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Local and News Items.

SHIPPING.—The barkentine Josie Perkins left for Honolulu on the 13th. The bark Cassandra Adams arrived on the 15th, 5 days from San Francisco. The schooner Alice left Port Gamble on the 15th, for San Pedro, Cal. The schooner W. L. Beebe sailed from Port Blakely, on the 15th, for San Buena Ventura and Huene. The barkentine Modoc sailed from Seattle on the 13th, for San Francisco. On the 15th, the bark Enoch Talbot arrived at Seattle from San Francisco. The barkentine W. H. Gawley arrived at Milton on the 14th from San Francisco.

THE Dalles "Inland Empire" of last Saturday, says that "numerous signers were obtained yesterday to a petition addressed to the war department asking for the re-establishment of Fort Dalles as a military post. It is two days nearer than Vancouver to the scene of any possible Indian outbreak." Which is to say that the Dalles people feel the loss of their former military glory and patronage, and wish to recover it.

DONATION LAND CLAIMS.—J. T. Brown Register of the Land Office at Olympia gives notice that the Government is making an effort to clear up all the old donation land claim business, and it will be to the interest of all persons who are entitled to, but have not received patents to their claims, or certificates for the same, to immediately take the necessary steps to secure such title.

THE Georgia Minstrels appeared in gorgeous style yesterday. Shortly after arriving in town, they took a stand near the Cosmopolitan Hotel and enlivened the town with music from their fine band. Last evening they appeared before a crowded house. They are creating an immense sensation on the Sound.

WE received a pleasant call yesterday from J. M. E. Atkinson Esq., formerly of Port Discovery. Mr. Atkinson now resides at Newcastle, King Co. He leaves to-day on his return, in company with his wife and child whom he met here—the latter having arrived a few days ago from San Francisco.

SENATOR Lamar says that the yellow fever scourge was, in proportion, a far greater calamity than the war, and a terrible blow to the South, which was just beginning to revive after the prostrating effects of the war. "It will take years to rebuild and get back to the starting place again."

DR. N. Lane, of Port Gamble, has accepted an invitation of the Old Fellows in Port Townsend to deliver the address at their public installation to take place Jan. 8, 1879. The Dr. is an accomplished public speaker, and we may expect a treat.

WE have not yet learned for certain, but it is most likely that the steamer Mastick will be available to take parties around to Port Discovery, at a reasonable price, to attend the Christmas entertainment at that place.

JUDGE Lewis came down from Seattle yesterday to act upon a writ of habeas corpus in the case of the boys, Davidson and Clawson, confined on the charge of murder in the Hight case.

READ our advertisement of the sale of boats belonging to the Revenue marine service. Parties desirous of securing a good bargain in this line should not miss the opportunity.

MR. L. Schur is making a number of improvements in his place of business.

PROBATE COURT PROCEEDINGS.

In the estate of Dennis Height, decd.—Petition for adoption of minor child heard. Petition granted, and order of adoption made.

In the estate of Mary F. Hunt, decd.—Petition for certain articles of personal property heard and granted.

In the estate of E. S. Fowler, decd.—Petition for an accounting by executrix heard. Ordered that executrix file her account ten days before next regular term.

Estate of Arthur Phinney, decd.—Petition of W. T. Sayward heard. Petition granted upon filing bond.

In the estate of Thomas Savage, decd.—James Donovan appointed administrator.

In the estate of Reynold Malinquist, dc.—Will probated, and letters testamentary granted to Charles E. Anderson, executor named in will.

GEN. Butler is reported to have said, in a gush of confidence and candor, that he owed his recent defeat to the churches, the property owners and the school teachers.

PERSONAL.—Wm. Kortier, Esq., of Port Ludlow, Geo. Campbell, of Ebey's Landing, and Capt. Tucker, of the Dungeness light house, are in town.

Two prisoners who escaped from the county jail at this place a few days ago, were captured at Chinacum by Sheriff Miller.

THE West of England Bank failed recently for five million dollars, just as easy as though it had been an American bank.

LETTERS from China state that during the recent famine 7,000,000 people died, 5,000,000 in the single province of Sblausi.

THE tin shop of Mr. J. F. Sheehan is receiving a new sign which will be a vast improvement on the old one.

Dr. Welsh, dentist, is sojourning at the Cosmopolitan Hotel.

LEPROSY is on the increase in San Francisco.

ABOUT 250,000 foreigners have visited Paris since the opening of the exposition. Of these about 13,000 were Americans.

THE great question of national finances still troubles the United States law makers. They seem to be making it more complicated than ever.

THE steamer Mastick, of Port Discovery, has been laying up for repairs. Having been put in good condition again, however, she is out and busy at her accustomed employment—towing of all kinds.

SENATOR Mitchell, of Oregon, has demonstrated that he is a thoroughly practical and wide-awake man by improving the first opportunity to introduce his appropriation bill, thus taking time by the forelock.

THE National Gold Medal was awarded to Bradley & Rulston for the best Photographs in the United States, and the Vienna Medal for the best in the world. 429 Montgomery street, San Francisco.

LOCAL NOTICES.
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NOTICE.

Sale of Real & Personal Property.

PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON Co., W. T.

In the matter of the estate of **Egor Barravekoff, decd.** NOTICE is hereby given that, in pursuance of an order of said Court duly made the 25th day of November, 1878, the undersigned, administrator of said estate, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, and subject to confirmation by said court, on the

23d day of DECEMBER, 1878, at the hour of 1 P. M.

on the premises, in Jefferson county, W. T.,
 Lot 8, in block 4, in the City of Port Townsend.
 Terms—Cash gold coin, 25 per ct. down, and balance on the day of confirmation.

Also, a lot of personal property, including in part the fine new fishing sloop "Inkerman," about five tons burthen, together with her sails, anchors, &c., &c. Also,
 A small quantity of dog fish oil, and all other things enumerated in the inventory of said estate, on file in said Probate Court.

C. C. BARTLETT,
 Administrator.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

Preaching next Sunday in the M. E. Church, morning and evening, by Rev. S. A. Starr, pastor. Sabbath school at 2 P. M.—Dr. N. D. Hill, Supt. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

Services will be held in St. Paul's church on Sunday next at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sunday school at 2 P. M. Evening prayer on Wednesday, at 7 o'clock. Litany on Friday morning, at 10.

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Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 11 A M

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ALLEN WEIR, Editor and Proprietor.



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1878.

COMMUNICATED.

A THANKSGIVING AT DUNGENESS AND SEQUIM.

By JAMES G. SWAN.

I left Neeah, Bay Nov 25th, on the steamship Dispatch, for Dungeness. There were 2 ancient mariners among the passengers; one of them, a Scandinavian named Jansen, or Johnson, told me he was with Commodore Jones of the American navy in early days, on the Southern California coast. I asked Mr. Jansen if he recollected a boatswain's mate named Slater. "I think I do," said he, "there were fourteen of the sailors in that crew who answered to the name of Jack Slater, and were numbered from one to fourteen. There were four John Johnsons, and I was called Johnson number four, but it is many years ago, and my memory is somewhat dim where so many sailors on board one ship had the same name."

I told him if he could see the Port Admiral at Port Townsend, I thought he would recognize one of the fourteen. He said he hoped he would meet him.

On my arrival at Dungeness I found many old friends whom I had not seen for a long time, who all gave me a cordial welcome. My old friend, Captain William Barker, formerly of Lexington, Massachusetts, was among them, and as my native place was within sight of another revolutionary battle field, Bunker Hill and Lexington shook hands on the classic soil of Dungeness. Captain Barker, or as he is more familiarly known as Bill, has been one of the strongest men on Puget Sound. It was told me by Mr. Smith, the present superintendent of Port Discovery mill, that on one occasion in early days, that mill was shut down for want of oil to lubricate the machinery. Several vessels were waiting for cargoes, and the expense was considerable. Barker was equal to the emergency. He had a supply in his boat, but could not get below Point Wilson, owing to head wind, but he actually took a twenty gallon cask on his shoulders and carried it from Port Townsend to Port Discovery. I asked him about it, and he said it was true. "And what do you think Charley Wood said when I got there?" he said I was a fool, and I think I was." On another occasion, Mr. Smith told me he had a boom at the mouth of Dungeness river, and it was necessary to get some bales of hay up the bank for the team. There was no road and the bales must go up. Barker took a bale of hay on his back and carried it up, and finally packed up the lot. I asked him how he managed; he said the men hoisted the bale on his back and he held it with a rope, Indian fashion. The weight was nothing said he, but the size of the bale made it a little difficult to squeeze through the brush. These incidents are well authenticated facts, showing the great muscular strength of the man. "In fact," said boss Smith to me, "Barker didn't know his strength."

