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### THE APPEARANCE OF FRAUD.

THE PORTLAND "TELEGRAM" ON  
 JESSE SHEPARD.

Several months ago a young man named Jesse Shepard, claiming to be the most wonderful pianist in the world, came to our city. Although the daily press teemed with long "puffs," all of which were paid for as advertisements, the smooth-tongued youth managed to impress upon the people that his principal attribute was extreme modesty. He was very delicate, indeed; he could not or would not perform in a public hall, and would admit only a very few to his private concerts. He claimed never to have received any instruction in music, but depended entirely on the good will of the spirits which he claimed made it their special business to attend upon him. This was Jesse Shepard when he first came. He staid here a few weeks and then went on a tour of the sound. His conduct there was strangely inconsistent with his extreme modesty in this city. He gave public concerts and drummed up by hook or crook just as large audiences as he could. He was no longer the sensitive youth who shrunk from public gaze. When he returned to Portland he again became very select; but though he had never received any musical instructions, as he said, an advertisement appeared in the daily papers to the effect that the "renowned" Jesse Shepard had consented to remain in Portland a few weeks and would take a few—only a very select few—pupils. Since that time he has been dodging here, there and everywhere, giving concerts, seances, etc., always charging extortionate prices therefor. Every few days the "renowned Jesse Shepard," according to his own story, receives urgent appeals from crowned heads or eminent musicians requesting his presence in Europe. In the name of common sense, why don't the young man go? His vocal and instrumental performances are remarkable for their extreme thinness. His "wonderful exhibitions" can only be done under cover of darkness and from behind a screen. He certainly goes "high and low," and as the newspapers say, his voice is "clear and flute like." He does not pronounce the words of the songs which he sings, and the notes do not half so much resemble the sound of the human voice as that of a flute or other good instrument. There is certainly crookedness somewhere. If Mr. Shepard is possessed of "wonderful" powers why don't he exhibit then openly and in the light?

The above is a flagrant example of unfairness in dealing with the question at issue. Mr. Shepard remained a few days in Port Townsend during the past week, in the course of which he held a number of private seances besides giving a public concert. The latter was spoken of by many who were competent judges as well as impartial persons as being one of the most rare and grand musical treats they had ever listened to. Although we were prevented, by other appointments, from attending and listening, it would be folly to assert, even were we so disposed, in the face of such reliable testimony, that Mr. Shepard is not a pianist and singer of wonderful powers. There can be no doubt that the country, in this fast stage of its existence, teems with frauds of every type and occupation, and also that forcible and plain language ought to be used to and about them whenever necessary.

in correcting the evil tendency of their impositions, but at the same time the fact is plainly established that sensational newspapers, in their zeal to create a stir of some sort, go to the other extreme and many times denounce adventurers in terms which evince no spirit of fairness and just dealing. We do not, by any means, accept the profession that Mr. Shepard's powers have a supernatural or spiritualistic origin, yet we propose to DETECT his fraud and be able to logically and fairly expose him before making any attempt to influence public opinion.

HOKO RIVER.—The cannery at this point is now in process of erection, and will soon be ready for business. Hon. E. B. Ebey, the President of the company, was in this city yesterday, and informed us that they had some idea of canning halibut as well as salmon. Their only fear was that the flesh of the halibut did not contain as much oil as that of the salmon and, for that reason would not keep so well. We don't think that will materially interfere with the canning of halibut, for we have used cans of chicken and turkey that have been put up for three years, and found them invariably sweet; and they contain no more fat than halibut. The next five years will witness a marked change in the counties of Clallam and Jefferson. Fishing villages will dot every little nook and bay between Port Townsend and Neah bay, and as fisherman cannot grow their own produce, they will have to purchase from the settlers who are taking up the fertile creek bottoms along the straits. The fisheries will, before the close of 1880, make a cash market for all the garden truck that the settlers can produce.—"Intelligencer."

