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PUGET SOUND HERALD.

"Pledged to no party's arbitrary sway, We follow Truth wherever she leads the way."

STELLACOOM, W. T., FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 1858.

The floor of Congress has again become the arena in which political pugilists take pride in displaying their powers, and imitating the inhabitants of some common brothel. For years past the proceedings of Congress have been marked by scenes of personal encounters, and an indulgence in the effusions of billingsgate worthy in every respect the denizens of the "Five Points" of New York, the "Seven Dials" or the "Cripple-Gate" of the British metropolis.

It is a humiliating fact, or should be, at least, to every American, that our Congress, which at one time was the boast and admiration of the world, has become a by-word and a synonym for bribery, corruption, and ruffianism; that about one half of its time is spent in the examination of charges against its members of the most foul character; and but too seldom is it that adequate punishment is awarded to the perpetrators of these acts: so that with impunity men repair to Washington city, with, it would appear, no higher aim than their personal aggrandizement at the expense of the nation and its honor.

The last Atlantic mail brings an account of one of these legislative "knock-downs" in the House of Representatives (to the shame of the actors be it said) of the United States, between Messrs. Grow and Keitt, during a debate on the Kansas question, at about 2 o'clock on the morning of Feb. 6th, resulting in the discomfiture or "lamming" (to use a vulgar phrase) of Mr. Keitt. After a short exhibition of their skill in imitation of the brute creation, the parties were separated, and allowed to appease the offended dignity of the House by offering an apology for their infraction of the rules.

The time has been when an act of this character could not be committed without subjecting the actors to immediate expulsion from the stations they occupied; but, unfortunately for the safety of the Union, we opine that "the day of Reason has gone by." Judging from the opening performances of the House, we may expect shortly to hear of further and more extensive operations of our political fancies, according to the most approved rules of the ring; and we should not be at all surprised if an appropriation were made for the improvement and development of this branch of Congressional education, without which a man in Congress nowadays stands as much chance as an honest man in a den of thieves.

For the mines.—Quite a number of persons are leaving town for the mines on Frazer's and Thompson's rivers. They go well prepared to test the richness of the country. We have made such arrangements as will enable us to lay before our readers information regarding these mines of a reliable nature.

We would call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Peterson & Co., Bakers, at Port Townsend. This is a branch of business much needed on the Sound, and we have the fullest assurance that satisfaction in their line will be given.

STELLACOOM LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.—By reference to our advertising columns, it will be seen that a meeting of the above association is called for Monday evening next, April 2nd, at the M. E. Church.

THE COLUMBIA.—The steamer Columbia, Capt. Dell, arrived at this port on Saturday, 27th ult. By her we are in receipt of late news from the Atlantic States, Europe and China, which will be found in detail elsewhere.

See the advertisements of Messrs. Pickering and McFarland, in another column.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT FROM THE GOLD DIGGINGS! Large Receipts of Gold by the Hudson Bay Co.

By the arrival of the steamer Sea Bird, Capt. Connor, we are placed in possession of intelligence respecting the lately discovered gold fields on Frazer's and Thompson's rivers fully confirming the previous reports.

From gentlemen who came passengers on the Sea Bird, we learn that the Hudson Bay Company at Victoria have received within the last month about one hundred and ten pounds of gold dust from the Indians. This was obtained merely from surface diggings, without the aid of anything more than the rude articles—such as pans and willow baskets—possessed by the Indians.

Numerous desertions have taken place from the military posts on the lower part of the Sound.

Parties are arriving daily on sailing vessels from San Francisco, bound to the mines.

We learn that the steamer Constitution is to leave soon for San Francisco. What use she can be put to there or elsewhere, we cannot imagine: she has been of no use here. In this connection we would state that the Constitution has discontinued her trips on the Sound; and, with the Sea Bird here, owing to the unlimited means and untiring energy (!) of the mail contractors, we are dependent upon canoe service for the carrying of our mail. One week ago, the newspaper mail for this place was landed at Port Townsend by the Columbia, but no part of it has as yet been seen in this section of the country. We are in a much worse condition, as regards our mail service from San Francisco at the present time, than when it was forwarded via the Columbia River. It will be a source of satisfaction to our citizens to know that, from present appearances, the mail contractors on the Sound are carrying out to the utmost the true principles of the Circumlocution office—"trying how not to do it."

