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An Ancient Toast.

It was a grand day in the old chivalric time; the wine circling around the board in a noble hall, and the sculptured walls ringing with sentiment and song. The lady of knightly heart was pledged aloud by name, and many a syllable significant of loveliness had been uttered, until it came St. Leon's turn, when, lifting the sparkling cup on high—

"I drink to one (he said)
Whose image never may depart,
Deep graven on this grateful heart,
Till memory is dead.

"To one whose love for me shall last,
When lighter passions long have passed,
So holy 'tis and true;
To one whose love hath longer dwelt,
More deeply fixed, more keenly felt,
Than any pledged by you."

Each guest upstarted at the word,
And laid his hand upon his sword,
With fury-flashing eyes;
And Stanly said, "We crave the name,
Proud knight, of this most peerless dame,
Whose love you count so high."

St. Leon paused, as if he would
Not breathe her name in careless mood,
Thus lightly to another;
Then bent his noble head as though
To give that word the reverence due,
And gently said, "My Mother!"

Youth and Age.

I often think each tottering form
That limps along in life's decline,
Once bore a heart as young, as warm,
As full of idle thought as mine;
And each has had its dream of joy,
His own unequalled pure romance,
Commencing when the blushing boy
First thrills at lovely woman's glance.

And each could tell his tale of youth,
Would think its scenes of love evince
More passion, more unearthly truth,
Than any tale before or since.
Yes, they could tell of tender lays,
At midnight penned in classic shades,
Of days more bright than modern days,
And maids more fair than modern maids.

Of whispers in a willing ear,
Of kisses on a blushing cheek,
Each kiss, each whisper, far too dear,
Our modern lips to give or speak;
Of passion too untimely crossed,
Or passions slighted or betrayed;
Of kindred spirits early lost,
And buds that blossom but to fade.

Of beaming eyes and tresses gay,
Elastic form and noble brow,
And forms that have all passed away,
And left them what we see them now;
And is it thus—in human love,
So very light and frail a thing?
And must youth's brightest vision move
Forever on Time's restless wing?

Must all the eyes that still are bright,
And all the lips that talk of bliss,
And all the forms so fair to sight,
Hereafter only come to this?
Then what are earth's best visions worth,
If we at length must leave them thus?
If all we value most on earth
Ere long must fade away from us?

Uncle Ben's Horse Trade.

My uncle Ben was a wag—aye, a most inveterate wag—a practical joker, who never lost an opportunity to exercise his pungent predilections and waggish propensities. He could enjoy a joke, and laugh most heartily, even if it was practised at his own expense—always provided, however, that it cost him nothing. Indeed, so strongly had this propensity taken hold of my worthy uncle that he would lay awake nights to give tangibility and shape to the wicked schemes which were ever teeming in his prolific brain, and then gave some roguish boy a bran new copper to practice them upon some innocent and unsuspecting strangers. But Uncle Ben was not the only wag in the neighborhood, and numerous were the occasions when his "risibilities" were called into active service to laugh at some joke played upon himself.

Uncle Ben kept a hotel in the quiet little village of A——, up the Hudson, and, like most other country innkeepers, was "some" on a horse trade. It was the summit of his ambition to get hold of some verdant individual from the back country, and "do him brown" on a speculation. He always kept several rare specimens of horseflesh on hand for this purpose; and rare specimens they were indeed—foundered, spavined, ringboned, blind, and baulky, and often with such a deficiency of the "raw material" that their bones would project in all directions, while the only wonder was that, in such condition, they should have sufficient strength and vitality to keep their equilibrium, even while in the stalls. The crows always frequented the neighborhood of Uncle Ben's barnyard, ready, at any moment, to foreclose the mortgages they held upon his horses.

Now, among the various hangers-on around Uncle Ben's bar-room was one Theodore S. "Teat" was the familiar cognomen by which he was known—a quiet fellow in his way, but nevertheless one who was "up to snuff." This fellow was the particular target for Uncle Ben's jokes, and took them all in perfect good humor, though he had been heard to vow, outside the bar-room, that he would one day get square, by a grand *coup de main.*

One day Teat came to Uncle Ben, and requested him to loan him one of his horses, as he wished to take a trip back into the country for a few days, to which Uncle Ben very generously replied that he was perfectly welcome, and could have one the very next day if he wished it.

Now, it so chanced that he had at that time in his stable an old "rackerbones" which he had several times turned out on the village common to die, but which the authorities had compelled him to take back to his fatherly care and protection, and he at once determined to make this creature the instrument of one of his practical jokes upon poor Teat. Accordingly, when Teat came for his horse next day, Uncle Ben met him with a very grave face, but with a wicked twinkle in his eye.

"I swow, Teat," said he, "when I promised you a horse yesterday, I thought I should be able to let you have a good one; but the fact is, they're all in use except the old grey, though you can have him if you wish."

"Oh, he'll do," was the quiet response of Teat, who at once perceived the drift of Uncle Ben's game; "he'll do first rate. I like something slow and steady, you know."

The old grey was accordingly brought out and saddled, and Teat was mounted, ready for a start.

"By the way, Teat," said Uncle Ben, as he was driving off, "if you get a chance to sell that horse, let him slide."

"How much shall I take for him?" asked Teat.

"Well, if you can get fifty dollars, you need not bring him back," was the response.

"But suppose I can't get that?"

"Why, if you can't get that, take forty; and if you can't get that, take twenty. In fact, Teat, don't bring him back if you have to sell him for *a stick of cord wood!*" and Uncle Ben laughed heartily, for he could contain himself no longer. The crowd of bar-room loungers joined in, while Teat rode off, with their shouts ringing in his ears.

And such a figure as he and that horse presented! Don Quixote, mounted on his "Rosinante," wasn't a patch on it, while the figures of Sancho Panza and his "Dapple" would have been models for a sculptor in comparison.

After the lapse of a few days, Teat returned with the saddle on his back, when Uncle Ben met him, and laughingly, asked if he had sold the horse, supposing at the same time that the poor old beast had died by the roadside.

"Tell you what it is, Uncle Ben," said Teat, "that's a mighty good specimen of horseflesh, for all he's so darned lean, and I think I've got a chance to sell him for you."

"Sell him!" ejaculated Uncle Ben; "who in thunder would be fool enough to buy that confounded old crow-bait? Why, you could not give him away."

"But I tell you I have got a chance to sell him, and at what I consider a good price, too. You don't know the value of that horse, Uncle Ben; he's worth seventy-five dollars, *if he's worth a cent!*"

"Is that honest, Teat?" eagerly asked Uncle Ben, whose cupidity was now fairly aroused, and quickly snapping at the bait.

"True as scripture, Uncle Ben. He had a little touch of the distemper while I was gone, and so I left him about thirty miles back to be doctored; but that won't hurt him, you know, and I met a man who wants him bad."

"Nuff said, Teat, and we'll try him. If we sell the horse, it's my treat—that's all."

In the course of a few days more, Uncle Ben made his arrangements to go and see the man who wished to purchase the horse, and accordingly, one fine morning, set out, taking Teat with him. During the intervening time, however, Teat had "stuffed" him well with bright hopes and flattering anticipations, and had eulogized the merits of the horse to such an extent that Uncle Ben really began to think that he was valuable.

Arriving at the residence of the supposed would-be purchaser, they drove under the shed, and entered the house, the proprietor of which was seated at the window, quietly smoking his pipe.

"Well," said Uncle Ben, after the formalities of an introduction had been gone through with, "I understand that you have taken quite a fancy to that horse of mine, and would like to purchase him?"

"Yes," was the response, "I think I would like to buy him; but what do you want for him?"

"Well," again resumed Uncle Ben, "as I don't want to winter him, I'll sell him at a sacrifice—give me seventy-five dollars, and he's your property. He's cheap as dirt at that."

The customer seemed to ponder for a moment, and then said:—

"Have you got him with you? I should like to see him again before I buy."

"He's at a tavern about a mile back on the road, and if you like, I'll bring him up," was the answer.

The man signified his assent, and back Uncle Ben and Teat started for the inn. The horse was brought out, and a bill of ten dollars and fifty cents presented for doctoring and keeping. This was paid without a murmur, for Uncle Ben considered he had a sure thing on the sale, and again they hurried back to the house of the supposed victim. "Hope told a flattering tale" to the worthy uncle; but was it to be realized? *Nous verrons!*

The man examined the horse closely, shook his head doubtingly, and finally expressed the opinion that he was hardly worth the money.

