

LOCAL AFFAIRS

San Francisco Legal Tender rates..... 73 1/2 @ 74 1/2
New York Gold quotations..... 139 1/2

AGENTS.—Messrs. Skinner & Robb are authorized to act as agents in procuring advertisements and subscriptions for the REGISTER, in Portland, Oregon.

AFFLICTED.—We learn that the wife of our cotemporary of the Democrat, Mr. Abbott, is seriously afflicted, compelling his constant care and attention. Mr. Brown has also been suffering from disease. Under these accumulated ills, it is announced in the last Democrat that, for a short time, that paper will be issued on a half sheet. Both gentlemen have our sincere sympathy in their afflictions.

HANDSOME AS EVER.—D. C. Ireland, Esq., editor of the Oregon City Enterprise, stepped into our sanctum on Tuesday last, looking as handsome as a red wagon. He is as sanguine as ever of the future of the Lowell of the Pacific coast. Ireland had on good "harness," and looked as though his inner man had been well cared for. He makes a first-class paper of the Enterprise, and deserves the hearty support of the Clackamas people. His arduous efforts in behalf of Oregon City and Clackamas county, the fruits of which are already apparent, gives him a claim upon them which should be met in a corresponding spirit of liberality. There is no human agency that equals a well conducted newspaper in rapidly advancing the growth and prosperity of a community.

ACCOUNTED FOR.—Two weeks ago we stated that the assessed value of taxable property in Linn county, for the year 1868, was half a million less than for the year 1867. The reason for this, as we learn from those who are fully informed on the matter, is that it was found that property in Linn was assessed at a much higher rate than any other county in the State; that under the high rate of assessment in 1867 we paid into the State treasury over \$500 more than any other county in the State during that year. Therefore the rate of assessment was lowered. Unimproved property, assessed at \$20 per acre in '67, in '68 was assessed at \$10 and \$12, thus decreasing the sum total of valuation a half million. Property has undoubtedly largely increased in value since 1867, but the assessments have been lowered to correspond with those of other counties.

CARD PICTURES.—We are indebted to Mr. J. A. Winter, of the Picture Gallery, for the presentation of a number of fine card pictures of our noted Generals, the late Emperor Maximilian and the Empress Carlotta, and other notabilities. Mr. Winter has recently received a large number of these pictures, which he will dispose of at very low figures at the Gallery. There is nothing like pictures for ornamenting the parlor or sitting-room.

TEMPERANCE LECTURE.—H. N. George, G. W. C. T. of Oregon, will lecture at the Congregational Church in this city, Tuesday evening, February 2d, on the subject of temperance. After the lecture, Mr. George will organize a "Band of Hope," a juvenile temperance association requiring no fees for membership. Mr. George is highly spoken of by the press of the State as an able and instructive lecturer, and we bespeak for him a full house.

PAID UP.—Quite a number of our subscribers have dropped in during the week and asked us for our autograph, paying us \$3 therefor. It is a very pleasant pastime, and we extend a general invitation to everybody to call and see us on the same terms—\$3 men will meet with a double welcome! Don't be bashful or backward about coming forward!

ELECTION NOTICE.—Attention is called to the advertisement of the meeting of the Albany Cemetery Association, on Friday the 5th of February, at the Court House, for the election of President, Treasurer and three Trustees of the Association.

FINE PROPERTY.—J. B. Montcith, Esq., offers for sale a first-class dwelling house and necessary outbuildings, all new, and four lots, in a desirable portion of the city, on low terms. For particulars inquire at P. T. Company's office, Albany.

FIRE MEETING.—The regular monthly meeting of Albany Engine Company No. 1, will be held at the Court House on Tuesday evening next at 6 1/2 o'clock. A full attendance is requested, as business of importance will come before the meeting.

STILL FREE.—We have heard of no small pox case in our city or vicinity up to this writing, and are in hopes that the precaution already taken will keep us free entirely.