No wonder the men of Lexington proved themselves such terrible foes in the first battle of the revolution. Bunker Hill don't boast of such strength; true, he could carry a bale of hay up the bluff at Dungeness, but it would be by armsful and not all together as Barker did.

I passed the day, Tuesday, in examining the new schooner now building by Capt. E. H. McAlmond, and receiving the congratulations of friends. The schooner is nearly all planked. She is very sharp, with considerable dead rise, but has a long floor to sail on, and I think will prove a fast and able vessel. She is not adapted for general freighting business, but is admirably adapted for trading north, or for sealing or fishing. She is very strongly built, and is a credit to the enterprise of her builder. The master carpenter employed on her is Mr. Hayes, who is well and favorably known among the ship carpenters of the Sound.

As I was bound out to Sequim Prairie, I felt very desirous to know the road, but I found a great variety of opinions, almost all however uniting in assuring me that the bridge

over Dungeness river was unsafe, and the river was too high to ford, and that the road beyond was obstructed by a big fir tree which had fallen across. I listened to their parrot, and having dispatched an Indian to Sequim to let my friends know that I was coming, I quietly sat down in Bartlett's comfortable hotel, where the Hon. Elliott Cline, Chief Justice Shaw, Judge Hotchkiss and lots of old friends passed a very pleasant evening in inspiring conversation about early times, or as truthful Jeemes would say, "in swopping lies."

The next day, that sturdy veteran, quaint old Sam Brooks, came with a two horse team, and having pronounced the road good, and the bridge safe, we started with Mr. John Donnell in our company, and drove out to Sequim without cracking a bolt or shedding a tear, dispelling by Sam's vigorous manhood, those myths and allegories about the rotten bridge, and dangerous road which had originated in the fertile brains of some of those jokers who were bent on making me stay at Dungeness and feast off of a mammoth turkey weighing some 35 pounds, which Albert Bartlett served up thanksgiving day to a host of admiring friends.

My resting place in Sequim Prairie was at the house of my old friend, George H. Gerrish, Esq., whose unbounded hospitality is proverbial. The next day was Thanksgiving, and in the afternoon Mr. Gerrish and Professor Watkins, the philosopher of Sequim, who had been to Port Townsend, returned, and our company was enlivened by the advent of uncle Bill Crane from Port Townsend, who also put in an appearance. Joseph Leighton and John Cornish, two well-known pioneers, were also there, and with such a crowd of old friends there was some of the old time talk. Among other things, Mr. Cornish asked me if I remembered a story he formerly told about a great hollow cedar tree which he had seen on the Chehalis river near the block house, in which a farmer, having utilized it as a barn, had stored a hundred tons of hay. I said I remembered his telling the story, but supposed he had forgotten it by this time. "I never forget the truth," said John, so I accept the statement as a fact, and mention it to show what enormous trees grew on the Chehalis river in the early times of the old settlers.

The professor had purchased an entire new outfit at Rothschilds, consisting of a handsome dark suit with new boots and boiled shirt to match. We made him put them on in honor of the occasion, and a greater transformation never was seen. He made a speech: "Gentlemen," said he, "I believe in transubstantiation. For nearly twenty years I have not had on a bridal shirt or store clothes. I have been living like a pismire in a rotten log, or a chinch bug under decayed bark, but I have come out of my chrysalis state and am before you like a new-fledged butterfly. I went out of this room as "Old Yauk," and I now return in the disguise of a gentleman under my real name as Professor Watkins." We all congratulated the professor on his wonderfully improved appearance, and we sat down for conversation.

I asked the Professor if he had read that article copied from the "Science of Health," relating to the perihelia of the four great planets, Jupiter, Uranus, Saturn and Neptune, and of Dr. Knapp's prediction that we are to have a period of pestilence, and what he thought about it. "I have read the article," said he, "and after taking the subject into consideration, my mind has fructified, and I have come to a conclusion that Dr. Knapp is correct, and the cause will be the atmosphere coming in contact with the hemisphere. Now the atmosphere is composed of the essence or spiritual portion of every thing which has ever existed on the earth or in it, every kind of metal or mineral is found in an ethereal form. There is oxygen and hydrogen, and nitrogen and carbon, and ozone, which last is what gives vigor to the flavor of a skunk, and is what people smell in the air sometimes after lightning, and call brinstone, and there is jartzum or jazzum." What is that? I asked. "Well," replied the Professor, "I'll tell you. You know it's very insalubrious to the olfactory nerves to inhale the noxious effluvia emitted from the carcass of a defunct horse. Well, that species of gas I call jartzum, and I guess I am about right. The same kind of perfume may be perceived in rotten oysters or fish, or many other things which don't smell exactly like cinnamon. Then in the atmosphere we find everything of a spiritual and spirituous nature.

There are the spirits of turpentine, sweet spirits of nitre, spirits of the just and the unjust, spirits of ammonia, nitrous ether, as well as Hudson Bay rum and other alcoholic and diabolic spirits, and clouds of essence of Jamaica ginger, which has been sent into space by the breaths of thousands of temperance reformers. And in the way of herbs, there is motherwort and totherwort, and all those plants which old ladies cherish with such fondness. Why, I expect the very catnip tea my mother used to brew, is floating around somewhere in the atmosphere. In fact, everything that ever was in a material state is run in the atmosphere in an immaterial state. Now, when all these planets get into a bee line pointing to our earth, they force the concavity of the heavens upon the concavity of the earth, bringing the atmosphere into such violent contact with the hemisphere that something has got to smash some. But there will be a great reaction, if there is to be pestilence and floods and what not, as Dr. Knapp says, but which I doubt, that is as a universal thing, and all to be occasioned by these planets. Just as soon as their influence is removed all these gasses will be liberated and bound off into space, and be condensed in the moon, and we shall have a healthy time. Take my word for it, whoever is alive in 1890 will live on to the great age of old Tantarabogus, of whom history relates that he lived till he died. They may possibly dry up and blow away, but that's all. I know there are a good many people of weak intellect who will laugh at what I say, but I tell you, after such things as the telephone and phonograph and the electric light have been discovered, no wise man will ignorantly laugh at any new thing he hears, he will pause and reflect, and let his mind fructify, and then he can see things as clear as I do, and find them not only so, but also."

I was satisfied the professor knew quite as much, and is quite as profound in his deductions and analysis, and as correct in his logical application of the problem, as any of the philosophers of the present day; and if his language is not as strictly scientific as is used in technological institutes, the idea, as he says, "is thar."

Yank's head at present, is as full of windmills as old Don Quixote's was, and will probably produce the same result as the experiment made by the illustrious Don and his faithful squire, Sancho Panza on the wind mills of Saragossa in Spain. I think if the philosopher could bring his thoughts from the windy regions and concentrate them on the earth, so that he can "fructify" a machine for making brick from the excellent material about his house, he would find the occupation both lively and profitable, and give his friends a chance to build a lasting monument to his memory.

Yank tried an experiment in pie making, which was not a success, and was received with scorn by quaint Sam Brooks. Yank called it a profitable family pie, for no one would ask for a second piece. A cake which he prepared from some of the pie crust was cut in thin strips, and declared by uncle Bill Crane to be as well suited for making whip lashes of as a woodchuck's skin. So we passed our Thanksgiving holidays in cheerful and instructive conversation, enlivened by the hearty hospitality of our worthy host and his estimable lady, and it was with unfeigned regret that I left for Dungeness on Saturday afternoon. But on my arrival there I found a fresh lot of old acquaintances, and many new ones in the shape of stalwart young men whom I once knew as little boys, who have now come to man's estate and give promise of being a credit to the country as skillful cultivators of the soil.

