

THE ENTERPRISE.

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To Our Exchanges.

We shall pay the postage on all our exchanges, and shall forward the ENTERPRISE to them in return, expecting all to pay at the office where it is received.

Fourth of July.

To-day is the Ninety-Seventh Anniversary of American Independence. It marks the occurrence of the most important event which has been recorded since the opening of the Christian Era.

The Modoc Question.

The telegraph tells us that the President and Secretary of the Interior have under consideration and will probably adopt, as a means of settling the Modoc question, the entire breaking up of the tribe, bringing all belonging to it east of the mountains and distributing them by families among other tribes and nations.

New Book.

We have received a copy of a new book entitled The Men and Memories of San Francisco in the Spring of '70, by L. A. Barry and F. A. Patton, published by the popular house of Bancroft & Co.

Death of Hon. J. G. Wilson.

The dispatches yesterday morning bring us the sad news of the death of Hon. Joseph Wilson, Representative in Congress from our State.

Judge Wilson was born in New Hampshire, in the year 1828. At an early age he removed with his parents to Ohio, where a colony of New Hampshire people had settled, and founded the town of Marietta and the institution of learning which bears his name.

Politically, Mr. Wilson was always a strong and persistent partisan, but on the bench as a public officer, he was faithful, honest and just.

We have always been opposed to Judge Wilson in politics, but have always found in him a warm-hearted personal friend.

A Sensible View.

The New York Herald, in commenting on the assassination of the Modoc prisoners, takes a most sensible view of the matter, and says that the stories received are "unquestionable evidence of the excited feelings of the settlers against the red-skinned assassins by those who suffered at their hands, and the fear lest false, nay, criminal philanthropy at Washington, may succeed in saving Captain Jack and his brother cutthroats from the gallows."

DEFINITION OF A PARTY.—The New York Nation, a newspaper that generally knows what it is talking about, thus defines the Republican party: "It is held together as an organization solely by the possession of the Government offices."

Takes Care of his Friends.

What a degradation for Massachusetts, which has always prided herself on a long line of illustrious Chief Magistrates, of irreproachable character and stainless reputation, to be actually contemplating the possibility of making "Beast" Butler her Governor.

Hon. J. K. Luntrell, Congressman elect from the third California District, sends to Secretary Delano an account of his recent visit to the Modocs. Mr. McClam and Mr. Steele managed the affairs to the satisfaction of the people and the Indians.

A Solution of the Chinese Problem. In discussing the evils of Chinese migration and the existing depression of business, consequent upon the displacement of white labor by the Chinese in the workshops, and other places, the San Francisco Golden Era hits the matter on the head in the following:

"The only measure of redress which holds out any promise of relief is the formation of anti-Chinese societies all over the Coast, the members of which shall be pledged not to employ Chinese, not to purchase goods of those who do employ them, nor to purchase goods of Chinese manufacturers."

The experiment has been tried by at least one man in San Francisco, says the Examiner. We allude to Mr. H. Sutliff, who is proprietor of two large stores, 330 and 822 Kearny street.

The Truth Will Come.

Our readers are aware that no efforts were spared by the California, and many Eastern papers to lay the blame of the Indian war upon our citizens. The creation of this impression was aided by a dirty, lying telegraphic reporter, probably in with the thieves.

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Under this head the Hawk-Eye, published at Eugene City, goes after Surveyor General Odell and the Radical clique of Oregon in good style.

We started out on an independent platform and promised the exposure of fraud and corruption wherever we found it. An independent paper is to its community what gas is to a dark alley.

Important to Teachers. OFFICE STATE SUP. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, June 28, 1873. The first Semi Annual Session of the State Board of Examination will be held at Salem, at the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, on the 7th day of July, 1873.

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ORATOR.—General Joseph Lane is to deliver the 4th of July oration at Myrtle Creek, Douglas county, to-day. Though over 75 years of age, he is still hale and hearty, and will gladden the hearts of many listeners to-day with his eloquence and patriotism.

An Efficient Free Trade Document.

In the opinion of the New York World the last census report is the best free trade document in existence. After an elaborate review of its industrial tables, that able journal says: We have now a total of 12,505,923 persons engaged in labor of different kinds, of whom only 1,554,560 are claimed to come within the scope of the pseudo benefits of protective tariff legislation.

Postal Regulations.

The following brief postal items should be preserved: CHANGES AFTER JUNE 30, 1873. 1. Franking privilege abolished. 2. Postmasters supplied with official stamps.

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INCREASING.

Within the past month our subscription list has materially increased. We are pleased to add new subscribers to our list, and hope that the ENTERPRISE may be taken by every family in the county.

Summary of State News Items.