Uncle Ben persisted he was the best horse in the country—"of his age;" but he could not bring the man to the scratch. He would not think so; though of a verity, Uncle Ben spoke truly, for there was not another horse in the country as old as he was. Finally, however, after considerable dickering, Uncle Ben grew desperate, and stumped him for an offer.

Now, again the man dropped his head in a brown-study, seemingly pondering the subject seriously. After the lapse of a few moments he looked up, when Uncle Ben's face again brightened.

"Well," says the would-be purchaser, apparently having arrived at a conclusion, "as I want a horse of that kind, and you seem to be a pretty liberal kind of a man, I feel disposed to be liberal myself. So, if you'll stand the liquor, I'll give you *eighteen pence* for him, and that's the best I'll do!"

Uncle Ben wilted, while Teat vamosed the ranch through the back door, and struck a beeline for the barn, where he was found a short time after in a state of suffocation, from the effect of having stuffed a bundle of hay in his mouth to choke off his "risibilities."

Notwithstanding Uncle Ben's love for a joke, he could not stand this. To come thirty miles to sell a horse, pay ten dollars and a half for his keeping, and then be served in this way, was too much for human endurance. The joke might be very palpable, but it was altogether too practical. Accordingly, our friend Teat had to foot it back to the village. It is needless to remark, however, that Uncle Ben never played any more practical jokes upon him, and that was the last of his speculations in old horses. He had indeed been sold, at a sacrifice of both time and money—Teat was square.

In a village school recently, when the word 'waif' occurred in the sentence, the younker who was up—a bright-eyed little fellow—puzzled over the word for a few minutes, and then, as a bright idea struck him, he burst out with "I can conjugate it. Positive, waif; comparative, wafer; superlative, sealing wax."

A witty lawyer once jocosely asked a boarding house keeper the following question: "Mr. ——, if a man gives you five hundred dollars to keep for him, and he dies, what do you do? Do you pray for him?" "No, sir," replied ——, "I pray for another like him."

Dr. Adam Clark had a perfect abhorrence of both pork and tobacco. He is reported to have said: "If I were to offer a sacrifice to the devil, it would be a roasted pig stuffed with tobacco!"

AN INCORRIGIBLE COWARD.

BY DR. S. COMPTON SMITH.

I do not recollect, in all my acquaintance with military men, to have met with but one person holding a commission in the honorable service of arms, in whom was combined all the skill and accomplishments of the true soldier, with the incorrigible cowardice of the meanest poltroon.

This unenviable character was possessed by an individual whose real name, for obvious reasons, I will not give, but will simply designate him as Captain B——, of the Blank Regiment. I first became acquainted with this officer at Camargo, where his regiment arrived a few days before the army moved forward to Monterey, and I must confess that I never met with a more agreeable and companionable fellow in my life. He was the very soul of wit and youthful vivacity, and consequently a favorite with his regiment; for as his peculiar temperament had never had an occasion to develop itself, his bravery had never been questioned.

When the order for our hasty preparations for the advance was promulgated, no one was more elated, apparently, than Captain B——, at the prospect of our soon "locking horns with the Yellow-skins," as he facetiously expressed it; and he was seen everywhere among his men, exhorting them to hasten their readiness, and congratulating them upon the glorious opportunity which would soon be afforded them for distinguishing themselves, and by their deeds of heroism, acquiring for their company an enviable position in the regiment to which they belonged.

During the march, no officer was more cheerful and sanguine of the result of the fierce struggle in which we expected to be engaged, before the walls of the strongly defended city, than the handsome and ardent captain; nor were the oft quoted remarks about "reveling in the Halls of the Montezumas" oftener heard than from his lips. In short, no one could come in contact with him, without immediately experiencing the contagious effects of his own manly and gallant bearing.

But alas! for poor Captain B——, his courage did not long remain at the sticking-point after we arrived in sight of the enemy. Our good general was so favorably impressed with his soldierlike appearance during the march, and the perfect discipline of his men, that he selected him, with a portion of his company, to form a reconnoitering party, which, after proceeding through the fields in the direction of the enemy's outposts, was to examine the position of certain covered batteries, and to draw their fire, that we might know how to direct our own. But, unfortunately, just as the party had entered a narrow gully in front of the works, he was suddenly attacked with a violent spasm of the stomach, which rendered it impossible for him to proceed another step. This disease, he declared, he had had several twinges of before, and attributed it to the pure water of the country, together with the fatigue of his previous marches. After requesting his lieutenant to conduct the reconnoisance, as directed by the general, Captain B—— threw himself on the ground, under cover of the banks, and patiently awaited the return of his men. When they had accomplished their objects and returned to the gully, they found the captain, now recovered, in perfect health and spirits; and returning at their head, he reported the results of his examination, with so much minuteness and apparent knowledge of the ground, as to receive the special thanks of the commander.

This duty was performed, as the gallant old general supposed, with so much fearlessness and promptitude on the part of Captain B——, that he determined, the next morning, when the action commenced in earnest, to give him, with his regiment, a peculiarly honorable position in the storming of the lower part of the city.

With cool and manly bearing did this really fine-looking officer place himself at the head of his brave men, and move on with his regiment. But scarcely had it entered the outskirts of the suburbs, under cover of the cane plantations and corn fields, and attracted the fire of the enemy, than he suddenly disappeared. There was no time to search for him, and his lieutenant, supposing that some casual shot had struck him down, assumed the command of the company, and moved on to the attack.

Most fearful was the havoc among our noble fellows at this point: for the regiments engaged in the focus of that memorable cross fire, which belched forth from those masked batteries, suffered as no other troops did, during that severely contested battle; and we surgeons found our hands more than full, in attendance upon the wounded and dying.

About two hours after the advance of the Blank Regiment, a soldier, whose duty it was to attend the surgeons' attendants, in bringing in the wounded from the various points of the field, stepped up to me with a request that I would come immediately to a young officer, who, dangerously wounded, was lying in a house close at hand.

"Why did you not bring him to us?" I asked.

"Oh, sir," replied the soldier, "he says he is too badly hurt to be moved, till he has first seen you."

"Is he bleeding much?" I inquired.

"Not much, that I could see, sir. He says his hurt is internal."

So leaving our poor patients, who needed all our attention and skill, I hastened to the spot indicated by the man; and on entering the house, found Captain B—— lying apparently insensible upon a blanket. A few stains of blood were discoverable upon his face; and his white linen trousers were considerably colored with dirt and blood commingled, as if he had drawn himself painfully over the uneven ground, to his present shelter.

"My dear Captain," said I, stooping upon one knee by his side, and raising his head upon my hand, "are you badly hurt? Speak, if you can," for I at once perceived that he was breathing quite naturally. "Tell me," I continued, "where are you wounded?"

He could not speak, but placed his hand upon his chest.

"Let me examine," said I, as I tore open his coat, and removing his shirt-bosom, passed my hand carefully over his person; but without discovering either gunshot wound or contusion.

"Ah, my dear doctor, is that you?—How kind you are! Tell me how long have I been lying here?—But don't stay any longer,—I know my brave fellows, many of them, need your services. Hurry off to them, I pray, and let me die—for I feel that I am past your help. Yes, doctor, I am a dying man. Oh, is it not glorious thus to die at one's post? But break it gently to them, doctor,—to my friends at home, I mean; don't put my name among the *killed;* but only report me wounded, 'dangerously *wounded*'—you understand. It might be too great a shock to their loving hearts, to learn too abruptly that I was killed—so please, dear doctor, enter me on your list as '*dangerously wounded*'—that's a good fellow."

"But Captain B——," I answered, "I cannot report you at all, until I ascertain the nature of your injuries. "Where are you wounded, sir?" I demanded rather coolly, for by this time I had caught his eye, and by its expression, together with the regular vibration of the radial artery at the wrist, I was becoming suspicious of his game. The blood upon his face and clothes, I was satisfied, had never pulsated through his own veins; and rapidly coupling the various circumstances together, I was finally convinced that he was no more hurt than myself, but reiterated my inquiry—"Where are you hit, sir?"

"Why, my dear fellow," said he, as he made a painful effort to turn upon his side, "as to that, I can't say as I was exactly *hit*,—but—but——"

"But what, sir?" I exclaimed, now becoming extremely disgusted with the fellow's poltroonery. "Answer me quickly—for there are many *brave* men about, who are actually requiring my services; answer me quickly."

"But, my dear doctor, you must certainly know me well enough to be assured that I would be the last man,—the very last man in the service—to——"

"Captain B——, tell me, sir, and without any further prevarication, where and how you are hurt, if you are hurt *at all,*" I again demanded, and this time with much more than my usual decision of manner.

