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☞ The way to build up Oregon City is to give Oregon City people your patronage.

A Year of Prosperity.

The ENTERPRISE this week sends out the first sixteen-page paper ever published in Clackamas county. It feels that no apology is necessary for the appearance of the paper, though many of the difficulties attending an undertaking of this kind have only partially been surmounted. The aim has been to present a view of the resources and attractions of Oregon City and the various other sections of the county. These have not been treated exhaustively at all but it is believed interesting facts are stated in a way that will attract the attention of people looking for homes or investments in the wide and growing West.

Notwithstanding the fact that the year 1891 has been one in which capital has been cautious it cannot be denied that this city and county were never in a more prosperous condition than now. A number of manufacturing institutions were established here during the year and those that were already here have enjoyed a prosperous year of business. The farmers raised large crops and sold them at good prices. But the best feature of the situation is that the operations of the year leave affairs in a very healthy condition with every indication in favor of unusual business activity in 1892. While many northwestern towns have undergone a readjustment of values and conditions during the dull year, Oregon City kept its steady course, real estate values continued to advance and a firm foundation for future progress has been fixed.

So, rejoicing in the general prosperity, and hopeful and confident for the future, the ENTERPRISE greets you today with the invitation to join it in the resolution to make the new year one of solid and constant progress for the whole of Clackamas.

The Position of Councilmen Latourette and Charman.

Last week the ENTERPRISE published a communication criticising Councilmen C. D. Latourette and E. R. Charman for holding their seats in the city council while engaged in a law suit against the city, in which the legality of the council's course in regard to the Seventh street improvement is the direct issue. The criticism was pointed and vigorous, and, as is common in such cases, it has been characterized "libellous." Mr. Latourette, in a letter in another column of this paper denies the charges brought against himself and Mr. Charman.

Now, the ENTERPRISE is no personal organ, and it will not become a vehicle for ventilating purely personal matters. But a man occupying a public office must so demean himself as to be above suspicion, or he is a subject for legitimate criticism. The people who place him in office have the right to discuss his actions with reference to their bearing upon the public interests placed in his keeping. And the public must be forgiven if it base its conclusions regarding the fitness of an officer upon the course pursued by him in the performance or neglect of his duty. The public has no other means of judging what a man's motives are except by his acts.

Mr. Latourette occupies a position that is unique, and, we believe, without precedent. For three or four months he has been the retained attorney for a number of Seventh street property owners who are fighting against the city's collecting money for an improvement that some of them induced the city to undertake. During this time he has sat in the council and taken part in its proceedings. Some of those proceedings pertained to the Seventh street case, in which Mr. Latourette, as counsellor, might have reaped a reward had the council blundered; that is, he might have had a sure case for his clients by reason of an opportune mistake on the part of the council. Now, there are few men who can occupy at one time different positions having opposing interests and discharge both of them with fidelity. It is generally viewed that Mr. Latourette's position as councilman, to which he was chosen by the people with the understanding that he would use his talents and influence for the benefit of the city in every way, is incompatible with his acting as counsellor for a combine that is leaving no stone unturned to defeat the city in the law suit now pending. To argue that it is in the interest of the city to have a knotty legal point settled under these circumstances is taking a view altogether too long ranged for the average citizen to appreciate.

Of course it is not necessary that a lawyer give up his practice in order to serve his constituents faithfully in the city council. Neither is it necessary for a contractor or merchandiser to go out of business for such service. But it is the almost invariable rule that an alderman is prohibited by law from entering into contracts involving money to which the city is a party. The need of this precaution is obvious. That there is no law here to prevent a lawyer from occupying a seat in the council and at the same time prosecuting a suit against the city involving the validity of the council's actions that he himself has taken part in does not rescue the matter from the appearance of extreme bad taste, to say the least of it. One in such a position should expect to be criticised severely. We do not believe that Mr. Latourette has used his seat in the council to further the case of his clients. But if his motives be pure the position he now occupies is a false one, and to continue in it wrongs himself, his friends and the people of the city. It is his duty to the public that elected him to avoid the appearance of dishonesty as well as to preserve his own integrity. The same conclusion applies to Councilman Charman, though with modified force because he is acting, in a sense, in self defence. He is striving to preserve from assessment the property which he owned when elected to office and which the people who voted for him might reasonably have expected him to defend should necessity for it arise. Still, it was well known that he had signed the petition for the improvement when he was elected to office. His position is a delicate one and one that most men of sensitive honor would shrink from. Men acting in the capacity of public servants have no moral right to place themselves in situations that invite misconstruction of their motives.