CONCERT.—On Monday evening, March 29th, the people of Stellacoom and vicinity enjoyed a musical treat of quite a creditable character. Two gentlemen from the Sandwich Islands, Messrs. Pickering and McFarland, (one a pianist and the other a violinist) on a visit to Puget Sound, appointed the above evening for a musical entertainment, and were greeted by an audience numbering some two hundred persons. The programme, embracing selections from the most popular operas, from first to last received the plaudits of the delighted listeners, who, at the close, seemed well pleased with the performance throughout.

THE NEW GOLD MINES.—We understand there is considerable stir in San Francisco regarding the Frazer's River gold mines, and we may safely anticipate quite a rush thither during the coming season. The Columbia brought several miners bound for that locality, and they are probably only the advanced guard of a yet greater immigration.

BALL.—An opportunity being afforded by the presence of two excellent musicians, last Tuesday evening was fixed upon by the lovers of dancing for a Ball. Notwithstanding inclement weather at the time, the ball room was crowded at an early hour; and the exciting pleasure was indulged in, with little cessation, until daylight. Abundant provision was made for the inner man, and all departed for their respective homes in good spirits.

THE CYRUS.—Sails on Monday next, the 5th inst. She goes to San Francisco, laden with piles and square timber.

Our thanks are due to Purser Davis and Mr. Barry, Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Messenger, for favors in advance of the mail.

ATLANTIC NEWS.—By the arrival at San Francisco of the Pacific Mail steamer Sonora, we have dates from New York to Feb. 21st. From our Eastern exchanges we get the following items:

The Senate Committee on Territories will report against the admission of Oregon at this time, on the ground that she has not sufficient population, that no urgent necessity exists for her immediate admission, and that her citizens do not desire it.

On motion of Mr. Gwin, a resolution was adopted by the Senate, Feb. 15th, instructing the Finance Committee to inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill for increasing the facilities of refining gold for coinage at the San Francisco Mint.

Gen. Wm. Walker is now in Nashville, on a visit to his father, Wm. Walker, Esq. His visit will be limited to a few days.

The House Committee on Territories, at their meeting Feb. 16th, directed a bill to be submitted at the next meeting for the organization of a new Territory out of all territory west of Salt Lake, in Utah, to be called Carcon.

Hon. Millard Fillmore was married to Mrs. Caroline C. McIntosh, Feb. 19th, at the Schuyler mansion, in Albany.

The commander of the ship John Adams, writing from Valparaiso under date of Dec. 30th, informs the Navy Department that the ship Annetta, of New York, foundered at sea Nov. 25. The general appearance of the vessel was such as to lead to the conclusion that the officers and crew were taken off by a friendly sail.

The Hospital on Blackwell's Island, N. Y., has been entirely destroyed by fire. Information of importance has been received at Washington with regard to the action of the Legislature of Minnesota upon the question of the admission of that Territory and Kansas, as States, into the Union. Resolutions were introduced into the Legislature on the 9th instant, condemning the administration in its Kansas policy, and declaring against the proposition to unite the two Territories in one act of admission, and instructing their Senators and members elect to oppose the admission of Kansas with the Leecompton constitution. The resolutions were promptly voted down by a majority of four—the vote being 35 to 21; thus showing that Minnesota endorses the administration. The Minnesota delegation waiting in Washington to take their seats are Messrs. Rice and Shields, Senators; Messrs. Becker, Phelps and Cavanaugh, members. Rice and Becker are for the administration, Shields and Cavanaugh are doubtful. It is doubtful if the three members elect will be admitted to seats. Should they not, the one or the two having received the greatest vote will probably be admitted. At least so it is understood. Becker had the largest vote.

About 2 o'clock, on the morning of Feb. 6th, an altercation took place between Messrs. Keitt, of South Carolina, and Grow, of Penn., in the course of which the former was knocked down by the latter, and for a time the muss verged close upon a free fight. A member of Congress gives the following version of the affair:—Mr. Grow objected to Quitman's making any remarks. Mr. Keitt said, "If you are going to object, return to your own side of the House." Mr. Grow responded, "This is a free hall, and every man has a right to be where he pleases." Mr. Keitt then came up to Mr. Grow and said, "I want to know what you mean by such an answer as that?" Mr. Grow replied, "I mean just what I say. This is a free hall, and a man has a right to be where he pleases." Mr. Keitt (taking Mr. Grow by the throat) said, "I will let you know that you are a d—d Black Republican puppy." Mr. Grow knocked up his hand, saying, "I shall occupy such place in this hall as I please, and no nigger driver shall crack his whip over me." Mr. Keitt then again grabbed Mr. Grow by the throat, and Mr. Grow knocked him down. The difficulty has been settled by both gentlemen making apologies to the House and to each other; Mr. Keitt being particularly frank and explicit in his recantation, and taking the whole blame upon himself.