"Why, my esteemed friend, I think it was *here,*" said he, as he again placed his hand upon his breast—"I think it must have been a round shot from one of the enemy's battery guns, for it seems as if my breast bone was broken in—that is to say, it must have been a *spent* shot."

"But there is no mark of it there," I answered.

"Oh, no, I suppose not, doctor; for now that I think of it, I presume it was only the *wind of it* that knocked me senseless. But, my good doctor, to save the feelings of my dear friends at home, you may enter me on your morning report as only *slightly wounded.*"

"Indeed, Captain B——, I never before met with such an ar——"

"Yes, yes, doctor, I understand—I know it is an extraordinary case, very extraordinary; but I believe there are many similar instances mentioned in your books. You can make a note like this, if you choose—'Captain B——, of the Blank Regiment, in the storming of Monterey, knocked insensible by the *wind of a nine pound shot,* and though rendered *hors du combat* for the time, not materially injured.' There, my good man, that will do; so now go—not another word—only pray let my name be entered in the list of wounded. And now, good bye. Some of my men will probably find me and bear me to my quarters—call on me there as you make your rounds in the morning, doctor."

As I turned away, to return to the spot where my brother surgeons were occupied in dressing the wounds of really brave men, I was so completely disgusted with the absolutely unnatural meanness of Captain B——'s conduct, that I determined for the honor of the noble corps to which he belonged, and the service generally, not to mention it to any living soul; but on the following day reported him in my list of casualties as very slightly disabled, but not specifying from what cause.

I kept my own counsels, and though I could not help despising the downright cowardice of Captain B——, his conduct on the present occasion remained unknown to his brother officers; and the next morning as I passed his tent, around which were a number of his friends congratulating him upon his lucky escape, I was obliged to disguise my feelings towards him, and return his very polite, but excessively impudent salutation.

That day, the Captain ascertaining that his regiment would not be required in any particularly dangerous duty, reported himself sufficiently recovered to take command of his company; and I observed him, when my own duty called me in his neighborhood, extremely attentive to all the little minutiæ of the service.

At length by some inexplicable means, which I could never divine, the conduct of Captain B——, at Monterey, began to be whispered about;—and his brothers in arms at first began to treat him with marked coolness. But his fund of wit and good humor was so great,—and his having before been so great a favorite with all who knew him;—and besides his really soldierly qualities being so numerous that they readily by a tacit agreement determined to throw the veil of charity over the affair. In a few months it was nearly forgotten; and at all events ceased to form a subject of camp conversation.

But we were no sooner in for it, at the fiercely contested field of Buena Vista, and the round shot and copper grape of the enemy hailed furiously into the head of our advancing columns, and our brave fellows began to drop like grass beneath the mower's scythe, than I observed an officer of the Blank regiment spring suddenly forward, as if mortally wounded, into a narrow ravine, upon the brink of which it had arrived.

"There"—thought I, "goes another noble fellow to his long home." But when I heard the word passed from mouth to mouth, along the line—"Its Captain B——, poor fellow!" I reserved my sympathy for more deserving objects, well satisfied in my mind that he, for that time, was in "safe quarters." But shortly after his comrades had crossed the ravine, and successfully charged the batteries on the other side, I distinguished that officer emerging cautiously from the smoke that filled the gorge, and joining his company; and with cap in one hand and sword in the other, he cheered and huzzaed as vociferously as the bravest man there.

No sooner, however, did his column receive an order to attack another position of the enemy, where the guns were belching forth torrents of grape and cannister, than I again caught a moment from my own immediate duties, to look after Captain B——, for I felt an unaccountable curiosity in regard to his motions. But this time I could not see him at the head of his company. Presently, however, I again perceived his peculiarly lithe and handsome figure, gliding cautiously along the broken ground, and once more seek the shelter of the gorge. My indignation was now so great that I would have rejoiced to have seen him fall pierced with wounds; for then, at least, he would have had the credit of dying like a soldier, before his disgraceful conduct should have been discovered by his comrades. In fact, I was so incensed at this last act, so disgraceful to his gallant regiment, that watching an opportunity when I could be best spared from my post, I mounted my horse and spurred across the plateau, in the direction of the skulking place of the craven hearted captain, with the determination of shaming him, if possible, to a sense of his cowardly conduct.

I had no sooner reached the edge of the ravine, where I could take in a view of the ground below, than I espied him snugly ensconced under the shelter of the rocky wall.

"Captain B——," I exclaimed; "are you wounded, sir?"

"A—a—you here, my good friend? No, not exactly wounded—that is, not *shot;* but this confounded fall has nearly knocked the breath out of me. I believe, doctor, I have broken a rib or two."

"'Twas the *wind* of another ball, sir, I reckon," said I, now beginning to be really amused at the fellow's downright, cool effrontery. "Now, sir, come out of that forthwith, and rejoin your company, or by heavens I'll trumpet your base poltrooncery to the whole army."

"What a devil of a madcap you are, my dear doctor. But don't give yourself any uneasiness about me. I've no doubt I'll soon be able to crawl out again to my brave fellows. But tell me, my friend, how goes the battle? While I have been kept here by this unlucky tumble, my brave boys are winning laurels."

At this moment I perceived the general and his staff moving directly towards the spot where I was standing; and I now actually begged the captain, for the honor of his corps, which at that moment was heroically contending with five times their numbers, for the respect of his family, not to be found by the brave general thus shirking his duty. But before he had time to withdraw from the spot, the general had arrived, and observing me thus alone upon the edge of the ravine, inquired why I was there. I would not be guilty of prevarication, and pointed to the ravine below, where still remained the skulking officer.

"Who is that person, doctor?" he demanded, on seeing the captain entirely alone.

"Captain B——, sir," I replied.

"Is he wounded?—Here, my men"—calling to some orderlies—"assist that gentleman from the ravine to the plateau here; and, doctor, have the goodness to examine his injuries," and as the general turned to give some order to one of his aids-de-camp, the men sprang to the bottom of the ravine, and, placing their arms under those of the captain, dragged him to the upper world. I immediately proceeded to examine his person, really hoping in pity to him to discover some injury; but the result was as I expected.

"Well, doctor, I hope he is not badly hurt?" commiseratingly inquired the good, kind-hearted general.

I shook my head.

"What, is it serious?" he asked, as he sprang from his horse and approached the spot.

"Alas! general," I said,—"I am sorry to say it—he is not injured at all; and with shame I have to add, sir, this is not the first time I have been called upon to examine him, under like circumstances, with a similar result!"

"Is it possible that a craven heart beats in an American bosom this day! Here sergeant"—turning towards a squadron of dragoons in attendance—"take this officer under arrest. Not a word, sir, not a word"—as the impudent scamp attempted to explain—"not a single word from you;" and the brave old Rough and Ready stamped passionately upon the ground. "Bear him to the rear, sergeant. Gentlemen, I should not have believed this if I had not seen it with my own eyes."

At this moment, attracted by the sight of a general officer surrounded by his attendants, the enemy had directed one of his mortars upon the spot, and as the dragoon was about obeying the order, an eighteen-inch shell burst directly over our heads, and sent a shower of death-dealing missiles into our ranks. The sergeant was killed on the spot, and one of the horses of Major Bliss was desperately wounded. Scarcely had the report of this shell died away, when it was followed by another, that struck just upon the verge of the ravine. Simultaneously with its report a frightful shriek of mingled terror and pain burst upon our ears, and the mangled and lifeless form of Captain B—— fell directly between the feet of "Old Whitey," the general's gallant war steed.

"Is it possible!" exclaimed the old chief. "Poor fellow! he has escaped a terrible exposure,—one that would have deeply mortified his comrades, as well as his worthy family at home. Let us hope, gentlemen, that at the great Court above, his sentence will be much more lenient than would have been the finding of a court martial." And forgetful of his anger a moment before, and wiping off an unbidden tear,—for the Captain's father was one of the General's most intimate friends,—he gave orders for the body to be carried to the rear, and, waving his hand to me, moved off to another part of the field, where his immediate presence turned the tide of battle which had begun to surge against us.

Baron Munchausen.

Miss Brewster, (daughter of Sir David) in her in her "Letters from Cannes and Nice," says: "Baron Munchausen is at Nice! My father met him at a pic-nic the other day, and heard from him the history of his celebrated namesake. One of his ancestors had a chaplain who was famous for 'drawing a long bow,' told, in fact, the most false and extravagant stories. His patron, the Baron of those days, wrote a book cut-Heroding Herod, being a collection of still more marvellous adventures, for the purpose of shaming the priest, for which laudable design he was punished, by having his own name held up to posterity as *the story-teller par excellence.*" This shows that it is very dangerous to lie, even in jest. The Munchausens are a Hanoverian family.

