of manufacturing ROMANE GOLD JEWELRY AND CASES. With this immense capital and the aid of improved machinery they are enabled to produce all the latest patterns of jewelry at less than one-tenth the cost of Solid Gold, and a quality and color which makes it impossible even for experts to detect it from the genuine.

WE HAVE SECURED THE EXCLUSIVE AGENCY OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA, for the sale of all goods manufactured from this metal, and in order to introduce them in the most speedy manner, have put up assorted sample lots as given below, which we will sell at one-tenth the retail value until January 1st, 1878. Read the list.

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| 50-CENT LOT. | 3.00 |
| One Gent's watch chain retail price, \$1.00 | One ladies open guard chain. |
| One pair engraved sleeve buttons, retail price, 75 | One ladies neck chain and cross. |
| One stone-set watch pin, retail price, 75 | One beautiful locket, engraved. |
| 1 set (3) spiral shirt studs " " 75 | One pair band bracelets. |
| 1 improved collar button " " 50 | One gent's twist link vest chain and charm. |
| 1 heavy wedding ring " " 1.25 | One pair Onyx sleeve buttons. |
| Total, 5.00 | One set (3) Onyx shirt studs. |
| For 50 cents we will send above six articles postpaid. | One new improved collar button. |
| | One extra cut cameo seal ring. |
| | One Arizona solitaire ring. |
| | One set amethyst or topaz pin and ear-drops. |
| \$1.00 LOT. | One ladies chemise button. |
| One pair sleeve buttons, stone setting. | One plain ring, stamped 18 K. |
| One set (3) spiral shirt studs. | |
| One heavy band engagement ring. | 5.00 LOT. |
| One set (2) bracelets. | One ladies open chain, with slide and tassel, retail price \$5.00. |
| One gent's long guard or neck chain. | One gent's heavy watch chain with curb charm, retail price \$5.00. |
| One engraved miniature locket, for above. | One ladies heavy long neck chain. |
| One gent's heavy link watch chain. | One elegant chased miniature locket for above. |
| One Lake George diamond stud. | One set cameo medallion pin and ear-drops. |
| | One pair (2) heavy chased band bracelets. |
| \$2.00 LOT. | One gent's solitaire diamond stud. |
| One ladies neck chain and charm. | One gent's cluster diamond pin. |
| One ladies heavy guard chain for watch. | One pair amethyst or onyx sleeve buttons. |
| One set pin and ear-rings, amethyst. | One set (3) studs to match the above. |
| One extra fine miniature locket. | One elegant heavy set cameo seal ring. |
| One cameo seal ring. | One massive band or wedding ring. |
| One very heavy wedding or engagement ring. | One new "patent" collar button. |
| One gent's heavy watch chain with charm. | One ladies chemise button. |
| One pair Pearl initial sleeve buttons. | One amethyst or topaz ring, extra finish. |
| One Lake George cluster pin. | |
| One pair (two) heavy band bracelets. | |

The retail price of the articles in each sample lot amounts to exactly ten times the price we ask for the lot; for example, our \$1.00 lot retails for \$10.00, our \$5.00 for \$50.00.

A Solid Romaine Gold Hunting-Case Watch Free.
 To any one sending us an order for the above lots by express to the amount of \$10.00, we will send FREE one Solid Romaine Gold Hunting-Case Watch, Gent's or Ladies size, warranted to keep perfect time and look equally as well as the \$10.00 gold watch. By mail we send \$15. This is our BEST OFFER TO AGENTS, and is worth a trial, as the watch alone will sell or trade readily for from \$25.00 or \$30.00, Gent's or Ladies' Watch alone, \$7.00 or \$8.00 with a Heavy Gent's Gold Pattern Vest Chain and Charm, or Ladies' Open Chain with slide and tassel.
REMEMBER!—This offer only holds good until Jan. 1st, 1878. After that time we shall sell only to Jobbers and Wholesale Dealers, and any one wishing our goods will have to pay full retail prices.
 Romaine Gold is the best, and, in fact, the only imitation of genuine gold made, being the same in weight, color and finish, and all our goods are made in the latest gold patterns. Will guarantee satisfaction in every instance, or refund money.
 Send money by P. O. Money Order, or Registered letter, AT OUR RISK, No goods sent C. O. D., unless at least \$5.00 accompanies the order. Address plainly,
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THE WORLD RENOWNED WILSON RECEIVED THE GRAND PRIZE MEDAL AND DIPLOMA CENTENNIAL EXPOSITION 1876.
AS THE BEST FAMILY SEWING MACHINE.
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The World-renowned Wilson Shuttle Sewing Machine
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ITS PATENT AUTOMATIC "CUT OFF" on the hand wheel prevents the machine from running backwards, and obviates the necessity of taking the work from the machine to wind thread on the bobbins, which must be done with all other Sewing Machines, to the great annoyance of the operator, especially in tucking, hemming and ruffling. It does one-third more work in a given length of time than any other Sewing machine.
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 A properly executed Certificate is furnished with each machine, guaranteeing to keep it in repair, free of charge, for five years. Machines sold on easy terms of payment, and delivered, free of charge, at any Railroad Depot in the United States where we have no Agents.
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 For full particulars address **WILSON SEWING MACHINE CO.**
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PUGET SOUND ARGUS.

