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STEELACOOM, W. T., Saturday, April 16, 1864.

Mr. J. D. Laman, U. S. Deputy Assessor of Internal Revenue for the Puget Sound district, is authorized to solicit and receive for subscriptions...

Change of Publication Day.—We have for some time had in contemplation the changing of our day of publication from Saturday to Monday...

The Narcissa.—This little story, perhaps the finest model on Puget Sound, sailed on Monday last for Port Townsend...

Advertisement Rates.—It is generally known that the rates of advertising in newspapers published on the Pacific coast are less than half the rates prevailing on the Atlantic side...

Punished for Using Uncivil Language.—A man named Malley, on Monday last, was severely punished, near the post office, for using uncivil language to one who would not tolerate it.

Cats at Sea.—Considering how much the cat abhors cold water, our readers must often have wondered why seafaring men are so fond of taking the animal with them on a voyage.

Naval Operations.—We are informed, says the Atlanta Courier, that Selim B. Woodward, commander of the Narragansett, has been ordered to the North coast...

Distinguished Presence.—No less than three Governors and one nobleman were present together at Victoria on Wednesday last.

Another Governor.—Seymour, the new Governor of British Columbia, accompanied by subordinate officials, arrived at Victoria on last Wednesday evening.

Clear at Last.—After an unusually rainy season, the skies have finally cleared, and we are now in the enjoyment of as genial and pleasant weather as the most fastidious could desire.

Eastern Papers.—From John Stratman, San Francisco news dealer, we received yesterday a bundle of late Eastern papers.

TREASON IN NEW YORK. The New York correspondent of the San Francisco Bulletin notices in the following manner a recent ex-ose...

Ohio brings in a bill of \$228,825 37 against the Government for damages incurred by Morgan's raid into that State.

A piece of cast iron weighing 107 pounds, was found in a bale of cotton at the Waukegan Mills, Meredith Village, N. H.

The directors of a London Insurance Company at their recent annual meeting had a regular fight. Sticks were used, heads broken, and the police called.

A man in New Orleans recently sent a Calais, Me., clergyman \$10 for marrying him twelve years ago. He thought his wife would be pleased and interested in the wedding fee.

The Adjutant General's report of the State of Kentucky shows that the State has sent into the Union service 67,636 three years, 13,679 one year, and 630 nine months men.

A notorious Virginia rebel named Caleb Stone, known as "Black Hawk," has been arrested and is now in the Old Capitol prison.

A German mother at the West taught her little son the prayers she had repeated in her own childhood. One day he surprised her by asking, "Ma, why do we always talk Yankee and pray German?"

A gang of copperheads attempted to rescue one of their stripe who was imprisoned at Olney, Ill., on a charge of murder, a few weeks ago, but were deterred by the pluck and decision of the citizens.

Slugs-worms are stated to have invaded Australia in hosts. A professed eye witness says he saw them moving by millions in a compact body, stripping the country.

More than 70,000 trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants were planted in the New York Central Park last year.

Matters in Richmond.—The Richmond correspondent of the London Times, in his letter of Dec. 21st, raises his warning voice against the inferiority of English naval armaments.

MAN A RUMINATING ANIMAL.—The New Bedford Mercury is responsible for the following:—"One of our dentists has met with a man who ruminates like an ox."

THANKS.—To Capt. Finch for the usual files of Victoria papers, from which we obtain our Eastern news, this week.

A REALLY proud man is none the less so, if poor; and a real Scotch is none the less so on account of not owning niggers, because the latent desire is there.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS ITEMS. It is more than a hundred years since an heir apparent to the British crown has had a son.

The Germans say when a man is tipsy, "he has sat under the Juniper tree," for his branches are used as signs for the hostelry.

The people of Iowa, through their representatives in Congress, are moving for a ship canal from the Mississippi to La Salle, Illinois.

The powerful monitor Onondago, it is supposed, was to meet the rebel iron-clad Merrimack, but this is not the case.