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PUGET SOUND HERALD.

STEILACOOM, W. T., FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 1859.

ADMISSION OF OREGON.

By the arrival in Columbia River, on the 15th instant, of the steamer *Brother Jonathan*, with later Eastern dates, we learn that Oregon was finally admitted into the Union on the 12th of February, by a vote of 114 against 103. The fearful agony is over.

SLAVERY AGITATION.

The exclusion of Africans, of all shapes and colors, from the annual message of the Governor to the Legislature of Massachusetts, has its parallel in the State of Ohio. The Cincinnati *Inquirer* says:—

"The utter absence of any allusion to slavery by Gov. Chase, in his message, has created a good deal of talk among the Republican members of Congress from Ohio. They seem to think that the message is without any pepper and salt. The impression is that Chase means to be moderate in proportion as Seward is ultra, as he means to train on a different course from that of the New York Senator."

Upon the foregoing the Boston *Courier* thus comments:

"This remark applies, *mutatis mutandis*, to Massachusetts. We incline that this negro question, which has been the ace of spades in so many hands having little or nothing else to play, is not much longer to be the pivot of all public affairs in either Massachusetts or Ohio. God grant that it may be so. Of all the nauseous and loathing *isms* of the day, that has been the most odious and nauseous. We trust that the cant of spiritualism and of negroism will soon pass away into contemptuous oblivion."

Amen! say we to the fervent wish of the *Courier*. Too long has it been made the stepping-stone to place and power by designing and corrupt men. Too long has the negro monopolized the attention of the nation, in Congress and out of Congress, to the exclusion of the vital interests of the people. Too long has the odious *ism* been agitated, with no result other than that of foisting unprincipled demagogues into high positions. For years, almost the entire legislation of the country, National and State, has been devoted to the negro, to the neglect of the white race. The two Governors above mentioned are deserving of all praise for the good sense they have shown in not alluding to a subject many years ago worn threadbare.

The time consumed by the National Legislature in discussing the negro question has cost the Federal Treasury enough money to construct and equip three or four Pacific Railroads, while the time absorbed by State Legislatures on the same subject would build as many more, with telegraphic wires added. We are not of those who believe that the "shining lights" of the present day can settle questions or enunciate views which Webster, Clay, Adams, Benton, and a host of truly able cotemporaries failed to settle and enunciate in their day. The breath is wasted that attempts it, and the people's money is squandered with the waste of breath, while their dearest interests are meanwhile suffered to languish and die.

VAGABONDS.—For some time past, our town has been the abiding place of a number of vagabonds without occupation or visible means of support, and occasional thefts have been perpetrated without leaving any clue as to the guilty parties. The forbearance of our citizens was severely taxed, but finally reached the culminating point on Friday last, when it was discovered that Mr. O. H. White (carpenter) had been robbed of his tools. The thieves left a mark on his work-bench, but unfortunately it was not sufficiently legible to lead to their detection. A meeting having been called, it was decided to favor three of the most prominent vagabonds, (two white men and one negro) and on whom a suspicion of the above theft rested, with a ride beyond our county limits, which was accordingly done: three of our citizens accompanying them as an escort. We had hardly been rid of their presence when we heard of their exploits in Olympia; first committing a highway robbery and subsequently stealing a boat valued at $150, with which they made their escape. Would it not be well, now that the work of purification has commenced, to dispose of the Indian vagrants in our midst in a similar manner? Are they not often the instruments of whites in the commission of crimes? So we have been informed, and so we believe. Their proper place is on reservations, where we hope they will speedily be sent.

ASTONISHING FEAT.—The San Francisco *Herald* says James Kennovan, who had undertaken to walk or run four hundred miles in one hundred hours, accomplished his arduous feat, in that city, having performed the distance in 98 hours and 20 minutes, thus winning by one hour and forty minutes. On the last ten rounds he was kept up by cheers and noise, as well as urging, when he struck a trot and came in winner. He weighed one hundred and twenty-six pounds at the start, and one hundred and twenty-one and a half at the conclusion of his wager, having lost four pounds and a half. The best time made was eight miles in one hour, and on the last hour he accomplished but one mile and a half.

FROM SALT LAKE CITY.

Some months have elapsed since we last published any intelligence from Salt Lake; not meeting with anything in our exchanges of sufficient moment to interest our readers. The indications are now, however, that it will soon again be the focus upon which the eyes of the nation are directed; for signs are already seen of a renewal of the old acts of treason. This was to be expected, after the farce performed with them a year ago by our worthy President. A salutary lesson should have been administerred by hanging Brigham Young and a score of his leading followers; or, failing in that, expelling the entire body from the country. The government would not then again be subjected, as it now soon will be, to another expenditure of millions of treasure in reducing them to obedience to the laws. We have no hope of any good from them, and we question whether they would be tolerated by any nation under the sun. Already have they been driven several times from localities where they had, as they thought, permanently fixed themselves; it remains now for the government to eject them from United States territory altogether, which must sooner or later be done.

Read the following extract of a letter, dated Salt Lake City, January 7th, received by a gentleman in St. Louis:

"Yesterday, January 5th, Judge St. Clair adjourned the Grand Jury, *sine die*, in this city, upon the petition of nine members of that body, in which they declare their inability to proceed in the examination of witnesses, owing to the excitement and violence manifested.

We have it from unquestioned authority that a factious spirit ran so high that they were upon the eve of a general fight. Hands were on revolvers, &c. Matters were happily quieted by an able speech of one of the members, Capt. A. F. Garrison. It is scarcely probable that another Grand Jury will be convened again in this city. The jury was divided between nine Gentiles and twelve Mormons. Yesterday, revolvers were drawn by two of the Grand Jury, who were prevented by persons present from doing injury.

The excitement is high in this State, and the idea of an impartial jury or justice being obtained in this city is a farce; consequently, there is an end to the administration of law. I presume martial law will take its place."

ARMY INTELLIGENCE.

At the conference of Gens. Scott and Twiggs, in regard to the future disposition of the United States troops in Texas, we learn the following change was agreed upon:

The majority of the infantry companies are to be concentrated at Camp Cooper, and the remainder of this arm to be scattered along the El Paso mail route, for the protection of the mails and passengers, as well as the numerous trains that pass in that way to Chihuahua and New Mexico.

The cavalry now in this department, and three or four more companies of that arm, which are to be placed under Gen. Twiggs' command, will be kept in the field, on the head waters of the Red, Ouachita and Canadian rivers, to thoroughly scout all our northwestern frontier, and prevent, if possible, any more forays into Texas of the Camanches or their allies.

DEATH OF WM. B. AFFLECK.—After a lingering illness of six months, during all of which time he was confined to his bed, Wm. B. Affleck expired in Steilacoom on last Friday evening, 18th inst., about 7½ o'clock. Deceased was well known as one of the pioneers of Oregon and Washington Territories; having emigrated to Oregon at an early period, and from thence to this Territory. In Ohio, he formerly published a paper in connection with a brother; at subsequent periods he has been connected with the press in Oregon and in this Territory. At the time of his demise, he was sheriff of this county, to which office he was called at the last July election; thus leaving an unexpired term of some sixteen months. His age was about 38 years; his birth-place Peebles, Scotland; the cause of his death, consumption. He left a wife, but no children. His remains were interred in the little cemetery near the Station; the citizens generally accompanying them in respect for his memory.

DEED FROM PRE-EMPTOR BEFORE ISSUE OF PATENT.—The Supreme Court of Minnesota have, we see by the St. Paul *Times*, decided a case, Robert Smith vs. Camp, involving the question, whether a deed of sale, executed prior to the issuance of a patent by a pre-emptor of Government lands, conveying to a third party the land pre-empted by him, was a valid instrument, or whether it was void under the act of Congress of 1841, which declares, in so many words, that any "assignment or transfer of the pre-empted land before the actual issuance of the patent, shall be absolutely void." The decision was, that a deed made by pre-emptor, at any time after the entry and receipt of his duplicate certificate from the District Land Office, is a valid deed, and conveys the fee simple to the purchaser.

AMUSING SCENES.—The shipment of cattle from our wharf usually gives rise to amusing scenes; not always, however, unaccompanied with danger to the bystanders, as several sufferers hereabouts can testify. Last Monday, a small drove of cattle were placed on the wharf, awaiting the arrival of the steamer *Constitution*, when, several taking fright, a general scampering took place. An unfortunate "bulwark of liberty" happening to stand alone in the road, apparently a little *sea-sick*, one of the steers thought it not amiss to give him a toss; and, approaching him at full speed, took him neatly on his horns and threw him over his head. No bones were broken, fortunately. It was found necessary to shoot one of the runaways.