The Pacific Hotel at St. Louis was burnt at 3 o'clock, Feb. 20th. About one hundred persons were in the hotel when the fire broke out, forty or fifty of whom are missing. The following are the names of the persons known to be killed so far: Messrs. Bruce, McKnite, Burkheart, Wurst, Paul, Sterrett, Mrs. Jenny Jones and child, all of St. Louis; Mr. Johnson, of Chicago; Henry Rochester and J. H. Part Strong, of Rochester, N. Y.; Wm. Saunders, Mr. Taylor, Geo. Crane and Miss Jones, residence unknown; Chas. Davis and Wm. Cunningham, of the Terre Haute and Alton Railroad; Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard; also nine persons in one room, whose names are unknown, and a negro boy. The following are seriously injured: James F. Geary, reporter of the St. Louis Leader; Elwell Hayes, of New York; Jonathan Jones, Mr. Towns, Wm. Turner and Mr. Sharpe, watchmen of the house. The fire caught in the drug store under the hotel, and spread so rapidly that the stairways were enveloped in flames before the inmates could be roused. All egress was thus cut off except through the windows. Many leaped from the third story and were horribly mangled or instantly killed, and many more were unable even to reach the windows, and burned to death in their own rooms. Several more bodies are supposed to be in the ruins.

The gas pipes in the basement of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Sixth street, near Race, Cincinnati, exploded recently, tearing up the floor and demolishing the pews, windows, doors, &c. Eight or ten persons were severely wounded, several of whom were not expected to survive their injuries.

Rev. Mr. Kulloch, of Boston, has preached his farewell sermon. The discourse contained many strictures on the Press, newspapers being the reverend gentleman's special aversion. He now takes up the law, leaving the sacred desk, as he says, forever.

Mr. Seward has given notice of his intention to introduce a bill in the Senate, to reorganize the United States Supreme Court and the Circuit Courts, in such a manner that the several States be represented by Judges more nearly on the basis of their federal population, and also that the administration of justice shall be made more speedy and efficient.

The presence of Gen. Harney and Col. Sumner at Washington, has reference to the arrangements for the spring and summer campaign against the Mormons. There is at present no definite course of policy adopted. The administration is waiting to see what Congress intends to do in relation to the additional regiments asked for.

Mr. Seward, on Feb. 17, presented a memorial in the Senate, from citizens of Albany, offering to raise a regiment of volunteers for the Army of Utah.

LATER FROM UTAH.

A telegraphic dispatch to the New York Herald, dated St. Louis, Feb. 20, says: The Independence correspondent of the Republician, under date of the 16th inst., says that the Salt Lake mail arrived there last night. Conductor Denver reports the snow from one to six feet deep on the mountains, and the weather intensely cold. He left Camp Scott Jan. 1, and the troops there were in good spirits, earnestly wishing to make a descent on Salt Lake City.

From the Mormon prisoners and stragglers Utah Indians, Col. Johnston was well advised of the movements of the Saints, who were making active preparations to continue their resistance to the troops in the spring. The municipal regulations were very stringent, and they looked with suspicion upon everybody the least inclined to favor the action of the United States Government. Governor Cummings was performing the duties of his office, as far as he was able. The outward bound mails were making good progress, and the many Indians whom they met manifested friendly feelings.

The Committee on Military Affairs of the House had decided to report in favor of five regiments of volunteers, to be called out if deemed necessary by the President. Mr. Faulkner, of Va., dissents from the views of the majority, and will, on behalf of the minority of that committee, present a bill to add to the regular army.

The Army Bill, (the administration measure) will probably be carried early in the Senate, in the shape that Mr. Hunter proposes—to add three regiments to the army.

The Fort Leavenworth correspondent of the New York Herald writes on Feb. 3d, that the Quartermaster's Department at this fort—probably the most extensive branch in the army—is commencing its labors for re-enforcing the Utah Army. Missouri horse traders, mule contractors and supply furnishers generally, are as thick as peas in the pod. The action of Congress is much needed to prevent delay.

Gen. Harney has relinquished the command of the post to Col. Monroe, and proceeds soon to Washington. In the meantime the Sixth Infantry—wintering in the Cincinnati houses of Geo. Sanders—will form a separate command.

MARRIED.