Late Texas news says that when our troops evacuated Indiana, seven families left with them, crossing the bayous, thirteen men were drowned by the swamping of a pontoon.

Franklin, La., has been evacuated, and the Government stores removed to Brashear City, Rouge, from Natchitoches to a large quantity of cotton, etc., remains on the plantations.

Gen. Banks has issued an order establishing a bureau for the instruction of freed men. The capture of Natchitoches is confirmed, and large quantities of cotton are expected from that place.

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A New Orleans correspondent states that the Rio Grande and Brownsville are to be evacuated by our forces.

A special dispatch says that Admiral Dahlgren will soon resume his duties at Charleston. No army movements will probably take place for a fortnight, owing to the inclement weather.

Washington correspondent says that Governor Lincoln has issued a proclamation, calling upon the States for sixty days, to occupy certain fortified points, and that the District of Columbia militia will be called on to occupy the forts around Washington.

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LATEST EASTERN NEWS. [CONDENSED FOR THE PUGET SOUND HERALD.] Dever City, March 31.—An arrival from New Mexico reports the unconditional surrender of the entire Navajo nation...

Chicago, April 6.—At Washington, on the 4th, the decision of the Supreme Court in the case of Chas. Foussat vs. The United States was delivered by Justice Nelson.

Chicago, April 15.—The entire business portion of the town of New Liberty, Owen county, Ky., was destroyed by fire on Wednesday last. The loss is about \$175,000.

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A Baltimore correspondent predicts that the rebel iron-clad Merrimack will be destroyed by the Monitor before it reaches the mouth of the Chesapeake.

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Committee, asserts that he never issued an order to retreat from Gettysburg on the 24th July. It seems to have been written by Gen. Bullerfield without order.

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A Salt Lake telegram reports that a party of Boise emigrants were attacked by the Indians six miles from Fort Hall, on the direct road from the East to Boise. The Indians were whipped.

A HINT TO JEFF DAVIS.—Gen. Grant appears to have been acting from the beginning of his first campaign upon a fixed principle—to take away from the rebels whatever they declared themselves least able to spare.

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DISTRICT COURT TERMS. 1st District—At Walla Walla, on the first Monday of April and October of each year.

2d District—At Vancouver, on the second Monday of March and the third Monday of October; and at Olympia, on the first Monday of May and second Monday of November of each year.

3d District—At Port Townsend, on the second Monday of June and first Monday of September; at Seattle on the fourth Monday of June and second Monday of October; and at Steelacoom on the third Monday of May and first Monday of November of each year.

TO ADVERTISERS. The Victoria daily EVENING EXPRESS contains the latest Mining, Commercial, and General News up to the hour of going to press.

SELECT SCHOOL. THE VICTORIA DAILY EXPRESS contains the latest Mining, Commercial, and General News up to the hour of going to press.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER. The new and fast-sailing ship LETITIA, Captain J. P. ADAMS, is up for freight or charter between Steelacoom and all ports on Puget Sound and Vancouver's Island.

NOTICE. HAVING PUBLICLY HEARD THAT THE ENTIRE STOCK of Goods together with the house and its contents, belonging to Mr. G. M. BROWN, is for sale, the undersigned has been authorized to sell the same.

DRY GOODS, Ladies' Dress Goods, Clothing, Hats, Boots and shoes, Crockeryware, Groceries, &c.

PACIFIC HOTEL AND RESTAURANT. THE ABOVE WELL-KNOWN AND POPULAR HOME, having been thoroughly renovated and refurnished, is now open for occupancy.

KOSHLAND & ROS, IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS IN AMERICAN CLOTHING, DRY GOODS, BOOTS AND SHOES, HATS, ETC., ETC.

COMMISSION AND PURCHASING AGENT. ORDERS FOR THE PURCHASE OF MERCHANDISE and articles of every description will be attended to by the undersigned.

NOTICE. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that the undersigned has been appointed Assessor of Internal Revenue for the year ending December 31st, 1864.