ENTERPRISING.—We are informed that Messrs. McCaw & Rogers will soon commence the erection of a large brick store adjoining their present store. A contract has already been entered into with the builders.

THE WEATHER.—Heavy rains, alternating with slight sprinklings of sunshine, are the order of the day.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF STEILACOOM LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

In compliance with the By-Laws of this Association, which make it the duty of the chief executive officer to report, on retiring from office, the condition and progress of the Association for the year, the following statement is respectfully submitted:

The Association held their first meeting in March, 1858, and have, at the present time, thirty-one active, three life and four honorary members.

The revenue from March, 1858, to January, 1859, has been—

From initiation fees and dues,	$276 75	
" Benefit ball,	270 50	
Total revenue for 1858,		$547 25
The expenditures for the same period have been—		
Incidental expenses,	$7 50	
Appropriated for books,	300 00	
Total expenses,		$307 50
In the hands of F. S. Balch,		14 25
Balance in the Treasury,		$225 50

Though the duty devolving upon your Committee calls for but the above brief statement, they cannot forego the opportunity here presented to congratulate the Association upon the success that has thus far attended their efforts. Few like attempts elsewhere have been attended with equal success.

It is hoped that, on the opening of the Library for the use of its members, an increased interest will be felt in regard to its success. Should its growth keep pace with the growth of Steilacoom, no cause will be had for complaint. Great care has been given to the choice of books ordered, (and which are now daily expected) that their character shall be such as will instruct and interest, without corrupting the minds of the readers. A further sum is about being remitted for another supply; which, added to the first, it is thought will purchase a collection of books fully equal to the present wants of Steilacoom.

It should not be forgotten that, before the Association was well under way, the gold excitement burst forth, and nearly depopulated for a time our town and county; notwithstanding which, we have added largely to the original number of members, and accumulated a fund exceeding the anticipations of the most sanguine. Should we be equally successful during the ensuing year, our labors will indeed have resulted happily; for we shall then have established upon a sure and firm footing an institution which promises to confer a lasting and priceless benefit upon the community of Steilacoom in future years. Too high an estimate cannot be placed upon the value of public Libraries. In the dissemination of knowledge they have at all times been powerful and efficient agents; while the salutary influence they exert in the promotion of morality and virtue is incalculable. The public Libraries of large cities are nightly thronged by young men, either in the pursuit of knowledge or entertainment, who, in the absence of these Libraries, would perhaps be engaged in the indulgence of vices and excesses of every kind. This having been their effect abroad, none will fail to see the importance of fostering and encouraging the Association here; for we have growing up about us a large number of young men who require an attraction and a check of this nature to draw them from the haunts of vice. Their future welfare appeals strongly to this Society, and let us hope the appeal will not be in vain.

Library Associations in some of the older cities of the Union, beginning under no more favorable auspices than this, have established and now sustain several of the best schoo's in the country, in which all the higher branches are taught, and this is done without the imposition of any tax in addition to the usual dues and the revenue derived from the letting out of books. From these schools hundreds of young men graduate yearly, the limited means of whose parents could not have afforded them the facilities afforded by these associations for a finished education. May we not hope to accomplish as much here? But this is matter for future thought and action.

A. P. DELIN,
Chairman of Committee.

STEILACOOM, W. T., Jan. 3d, 1859.

FROM ST. DOMINGO.

The following are extracts from a letter dated Puerto Plata, Jan. 3d, 1859:

I avail myself of the *Goleta*, which leaves a few hours hence for Turk's Island, to inform you of the anxiety, and even consternation, which fills all hearts here on account of the negroes.

The Haytiens are in arms on both the northern and southern coasts of this unhappy Island of Hayti; and this time it is not only the whites, but all those who unite some education with a preponderance of white blood, whom the blacks are threatening with unappeasable slaughter.

Europeans, who receive some notice and protection from their governments, are more safe; but for the Americans there is no refuge but flight. The American flag, which was torn from the consular staff and dragged through the streets amid the hootings of the negroes at St. Domingo, has never been cleansed from the stain.

Six months from this date there will not be twenty white American settlers left in the country. The Haytiens act as if they are in earnest, when they proclaim they are coming to put an end to the pride and the life of the white race in the Dominican republic. The negro forces are collecting at Jacmel and Cape Haytien, and some fine carbines have been received from Boston to arm two regiments of horse. One report is that no white man will be received to quarter if found with fire-arms in his possession, and we know that, in their former incursions, the negroes spared neither sex nor age. A concession of all the mines in the island has been negotiated for the French, and this class of property is expected to be all that any white man will be permitted to retain if the negroes conquer in the February invasion.

HOURLY EXPECTED.—The mail steamer from San Francisco. Col Wright and staff are looked for in her.

A letter has been received at Salt Lake City, under date of Jan. 13th, giving a deplorable account of the severity of the weather in the neighborhood of the Pass. For four consecutive days the mercury in the thermometer stood at eighty degrees below zero Some fourteen or fifteen mules at the Sweet Water station had perished, and seventeen men were badly frozen. Mr. Ashton wrote to Peter K. Dotson, Esq., the mail agent at Salt Lake, that his hands were badly frozen, and that he would start for Fort Bridger in a few days to have some of his fingers amputated.

At a cock-fight in Norfolk, Va., the Portsmouth chickens were whipped; when that sport was over, some of the boys entered the ring and commenced whipping one another.

OREGON ITEMS.

FEARFUL LOSS OF STOCK.—We hear of live stock, neat cattle, horses and sheep, dying off rapidly in almost every one of the valley counties. Within the past month over 100 cows have perished on Sauvies's Island; farmers a few miles below town have lost nearly a hundred more. A gentleman from Yamhill informs us that in that county the loss of live stock is unprecedentedly great. One gentleman has lost $2,000 worth of sheep, another 30 cows and 20 horses; others have sustained heavy losses, and if the present inclement weather continues many days more, the amount of losses from famished cattle will almost impoverish several of our thrifty stock-raisers. Already quite a number of them are preparing to leave the State, the majority designing to remove to California.—*Standard.*

COURT MARTIAL.—It is rumored that the President of the United States has directed a general court martial to convene at Fort Vancouver, W. T., for the purpose of trying Lieut. J. W. Sill, of the Ordnance Department.—*Statesman.*

CATTLE DYING.—We are informed that the fatality amongst cattle throughout this valley, occasioned by the recent severe weather, is altogether unprecedented. The cold rains, accompanied with snow and sleet, which have prevailed every day for the last six weeks, are more fatal to stock than the coldest weather, if dry, would be.—*Ib.*

A DESPERATE SUICIDE.—A man by the name of Arnold, who was recently arrested at Brownville, Nebraska Territory, for stealing horses, committed suicide in the room in which he was confined, employing the most horrible means possible. He broke a large glass tumbler into small fragments, which he swallowed; took a pane of glass from the window, broke that up and swallowed it. But this did not produce death as speedily as he desired, and he hung himself with a small cord to the post of a bedstead. In this situation he was found a corpse.

We are informed that he was a graduate of the Michigan University, a man of fine attainments and good connections. He had been residing at Nebraska City, where his wife now is. He had been carrying on a wholesale business in the horse stealing line. His shame at the complete exposure of his crimes, and, perhaps, fear that he would arrive at as ignominious an end as some other horse thieves in the Territory recently have done, are the supposed causes of his putting an end to his life in so tragical a manner.

Flattery is a sort of bad money, to which our vanity gives currency.

Steilacoom Market and Prices Current.

STEILACOOM, Friday, March 25, 1859.

The streets have been almost deserted the past week, owing to the unusually rainy, murky, dull weather. The spring is coyish, and old winter seems determined to dispute the sway to the last moment. Business is less buoyant than for any previous week in the past season. But few goods have changed hands. Holders, however, are firm, and prices mainly unchanged. The supply of Coffee, Candles, Oil, Mutton, Fresh Pork and Fish is small. The sales of Cattle have been at estimated weight, with the advantage decidedly in favor of the seller. We quote—

BEEF CATTLE—A sale of 56 head was made a few days since at 12c.

FLOUR—Sales of 175 qr sacks at $12 per bbl.

OATS—350 bushels sold at 75c.

HIDES—A sale of 125 Hides was made at $2 50.

BACON—1000 lbs sold on private terms.

WHOLESALE—CORRECTED WEEKLY.