Captain Barker gave me the following interesting information about cock roaches: Said he, "There was a professor of etymology on a bug hunt last summer, collecting specimens here, and one evening in Albert Bartlett's we got to talking about cock roaches. He said they are the most voracious insect known. They can, and do, eat everything. I told him that Jack Slater once said that on board a ship where he was the cock roaches actually eat off the edge of his razor and left it full of notches like a circular saw. The man said that was easily accounted for, as they secrete a powerful acid from their goms, which will eat into iron like vitriol; and he had heard of cock roaches eating off a ring bolt on board a vessel, but had never seen it done himself. Now, if there is any thing I like more than another

it is squash pie. I felt nervous to hear him talk; in fact I was all of a tremble. At last I mustered up courage, and says I, 'Mister, will cock roaches eat squash pie? He stopped a minute to think, and then he said, 'No, they will not eat squash pie; there is something about squash which a cock roach hates as bad as fleas hate Lyon's flea powder.' I was glad to hear him say so, for now I can eat of the fruit of the vine [I mean squash vine] without fear of the bug that has vitriol in its gums."

The next day being Sunday, the mail steamer Dispatch came along; and, after parting from my friends, with many an invitation to come again and spin yarns over a Christmas turkey, I embarked and arrived safely in Neeah Bay, on Monday morning.

I have purposely avoided making any mention of the subjects of politics, religion, crops or farming topics as they are best served in a dish by themselves. Other places in the county are well deserving of notice, and I may on some future occasion interest your readers by pleasant descriptions of Port Angeles, Pisht, Clallam Bay and Quilleute. I will only add in closing that if my friends in Dungeness and Sequim enjoyed themselves as well as I did, they all had a very pleasant thanksgiving. May their shadows never be less and may they all live to see many returns of the season of returning heartfelt thanks to the Giver of all good for his gracious care of us, and to the President of the United States, and to Governor Ferry, for appointing the time honored day in which to give our public thanks with appropriate ceremonies.

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Farm AND Household.

CRANBERRY SAUCE.—After removing all soft berries, wash thoroughly, place for about two minutes in scalding water, remove, and to every pound of fruit add three-quarters of a pound granulated sugar and a half pint water; stew together over a moderate but steady fire. Be careful to cover and not to stir the fruit; but occasionally shake the vessel or apply a gentler heat if in any danger of sticking or burning. If attention to these particulars be given, the berries will retain their shape to a considerable extent, which adds greatly to their appearance on the table. Boil from five to seven minutes, remove from fire, turn into a deep dish, and set aside to cool. It to be kept, they can be put up at once in air-tight jars.

OYSTER OMELET.—Add to a half cup of cream six eggs beaten very light, season with pepper and salt, and pour into a frying-pan with a table-spoon of butter; drop in a dozen large oysters cut into halves, or chopped fine with parsley, and fry until a light brown. Double it over and serve immediately. If you have not cream, use milk thickened to the consistency of cream with corn starch, adding another table spoon of butter.

BROILED OYSTERS.—Dry large, selected oysters in a napkin, pepper and salt, and broil on a fine folding wire-broiler, turning frequently to keep the juice from wasting. Serve immediately in a hot dish with little pieces of butter on them. Or, pepper a cup of dry bread-crumbs, dry one quart of oysters in a napkin, dip each in butter previously peppered, roll well in the crumbs, and broil over a good fire for five or seven minutes. Serve immediately in a hot dish with butter, pepper and salt.—The Housekeeper.

Boiled hams are much nicer to let them stand in the water in which they are boiled until cold; the outside does not then turn black and dry up as it does when taken from the water to cool, consequently there is less waste in preparing them for the table. But always remember to remove the lid of the kettle, so the steam may escape. This should be done after boiling anything of the kind.

Never put the hands into butter. There is no excuse for so doing, and every sense of cleanliness forbids it. True the hands are clean, still as butter absorbs any and every impurity with which it comes in contact, excessive perspiration of the hands or any humor of the blood might thus be imparted to the butter. A wooden ladle to lift the butter from the churn or to turn it over while being washed, answers just as well and a vast deal better.

It is worth remembering that bicarbonate of soda, the common baking soda, which is found in almost every kitchen will effectually remove the pain from burns or scalds.

MANY people are puzzled to understand what the terms "four penny" and "six penny" and "ten penny" mean as applied to nails. "Four penny" means four pounds to the one thousand nails, or "six penny" six pounds to the 1,000, and so on. It is an old English term, and meant at first "ten pound" nails, the 1,000 being understood; but the old English clipped it to "tenpun," and from that it degenerated until "penny" was substituted for pounds. So, when you ask for four penny nails nowadays you want those of which 1,000 will weigh four pounds. When 1,000 nails weigh less than one pound they are called tacks, brads, etc., and are reckoned by ounces.

LITTLE THINGS.

Life and death, prosperity and ruin hang upon little things.

They are like the linch-pin to the wheel, on which depends the safety of the vehicle; they are like the rudder to the vast ship which it guides; like the slender nerves to the bulky muscles.

They make up our lives. The self-experience of every man will prove this to him.

A single word will blast a reputation; a modulation of tone will convey a ruinous insinuation; a passing fancy will determine the occupation of a life.

Every man who has risen to greatness has done so by attention to small things.

Large and powerful efforts are often needed, but they are only required occasionally; but the most powerful struggles will fail, if the way to them be not paved by attention to small things; and their efforts will be lost if little things are not made to fellow and aid them in their proper order.

This cannot be otherwise, for great things are only a series of little ones, so closely compact together that they take the appearance of, and indeed, become a whole, just as the hour is made up of minutes, and the dollars of cents.

You remember Ben Franklin's maxim, "Take care of the cents, and the dollars will take care of themselves."

This may be applied to everything in life—love, fame, matrimony, and all kinds of money.

The hour is a whole, and so is a dollar; but take a minute from the one, or a penny from the other, and for want of its smallest part, the whole ceases to be.

THE DEACON ANSWERED.—Up in New Hampshire, where I lived when a boy, says Governor Noyes, there was an old deacon a great deal more pious than honest. He was an old hypocrite, and when he had done any particularly mean thing, he eased his conscience by going out into a field alongside of which was a stone wall, and, kneeling beside it, prayed the Lord to topple it over on him if he had done anything offensive in his sight. Well, we boys found it out, and one day when we saw the deacon making for the wall we got on the other side and waited. He knelt down according to his usual custom, and went through his usual formula, closing with the petition to have the wall topple over if he had done anything wrong. And we toppled it. Jumping out from under the stones the old man cried out in tones of mingled disgust and alarm; "Good gracious! Can't you tell when a man is joking?"

SOME employments may be better than others; but there is no employment so bad as the having none at all. The mind will contract a rust and an unfitness for everything, and a man must either fill up his time with good, or at least innocent business, or it will run to the worst of waste—to sin and vice.

One of the most remarkable facts in the world's commerce is that the United States, during the past year, is the only nation, [if we except India,] whose exports exceed its imports. The immense crops of the United States and the large demand in Europe will make the returns of next year even better than the past.

If it be true, as late dispatches affirm, that Russia is going to the support of the ameer, there will be war immediately on other parts of the line. The main struggle will probably be in the Ottoman dominions.

Our custom and habits are like the ruts in roads. The wheels of life settle into them and we jog along through the mire because it is too much trouble to get out of them.

LET THEM ALONE.

