

The Albany Register.

SATURDAY, MAY 1, 1869.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

San Francisco Legal Tender rates..... 76 1/2
New York Gold quotations..... 133 1/2

HOMICIDE.—A tragedy was enacted in our usually peaceful and quiet city, on the night of the 24th, which caused a shudder of horror to run through the entire community. The facts as narrated to us are about these: About 9 o'clock on the evening of Saturday last, Mr. John A. Simms, a reputed sporting character, entered the saloon of Mr. Wm. Gird, on Second street, and asked Mr. Gird to take a drink, which invitation was accepted. Mr. E. E. Turk, barkeeper of the saloon, was busy attending to a raffle which had just come off at the saloon, and Mr. Gird stepped behind the bar to do the honors. Upon this, Simms remarked (witnesses disagree as to the exact language used by Simms), in substance, that if he had a barkeeper he would see that he waited on customers. Mr. Turk remarked, probably you don't like the barkeeper. Simms answered, I don't, and witnesses say, made a motion as if to draw his revolver. Thereupon (using the language as given to us), "Turk said 'draw,' at the same time reaching under the counter, bringing out his revolver and commenced firing at Simms." Turk fired at Simms four or five times, three of the shots taking effect. It is supposed that the first shot paralyzed Simms, as he did not succeed in getting his revolver out of its scabbard. Simms slowly retired from the bar, after the first shot, and sank to the floor, dead. The shots were fired rapidly and with great precision. One shot went directly through the heart and came out near the back bone; another shot went through the right arm between the elbow and shoulder, not injuring the bone, and the third entered the body at the navel. A. N. Arnold, J. P., acting as Coroner, summoned a jury, on the same evening, who, from the evidence adduced, found that deceased came to his death from wounds inflicted by a pistol in the hands of E. E. Turk. The Sheriff took charge of the prisoner until Monday, when a preliminary examination was had before S. A. Johns, County Judge. From evidence adduced before this Court it appears that Simms had threatened the life of Turk, both before and on his entrance into the saloon. Among other things, witnesses testified that after entering the saloon on the evening in question, deceased said (using rather harsh language) that there was a man in the saloon that had to go down on his knees and apologize, or one of them would be dead before twelve o'clock. After a full hearing of all the evidence, Judge Johns decided that the killing was done in self-defense, and ordered the discharge of the prisoner. It was truly a lamentable affair, and we hope its like may never occur again to disturb the even current of events, and shock the sensibilities of our heretofore peaceable and law-abiding community.

MANUFACTURES.—Compelled to a strict and close attention to business since our residence in Albany, we have had little time to devote to looking up the various interests that go to build up and, if we may use the expression, give tone to this community. Hereafter we shall take a "spin" occasionally, and note our observations. On Thursday last, our attention having been called to a bran new thorough-brace wagon, and learning that our friends, Messrs. Wadsworth & Fox, were the artists who had done the brushwork, we dropped into their shop a few moments to see what was what. The shop of our painter friends was filled with various four-wheeled vehicles in all the various stages of completion; some of them "primed," others painted and striped, and others again shining as bright as a new dollar with their finishing coat of the best varnish. There can't be nothing prettier than a bran new red wagon. The vehicles were of the very best construction, and for beauty, strength and durability, are unequalled anywhere. The wood-work of these wagons was executed by Messrs. Kuhn & Adams; the blacksmithing by Mr. S. Miller, and the painting by Messrs. Wadsworth & Fox. These gentlemen show by their work that they thoroughly understand the different branches of their business, and intend, by good, honest work, to entitle themselves to the patronage of this community. Success to honest industry, my we.