LOCAL NEWS.

ENTERPRISE.—Agreeable to our suggestion last week, a large drying establishment is to be started in Port Townsend by a joint stock company. Four counties are included in the control of the patent right instead of three, the purchase including Jefferson, Kitsap, San Juan and Clallam. Maj. VanBokkelen and others are to operate the institution. One of the largest sized, factory dryers will be brought over here by Mr. Plummer himself, and started at work, as soon as the machinery can be brought from Portland. It is suggested that small dryers will be operated at other favorable points, but that Port Townsend will be the headquarters of the concern. The commencement will be made on fish and clams, for the main part. We hail this movement as one calculated to bring invaluable local benefits by furnishing a market for much of our unused natural and artificial wealth which now goes to waste. We wish the movers in the matter abundant success and encouragement from every quarter.

BANQUET.—St. Andrew's Chapter, No. 3, A. & A. S. R. Masons, held a regular communication on the 12th inst., at the Masonic Hall. There was a large attendance of members, and visiting brethren. Among the latter was the illustrious James S. Lawson, 33d Sov. Gr. Ins. Gen. for this jurisdiction. After the meeting, they gave a banquet at the Central Hotel, which issued to have been one of the most elegant affairs ever gotten up in this place. Toasts were honored, and the various exercises peculiar to such occasions were indulged in until a late hour when all retired feeling that it is good to be sociable.

FOLLOWING herewith we give a list of the vessels passing Dungeness light-house, during the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1877, for which information we are indebted to Capt. Frank Tucker: Oct., ships, 3; barks, 47; brigs, 4; sch., 38; sloops, 7; str., 59. Total 158. Nov., ships, 6; barks, 30; brigs, 3; sch., 28; sloops, 5; str., 33. Total 105. Dec., ships, 2; barks, 37; brigs, 2; sch., 28; sloops, 3; str., 28. Total 100. Aggregate number for quarter, 303.

THE "Oregon and Washington Land Register," is the title of a new eight-page publication to be issued on the 10th of next month, at Portland, Oregon, by D. H. Stearns, Esq. It will be intended to afford information to immigrants, and will be issued as often as the demand calls for. Correspondence on all subjects connected with the development of all portions of the State and Territory is solicited.

CAPT. Rufus Calhoun, so long a resident of this place, has removed with his family to Seattle. Having purchased his brother's wharf and warehouse at Belltown, he will go into the grain and produce business. We are pleased to know Seattle is to be the gainer if Port Townsend must lose such estimable residents.

WE learn that during the recent run of high tides, a small portion of the Dungeness light-house spit was washed away, and that the water has been up around the light-house, deep enough to render walking in shoes, with dry feet, an impossibility. This is very unusual.

THE tug Mastick came down from Seattle on Sunday last, after being thoroughly overhauled and repaired. She came around here from Port Discovery, on Tuesday, and is now ready for any job. She needs painting yet though to complete the repairs.

LIEUT. E. E. Chaytor, U. S. R. M., who went to Washington last month, returned by the Dakota this week, having satisfactorily passed his examination for promotion. We are pleased to see him again and to learn of his success.

ON Monday afternoon the Mist left this place for Dungeness, having on board 7 passengers, viz.: Mrs. L. Cays, Miss Christiana Downie, Miss Bradley, Mr. H. W. McPherson, D. W. Waterhouse, B. Pilcher and Fred. Ward.

JAS. L. Daly, the well-known solicitor and collector, has been arrested charged with the crime of larceny by bailie, and has been held to await the action of the grand jury in the sum of \$250.—"Oregonian."

"THE ice was thin and he went in." This occurred all over the State.—Portland, Ogn., "Standard." A number of the Port Townsend boys can echo back the same sentiments.

AN arrangement has been effected between the mills on Puget Sound by which no night work will be done after this week, it having been found that all orders can be filled by running full day time.

A LETTER from Dr. Wickham, formerly of this place, now of New Hampton, Orange Co. N. Y., informs us of his prosperous condition and wish to be remembered to old friends.

THE "Mail" says that the Clerk's office of the District Court of Whatcom County, will be open for business about the 10th of next month.

THE body of an unknown man was found, we are informed, some time last week, in the old Indian houses at Sequim Bay in Clallam.

MR. Wm. A. Moores has been appointed administrator of the estate of his brother, Mr. Thos. Moores, of the Skagit.

OUR columns are again unequal to the task of spreading all the news.

SOME of our young folks want a skating rink started again.

DR. Howe is still at the Central Hotel ready to serve all with dentist work.

SCHOOL FUND.—The January appropriation of school money for Dist. No. 1, Jefferson County, has just been made, and amounts to \$1,293.38. This is a half-year's allowance and is quite liberal, in proportion to the amount of taxable property in the district. Much credit is due those whose efforts brought about the measure by which fifty per cent. of all the monies paid into our county treasury for liquor licenses is devoted to the school fund. Thirty-five per cent. was formerly set apart for this purpose; and at the last sitting of the legislature, it was increased to fifty per cent. We understand that Judge Kuhn, who has been school clerk in this county for the past seven years, has been most active in inaugurating the new state of things. In 1871 the whole amount of school money for the district, for the whole year, was only \$1,238.28; last year it was \$2,840.00. The increase in the fund is due largely to special legislation.