Never try to rob any one of his good opinion of himself. It is the most cruel thing you can do. Moreover, it is by no means doing what you would be done by. Crush a woman's self-esteem and you make her cross-grained and snappish. Do the same to a man and you make him morose. You may mean to create a sweet, humble creature, but you'll never do it. The people who think best of themselves are apt to be best. Women grow pretty in believing they are so, and fine qualities often crop out after one has been told one has them. It only gratifies a momentary spite to force your own unfavorable opinion of him deep into another's mind. It never did any good. Ah! if this world, full of awkward people and ugly people, of silly people and vain people, knew their own deficiencies, what a sitting in sackcloth and ashes we would have! The greatest of all things that a man can possess is a satisfactory identity. If that which he calls I pleases him it is well with him; otherwise he is perfectly wretched. Let your fellow-beings alone; hold no truthful mirrors before their eyes, unless with a pure intention to uproot sin—so that many a mirror without a flaw may never be prepared for you. In those things which we cannot help, may we be ever blind to our own shortcomings. We are neither ugly nor uninteresting to ourselves, if we do not know it. A fool may have the wisdom of Solomon in his own conceit. Let him be, and the path to the grave will be easier for him to tread; you will be no worse, he no better. Leave every man as much self-esteem as his conscience will allow him to cherish. It may be a pleasure to enlighten people in their faults of mind and person, but it is certainly not our duty.

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An old physician retired from active practice, having had placed in his hands by an East Indian missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all Throat and Lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for General Debility and all nervous complaints, after having thoroughly tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, feels it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellow-men. The receipt will be sent free of charge to all who desire it, with full directions for preparing and successfully using. Address with stamp naming this paper.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1878.

THAT HOUSE JOURNAL.

Last week we published a long communication from Mr. R. G. O'Brien, of Olympia, relative to the delay and vexation caused by his failure, as Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to file a copy of the House Journal of 1877 with Secretary Owings, of this Territory. We made room for it entire, not wishing to give Mr. O'Brien the least cause for complaint in the matter, merely expressing our pleasure in granting him a full and impartial hearing before the public.

This week we publish Mr. Owings' answer, which meets the case so fully and yet so clearly, that but little room is left for comment. Mr. O'Brien had a fair hearing at the hands of Mr. Brown, of the "Intelligencer," because the latter made an editorial statement of the substance of the letter afterwards sent to us. But we thought best to insert the communication ENTIRE, reserving comments until this week. All we ask is that those who read will read both statements. We have no doubts as to where the blame rests, and do not believe any other sane person could fail to understand the exact position of the two men, after understanding the facts.

Mr. Owings, as Secretary of the Territory, is required by law to furnish the authorities at Washington with a copy of the proceedings of each branch of the Legislature, within a brief period after the close of the session. The duties of clerk consist in keeping a faithful record, of the proceedings of the body which elected him, and to turn that record properly approved and certified, over to the Secretary. After that, it is the Secretary's business to attend to all details regarding the printing and proper disposal of the proceedings; he ALONE is the authorized officer to deal with the public printer—when there is one. If the Secretary cannot perform the duties of his office by reason of the culpable neglect of some one else, no reasonable person would attach any blame to him. Whatever may have been the arrangement about printing the proceedings, it was none the less the duty of the Clerk to deposit the Journal with the Secretary as soon as practicable, (30 days being allowed) after adjournment.

We have no personal right to make in the matter, either one way or the other; but, as Mr. Owings has been quite harshly censured, we deem it simple justice to that gentleman to give the public a full and complete statement of both sides of the case. We have given Mr. O'Brien every possible opportunity, and he has failed to justify his actions. Such being the case, we deem a few remarks at this juncture perfectly admissible. We do not see how Mr. Owings could avoid stating plainly the reason for the non-appearance of the House Journal; and, as Mr. O'Brien has given no valid reason why the copy was not properly filed with the Secretary, we are at liberty to censure where censure is due.

An exchange suggests that the present war between England and Afghanistan is the result of a plan between England and Russia to blot the Ameer's government out of existence and divide his domain.

WHAT NEXT.—One of our Puget Sound saw mills, says an up Sound exchange, will probably give the electric light a trial.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

NEW TREATY.—A new commercial treaty has just been concluded with Japan; and, if approved by the President and the Senate, will go into immediate effect. Its conditions are reported to be much more advantageous to the United States than the existing treaty, although we are not advised as to their substance. The commerce of Japan bids fair to assume proportion of vast importance in the near future; and as the Japanese are making rapid strides toward a highly civilized state, it behooves our nation to secure every advantage possible looking to a monopoly of their foreign trade. We are their nearest commercial neighbor, and have the advantage in geographical position over every other nation which might desire to compete for supremacy in commercial intercourse.

THE FARMER AND THE NEWSPAPER.—It may be curious, but is nevertheless true that where you find a poor, shiftless farmer—one whose farm buildings are dilapidated, whose stock looks "runty," whose chickens roost on seedling apple-trees, and whose crops are not worth gathering—there you will find a dearth of reading matter. You will not find in that man's house the "American Agriculturist" to teach him how to repair his buildings, improve his stock and raise heavy crops; you will not find the ARGUS there, to give him the current news and keep the members of his household "posted" regarding matters of local importance. No! for he would not degenerate so with these helpers at hand.

APPOINTED.—Hon. J. A. Kuhn, of this city, has been appointed Commissioner of Immigration for Washington Territory, by Governor Ferry, to fill the vacancy on the Board caused by the death of the late lamented O. F. Gerrish. As Mr. Kuhn has been for many years a resident of this Territory, and has been identified with the interests of the public during that time, we deem the selection one of the best that could be made in this instance. We believe there will be no cause for complaint in the matter as Mr. Kuhn is known to attend faithfully to any duties where public interests are concerned.

RE-APPOINTED.—The many friends of Hon. J. R. Lewis, as well as those who appreciate the way in which he administers justice in his judicial district, will be pleased to hear that he has been re-appointed. The judge has taken a noble stand for right, in his official career, and all good citizens honor him for it. By his stern administration of the law he has immensely benefited the moral condition of society in his jurisdiction.

ROUNDS' PRINTERS' CABINET.—We have just received another copy of this superb publication. Every true printer, and especially every job printer, looks up to this journal as being not only exquisite in appearance but instructive and entertaining.

Our readers will notice the advertisement which we insert to-day showing the immense advantages of Chicago "Prairie Farmer" as a farm and household journal. This well known weekly is all that is claimed for it. No man, after taking it once, will willingly discontinue. Address, "Prairie Farmer" Co., Chicago, Ill.

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TERRITORY OF WASHINGTON, }
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY. }
OLYMPIA, Dec. 18, 1878.

Ed. ARGUS:—

In your issue of the 12th of Dec., I find a rambling communication of not quite three columns, over the signature of Mr. R. G. O'Brien, in which he seeks to extricate himself from the unenviable position in which he is placed by his unpardonable neglect of official duty, and by making false statements in regard to my official conduct. While the game is hardly worth the ammunition, and asking space in your valuable paper, certainly a great imposition, yet it may be best to show such of your readers as may have seen his letter, how a plain statement of the facts will put him down.

In referring to a brief and temperate statement over my signature, showing why the House Journal had not been published, he says:

"It was with considerable surprise that I read the charge therein made, holding me responsible for the non-publication of the House Journal, when he knew it was directly at variance with truth."

It was not with any surprise that I found his communication a tissue of falsehoods and misrepresentations.

Mr. O'Brien says:

"The Chief Clerk, as such, holds his office for two years, and has the right to keep the Journal until it is ready to be filed in the Secretary's office."

As to my term of office, I am Chief Clerk until my successor is elected and qualified.

The Journal of the House, of which I am Chief Clerk, belongs in my possession until it is ready to turn over."

All the reply necessary to this is to quote section 1844 of the Revised Statutes of the United States:

"The Secretary shall record and preserve all the laws and proceedings of the Governor in the Executive Department—he shall transmit one copy of the Laws and Journals of the Legislative Assembly within thirty days after the end of session thereof, to the President, and two copies of the laws within like time, to the President of the Senate, and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives for the use of Congress."

I have been called upon repeatedly for this Journal by citizens, as well as the authorities in Washington; the former indulging in censure, the latter in a sharp reprimand, calling my attention to said section. All this Mr. O'Brien knows, and I am satisfied his purpose is to injure me officially, by withholding a record which renders it impossible for this office to comply with the law.