In Stellacoom, on Sunday evening, March 31st, by Rev. Mr. Berry, Mr. PHILIP KEACH to Miss SARAH ANTONIETTE MARTIS, both of Stellacoom.

Long may you live in wedded bliss, A hundred years or more, And may you have a million boys, And girls a hundred score; And when you both shall come to die, We'll hope you'll die together, And trust the day you're buried-ed, It won't be rainy weather!

New Advertisements.

To the Residents of Stellacoom and Vicinity.

THE LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF STELLACOOM and vicinity are respectfully informed that Messrs. PICKERING AND MCFARLAND, the favorite artists, design giving another of their popular entertainments.

On THURSDAY EVENING, April 5th, at Stellacoom, combining a CONCERT AND BALL.

The entertainment will commence with a Concert, and terminate with Dancing.

Prices of Admission: To Concert and Ball, a Lady \$1.00, a Gentleman \$1.00, Children Half price. Single tickets to both \$4.00. No extra charge for Supper.

Doors open at 7 o'clock; concert to commence at half-past 7. There will be an intermission of 30 minutes between the Concert and Ball.

No postponement on account of the weather. 4-15

NOTICE.

THE HOSPITAL STEWARD AT FORT STELLACOOM has on hand a quantity of Medicines and Drugs, which he will sell to citizens. Prescriptions for Syphilis and Gonorrhoea carefully compounded. Inquire at the Hospital Steward's room, Hospital building, 4-11

FOR SAN FRANCISCO DIRECT.

The fast-sailing brig CYRUS, Capt. W. H. DIGGS, Will be dispatched on Monday, 5th inst., for the above port. For freight or passage, apply to the captain on board, or to J. B. WEBBER, Stellacoom. 4-1

GRAND CONCERT!

THE CITIZENS OF THE CALEET ARE respectfully informed that the celebrated artists, MR. JOHN MCFARLAND, The unrivaled Violinist—the Paganini of the world—accompanied by the well known Pianist and original Melodist, MR. JOSEPH PICKERING, Will visit Stellacoom and give one of their Drawing-Room entertainments.

On THURSDAY EVENING, April 10th. For particulars, see Programme. Admission, \$1; Children half price. Concert to commence at 8 o'clock, precisely.

NOTICE.

The residents of PORT TOWNSEND and the GARRISON are respectfully informed that the above act will visit Port Townsend and give a Concert. On Monday, April 12th. The citizens of VICTORIA, V. I., may expect the above act in a few weeks. 4-1*

J. PETERSON & CO., BAKERS, PORT TOWNSEND, W. T.

THE SUBSCRIBERS BEG LEAVE TO ANNOUNCE TO THE Merchants of Puget Sound, and the public generally, that they are now ready to furnish them with CRACKERS, HARD BREAD, PILOT BREAD, NAVY BREAD, &c., &c., which they can and will sell at prices to make it an object to buy of them instead of importing.

FROM EUROPE.

The effect of the explosion of the three projectiles at the time of the attempted assassination of the Emperor, Louis Napoleon, proved on investigation to be far more disastrous than was at first supposed. The number of persons more or less wounded fell little, if any, short of one hundred and fifty, and six had died of the injuries they sustained.

The Paris correspondent of the London Advertiser says that a formal demand has been preferred upon the British Government for the expulsion of Victor Hugo, Mazzini, Ledru Rollin and Louis Blanc from the British territory. The correspondent of the London Herald says that, on the 21st, twenty-two persons were arrested in the garden of the Tuilleries, each with a loaded revolver in his pocket.

The opening of the Legislature took place on the 13th ultimo, and the Emperor delivered a comparatively lengthy speech upon the occasion. The Revue de Paris and the newspaper Le Spectateur (formerly the Assemblée Nationale) have been suppressed for the publication of articles upholding republican principles. The Moniteur announces that the Belgian Government intends prosecuting the newspapers Le Drapeau and Le Crocodile for their objectionable remarks on the attempted assassination.

Accounts had reached Paris from Italy of the landing of 200 Mazzinians at Ancona, and of their attempt to surprise the Austrian garrison. Many were killed and others made prisoners. Congratulatory addresses have been addressed to the French Emperor from all quarters. Galvani's Messenger of the 20th ult. contains the following pathetic list of information:

"An affecting scene took place at the Tuilleries after the mass of thanksgiving, at which the Emperor and Empress were present, on the day following the late attempt. The Prince Imperial, when brought to his august parents, remarked the scratch made on the previous evening on the face of the Emperor, and said in his infantile accents: 'Papa hurt?' The Emperor took the Prince in his arms, and said, 'You love papa, do you?' The Prince replied by kissing the Emperor, and again repeated the word, 'Hurt!' At these carresses and these words of his child the man who had beheld death so near without being disturbed, and without changing countenance, could not restrain the feelings of his heart, and he shed tears."

