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LOCAL AND PERSONAL. Murray sells shoes cheap. B. W. Holloway, Watchmaker and Jeweler. Myers' bucket sprayers for \$3.50 at Morse's, Whatcom. Work is progressing rapidly on the new Bay View hotel. Mr. A. A. Turnbarg went to Seattle yesterday, via Anacortes. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Phelps, of Richardson, were in town Tuesday. Mr. A. P. Vaughn, of West Sound, is in the county seat attending court. Captain Rollie Davis, of the Roche Harbor, was in town Tuesday on business. Mr. James J. Doyle, who is now living in Seattle is in the Harbor on business. Mr. Nils Oleson, of Deer Harbor, was in town the first of the week on business. Mr. Frank Dennison, lighthouse keeper on Smiths Island, was in town yesterday. Mr. W. P. McElwain, a prominent Seattle attorney was in the Harbor yesterday on business. The steamer Brick, Captain Crockett was in port Monday evening with nineteen passengers. Mr. Ralph Simons, a prominent attorney of Seattle, was in the Harbor yesterday on business. Mr. Ralph Blythe, of Blakely Island, who is now mate on the steamer Roche Harbor was in town Tuesday. Mr. J. T. Stroud, of Deer Harbor, made a flying trip to the Bay Cities last Friday on the Thompson. Yesterday the Thompson brought in a large consignment of web and netting for the Island Packing Co. Mr. John A. Devlin, president of the Island Packing Co. went to the Bay Cities on the Thompson, Monday. Attorneys Maxwell & Romaine, of New Whatcom, counsel for Mr. Mattison Freudenberg, are in the Harbor on business. Wall Paper at J. H. Whaling's furniture store, 1225 Elk street, Underwood & Minturn building, Whatcom, Washington. Mr. M. F. Schelderup, agent for the Equivole Life Insurance Company of New York, is in the Harbor in the interests of his company. Mr. Rollan M. Porter, Court Stenographer, of New Whatcom, is in the Harbor taking the testimony in the case of Gould vs. Freudenberg. Lieutenant Cardon left last Tuesday on the Thompson for Seattle and will go from there to Washington, D. C. He will be absent about three weeks. Farm containing 120 acres, twelve of which are in cultivation; small house. On county road, five minutes walk from school house, price \$400. J. C. CLINTON. The planking is nearly all on Mr. J. L. Farnsworth's new wharf and the main dock nearly done. The work of constructing the approach will be commenced in a few days. The undersigned will pay a premium for old stamps issued in the 50's or early 60's. Good premium paid for any British Columbia stamps issued prior to 1870. R. M. Porter, New Whatcom, Wash.

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TAXES IN HISTORY. Only a few years ago the Shah of Persia had a speculating governor, guilty of stealing the royal taxes, boiled to death in a closed caldron of water. The inauguration of the modern system of taxation was in Venice, which levied taxes on lands and heavy duties on all manufactures and imports. In 1702 a salt tax was levied in Great Britain, and during the French wars was raised to £30 per ton over sixteen times the value of the article. In Germany 89,600 families paid income taxes on incomes from £150 to £210 a year; \$2,400 paid on £210 to £249 and 28,800 paid on incomes above £480. The revenue of the United States government last year was \$385,818,629, of which all but \$3,000,000, from the sale of public land, was derived from taxation. There is a tax on gravestones in England and the man who wishes to include a grave by means of a fence or wall is compelled to pay dearly for the privilege. Darius Hystaspes, in 480, introduced a system of assessment and taxation of land, and made himself so obnoxious by it that he was called Darius the Taxgatherer. The people of the United States pay more taxes than the people of any other nation on the globe. The estimated total of national and local taxation is \$630,000,000. Coffee is taxed £32 a ton in France, £56 in Italy, £40 in Austria, £25 in Portugal, £22 in Norway, £20 in Germany and Spain, £15 in Russia and £14 in Great Britain. Queen Elizabeth farmed out the customs during a large part of her reign. The annual sums paid by the purchaser for the year varied from £14,000 to £20,000. Several cities of ancient Greece levied a tax on bachelors over 21 years old, to compel them to marry. The tax was so large that matrimony was cheaper by comparison. An Affidavit. This is to certify that on May 11th, I walked to Melick's drug store on a pair of crutches and bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm for inflammatory rheumatism which had crippled me up. I can cheerfully recommend it. -Charles H. Wetzel, Sunbury Pa. Several cities of ancient Greece levied a tax on bachelors over 21 years old, to compel them to marry. The tax was so large that matrimony was cheaper by comparison. An Affidavit. This is to certify that on May 11th, I walked to Melick's drug store on a pair of crutches and bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm for inflammatory rheumatism which had crippled me up. I can cheerfully recommend it. -Charles H. Wetzel, Sunbury Pa. Several cities of ancient Greece levied a tax on bachelors over 21 years old, to compel them to marry. The tax was so large that matrimony was cheaper by comparison. An Affidavit. This is to certify that on May 11th, I walked to Melick's drug store on a pair of crutches and bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm for inflammatory rheumatism which had crippled me up. I can cheerfully recommend it. -Charles H. Wetzel, Sunbury Pa.