Mr. O'Brien also states that I had determined "not to have the House Journal printed for want of funds," all of which is a willful and deliberate falsehood, and he knew it to be such when he penned it. The verbiage in regard to what he pleases to term the "public printer, furnishing him copy, etc." is too stupid to merit reply. The Clerk of the House has no more to do with the person employed by this office to print documents under direction of the General Government than he has with the Cezars. I have no doubt but Mr. O'Brien's code of morals justifies him in neglecting to perform labor which he has taken an oath to do, and for which he has drawn the pay, in order that he may perform the duties of "clerk of the court."

Much of his remarkable communication is devoted to the "public printer," in which he seeks to cover up his wrong doing and neglect. He informs the public what one of the employees of the Secretary's office could or could not do. What this has to do with the matter does not transpire. How it excuses his misconduct, the record does not show.

In 1863 the Legislature passed a law creating the office of Public Printer. Finding it inoperative under the U. S. R. S., the legislature of 1875 very properly repealed it—see page 126, Session laws 1875—Supposing there had been such a being as a public printer, and supposing

all the reasons assigned by Mr. O'Brien in regard to the impossibility of printing it to be true, would they or could they be any excuse for depriving this office of the Journal of the House from the 9th of November, 1877, to the present time, with no information as to when it will be filed? Nay more; suppose it was never to be printed, what moral, equitable or legal right has he in the face and eyes of the law, to neglect to perform a service for which he had been paid?

Had Mr. O'Brien filed the Journal as the law requires, and the "public printer" he talks so flippantly about, had not been able to do the work as alleged by him, all who know the facts in the case, know that I would have found some one to do the work, and had I not, the censure would have rested on me. All these facts were well known to Mr. O'Brien, and yet he has the hardihood, the disregard for truth and decency, to occupy nearly three columns of your paper over his own signature in an abortive attempt to falsify the record.

And I most sincerely believe that it was his deliberate intention to cast reproach upon my official character, by rendering it impossible for this office to comply with section 1844 of the Revised Statutes, and at the same time draw public attention from his own short comings and official neglect. It is as painful to me to have these deductions forced upon me by his acts as it is to contemplate a phase of human nature so depraved, so lost to all shame. Sad as it is, I must accept it as I would the inevitable, "more in remorse than in anger." Respectfully yours,
N. H. OWINGS.

Administrators' Notice to Creditors.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, W. T.

—IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF—
Thomas Savage, dec.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY the undersigned administrator of the estate of Thomas Savage deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within one year after the date of this notice to the said administrator at his residence near Seabeck, W. T., or to his attorney G. Morris Haller Esq., at his office in the city of Port Townsend, W. T., or be forever barred.

Dated the 19th day of December 1878.
JAMES DONOVAN,
Administrator of the estate of Thomas Savage deceased. 44:41

NOTICE OF APPLICATION To Purchase Land Containing Stone.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT LAND OFFICE, }
OLYMPIA, Washington Territory. }

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT in compliance with the provisions of the Act of Congress approved June 3, 1878, entitled "An Act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," James McCurdy, of San Juan county, Washington Territory, has this day filed in this office his application to purchase the lots 1 and 2 of section No. 23, and lot 1 and $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of section No. 24, in Township No. 35 North, Range No. 4 West of the Willamette Meridian.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the said described land, or any portion thereof, are hereby required to file their claims in this office within sixty (60) days from date hereof.

Given under my hand, at my office, in Olympia, W. T., this 11th day of December, A. D. 1878. J. T. BROWN,
Register of the Land Office.

SALE OF BOATS

Belonging to the
Revenue Marine Service.

CUSTOM HOUSE, }
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COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, Dec. 16, 1878.
WILL be sold at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, at 12 o'clock noon of Monday, the 30th day of December, 1878,

At the Custom House, Port Townsend, W. T.

THREE OLD BOATS

Belonging to the Revenue Steamer "Wolcott." Information in relation to the sale may be obtained at this office. The Government reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

H. A. WEBSTER, Collector.
Port Townsend, W. T., Dec. 15, 1878.

NOTICE.

Executors' Sale of Timber Land in Island County,

Washington Territory,

Belonging to the estate of

ARTHUR PHINNEY, dec.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

ARTHUR PHINNEY Dec.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in pursuance of an order of the Probate court of Jefferson county, Washington Territory, made the 29th day of April, A. D. 1878, in the matter of the above entitled estate, the undersigned, executor of said estate, will sell at Public Auction, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter stated, and subject to confirmation by said Probate Court on

Tuesday, the 14th day of January, A. D. 1879,

at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of that day at Compeville, in said Island county, Washington Territory, in front of the store of G. O. Haller, all the right, title and interest that the estate of the said Arthur Phinney, at the time of his death, and all the right, title and interest that the said estate has by operation of law or otherwise acquired other than, or in addition to, that of the said Arthur Phinney at the time of his death in and to all the real estate, consisting of about 1914.94 acres in said Island county, described as follows:

- Lots 2 and 3, section 31, township 32 Range, 1 east; 41.70 acres.
- S. hf of SE qr, sec 31, township 32, R 1 east; 80 acres.
- Lots 1 and 2, sec 32, tp 32, range 1 east; 80.79 acres.
- NE qr of NW qr section 1, tp 31, range 2 east; 39.56 acres.
- N hf of NE qr sec 1, township 31, 2 east; 79.44 acres.
- SE qr of NE qr sec. 1, township 31, R 2 east; 40 acres.
- E hf of NW qr section 12, tp 31, range 2 east; 80 acres.
- NE qr of NE qr sec 1, tp 28, range 3 east; 40 acres.
- SW qr of SE qr sec 4, tp 28, range 3 east; 40 acres.
- SE qr of SW qr sec 4, tp 28, range 3 east; 40 acres.
- NE qr of NW qr sec 9, tp 28, range 3 east; 40 acres.
- N hf NE qr sec 9, tp 28, range 3 east; 80 acres.
- NW qr of NW qr sec 10, tp 28, range 3 east; 40 acres.
- NE qr of SE qr sec 11, tp 28, range 3 east; 40 acres.
- SW qr of NE qr sec 11, tp 28, range 3 east; 40 acres.
- Lot 2 sec 11, tp 28, range 3 east; 46 acres.

- Lots 1 and 2 sec 29, tp 30, range 3 east; 85.75 acres.
- SE qr of SW qr sec 29, tp 30, range 3 east; 40 acres.
- Lot 1, sec 32, tp 30, range 3 east; 38 acres.
- W hf of NE qr sec 32, tp 30, range 3 east; 80 acres.
- Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, sec 33, tp 30, range 3 east; 133.95 acres.
- E hf of SW qr sec 33, tp 30, range 3 east; 80 acres.
- SW qr of SE qr sec 33, tp 30, range 3 east; 40 acres.
- Southwest qr of nw qr section 33, township 30, 3 east. 40 acres.
- Northwest qr of s-w qr section 33, township 30 range 3 east; 40 acres
- Lots 1, 2 and 3, section 34, township 30, range 3 east; 94 acres.
- Southeast qr of sw qr, section 34, township 30, 3 east. 40 acres.
- Southwest qr. of nw qr, section 6, township 31, 3 east. 40 acres.
- Lot 1 in section 19, township 29, 4 east; 40 acres.

- Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, section 30, township 29, 4 east. 131 acres.
- Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 section 31, township 29, range 4 east; 154 acres.
- Undivided one-half interest in 177.25 acres land.
- Lots 1 and 2, and northeast qr of northwest qr section 20; southeast qr of south-west qr section 20; in township 29 north range 3 east—say 88.52 acres.

Terms and conditions of sale:—Gold coin of the United States; ten per cent in the purchase money to be paid to the said executor on the day of sale, and the remainder on confirmation thereof, Deed at expense of purchaser.

GEO. W. HARRIS,
Executor of the estate of Arthur Phinney, deceased.
Port Townsend, Jefferson County, W. T., December 2d, 1878.
MCNAUGHT BROS., Attorneys for said estate.

PUGET SOUND ARGUS

LOCAL NEWS.