THE new steps on Adams Street give evidence already of being a most substantial piece of workmanship, lasting and beneficial to the town as well as creditable to the contractor, Capt. Morgan. Now that they are approaching completion, it has been very properly suggested that a row of posts and railing be extended to the foot of the graded road. This would obviate the danger of runaway teams and wagons tumbling over the bank.

REMARKABLE TIME.—The bark Dashing Wave, and bktn. Discovery both arrived in San Francisco on the 4th inst. After discharging their cargoes, they both reported at this place on the 11th; the former, however, arrived on the evening of the 10th. This is remarkably quick time, among sailing vessels, especially the Dashing Wave, the cargo of which consisted of 750 M of lumber.

UNION SERVICES.—There will be union services next Sabbath, in the Methodist and Presbyterian churches, held at the former in the morning and at the latter in the evening. All are invited to attend. Rev. Mr. Hetzler, agent for the American Bible Society, will preach. Rev. Jno. Parsons will improve the opportunity to hold divine services at Port Ludlow.

OUR sand-spit residents were suitably entertained on Monday night by energetic choir practice for the Devil's Church. Later—it was found to be merely some of the boys getting up a grand rally preparatory to giving some one a charivari.

SICK.—We are sorry to learn of the sickness of Prof. A. R. Huffman, necessitating the closing of school during the greater portion of this week. Mr. Huffman seems threatened with a return of his former lung complaint.

A physician recently remarked that he had not seen so much neuralgia for a long time as has been noticed recently. Nearly a dozen patients in Port Townsend have been suffering with it during the past week.

THE proprietors of the Central Hotel have very properly fitted up the room heretofore used as barber-shop, as a reading room. We trust the public will appreciate their efforts to accommodate.

REPAIRED.—We are pleased to note the much-needed repairing going on this week, adjacent to the Custom House. A little judicious newspaper reminding occasionally accomplishes good results.

MR. Jas. Jones, our much-mentioned notion dealer, of the telegraph office, went up to Seattle this week. Mr. Jones has become such a necessity in town that his absence is noticed by all.

IT is said that Mr. Hassel, late of the Wolcott, who started to Washington by the last steamer, will not return to this place as he has been detached.

MR. Wm. Craswell of Oakland, Cal., formerly of Port Discovery, is visiting the Sound country again. We acknowledge a call this week.

THE sale of the property belonging to the estate of Alfred Edmondson, bankrupt, will take place on the 18th of next month. Read the advertisement.

ON Saturday evening of this week Rev. Jno. Parsons will lecture in Port Ludlow. Subject: "John Huss and his times."

THE Bellingham Bay Coal Company has suspended operations, and is now offering to make a grand closing out sale.

WE learn that Johnny Harned, so long favorably known on the Sound, is quite ill, in San Francisco, with jaundice.

CAPITAL punishment is what one of our school-boys calls it when he is given a seat along with the girls.

MR. Thos. Jackman returned by the Dakota. His wife, however, went on to lower California.

SOME dozen settlers arrived here last week to take up ranches on the Nootsack river.—B. B. Mail.

REV. John Parsons is expected to preach in Port Ludlow on Sunday the 20th inst.

WE acknowledge indebtedness to Mr. Brewster, Purser of the Dakota, for favors shown.

MAJ. G. O. Haller, of Coupeville, favored us with a pleasant call on Tuesday last.

CAPT. Rogers, formerly of the Zephyr, now has command of the Mastick.

JUDGE Hastings is making business preparations for starting East again.

WE notice improvements going on upon several lots, back on the hill.

DR. T. C. Mackey has returned to his business at La Conner.

Isn't it about time to start the Phantom running again.

Go to Jas. Jones for Imported Cigars; Corner Custom House.

THE P. M. S. S. Dakota arrived from San Francisco, on Monday afternoon last. The following is a list of her passengers: For Victoria: Mrs. McCue, Mrs. Robinson, D. Richards, W. P. Golding, M. Standish, Mrs. Roberts, J. E. R. Mariott, Mrs. Swan, Capt. Robertson, J. Joseph, E. Stanger, Judge Gray and son, and 27 steerage. Port Townsend: Lieut. E. C. Chaytor and G. Fisher. Seattle: T. Jackman, W. D. Vaughn, M. Martin, Miss Babbett, S. L. Hant, C. Sykes, J. Feigh, H. C. Collier, W. Haytor, H. Shaeffer, Mrs. Welsby, J. A. Navaric, O. Grass, E. W. Bruith, O. P. Hammond, O. T. Wheeler and wife, Mrs. Sherwood, G. Buckingham, E. C. Derby, J. B. Fulton, Mrs. Hammond and niece Miss Gackes, and 15 steerage. Tacoma: A. Arthur and wife, and 1 steerage. Olympia: Mrs. Domers, Mrs. Woodard, Mrs. M. A. Holmes and 2 steerage.

Stereoscopic views of all important points on Puget Sound & California, for sale at Jas. Jones.

NOTICE.

ALL those knowing themselves indebted to the old firm of Rothschild & Co., up to September 1, 1877, will settle the same at once, as all the outstanding accounts, notes and debts of the old firm must be settled by February 1, 1878, otherwise the same will be handed to an attorney for collection.
D. C. H. ROTHSCHILD & CO.
Port Townsend, Dec. 26, 1877.

