The Albany Register.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1870.

U. S. Official Paper for Oregon.

Latest Lightning.

Morton introduced a bill to enforce the 15th amendment.

On the 14th ground was broken on the Quincy, Northern and Pacific Railroad.

Henry Wells has been confirmed as Secretary of New Mexico.

Two hundred cases of relapsing fever have been reported in New York city.

New York cityites sent 20,000 valentines thro' the post on the 14th.

The death of William Harper, of Harper Brothers, is announced.

The Supreme Court declines to interfere in the sentence of Dr. Shoephe.

The Senate Judiciary Committee will report favorably on the nomination of Bradley and Strong for Justices of the Supreme Court.

A Peace Conference from the South American Republics will be held in Washington in six weeks.

Information is furnished the State Department showing that the Cuban insurrection is growing weaker.

The arrest of parties implicated in the alleged conspiracy were still being made by the Paris police.

The scheme for the Pacific Railroad through British Territory is well received by London bankers, and it is thought the capital will be furnished.

It has been proven that Whitmore, member of Congress from South Carolina, demanded and received $5,000 for a cadet appointment. He will probably be expelled. Guilt has also been fastened on a member of the House from Alabama.

Money contributed to the Rawlins' fund has been paid in, and will be invested in first-class securities; and the income divided equally between the widow and children.

Emperor Napoleon has recently invested in U. S. bonds and deposited them in London for safe keeping. Similar investments were made for the Empress and Prince Imperial.

In St. Louis, on the 14th, Capt. John J. Roe, one of the largest pork packers and provision dealers in the country, died suddenly of apoplexy. He had amassed a fortune of $3,000,000.

The Judiciary Committee reported a bill to increase the salaries of the Chief-Justice and Associate-Justices of the Supreme Court. The bill provides that after June 1st, 1870, the salary of the Chief-Justice shall be $12,000, and each Associate-Justice, $10,000. An amendment provides further that the salary of Circuit Judges shall be $6,500 and District Judges, $5,000.

Recent advices say that the insurrection against Juarez is making rapid progress. The strength of the revolutionists is in the very heart of the Republic of Mexico, and the Liberals, Conservatives and imperialists are making common cause against Juarez. The insurgents have possession of the States of San Louis Potosi, Beacres, Acua Diente and Janisce. An extensive conspiracy against the Government has been discovered in Puebla, and symptoms of a revolution have appeared in Vera Cruz. Gen. Negrete is preparing to sweep down upon the National Capital from the Sierras, and has registered an oath to Shoot Juarez, Romero and Mejia on sight. Two battles have already been fought in the vicinity of San Luis. The result of the first was doubtful, but in the second the Government troops were badly beaten. The Mexican Congress before adjourning invested Juarez with ample power, thus virtually making him Dictator. It is believed in Vera Cruz that Juarez will not be able to retain power longer than four months.

DROUTH IN CALIFORNIA.—The Los Angeles *Republican* says that the drouth still continues in that portion of California, and many cattle have died in the neighborhood of the city. Several of the principal stock owners are are about to drive their cattle to the Fort Tejon region, where there is better hope of subsisting them. The editor says that cows which one month ago would readily command $100 each, are now selling at $40. The trade of Los Angeles is dull, in the language of the editor, "the bottom seems to have dropped out of every thing," and is only accountable for on the supposition that traders are panic stricken. "The country is full of grain, which will bring a good price. The low lands at Compton, El Monte and Los Nietos are all plowable, and will produce large crops without any rain," and therefore there is no reason, says the editor, in the present want of confidence.

THE MORMON QUESTION.—This vexed question which has troubled the people of the United States not a little, is about, as it would seem from report, to be settled by the Mormons themselves. Brigham Young, arrogating to himself absolute control both of the spiritual and temporal affairs of his people, has stirred up a spirit of dissension which bids fair to shiver the whole system of Mormonism from center to circumference. Some of the most wealthy of the leaders are engaged in the fight against Brigham.

ORIGINAL.—The San Francisco *Figaro* says that the recent discussion of the Fifteenth Amendment, in the Legislature, has developed a great deal of native talent. In the course of his speech, Mr. Murphy gave out the following brilliant and original passage: "I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty or give me death."