State news on fourth page. Celebrations in Oregon general to-day.

Wheat is worth 70 cents in Yamhill. Corvallis has a new fire bell weighing 458 pounds.

The hay crop this year is the heaviest ever known in Oregon. The City Fathers of Forest Grove are talking of naming the streets.

Hon. R. P. Boise is to deliver the oration at Junction City to-day. Both the flouring mills at McMinnville have shut down till after harvest.

A Grange was organized at Gingle's school house, on Soap Creek, last Monday. It is estimated that not less than five hundred men have gone to the new Ochoco mines.

Gen. Mart V. Brown is to deliver the oration at Jefferson to-day. It will be a good one. A "Progress Club" has been incorporated at Portland. The incorporators are Germans.

Hacks will start in a few days on a line to be established between Lafayette and Portland. An assessment of forty per cent. has been levied upon the capital of the Albany Farmers' Company.

The brick work on the State University is progressing finely, several feet having already been laid. Seven thousand dollars in currency was paid to the Warm Spring Indian scouts at the Dalles last week.

Mrs. F. E. Victor is traveling in Southern Oregon collecting material for further literary works. Rev. Thos. Condon, of the Dalles, has accepted the invitation to deliver the annual address at the next State Fair.

It is reported that Riley Thorpe, who was said to have been drowned in the Santiam last winter, has been seen at Omaha. Dr. R. C. Hill of Albany, will shortly start for a trip to his old Tennessee home.

The big cut in the Santiam Canal is completed and is full of water. Work on other portions of the Canal is being vigorously pushed. The Corvallis College has just closed a most prosperous year.

Friday, over fifty Chinamen were arraigned in the Police Court at Portland for having thicker than allowed by the "Cubic Air" ordinance. The Grange of Patrons of Husbandry, organized at Tangent a few weeks since, have decided to build a hall 20x40 feet, two stories in height.

The wheat fields of Washington county now present an appearance that would strike the eastern wheat grower with admiration and wonder. Lafayette just now presents a lively appearance. Carpenters are at work in different portions of the town putting up new dwellings, houses, barns, &c.

There will be a basket meeting at the camp-ground of the M. E. Church, South, near Dixie, Polk county, on Saturday and Sunday, July 5th and 6th. Two young Japanese, Mingoore and Camejo, arrived at Forest Grove last Wednesday, from San Francisco. They are going to school in that place.

John Dupont was sentenced to the Penitentiary for two years and William Simpson was sentenced for four years at the Dalles last week. Both were convicted of larceny. The peach crop usually so abundant about Walla Walla, and the Dalles, is this year almost a failure from late frosts. The same is true in Umpqua and Rogue river valleys.

The wagon road from Corvallis to the bench at Yaquina, which has been under way for five years past, is at last finished, except the bridges on some important streams and sloughs. Rev. Thomas Naylor died in London, Eng., on last Friday afternoon, and his son Richard Naylor, residing in Cornelius, was apprised of the fact at 2 o'clock the same day.

The Pioneers of Portland were beaten 4 runs by the College Club of Salem last Saturday. The score stood: Pioneers, 45; College Club, 60. Good for the College boys. The horse men of Albany will match three carriage teams of that city against any other three teams in the State for (speed and style), at the approaching Linn County Fair.

A runaway at Salem last Thursday resulted in throwing Dr. Jessup and wife and Mrs. W. W. Martin out of a buggy, bruising all of them and dislocating Mrs. Jessup's shoulder. At a meeting of the Albany Farmers' Company on Saturday, the 22d, by unanimous vote of the shareholders the capital stock of the Company was increased from \$10,000 to \$30,000.

The graduates of the Albany College this year were Miss, Corn J. Irvine, Miss Maria G. Irvine, Miss Mary J. Hamon, and Miss Weltha M. Young, all of whom acquitted themselves with honor. At a regular meeting of Spencer Butte Lodge, No. 3, I. O. O. F., the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing six months: J. Walton, Jr., N. G.; Wm. Kilgus, worth, V. G.; Joel Ware, R. S.; B. F. Dorris, Treas.

Mrs. Sutton, wife of the late John Sutton, of Portland, who was lost with the ill-fated Wright, has petitioned the Government to send a vessel in search of some remnant of the lost steamer, or any definite evidence concerning her loss. Mr. Goldsmith, President of the W. R. T. Co., has kindly tendered the use of one of the Company's steamboats to Albany Engine No. 1, for an excursion on the 4th of July. The boys have accepted the tender and will excursion up the Willamette on that day.

New hay is selling at Eugene City at \$7.50 per ton. D. Lowry, who we last week stated had the small-pox at Portland, has since died of the disease.