NOTICE.

I TAKE PLEASURE to state that I have transacted my business through Messrs. Rothschild & Co., and that they have given me entire satisfaction. I take pleasure in recommending them to Captains of vessels coming this way, to avail themselves of their valuable services.
JAMES S. THEOBALDS,
Master ship Ventus.
Port Townsend, Dec. 9, 1877.

CONSIGNED TO ROTHSCHILD & CO.

Bktn. Katie Flickinger.

NEITHER THE CAPTAIN NOR THE undersigned Agents of the above named vessel, will be responsible for debts contracted by the officers or crew.
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And down the hill side slowly
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Yet the evening air is balmy,
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Our summer's latest roses
Lay withered long ago;
And even the flowers of autumn
Scarcely keep their meadow glow.
Yet a powerful sea wind blows as
See the signs of storm and snow.

Like the tender twilight weather,
When the toil of day is done,
And we feel the bliss of quiet
Our constant hearts have won—
When the vesper plants are hushed,
Kissed by the dying sun.

So falls that tranquil season,
Dewlike, on soul and sight,
Faith's silvery star-rise blended
With memory's sunset light,
Waereth life pauses softly
Along the verge of night.

Paul H. Hayes.

Aslaug's Wooing.

When Aslaug became a full-grown girl, peace was gone on Husaby farm. The finest boys of the parish wrangled and fought there night after night. It was worse on Saturday nights, but then old Junt Husaby went to bed with his leather breeches on and a birch club at his elbow. "Have I got a gruff," he said, "I shall know how to take care of her."

Tore Nuset was only a squatter's son. There were people, though, who said that he came often to see the farmer's daughter on Husaby than anybody else. Old Junt did not like this talk and said it was not true, for he had never seen him there. But people smiled at one another and hinted that if he looked better into that corner where Aslaug sat, instead of squabbling with those who, strutting on the open floor, he would have found Tore.

Spring came, and when the cattle were driven up on the hills for grazing Aslaug followed to take care of them. Hot lay the day over the valley, but the cliff rose cool above the sun-smoke, and from its top the cow-bells tinkled and the water-dog barked and Aslaug sang and played on the lute, and how did the boys feel following a the meadows below! The first Saturday night they all took to the cliff one faster than the other. But still more fast they came back, one after the other, just where the path turned the hammer. Some squeezed and took hold of them, one by one as they came, and wheeled them downward, making his words well remembered: "If you choose to come again, you shall still be better served."

As far as people could understand, there was in the whole parish only one who had the proper hand for such a piece of work, and that one was Tore Nuset. But all the rich farmers' sons thought it rather mean, that he, the squatter's son, should take his stand next to her, Aslaug Husaby.

The same thought also old Junt, when he heard it, and thought further that if no one else could master that chap, he would try, and those sons of his, Junt had begun to grow old, but although he had passed the three-score, he still liked to try a wrestling match with his oldest son when sometimes the company seemed to him to become sleepy.

Up to the Husaby grazing grounds there led one way and it started just in front of Husaby farm. Next Saturday evening when Tore intended to take this way and already felt a little more quick-footed because he had cleared the stables, one rustled upon him and grasped him by the throat. "What do you want?" said Tore, and threw the other to the ground so it rang through his body. "That I shall tell you," said another and gave him a blow from behind that was the brother. "And here is a third," said old Junt, and clasped him round the waist.

Tore grow stronger with the danger; where he hit it was felt. And he was limber like a willow-wand; he bowed and bent; where blows fell, he was not; where blows were not expected, he hit. But at last he tumbled, vermouthed, and a sound thrashing he got, though afterward old Junt often said that he had never had a fiercer deal with. The three kept on till the blood came, the Husaby said stop, and asked shrewdly: "Now, if next Saturday night you can cheat the old Husaby bear and these cubs of his, you may have the lass?"

Tore dragged himself along as best he could; when he reached home he lay down. Much was spoken in the parish of that fight on Husaby farm, but every one said: "What it would be there?" and was one, though, who did not say so, and that was Aslaug. She had waited for him that Saturday night, and when she heard of the meeting between him and her father she sat down and cried, and said to herself: "If I cannot get Tore I shall not see another glad day in this world."

Tore was laid up for the whole Sunday, and on Monday he felt that he must still keep the bed. Tuesday came, and what a fine day it was! It had rained during the night, and the cliff was green above. The window was opened and the smell of the foliage drifted in. Upon the cliff the cow-bells tinkled and somebody was singing. Had it not been for his mother who sat in the room, he would have cried.

On Wednesday he was still in bed, but on Thursday he wondered if he could not be all right till Saturday, and on Friday he was up. He remembered now the words which Junt had said: "If next Saturday night you can cheat the old Husaby bear and these cubs of his, you may have the lass." He looked away to

Husaby farm, time after time. "I don't think there will be any more beating," he said.

There led, as above mentioned, only one path-way up to the Husaby grazing grounds, but one who dared not get up there, though he did not go the beaten way. By roving out of a small land-ship and mooring at the foot of the cliff, one might get up, though the wall was so steep that it had seldom been trodden by the goat, who else is not very particular about her way.

Saturday came and Tore was out doors the whole day. Never was such a day! The sun played so the woods danced, and every now and then some one sang and called upon the cliff. He sat in front of the door when dusk came and every mist-crept upward along the hills. He looked toward Husaby farm, and then he jumped into the boat and rowed around the slip.

