

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1889.

U. S. Official Paper for Oregon.

At Owyhee, on the 18th of September, a fall of snow occurred.

One thousand tons of hay have been cut, the present season, in the Goose Lake country.

The millers at Walla Walla (W. T.), are now paying 80 cents per bushel for all the wheat offered.

Judge Dennison and Dr. Baker are appointed delegates to represent Washington Territory in the National Capital Convention at St. Louis.

Elder Ezra T. Brown, one of the Twelve Apostles of the Mormon Church, died recently, and the *Deseret News* is put in mourning in consequence.

Mrs. Lucy Stone said, in addressing the women's suffrage convention, at Chicago: "When women vote, you won't have to pay so much for votes as you do now."

MORE STOCK.—Messrs. O. P. Tompkins & Co. received by boat yesterday, another large lot of stoves, tinware, &c.

Owing to our being short-handed in the office, we are compelled to omit several local items, &c.

WHEAT RECEIPTS.—Up to Thursday last, Messrs. Beach & Monteith had received, for the six days, six thousand eight hundred and forty-six bushels and fifteen pounds of wheat.

NEW STOCK.—Yesterday's steamer brought us a large stock of cards, inks, type, card-cutter, etc., which enables us to fill all orders for plain and ornamental printing in good style, on short notice, and at very low figures.

ENLARGED.—To-day we issue our WEEKLY in the enlarged form. Our endeavor shall be to print a first-class newspaper, making local affairs a specialty. The WEEKLY is mailed to subscribers in any part of the county for \$3 per annum in advance.

APOLOGY.—Our advertising patrons will please bear with us and look over our short comings during the week. Several ads. were left out because we could not obtain force enough to put them in type. We will try and "make it all right" next week.

NEW ENGLAND MUTUAL LIFE.—See the card of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company, located at Boston. This is one of the oldest, safest and best managed of the various insurance companies. Messrs. Russell & Elkins are the gentlemanly agents in this city.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—Late last evening, at the Fair ground, a young man named George Usher was thrown from his horse, and severely injured. He was exercising his horse on the race track, when the animal reared and fell backward, falling on his rider. Physicians were immediately sent for, and late last evening were still working with him. Whether the man is wounded unto death, or whether his "damages" are more painful than dangerous, we could not learn last night.

THE ADDRESS.—The address was delivered at the hour announced yesterday, and was attentively listened to by a large audience. It is unnecessary for us to say that it was an excellent production, and replete with interesting facts, which should be spread before the people. The Society should immediately order the Agricultural Address printed, and circulate copies freely throughout the county and State. They owe this to the gentleman who so ably discharged the duty required of him, and common politeness and custom require it at their hands. We hope to see this matter attended to at once.

EAST OF THE MOUNTAINS.—Mr. R. S. Belknap has just returned from a prolonged prospecting and exploring trip east of the mountains. He reports many interesting facts relative to the size, fertility and future importance of several fine valleys, including Sprague's river, Goose Lake, and numerous other smaller valleys, all capable of sustaining a large population. He also reports the route proposed for the branch railroad to this valley from the Central Pacific, as traversing a beautiful country, through passes of easy grade, and making, in his opinion, the best mountain route ever surveyed for the same distance. La Lake, chief of the Klamath Indians, had quite a lengthy conversation with Mr. B., and, presuming upon his early acquaintance, became quite confidential, and gumbled very much because the Superintendent of Indian Affairs had not yet distributed the annuities promised them more than a year ago. He intimated, rather savagely, that if the Indian Department did not adhere more strictly to the conditions of the treaty, the tomahawk would be unsheathed, and the innumerable tribes of noble red men on our borders would, with one fell swoop, exterminate the last Boston.

How should the limbs of the law be clothed? In Broches of promise.

THE LINN COUNTY FAIR.

TUESDAY, Sept. 28.

The day opened showery, dark and chilly, and the rain continued, with slight intermissions, to pour down upon the heads of those who, hoping the weather would "clear up" eventually, wended their way to the Agricultural Association's grounds, situated about one mile south-west from this city, on the banks of the beautiful but tortuous Calipoolia. The rain has laid the dust most effectually, and should it cease with to-day, the riding to and from the grounds will be much more pleasant than last season. All will remember the terrific clouds of dust that filled the air and almost shut out the light of the noon-day sun on the occurrence of the last Fair, and will be amply repaid for the unpleasantness of to-day, provided to-morrow ushers in a cloudless day. However, our business is to speak of things as we find them, which we proceed to do.