DIED.—In Chimacum Valley, Dec. 9th, of heart disease, Mr. Riemel Twigg, aged about 55 years. Deceased was a native of a town called Aknees, in Finland. His fatal disease had been known to him for years, and consequently had not been altogether unexpected in its termination. He had resided continuously in this county since about the year 1852, during which time his life was marked as that of an honest man and a good neighbor—it being frequently remarked that "his word was as good as his bond." He leaves five children to mourn their loss.

The Presbyterian sociable and church fair on Thursday evening last was pronounced a most decided success in every way. Unfortunately we were away up the Sound, but were pleased to hear, upon our return, of the happy termination of this event over which anxious time had been spent.

The steamer Dispatch arrived from Neah Bay on Tuesday morning. Several passengers came up from Dungeness, among whom were Mrs. Entriken, Misses Cora Davis and Fannie Lake, Messrs. F. Crozier and Saml. Morse. A lot of freight was also landed here by the steamer.

The Joseph A. Jacobs, who was taken to Olympia for trial in that \$21,000 hoax near Napavine, answers the description of a Joseph A. Jacobs who has a wife near Oakland, Cal., and one near Port Angeles W. T. Wonder if they are one and the same?

Since inserting an item about the departure of W. P. Jones, recently of Sehome, we received a very pleasant call from that gentleman. We are sorry to see such citizens leave Puget Sound. Our best wishes for his success go with him.

Mr. Jas. McCurdy and wife of the San Juan lime kiln, passed through town this week on their way home from Portland, after a two weeks' visit. We acknowledge a call from Mr. McCurdy, who is looking as jolly as ever.

SOME of the Port Discovery ladies have been in town buying lots of "jetas" for that Christmas tree. A miniature toy shop will be opened over there too, it seems, as a small stock was taken over.

We have just received a piece of charming sheet music from Messrs. D. W. Prentiss & Co., Portland, Oregon, entitled, "Golden Ophir." It is written as a galop, and is much sought by the public.

The auction sale of personal property in the estate of Dennis Hight was postponed to Friday, (tomorrow) at 1 P. M. Those who may wish to purchase are invited to attend at that time.

The sale of personal property of the estate of Mary F. Hunt, deceased, came off as advertised, on Thursday last. We learned that a fair price was realized for the articles sold.

The constitution and by laws of the fire company have just been printed at the ANGUS office. Fifty copies have been neatly bound, making a creditable looking little book.

From the fine display of holiday good at the various stores in town, we should think that somebody will be made happy before they are all disposed of.

The office of Mr. G. M. Haller has been removed to the building which he has been making nearly new, next door to the post-office.

The sale of steamers Politozsky and Ruby, which was to take place to-day (Monday 16th), has been postponed one week. Ex.—

SOME of our Clallam friends will recognize a few familiar names in the thanksgiving article which we publish this week.

The French bark Buenos Ayres, consigned to Rothschild & Co., of this place, is loading with lumber at Port Discovery.

Mr. Seavey went up to Stellacoom on Monday to assist in clearing up the financial standing of Pierce county.

GOOD, fresh, first-class loafs are like many other things this week—awful scarce.

The amount of produce being shipped to market indicates that farmers must be doing well.

EGGS are scarce in the market just now and their price runs up accordingly.

BOYS.—On the 12th inst, to the wife of L. uls Poole, of Port Ludlow, a son.

SEATTLE is having trouble in getting its streets properly graded.

IMPROVEMENT.—While making a brief visit to Stellacoom last week, we took occasion to call at the Territorial Insane Asylum, near that place, and take a look at the new ward which is now nearly finished. The building is certainly up to a first-class hotel in appearance, both internally and externally, being neatly finished and comfortably fitted up. The doors and much of the wood-work have been varnished and nicely grained, adding much to the general appearance of the premises. Dr. Willard and Maj. Allen are tenaciously bending their energies to effect improvements in and about the Asylum grounds. By exercising economy and employing the labor of such patients as are able to work, they are succeeding admirably in accomplishing a great deal at comparatively small cost. The new building has one immense advantage over the old ones, being in the matter of ventilation. It is hoped the trustees of the institution, and the Territorial legislature will be liberal enough to make appropriations which will enable those in direct charge to make the repairs and changes uniform throughout the buildings and grounds. When we have officers in charge of that institution who take such interest and make such exertions in improving its surroundings, they should receive proper encouragement.

FATHER X. Prefontaine, of Seattle, and some nuns paid Port Townsend a visit this week.

READ our advertisement of the Chicago "Prairie Farmer."

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The co-partnership heretofore existing between J. W. Grace and James F. Chapman, of San Francisco, and E. L. Marshall, of Milton, under the style of E. L. Marshall & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

JAMES F. CHAPMAN, J. W. GRACE, E. L. MARSHALL. Milton, W. T., Dec. 3, 1878. 44-4t

Liquidation of the Copartnership of E. L. Marshall & Co.

ALL PERSONS HAVING JUST Claims against the late firm of E. L. Marshall & Co., will present the same to me at once.

W. D. CATTON, Assignee. Milton, King Co. W. T., Dec. 7, 1878.

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Preaching next Sunday in the M. E. Church, morning and evening, by Rev. S. A. Stone, pastor. Sabbath school at 2 1/2 P. M. Dr. S. D. Hill, supt. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

Services will be held in St. Paul's church on Sunday next at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sunday school at 2 P. M. Evening prayer on Wednesday, at 7 o'clock. Litany on Friday morning, at 10.

Regular services in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday next, by Rev. Jas. Agnew, pastor Sabbath School as usual.

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Bol bark Surprise

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CAPT. CURTIS, Master. ROTHSCHILD & CO., Agents. Port Townsend, Nov. 19, 1878.

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ROTSHCHILD & CO., Agents. C. S. DUNNING, Master. Port Townsend, Oct. 2, 1878.

Costa Rican ship MATHILDE.

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R. JONES, Master. ROTHSCHILD & CO., Agents. Port Townsend, Sept. 23, 1878.

Norwegian Bark Mathilde.

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Capt. C. T. CLAUSEN, Master. ROTSHCHILD & CO., Agent. Port Townsend, Sept. 23, 1878.

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JAMES FOX, Master. D. C. H. ROTSHCHILD & CO., Agents. Port Townsend, Sept. 7, 1878.

American ship Dauntless.

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D. W. CHESTER, Master. ROTSHCHILD & CO., Agents. Port Townsend, Aug. 19, 1878.

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ROTSHCHILD & CO., Agents. HANS POULSEN, Master. Port Townsend, Aug. 14, 1878.

Ship Belle Morse.

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ROTSHCHILD & CO., Agents. A. P. HUTCHINS, Master. Port Townsend, Aug. 7, 1878.

American bk. Fred P. Litchfield.

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TERRITORIAL UNIVERSITY.

Seattle "Post.")

A little over one year ago, arrangements were made by the terms of which the territorial university, which had been closed for more than a year, would be opened under the management of Prof. A. J. Anderson, of Portland. The outlook was certainly not very encouraging; but with a determination to succeed, Prof. Anderson and lady commenced the work of building up from the ground, an institution of learning which should guarantee to its pupils a thorough, practical and classical education. With this resolve work was commenced one year ago last September. The university opened with 40 pupils. Since that time the growth of the institution has been rapid and permanent. Yesterday evening the fall term for the present year closed with an attendance of 122 scholars; nine teachers being employed, who devote their entire time to the growing demands of the university—four of them teaching special branches. At the beginning of the next term—December 2d—three pupils will enter upon the studies of the freshman year of the college course, and several others will begin the study of Greek, preparatory thereto. If funds are provided, it is the intention of the faculty to offer a full college course to graduation. Thirty pupils are taking the business course; others are in preparatory studies, including Latin and the common branches, and twenty are pursuing the studies of the first year of the scientific course. No primary pupils are admitted. It has been found in these institutions that this system has been beneficial; and although a different plan from that formerly pursued at this university, it has proved of material advantage.

One of the most encouraging indications is the large attendance from comparatively different sections of the territory—there being scarcely a county west of the Cascade mountains without representation in the university.