Poor Mr. Lincoln, being where he cannot contradict his assailants, has been made responsible for a great many poor jokes and a great many jokes that were bald-headed and had moss on their legs when he was born. But it really is too bad for the papers to resurrect and make the good Abe responsible for that very venerable and senile answer to the conundrum: "If two little pigs weigh fifty pounds, how much will an old hog weigh?" "I don't know," said old Abe; "step on the scales and I will weigh you?" Now, it is well known that this joke was old when the Phœnicians first suggested the pyramid to M. Cheops, and caused many a wild guffaw among the members of the Symposium. In fact, this is the very reply which Libra made to Achilles in pre-historic times, and Olympus rocked with the responsive risibility, when Libra said, "Get on my scales."

A dispatch from Kalama informs us that the convention nominated Mr. Gilmore of Klickitat, for delegate at large, B. F. Dennison for the judicial district, and A. S. Abernethy and J. B. Allen for council districts. These nominations we consider excellent ones, and have no doubt but they will be well received by the people. From these nominations we judge the convention was not as partisan as former Republican conventions at Kalama, but that an earnest effort was made to obtain good and capable delegates to the constitutional convention. To secure a good constitution that the people will endorse, delegates must be elected who throw aside all partisan feelings in this matter; and to obtain admission as a state, our plea must be backed up by the whole people, and not as a party claim.—"Olympia Transcript."

The Temperance people of King county have nominated J. W. George as a candidate from the council district to the constitutional convention.

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The Wind's Mischief.

The wind was out for a frolic,
And a merry wight was he;
With flying wing and whistling mouth
Up he came from the far warm South,

The Little Match Girl.

It was dreadfully cold; it was snowing
fast, and almost dark; the last evening
of the old year was drawing in.

the good grandmother looked so tall and
stately, so beautiful and kind; she took
the little girl in her arms, and they both
flew higher and higher, till they were in
that place where neither cold, nor hunger,

But in the cold morning hour, crouching
in the corner of the wall, the poor
little girl was found—her lips still smiling—
frozen to death on the last night of
the Old Year.

"She has been trying to warm herself,
poor thing!" the people said, but no one
knew of the sweet visions she had beheld,

The Venus of Milo.

A small, but very interesting pamphlet
in reference to the Venus of Milo has just
appeared in Paris, the author of which
is a M. Doussault, its substance being as
follows:

In 1847, M. Doussault, who was an
architect, being in Athens, met there M.
Brest, the French Consul at Milo, who
was the first man who saw the beautiful
statue on its ancient pedestal.

Liability of Street-Car Conductors.

In one of the English courts recently a
case was decided in which the respondent,
Bailey, was a conductor in the employ
of the London Street Railroad Company.

A NEW OIL REGION.—News has been
received of the success of the oil-tests in
progress in the Cumberland mountains
in Kentucky and Tennessee.

WHERE love reigns disturbing jealousy
doth call himself affection's sentiment.—Shakespeare.

Science and the Babbling Brook.

There are sometimes scientific discoveries
the utility of which are not readily
discoverable. Sooner or later, however,
some use is found for every new principle
or device developed by the progress
of the age.

This was not one of those instances
in which it was possible to send a small boy
down to see, or to attach a cord to a rat
and urge upon him the importance, in
the interests of science and the manufacturing
industries of Germany, of a subterranean
and subaqueous trip from the Danube
to the source of the Aach.

HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN, traveling
along the Rhine, stopped at St. Goar,
and inquired for the poet Freiligrath.

An English nobleman who is in the
habit of speaking to soldiers in an affable
manner, was much amused lately when
a guardsman said to him, in a hearty and
genial way: "I like you, my lord. There's
nothing of the gentleman about you!"

Robin Hood's Miracle.

Fair, fair was the forest of Sherwood
in the days of Robin Hood; long were
the summers that garmented the forests
with green, and bright were the autumns
that browned the thickets and coverts

Robin Hood performed a most wonderful
miracle in his day. Perhaps, though you
may not think it so wonderful after all.