The marriage of the Prince of Prussia and the Princess Royal of England took place on the 25th, as per programme. Nothing occurred to mar the joyous festivities of the occasion, but a riotous demonstration at Belfast. The disturbance was, however, promptly suppressed. The published reports of the proceedings may be rated as very effective.

The Leviathan is aloft, sound and in good condition.

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For Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Croup, Bronchitis, Influenza, Bleeding of the Lungs, Difficult Breathing, Pain or Weakness of the Breast or Side, First Stages Consumption, &c. In short, this Balsam is so admirably adapted to every disease of the Lungs and Throat, that it is a household remedy for a variety of complaints. It has also been equally useful for the whole system; and some physicians, whose fame is familiar to the entire country, have gone so far as to declare that it is a chemical process, everything deteriorated or useless is rejected, so that what remains is the most extraordinary and truly efficacious remedy for all kinds of pulmonary and liver diseases ever known to man.

CAUTION.—As there are many Counterfeits, look well at the signature before purchasing; take none unless the name of Sanford & Park is engraved on the outside wrapper—no other name is used.

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Hottel's Celebrated Stomach Bitters

Jaundice, Dyspepsia, Nervous or Chronic Debility, are very pleasant in taste and smell, and can be taken under any circumstances. In cases of Dyspepsia it acts like magic, strengthening the tone of the stomach, stimulating the digestive powers, and giving ruddy health to the cheek and brightness to the eye. In all cases of diseases of the stomach, whether acute or chronic, it may be recommended for its soothing, cordial and renovating influence. Dyspepsia, indigestion, loss of Appetite, Nervous Tremors, Relaxation, Debility, etc., are relieved by the Bitters in a very short space of time, and a perseverance in their use never fails to work a thorough cure. Every family should have Hottel's celebrated Stomach Bitters. No article is so peculiarly adapted to our climate. Sold by Druggists, Hotels, and first-class saloons throughout California and Oregon.

CAUTION.—Buyers are particularly requested to beware of a spurious article manufactured and represented to be Hottel's Bitters, which all who sell or use the genuine article can detect, as it is never sold by the gallon, but in square bottles, containing a full quart, with the cork covered with a metallic cap, and name on cap and bottle, with directions for use.

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J. R. MEER & SONS, STELLACOOM, W. T.

Puget Sound Shipping List.

STELLACOOM, W. T., APRIL 2, 1858.

Arrived. March 29.—Stm Columbia, Dall, 344 ds fr San Francisco pass and freight to P. M. Co. Sch'r R. B. Potter, Norwood, fm Port Townsend. 27.—Stm Sea Bird, Connor, fm Olympia. 31.—Sch'r H. C. Page, Barrow, Semshamoo Bay. 31.—Sch'r R. B. Potter, Norwood, fm Port Townsend. Sch'r Edgley, Harrington, fm Penn's Cove.

Sailed. March 30.—Stm Columbia, Dall, Olympia. Stm Sea Bird, Connor, Port to the Sound. Sch'r R. B. Potter, Norwood, Olympia. 30.—Sch'r H. C. Page, Barrow, Semshamoo Bay. 31.—Sch'r R. B. Potter, Norwood, Port Townsend.

In Port. April 1.—Brig Cyrus, Diggs, ldr fr San Francisco; brig Ork, Trask, to load for do.

Memoranda. Downed.—Frank Moller, of Hamburg, fell from the jibboom of the clipper ship Kit Carson, on her passage from San Francisco to Honolulu, March 14th, and drowned. A boat was lowered and manned immediately, but he sunk before the boat could reach him.

Per Columbia.—Left San Francisco March 29th, at 6 PM; experienced strong northerly gales to Cape Mendocino, thence southerly weather; touching at way ports, arrived at Stellacoom March 30th, at 9 AM.

Ports on the Sound. TEERALK.—Arr March 31st, ship Torment, Gove, to load lumber for Hongkong. SEABECK.—Sailed March 29th, brig Hyack, San Francisco.

Passengers. Per Columbia.—Major Alvord, Lieut Sec'y, F. S. Davis, S. B. Howell, H. K. White, H. R. Gray, Ed Nichols, C. Felton, Jno Roach, Jno Stewart, Jno Welch, Jno Larkin, E. May.