Upon the cliff, before the hut, sat Aslaug, her day's work done. She thought that since Tore could not come, all the more would other people come, and she let loose the dog and strolled away. She sat where she could look down into the valley, but there stood the mist, and somehow she did not like either to look down there just now. Then she moved away, and without any more thought she came and sat on the opposite side of the cliff, where she could look down over the fjord. There came peace to her from the long view of the water.

While she was sitting there she thought she should like to sing, and she chose a song with long notes and a burden, which floated far away into the calm evening. She found that she liked to hear herself sing, and when she came to the end of the first verse, she began the second with louder voice. But when she had sung that verse it seemed to her as if somebody was answering her from far below. "Dear me, what can it be!" she thought, and stepped out on the utmost ledge, and threw her arms around a tall birch-tree which stood there and trembled over the abyss. She looked downward, but she saw nothing. The fjord lay quietly asleep; not a bird was stirring. She sat down again and took up her song. But this time somebody answered with the same tune and much nearer. Aslaug sprang up and leaned once more over the ledge. Then she saw a boat moored at the foot of the cliff, and so far below that it looked like a nut-shell. She drew the eyes upward and caught sight of a red cap climbing the naked wall. "Who can that be?" she asked, and made a long leap backward. She dared not answer, for she knew full well who it was. She threw herself down on the green sward and took hold of the grass with both her hands, as if it were she who must not miss the grasp. The roots loosened; she shrieked, thrust her hands deeper into the sod, and prayed to God Almighty to help him. Then she felt that this was truly to try God, and could not be expected to be granted. "But only this one time," she burst out, "help him, oh! only this one time!" She clasped the dog as if it were Tore she would hold fast, rolled with it over the green sward, and thought that these minutes would never come to an end.

But suddenly the dog sprang up, started toward the ledge, wagged his tail and barked; turned back to Aslaug, jumped with his fore-paws into her lap and barked; twisted round again and barked with frantic restlessness, while a red cap arose above the ledge, and Tore leaped to her bosom.

There he lay for a whole minute. Neither of them spoke, and when they began to talk there was not much wit in what they said.

But old Junt, when he heard about it, said a word which was not unwitty. He threw his fist down on the table, and thundered through the room. "There is might in that boy, and the girl shall be his."

GENERAL SHERMAN'S PECULIARITIES.—The inevitable paragraph about the last set of girls General Sherman kissed, in Oregon this time, has followed the old man to Washington. Very few people take more pains to exercise this privilege of greatness than General Sherman, and I fancy it is a sort of constant gratification to the warrior, that it takes forty odd young ladies to represent the Union of States in his day, when Jackson had to put up with a score. And General Sherman does not confine himself to the American young lady in her representative capacity. He kissed the Oregon young lady, as all the world knows. He kissed Maud Harrison behind the scenes at San Francisco. Infallibly he had done the same thing here if she ever played here. When Mary Anderson played here last winter, General Sherman filed the entire front of a box with his applause, clapping like a school-boy, and when her benefit came around, his entire staff had to take tickets—enough to insure the success of any benefit. In a good many ways Sherman is a burden to his staff. He never wears full uniform; but it was laid out for him with great care, Monday, March 5th, last, for the inauguration, straps, swords and spurs. It was hard to see how he could go wrong. He appeared at the Capitol late, flushed, bothered. The staff bawled for his chief. Trouble had gone for naught. General Sherman had added to full uniform bright yellow kids. —Washington Letter to Union, N. Y. Herald.

The Rev. John Brown, of Haddington, was in the habit of proposing on festive occasions a certain young lady as his toast. Having abandoned the practice, he was asked for a reason. "Because," said he, "I have toasted her for sixteen years, without being able to make her brown, and so I've resolved to toast her no longer."

Mr. Hayes' Ohio Home.

Freemont is a town of 100 miles from Columbus. The population is about 7,000, mostly all people of wealth. The late Mr. Birchard, President Hayes' uncle, was one of the wealthy men here. Mr. Birchard at his death left his property to Mr. Hayes, as also the present residence, which is delightfully situated in the heart of forty acres of beautiful forest trees and green fields. Our call was an early one. We waited in a tastefully furnished parlor, which showed all the simplicity of a country home; quaint tables, old-fashioned chairs and ancient ornaments, but a look of domesticity about it that warmed the heart. Few paintings adorn the walls. A landscape by Griswold was over the piano, while over the mantel hung an excellent portrait, taken about five years ago, of President Hayes, with his only daughter, a beautiful little blonde, on his arm with her feet on his knee, and her dolly on her lap. Mrs. Hayes' picture, taken many years ago, shows her as having her hair the same today as then. Her eyes are lustrous and dark, and her hair black in her picture, while her husband seems a perfect blonde. A statue of Gen. Grant in civilian's dress, life size, in terra cotta, adorned a niche. He was seated with his perpetual cigar between his fingers. A photograph, that attracted much attention, was one of President Lincoln, taken with his son Tad, and framed with the picture was an autograph letter from the artist to G. V. Hayes, stating it to be the last one taken. It was taken on the 30th day of February, 1865, by Alexander Gardner, who sent it to Mr. Hayes. The President is seated in a large arm-chair, his left hand resting on a small table. His youngest son, Tad, is standing in a school-boy position, reclining at the small table, looking at his father. Close by on the wall was the plan of the Battle of Gettysburg and the steel engraving of La Madonna Di Dresde. A landscape, representing a scene in Pennsylvania, was remarkably fine and painted by Weber. In the Town Hall here is a picture by Weber of Mrs. Hayes, taken as a hospital nurse. The idea is rather idealistic than realistic, and remarkably fine in conception. It was suggested to the artist from a visit made by Mrs. Hayes to the wounded. It represented Mrs. Hayes at the bedside of a dying soldier, who, while his life ebbs fast away, wishes to take a farewell glance at some loved one's face in an album, which she holds before his eyes.