The Postmaster General's Report.

The annual report of the postmaster general is a document so different in its character from the usual dry utterances of officials that it is well suited for general distribution. It contains a vast amount of information on a subject that is of popular interest and, strange to say, it is told in a way that makes it popular reading.

The report shows that the usual annual deficit in the finances of the department is gradually but surely disappearing. It amounted for the last year to only a little more than $6,000,000, and that, too, in spite of the fact that the revenue suffered a loss of over $1,000,000 owing to the passage of the anti-lottery bill.

Mr. Wanamaker describes the pneumatic tube service in Berlin and London and strongly recommends its adoption in the large cities of this country. The rural free delivery he declares to be a great success where it has been tried. It is found to increase the earnings of the department as well as to give better service to country people. The establishment of postal savings banks is recommended. The abolition of box rents in small free-delivery offices, the reduction of letter postage to one cent, and the free transmission of newspapers are advocated.

The report describes in detail the plan by which promotions have been made during the year within the department itself, and also recites how this general plan is to be extended to the whole service. The examinations take into account the adaptability, industry, and loyalty of the applicant for promotion, and his general deserving character, and his work from day to day counts sixty per cent in the calculation, and his success in passing a mere written examination only forty per cent. Harder physical examinations for the railway mail service are recommended, so that the separation of a quarter or a third of the railway mail eligibles may be avoided, and so that the clerks who are found to be capable may find it easier to do their hard work accurately and well. Several fine illustrations are a feature of this report.

THIS is the Day of Resolutions. For about eleven months past people have been saving their numerous reforms for New Year's, and the accumulated stock is so vast to crowd into one small day that only the most convenient ones are finally selected for the vicarious experiments. It is not a bad thing, however, to observe New Year's day by making a few good resolutions. It is better to resolve and fail than never to resolve at all. So mark this upon the calendar as the Day of Resolutions. Then inventory your stock carefully for use—next year.

THE Russian famine, Chinese massacres, Spanish earthquakes, Chilian war, Brazilian turmoil and American prosperity have kept the world from getting sleepy and moss-grown during 1891. Sir John McDonald, King Kalakaua, Parnell, Boulanger, Dom Pedro, P. T. Barnum, George Bancroft and Madame Blavaksky have been added to the death roll of the famous or notorious. American politics have been intensely entertaining during the year. On the whole it has been a pretty interesting twelve months.

THE pressure upon our columns as this edition approaches completion has been so great that it has been impossible to find room for much matter designed for it. Among the things unavoidably crowded out are the statement in detail of the building improvements of Oregon City and descriptive articles of Clackamas and Milwaukie, enterprising towns that deserve special mention. Considerable desirable correspondence is also omitted because of the lateness of its arrival.

THE year that began today belongs to the girls. If leap year were not an American institution it would be a good opportunity for our boys to play even by going across the water and glittering before the titled damsels of some effete aristocracy. However, Uncle Sam's boys are too good judges of femininity to thus cut their noses off to spite their faces.

SENATOR MITCHELL and Representative Hermann have at last discovered the Willamette river, and if all the measures for its improvement become laws there will be no reason for complaint.

WE suggest that the Oregonian serve its Oregon City society news with a spoon.

For the ENTERPRISE.]

THE OLD AND THE NEW.

In his shroud the Old Year lies,
Winter winds a requium sighs,
Winter storms beat drearily;
Gathered to the ages past,
Nature's grief it will not last,
New Year bells peal cheerily.

Though it grieve our spirits sore
That we see the Old Year no more
New Year bells ring merrily;
New Year comes a smiling guest
Answering to our eager quest
As we greet him cheerily.