Robin laid hold of the priest's robes,
and drew him from the horse. Robin
was so stout a man that the priest could
not resist, and when he commanded the
other priest to dismount, he dared not
disobey him.

"You say you have no money," said
Robin. "Neither have I." "You know
how to pray?" said Robin. "Yes," said
the priests. "Then let us all fall on our
knees, we three together, and for money
we will pray earnestly, and we will see
what Heaven will send."

Robin searched the pockets of one,
and drew forth a purse heavy with gold.
"Let me feel," said Robin. The priests
now looked more troubled than ever.

A SEA-LION'S ADVENTURE.—Mr. G. O.
Kalb, secretary of the St. Louis Fair
Grounds Association and superintendent
of the grounds, in the beautiful cottage
located within which he resides with
his family, was informed that "Ben,"
the king of the sea-lions, was missing.

Mr. Kalb was frightened, and immediately
repaired to the artificial lake or
mammoth tank wherein the pets are
wont to disport. Ben was nowhere to
be seen. His two companions, however,
were within the inclosure, and as playful
as ever.

It is said that few persons are better
versed in British politics than Queen
Victoria. Her long reign has given her
an experience of constitutional usages
which many of her advisers do not possess.

Consumption a Disease of In-door Life.

Among the natives of Senegambia
pulmonary affections are not only nearly
but absolutely unknown, yet a single
year passed in the over-crowded mans
and steerage-hells of the slave trader
often sufficed to develop the disease in
that most virulent form known as galloping
consumption; and the brutal planters
of the Spanish Antilles made a rule
of never buying an imported negro
before they had "tested his wind," i. e.,
trotted him uphill and watched his
respirations.

Our home statistics show that the
percentage of deaths by consumption in
each State bears an exact proportion to
the greater or smaller number of inhabitants
who follow in-door occupations,
and is highest in the factory districts
of New England and the crowded cities
of our central States.

It is distressingly probable, then, to
say the least, that consumption, that
most fearful scourge of the human race,
is the direct consequence of an outrageous
violation of the physical laws of God.—Popular Science Monthly.

A Ride in a Sedan Chair.

The streets of a Chinese city are "heavenly"
in name. Dr. Field, of the Evangelist,
rode twelve miles in Hong Kong
through the streets of "Benevolence,"
"Love," "Peace," "Bright Cloud,"
and "Longevity," of "Early-bestowed
Blessings," of "One Hundred Grandsons,"
of "One Thousand Grandsons," of "Five
Happinesses," and of "Refreshing Breezes;"
of "Accumulated Blessings," of "Ninefold
Brightness," and of "The Market of
Golden Profits."

The motion was not unpleasant,
though they swung us along at a good
round pace, shouting to the people to
get out of the way, who forthwith parted
right and left, as if some high mandarin
were coming. The streets were narrow
and densely crowded. Through such a
mass it was no small effort to force
our way, which was effected only by
our bearers keeping up a constant cry
(like that of the gondoliers in Venice,
when turning a corner in the canals—a
signal of warning to any approaching
in the opposite direction). I could but
admire the good-nature of the people
who yielded so readily. If we were
thus to push through a crowd in New
York, and the policemen were to shout
to the "Bowery boys" to get out of
the way, we might receive a blessing
in reply that would not be at all agreeable.

A Chinese Dog Story.