Ocular Infirmities.

The infirmity known as "color-blindness" is much more prevalent than one would suppose; and managers of railways, when selecting candidates for the posts of engineer, fireman or signal-man, are often astounded by the number of candidates they find afflicted with it. It will seem scarcely credible to those who have themselves got good eyes that three men out of five should be quite unable, at a distance of two hundred yards, to tell a green lantern from a red one. The most astonishing mistakes have been made in this particular. Engineers who in broad daylight could see two miles before them down a straight line, and detect a paving-stone on a rail at fifteen hundred yards off, have been known to rush heedlessly past a danger signal at midnight and bring a whole train to destruction. And yet the glasses used in the red lanterns that signify "beware" or "stop" are always of immense power, and on a dark night ought to be clearly visible to the naked eye at a distance of at least five miles. Similarly sportsmen who attend horse-races, or boat-races, are often in doubt as to which color wins, until the victor is close under their eyes; and this, although the jockey's jacket may be of the most flaring hue, and although in other respects than that of color-seeing these people may have excellent, unerring sight. A sailor who on the night watch will find it quite impossible to say which glass is "up" at Eddystone or Bell Rock, may be the first next morning to cry out "Land!" from the top of a shaking mast-head. When a mistake is made between two colors, the error is almost always attributed to the peculiar obliquity of vision, and color-blindness itself is said to proceed from malformation of the eye.

The late Chief Justice Chase's mother once bore her part in a little comedy which was almost Shakespearean. With her husband she was visiting two of his brothers, who were also married. The three gentlemen, sitting and talking together, made some playful wagers on the subject of their wives' tempers, and agreed to test them. So, walking into the room where the three ladies were seated at the fireside making caps, which at that time were very fashionable, the trial began. The first brother, after some slighting remarks concerning caps in general, and his wife's handiwork in particular, commanded her to "throw it in the fire." Naturally, the indignant lady paid small attention to the order. The next brother's attempt met with the same result; but no sooner did the Chief Justice's father command his wife to toss her cap into the fire, than the cap went into the flames, and that in the most prompt, sweet and serene manner. It may, perhaps, be unnecessary to add that of the three husbands he was the one most thoroughly well managed.

On a railroad line, recently, a passenger stopped the conductor, and asked, "Why does not the train run faster?" "It goes fast enough to suit us. If you don't like the rate of speed, get off and walk," was the rejoinder. "I would," replied the passenger, settling back in his seat, "but my friends wouldn't come for me until the train comes in, and I don't want to be waiting around the station two or three hours."

The Army.

A Washington dispatch reports Gen. Sherman as giving his opinion regarding the army as follows: Since last June there has been no recruiting, as there has been no money to pay expenses. His last report shows that the whole American army, enlisted men of every branch, numbered 22,331. There are by law ten regiments of cavalry, or 120 companies, five regiments of artillery, or 60 companies, and twenty-five regiments of infantry, or 250 companies. The average cavalry regiment has 800 men and artillery 450. If all the regiments were full there would be about 22,000 men. There are large numbers of enlisted men who do not carry muskets. General Sherman said they were enlisted to save money. You see them all around the headquarters. They are performing the duties of clerks, who in the civil departments receive for the same class of work from \$100 to \$175 per month. At General Sherman's headquarters, and at all headquarters, army soldiers are detailed for clerks. They are better disciplined, and they save a great deal of money to the Government. Congress ought to pass an army bill at once without any special legislation. The army needs the money, and nothing should be added to the appropriation bill that can occasion debate.

While I was before the Appropriations Committee I was asked if I could not get along with the present force of the army. I answered, unhesitatingly, No. The fact is, we are not getting on at all. The safety of the people, safety of the Government and Government property, demand more men. Before the war there was only one grand line to guard from Lake Superior to Puget Sound. Now there are a dozen lines, running through Wyoming, Arizona, Montana, Utah and other States and Territories of the great West. These all have to be protected. The army is the nucleus of civilization. It is the pioneer of the wealth of the West. Without its protection there would be a West without population or development. There is a long and dangerous Mexican frontier, with a condition of affairs that may any day involve us in a war with Mexico. Nothing but the judicious conduct of army officers there can prevent a war. Many inhabitants along the border want a war, but it is not for the interest of the Government to engage in a war at this time with Mexico. The General said the money spent for the transportation of the army during the labor riots last summer would increase the army to its required strength. Thirty millions dollars in bulk should be appropriated for the army. There are 40,000 postmasters and less than 30,000 soldiers.

An Emigration Scheme.