THE CITY PRINTING.—Under this caption the Democrat of the 23d has an article that displays the usual wit and sprightliness that has ever characterized that sheet under its present management. The columns of the Democrat have constantly teemed with railings, bitter denunciations and scurrilous abuse of individual members of the Union party, whom it styles Radicals, charging them with wantonly and wickedly robbing the public treasury for their own aggrandizement, thus increasing the burdens of taxation which are now weighing down the energies of our people; but when it is shown that these robbers and thieves are bed-rock Democrats who have constantly affiliated with the Democratic party, instead of condemning it palliates their faults and little digressions from a strictly honest and upright course by the smacking plea of "precedent." Any criminal may put up this plea of "precedent" with equal propriety. And when this pretended conservator of the public weal is called upon and its theory put to the test, what is its practice? Let the facts answer: A City Council is elected; four of the Councilmen are Democrats, two are Union men. A committee is appointed by this Council to solicit bids for the city printing for the current year. Two bids are offered—the REGISTER offering to do the work for \$50, the Democrat putting the figure at \$75. Now here is a chance offered these self-sacrificing Democrats to show that they believed in the Democrat's theory, and that they believed the editor to be truthful and in earnest in his shrieks for economy in the public expenditures. They show their appreciation of his truthfulness and honesty in his attacks upon the extravagance and wastefulness of public servants, by voting the city printing to the Democrat at \$75, thus uselessly squandering \$25 of the tax payers' money. And the Democrat, that virtuous sheet, that pillar of Democracy, that shining light of Democratic honesty, late so terribly horrified at "Radical extravagance," with its wonted charitableness when Democrats were to suffer by the carrying out of its previously enunciated theory, excuses these worthy Democratic Councilmen on the glaringly dishonest ground that the squandering of twenty-five dollars is so small a matter that it isn't worth the mention! The principle is the same as if the city treasury had been robbed of twenty-five thousand dollars instead of twenty-five, Mr. Democrat, and your attempt at upholding the action of the Council in this matter is so weak and nonsensical that you are ashamed of it yourself. Every man gifted with common sense in this community, who has perused the Democrat for the last few months even, can and does see that it has, in this matter of the city printing, gone back on the record sought to be established by its teachings heretofore, and now virtually upholds robbing the people of even small sums, provided the robbing is done by Democrats for the benefit of Democrats. Here is the whole matter in a nut-shell. So long as Democrats do the squandering, throw away the people's money to benefit Democrats, you will hear no word of condemnation from this virtuous and honest editor; but let him even imagine the boot to be on the other foot, and his indignation and wrath at "wickedness in high places" would cause him to write column after column in leaded small pica crammed with the choicest billings-gate hurled at the heads of the guilty offenders.

WEATHER.—There has been a great deal of "unqualified" weather during the week. Not a day during the latter part of the week has it rained continually for more than twenty-four hours. And as we write, the soft patter of the rain upon the roof tells of the rich harvests of the coming summer, of the continuation of soft spots in the roads in which to fall, of muddy clothing, slippery sidewalks, and reminds us that some diabolical unconstructed cuss has stolen our umbrella! May the naughty thief who, of his own will, Took and toted off our n w ambril, Be hung and shot and killed and drowned, Till he's sent it back all safe and sound!

MARKETS.—It is said by the "oldest inhabitant" that our markets have never been so illy supplied "since," as they have been for the past few weeks. There appears to be no butter makers in the county.

VACCINATION.—We give this morning a highly interesting article on the subject of vaccination, from the pen of one of our first physicians, Dr. J. P. Tate. It is worthy a careful perusal by everyone.

PERSONAL.—Judge Thornton arrived in our city on Friday morning from the East. He seems to be in good health and spirits. We welcome him back to his old home.

SABE?—If we could find out who sent us that last lot of nice apples we didn't get we'd like to know which! Awful scarce apples is!

For the Register. Vaccination a Protection Against Small Pox.

Variola Vaccina or Cow Pox is a distinct disease, and is governed by certain laws as uniform in their operations as is that of any other. That it is a specific protection against small pox the civilized world has rested in the belief for the last seventy years, and those communities which have availed themselves of its advantages have been comparatively free from that much dreaded and most loathsome of all epidemics.