FOR SALE. The undersigned has for sale 1 thoroughbred Holstein bull, 4 years old; 1 fresh milk cow 3 years old; 1 good horse, brood sow and young pigs. The young pigs will go at \$1.00 each, and the bull, cow, horse and sows will be sold very cheap. Will give time on any amount over \$10. W. E. LAMPARD, Friday Harbor, March 19, 1896. No. 2474. Notice of Application to Purchase Title Lands. Office of Commissioner of Public Lands, Olympia, Washington. Notice is hereby given that James M. Coleman, of Seattle, Washington, has filed an application in this office to purchase the following described title lands, of the third class, situate in San Juan County, Washington, to wit: All of the title land of the third class situate in front of a building upon and adjacent to a portion of Lot 3, Section 13, a portion of Lots 1 and 2, Section 15, Township 37 N. R. 2 West; the meander line of said portions of said lots bordering on said title land being described as follows: PORTION OF LOT 3, SECTION 13. Commencing at a point on the meander line of Section 13, Township 37 N. R. 2 West, W. M., where the line between Lots 3 and 4 of said Section 13 intersects the meander line; thence following the meander line as follows: N. 27° W., 8.49 chains; N. 79° W., 1.00 chain to a point on said meander line; also commencing at a point on said meander line of Section 13, Township 37 N. R. 2 West, W. M., 38.15 chains north and 35.28 chains west of the meander corner to fractional sections 13 and 24 of the above Township and Range; thence following the government meander line N. 79° W., 8° W., 3.30 chains to a point on said meander line where the line between Lots 2 and 3 of the above Section 13 intersects the government meander line, having a total frontage on said Lot 3, of 14.04 chains. LOTS 1 AND 2, SECTION 15. Commencing at a point on the meander line of Section 15, Township 37 N. R. 2 West, said point being 11.31 chains north and 7.15 chains east of the meander corner of fractional sections 15 and 16 of the above Township and Range; thence following the government meander line S. 35° W., 9.42 chains; S. 28° W., 4.06 chains; S. 47° W., 0.57 chains to a point on said meander line, which is 0.45 chains south and 0.49 chains west of the above described meander corner, having a total frontage on said lots and 2, of 14.09 chains; all as shown by the certified copy of the government field notes of said meander line. Any person may appear and protest against said application for the purchase of the above described title land at any time within five weeks from the date of first publication of this notice. Date of first publication the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1896. W. T. FORREST, Commissioner of Public Lands.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. (Land Office at Seattle, Wash., Thursday, February 27th, 1896.) Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Superior Court at Friday Harbor, Washington, on Monday, April 13th, 1896, viz: ANTHONY MYTLAND Homestead application No. 12,894 for the Lots 5 and 6 of Sec. 9, Tp. 34 N., R. 1 W. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Charles Farnsworth, John Sperry, Victor Anderson and Charles Anderson, all of Edwards, Wash. W. M. O'TOOLE, Register.