An organization has just been effected in this city whose object it is to promote the relief of the surplus industrial population of the community by offering practical help in settling on farms in the West. The association is composed of some of our best citizens, and it sets forth its design by saying that it is "to promote associate emigration to fertile uncultivated lands, and to aid in their development into agricultural townships and homesteads, by these means contributing to a redistribution of labor and its diversion from trade and manufactures where in surplus, to the tillage of the earth, the basis of all industries and the primary source of all wealth. The association is to consist of twenty-one members, in addition to which there is to be an Advisory Board of some two hundred citizens, and an office is soon to be opened for business in this city.

Land is to be purchased in large tracts and sold at cost, in alternate sections, to settlers; and the settlements are to be made under the direction of competent superintendents, who will show those who are ignorant the true method of cultivating the soil. The class chiefly to be benefited is that of poor workingmen who now find it difficult to obtain a living from a lack of work. A committee is about to go West and South to examine lands which have already been offered to the Board. We take the liberty to suggest to the managers of the association the feasibility of securing farms in different parts of New England, where the unemployed workingman will not be obliged to change his climate or home associations. There is no doubt that a good many of the pleasure country towns of New England could be repopulated in this way, while the advantage of near markets would more than balance the larger crops that may be secured on virgin lands. —Mass. Plowman.

A HORSE STORY.—An American clergyman, who is in the habit of preaching in different parts of the country, was, not long since, at a country hotel where he observed a horse-dealer trying to take in a simple gentleman, by imposing upon him a wind-broken horse for a second one. The parson knew the bad character of the dealer, and, taking the gentleman aside, told him to be cautious of the person he was dealing with. The gentleman declined the purchase, and the dealer, quite settled, observed, "Parson, I had much rather hear you preach than see you privately interfere between man and man in this way." "Well," replied the parson, "if you had been where you ought to have been last Sunday, you might have heard me preach." "Where was that?" inquired the dealer. "In State prison," returned the clergyman.

Snooks' boy heard him say the other day that there was money in hens, and he proceeded to investigate the old man's poultry yard. He had gone through a dozen hen specimens when the old gent descended upon him, and the boy now wonders if there is a balm in Gilead.

The Merchant's Story.

Yes, it was rather a curious start that I had in business. The first thing I did, after having saved a little pile of money, was to set up a shanty in Sioux City. I had all sorts of traps to allure Indians, and I wanted to buy any kind of peltries, scraps excepted. But I was a new arrival, and the noble red man couldn't believe in me without help, and I found trade rather dull. Last one night, however, as I was sleeping among my stock, there came a tremendous banging at my door, and when I unbarred it, there was a tall fellow, who seemed to me a little drunk; and said he, "I want a butcher-knife." "All right. Come in," said I. "I want a reliable one," said he. "I want it to kill a man with. Give me a good strong handle. I want a knife that I can put in, and turn round." Says I, "I think I can suit you. Walk in and take a look." I knew him by that time. He was a Virginian—a speckled looking fellow—and belonged to a good family, as I understood, and he had gone wild on the frontier, and done a great many illegal things and been forced to herd with the Indians. The consequence was that he spoke their language and was a person of influence among them. Well, I felt a little doubtful about his intentions, not knowing but what I was the man he was after; but all the same I got out my stock of tools and showed them. There was one, nearly two feet long, which I had bought for a cheese knife. Says I, "I think this would answer your purpose." "Yes, I should think it might," says he. "How much is it?" I told him the price—about four shillings, I think. "I'll take it," says he. "But I haven't any money." Under the circumstances, seeing he had the knife in his fist and was ready to turn it round, I thought I had better offer to trust him. "You'd better not," says he. "You don't know me from any other gentleman." "But I've got to trust you," says I. "You've got the butcher-knife by the handle, and I'm at the sharp end of it. Besides, I believe I can trust you." Off he went, and I heard no more of him for a time, not even whether he had killed a man. But some weeks later, he put in an appearance and paid for the knife. "And now, youngster," says he, "I like the way you treated me when I roused you out for that trade. You didn't show the white feather. Some men, hustled up at that time of night, would have been scared. But you behaved every way like a gentleman, and now I want to believe to you as one. There are some Indians coming in to-day and I'll bring them to your shanty to trade. Have you got any rum?" I hadn't any rum; I didn't keep it. "Well," says he, "we must have some rum. No rum, no Indian. Give me a couple of dollars." I gave him the money and he went off. When he came back he had a demijohn full of drink, and some tumblers. An hour or so later the Indians appeared, some two hundred of them. First came the warriors with their rifles, bows and tomahawks; then followed the squaws, stooping almost to the ground under their loads. My man halted them, but they did not want to trade with me; they didn't know me. There was a long palaver, and at last he threatened to kill some of them if they didn't follow his friendly advice; and the end of it was that they gave in to save a quarrel. They crowded in my little shop, and drank my demijohn empty, and bought my stock clean out, and filled me full of peltries. I made \$2,500 that season, went off in high spirits to lose it somewhere else, and to pick it up again. As for the Virginian, I lost sight of him, and never learned how he ended. I didn't even inquire whether he put his butcher-knife in and turned it around. It seemed to me too delicate a subject. —Atlantic Monthly.