Sin Chun nourished in his household a
dog to which he was much attached.
One day as Sin Chun was sleeping heavily
in a thicket, the governor of the province,
who was out on a hunting expedition,
chanced to pass, and ordered the grass
of the thicket to be fired in order to
frighten from it whatever game it might
hide. The dog tugged at Sin Chun's
clothing, but could not arouse him;
then running to a stream hard by
plunged into it, and returning to
where his master lay rolled himself
over and over, wetting the grass.
This performance he repeated several
times, till he had so saturated the ground
that his master was safe from the flames;
then, exhausted and cruelly burned,
he laid down by his master's side and
died. Sin Chun, awakening, was not
slow to comprehend the danger to
which he had been exposed, and the
means by which it had been averted.
With many tears he carried home
the body of the dog, wrapped it in
a costly shroud, and placed it in a
handsome tomb, which the governor
caused to be called ever afterward,
"The Tomb of the Faithful Dog."

SUNSHINE.—The first essential for a
cheerful room is sunshine. Without this,
money, labor, taste, are all thrown
away. A dark room cannot be cheerful;
and it is as unwholesome as it is gloomy.
Flowers will not blossom in it; neither
will people. Nobody knows, or ever
will know, how many men and women
have been killed by dark rooms. "Glorify
the room! Glorify the room!" Sydney
Smith used to say of a morning,
when he ordered every blind thrown
open, every shade drawn up to the top
of the window: "Whoever is fortunate
enough to have a southeast or southwest
corner room may, if she chooses, live
in such floods of sunny light that
sickness will have hard work to get
hold of her; and as for the blues, they
will not dare to so much as knock
at her door."

Pay your honest debts promptly.

Homely Hints.

Now it is Mr. Moody who is reported as "giving way from over-work." That sort of obituary over a public man's dead body or his ended usefulness is as common nowadays as in the last generation was "died from the visitation of God."

It is not over-work which kills the American; it is an incredible lack of prudence and common sense in the doing of the work. Stout, beer-drinking German scholars go through more hard grinding labor in study in a year than our students in a life-time.

It would be absurd to urge any American to follow the example of his heavier-blooded cousin. You cannot make a mastiff out of a greyhound. One or two precautions any man may take, beside the ordinary hygienic ones, to lengthen his days.

CHANCELLOR KENT used to relate how Aaron Burr called to see him one day, and saying that he was on his way to Albany, offered to attend to any commissions of Mr. Kent's.

WHEN Daniel Webster was once asked, "What is the most important thought that ever entered your mind?" after a moment's reflection, he seriously replied, "The most important thought I ever had, was that of my personal responsibility to God."

THERE is always room for a man of force, and he makes room for many.—Emerson.

On the Plains.

We rub our eyes. Have we wandered into a Brazilian swamp, then, during the long dark night? The yellow light of the early morning is shining down on those dusky pools of sluggish water, on the dense forest, on the matted under-wood, and the rank green grass.

Of course, all our preconceived notions about the prairies were found to be wrong. They were not at all melancholy and oppressive. On the contrary, they were quite cheerful and bright, in the sunshine; though there was still that mysterious feeling about them; and though the unaccustomed eye could not get quite reconciled to the absence from the horizon of some line of bill, and would keep searching for some streak of blue.

A WAR ANECDOTE.—A correspondent of the Richmond Dispatch says: I have heard an old war story, and, by the way, it is one of the best of them. I had it from a former officer under Stonewall Jackson: "On one of our marches in the early spring, when a chilling rain had been falling for days, and the slush was almost waist deep, our command, utterly wretched and broken down, was struggling along as best it could under such circumstances.

WHY THEY OFTEN FAIL.—Young men often fail to get on in this world because they neglect small opportunities. Not being faithful in small things, they are not promoted to the charge of greater things. A young man who gets a subordinate situation sometimes thinks it not necessary for him to give it much attention. He will wait till he gets a place of responsibility, and then he will show people what he can do.

THE WORST KIND OF A MISTAKE.—To be robbed cannot be pleasant. To shoot even a robber, although it might become necessary, would be disagreeable. But to imagine a dog to be a robber, and in consequence to shoot one's self, must be especially unsatisfactory.

A CHICAGO inventor recently made a small fan-wheel, to be placed in the hat, to keep the head cool in warm weather. He set it going on his own hat, and the first thing he knew his hair was wound up in the machinery.