SHERIFF'S SALE. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that I will, on the 31st day of April, 1864, sell at public auction, for the purpose of satisfying the claims of the State of Washington, the following real estate.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC. THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE has received from the Hon. the Attorney General, a list of names of persons who have been appointed Justices of the Peace for the County of Pierce, W. T.

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Miscellaneous Advertisements. Brown's Bronchial Trochocin. These Lozenges are prepared from a highly extended recipe for relieving Bronchitis, Asthma, Hoarseness, Cough, Croup and Irritation of the Throat.

Warrant for the arrest of JAMES W. WILSON. Sheriff of Pierce County, W. T. I have this day received from the Hon. the District Judge, a warrant for the arrest of James W. Wilson, on a charge of conspiracy against the peace of the United States.

UNION CLOTHING STORE. STEELACOOM, W. T. PINCUS & PACKSCHER, LEADERS IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

PROVIDENCE SCHOOL, FOR YOUNG LADIES, CONDUCTED BY THE SISTERS OF CHARITY, STEELACOOM, W. T.

THE SISTERS OF CHARITY, STEELACOOM, W. T. THIS INSTITUTION WILL COMMENCE studies on MONDAY, January 18th, 1864.

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The Farmer's Corner.

Communications on agricultural subjects, from subscribers and others, are invited for these columns.

The Farm Garden.

The following home truths are cut from the Farmer's Magazine. We commend them to the special attention of our readers...

In selecting a location, choose one where the rows of vegetables and small fruits will be long enough to use the plow and cultivator without too much loss of land...

It is often said by agricultural writers that farmers do not bestow as much thought and labor upon the garden as would be profitable.

We remember distinctly, that when a child, our mother and sisters would ask for the services of the hired man to block out the flower beds, and put in the seeds for the garden vegetables.

Many a good farmer has failed to appreciate the pleasure to his wife and daughters of a succession of flowers, cultivated mostly by their own hands, and blooming from May to November.

The present is a favorable season for collecting and preparing the ground for enlarging the old garden, if that seems best; for changing its location, if that is better.

Do not say that fancy men can have a good garden, but you cannot. You can hardly afford not to have it.

PLANT TREES.—Plant trees for yourself, your children, your neighbors, and generations to come. Plant trees for orchards and luscious fruits.

Don't say that you will pay three times for your fruit, for the first or second year. If trees are planted and cared for, they will soon pay even more money at six per cent a month.

Solid Food for Hogs.

A writer in the Farmer points out some of the hurtful consequences of a rather too common error in the feeding of hogs. The error alluded to consists, not in feeding dry food, as the caption of the article might lead one to suppose, but in an exact opposite practice, namely, that of giving hogs their food in a too liquid or over-luted condition.

Plants trees, vines, and flowers! Live as though life was worth having! Where can we be more happy than under our own vine and fig tree, with no one to molest or make us afraid!

Domestic Recipes.

Salad.—Salads are composed chiefly of lettuce, endive, radishes, green mustard, and water cresses, celery and young onions. All or any of them should be washed and placed ornamentally in a salad bowl; the lettuce is generally cut in pieces lengthways and stuck round the dish; the celery, also divided, is placed in the center; and the small salads, such as cresses and radishes, are placed between. This is the mode of serving a salad plain.

To make Crumpets.—Set two pounds of flour, with a little salt, before the fire in a little warm; then mix it with warm milk and water till it is as stiff as it can be stirred; let the milk be as warm as it can be borne with the finger; put a cupful of this with three eggs well beaten, and mixed with three spoonfuls of very thick yeast; then put this to the batter and beat them all well together in a large pan or bowl; add as much milk and water as will make it into a thick batter; cover it close and put it before the fire to rise; put a bit of butter in a piece of thin muslin, tie it up and rub it lightly over the iron hearth or fryingpan; then pour on a sufficient quantity of batter at a time to make one crumpet; let it do slowly, and it will be very light. Bake them all the same way. They should not be brown but of a fine yellow.