Provisions.		Tea, per lb	75a1 00
Beef, fresh, per lb	16	Dried Apples, per lb	18
Mutton	15	Dried Peaches	25
Pork, fresh	15	Chili, do	25
Salt do	18	Soap, No. 1	12½
Mess do., per bbl	35	Soap, No. 2	10
Clear do	38	Starch	20
Bacon, clear, per lb	23	Sugar, No. 1 China	20
Bacon, prime	20	Sugar, No. 2 do	14
Hams, per lb	25	Crushed, white, do	25
Salmon, per bbl	$9 00	Candles, mould	35
Codfish	none	Adamantine Candles	35
Mackerel	do.	Sperm do	—
Butter, fresh, per lb	50	Tobacco, per lb	37½a75
Lard	22	Saleratus	12½
Cheese	—	Pepper, whole	25
Flour, per 100 lbs	$6 00	Molasses	70
Corn Meal, do	6 00	Syrup	$1 00
Salt, fine, per lb	4	Vinegar, per gal	50
Salt, coarse	2	**Liquors.**	
Potatoes, per bush	$1 25	Brandy, per gal	$1 50
Beans, Chili, per lb	5a6	Whisky	1 00a2 50
Beans, whole	10	Gin	1 50a3 00
Peas, marafat, per lb	4	Port Wine	2 50
Dry Goods.		Cherry Brandy	2 00
Sheetings, bro. 4-4, per yard	14	Porter, per doz	5 50
Shirting, bro. 3-4	12½	Ale	5 50
Shirting, bleached, 4-4	16	Cider	5 00
Drilling, brown	14	**Sundries.**	
Prints, per yard	12½a20	Nails, per keg	$8 00
Hosiery, wool, lf, per doz	$3a5	Window Glass	6 00
Cotton, do	2 50	Sash, per light	20
Paints, &c.		Axes with handles	$2 20
White Lead, per lb	14	Buckets, 3 hoop	5 00
Colors, do	25	Brooms	5a7 50
Linseed Oil, per gal	$2 00	**Lumber.**	
Turpentine	2 00	Sawed Fir, per M	$12a18
Lamp Oil	1 25	Cedar	12a20
Olive Oil	1 00	Shingles	5 50
Groceries.		Square Timber, per foot	8a12
Coffee, per lb	20	Piles	$3a4 00
Coffee, ground	20		

New Advertisements.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVING BEEN APPOINTED ADministrator of the Estate of E. H. SCHROTER, deceased, by the Hon. Probate Court of Pierce County, W. T., hereby gives notice to all persons having claims against said Estate, to present the same to me, at my office, in the town of Steilacoom, properly authenticated, as required by law, within one year from the date of this notice, or they will not be allowed; and all persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment.

WILLIAM H. WOOD, Administrator.

Steilacoom, W. T., March 22d, 1859. 3:4

BOAT STOLEN.

$25 REWARD—Stolen from Olympia, on the 21st March, a WHALEBOAT painted black, with a red stripe around the outside, on the rail, yellow inside, a locker in the stern, and tholepins for five oars. The boat is of large size, and in good condition. The above reward will be cheerfully given to any person who will secure the boat and send information of her whereabouts to the subscriber at Olympia.

3:3 J. L. HEAD.

The Sabbath School Bell.

A new collection of choice Hymns and Tunes, original and standard, carefully and simply arranged as Solos, Duetts, Trios, semi-chorusses and chorusses, and for Organ, Piano or Melodeon. This book contains nearly 200 Hymns and Tunes, and is one of the best collections for Sabbath Schools ever published. Price 20 cents single; $15 per hundred; in paper covers, 12 cents single or $8 per hundred; postage 2 cents. Compiled and published by HORACE WATERS, No 333 Broadway, New York.

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Contains 36 Tunes and Hymns, which are very popular; price 8 cents single; $2 per hundred; postage 1 cent. Nearly one hundred and fifty thousand copies of the above books have been sold in the past six months. 1:tf

Puget Sound Shipping List.

STEILACOOM, W. T., MARCH 25, 1859.

Arrived.

March 19th—Stmr Resolute, Pray, fm Olympia.
21st—Stmr Constitution, Gove, fm Olympia; U S Mails, fr't and pass.

Sailed.

March 19th—Stmr Resolute, Pray, Port Madison.
22d—Stmr Constitution, Gove, ports down Sound.

In Port.

March 20th—Bque C E Tilton, Briard, ldg for San Francisco; brig W D Rice, Diggs, do do; barque Mary F Slade, Crowell, do do.

FOR SALE—A House and Lot in the town of Steilacoom, suitable for a store or residence. For terms apply to

A. G. BALCH,
52:tf No. 4 Commercial street.

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Their stock consists of

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PLOWS,
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SHOES,
CIGARS,
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Do beans	Winchester's extra soap, hf and qr boxes
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STEILACOOM, W. T., FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 1859.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Cadwallader Wallace shot a man named John Godfrey, in Chillicothe, Jan. 27th. Wallace, Godfrey and another young man were riding along Point street, and met two women of loose character, one of whom started to get into the buggy and told Wallace to make his companions get out. Godfrey got out and made some remark about the character of the women, when the one who had seated herself in the buggy told Wallace to "shoot the son of a b—h." Wallace got out of the buggy; drew his pistol, placed it at Godfrey's breast, and fired. Godfrey fell dead, the ball having passed through his heart.

Wallace and the woman were both arrested, and the pistol was found on the person of the woman.

The Richmond *Enquirer* declares that the President's doctrine, concerning internal improvements, as illustrated in his recommendation of the Pacific Railroad bill, "is utterly incompatible with the doctrines of the Democratic party; it is Federalism—rank, deep-dyed Federalism: Federalism, compared with which the milder form of political error prevalent among the partisans of the old Federal party stands only in the ratio of vinegar to nitric acid."

The Portsmouth *Transcript* says a man named Chidester, who stole a horse in Ohio, and is now found in Virginia, has been demanded by Gov. Chase. Chidester appeals to Gov. Wise not to surrender him, because the horse belonged to an under-ground railroad man, who had stole negroes, and that the Ohio people will neither punish him nor surrender him to us. Their horses ought to be as free to us as our negroes are to them. Gov. Wise did not recognize the legality or morality of the excuse, and ordered his surrender.

A lady giving her name as Mrs. A. V. Pond, having with her a female mulatto child three years old, was arrested in Petersburg, Va., on the suspicion of negro-stealing. She stated that the child was the daughter of a Georgia lady who was about to be married, and that she, Mrs. Pond, was taking it out of sight to Massachusetts. This story not being believed, the lady referred to parties in Columbia, and a telegraphic dispatch having been sent there, and an answer received that all was right, Mrs. Pond was allowed to pursue her journey north.

A new gun has been invented in Newcastle, England, and satisfactorily tested at Sherburyness, the projecting power of which completely distances that of any piece of ordnance hitherto known. At an elevation of 33 degrees, it has sent a 32-pound shot a distance of 9,600 yards, or more than five miles. The same range has been attained by a nine-pounder, weighing 16 cwt., of similar construction.

At the close of the House of Representatives at Springfield, Ill., a few weeks ago, the Clerk read the following notice: "I am requested to announce that Rev. Dr. McFarland will deliver a lecture this evening, in this hall, on the Education of Idiots. Members of the Legislature are invited to attend."

The newspapers state that the celebrated "Randall" suit, in Kenawha county, Virginia, has been decided in favor of Josiah Randall. To Mr. Maupertuis, one of the French claimants, the court decreed 800,000 acres of the land in controversy. Mr. Randall recovers about 2,000,000 acres of land in Western Virginia.

The tobacco growers at Warehouse Point, Connecticut, are just finishing up the work of packing and selling their crops. Within a mile of the post office of that village more than one hundred tons have been raised the past season. The value of the crop in some cases amounts to more than $350 per acre.

Easter Sunday will be on the 24th of April this year. It last fell on that day in 1791, and will not fall on the same date again until 2011. Since the introduction of the Georgian Almanac this has been the case in the years 1639, 1707 and 1791. The period in which Easter can fall reaches from the the 22d of March (earliest date) to the 25th of April, (latest date) leaving thirty-five different days for the celebration of this festival. In this century Easter will fall only once (1886) on the latest date, the 25th of April.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hinchman celebrated their golden wedding on the evening of January 19, in New York. In the company assembled were Rev. Barnabas King, the clergyman who officiated at the marriage, Mr. Wm. Jackson, the groomsman, the bridesmaid, who was at the time Miss Susan Hinchman, and three other persons who saw the marriage There are ten children in the family, all married and living, and twenty grandchildren. There has not been a death in the family.