The faculty consists of—A. J. Anderson, A. M., President, Mathematics and Chemistry; Mrs. L. P. Anderson, Preceptress, French, Botany, and Eloquence; A. T. Burnell, A. B., Latin and English; C. P. Anderson, Principal of Commercial Department; Miss R. E. Scott, M. S., A. B., Greek and English Literature; Mrs. Emma Guttenburg, German; O. P. Anderson, Plain and Ornamental Penmanship; Miss Jennie Hancock, Telegraphy; Miss Minnie Sparling, Painting and Drawing.

One feature in connection with the Territorial university which deserves special mention, is the facilities for boarding and lodging, which can be obtained for young men for \$45 per quarter, and for young ladies at the residence of Prof. Anderson, where they are under the direct care and superintendence of Mrs. Anderson.

Thus it is seen that in every view the territorial university as equally as thorough as any like institution in Oregon, where numbers of students have gone for instruction from this territory. Prof. Anderson has labored conscientiously for the upbuilding of the institution, and the success attending his labors is permanent and gratifying. It is earnestly hoped that the aid granted from the territory in the way of scholarships, will not be withdrawn in the future, but that it will be increased, inasmuch as the merits of the management and the thoroughness of its work, justify and demand aid from every legitimate source.

THERE are a number of California capitalists at Salem, who propose to build the Silvertown and Salem railroad if the citizens will give them \$50,000 and the right of way.

HAVE AN AIM.

Round's Printers' Cabinet.)

An aimless man is one of the most to be pitied upon earth. He goes drifting along with the tide of fate, without any prospect of an anchorage in the present and little hope of the future, a miserable, shiftless, being, a curse to himself and society at large.

Have an aim, some purpose in life. The great Giver of all good bestowed upon every man some powers, some faculties of his mighty divinity. No sane person is without the ability to reason; without something of cunning in his hands; without some knowledge that will bring recompense and happiness, if but rightly used. The talent, if only a single one, was not given to be buried; the brain, not curiously fashioned to die of its own sloth; the arm, to become paralyzed from want of use; the intricate machinery of the muscles to rust for the want of the polish of friction; and the mysterious telegraph of nerves, to become inert, because there is behind it no telegraph of action.

The lack of a firm purpose caused the primal curse to fall upon the human race. It was the utter absence of it that made temptation easy, and both the temptation and the curse have followed down the long line of ages until the present hour. The much to be pitied human wrecks that strew the shores of the stream of time are proof positive of this. We see them upon every side; they loom up from every headland, are stranded in every shoal, and sunk in every quicksand. A firm and well defined purpose, one carefully and faithfully wrought for, would have carried them safely through; the want of it was the fruitful source of disaster.

A man, no matter if his abilities are shining bright as the angels, is a rudderless bark, driven at the whim of every shifting wind. He has no determined port ahead for which he steers; no compass to guide; no sun by day or star by night; is lost in the chaos of the elements—a human leaf fluttered and whirled without stay or resting place.

To accomplish any stable good or wealth or reputation in this world, a man must know what he is going to do, and do it. The dogma of chance in our lives is as utterly false as in creation. Greatness is very rarely thrust upon mankind; and riches come not without the patient seeking. "The sky does not rain larks," and gold lies deeply hidden. Grain that is to bring plenty and fatness is not indigenous to the soil, and we cannot gather figs from thistles. The stately and massive tree is not the upshooting of an hour, and knowledge comes not with the burning of a single candle. There is no lamp of Aladdin for us, and the ring to which we must be slaves is toil.

The lives of the truly great teach the lesson of purpose and aim most forcibly. Their aim was unwavering, and the reaching towards it constant. The top of the mountain of success is not gained by a single leap, be it never so great. The winter stores of the ant and the bee are only gathered by unceasing labor towards one end.

The aimless man never yet accomplished any mighty result. The spasmodic effort of to-day was nullified by the indolence of the to-morrow. While he rested, the stream swept him farther downward than the starting point, and his unguarded and unguided craft was turned by the fickle current far away from the desired haven, and some one of better and nobler purpose took his place.

An aimless life must be barren of good results. No matter what the effort, it will be wasted; no matter what the sacrifice, it will be useless; no matter how great the strength, if misapplied, it will count no more than the finger of the most feeble child. Niagara will turn thousands of wheels if properly directed and controlled; but, left to itself, will sweep them all away, and its very might become ruin.

And there must be incentive as well as action. Of the former there is no lack; love, fame, reputation, the consciousness of having done good to others, the pride of place, the comforts of old age, the blessings of those who will come after us, are sufficient, to say nothing of the higher and brighter glory in the beyond, and, granting these, why man should be blown about as a feather in the breeze is a paradox beyond the answering, when everything in nature teaches the importance of having something ahead worthy the struggling for.

The purpose of the seed is fixed at the very instant of sowing—fixed unalterably. There is never the least of wavering, and cannot be anything of change. Tree, grass or flower lies concealed within the womb of the tiny principle of production, and the majesty of branch and the rosette fruition will never know of an aimless growing.

Man is the one purposeless, drifting, aimless thing that makes mocking of his God-given reason, belittles his divine

birthright, and sinks beneath the shadow of inaction and irresolution.

Have some purpose in life—the more exalted the better—and stick to it. Throw doubts to the winds, and listen to no siren song of ease. Better failure in a good cause than want of effort in any. Aim to be king, and, if you cannot, press as nearly as possible to the throne, and so catch at least a portion of the reflected glory.

This is the talisman of success in business, be it what it may. This is the very key-note to the march of triumph. Without it every enterprise will be a failure. It may require years; the brain and arm may tire in the struggle, and the heart grow faint, but the will must never be paralyzed, nor the courage falter. Rude as was the speech and crude the illustration, yet there was wisdom in the command of the battle-scarred veteran of Continental times; when his little company, reeling with the shock, would have retreated, waving his broken sword, he shouted: "Pick your flints, boys, and try 'em agin." The "try 'em agin" was victory. Rome may lie beyond the Alps, but what of it? Determine to succeed, and in the end you will. The proud heart knows no such base idea as failure, and acknowledges no such word as fail.

Resolve what your aim for the future is to be; what the goal you would win; what the end you would reach; keep your eye fixed ever upon it, and let nothing turn you aside. This will command success in whatever rank of life you struggle; is not confined to any single one; is true of all. Resolution is one half of the fulfillment. No man utterly failed who ever kept steady to one purpose, and battled bravely for it. Resolution and determination ever command respect.

Have an aim; make it as high as possible. Lift your eyes to the stars. Look over the mountain, rather than at it; across the water rather than into it. Be men, and count rather than shrink from struggles. Lift up your business rather than sink with it. Do anything honorable—sooner than pass through life aimless and purposeless, a worthless straw, blown by the winds of fortune, to at the last fall with nothing done, nothing accomplished.

AN INSPECTOR'S ADVICE.

Yesterday forenoon a farmer, having a barrel of cider on tap in his wagon, was doing a fine retail business at five cents per glass, when a man with a very thin voice and very old clothes softly advanced and said: "Has the State Inspector of Pomological Juices inspected that cider yet?"

"I—I guess not," replied the farmer, greatly embarrassed in a moment.

"I thought not," continued the thin voiced man; "well, sir, you can draw me a full glass."

The farmer drew one, scanning the man with considerable anxiety, and when the "Inspector" had received it he held it up between his eye and the sun and said:

"The precipitation appears most too rapid, while the floating particles denote unusual compression. Perhaps a second glass will be clearer."

He swallowed the contents of the first at exactly four gulps, and taking a second glass he critically examined it and said:

"Ah! the precipitation is clearing away. This cider seems to have been made from apples."

"It was sir, and they were nice apples, too," replied the farmer.

"Let's see how a third glass would look. I am not quite satisfied on the point of compression."

He drained the second and received the third, and as he sipped it he inquired:

"You used a hand cider press didn't you?"

"Yes sir."

"Ah! I thought so. Worked with a lever, didn't it?"

"I—I don't know, sir."

"Well, I think it did. Be a little more careful after this. The Inspector of Pomological Juices grades this barrel 'A No. 2,' but if you take a little more pains, you can increase the grade every time in future. All right, sir; go on with your selling."

The man had been gone ten minutes before any one mustered courage to remark that he was a fraud, but the word fell upon stony ground.