Carrying Concealed Weapons.

A correspondent informs us that in a discussion on the subject of concealed weapons, the question has arisen whether carrying a pistol is, in the eye of the law, a criminal offence.

This depends on the particular phraseology of the statute and the construction put upon it by the courts. Judges have generally shown a leaning in favor of permitting pistols to be carried.

In this city we have two judges who entertain opposite sentiments as to the propriety of carrying pistols. Judge Brady, who, as one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, frequently holds the Oyer and Terminer for the trial of criminals, avails himself of every opportunity to express his strong disapprobation of persons going armed—sometimes increasing the severity of a sentence on this ground; while Recorder Hackett is one of the most famous shots with a pistol in the country, and is of opinion that carrying a pistol is only a precaution of ordinary prudence!

We are reminded by our correspondent's letter of an anecdote which was related of an occurrence in Arkansas many years ago. The custom of carrying weapons upon the person has always been more prevalent in the Southwest than at the North and East. Formerly it was almost universal. The young men there, instead of following Horace Greeley's advice to employ their first savings to buy a watch, would invest them in a knife or a pistol; indeed, before earning the requisite sum, they often ran in debt for these greatly desired articles.

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Turkish Rug Patterns.

Among pretty novelties for domestic use lately introduced in San Francisco, we must give a place to the "Turkish Rug Patterns" of Frost & Co., attainable at the office of J. E. Wagon, 223 Kearny street, General Agent. These patterns are best described by quoting from the circular: It says: "They are designs of animals, flowers, scrolls, etc., printed or stamped on heavy burlap, and are shaded in the various colors required to make them perfect. These designs are on cloth, which forms the foundation for the rug, and they are intended to be filled with rug, or worsted yarn carpet filling, etc., arranged in narrow strips and drawn up through from the underside with a hook, manufactured for the purpose, and clipped or sheared off to imitate Turkish rugs. Some are so nicely made that it is hard to tell the one from the other, and it is admitted by good judges that one well-made hand-worked rug will outwear four of the best imported velvet rugs."

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FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 1878.

## THE STREET QUESTION SETTLED.

### WHO is the People's TRUE FRIEND?

The long course of systematic persecution of one of Port Townsend's reliable and public-spirited citizens has at last reached the end of its career in the particular channel known as the "Street question," and will hereafter be transferred to some other line of action.

Some time in February of last year, this malicious feeling assumed definite form. A petition with over 30 signatures was presented to the Board of City Trustees, asking that Water Street be opened so that the residents under the hill beyond Tibbals' warehouse, could obtain access to their homes. Under the pretenses of granting this petition the City Marshal was ordered in about ten days before March 1st, following, not to remove the obstructions as petitioned for, BUT TO REMOVE THE FENCES IN QUINCY STREET NEXT TO THE BLOCK OWNED BY DR. MINOR. There was no petition before the Board asking for the removal of these fences when this order was issued; this portion of Quincy Street was in no sense needed and could not with safety be travelled. No attention being paid to this order, some time in June, under advice of Counsellor Blanchard, the Trustees set the City Marshal and a posse of men at work destroying these fences. This was, however, stopped by legal measures after about one hundred feet of fence had been thrown down.

Doctor Minor meanwhile both publicly and privately affirmed that he had no desire to defraud the city of any rights whatever; that should he obtain legal title to the land in question, in the courts, whenever six leading, impartial business men of the city should state that it was needed for street purposes a right of way would be granted them, but that the efforts to oust him were characterized by a desire to satisfy malice rather than benefit the public, and that he considered the knocking down of fences and destroying of gardens in no sense demanded by public welfare. That this offer evinced a spirit of fairness, we leave for a candid public to determine. The Doctor went farther than this, and authorized us to state, which we did, that he was convinced that the city's right to the streets should be established, and strengthened his views by calling attention to the importance of establishing a legal title to the streets at once, while the original proprietors of the land were living and could remedy any defects that might exist.