MUSSELLMANS AND CHRISTIANS.—Until about a year or two before the time of my going there, Damascus had kept so much of the old bigot zeal against Christians, or rather against Europeans, that no one dressed as a Frank could have dared to show himself in the streets; but the firmness and temper of Mr. Farren, who hoisted his flag in the city as consular-general for the district, had soon put an end to all intolerance of Englishmen. In the principal streets there is a path for foot passengers raised a foot or two above the bric-a-brac. Until the arrival of the British consular-general, none but a Mussulman had been allowed to walk on the upper way. Mr. Farren would not, of course, suffer that the humiliation of any such exclusion should be submitted to by an Englishman, and I always walked on the raised path as free and unmolested as if I had been in Pall-mall. The old usage was, however, maintained with as much strictness as ever against the Christian rays and Jews. Not one of these could have set his foot on the privileged path without endangering his life. I was walking, one day, I remember, along the path, "the path of the faithful," when a Christian rayah from the bridge-road below saluted me with such earnestness, and craved so solemnly to speak and be spoken to, that he soon brought me to a halt. He had nothing to tell except only the glory and exultation with which he saw a fellow-Christian stand on a level with the imperious Mussulmans. —Kingslake.

STATISTICIANS now agree that the wheat crop of the United States will reach 225,000,000 bushels, or about 45,000,000 more than the average for the past eight years. We have usually sent about 64,000,000 abroad, and consumed 215,000,000 at home. If we subtract the average amount consumed at home, it will leave us about 111,000,000 bushels to send abroad.

LITTLE Holland has 10,000 wind mills.

AN IMMENSE EVIL AND THE REMEDY.

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," says the old proverb. Let us apply it to temperance. A long line of reeling, staggering candidates for penitence, 150,000 in number, one after another, through the year, drop out of sight and memory. And still the death march goes on. Is there any way to prevent it?

Why certainly. Drinkards grow from moderate drinkers, and moderate drinkers from the untaught, and wrongly educated children of our homes. Every parent is responsible for the intemperance of his child, if he has not by example and precept done everything possible to prevent it.

If parents would take as much pains to form a pure healthful taste in their children as they now take, truly though sometimes unconsciously, to form a taste for stimulants, we should see fewer entering the path that leads to the drunkard's grave.

We must measure a man's strength by the power of the feelings he subdues, not by the power of those which subdue him. And hence, composure is often the highest result of strength. Did we ever see a man receive a flagrant injury, and then reply calmly? That is a man spiritually strong. Or, did we ever see a man in anguish, stand as if carved out of solid rock, as if mastering himself? Or one bearing a hopeless daily trial remain silent and never tell the world what cankered his home peace? That is strength. We too often mistake strong feelings for strong character. A man who bears all before him, before whose frown domestics tremble, and whose bursts of fury make the children of the household quake, because, he has his own way in all things, we call him a strong man; it is his passions that are strong—he, mastered by them, is weak.

The amount of sugar annually consumed in Great Britain is 900,000 tons, being about sixty pounds for every one of the population. Raw sugar, when imported contains from 2 to 3 per cent. of impurities. As much as three tons of stone have been found in a single cargo. A Glasgow captain was recently charged with causing the death of several seamen by serving out putrid pork to them, but on the sugar being analyzed by Dr. Madagan of Edinburgh, it was found to contain sufficient arsenic to cause death. This sugar was supplied to the ship at Callao.

The most perilous hour of a person's life is when he is tempted to despond. The man who loses his courage loses all; there is no more hope of him than of a dead man; but it matters not how poor he may be, how much pushed by circumstances, how much deserted by friends, how much lost to the world; if he only keeps his courage, holds up his head, works with his hands and with un conquerable will determines to be and to do what becomes a man, all will be well. It is nothing outside of him that kills, but what is within, that makes or unmake.

"There is not," wrote the editor of a Deadwood (Dakota) paper, "a quieter, more peaceful, well regulated and orderly community in the western country." And then, as the office-boy entered to say that somebody wants to see him, he took his bowie between his teeth, put a Colt's new pattern seven shooter on the desk in front of him and then said: "Jim get out another coffin—plain one, this time—and let the cuss come in."

We are informed that the Secretary of the U. S. Treasury has recommended the abolition of the customs collecting District of Alaska, and that pending action on this recommendation, the Senate having taken no action on the President's nomination of Colonel DeAlma, the appointment remains in abeyance.—"Colonist."

The total nominal capital invested in all the railways of Great Britain is nearly \$3,200,000,000. This is at the rate of 200,000 per mile of railway opened. More than \$100,000,000 pays no dividend. \$270,000,000 less than five per cent., and only \$25,000,000 more than ten per cent.

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Petition for legacy under the will.
FRANCIS J. BURN'S having this day filed his petition in this Court, asking that he may have possession of the property bequeathed to him by the last will and testament of Arthur Phinney, deceased. It is ordered that Monday, the 19th day of January, A. D. 1878, being a day of a regular term, to-wit, of the January term A. D. 1878, at 2 o'clock P. M., at the Court room of said county, be the time and place for hearing said petition, at which time and place all persons interested in said estate are notified to appear and contest said petition by filing their objections thereto in writing.

And it is further ordered that notice of the pendency of said petition, and of the time and place of hearing be published at least for four successive weeks in the PUGET SOUND ADVERTISER, a weekly newspaper published in said county.

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