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of Pendleton, had gone to Portland for their celebration. Many of their relatives live in or near that city. They were married in Brownsville, Oregon, on August 18, 1864. On that same day Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Simmons were married in Seattle. Since then they have lived near Olympia. Mr. Simmons was born on the north shore of the Columbia River in 1844 while the Pacific Northwest was under the Provisional Government of Oregon.

## Pioneer of Alaska

Charles Edward Gordon, now sixty-seven years of age, has settled in Seattle, his present address being 1912 Ninth Avenue. He has had experiences in many parts of the world but a large part of his life has been spent in Alaska. He was among the earliest gold discoverers at Nome. He did not keep a diary but he has a keen memory and is now writing for the benefit of those who may care for the exciting history of which he has been a part.

## Teacher from Hawaii

Prof. R. S. Kuykendall, Executive Secretary, Historical Commission, University of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii, sends the following item by way of J. Neilson Barry of Portland, Oregon.

George T. Allan, one of the agents of the Hudson's Bay Company in Honolulu, wrote to G. P. Judd, Minister of the Interior, a letter dated May, 3, 1845, saying, "We shall feel extremely obliged to you and also Dr. McLoughlin by your procuring a Teacher to go in the *Cowlitz*." The letter is found in the Archives of Hawaii, Interior Department, Letter book No. 1, p. 31, and in the same source, page 36, is found the reply from G. P. Judd to George T. Allan, dated at Honolulu, May 13, 1845, as follows:

"The bearer, Wm. R. Kaulehelehe, is the teacher whom I have procured to go to the Columbia agreeably with the request of Dr. McLoughlin made through you. His wife accompanies him. Although not as well qualified as the person at first selected, I hesitate not to give him a good character and high recommendation as a faithful, industrious skilful Teacher, and in regular standing as a member of the Church. He will be competent to act as Chaplain to the Hawaiians in the Columbia. Mary L. Kaai, his wife, is highly recommended to me by Mrs. Knapp and I have no doubt will prove herself highly useful. To the especial care of the Hon. H. B. Co. I beg leave particularly to recommend them both."

The Cowlitz sailed from Honolulu, May 15, 1845.