REAL TRAGEDY.—During a performance at Amsterdam of "La Belle Helene," recently, the actor who played Menelaus died on the stage from the rupture of an artery. The audience laughed thinking it a part of the play.

The Fejee Islanders want to be annexed to the United States. There are about 1,800 Fejee Islanders, and just 150 islands in the group. The soil is rich, and the very best in the world for sea island cotton. The habits of the inhabitants are voracious, white men broiled being their favorite lunch.

SICKNESS.—Typhoid fever is reported as prevalent at Oakland.

Will Not Accept.

As the friends of our respected fellow-citizen, Rev. Edward R. Geary, all over the State were confidently anticipating his nomination, for the office of Governor, at the hands of the Republican State Convention, in April next, and believing, from our knowledge of his great ability, high moral worth and unblemished character, that he was just the man for the position, we called upon Mr. Geary to know what his wishes in the matter were. His friends throughout the State, as we were, will be sorry to learn that Mr. Geary absolutely refuses to be a candidate for any office in the gift of the people. He had given the matter due consideration and this is his ultimatum. The name of Mr. Geary would have been a tower of strength to the ticket, and we are sorry that imperative duty demands his entire withdrawal form the political arena.

Gross Outrage by an Officer.

From the Roseburg *Ensign* of the 12th, we condense the following facts: Some weeks since, a lady, accompanied by her little boy, on her way from the East to Douglas county, to join her brother, arrived by stage at Jacksonville about midnight. The stage was delayed longer than usual, and the passengers were obliged to remain at the hotel, only one room of which was lighted. While awaiting the stage, several gentlemen (?) entered the room, among them the County Clerk of Jackson county, who proceeded to address the lady, using in her presence language such as no being worthy the name of man would be guilty of in the presence of a lady. The insult was deliberate and continuous, and when the lady, by her tears and protestations, had somewhat shamed the brutal insulter, he made a drunken apology which was worse than his former insults. To escape the insults of this drunken boor the lady was forced to leave the house. If a Republican officer had been guilty of so gross an outrage, so palpable a departure from the rules of common decency, it would have been heralded to the world as a striking illustration of Radical barbarism. But Jackson county boasts of a Democratic majority, and elects the representative men of the party to office. The closing paragraph of the article, from which we condense the above, we quote, with our endorsement:

Such a transaction as is here narrated is a disgrace and an outrage upon the town and community in which it occurs, and the man who will suffer himself, drunk or sober, to be guilty of such conduct, should receive the brand of public condemnation, and be assigned to a level suited to his personal merits. We would gladly have doubted—had there been room for doubt—the truth of what we have made public, but the evidence is reliable and cumulative; and when our ladies who happen to be traveling without protectors are subject to such abuse, forbearance on the part of the press is culpable.

REMARKABLE MORTALITY.—The Grass Valley *Union* tells of a man who was killed by a stone falling on his head, and adds: "This fatal accident is the third one that has befallen him," from which we infer that he has been killed twice before.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY POLITICS.—The little clique of ex-officeholders in Washington Territory, under the lead of small Dennison and less Flanders, publish a manifesto in which they intimate the design of running a candidate against the regular nominee of the Republican party in June.

STILL DRY.—At last accounts the drouth still prevailed in Southern California, great numbers of cattle were dying, and the people were getting disheartened. In the central portion of the State there had been a slight rain fall, but not enough, although, as yet, the crops were not suffering greatly. A general drouth throughout California is apprehended, and should it come, it would be more disastrous than any former visitation.

The Legislatures of the following named States are now in session: Maine, Vermont, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvtnia, Ohio, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, Tennessee, North Carolina, Louisiana, Iowa, Rhode Island, California, South Carolina, Georgia, and Nebraska—19.

The grant of lands asked of Congress for the improvement of the Wiliamette, contemplates the construction of locks at Oregon City, and other improvements in the upper river which, if adopted, will prove of great and general benefit.

AGREED TO RECOMMEND.—The Light House Board, to whom was referred the resolution of Senator Williams, to inquire into the expediency of erecting a light-house at Yaquina Bay, have agreed to recommend it.