Feeling identified with the interests of the public, we claimed that the streets of the city ought to be held sacred for the public use, and that the city's right must be defended, in view of which we urged that if any defects were found to exist in the title to such property they ought to be remedied at once. Not content, however, with the simple and easy plan suggested to adjust matters and forever settle all difficulty, the blinded and fool-hardy instigators—led on by a legal adviser whose object was to attain temporary popularity and secure pecuniary gain—pushed ahead with the stolid intent to "fight it out on that line if it took all summer;" the "winter of their discontent" has now arrived, however, and after meeting defeat in numerous suits they find themselves compelled to adopt the common-sense plan after all, so that they are now going to work to establish proper and legal titles to the public streets, in the manner prescribed by us nearly a year ago. Their victim meanwhile, is as willing to assist in properly accomplishing the work as he was at first, even though he was selected from among three or four who were occupying land laid out

street purposes, and though the particular street in question will not materially benefit the public, when opened.

The decisions in court this week, when a final conclusion was reached, developed the fact that there is not a legally constituted street in Port Townsend. This city presents the novel spectacle of a town without streets. This is what brings these people to their senses; the fact was plain to us long ago, and any lawyer who had studied the question must have known there was a flaw in the title to the streets. Reputable attorneys retired from the case; but one lawyer was found who was willing to encourage and carry on impracticable litigation for the sake of absorbing the hard-earned taxes, and gaining short-lived popularity. Such a man is unworthy of the confidence of any client. Meanwhile Water Street, as originally petitioned for, remains unopened, and the inhabitants beyond Tibbals' warehouse still pack their groceries over all sorts of perilous ways to their retired homes.

We are glad to know the original proprietors are heartily co-operating with our city authorities in rectifying the defects in the title to the streets, and we trust before a week goes by we shall have a proper town plat, properly acknowledged, filed, recorded and accepted. Dr. Minor went before the City Board on Monday evening, and offered to open Quincy Street whenever it was desired. Since writing the above, we learn that it has been thrown open to the public. Othello's occupation is gone, and our attorney must seek some other theme over which to publicly wail and privately grow rich.

**SEVERE SENTENCES.**—By the court proceedings which we publish to day it will be seen that a few sentences were passed which indicate that henceforth crime and misdoings will not be trifled with. E. N. Rice, on two indictments, received altogether a sentence of 5 years in the U. S. penitentiary and a fine amounting to \$1,300 besides the costs of prosecution, said fine and cost to be paid by the expiration of the term of imprisonment or the prisoner to remain in custody until such time as they are paid. Alex. Clark, indicted for two different offenses also, received the same sentence that Rice did with the exception that his term of imprisonment will last but 3 1/2 years. Peter Martin, indicted for smuggling, was sent to the Penitentiary for a year, and Snohomish Peter (an Indian) was, on one indictment, sentenced to serve 2 years in the penitentiary. Much sympathy has been expressed for Mr. Rice, yet after all, when the character of the offense is considered, nearly every one admits that the sentence in each instance was just, especially when we consider the fact that Judge Lewis started about three years ago to enforce the law in regard to selling whisky to Indians as well as the keeping of squaw brothels. Sentences were light at first, but people were warned each session of court that "these things must be stopped." For years the hue and cry has been that the people pay taxes to keep up laws only to have them mocked at and defied. Now that Judge Lewis has been as good as his promise in complying with the demands of stern justice the people certainly ought to find no fault. It cannot be denied that administering the law with firmness and even severity is the most merciful in the end. A few years ago the regular court sessions at this place extended over a period of from three to five weeks each; now eight or ten days only are required. This shows that crime is diminishing, and the only logical reason which can be deduced is that the laws are more rigidly enforced.