In those cases where vaccination has apparently failed, it has not been from any want of power in the vaccine principle to protect, but because the system was not brought fully under its influence. This may be justly inferred from the fact that the vast majority of those who have been vaccinated do not take the disease when exposed to it, while in those who do it is modified just to the extent to which they have been brought under the prophylactic influence of vaccination. An individual may have all the characteristic marks of a genuine vaccine pock, together with all the attendant constitutional symptoms of the disease, and yet not be fully protected. To ascertain this and to insure safety, revaccination is advised. If it takes we have the evidence that the protection was not complete, and vice versa, if after a fair trial it does not.

There is no more reason for the opinion that vaccination "runs out," or that its protective power ceases after a lapse of years, than that an attack of measles or whooping cough does not protect the person throughout the remainder of life from a subsequent attack, though some are of a different opinion. Leibig says: "The susceptibility of infection by the virus of human small pox must cease after vaccination, for the substance to the presence of which this susceptibility is owing has been removed from the body by a peculiar process of decomposition, artificially excited. But this substance may be again generated in the same individual, so that they may again become liable to contagion, and a second or a third vaccination will again remove the peculiar substance from the system."

It has therefore become the general practice to revaccinate at the commencement of each recurring epidemic, wherever there is danger of exposure to the disease. Every one whether liable to immediate exposure or not should be vaccinated in childhood, the period of life in which the system is most susceptible to contagion. From the fourth to the seventh month of infantile life is regarded as the best period for vaccination. The circulation being active and the opposing forces being comparatively weak, the system yields more thoroughly to the vaccine influence than at any other period of life.

A good deal of prejudice exists in the minds of many against transmitting the virus from one person to another. When properly done and with the necessary precautions it is just as safe and effectual as if taken directly from the cow.

It is very essential that the person from whom it is taken should be healthy. It is also equally or even more important that the virus should be taken from a genuine vaccine pock, and at the right time. Bad results may follow where the virus has been taken from an apparently healthy person, not from any previous constitutional taint in the individual from whom it was obtained, but because the vaccine infection was mixed with matter caused by inflammation other than that produced by simple vaccination. It is therefore of the highest importance that the virus should not only be obtained from a healthy subject, but that it should be selected by an experienced person, who shall have observed the development of the disease through its various stages until the virus is taken from the pock. By observing these precautions it may be transmitted from one to another for years, and perhaps for generations, without becoming inert or losing any of its prophylactic properties. But without them we are in danger of propagating from impure or worthless matter. Then vaccination is pronounced a failure. People lose confidence in it. The result is when small pox makes its appearance there is but little to oppose its spreading, and the rest we know, or at least the people of San Francisco do. T.

PACIFIC COAST ALMANAC.—We have received a copy of the Pacific Coast Almanac, published by Henry G. Langley San Francisco, Cal., for 1869. In extent, variety of subjects treated, reliability of statistics, it is a valuable work, and should be obtained by every business and professional man on the coast.

PERSONAL.—Col. Dow, editor of the Portland Commercial, sojourned in our city a day or two this week, looking after the interests of his paper.

ECLIPSE.—A partial eclipse of the moon occurred on Wednesday evening about 6 o'clock, as per announcement in our almanac. It was clearly observable by a large portion of those who witnessed the sight of it. The cause of these little affairs of the moon have been variously "put up" by various theorists. After lengthy and confounded research we epitomize onto the causes thusly: The majority of those who do not know a thing about the causes of a good many things preponderates over those who do in about the ratio of 93 million 500,000 and 231 to 0. This figuring may be a matter of twenty-eight or fifty pullion out of the way, but what's a few million more or less among so many? Persons who dispute these "obvious" figures are requested to form clubs in three or four different localities, each club to be composed of eighty-five persons (more or less), charging \$3 each as a membership fee, forward the total receipts to us, and we'll agree to "eliminate" on this important subject in such a plain and "palpable" manner that he who runs (slow) may read.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.—Council met Thursday evening, January 28th. Present—Mayor Standard; Councilmen, Nixon, Hackleman, Conley, Mealey and Marshall. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

A petition from P. H. Farrell, Jos. Bradley and others, asking for the construction of sidewalks from south-east corner of block 113, Hackleman's addition, to south-east corner of block 3, in the Eastern addition, to be completed within twenty days, was granted, and the property-holders within the said described limits ordered to build and complete said sidewalks within twenty days from this date.

