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TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

The "change" has come and we must all yield to the inevitable. The day for high prices is past. The farmer, the manufacturer, the merchant, the professional man and the laboring man have each experienced a severe decline in the prices of their products and of their labor.

The newspapers too have felt the blighting effects of the "change," and have been compelled to cut down expenses wherever possible and to reduce their subscription price to the lowest living rates.

THE NEW YEAR.
What of the new year? It takes an optimist of the most pronounced type to write in a cheerful strain of the outlook under existing circumstances.

Had it not been for the governor's letter to the president, Oregon might have escaped with as few dire effects of these trying times as any state in the Union, but that letter will stop emigration, especially of the better class with money to develop these western timber lands.

Locally there is a brightness in the future which is not possessed by most localities. As Oregon City throughout the evil times incident to the old year has been the one bright spot on the coast where work has been in progress and where on this account some money has been in circulation; so in the future there is prospect of a continuation of the condition which has made this a favored locality in the past.

THE Pacific Banker, of Portland, has the following regarding the magnitude of the Japanese trade with Europe and America, and of Chicago's ambition to secure a share of that trade: "Great is Chicago! She has reached out and over the head of Pacific coast enterprise to reverse a \$20,000,000 bal-

ance of trade against the United States in favor of Japan, and, thereby, will add many millions a year to her revenue. At present the Japanese import most of their goods from Europe, but Chicago proposes to teach them a trick worth two of that. She has organized a wealthy syndicate of importers, and they have despatched a trusty agent to the Mikado's empire with instructions to undersell all competitors in packed meats, carriages, bicycles, stoves, jewelry, leather, boots and shoes, cotton goods, safes, and other articles that Chicago manufactures.

WHAT ARE THE FACTS?

For the sake of a little cheap notoriety Governor Pennoyer asserts in his letter to the president that more than two-thirds of the people of this state are at present out of employment and more than one-half of that number in actual want. What are the facts in the case?

That times are hard, money scarce and almost impossible to get all will admit. But this is the case all over the United States. Is Oregon worse off or in as bad condition financially as the other states?

Concerning the question of hunger, the abundant crops garnered throughout the state, guaranteed the farming communities, which constitute, outside of Portland, four-fifths of the population of the state, against actual want. Money may not be plenty, but the gaunt wolf of want is not for the farmers, as a class at least, standing in the doorway.

In response to the pressure of public opinion as expressed through the columns of the Enterprise the East Side Railway Co. have taken steps to build their cars. Mr. Steel has been in consultation with W. C. Cheeney, chief electrician for the Portland General Electric Co. in regard to putting in electric heaters.

THE TRAIL INDUSTRY is one of the many industries that the Wilson bill proposes to destroy in the interest of free raw material for the manufacturer. Heretofore there has been a duty of 30 per cent. ad valorem on teasels, but now they are to be admitted free.

GOV. PENNOYER adds injury to insult by his Christmas letter to President Cleveland. Not that it hurts the president in any way, for he is beyond the reach of such claptrap demagoguery. The parties injured are the people who honored Pennoyer by making him governor.

THE efforts of the ENTERPRISE to secure better transportation facilities for Oregon City have met with almost universal approval from the citizens of this city, the only exception being a favored few who hold passes on the East Side Railway, who are unable to see but what the service given by that line is good enough.

MANY a child will go to bed hungry and many a poor man lose his home on account of the governor's Christmas letter.

SOME ROAD SUGGESTIONS.

MINK, Jan. 1, 1894.—TO THE EDITOR:—You say the ENTERPRISE has frequently called the attention of the citizens of Clackamas county to the need of a better road system, etc. Do you mean to say that our present road system is no good? If so you will find a great many who will say the same.

ABOUT SCHOOL TAXES.

MEADOW BROOK, Dec. 27, 1893. TO THE EDITOR:—Will you please answer the following questions in the next issue of the ENTERPRISE, and oblige?

1st.—If a school tax is voted immediately after the assessment roll is returned from the board of equalization to the county assessor can it be collected this spring?

WHERE THEY COME FROM.
A trade paper publishes the following in regard to the leading members of the ways and means committee who have prepared the new tariff bill, a measure vitally affecting the industries of the country:

LETTER LIST.
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SUMMONS.
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Clackamas County.

County of Clackamas, vs. The Heirs of John Gray, deceased, Dan J. Jones, and to any one interested in the estate of said John Gray, deceased, defendants.

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TREASURER'S NOTICE.
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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
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