Mock Turtle Soup.—Take four cow heels, cut the meat into pieces, dividing it from the bone, by well work up this about five pints of water with half a dozen anchovies, some salt, cayenne pepper, cloves, lemon peel. Finely shred the green part of three leeks, some parsley and lemon thyme. Stew all these ingredients gently together for two hours. Then take one pound of lean veal, cut it into pieces and fry it a light brown color, add it to the above with the juice of one large lemon, and white wine to your taste. Stew it for two hours more, and send it with hot forcemeat balls and the yolks of hard boiled eggs. Half this quantity is sufficient for a small party.

To Clean Wine Decanters.—Cut some brown paper into very small bits, so as to fit with ease into the decanters; then take a few pieces of soap very small, and put some water, milk warm, into the decanter upon the soap and water; put in also a little pearlash; by well work up this about the decanters it will take off the crust of the wine and give the glass a fine polish. Where the decanters have been scratched and the wine left to stand in them a long time, have a small can with a bit of sponge tied tight at one end; by putting this into the decanter any crust of the wine may be removed. When the decanters have been properly washed, let them be thoroughly dried and turned down in a proper rack.

To Make Walnut Candy.—Take the walnuts when proper to pickle; beat them in a mortar, and squeeze them through a thin cloth; to every pint of liquor add one pound of anchovies, two ounces of mace, two ounces of cloves, and the same of Jamaica pepper. Boil all together until the anchovies are dissolved, then strain it through a sieve. To every pint of it put half a pint of vinegar, with a great many shreds of garlic; strain again a little at a time through the anchovies to make it clear. Let it stand until cold, and then bottle it for use.

Sweet Bags for Linen.—These may be composed, according to the taste of the person using them, of any mixture of the following articles: Flowers, dried, and pounded; powdered cloves, mace, nutmeg, and cinnamon; leaves dried and pounded of mint, lavender, southernwood, ground ivy, laurel, hyssop, sweet majoram, rosemary; woods, such as cassia, juniper, rhodium, sandal wood and rose wood; roots of angelica and orris; all the fragrant balsams; ambergris, musk and civet. The latter should be carefully used on linen.

Ratatia Pudding.—One pint of cream, the same of milk boiled with a little cinnamon and lemon peel; sugar to your taste. When boiled, strain it on to the crumbs of two French rolls. Butter the mould, and put into it half a pound of ratatia cakes. Beat up two eggs and mix them with the bread and milk. Pour these ingredients into a mould and boil them an hour. Serve with white sauce. N.B.—Half the above quantity is sufficient for a moderate-sized pudding.

Red Currant Jelly.—Rub the fruit through a sieve, and afterwards squeeze it through a fine linen cloth; put it into a preserving pan, with three quarters of a pound of white sugar to every pint of juice; place it over a brisk fire, stirring it occasionally with a skimmer and sheets; then take it up, pour it into pots, and cover them closely. Made in this way, it is used for sauce for game, etc., but if required for other uses, a little raspberry juice will improve it.

Tea Cakes.—One pound of fine flour, three-quarters of a pound of fresh butter, the same of loaf sugar sifted finely, three quarters of a pound of well-washed currants, two ounces candied lemon, and one ounce of almonds. Rub the butter into the flour, then add the rest, and moisten it with some well beaten eggs. Make it into a paste and roll it out. The oven must not be too hot.

Seaweed Tarts.—Take a full half-pint of freshly-gathered strawberries, without the stalks; first crush them and mix them with two ounces and a half of powdered sugar; stir them by degrees four well-whisked eggs, beat the mixture with fine paste; they should only be three parts filled. Beat the tartsleten to two twelve minutes.

Uncle Aaron's Travels.

The boys were playing under the shade of the big butternut tree on a warm afternoon. They had pitched, and tumbled, and wrestled, and rolled till they were heated and not a little tired.