**NOW FOR THE WATER WORKS.**—The next exciting enterprise which will occupy the attention of Port Townsend people is the constructing and operating of water works for the purpose of supplying the town with good water. Now that we are to have so many steamers calling here, the question of supplying them water will be an important one in addition to that of supplying the city. It is suggested that Tumwater wooden pipe may be used to convey water from Chimacum creek or one of the lakes back of there. At any rate we must get the water works going.

THERE is now for sale, at the jewelry store of B. S. Miller, a fine stock of sheet music. The pieces are of the most choice character, and were selected by Prof. W. H. Roberts.

MESSRS. WATERMAN & KATZ mean business from the word go. If you wish to secure good bargains in their line be sure and give them a call. See their advertisement in to-day's issue.

**JACOBS FOREVER.**—It will be seen from reading to-day's account of mail lettings that an offer was made to carry the Alaska mail from Portland for the remarkable low sum of \$2000 more than from this place. We are reliably informed that through the untiring efforts of Delegate Jacobs, the service will be performed from this place instead. No effort was spared to have the route remain as it was; but since the awards have been made known the Portland folks might as well bid adieu to a growing trade which is slipping from their grasp. Delegate Jacobs is not the man to make a brilliant spread and cover himself with cheap, glittering glory, but he goes in for solid work that will last. He is not the most brilliant, but certainly the most practically useful and desirable delegate this Territory has ever had.

**GOING BELOW.**—As stated in the notice of Messrs. Rothschild & Co., the senior member of the firm will leave this place for San Francisco, about the 20th inst. Mr. Rothschild will remain in the bay city about a month, and will bring back on his return, the largest stock of goods that has ever found its way to this place. Mr. Rothschild's well-known business qualifications preclude the possibility that any business matters entrusted to his care can fail to receive prompt attention.

**ASHORE.**—On Tuesday night of this week, as the steamer Dispatch and Tenzer were towing a scow loaded with lumber to this place, the Teazer's hawser parted about a quarter of a mile above point Klondike, and the Dispatch, by some mismanagement or misfortune, got ashore. She was still cleaving to terra firma yesterday afternoon.

WE received a letter this week from from Olympia, which we decline publishing for several reasons, the principal of which is that the name of the writer was not sent.

**DIED.**—At the Marine Hospital, in this city, on Friday, the 1st inst., Mr. R. R. Carr. Deceased was, at the time of his death, City Marshal.

**ESCAPED.**—On Tuesday night of this week a prisoner escaped from the county jail. He has not been heard from since.

THERE will be no services in the Catholic Church until Father Cesary returns from his different missions.

**LONDON, March 5.**—The following announcement of the conclusion of peace between Russia and Turkey was received to-night:

**CONSTANTINOPLE, Sunday Night, March 3.**—The treaty of peace has been signed. Grand Duke Nicholas announced the fact to the soldiers at the review at San Stefano to-day. Russia has abandoned her claim on the Egyptian and Bulgarian tributaries. St. Petersburg and Pera correspondents confirm the report that the treaty of peace has been signed. At St. Petersburg the enthusiasm over the news was almost unprecedented. There was an immense crowd before the palace shouting and singing "God save the Czar." The Pera correspondent says the treaty of peace was signed Saturday.

## A CARD.

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

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## NOTICE.

**Mr. D. C. H. Rothschild,** of the firm of Rothschild & Co., will leave for San Francisco on the 20th inst. Any orders entrusted to his care will be promptly attended to. ROTHSCHILD & CO. Port Townsend, March 7, 1878.

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WATERMAN & KATZ, March 8, 1878. 4w

## PUBLIC MEETINGS.

**Col. Chas. H. Larrabee**

will address his fellow citizens upon the Importance of a Speedy Organization of a State Government.