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TAXES IN HISTORY. Only a few years ago the Shah of Persia had a speculating governor, guilty of stealing the royal taxes, boiled to death in a closed caldron of water. The inauguration of the modern system of taxation was in Venice, which levied taxes on lands and heavy duties on all manufactures and imports. In 1702 a salt tax was levied in Great Britain, and during the French wars was raised to £30 per ton over sixteen times the value of the article. In Germany 89,600 families paid income taxes on incomes from £150 to £210 a year; \$2,400 paid on £210 to £249 and 28,800 paid on incomes above £480. The revenue of the United States government last year was \$385,818,629, of which all but \$3,000,000, from the sale of public land, was derived from taxation. There is a tax on gravestones in England and the man who wishes to include a grave by means of a fence or wall is compelled to pay dearly for the privilege. Darius Hystaspes, in 480, introduced a system of assessment and taxation of land, and made himself so obnoxious by it that he was called Darius the Taxgatherer. The people of the United States pay more taxes than the people of any other nation on the globe. The estimated total of national and local taxation is \$630,000,000. Coffee is taxed £32 a ton in France, £56 in Italy, £40 in Austria, £25 in Portugal, £22 in Norway, £20 in Germany and Spain, £15 in Russia and £14 in Great Britain. Queen Elizabeth farmed out the customs during a large part of her reign. The annual sums paid by the purchaser for the year varied from £14,000 to £20,000. Several cities of ancient Greece levied a tax on bachelors over 21 years old, to compel them to marry. The tax was so large that matrimony was cheaper by comparison. An Affidavit. This is to certify that on May 11th, I walked to Melick's drug store on a pair of crutches and bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm for inflammatory rheumatism which had crippled me up. I can cheerfully recommend it. -Charles H. Wetzel, Sunbury Pa.

FOR SALE. The undersigned has for sale 1 thoroughbred Holstein bull, 4 years old; 1 fresh milk cow 3 years old; 1 good horse, brood sow and young pigs. The young pigs will go at \$1.00 each, and the bull, cow, horse and sows will be sold very cheap. Will give time on any amount over \$10. W. E. LAMPARD, Friday Harbor, March 19, 1896. No. 2474. Notice of Application to Purchase Title Lands. Office of Commissioner of Public Lands, Olympia, Washington. Notice is hereby given that James M. Coleman, of Seattle, Washington, has filed an application in this office to purchase the following described title lands, of the third class, situate in San Juan County, Washington, to wit: All of the title land of the third class situate in front of a building upon and adjacent to a portion of Lot 3, Section 13, a portion of Lots 1 and 2, Section 15, Township 37 N. R. 2 West; the meander line of said portions of said lots bordering on said title land being described as follows: PORTION OF LOT 3, SECTION 13. Commencing at a point on the meander line of Section 13, Township 37 N. R. 2 West, W. M., where the line between Lots 3 and 4 of said Section 13 intersects the meander line; thence following the meander line as follows: N. 27° W., 8.49 chains; N. 79° W., 1.00 chain to a point on said meander line; also commencing at a point on said meander line of Section 13, Township 37 N. R. 2 West, W. M., 38.15 chains north and 35.28 chains west of the meander corner to fractional sections 13 and 24 of the above Township and Range; thence following the government meander line N. 79° W., 8° W., 3.30 chains to a point on said meander line where the line between Lots 2 and 3 of the above Section 13 intersects the government meander line, having a total frontage on said Lot 3, of 14.04 chains. LOTS 1 AND 2, SECTION 15. Commencing at a point on the meander line of Section 15, Township 37 N. R. 2 West, said point being 11.31 chains north and 7.15 chains east of the meander corner of fractional sections 15 and 16 of the above Township and Range; thence following the government meander line S. 35° W., 9.42 chains; S. 28° W., 4.06 chains; S. 47° W., 0.57 chains to a point on said meander line, which is 0.45 chains south and 0.49 chains west of the above described meander corner, having a total frontage on said lots and 2, of 14.09 chains; all as shown by the certified copy of the government field notes of said meander line. Any person may appear and protest against said application for the purchase of the above described title land at any time within five weeks from the date of first publication of this notice. Date of first publication the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1896. W. T. FORREST, Commissioner of Public Lands.