FIRE ENGINE.—The fire engine bought by the city for the use of Albany Fire Company, arrived at Portland the first of the present week, and is being

PLOWING MATCH.—Mr. O. C. Jones, Secretary of the Linn County Agricultural Society, kindly furnishes us with the report of the plowing match held at the Society's grounds last Saturday:

In pursuance of previous notice, the plowing match for gang plows was held on Saturday, April 24th. There was quite a large attendance of the citizens of Linn county, and a deep interest was manifested by all present. Eight gang plows were entered, and all of them were thoroughly and fairly tested. Good work was done by all, to the credit of the Oregon farmers, showing the development of their agricultural interests, and the general advancement of all the industries of the State. This is as it should be, and the result must prove of great benefit. The entries were made as follows:

1. Martin Luper—Gang Plow of his own invention and build.
2. L. E. Street—Sweepstakes Gang Plow, invented by J. W. Seely and manufactured by Blake & Hamilton, San Francisco, California.
3. J. W. Lewis—Challenge Gang Plow, invented by W. Mason and manufactured by J. W. Lewis, Oregon City.
4. N. Vorhies—Sattley's Patent Gang Plow, manufactured by Baker & Hawley, Decatur, Illinois.
5. J. C. Walgamot—Pfeil Patent Gang Plow, manufactured by J. W. Lewis, Oregon City. The first premium (\$10) was awarded to this plow.
6. F. Shedd—Gang Plow invented and manufactured by himself.
7. E. H. Griffin—Gang Plow invented and built by himself. The second premium (\$5) was awarded to this plow.
8. C. F. Gay—Gay's Gang Plow (patent applied for), invented and manufactured by C. F. Gay, Albany.

There will be another plowing match at the Linn County Fair ground, on Saturday, May 8th, 1869, at 10 o'clock A. M., for single plows, either held by hand, or attached to wheels or sulky. First premium (\$10) ten dollars; second premium (\$5) five dollars. The plows must be of Oregon manufacture.

CITY COUNCIL.—Met Friday evening, pursuant to adjournment. Present, Mayor Stanard; Councilmen Mealey, Comley, Marshall and Hackleman.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting were dispensed with. The Committee appointed to procure the advice and services of a lawyer concerning the assessment and taxing the city, reported that they had procured the services of Mr. Crauer came forward and read some law in regard to taxes, and gave it as his opinion that indebtedness within the State of Oregon might be taken out of assessment.

On motion, it was ordered that the Council proceed, to-morrow evening, to adjust and equalize city assessments.

On motion, adjourned to meet to-morrow (Saturday) evening, at 4 o'clock.

SATURDAY, April 24.
Council met. Present, Councilmen Comley, Cundiff and Hackleman. There not being a quorum, Council adjourned to meet on Wednesday evening, April 28th, at 8 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, April 28.
Council met. Present, Mayor Stanard; Councilmen Hackleman, Mealey, Comley and Nixon.

On motion, the Council agreed to meet on Thursday evening, May 6th, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of finishing the equalization of the city assessment, and ordered that the Recorder be required to post notices to that effect.

On motion, Council adjourned to meet on Thursday evening.

L. W. DOOLITTLE, Rec.

COUNTY TAXES.—The time for the payment of taxes having passed, the County Commissioners have issued a warrant and authorized the Sheriff to levy on the goods and chattels of all who are delinquent on the tax book for 1868. The Sheriff, wishing to save the costs and expense to the taxpayers, requests them to come forward within ten days, pay up and save themselves the extra expense and him the trouble that will be necessitated unless they pay up within that time.

LINN COUNTY FAIR FOR 1869.—The next annual fair of the Linn County Agricultural Association will commence September 28th, and continue four days. To all interested in the industrial pursuits and interests of the State, a cordial invitation is given to attend and compete for premiums.

ALBANY INSTITUTE.—Opened on Monday. Mr. Finlayson and Miss Clara Price have had charge during the week. President Geary, it is understood, takes charge next Monday.

FIRE MEETING.—The regular meeting of the Fire Company, transpires on Tuesday night.

PERSONAL.—We had the pleasure of meeting the prince of clothing merchants, Mr. Isaac Barman, of Barman Bros., Portland, on the steamer Albany, on Tuesday last. He informed us that they were disposing of their large stock of new and fashionable gents and boys clothing, &c., at reduced rates—lower than any other house in Portland. Connected with the house is a tailoring establishment, where orders for any style or make of clothing are received and filled promptly. Mr. Barman intends starting for Europe in August, where he intends laying in an immense stock of goods especially for this market, and the wish to get rid of the present stock, to make way for the new goods, prompts the great reduction from former prices. Call on Barman Bros. when in Portland, and see for yourselves.