Special Notices. Stellacoom Library Association of W. T.—The regular monthly meeting of this Association will be held at the M. E. Church, in this place, on Monday evening, April 5th. A full attendance of the members is requested, as business of importance is to be transacted. Citizens generally are invited to attend.

FRANK S. DALCH, Recording Secretary. All persons knowing themselves indebted to the firm of DALCH & WESSON prior to the 1st of January, 1858, are hereby notified to call and settle immediately, or their accounts will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection. 3-4

Citizens of Pierce County, Attention! There will be a meeting of the people held at the Court-House in Stellacoom on the 17th of April next, for the purpose of taking measures to form a society whose object will be to encourage, aid, and invite immigration to this Territory. As this is a matter in which all are interested, a full attendance is invited. MANY CITIZENS.

Rev. G. M. BERRY, (Methodist Church,) will preach regularly every Sabbath, at the Garrison, at 10 o'clock, a. m.; and at the Church in Stellacoom, at 8 o'clock, p. m.

STELLACOOM LODGE, NO. 8. Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, holds regular communications on the first and third Saturday evening in every month. All members of the fraternity in good standing are invited to attend. JAS. M. BACHELDER, W. M.

OLYMPIA LODGE, NO. 5. Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, holds regular communications on the first and third Saturday evening in every month. All members of the order in good standing are invited to attend. T. F. McELROY, W. M.

I. O. O. F. The regular meeting of Olympia Lodge, No. 1, will be held every Saturday evening, at 8 o'clock, in the building formerly occupied by Wm. Rutledge, two doors east of the Washington Hotel. All members in good standing in the order, are invited to attend. G. C. BLANKENHOP, Sec'y.

To our Patrons. We would say to our patrons, that in consequence of some changes in our business, we are desirous of settlement with all who have running accounts with us, under \$100 CASHLY, with or from a straggler. We propose to close all accounts up to the 25th of February of the present year, and those indebted to us would confer a great favor by promptly coming to a settlement. Grateful for past favors, we would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same. We are in receipt of new goods by nearly every vessel, and we will spare no endeavors to please our customers. Our prices shall be as low as practicable with the times. S. McCAW & CO.

Miscellaneous. J. R. MEER & SONS, DEALERS IN LIVE STOCK, FRESH MEATS, PROVISIONS, AND GENERAL MERCHANDISE. Call and examine our stock. Orders from a distance attended to with promptness and dispatch. STELLACOOM, W. T. 1-3m

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POREK.—25 lbs Eastern packed Flour, Also Domestic do do. For sale by S. McCAW & CO.

PLOW.—Boston Steel Plow and Eagle Cast Iron Plow, on hand and for sale by S. McCAW & CO.

CHOPPED FEED.—Nourse & Mason's Patent Hay Cutters on hand and for sale by S. McCAW & CO.

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PUGET SOUND HERALD.

STELLACOOM, W. T., APRIL 2, 1858.

LATER FROM CHINA.

Capture of Canton—Yeh a Prisoner. By the arrival at San Francisco of the Durang, we have dates from Hongkong to Jan. 29th, Canton had been captured by the Allies, and at last dates they were in full possession of the city.

The ladders were planted against the walls and the escalade commenced; the assailants covered by the Madras Rifles and some companies of the 50th. It is difficult to learn the real truth as to the first on the walls, but the French are allowed to have scaled first, though some of our fellows were on the heights inside before the French.

As soon as the heights inside the city were gained, the flags were hoisted; they were first placed on Magazine Hill, the French and British simultaneously, at about 9 30 A.M. A rocket tube was soon brought up, and directed against Gough Fort, which the Chinese speedily evacuated, and when the attack was made, no one was there to oppose our entrance; several dead and wounded were lying inside.

On the following Sunday, our correspondent entered the city by the new road carried through that portion of the suburbs immediately above the French Folly, and which had just been opened. No Chinese were to be seen. The town had suffered very much in this quarter, not a house scarcely that had not a hole in the roof, indicative of the entrance of a shot or rocket.

On Tuesday, an expedition into the interior of the city was planned and executed. Mr. Parkes had heard of Yeh's whereabouts, and was anxious to catch him. His Excellency was reported to be residing at the Ut-wa College, in the very center of the city; but, on arriving there, it was found he had decamped the previous Thursday to the Lieut. General's Yamen, in the southwest corner of the old city. This information was given by a Chinese officer, who refused to point out the Yamen; but, depending on two Chinese guides, whom he had engaged by promise of reward, Mr. Parkes made his way to the place indicated, under the protection of about one hundred blue-jackets, commanded by Commodore Elliott, and Captain Key.