The famous trotting horse "Black Dick" died in Philadelphia, Jan. 23d. Poor Dick, after being the King of the Turf, and being matched against the fleetest steeds of his time, died from a wound in the neck, caused by coming in contact with the shaft of a furniture car. His skeleton will be placed in the Museum of the American Veterinary College.

A Mr. Jacobs, in the Delaware Legislature, proposes to repeal the law prohibiting the traffic in slaves between Delaware and other States. The Wilmington *Republican* denounces the proposed measure, and says the repeal of the law would double or quadruple the value of slaves, and hence would engage in breeding them, to supply the southern planters and others with laborers.

The farmers of Wisconsin who mortgaged their farms to the various railroads, have formed a league to resist the foreclosure of the mortgages. Some 3000 or 5000 persons are bound together by secret oaths, having signs, grips and passwords. At the late meeting of the league it was determined to resist by violent measures the attempt to foreclose.

While in Great Britain and America every exertion was made to celebrate in a becoming manner the one-hundredth birthday of Robert Burns, the Scottish poet, like arrangements are on foot throughout Germany for observing the one-hundredth birthday of Henry Schiller, the German poet, who was born at Marbach, in Wurtemburg, on the 10th of November, 1759.

Nicholas Longworth, of Cincinnati, offers to give a silver goblet of the value of one hundred dollars, or the sum of money, if preferred, for grapes that will be superior to Catawba for the purposes of wine—the decision of the question to be left to the Ohio "Vine Growers' Association."

At the late term of court at Machias, Maine, Thomas Gilpatrick was prosecuted for the value of three tons of hay destroyed by fire by persons intoxicated with liquor sold by him, and the jury gave a verdict for the plaintiff. In another case of the same kind the jury did not agree.

There is a great anxiety on the part of both the men and women belonging to the German Legion at the Cape to go to India. The Cape Town *Mail*, of the 27th October, says; "It would seem as though the idea of going to India were even more favorably entertained by the women than the men. Another ludicrous attempt has been made by a German woman to smuggle herself on board in the capacity of a volunteer. She was fully dressed and equipped as a private soldier, and had even put on an artificial moustache of most ferocious appearance, when a sergeant recognized and told her that she would not be permitted to embark. In a fit of passion, she pulled the moustache off and strode up and down the sands for a couple of hours. The ingenuity of these women almost deserve success, and they would certainly secure the sympathy of all were it not for the doubtful character of most of them."

The Richmond *Whig* says: "The quantity of flour inspected in Richmond, last year, exceeded 650,000 barrels; so that, if the inspector obtained one cent's worth of flour from each barrel—which is believed to be below the mark—his income from this source alone would be $6,500. He is authorized by law to charge an inspection fee of one cent per barrel. Out of his aggragate income he pays the salaries of deputies, hire of negroes, office rent, &c.

A shrewd business man, who takes a little interest in politics, is reported to have remarked, that the propositions to buy Cuba seemed to him "like an offer to give money that he had not got, for a thing we didn't want, to a nation that wouldn't sell!"

The Bangor, (Me.) *Times* says that at a social gathering of about sixty young people in that city lately, the parlor floor gave way under the pressure, and settled three feet. The company were greatly alarmed, and the ladies commenced fainting. The room was cleared very rapidly.

The Mendota (Ill.) *Press* says that two citizens of that town have recently lost their wives by elopement, and that the customary salutation in the streets, instead of "How do you do, sir?" has become "Is your wife safe this morning?"

It is stated that if Congress repeal the fishing bounties, as is proposed, the American codfishery will be distroyed, as they could not compete with the French fishermen who have a bounty of from $60 to $80 a year per man from that Government.

Lieut. Andrew Jackson, son of John Jackson, of Petersburg, Va., has been appointed assistant tutor in Spanish at West Point, with a salary of $2,000. He is the first American to whom the post has ever been assigned.

The New York *Independent* says, if it were publishing failures as formerly, it would have to report James Buchanan & Co. suspended—too largely engaged in outside operations, filibustering, &c.

DELINQUENT TAX LIST

Of Pierce County for the year A.D. 1858:

SHERIFF'S SALE—TERRITORY OF WASHINGTON, County of Pierce.

Notice is hereby given that I will sell by Public Auction, to the highest and best bidder, on MONDAY, the 2nd day of May next, at the Court House, in the town of Steilacoom, the following town lots, for delinquent taxes for the year 1858. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock A.M.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.	TO WHOM BELONGING.	Total Tax, with 10 per ct.
Lot No 2 in Block No 29 (in Balch's town)	Allen, J H	16
Lot 3 in Block 27, (Balch's town)	Allen, E J	16
Lot 1 in Block 29 and lot 4 in block 8, (Balch's town) and lot 3 in block 23 (Chapman's town)	Barron, James	$3 51
Lots 3 and 5 in block 56 (Balch's town)	Bradley, A J	31
Lot 3 in block 43 and lot 8 in block 34 (Balch's town)	Bradford, D	31
Lot 5 in block 21; lots 5 and 6 in block 32, and lot 3 in block 52 (Chapman's town)	Crosbie, H R	64
Lot 8 in block 88 (Balch's town)	Foreman, Robert	17
Lot 8 in block 60, and lot 3 in block 39 (Balch's town)	Fowler, E S	96
Block 46 and lot 1 in block 45 (Chapman's town)	Gleasey, Christopher, Estate of	1 44
Lot 4 in Block 50 (Balch's town)	Hughes, E D	16
Lots 7 and 8 in block 41 (Balch's town)	Larnard, C H	32
One-third of lot 5 in blo k 14 (Chapman's town)	Moses, A B, Est. of	6 38
Lot 2 in block 37 (Balch's town)	Moore, J B	17
Lot 6 in block 44 (Balch's town)	Moore, G W	17
Lot 2 in block 6 (Chapman's town)	Phelps, Arthur	17
Lot 7 in block 39 [Balch's town]	Pattison, Robert	16
Lots 2 and 7 in block 3 [Chapman's town]	Scranton, John H	32
Lot 3 in block 51 [Balch's town]	Stewart & Furste	3 12
Lots 1, 2, 7 and 8 in block 4; lot 1 in block 11 and lot 2 in block 32 [Chapman's town]	Tykel, George	95
Lot 6 in block 16 and lot 2 in block 21; lot 5 in block 34; lot 3 in block 44 [Balch's town]	Tappan, W H	31
Lots 1, 2, 7 and 8 in block 54 [Balch's town]	Yulee, Elias	63
Lot 7 in block 2 [Chapman's town]	Unknown	17
Lot 3 in block 6 [Chapman's town]	Unknown	17
Lot 5 in block 8 [Chapman's town]	Unknown	17
Lots 7 and 17 in block 18 [Chapman's town]	Unknown	33
Lots 1 and 8 in block 44 [Chapman's town]	Unknown	31
Lots 2 and 3 and 6 and 7 in block 12 [Balch's town]	Unknown	63
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 in block 19 [Balch's town]	Unknown	1 27

Given under my hand this 1st day of March, 1859.

WM. McLUCAS,
Deputy Sheriff Pierce County, W. T.

52:3

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Dried Apples, Dried Peaches, Soap, Starch, Sugar, Crushed do, Adamantine Candles, Saleratus, Pepper, Alspice, Cloves, Mustard, Capers, Table Sauces, Can Oysters, Can Lobsters, Can Chickens, Can Beef, Can Peaches, Bottled Peaches, Brandy Peaches, Can Apples, Can Strawberries, Can Pie Fruits, Bottled Pie Fruits, Ex. Lemon, Ex. Vanilla, Ex. Orange, Ex. Rose, and other articles suited to the wants of the community.

Also, a large assortment of good Liquors. 1-1y

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CALICOS—5000 yards of Calicos of the latest styles and fast colors, suited to the Indian trade, For sale by S. McCAW & CO.

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Goods from any of the Atlantic States for Puget Sound will be carefully received at San Francisco and promptly forwarded.

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Good Saddle Horses will be kept in readiness for the accommodation of the public.

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16-tf MILES J. WEST.

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WINES,
LIQUORS, &c., &c.

All of which will be sold at reduced prices. Call and examine our stock.

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Steilacoom, Nov. 19th, 1858. 37:tf

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SMOKED BEEF, CORNED BEEF,
SARDINES, DRIED APPLES,
FRESH CHEESE, SYRUP,
SUGAR, TEA,
COFFEE, OYSTERS,
LOBSTERS,

And a general variety of Groceries of all kinds, suited to the country and Mining trade, all for sale on the most reasonable terms for cash or country produce.

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50:f LEMUEL BILLS.

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The house is convenient to the steamboat landing at Balch & Webber's wharf, and travelers will be received at any hour of the night.