James Whitney, of the Dalles was thrown from his horse last week, and had one of his legs broken. The celebration of the Masonic fraternity at Baker City, on the 24th ult., was largely attended by brethren from a distance.

Last week a man by the name of William Bradley was killed by a bank caving in while he was at work in Rye Valley, Baker county. M. M. Brown, of Douglas county has been taken to the insane asylum, Peter G. Koch, an attorney of Portland, has been taken to the penitentiary for appropriating his clients money, for one year.

The Executive Committee of the Jackson county Agricultural Society have fixed upon Wednesday, September 24th, as the day for opening the annual fair of the Society. The fair will continue four days. The wheat fields about the Dalles present quite a contrast to those of the Willamette Valley. Many fields in that region are now about ready for the reaper, while in this valley but few fields have fairly begun to turn.

The graduating class at St. Helens' Hall this year were Miss Laura F. Adair, of Astoria; Miss Iola Bristol of Eugene City, and Miss Hortense Van Fridagh. We learn that the exercises were very interesting and that the examination was an honor to both teachers and pupils. Frank Powers, of Springfield, last week showed 800 head of half-breed cow-wild sheep, the whole lot averaging over 8 1/2 pounds per head. Fifteen averaged 12 pounds apiece; thirty-one averaged 11 pounds; forty-six averaged 10 pounds; sixty-seven averaged 9 pounds.

Considerable talk is going on in Linn county concerning the sudden departure of Martin Luper, an old, well known and respectable citizen of that county. He closed up his business in a business way, left ample provision for his children, came to Portland and took the steamer for San Francisco, sending word home that he was going, but not telling where to or why. He took about \$10,000 with him.

The Dalles municipal election resulted as follows: Mayor, R. Grant; Recorder, James A. Campbell; Marshal, Samuel Klein; Treasurer, E. Wingate; Councilmen, F. Delm, J. W. French, Geo. A. Liebe and John Moran. For the fifth Councilman the following gentlemen received the same number of votes: N. H. Gates, A. G. Pugh, J. Newman and M. Beal, and the matter is still undecided.

An exhibition by the pupils of the School for the Blind, at Salem, was given last Wednesday. The exercises commenced with an address by Miss Simpson, the blind teacher, to the members of the Board of Education, expressing in very appropriate terms her gratitude for favors so far shown to her pupils and herself, soliciting the future exertions of the same, and on their and her own behalf, promising their utmost efforts to promote the best interests of the institution. The Jacksonville Seafarer of Saturday last has news from the front, that eleven of the worst Modocs, including Captain Jack, are secretly ironed and placed in the block-house, while the others are kept in barracks enclosed by pickets 20 feet high. A strong guard is kept up, night and day. The Commission is not yet organized; cause—too much red tape. No fault, however, of Gen. Davis. As soon as the Commission is organized, which will be completed in a few days, the General will start with a large force on his contemplated tour north.

Isaac Henshaw, of Polk county, drowned himself on Friday of last week in Coos Bay Creek. He is the same man who, in the month of May, spring, went into the mountains and remained until he was nearly starved and his feet so badly frozen that they had to be amputated. His object then was to die of starvation. This time he adopted a surer, quicker and less painful way of dying, by drowning. No cause is known why he should wish to end his life. He is supposed to have been partially insane at the time. He was well off in this world's goods, and leaves a wife and seven children; some of them married.

The graduating exercises of the Academy of the Sacred Heart, located at Salem, and under the auspices of Most Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, took place last Monday, and the Annual Commencement on the following day. Six young ladies—M. C. Adams, M. Adams, Margaret Cosper, Zeila Sawyer, Dora Hayden, Estelle Hayden and Ella Hunt—have completed the curriculum of studies which entitles them to graduate honors with the diploma and gold medal of the Academy. The other exercises will comprise essays on interesting topics, together with vocal and instrumental musical selections.

Go AFTER THEM.—The Hawk-Eye, published at Eugene City, by the Gale Bros., both good Radicals, is evidently going after the political head of Surveyor General Odell. Elsewhere will be found an article taken from that paper, which indicates that, like our statesman from this county, members of the last legislature were generally to be paid off with surveying contracts if they were Corbett men when elected, if they voted for Mitchell. So, it will be seen that the people are eventually to pay for his election, after all.

A NEW POLITICAL IDEA.—A curious proposition has been introduced into the Ohio Constitutional Convention. It is to establish what is called the principle of "recall" in case of members of the Legislature; that is, permitting the majority of any constituency to recall and dismiss the Representative from the service whenever they get tired of him, whether his term has expired or not.

The death of Judge Wilson will necessitate a special election for Congressman before the first of next December. NO CHANGE.—We have no changes to note in our market reports from those published last week.