At the following named times and places:  
 Snohomish, Saturday, March 16th.  
 La Conner, Monday, March 25th.  
 Whatcom, Tuesday, March 26th.  
 Coupeville, Wednesday, March 27th.  
 Port Townsend, Thursday, March 28th.  
 San Juan, Friday, March 29th.  
 Stellaconon, Thursday, April 4th.  
 New Tacoma, Friday, April 5th.  
 Seattle, Saturday April 6th. 34w

## Notice of Sheriff's Sale OF REAL ESTATE.

BY virtue of a decree of foreclosure of mortgage, issued out of the District Court of the Third Judicial District of Washington Territory, holding terms at Port Townsend, W. T., in the suit of Cyrus F. Clapp, plaintiff, vs. John Y. Sewell, defendant, duly attested and to me directed on the 7th day of March, A. D. 1878, against all the right, title and interest of the defendant John Y. Sewell, to the following described real estate, situated in the county of Island, Territory of Washington, to-wit: The north west quarter of the south-east quarter, the south-east quarter of the north-east quarter and lots No. one (1), two (2), six (6), and seven, of section twenty-two (22) and lots No. two (2), and three (3), of section twenty-three (23), all in township No. thirty-two (32) north of range one (1) east—containing two hundred and forty-eight and sixty-four one hundredth (248 64/100) acres.

NOTICE is hereby given that on Saturday the 6th Day of April A. D. 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Court house in Coveland, in said county of Island, W. T., I will sell all the right, title and interest of the said John Y. Sewell, in and to the said above described premises, to the highest bidder, for cash, in U. S. gold coin, to satisfy said decree, to-wit: the sum of eight hundred and seventy-five and 22/100 dollars gold coin, together with interest thereon at the rate of 2 per cent. per month, with a counsel fee of fifty dollars, and costs amounting to twenty-one and 30/100 dollars, together with my costs, commissions and disbursements on said sale.

JAMES WATSON, Sheriff of Island county, W. T.  
 Bradshaw & Inman, attys for plaintiff.  
 Dated March 7, 1878. 3:4w

## Probate Notice

IN the Probate Court of Jefferson county, Washington Territory.  
 IN the matter of the estate of ARTHUR PHINNEY, deceased.  
 Notice for settlement of account.  
 O. F. GERRISH AND GEO. W. HARRIS, executors of the estate of Arthur Phinney, deceased, having filed an account of their administration of said estate, up to this date, petition this Court that a day may be appointed for the hearing and settlement of said account. It is ordered that Monday, the 25th day of March, A. D. 1878, being a day of a regular term of said court, to-wit, of the March term, A. D. 1878, at the court room of said court, at 2 o'clock P. M., be appointed as the time and place for hearing said petition; at which time and place any person interested in said estate may appear and file his exceptions in writing to said account, and contest the same. It is further ordered that notice of the pendency of said petition and of the time and place be published for four weeks in the Puget Sound Weekly ARGUS, a newspaper published in said county. J. A. KUHNS, Probate Judge and ex-officio clerk.  
 James McNaught att'y for the estate, March 1, 1878. 2-4w

## Probate Notice.

IN the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Washington Territory.  
 IN the matter of the estate of ARTHUR PHINNEY, deceased.  
 Petition for legacy under the will.  
 JAMES F. PHINNEY, 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 Thursday, the 28th day of March, A. D. 1878, being a day of a regular term, to-wit, of the March term A. D. 1878, at 2 o'clock P. M., at the Court room of said Court, 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 ARGUS, a weekly newspaper published in said county. J. A. KUHNS, Probate Judge, and ex-officio clerk.  
 Dated March 1, 1878.

## NOTICE!

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 3D JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON TERRITORY, HOLDING TERMS AT PORT TOWNSEND.  
 Third Judicial District of ) ss.  
 Washington Territory.)  
 At Port Townsend, the 7th day of January, A. D., 1878.

THE undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of J. B. Roberts, of Snohomish county, in Washington Territory, within said District, who has been adjudged a bankrupt, upon his own petition, by the District Court of said District.  
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