GOOD DIGGINGS.—The gold diggings discovered a year ago a short distance south of the Coquille river, says the *Ensign*, are paying $15 per day to the hand. Velly good.

MUTATION.—The Salem *Press* gives currency to the rumor that M. Stewart has sold the Polk County *Times* to Squire Turner, of Dallas.

CONCERTING.—Ole Bull, the great violinist, is to commence concerting in California soon.

In Waldock, Germany, a man who takes a license to get drunk can't obtain a license to get married.

The artesian well at Oakland Point is now nearly three hundred feet deep, and the drills are in yellowish clay, mixed with sand.

A fellow tried to blow Forrest up with a torpedo while he was acting at Louisville, Ky.

Dr. Plummer was in Roseburg on the 12th, where he expected to remain two weeks.

Sacramento theatres were in full blast last Sunday evening, in *honor* of the new Democratic Sunday law.

A new order has been established in Chico bearing the name of Twenty-Ones. Its object is the promotion of the cause of temperance.

Col. Aaron Wilbur, of Savanna, his dead. The chief mourners are sundry life insurance companies in which he had policies amounting to $70,000.

There are now but three daily Democratic papers in Ohio, the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, the Ohio *Statesman* and the Cleveland *Plaindealer*.

WHO DOUBTS IT?—It is said that the "Editor's Drawer" in Harper's Magazine, is made up by a woman. A great many editor's drawers are made up by women.

A jealous husband in Pittsburg followed his wife one evening, saw her meet a man, ran up and thrashed him, and found out that it was his father-in-law.

MORE SHOOTING.—A half-breed named John Colder, shot an old man named Wm. Northover, for interfering to protect his daughter from insults at the hands of Colder. Mr. Northover lives about eight miles from Steilacoom, where Colder had been during the greater part of the day, drinking whisky. After the old man had with some difficulty, secured the girl, he seated himself on one bed while Colder seated himself on a bed opposite, and being angry because of the disappearance of the girl, he cooly drew his pistol and shot Northover through the breast, the ball lodging in the back. The girl fled to some neighbors, who immediately went over, when he tried to shoot them. The Sheriff and his deputies arriving on the ground, with considerable trouble he was arrested. The Vigilance Committee of Pierce county say if the old man dies, Colder must hang. It is also said that until the Wrens and Colders leave Pierce county, community will be kept in hot water.

THEN AND NOW.—People of the present day wonder how people three or four hundred years ago managed to live on the small pittance they received for their labor. Long before the discovery of America, a day's work, by an act of the British Parliament, was fixed at one penny a day. In 1314 the allowance of the chaplains to the Scotch bishops, then imprisoned in England, was three half pence per day. Compare their market prices then with ours now: Twenty-four eggs were sold for a penny, a pair of shoes for four pence, a fat goose for two and a half pence, a hen for a penny, wheat three pence per bushel, and a fat ox for six shillings and eight pence. A day's work in those days would buy a hen or two dozen eggs; two day's work would buy a pair of shoes, but a fat ox cost eighty day's work. In those days human labor bought about half as much food, and perhaps as much clothing, as it does now. Who want's to go back to the "good old times?"

WHAT IS TO BE THEIR PLATFORM?—A distinguished Irish author once published a book entitled "A Gentleman Traveling in Search of a Religion," and we think the Democracy are to be as politically puzzled as he was in theology. The Fifteenth Amendment is a fixed fact; the treaty with China settles the status of the natives of that empire; and the Supreme Court has just closed their mouths on the greenback question. This places the Democracy in the predicament of the Irish theologian; and we soon expect to hear of them on a tramp in search of a platform. Chenoweth attempted the duty for the party last week, which was endorsed by yesterday's Herald; but those of the party who own property and labor for a sustenance, will not be unanimous upon his platform, for it simply proposes to cease labor and go to voting. The adoption of his policy would simply fill the prisons and almshouses.

