

other public works will be added. An Orphan Asylum, conducted by private charity, is one of the benevolent enterprises of the city.

Salem is well built, a good proportion of the business houses being substantial brick structures. Of these, the Chemeketa House, the Bank building, and the Opera House and Commercial Hotel, are handsome structures, as well as many of the stores. Three daily and three weekly papers are published here, among the rest the *Willamette Farmer*, a valuable journal, well representing the interests of Oregon agriculture.

The Fair Grounds of the State Ag-

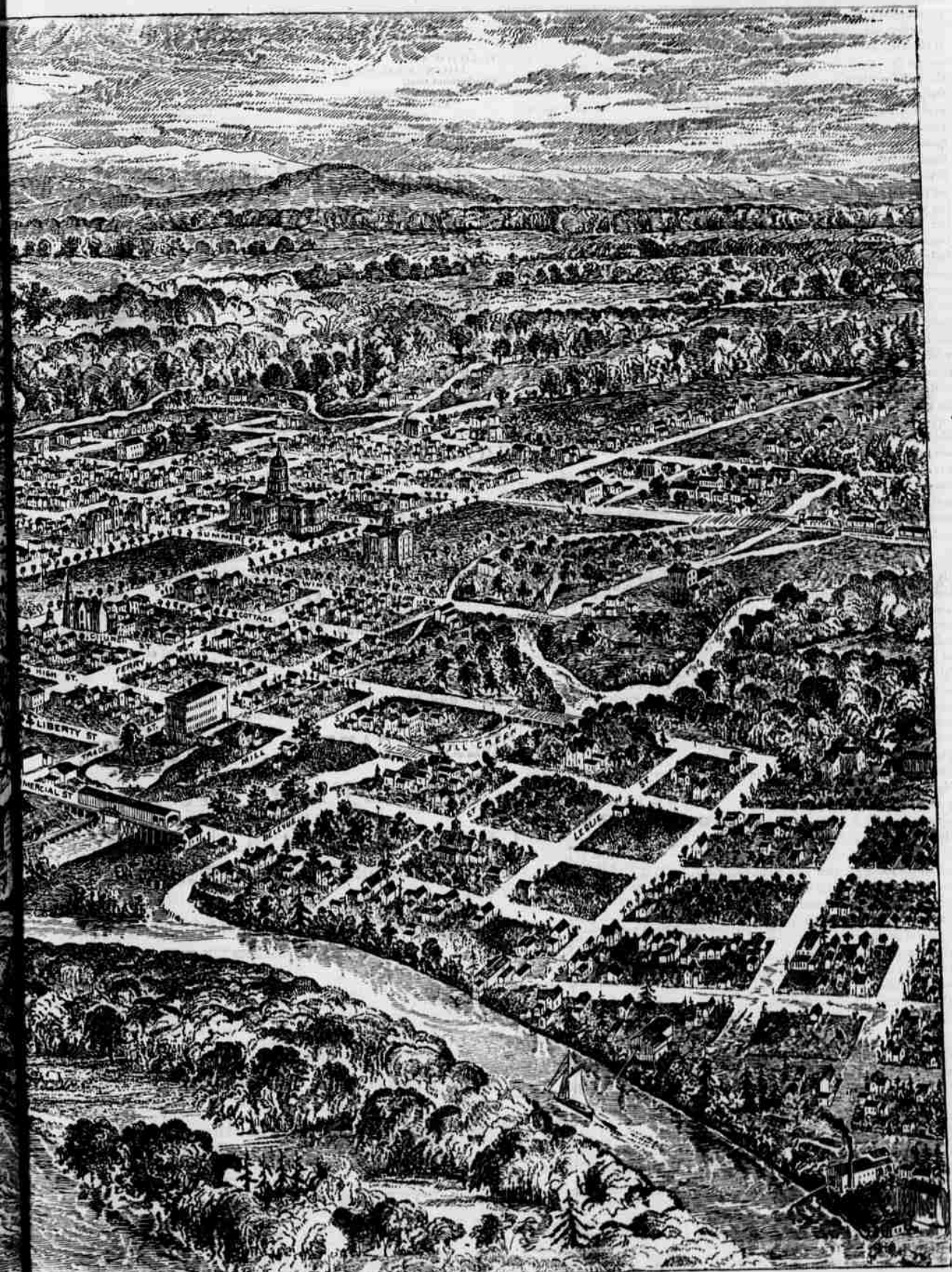
ricultural Society are just outside the town limits, and are every year being made more and more attractive, as the Society gets out of debt, and commences to realize a profit on its management.

Salem never has been and never will be anything of a speculative town. It is steady and sure, having a certain prosperity guaranteed it by its location, and the character of its people.

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