STYLE.—Everybody likes to look well and be considered well dressed. There's no disputing that, is there? And there's no article of dress that adds so much to a gentleman's "outfit" as a neat fitting, tasty boot. A great, awkward, coarse, ill-fitting shoe or boot, built like an old-fashioned scow or a cow-catcher, mars the beauty and fit of the balance of the attire. A neatly got up boot costs no more than its opposite; and an attempt to "run on shape" without the former, shows less "comprehension" than in trying to cut wood with a hammer! If a neat and elegant looking boot is what you want, go to neighbor Bentley's, and let that artist in leather, Mr. Jones, take the dimensions of your foot, and we'll warrant as pretty a fit as can be made out of leather. That's what's the matter of us.

AUCTION.—The household and kitchen furniture of J. B. Sprenger, Esq., will be offered at auction, on Monday next, the 3d inst., commencing at one o'clock P. M. The goods for sale consists of tables, chairs, wash-stands, bedsteads, lamps, stoves and pipe, dishes, matting, kitchen furniture, bedding, a large water tank, and various other articles. At this sale an opportunity will be afforded those who attend to purchase goods at auction figures. Now is your chance. Remember, Monday at one o'clock in the afternoon.

PLOWING MATCH.—The Linn County Agricultural Association announce that another plowing match will be had, on Saturday, May 8th, 1869, on their grounds about one mile south of this city. This match is for single plows, either held by hand or attached to wheels or sulky, of Oregon manufacture. Two premiums are offered—ten and five dollars. Regulations same as in the match for gang-plows.

LAST SATURDAY.—Owing to press of business on last Saturday, we were not present at the trial of gang-plows on the Fair grounds, but learn that a goodly number of persons were present, and much interest was manifested in the result of the contesting plows. A full and interesting report, from the Secretary of the Association, Mr. A. C. Jones, will be found in another place.

DOCUMENTS.—Our thanks are due Congressmen Mallory and Smith, and Senators Williams and Corbett, for Congressional favors. Among the rest is the report of the majority of the Senate Committee on Pacific Railroad, which is accompanied by a map giving the proposed line of the Oregon Branch of the Pacific Railroad, etc.

COMING BACK.—We learn that our old townsman, Judge G. H. Baber, who has been residing near St. Helena, Napa county, California, has disposed of his interests there and will soon return to this city to take up a permanent residence among us. He will receive a hearty welcome at the hands of his many warm friends upon his arrival.

ELOPED.—A man by the name of J. J. Reid eloped with Martha M. Linder, the wife of Robert Linder, of Brownsville, on Monday last. Mr. Linder announces that he will not hereafter be responsible for any debts contracted by her.

JAS. S. SEELY.—Mr. Seely is hereby informed that if he will call on our worthy Postmaster, E. A. Freeland, Esq., he will hear of something to his advantage in the money line. He should call immediately, otherwise the cash will be forwarded to the dead letter office at Washington City.

COUNTY FAIR.—From the gentlemanly Secretary, we learn that the next annual Fair of the Linn County Agricultural Association will be opened on Tuesday, September 28th, 1869, and continue till Friday, October 1st—four days.

CELEBRATIONS.—Telegrams from the East give glowing accounts of the celebration by the Odd Fellows of the semi-centennial anniversary of the order in the United States, in all the large cities. Immense processions filled the streets, and vast sums of money were expended in decorations, &c., on the occasion. They are generally spoken of as the grandest affairs ever witnessed in the United States.

BUTTER AND EGGS.—Mr. Cheadle advertises that he will pay twenty-five cents per dozen for eggs, for the next thirty days, and twenty-five cents per pound for good merchantable butter, for two or three months to come. Mr. Cheadle has a fine stock of new goods, and is one of the most liberal dealers in this city.

TILLING THE SOIL.—A letter, dated the 26th, informs us that Mr. I. S. Waldrip, late of this city, has found a home near McMinnville, Yamhill county, and that hereafter he will engage in the noble and independent occupation of tilling the soil. May success and happiness, that always attends good men and true such as he, be with him and his in their new home.