Miss Luna Barker returned home after a two weeks absence from the island. Miss Jessie Waddle was at West Sound visiting friends for a few days the latter part of last week. Miss Delle La Plante will accompany Miss Fille Verrier to Port Townsend, Tuesday on Thompson. Mr. Barker has purchased of Mr. C. Bruner, the ten acre tract of land known as the Sullivan place, for the consideration \$150.00. Mr. Barker is moving on his new place at West Sound and will do considerable work to improve the place in the near future. WEST SOUND. WASHINGTON AND CALIFORNIA. Their Respective Advantages Abridged Compared by an Iowan. The Post-Intelligencer recently contained an interview with Mr. H. W. McNeill, who was for some years resident manager of the Oregon Improvement Co., at Seattle, who, it appears has been hunting for a Utopia in California. He didn't find it and has come back to his home in Iowa. His comments on the situation in California are very racy and well illustrate among other things the changeableness of human nature down there, as well as in some other localities on the coast. The whole interview is well worth reading but this ISLANDER can only give you space this week to a few especially pertinent extracts as follows: "I am disillusioned. I have been searching for some place where God had focused all things that are good. I find He doesn't do that. I went down to California with a sort of notion that if I found a place that was so goodly I would sell here in Iowa, although it is all the delectable life enjoyed within its limits except work, one of those places where everything grows without labor, and like interest, grows while a man sleeps. I would take it in. I thought perhaps money would be made by growing things where, in addition to climate, the finest on earth, a man might have a beautiful farm, where everything grows of itself, and live at the corner of a hotel. "It is all more or less of a mistake, more or less of an error. The walnut trees there have a mean trick of running a tap root into the ground and then coming up and making a crop when they have a mind to, every three, four or five years just as they feel like it, and the chances are that if you don't have a man to look after them, they will die. I have seen a man who had a fine orchard, and he was tearing up the lemon trees and putting in French prunes. There's nothing like prunes when you have the climate, and that part of the country is full of them. But then, prunes are prunes, and some fellows there find it don't pay to grow them, and that the citrus fruits are not worth the time one has to spend on them. To these people fruit growing and nut culture is all a mistake, and the only thing one can be sure of a profit in is olives. "I did find, however, several small ranches where they had all these things under proper cultivation, and a proper philosophy with them. But these people discovered by keeping close cases that alfalfa would make hay three or four times a year, providing the soil was right and the water best of the best. It is not that alfalfa was the right crop. It is, too, if there is anybody within short range to sell to, for shipping it on the road they have down there is out of the question. "Then after a few amusing comments on the variances of the climate which he says is "quoted in average" and is "in evidence at all the hotels, on every floor and in every room" etc., Mr. McNeill grows serious and says: "I would say if a man was searching for a climate to farm in in a light way, to raise fruit, run a small orchard, grow wheat and potatoes and enjoy agricultural life in its many forms; he should select the state of Washington. I mean to say, without any exaggeration, that there is a better climate in Washington than in any part of California—a better climate to live in, and a better climate to grow things in. Also, if a man raises anything, he has a much better chance to sell it here at a profit than he has there. He can raise, a short distance from the coast, berries; further in, peaches and prunes; up the country a little, apples and every variety of fruit of a better quality than can be raised in California. The climate is better. It is not so extreme, and the variations of the temperature are not so extreme. It is a better place for the strong man to stay, and the weak man to come to, than California."

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LOPEZ ISLAND NEWS NOTES. Schooner Echo was in port on Tuesday. Mr. W. Beatty returned from Victoria on Tuesday. Mr. A. F. Shadell went to the county seat on Friday. Charlie Wood is at home on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Wood. The farmers have been busy during the fine weather getting in their early crops. Mrs. Andrews, who has been at Portland for the last two months, returned home on Friday. She was accompanied by her grandson, Walter Birch. The ladies of the Presbyterian church will give an Easter social at the parsonage, at Lopez, on Friday evening, April 3, for the benefit of the Presbyterian church. Ever one cordially invited to come and have a good time. ANON. WEST SOUND NEWS ITEMS. The Metzler Bros. moved their week into their own house on the point.

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