By way of Shanghai we have news of the capture of the cities of Chinkang and Kwachow, by the Imperialists. The North China Herald of the 9th January says: About midnight on the 26th December, a general attack by the Imperial troops was made on Chinkang. Brigadier General Chang-kow-leang, formerly a Taeping leader, entered the city from the southward. His forces deployed, and set fire to the houses in fourteen or fifteen different places. They killed every human being they fell in with in the city, no matter whether they were Taepings or the natives of the place, men and women alike, numbering together about 6,000 persons.

On the following day, the Brigadier General proceeded with his soldiers to Kwachow, on the opposite side of the river. On approaching it, he saw that the Imperial Canton contingents, or lorchas, 30 in number, which were supposed to be watching the movements of the Taepings, were crowded with Taeping men. He attacked and finally took them.

There is also a rumor of the capture of Nanking. The same journal says: We have yet to learn the particulars of the capture of the "City of Rams," as well as of the recovery of the cities situated below Nanking. There are rumors of a great deal of hard fighting before Chin-kiang, and of the slaughter of a high rebel chief; but they are only rumors.

The other mandarins were detained in the city, and they were for a time reported to have refused to have anything to do with the government of the town; but their scruples, if ever they had any, have been overcome; and Pih-kwei and the Tartar General, as reported elsewhere, have been reinstated in office, under the supervision of a commission of two British and one French officers.

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Establishment of a Government. Saturday, the 9th, was fixed upon for the installation of Pih-kwei and the Tartar General in their new office under the Allies. After some palaver as to where the mandarins should sit, it was arranged they should be placed on each side of the Court as before. Lord Elgin then made a most appropriate speech, which was interpreted by Mr. Wade, bearing upon the present question, and informing them of the intention to hold Canton until new treaties had been made with the Court at Peking. It was the desire of the Allies that peace should be maintained in the meanwhile, and hence the proposal of re-appointing them to their offices within the city,

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Meanwhile we hear it is the intention of Admirals Seymour and Genouilly to raise the blockade of the Canton river immediately; so that trade may soon be expected to resume its wonted channels; for the Chinese are too mercantile a people to let any chance slip of turning a penny. On Monday morning last, the shops in the city were opened for the retail of goods, and the number rapidly increasing in the course of that and the following day.

Little news may now be looked for from Canton, where everything remains, and is likely to remain, quiet, the precautions adopted being considered ample, with the forces under the Admiral's command, to suppress any rising or act of aggression attempted by the Chinese. A powerful military police force has been established as a patrol, with five stations at different points of the city, while a body of Chinese constabulary has been embodied under the native authorities. Much misery naturally prevails in the city, but the streets are represented as crowded with people, whose alarm seems to have given way to confidence in British protection. Besides shops for the retail of goods of every description, a market has been opened, well supplied with provisions of all kinds, which are sold at very reasonable prices, much lower, we are told, than at Hongkong.

We have heard, however, from a Chinese just returned from Canton, that "a great many people are still moving away from the city, fearing that the Emperor, when he learns the state of affairs, will be greatly enraged, and send a large army to exterminate the English." He says further, that Yeh and his father, both bigoted Buddhists, had consulted the gods regarding the safety of the city, and were sure there was no cause for fear, and hence the absence of preparation for its defense. Our correspondent adds, that the duties are still levied at Canton by the Custom-House officers, and his own baggage was overhauled by them at Fa-ti.

Immense depots of arms have been discovered within the city, containing ginals, bows-and-arrows, swords, shields, spears, etc., but all in a wretched condition, with every appearance of having lain in store for many years. Some hundreds of coolies have been employed in their removal, but so enormous is the quantity, that it has taken several days to complete the work. Thousands of American-made muskets were also found in store.

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Postponing the Question. Mr. Scrubbs was a short, thick-set, phibiscy old chap, who had been sent to the Legislature for five years. But Scrubbs was some pumpkins, and if there was any thing going on in the House that required tact and cunning to command success, he was sure to be engaged by the interested parties, by some means or other. Scrubbs has a pair of twinkling eyes, that seem to take turns in the visionary service they rendered, it being a very rare circumstance to find more than one of them open at a time.