What have I in store for you?
Don't you wish you only knew?
I will tell you readily;
As the days and weeks go by
You will find as well as I,
Life moves on thus steadily.

Here a loss and there a gain,
Now a joy and then a pain,
Things mix up so curiously;
Roses bloom to fade and die,
If you laugh you're sure to cry
Alloy oft shines spuriously.

But pure gold is always here,
Smiles soon follow every tear,
All's arranged so cleverly.
So the story o'er goes on
With each year new aims are won,
Time should ne'er pass heavily.

In the strife 'twixt right and wrong,
He who learns the victor's song
Scorneth all neutrality.
Giant forces are in play,
Arm thee for a mortal fray,
Life is stern reality.

M. L. C. HAYWARD.

OREGON CENSUS FIGURES.

The Washington Office Compiles and Publishes the List.

The recent circular from the United States census office shows some queer things about the Oregon population, but as the report must stand as official for ten years it contains much that is of interest. Following are the figures for the counties of the state together with a statement of the number and per cent. of gain in each according to the very inaccurate enumeration in 1890:

COUNTIES.	POPULATION.		INCREASE.	
	1890.	1880.	No.	Per cent.
The State.	313,767	174,768	138,999	79.53
Baker	6,704	4,556	2,148	46.53
Benton	8,650	6,403	2,247	35.09
Clackamas	15,233	9,260	5,973	64.50
Clatsop	10,016	7,242	2,774	38.09
Columbia	5,191	2,041	3,149	154.21
Coos	8,874	4,834	4,040	83.57
Crook	3,244	....	3,244	
Curry	1,709	1,208	501	41.47
Douglas	11,804	9,596	2,208	23.03
Gilliam	3,600		3,600	
Grant	5,040	4,263	777	18.06
Harney	2,559		2,559	
Jackson	11,455	8,154	3,301	40.48
Josephine	4,878	2,485	2,393	96.30
Klamath	2,444		2,444	
Lake	2,804	2,804	*200	*7.13
Lane	15,138	9,411	5,787	61.49
Linn	16,265	12,676	3,589	28.31
Malheur	2,601		2,601	
Marion	22,934	14,576	8,358	57.34
Morrow	4,205		4,205	
Multnomah	74,884	25,202	49,681	197.12
Polk	7,858	6,601	1,257	19.04
Sherman	1,797		1,797	
Tillamook	2,802	970	1,962	202.27
Umatilla	13,581	9,607	3,774	39.28
Union	12,044	6,850	5,394	81.11
Wallowa	3,661		3,661	
Wasco	9,183	11,120	*1,937	*17.42
Washington	11,977	7,082	4,895	69.05
Yamhill	10,692	7,945	2,747	34.58

* Decrease

Following is a list of the cities having above 1000 inhabitants. It will be observed that Salem, with a population of probably 10,000, is ommited from the list:

CITIES.	POPULATION.		INCREASE.	
	1890.	1880.	No.	Per cent.
Portland	46,385	17,577	28,808	163.90
East Portland	10,532	2,934	7,598	258.96
Astoria	6,184	2,803	3,381	120.62
Albina	5,129	143	4,986	3,486.71
Albany	3,079	1,867	1,212	64.92
Oregon City	3,062	1,263	1,799	142.44
Baker City	2,604	1,258	1,346	107.00
Lagrande	2,583		2,583	
Pendleton	2,606	730	1,776	243.29
Ashland	1,784	842	942	111.88
Corvallis	1,527	1,128	399	35.37
Roseburg	1,477	822	655	79.68
Marshfield	1,461	642	819	127.57
Grant Pass	1,432		1,432	
McMinnville	1,368	670	698	104.18

The following detailed statement of the population of Clackamas county, by precincts, is given in the census bulletin:

