

**A CHANCE FOR SETTLERS.**

H. P. Isaacs, Esq., of Walla Walla, who recently visited this city, informs us that the section of country lying between the Deschutes and John Day rivers and extending from the Columbia to the Crooked river, is as yet but sparsely settled, but offers good homes for at least ten thousand families. Black loam, yellow loam and light sandy loam, are the predominating soils. A good supply of water can be got by digging 6-8 to 26 feet, according to location. Comparing this section of country with the famous Walla Walla valley, Mr. Isaacs says: "The best soil is not as good as the best of Walla Walla, neither can you find any as poor as we have in the Walla Walla valley." Summing it all up, we should consider this a very promising section to afford homes for thousands of homeless from other States.

**OUR STATE FAIR.**

There is no reason whatever why our State Fair this year, which begins on the 1st of July and ends on the evening of the 8th, should not prove an entire success. The weather promises well, and from what we have heard from different sections of the State and neighboring territories, we judge that the attendance will be larger than at any Fair heretofore held at Salem. The celebration of our National Holiday takes place on the Fair Grounds on Monday, July 5th, and as the programme for that day is especially attractive, all who can possibly do so should attend.

**A FINE FIELD OF WHEAT.**

On Saturday, June 26th, we visited Hillsboro, and were shown a field of wheat, the property of Mr. A. Finney, which is the finest we have seen this year. It stands nearly six feet in height, is pretty close and well headed, and meeting with no accident will go at least 45 bushels to the acre. Grain all over the State is looking remarkably promising, and anticipating the largest crop ever garnered in the Northwest, several additional warehouses are going up in different sections of the State to receive it.

The young man who wants to get up with the sun, must not sit up too late with the daughter.

There is a man in this city so fond of money, that whenever he pays a man a sum he may owe him, he walks home with the man for the sake of being near the money as long as possible. Please don't mention his name.

Some crusty, rusty, musty, fusty, dusty specimen of a man, proposed the following toast at a late firemen's celebration: "Our fire engines—may they be like our old maids—ever ready, but never wanted."

It is in the toy drum that two heads are worse than none.

THE photograph gallery of I. G. Davidson is located on the southwest corner of First and Yamhill streets. Mr. Davidson has a corps of fine artists, and is especially prepared to take outdoor views of scenery, buildings, animals, boats, etc. His instruments are the best in the Pacific Northwest; he is therefore enabled to furnish his patrons with lifelike pictures. Be sure to give Davidson's gallery a call when you are in this city.

First premium awarded to Abell for the best cabinets, cards, and retouched photographs, at the late State Fair.

Our readers will bear in mind that the Assay office of Lent & Jenne, has been removed to Front street, between Stark and Washington.

Buchtel, the "old stand-by" of photographers, is still on deck at his elegant gallery, corner First and Morrison streets, where he is prepared to take all kinds of pictures, in the most approved style of the art.

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**OREGON STATE FAIR.**  
**1880.**

Commencing Thursday, July 1st, and Closing Evening of July 8th.

**HALF FARE**

On Oregon & California Railroad, Western Oregon Railroad and Northern Pacific Railroad from Kalama to New Tacoma, and on boats of Oregon Railway and Navigation Co. on Columbia and Willamette rivers, and "Star" line of steamers from New Tacoma, W. T., to Victoria, B. C. Passengers on the Northern Pacific Railway, the Boats of the Railway & Navigation Co. and the Puget Sound steamer, must have their tickets stamped at the Secretary's office on the Fair Grounds, or they will not be good for free return.

Stocks and freight taken at full fare coming to the Fair are returned free on certificate of the undersigned that it has been on exhibition and not changed hands.

Tickets for passengers, etc., on "Star" line of steamers on Puget Sound and Railway & Navigation Co. are good until July 15th, and this rule will probably apply to Northern Pacific R. R.

**Mammoth National Celebration**

On the Fair Grounds, Monday, July 5th. Orations, fireworks, splendid races, etc. Everything promises the largest exhibit and attendance ever known in the history of the society.  
By order of board, E. M. WAITE, Secy.

THE card of H. Sinsheimer, agent for the renowned Decker & Son's pianos, appears in this issue. Mr. Sinsheimer is one of the most reliable dealers in instruments, and the Decker & Son's piano is said to possess numerous advantages over all other pianos. Before purchasing, be sure to consult Mr. Sinsheimer.

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