Marshal Froman presented bill of \$2 75 for repairing crosswalks, which was allowed and ordered paid.

Messrs. Abbott & Brown presented bill of \$10 for job printing—referred to Finance Committee.

Councilman Cudiff entered and took his seat.

Councilman Hackleman reported that the Committee on Pest House had purchased of Mr. L. C. Burkhardt the place formerly occupied by Mr. Payton, consisting of 12 1/2 acres more or less, for the sum of \$275.

On motion it was ordered that the Recorder advertise to receive bids until Tuesday evening February 11th, at 6 o'clock, for building all crosswalks in the city, for the next ensuing year; also for gravelling the same.

Dr. Lister presented a bill of \$36 for service as Health Officer, which was received, placed on file and ordered paid. Council adjourned.

L. W. DOOLITTLE, Recorder.

ALBANY RETAIL MARKET.

Table listing various goods and their prices, including wheat, oats, flour, butter, sugar, and other commodities.

On the 26th California wheat was quoted in New York at \$2 05 @ 2 10. Flour at \$6 @ 11.

Liverpool dates of 26th quote California wheat at 11s 7d.

San Francisco market quotations to the 26th are as follows:

Flour—We quote local brands, superfine in sks, \$4 75 @ 4 87 1/2; extra \$5 75 @ 5 87 1/2.

Wheat—choice grades scarce at \$1 75 @ 1 77 1/2.

Barley—heavy, \$ 215 @ 2 25; for fair to choice \$2 25 @ 2 35.

Oats—Oregon, quotable at \$2 20 @ 2 35; California at \$2 10 @ 2 25.

NEW TO-DAY.

Cemetery Notice.—NOTICE is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Albany Cemetery Association at the Court House in Albany, on Friday the 5th of February, 1869, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a President, a Treasurer, and three Trustees of the Association.

A party of wood choppers in the Black Swamp, in Ohio, found an old earthen jar in the butt of a large hickory tree. The jar, which contained English and Spanish coins, ranging in date from 1597 to 1702, crumbled in pieces at the slightest touch.

The Bainbridge (Ga.) women have determined to abjure Northern goods and wear homespun only. The average Bainbridge woman must be a prodigy of self-denial.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

P. W. SPINK. A. CAROTHERS.

P. W. SPINK & CO., (SUCCESSORS TO H. W. MACK.)

Dealers in Tin, Sheet-Iron, Copperware,

STOVES!

First, between Washington & Ferry-sts. ALBANY, OREGON.

THE undersigned having purchased the stock formerly owned by M. W. Mack, and having made large additions thereto, now offer to the public the fullest and completest assortment of first-class goods in our line, yet offered in this market, consisting of:

PARLOR, BOX, HALL, COOKING STOVES,

of the following patterns: Buck, Black Knight, Golden Gate, Henry Clay, New Nation, Buckeye State, &c., &c., &c.,

from the best manufacturers, which they are offering at lowest rates.

Also, a large stock of French Sawpans, Ladles & Skimmers, Iron, Enamelled and Brass Kettles, Iron Tea-kettles and Ovens, Iron and Lead Pipe, Force & Lift Pumps,

and a full assortment of COWAN'S FITCHER PUMPS!

We will continue to keep on hand a large stock of NO. 1 TIN WARE!

which we will dispose of to dealers at the lowest market rates.

We are better prepared than ever to do all kinds of REPAIRING!

in a neat and workmanlike manner at short notice. Persons from the country will find it to their advantage to give us a call, as our facilities for manufacturing enable us to give a liberal discount.