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38:1y Proprietor.

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THE UNDERSIGNED WOULD RESPECTFULLY INFORM his friends, patrons, and those intending purchases, that notwithstanding all the great excitement about Frazer's River, Roads, Passes and Trails, he has withstood the temptation for the purpose of supplying the wants of the people with as good a selection of

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29:6m Washington Plains, W. T.

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38:tf P. KEACH.

MARINE HOSPITAL,
Port Townsend, June 22, 1858.

DR. P. M. O'BRIEN, LATE RESIDENT PHYsician and Surgeon of the County Hospital, San Francisco, and of the hospital of the Sisters of Mercy, is now in charge of the Marine Hospital at Port Townsend.

DR O'BRIEN is also prepared to receive private patients. He flatters himself, too, with the hope that an experience of sixteen years in the pratice of his profession, both private and hospital, together with a thorough medico chirurgical education, as evidenced by the proper guarantee of a diploma to that effect, will obtain for him the confidence of the citizens on Puget Sound.

Letters addressed P. M. O'BRIEN, M.D., Port Townsend, will be duly acknowledged. 17 tf

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THE NEW FIRM WILL SUPPLY ALL DEmands for work in their line on as good terms as such articles can be obtained in this section of country.

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Steilacoom, Oct. 11th. 32:tf

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P. KEACH

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For Sale,
MILK COWS AND HEIFERS.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS ON HAND AND FOR SALE, at moderate prices, a large number of Milk Cows and Heifers. Apply at his Farm, near Gravelly Lake, 1½ miles from Fort Steilacoom.

43:tf ABIAL MORRISON.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trusting or giving credit to any one in my name without an order from my hand, as I will pay no debts so contracted. 25:tf THOS. TOLLENTIRE.

NOTICE—The public are hereby cautioned against purchasing or trading in any manner for the large frame house on Lot 2, Block 2, in the town of Steilacoom, (Balch's portion) generally known as Slaughter's large house on the hill, as the said house and lot are claimed as belonging to the estate of the late W. A. Slaughter, deceased, and the matter is now the subject of judicial investigation.

41:tf J. M. BACHELDER, Adm'r.

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Agriculture.

Mouse and Mole Trap.

To the Editor of the Puget Sound Herald:

ARCADA, Sawamish Co., W. T., March 1st, 1859.

I am glad to see your sheet taking so much interest in farming, orcharding, &c., and I hope it may continue to do so.

My object in writing now is to describe a trap that will catch mice, moles, gophers, ground squirrels, &c., which are so destructive to orchards, gardens, and fields. I have lost a dozen or more very fine apple trees by them, and have tried a great many ways and means to destroy or drive them out, but all in vain until I made some traps of the description given below. A certain correspondent of the *Oregon Farmer* recommends shooting them. After reading his letter, I took my old musket, loaded with shot, one evening into my orchard to watch for the vermin; and having waited a long time, I happened to see one, when I aimed and fired. Whether I killed him or not, I don't know; but I found out that I had killed a very good tree in the fun. So I hung up my gun again, and concluded that hunting mice this way would not pay. After this I set my trap, and found the first morning an even dozen in it. In this number was one mole, three large short-tailed meadow-mice, two of a very small kind of ground mice, four of the common long-tailed mice, and two of another kind. (I have no gophers on the place.) The next night I did not find so many; and gradually they were all caught in that part of the field.

The trap consists of an open square tin can, 12 inches high, 6 inches wide, and 10 inches long; the sides half an inch higher than the ends. Next take two pieces of smooth tin, six inches square, (somewhat less one way, so that it has plenty of room to play within the sides) for half lids or trap-doors to the can. For each lid take small wire, 6½ inches long, for pivots, which is laid across the lids on the upper side and fastened. The pivots are made to work in holes in the side, so that the lids nearly touch. One end of the lid can rest on the end of the trap, or project over it. The outside of the lid must be a little the heaviest, so that it always comes back when a mouse or mole falls in. Now make a *cultus* box without head, as high as the trap, to place the trap in, so that, when it is set in the ground, the earth will not press it out of shape and working. The sides of the box must be six or eight inches higher than the ends of the trap. To keep the lids of the trap from turning clear over, stick a nail in the proper place of the sides.

Now, when finished, the success of cathing the mice, &c., depends on the setting of the trap. In setting it, dig or plow a furrow one hundred or more feet long and eight or ten inches deep. Dig a hole in the bottom of this furrow, (some place in the middle) to the depth of the trap, and set it in. Fill up all vacancies around the trap with earth, so that, when the vermin come along, they must go over the trap-doors, and down they go. About three inches of water is put into the can, to drown them. The furrow is covered over with boards, or anything that comes the handiest to make it dark, where those things are not afraid to be. Carrots, potatoes, &c., may be placed in the furrow near the trap to advantage.

After I was satisfied my trap was working so well, I had several made in the tinshop of Mr. Gallagher, in Olympia. He knows how to make them. If a person finds his own cans, it will cost but a trifle.

The above description is rather longer than I wished it to be, but I could not condense it into narrower limits. I am sure, however, it is not too long for many of your readers, who cannot but find it a valuable expedient.

Your paper comes regularly every two weeks—that is, two at a time. I understand there is a mail twice every week from your place to Olympia; and, if so, I can't see why we can't get your paper at least once a week. Our mail comes regularly every Saturday (Friday, heretofore) to this place.

Yours, &c.,

WM. WALTER.

Bearing Year of Apple Trees.

The bearing of apple trees in alternate years is so general in all the older States, that it has come to be considered a necessity. With some trees the habit is so inveterate that not a solitary apple can be found upon the branches in the unfruitful year. The whole energies of the tree and the resources of the soil seem to be exhausted in the fruitful years, so that it takes two seasons of hybernation and rest to recuperate. This habit is a great drawback upon the profits of fruit growing. In the abundant years apples are cheap, and the farmer gets but a fair return for his labor. In the scarce year, when prices are high, he has no fruit to sell.

Some facts have come under our observation that lead us to suppose that this habit can be overcome, and that the skillful fruit grower can rely upon a crop of apples every year with as much certainty as upon any of the root or grain crops. In the front yard of the old homestead there stood an old apple tree in a deep rich loam. It was kept in grass and bore a large crop of early apples in alternate years, yielding nothing in the interval. By way of experimenting, the green sward was broken up, and the whole yard manured and planted as a garden. To the great disappointment of all the skeptics in the region, the old tree changed its habits, and bore very full crops two years in succession. The yard was seeded down and it relapsed, but continued to bear in the years which would have been barren in the old order.

When a young orchard is put out upon a piece of recently cleared woodland, where there is abundance of vegetable matter in the soil, it bears with much more uniformity every year than an old orchard under common treatment in the same vicinity. Orchards planted in the new settlements are much more productive than those in the older States for the same reason. The trees find aliment enough in the virgin soil to mature good crops every year.

Nothing pays better for care and attention than the apple. A single acre in this fruit, kept in good heart, by manuring and cultivation, will yield more profit than ten acres neglected in the ordinary way. The only secret in having apples abundant every year is in keeping the trees clean, and in feeding them. He who has plenty of muck, peat, lime or ashes, and stable manure, need not go off his own premises to find plant food for his orchard. The breaking up of the turf in an old orchard, and the application of a compost of these materials will work wonders. Nothing but root crops should ever be attempted in an orchard. The fruit and the grain want similar constituents. We have seen apple trees put back for years by a rye crop. The present month is a good time to begin the work of renovating old orchards, and reforming their bearing habits. "Dig about and dung the bearing trees" before you decide to "cut them down as cumberers of the ground."—*American Agriculturist.*

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10 cases Dunnell's prints;
10 cases ¾ and 4 4 bleached shirtings;
10 cases 6-4, 8 4 and 10-4 bleached shirtings;
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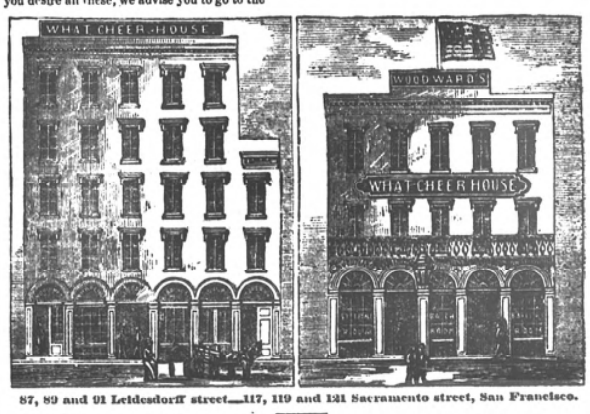

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