



If any man attempts to haul down the American Flag, shoot him on the spot.—Gen. Dix.

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The Offices.

The organs of treason here profess to be much gained because President Lincoln is removing sympathizers with rebellion from office and putting in Republicans and Union democrats in their place. Since the day that the doctrine was enunciated that "to the victors belong the spoils," there has never been an administration that has been so silent in the matter of removals from office as has been the present one.

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The Thirtysix.—The expected great trotting match between Paul Jones, Black Hawk, and Soda Bay, came off on the track of the Fair grounds last Thursday. Paul Jones was drawn off after the first heat, owing to his uncontrollable habit of breaking. In the two next heats Black Hawk beat the Soda Bay with all ease—Time 3 minutes. It is our opinion that Paul Jones, if rightly trained, is as good a trotter as Black Hawk.

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Miss H. Cate, of Polk county;
" Delma Belknap, of Washington;
" Sarah L. Gearhart, of Clatsop;
" Dendyford, of Clackamas;
" Paulina Tompkins, of Clackamas;
" Mrs. Kester, of Oregon City;
" Poole, of Washington;
" Edmunds, of Clackamas;

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Dear Queen.—We saw a hundred samples of female handiwork at the fair grounds this week that do honor to the skill of the fair contributors who made them, but we saw nothing that we so much fell in love with as a magnificent "Union" bedspread, made by Mrs. Wm. Barlow, of this country. It contained all the colors of the American flag, red, white, and blue, with a huge star in the center embracing thirty-three smaller stars in its area. It bore the inscription *E Pluribus Unum, To PRESIDENT LINCOLN, from MRS. W. BARLOW, OREGON CITY, 1861.* The bedspread was made of silk, and had a goodly number of other appropriate devices wrought upon its folds with a needle. It was a present to the White House, well worthy of its noble-hearted donor, and we expect when we get to be President Mrs. Barlow will get one up for us.

THE PACIFIC.—This fine steamer has been taken into the docks at Francisco and had a thorough repairing and overhauling since her accident in July. She is thoroughly cleaned and painted over anew and makes a fine appearance. Capt. Snodgrass, Parker Poole, and nearly all of her old officers still remain with the ship. Her return to Portland last Wednesday, after her unusually long absence, was hailed with pleasure, by the community generally.

29.—The Emigrant escort, under command of Capt. Maynard, numbering 61 persons, reached Portland, on the Julia, on Friday evening last.

30.—The Julia brought down to Portland, on last night, \$25,000 in gold dust.

The State Fair.

The first State Fair of Oregon was held on the Fair grounds north of this city this week, ending last evening. Owing to the lateness of the hour, we are unable to give a full list of premiums awarded, but intend to do so next week. The Fair was a decided success. There was a much better display of stock, fruit, grains, seeds, vegetables, dairy products, domestic manufactures, arts, home work, &c., &c., than was expected. All seemed so enjoy themselves bagely, and of the vast concourse assembled we saw none who expressed themselves as not greatly benefited by the occasion. This Fair has given a decided impetus to the march of agricultural improvement in the State, and will no doubt be followed by many succeeding State Fairs, all marking a steady ratio of onward and upward progress.

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AMMUNITION AND PHOTOGRAPHS.—The pictures taken by Mr. Joseph Buchtel are not excelled by those of any other artist on this coast, or elsewhere. Mr. Buchtel will be here on Monday next, and will remain two weeks. We say to those who desire a fine picture of themselves, or of their families, that they will now have a fine opportunity of getting the same taken in Milbank's building.

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VILLINGHAM REVERED IN HIS OWN DISTRICT.—Sixty-four of the leading Democrats in Villingham's district, Montgomery county, Ohio, have issued a circular against the "despotic and traitorous course of the Villingham clique." They say, "it is the mission of the Democratic party to give strength and vigor and efficiency to the Constitution and Government when they are attacked by rebels and traitors. In the language of the lamented Douglas, 'no man can be a true Democrat without being at the same time a loyal patriot, and there are but two positions to assume; we must either be for or against our Government—either patriots or traitors.' They pledge themselves "to unite with all loyal citizens in the defense of the nation, and in rebuking the impatriotic action of said convention and of the Dayton Empire, and in supporting for office in the county of Montgomery men, irrespective of party, who are loyal to the Government, by a vigorous prosecution of this war, and who in no contingency are in favor of secession."

SILVER WORDS COINED INTO GOLD.—Thus Star King's lectures for the benefit of the families of New York volunteers, netted over \$1,400, besides the immense influence they exerted in directing a right the Union sentiment of this State. All honor to the noble preacher who dares the scorn of little minds to serve his kind and country by strong words, not stopping to ask if they smack of ceremonial divinity.—*Appleton.*

THE OPENING ADDRESS.—Brother Pearson was on the Fair grounds on Wednesday. He was greatly pleased with the exhibition. He says—"In the afternoon, the opening address was delivered by Mr. SIMEON FRANCIS, the President of the Society.—It was well written, and evinced a clear knowledge of the resources of our young State, and proved an exemplification of the fact that 'a printer can turn his hand to almost anything—from correcting the speeches and writings of authors at the 'case,' to making a speech himself! The address will be published."