Terms—Cash, or marketable Produce. P. W. SPINK & CO. Nov. 28, '68-12

MRS. DUNNIWAY TAKES PLEASURE IN INFORMING HER numerous patrons that she has on hand, and is in regular receipt of the Latest and Choicest Styles of Goods

—IN THE— Millinery Line!

REMEMBER, LADIES! If you purchase TEN DOLLARS WORTH of Fall Millinery you will be entitled to the Demorest Magazine, for the year 1869, as a premium on the purchase!

Dress and Cloak Making in all branches.

Bleaching and Pressing in the latest and best manner.

Goods Cheap and Patience Inexhaustible

Corner Main and Broad A'bin streets, ALBANY, OREGON. November 7, 1868-9

THE OLD STOVE DEPOT!

JOHN BRIGGS, DEALER IN

STOVES, COOK, PARLOR & BOX,

of the best patterns!

—ALSO— Tin, Sheet Iron and Copper Ware!

and the usual assortment of Furnishing Goods to be obtained in a

TIN STORE! Repairs neatly and promptly executed, on reasonable terms.

"Short reconstructions, make long friends."

Front street.....Albany. Next door to Mansfield & Co. dec 5 '68-12.

BLACKSMITHING!

PLOWS! PLOWS! PLOWS!

THE undersigned gives notice to the general public, that he is now manufacturing the Galesburg Patent Plow!

and any other style of plow that may be ordered. Also, particular attention paid to

Horse Shoeing, Wagon and Carriage Making, and General Jobbing.

All work entrusted to me will receive prompt attention, and be executed in the best possible manner with good material. A share of public patronage is solicited. Shop on corner Ellisworth and Second streets, opposite Pierce's Ferry. F. WOOD. Albany, November 21, 1868-11

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

L. SENDERS. M. STERNBERG. J. VERICHERER. SENDERS, STERNBERG & CO., DEALERS IN

STAPLE DRY GOODS

First street, in J. B. Montcith's Brick Building. ALBANY, OREGON.

THE ABOVE NEW FIRM TAKES PLEASURE in informing the citizens of Linn county that they have just opened a well selected stock of

FANCY DRY GOODS!

BOOTS AND SHOES! GROCERIES!

and a full assortment of General Merchandise!

Which they will dispose of for CASH OR COUNTRY PRODUCE!

—AT— FAIR LIVING RATES!

We respectfully ask the public to CALL AND EXAMINE OUR STOCK AND PRICES!

Before purchasing elsewhere, and we assure all that we will give Entire Satisfaction to Prompt Customers

—ALSO— We have a Branch House, long established, at

SOUTH BROWNSVILLE,

where we keep a large and well selected stock of GENERAL MERCHANDISE!

Albany, Nov. 14, 1868-10

POSITIVELY SELLING AT COST!

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY give notice to the public in general, that they will sell their WELL SELECTED STOCK

—OF— DRY GOODS!

Boots & Shoes! CLOTHING!

—AND— GENERAL MERCHANDISE!

from and after this date AT COST!

Those desiring to make purchases will do well to Call Immediately!

as we desire to close out Our Entire Stock!

on the above terms, FOR CASH!

OR MERCHANTABLE PRODUCE!

All persons knowing themselves indebted to the undersigned, are requested to come forward without delay, and settle their indebtedness, as we are determined to close our mercantile business, and collect our dues.

W. W. PARRISH & CO. Albany, Nov. 28, 1868-12

C. MEALEY & CO.,

DEALERS IN & MANUFACTURERS OF FURNITURE!

—and— CABINET WARE!

Bedding, Etc., Corner First and Broad Albin streets, ALBANY, OREGON.

PARTICULAR ATTENTION PAID TO ORDERS OF ALL KINDS

in our line. October 31, 1868-8

FURNING. - - TURNING.

I AM PREPARED TO DO ALL KINDS OF TURNING! I keep on hand and make to order RAWHIDE-BOTTOMED CHAIRS

—AND— Spinning Wheels

Shop near the "Margolis Mills." JOHN M. METZLER Albany, Nov. 28, 1868-12