PRECINCTS.	1890.	1880.
Beaver Creek	554	496
Canby	787	1,144
Campmah	416	
New Era	384	
Union	126	
Canyon Creek	150	
Cascade	609	389
Cherryville	103	
Clackamas	608	1,122
Damascus	676	
Milwaukie, (including town)	907	
Milwaukie town	489	125
Eagle Creek	421	539
Garfield	245	
George	143	
Harding	404	945
Highland	402	
Springwater	291	
Viola	224	
Lower Mollala		498
Marquam	1,583	531
Needy		
Mill Creek	275	305
Oregon City, (including city)	3,167	1,797
Oregon City	3,062	1,263
Oswego, (including town)	920	439
Oswego	544	96
Pleasant Hill	464	331
Sievers	107	
Soda Springs	274	191
Tualatin	411	261
Upper Molalla	582	390
Clackamas county	15,233	9,260

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

Two years ago O. E. A. Freytag determined to try the experiment of establishing a grocery and provision business on lower Main street at the corner of 14th. Almost from the outset his business was self sustaining, and it has now, under Mr. Freytag's strict attention to business increased to a very flattering trade, more than meeting the owner's most confident expections. Only honest goods are kept, and these together with courteous treatment, prompt delivery to any part of the city, and square dealings have made the trade which Mr. Freytag knows well how to hold. This store is in a position to command a large country trade, consequently it is always supplied with the freshest and best country produce.

NEWS FROM BARLOW

A MERRY CHRISTMAS ENJOYED IN THE NEW TOWN.

Chinese Pheasants—Land Clearing in Progress—Other News Notes of Minor Importance.

Christmas at Barlow was one of the enjoyable events of the year. The mansion of Hon. William Barlow Christmas eve was brilliantly illuminated as were also many other residences. Christmas trees were numerous, and many costly presents were given. About 7:30 a. m. snow began falling and continued for two hours, only putting a light mantle on the bosom of old mother earth. But before night it had entirely disappeared. Turkey, geese, duck and chicken, with many other desirable eatables formed the Christmas dinner in the comfortable homes of our people.

Though the weather was disagreeable Sunday services at Zeek's hall were well attended. The discourse by the Rev. Mr. Lowrey was very appropriate to the occasion and those who heard it will ever remember the kind words of guidance expounded.

Mr. H. M. Brown has been actively engaged for the past two weeks, blasting stumps on his ten-acre lot, and from the present indication, it will be but a short time until the land will be in suitable contition for the plow.

Mr. John Green, of Portland has been spending the past two weeks here in the interest of his future peach orchard. It is his intention to plant a million and a half in the spring, and his expectation is to have the largest and finest peach orchard in Clackamas county in the near future.

Chinese pheasant are becoming so numerous here, that it is no uncommon sight to see a flock of a dozen or more in the beautiful walnut grove of Hon. Wm. Barlow. They are almost as tame as domestic fowls. The law prohibiting the killing of these birds is strictly observed here.

Our old time friend Mr. J. K. Morris, deputy sheriff of Clackamas county, made Barlow a flying visit this week on official business.

Mr. Adams, from Napavine, Washington, is here with the intention of purchasing land and in the spring commencing the erection of a home thereon.

Mr. Cass U. Barlow made Portland a flying visit this week and reports everything lively there.

There are prospects of good weather and everybody is making preparations to commence work gardening.

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HORSE SHOEING.

When it comes to horses and their feet, F. H. Ray, recently from Minneapolis, Minn., is thoroughly at home. He has made a special study of his business and can fit a shoe to a nicety. He had has an extensive experience and most successful in shoeing speed horses. He may always be found in the shop on the left hand side of Main street, nearly opposite the woolen mill.

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A QUARTER OF A CENTURY AGO

There settled in Baker county, Oregon, near what is now Baker City, a man who has since become identified with the resources and development of that country. This man is no other than Mr. John Stewart, one of the wealthiest and most influential citizens in the county. In a recent letter he says: "I had been suffering from pains in my back and general kidney complaint for some time, and had used many remedies without any but temporary relief. The pains in my back had become so severe that I was prevented from attending to my work and could not move about without the use of a cane. Hearing, through a friend, of the wonderful cures effected by Oregon Kidney Tea, I was induced to try a box, and from that very first dose I found instant relief, and before using half the contents of the box the pains in my back entirely disappeared. I have every faith in the virtues of the Oregon Kidney Tea, and can conscientiously recommend it to my friends. I would not be without it for anything."

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