On arriving at the Fair grounds we found more people than we expected, yet less than half as many as there would have been had the weather proved favorable. About four hundred visitors were on the grounds during the day. Several head of fine cattle have arrived since yesterday, and shortly after we drove in, a wagon containing hogs, followed by a fine bull, made its appearance. Very few additions, however, have been made since our report of yesterday. We looked as well as we could for the rain-drops that filled the air, for agricultural implements, wagons, buggies, etc., but, alas! the rain had prevented their appearance, too, with the exception of one solitary gang plow, which the heavy shower of rain at the moment of discovery kept us from noticing in detail. We learned that it was built in Lane county, on "Long Tom," by the Messrs. Cox, and is called the "Oregon Banter Plow." It is a queer looking machine, anyhow, and deserves a better notice.

Not finding anything of sufficient interest on the "outside" to tempt us to stand a good soaking, we turned our attention to the contents of the

PAVILION.

Where our visual organs were not greeted with a very extended show of articles, averaging, however, with the first day of last year. The everlasting, unceasing, dampening, overwhelming "mists" have, doubtless, prevented exhibitors from making their appearance with the articles that, to our eye, lend the greatest attraction to the scenes at the Fair. What few articles were on exhibition were of the best quality and finest fabric. The gentlemanly Superintendent, J. C. Mendenhall, Esq., and friend Millard, showed us around. We saw some gigantic pumpkins, huge squashes, cabbages, beets, tomatoes, Irish potatoes, apples, such as Oregon only can raise, sweet and pop corn, one cage of large white rabbits, do. of duck, do. of pigeons, several beautiful quilts, washing machine, a most magnificent stove, called the "Barstow Cook," the finest looking, and doubtless the most useful piece of "kitchen furniture" in its line ever built; Hughes (Cal) Grain Separator, sewing machines, and some splendid specimens of crab apples, the largest we ever saw. Some beautiful pictures, neatly framed, were suspended on the walls, one frame neatly got up in leather-work, guileless of picture, and a splendid specimen of wax work, which attracted universal attention, and which, we were informed, was "built" by a fair lady residing in Ochoco valley. On the opposite side of the pavilion were shelves, upon which we noticed preserved fruits, pickles, wine, etc., etc.

Should the rain continue, we shall not be compelled to write a very long report of the articles on exhibition at the Linn Co. Fair for 1889; but we are in hopes that the weather will "let up" for a week at least, and that to-morrow will usher in "smiling" weather, and thus make many hearts happy that are now sad with the thought that the articles which they, with so much care, skill and patience, have labored diligently to get ready for the Fair, will not "see it" on account of the "confabulous" rain. Hoping and praying that the weather for the balance of the week, may prove more favorable, we proceed to give the result of the

RACES.

The races were the principal and almost the only feature of the Fair yesterday. All of them were spiritedly contested, and some first-rate time was made, considering the slippery condition of the track. The first was single pacing, one mile, with the following entries: Geo. Hughes, enters "Jenny Lind." J. D. Scott, enters "June Apple." S. Montgomery, enters "Doc Tate." "Jenny Lind" taking the second, and "June Apple" the first premiums. The second was running race, 1 mile, 2 year olds, with the following entries: Dave Lewis, enters "Dashaway." C. Nanny, enters "Barefoot Mare." J. M. Cottell, enters "Dave." The "Barefoot Mare" took the second, and "Dave" the first premium. The third was similar to the above, for three year olds: L. P. Younger, enters "Eliza Lee." Hugh Fields, enters "Buckskin Bill." Wm. Moyer, enters "Bill." "Bill" was adjudged the second, and

"Buckskin Bill" the first, premium.

The fourth was trotting, two year olds, one mile.

F. Parton, enters "Black Bess." J. H. Kincaid, enters "Bazzard Head." "Bazzard" took the second, and "Bess" the first premium.

Fifth was more trotting, four year olds, two entries: C. Barnes, enters "Minnie Parton." S. Montgomery, enters "Black Maria." "Minnie Parton" made the two miles in 8.19, and took the first premium. Considering the condition of the track, and the almost ceaseless fall of rain, this was considered a good race.