"THE OREGON CHURCHMAN."—This is a new monthly paper, printed on the "Griswold Press," under the patronage of the Episcopal Church of Oregon, and published at Oregon City. Dr. A. H. Steele, of this city, is the business agent. Communications for the paper must be addressed to "The Churchman, Oregon City." The sheet presents a fair appearance, the work being executed on new type, and contains matters of interest to members of the Church, and to the general reader. The terms are \$1 a year, invariably in advance. Subscriptions must commence with the first number, and its patrons may rely on the paper being published one year at least.

Loyalty.

"Every citizen owes something to his country. Loyalty has accordingly been esteemed a virtue in all ages. Even yesterday morning, with dates to the 23d. Advances from Richmond to Sept. 15th states it is generally conceded that Shiloh gives to France soon. Gen. Floyd had an engagement with the federalists on the 10th, and routed them, killing 600 and wounding 160. These are generally quiet on the Potowatamie. There is no recognition of the rebel flag in Spain or other ports, notwithstanding the explanation made by the Spanish Minister to Secretary Sewall, on Thursday. The reported proclamation of the Captain General occupies the attention of the State Department.

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Subscriptions to the federal national loan exceed \$9,000,000.

The Spanish Minister called to assure Mr. Sewall that the reports from Charleston that the Captain General of Cuba had issued a proclamation recognizing the rebel flag, were untrue.

Two schooners were seized at New York on the 6th.

Owing to information received at the Postoffice Department, that the Hamblin and St. Joseph railroad was entirely unprotected from the rebels; that St. Joseph is in their hands, it has been ordered that the California mail be carried via Denver to Council Bluffs. The Department also received information that all officers and employees of the overland company are rebels.

Washington, Sept. 16th.—On the 12th last, the army made an advance on Elkwater, Va., with a force of 50,000 men, having driven back detachments of 15th Indiana, 3d and 6th Ohio regiments. A shell from one of Louisville guns fired into the enemy's camp, a distance of 100 miles, killed two and wounded four. The 15th Indiana regiment had several skirmishes with superior numbers on the evening of the 12th, and killed 12—only a trifling loss on our side.

It was reported on the 17th that Gen. Price, with 17,000 men, surrounded Lexington, Mo., and sent a summons to Col. Mulligan to surrender. He refused, whereupon Gen. Price gave him 24 hours to do so, at 4 o'clock to surrender—should he fail, he would march on him under the black flag. No news since.

It is confidently thought in military quarters that Gen. St. George, federal, has reached Lexington and St. Joseph, and that Price will be sent to him to recruit.

The steamer Sunshine was seized by rebels at Glasgow, Mo. The steamer Sun was seized at Glasgow, but escaped.

The banks of New Orleans have suspended specie payment.

Treasury notes were all of par.

The garrison, Concordia, captured the rebel steamer Steamer and Gaulette, on the Mississippi river, on the 16th. One hundred and one hundred and one men.

Reliable news from Lexington to Saturday evening shows that there had been no fight up to that hour, though the federal troops have been numerous to surround the rebels.

Two plans matured by Gen. Fremont to capture Pillow at Memphis are reported to be frustrated by orders from Washington.

Prince de Joinville, with Secretary Sewall, attended the review of our troops across the Potowatamie, on the 19th. Gen. McClellan conducted the review in person.

At Frankfort, Ky., on the 18th, the Committee on Federal Relations reported substantially as follows:

Whereas, Confederate troops late in

yesterday, invaded Kentucky, and insulting demands

upon which they will retire; therefore,

Resolved, That General Andrew be

invited to take instant charge of the de-

partment, and call for a force sufficient to

expel the invaders."

This passed the House, and the Senate

concurred by a vote of 25 to 9.

The Senate also passed a resolution with only three nays, which proposes to make the war to the two armies, and discon-

tinuance partisans quarrels as leading inci-

ts.

The rebels are reported rising again in

Northern Missouri. Reports from the

south of Missouri, say that the rebels

that they will again have possession of the

Hamblin and St. Joseph Railroad within

ten days.

It is thought to be stated with sufficient

authority, that so far as the movement of

national troops is concerned, there is no

probability of a general engagement within

thirty days. However, in case they are

attacked, troops are well prepared to meet

any number that may be brought against

them, but are perfecting arrangements for

forward movement, and it is desired best

first to accomplish certain things which

may not be effectively done before the

thirty days.

I. O. O. F.

OREGON LODGE, No. 2, now

at the Masonic Hall, meeting

every week, is in

good standing and

intends.

J. S. RINE, Secy.

26.—The next regular meeting will be on

Saturday evening, Oct. 12.

SANFORD'S SAPSAPARILLA.—For the removal