"Oh! Uncle Aaron, Uncle Aaron," shouted they, "won't you please stop a few minutes? You are the very man we want."

"Well, what do you want with me?" said the good-natured, kind-hearted man. It's only such that acquire the title of "Uncle" to all the children of the neighborhood.

"We want you to tell us about your travels. We know you have been a great way off—all the way to New Jersey—and you must have seen strange things there. What did you find that's wonderful? We don't want to hear anything that's not wonderful."

"Uncle Aaron's mouth drew down a very little, and his eyes seemed to laugh the least bit. 'What's a marsh? It's a meadow.'"

"What makes it salt? And it is so near the salt water and is so low, that the water overflows it at full tide." "As I was saying, I went down on the salt marsh, and the mosquitoes did come around, awful hungry. How did they bite! I was standing under a willow tree when they came upon me. Some would fly at me and come and would run up on the tree and bark—and so large too! A great many of them would weigh a pound! Then I went down on the sand beach and walked along till I came to some tall grass, growing in the salt water. It was low tide, and the grass was left, and every spear had a great number of live fish hanging to it! Then I looked into a little creek and saw fish swimming sideways!"

"The boys had risen up and were standing round Uncle Aaron with their eyes open, and their mouths shut, as if breathing hard." "O, Uncle Aaron! what wonderful things! But we can't believe them! Is all this truly and really so; but what is so hard to believe?"

"Why, that the mosquito would run up a tree and bark like a dog!" "I did not say that," said they, "but I did not say that on the bark of the tree. It said nothing about their barking, or about a dog!"

"Oh! we see through it! But you did say that a great many of them would weigh a pound apiece!" "No, I said no such thing. I said a great many of them would weigh a pound—and I have no doubt they would, but it would take a great many!"

"Ah! we begin to see! But what about those great, live fish that you saw holding on to the grass?" "I did not say they were 'great' fish. On the contrary, they were very small. They were young oysters." "And those fish that you saw swimming sideways?" "Were crabs!" said Uncle Aaron. "The boys looked at each other, as if to say, 'Now shall we laugh or be mad?' But in a moment good nature prevailed, and they shouted!"

"Now, my boys," said Uncle Aaron, "you see I have told you nothing but what was really true, and yet it was told in such a way that my words seemed wonderful. So you will find it all through life. You will meet with men and travels that seem marvelous, just from the way they tell their stories. But it is wrong. I should have done wrong had I not determined I would set you all right before we parted. In the Bible you will find wonderful things—but it's not because they are told in a strange manner, but because they are things which God did, and therefore, like all he does, are wonderful. Indeed, one of the names which belong to Christ is 'Wonderful!' He never deceived us, though his travels are all wonderful!"

Uncle Aaron had taught the boys to think and be accurate. A Hoosier, an ugly man, relating his travels in Missouri, said that he arrived at Chickenville in the forenoon, and just a few days before, there had been a boat busted, and a heap of people scalded and killed one way and another. So at last, as I went into a grocery, a squad of people followed in, and one bowed and said: 'It's one of the unfortunate sufferers by the bustin' of the Franklin.'

Upon that he asked me to drink with him, and as I put the tumbler to my mouth, he stopped me with a sudden. 'I beg your pardon, stranger, but—' 'But what, sir?' 'Just fix your mind in that ere way again, sez he. 'I done it just as I was gwine to drink, and I'll be hanged if I didn't think they'd all go into fits. They yelled and hopped like a gang of wolves. Finally one of 'em said: 'Don't make fun of the unfortunate; he's hardly got over bin' blowed up yet. Let's make up a puss for him.' Then they all throwed in and made up a pot of five dollars. As the spokesman handed me the change, he axed me: 'Where did you find yourselves after the explosion?' 'In a flat boat,' sez I. 'How fur from the Franklin?' says he. 'Why,' sez I, 'I never seed, but as nigh as I can guess, about three hundred and seventy-five miles.'