The last was trotting, best single buggy horse:

C. Barnes, enters "Minnie Parton." John Crawford, enters "Nellie." Wm. Gird, enters "Gangler." J. H. Kincaid, enters "Jim." "Gangler" taking the first, and "Nellie" the 2d, premium.

Second Day.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 29.

This morning opened cloudy, with intervals of sunshine, but the threatening and lowering clouds deterred many from attempting to visit the grounds. Several slight showers fell during the morning, but they partook more of the character of the regular Oregon "mist," than they did of the rainfall of Tuesday. As we happened to be caught in one of Tuesday's showers, far from shelter and without our cotton "ambriel," we have a distinct recollection of saying, there and then, that it was d—reaching. During the afternoon, although the clouds were constantly shifting and changing, and making old Sol's face look as though he had been struck with a big dab of mud, yet no rain fell. And although a great deal of *chuck* has been precipitated upon the bosom of mother earth hereabouts, in the last few days, the roads are in very fair condition, and require but twenty-four hours of fair weather to make them perfectly splendid.

The attendance to-day was twice or thrice as large as yesterday—at a low estimate, we should place the number at eight hundred, men, women and children. Arriving on the grounds late in the afternoon, we were pleasantly surprised to see the great alteration that the "rift in the clouds" had made. We took a spin around to see what additions had been made to the show during the morning. In the stock line we counted five pens of sheep, four of swine, quite a number of cattle—and this was about all. The people about the booths seemed to be enjoying themselves in eating, drinking and making merry. The swings were "running full," and the velocipedists near by were surrounded by a wondering and amused crowd. How little will make some people happy!

Finding matters proceeding as well as could be wished, we strolled into the Pavilion. Here a wondrous change is perceptible. Upon entering, you first catch sight of a show-case filled with various articles for a lady's toilet, elegantly gotten up, doing credit to the artistic skill and taste of the fair maker. Next appears a magnificent bureau, a splendid piece of workmanship; a box of Van Allen's Quarter Dime Soap; large additions to the "sweets" department; also, a perfect deluge of ladies' home work, quilts, dresses, table-covers, chenille-worked sofa pillows or bolsters, shell-work frames containing feather work, carpets, blankets, flowers, etc. However, as we only gave the articles a passing glance, we shall postpone further remarks until to-morrow.

The attendance of ladies, not forgetting the children also, this afternoon, was very fair, with faces as genial and smiling as the sunshine of spring after the dark cloudy days of winter have passed. The indications now are that the Fair will be a satisfactory success.

The observations of yesterday and to-day cannot but convince every one in attendance of the necessity of giving greater encouragement in rendering the Pavilion the chief point of attraction. There is the place where the ladies are interested, and a fair without ladies is only an apology for a Fair with the fair left out. There is where the artisan brings the result of his skill, and asks that encouragement which its importance demands. There, too, is where the agricultural department is represented, where the farmer is particularly interested, and should be made to feel that the fruits of his toil receive the just recompense of reward. This is the central point, the prime feature of all Fairs, and rightfully demands more attention and greater encouragement at the hands of those who have the management of them committed to their care.

In the way of races, we have nothing to record, as the track was too heavy, and the programme of to-day stands over for to-morrow.

As we go to press the indications are that the weather will put on its best behavior to-morrow, giving everybody a chance to see and be seen.

About five hundred entries had been made, up to the middle of the afternoon, and they were still coming. At a meeting of the Directors to-day, it was decided to continue the Fair over Saturday.

Third Day.

THURSDAY, Sept. 30.

To-day opened somewhat cloudy, and the least mite of "mist" fell in the morning; but towards noon the clouds vanished, and the sun unrolled himself, to the great joy of the hundreds of anxious hearts intent on pleasure and sight-seeing during the holiday week.

The crowd to-day was still an improvement on that of yesterday. When we left the grounds, late in the afternoon,

crowds were still hurrying Fairward, determined on seeing the elephant, if it took the last cent.

We noticed several additions to the exhibition to-day, in the way of vehicles, machinery, etc. A very neat, durable and handsome thoroughbred express wagon attracted much attention. It was manufactured by Messrs. Kuhn & Adams, of this city, and does them credit. A neat, light, open buggy was also on exhibition. We were told it was manufactured in San Francisco. The new brick machine, recently invented by John S. McCallister, was on show. This is probably the best brick-making over invented. Quite a number of gang plows, and a combined gang