"I know he's all right," persisted the farmer. "The minut I see him draw his coat-tail around to wipe out the corner of his mouth I knew he was a big gun, and I was just shivering in my boots for fear he'd ask me why I didn't punch the seeds out of the apples before grinding! only five cents a glass, now, and warranted pure!"

LOST, LOST!

Mr. D. C. H. Rothschild, of the firm of Rothschild & Co., of this place, has been unfortunate enough to lose a heavy, gold cross ornament for his watch chain. It bears a Masonic emblem of the 32d Scottish Rite, and letters and figures as follows—D. C. H. R., 1872. A reward of \$5 will be paid to the finder.

BATTISTE'S HAIR INVIGORATOR.

M. Battiste Delattang, Tonsorial artist of Port Townsend, Washington Territory, begs to inform his numerous patrons and the public generally, that he has prepared from the original receipt of Professor Montalenbert, the celebrated chemist of Paris, and from chemical extracts of rare medicinal plants found only on the North-west coast of America, a most elegant addition to the usual toilette articles in the shape of an invigorator and rejuvenator of the hair. This delightful preparation cleanses the hair from all impurities; prevents dandruff, heals all skin disease of the head, imparts a gloss and softness and beautiful color to the hair; restores its growth by its healthy and tonic action, and prevents its falling off. In short:

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Richard McDonnell,
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Local and News Items.

OSIAN J. Carr has been confirmed as postmaster at Seattle.

THE announcement is made that Attorney General Devens will soon be appointed Judge of the Maine circuit.

JOHN O'Keane, of Vancouver, has been appointed agent of the Indians at Tulallip Reservation, in place of Dr. A. N. Marion.—"Herald."

GEN. Grant states that he still intends to travel eastward through India and China, and thence home by the Pacific to San Francisco in about a year.

THE "B. B. Mail" says the contract for the erection of a telegraph line from Victoria to Nanaimo has been let to McMillen & McCartney (the distance is 65 miles) at \$21 per mile.

F. H. LAMB, of the W. Telegraph company, is to be transferred to the San Francisco district, and Dan F. Leahy, present manager of the Portland office, will succeed Mr. Lamb in the Portland district.—"Courier."

IN the Senate, on the 10th inst., Senator Mitchell presented a number of petitions from various parts of the country in favor of the 16th amendment to the constitution, conferring the right of suffrage on women.

A NUMBER of Germans have taken up a quantity of land on the Stillaguamish river, about eight miles above Stanwood, and are going to put up a small water mill to saw the lumber necessary for the improvements they contemplate making.

R. B. HARRISON, of Indiana, has been confirmed as assayer at Helena, Montana; Albert E. Paive, of Wisconsin, commissioner of patents; Lewis Wallace of Indiana, governor of New Mexico; and Algernon S. Bettinger, postmaster at New Orleans.

THE Pacific Mail S. S. Co's steamer, Alaska, sailed from San Francisco, Dec. 10th, 1878, having on board 28 pkgs mails, 60 passengers, 450 pkgs mdze, 300 tons. Passengers for the Sound:—Geo. Alken, P. Quinn, Geo. Brown, Mrs. Atkinson, E. Polhemus, John Larkin and son, J. Smith, J. A. Imbler, Frank Alderscott, Miss Mary Ann Evans, A. J. Minsinger and wife, I. Johnson and wife, Henry Stolda, and 3 Chinamen.

THE old hand press on which Tacoma's first paper—the "Tribune"—was printed, is now on board the Dakota, en route for San Francisco. The history of that press would be an interesting one to printers. It is not far from forty years old, and has probably done service in a score of towns and printing establishments. It has been on the Sound since 1837, at Olympia, Tacoma and Seattle. There was but one older press in the Territory, an unused one of the Ramage pattern in the "Intelligencer" office, the age of which must be not less than seventy-five years.

FROM every part of Arizona comes reports of fraud in the recent Territorial election. There were three candidates in the field, it will be remembered for Delegate to Congress, and Campbell, one of the Independents, and a Mormon sympathizer, was finally counted in by a small majority. It seems that he and his supporters, the Mormon elders, used a large amount of money to secure his election, and in several instances bought up the County Supervisors. His claim to the office, thus obtained through fraud and corruption, will not pass unchallenged, however. We notice, among other measures that have been taken, that Judge Silent has called a special session of the Grand Jury in Prescott to investigate some of these frauds; and further that Stevens, who, it is believed, is honestly entitled to the office, will, as a last resort, contest the election before Congress. Campbell will find obstacles in his way to a seat in Congress, which cannot be removed with money.—"Tribune."

A SUDDEN DEATH.

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OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

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A new phase of the Southern question has been developed by the approach of the time for taking the next census. It is reported that the Southern Democrats have perfected a plan whereby the census officers in that section are to report a much larger population than actually exists, so that in case the Congressional representation remains the same as now the South can increase its number of members, and in case the ratio is reduced it can hold its own. By no other means will it be possible for the South to retain its present power in national politics, for the West and Northwest will show a very heavy increase of population; and be entitled to a proportionate increase in members of Congress.

It is probable that the States of Kansas, Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa, and Wisconsin will together be entitled to about fifty per cent. more representation after 1880, or about twenty more members, the extreme border states increasing to the extent of one hundred per cent. New York, New Jersey, Ohio and Michigan will also claim a small increase. Nearly all of this will be to the advantage of the Republicans. Therefore the reported scheme of the Democrats is plausible if it is improbable. But it would be difficult of execution, unless we assume that the Republican officials were in collusion with the Democrats to accomplish it. The Democrats are desperately in need of some means to keep up an appearance of strength, for the country is growing away from them with rapid strides.

Many persons have been interviewed of late relative to the favorite candidates for the Presidency. On the Republican side no names are prominently mentioned except Grant, Blaine and Conkling, all of whom seem to have more friends than ever before. General Sherman Secretary Sherman, General Garfield and Vice President Wheeler are casually named but they have no very pronounced following. Thurman and Hendricks are the most conspicuous Democrats, although Tilden's friends profess to believe that the cipher complications will be cleared away, and if so Tilden will be hard to beat. He is a master of political strategy, if not of ciphering, and his friends claim that he can carry New York as he always has done. But times have changed. The friends who ran Mr. Tilden's campaign in 1876 are smothered by ciphers if Mr. Tilden himself was not and besides New York is now claimed as a Republican state.

The House Committee on Appropriations which has been in session a few days has completed the Military Academy and the Fortification bills, and authorized Representatives Durham and Baker to report them to the House next Tuesday. The West Point bill makes the same appropriations as last year for the ordinary expenses of the Academy. Judge Durham will call this bill up in the House next Wednesday.

Mr. Baker will report the Fortification bill in the same shape as to objects and amounts as at the last session—the total being \$275,000.

Mr. Singleton, who has charge of the Consular and Diplomatic bills, says he will be ready to report in a few days. His bill will not differ materially from that of last year. Several other appropriations will be ready for report in the course of two weeks.

VOLUNTEER.

W. P. JONES, Esq., long in charge of the Bellingham Bay Coal mines, at Sehome, has about closed up the Company's affairs and intends to go down to California, this week to make that state his future home. Mr. Jones is highly respected by a large circle of friends on the Sound who regret to lose him from among our citizens and will unite with us in wishing him prosperity in the future.

DEATH OF GEN. JAMES TILDEN.—From the Portland "Standard" we learn that Gen. James Tilden, known to almost everybody in the territory, died in Washington city, on the 23d of November, in the 60th year of his age. He was a native of Washington, Delaware. He was in the war with Mexico, and was the first surveyor general of the territory, serving from 1853 to 1861. For several years afterwards he resided in Olympia, with his excellent family, a portion of the time being in the employ of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. Subsequently he went east and was in the government service in Georgia, and at the time of his death was inspector of the water works at Washington. In the early history of our territory, Gen. Tilden was one of our most prominent and respected citizens, and on one occasion was the Dem. candidate for Delegate to Congress. He had many friends and acquaintances throughout the whole country, who will deeply regret to hear of his death.

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