PIE PLANT.—Mr. John Millard presented us with some huge specimens of Pie Plant, of the Victoria variety, on Thursday last, that are hard to beat for size and flavor. Mr. Millard is one of the most successful and energetic growers in the Willamette valley.

BUSINESS.—Trade generally has been brisk during the past week, more so than for sometime past, and as a consequence our advertisers generally look happy and contented. Money, however, is still taken at coin rates at this office.

RUMOR.—Had it that some Indians just below the city had an altercation on Thursday night, during which one of the noble red men was slain. We could trace the rumor to no reliable source.

CALLED.—Our smiling and handsome brother typo, Frank Hill, Esq., dropped in on us Wednesday. Frank, at present on the Albany, is one of the most popular Stewards on the Willamette river.

SPRING RACES.—Who knows anything about them? Where is the Jockey Club? If we are to have any trials of bottom and speed, in the line of horseflesh, isn't it time to be moving in the matter?

U. S. LAWS.—For want of time and space we are compelled to omit our usual quantity of U. S. laws in this number. We intend to issue soon a supplement containing nothing else but law.

POSTAL AGENT.—The new Postal Agent for Oregon and Washington and Idaho Territories, Hon. Ben. Underwood, passed through our city on Friday, on his way to his home in Eugene.

PICNIC.—The Union Sunday School picnic comes off to-day in Hackleman's grove. Be there by ten o'clock or you will not hear the oration.

FELO DE SE.—A late telegram from the East gives an account of a lady, aged eighty-nine years, who committed *felo de se* by throwing herself into the river.

RETURNED.—Messrs. Nixon and Montgomery have returned from their trip to White Pine. They made an unprecedentedly quick trip.

DUST.—The fine weather of the past week has pretty effectually dried up the mud, and the dusty period will soon set in.

TAKEN TO HARRISBURG.—The remains of John A. Simms were removed to Harrisburg, on Monday, by friends, for interment.

THANKS.—For some magnificent pastry, sent to this office during the week by a lady friend, we offer our best bow and heartiest thanks.

THE WEATHER.—During the week has been beautiful, warm during the day with cool mornings and nights.

SUGGESTIVE.—A signboard but a short distance from this city reads thusly: "Muddy Two Miles."

THE EYES! THE EARS!

DR. T. L. GOLDEN,
OCULIST AND AURIST,
ALBANY, OREGON.

DR. GOLDEN IS A SON OF THE NOTED
Old Ophthalmic Doctor, S. C. Golden.
Dr. GOLDEN has had experience in treating the various diseases to which the eye and ear are subject, and feels confident of giving entire satisfaction to those who may place themselves under his care.
Albany, April 10, 1869-317

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. DENNY,
UNDERTAKER

—and—
Manufacturer and Dealer
in all kinds of

FURNITURE & CABINET WARE,
MATRASSES, ETC.,

Under the "States Rights Democrat" office,
FIRST STREET. : : : **ALBANY.**
(Oct 24 '68-7)

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

Dealers in
Tin, Sheet-Iron, Copperware,

—AND—
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 complete assortment of first-class goods in our line, yet offered in this market, consisting of

PARLOR, BOX, HALL,
... and ...

COOKING STOVES,
of the following patterns:

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 Saucepans, 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 PITCHER 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

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

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 Ellsworth and Second streets, opposite Pierce's Ferry.
ALBANY, November 21, 1868-11
F. WOOD.

NOTICE.—All persons receiving their mail at the Post office at Lebanon, are hereby notified that the office will be kept open an hour after the arrival of the mail on Sundays, after which it will be closed for the day. The office will not be open until the mail arrives.

S. H. CLAUGHTON, P. M.
January 9, 1869-18ml

FURNING. - - TURNING.

I AM PREPARED TO DO
ALL KINDS OF TURNING:
I keep on hand and make to order

RAWDIDE-BOTTOMED CHAIRS,
—AND—
Spinning Wheels.

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

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

L. SENDERS, M. STERNBERG, J. FLEISCHNER.
SENDERS, STERNBERG & CO.

DEALERS IN
STAPLE DRY GOODS

First street, W. W. Parrish & Co.'s Brick,
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

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 reckonings, make long friends."
Front street.....Albany.
Next door to Mansfield & Co.
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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