Scrubbs could talk like a book, and sometimes, when it was highly desirable to gain time by delaying the taking of a question, as to a bill before the House, he would make a tremendous long one—bringing in Bunker Hill and Mrs. Kidder's Cordail, Yorktown and Lee's Pills, Lexington and Shanghai Fowls. In short, he could puzzle the House and the Speaker to such an extent that they scarcely knew what the question was before them, and certainly knew nothing of what Scrubbs was driving at in his heterogeneous speech and conglomerate talk.

Once Scrubbs found himself in a minority, and, very much interested in the passage of a certain bill, he had counted noses, and found that four of his reliable voters were away, and could not return to their seats till the next day. What was to be done? He had talked for an hour and a half, and from sheer exhaustion was forced to yield the floor to the other side. He heard his opponent's argument, and saw its effect upon the House, and observed that the question was about to be put by the Speaker. His cunning was never at fault, and just as the Speaker's hammer rattled on the desk, preparatory to his going through the form, and when he had already commenced to speak, Scrubbs jumped up and said:

"Mr. Speaker!" But that functionary would not hear him; indeed it was out of order for Scrubbs to rise at that moment. "Mr. Speaker!" reiterated Scrubbs, peeping first from one eye and then the other. "Sit down, Mr. Scrubbs!" at last said the Speaker.

"But, sir, I must speak. The fact is—" "Order!" shouted the House. "But, sir—" continued the inveterate Scrubbs. "The gentleman will take his seat," reiterated the Speaker. "Mr. Speaker, there is danger—" "Order!" "Mr. Speaker, I don't wish to speak to the bill, but, sir, there is imminent danger hanging over us."

"What is it? What is it?" cried fifty voices at once, following with their eyes the tall outstretched arm of Scrubbs. "I am told, sir, that the ceiling has partially given way, and you will see, sir, the large crack yonder."

There was a visible commotion among the members, and some of them moved towards the door. "I propose, sir, that we adjourn, and that a committee be appointed to inquire into the state of the ceiling above, for I am told it is not safe to remain here a minute longer."

Some ten or twelve of the opposition here withdrew. The next day the committee reported that the ceiling and roof were perfectly safe. Scrubbs's friends had arrived from the country, the question was put, and he carried the day.

Such was Scrubbs's Legislative manoeuvre to postpone the question. Shaving a Note. Old Skinfint was the most celebrated broker in Philadelphia; his "shaving" operations were famous, as he generally took off not only beard and whiskers, but "one pound of flesh" in addition. Young Harry Scaram was one of those dashing chaps who love wine and horses, and who form a majority of the borrowers. Harry having many wants, on various occasions borrowed of Skinfint, at three per cent a month "off," and having at sundry periods, made "raises," paid off his responsibilities. At last he got tired of such constant borrowing and repaying. It would be six years before his estates could be sold, under the terms of his father's will, who had presciently postponed that event until Harry could reach the age of thirty, and Harry con-

cluded it would better to make a heavy operation at once, and be rid of the operation of continual borrowing. Away to Skinfint's he hied, determined to procure a good round sum and be done with it. "I want ten thousand, for six years."

"Hem! what security will you give?" "O, you may have my bond—that will bind my property."

"Hem! what discount will you give? You know my rule is, to take discount 'off,'—besides, you owe one thousand, due to-day, and I lent you a ten in the street, the other day."

"I won't pay what I've been paying; one and a quarter per cent is enough. You may take it 'off,' and take out what I owe you besides."

"Hem! well, here's a bond for \$10,000 at six years; sign it, and it'll be all right." No sooner said than done. Harry affixed his autograph, and hummed a tune, while Skinfint got his check-book and made a calculation.

"Have you got ten dollars about you?" asked he, in a moment; "if so, let me have it."

"All right, my old boy," said Harry, supposing he wanted to make change; "here it is."

"Hem, hem!" said Skinfint, locking up his desk and making preparations "to shoot."

"Stop, old fellow," said Harry, "where's my money?" "Your money! you've got it."

"Got it! what do you mean?" "Why, I was to take off the discount, wasn't I? and the thousand."

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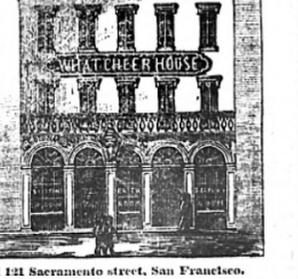
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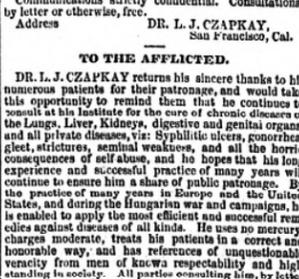
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