"You'd oughter seen that gang scatter. A handsome young gal in our town was set-up with one night by a noble young specimen of the true American, with season in his vest pocket—I mean dry goods clerk—and the young gal's mother hearin' 'uthin' pop arose from her couch, under an impression that her oldest boy, who was given to friskiness, was holding a wild revel on the door she discovered it was huggin' and kissin' which had awoken her from her peaceful repose."

"My daughter, Oh! my daughter! this fond parent did cry, 'Oh! that I should live to see this doin' in my own house!' 'I know, dear mother,' this sweet villager maiden under her mamma quickly replied, 'that it is quite unproper, but it is awful soothin'!"

A Connubial Sketch.

A short time ago there arrived at a hotel in Boston a couple from Rhode Island, who came to get joined, quietly, in the bonds of matrimony. As soon as they were fairly domiciled, the would-be bridegroom—who was a rough, but apparently honest specimen of the country Yankee—sent for the proprietor of the hotel, who quickly answered the summons.

"Say, land lord," proposed the stranger, pointing to his modest dwelling, in the corner of the parlor, "this is my young 'ooman, Naow, we've cum all the way from Rhode Island, and want to be spliced. Send for a minister will yer? Want it done up right straight off?"

The landlord smiled and went out, and half an hour afterward a licensed minister made his appearance, and the obliging host, with one or two wash friends, were called in as witnesses to the scene.

"Naow, Mr. Stiggins," says the Yankee, "deu it up brown and your money's ready; and forthwith the reverend gentleman commenced by directing the parties to join their hands. The Yankee stood up to his lady love like a sick kitten to a hot brick, seizing her hand, as much pleased as a racoon might be supposed to be with two tails.

"You promise, Mr. A.," said the parson, "to take this woman—"

"To be your lawful and wedded wife?" "Yas—Yas."

"That you will love and honor her in all things." "Yas."

"That you will cling to her, and her only, so long as you both shall live." "Yas, indeed—nothing else!" continued the Yankee, in the most delighted and earnest manner; but here the reverend gentleman halted, much to the surprise of all present, and more especially to the annoyance and discomfiture of the intended bridegroom.

"Yas—yas, I said," added the Yankee. "One moment, my friend," responded the minister slowly, for it suddenly occurred to him that the law of Massachusetts did not permit of this performance, without the observance of a publication, etc.

"What a thunderer's the matter, minister? Doan't stop—go on—put er thro. Nuthin's a splint, eh? Aint sick, minister, be yer?" "Can't you thunder the reason? I like her, she likes me: wot's to hinder?" "You haven't been published, I think."

"Hain't a goin' to be, nuther," said what we here for. On the sly; go on—old father, I really, sez' the parson. "Rally, Wal, go ahead! Taint fair, you see, 'aint, I s'wore; you've married me, and hain't tached her. Go on—don't stop here! 'at aint jos' the thing, now, by grabus taint!"

"I will consult—" "No you won't—no you don't—consult consult nothin' no noboddy, till this ere business is concluded, now mind I tell you!" said Jonathan, resolutely—and in an instant he had turned the key in and out of the lock, and the titterings of the witnesses, who nearly choked with merriment.

"Nay, nay, minister, as you were—" continued the Yankee, seizing his trembling intended by the hand again—"go on, ye trait from where you left off; you can't come nun or this half-way business with this child; so put er thro, and no dodging. I'll be all right—go it!"

The parson reflected a moment, and concluding to risk it, continued: "You promise, madam, to take this man to be your lawful husband?" "Yas," said the Yankee, as the lady bowed.

"That you will love, honor and obey—" "The'n um," said Jonathan, as the lady bowed again.

"That you will cling to him, so long as you both shall live?" "That's the talk," said Jonathan, and the lady said yes again.

"Then, in the presence of these witnesses, I pronounce you man and wife—" "Hoora!" shouted Jonathan, leaping nearly to the ceiling with joy.

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