We pity the "young lion of Linn," if he should reach a nomination, and roam through the State, repeating THAT old speech! Soap Creek and Long Tom might swallow the old dose, but when he struck the general mail routes, his oratorial career would close. We are a little curious to know what the "three laboring lawyers" will feed the "club" upon, for their legal studies have taught them that bond taxing, greenback issues, etc., is now beyond the domain of politics; and repudiation has received its last kick in the Mungen farce. We see nothing open for them at present, but to follow Chenoweth till the silk stocking branch of the party give them a platform.—*Portland Evening Call.*

HARTFORD, Feb. 12.—An incendiary fire in Stafford, last night, consumed the entire works of the Stafford Loom. The loss was $20,000. Johnson & Weeds, spool cotton manufacturers, in the same building—loss, $14,000.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—The number of hogs packed in this city at the present season was 599,904, about 2,000 more than last season.

The Willamette Freighting Company has opened stock books at Corvallis.

From the Walla Walla *Union* of Feb. 5th:

The store of Smith & Hanaford, at Waitsburg, was burglariously entered a few nigh s before, and the money drawer robbed of about $40 in coin. The robber missed a purse and a lot of greenbacks which were in the same drawer.

An express in from Kootenai, by way of Fort Shepherd, reports four inches of snow at Kootenai, and new discoveries on Perry creek. The express messenger crossed Fort Shepherd Mountain on snow shoes.

W. A. Green will bring into Walla Walla a portable saw mill from Portland, for general use in that region.

A meteorological record kept at Walla Walla for the Smithsonian Institute, Washington City, gives the following for the month of January, just closed: Maximum temperature 64 degrees, minimum 2 degrees below zero; mean temperature for the month 35 degrees 6 min; amount of rain fall 4.15–100 inches; snow fall, 2.60–100 inches. At St. Paul, Minnesota, the thermometer descended to 45 degrees below zero; on the same date at this place, the mean of the day was 35 degrees 1 min., making a difference of 98 degrees.

A letter from Pierce City, Idaho, Jan. 19th, says the snow was four feet deep, it was still snowing heavily, and the cold had been most intense.

A freshet in Mill creek for a while threatened much damage in Walla Walla, but it at last subsided after having done slight injury to a bridge, two or three mill flumes, and a section of bulkheading along the banks.

S. M. Wait & Co., flouring mill owners and merchants at Waitsburg, have dissolved. Mr. Wait will take the merchandise and store, and Preston Brothers will run the mill.

From the Roseburg *Ensign*, Feb. 5th:

A burglar entered John Parties' saloon on the night of the 28th, but found nothing but liquors, of which he carried away a few bottles.

The sales of public land in this district, for January, are as follows: Number of acres sold, 2,492 83; taken under the Homestead Act, 3,853 43; taken under the Preemption Act, 2,880; total, 9,217 28.

The Umpqua valley, proper, is about 75 miles, by 50 to 60 wide, cut up into a large number of smaller valleys, which are separated by ridges, and, in some cases by small mountains. Excellent roads are found all over this valley. In these valleys are found well improved farms, large bands of fat clean stock, and thrift abounds everywhere within these limits, in all the means and appliances of civilization. There are more sheep in this valley to-day than in any one, perhaps two, counties in this State. Last year, upwards of 400,000 pounds of wool was shipped from this valley, by way of Scottsburg.

NATURALIZATION.—The S. F. *Bulletin* of the 27th ult., says: "Yesterday a lady of French birth who is not a delegate to the Woman's Suffrage Convention, walked into the Clerk's office, and producing her certificate of intention to become a citizen of the United States, demanded to be shown what was necessary to be done to get her naturalization papers. She wished to know to whom she was to renounce her allegiance to the present Emperor of France and would administer her oath to the Republic of the United States. She was referred to Judge Morrison, of the Fourth District court, and he requested her to appear in Court on next Saturday, when the question of her application will be determined.

Dr. Cuyler has made the discovery, in the *Independent* that "many of our city churches are dying of dignity."

Telegraphic Summary.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—A letter from Vera Cruz says there is a strong revolutionary move in progress, and that the prospects for the overthrow of the Juarez government are steadily improving. The conspiracy party is increasing. Ten brigades of troops have already pronounced against the government.

MEMPHIS, Feb. 13.—The *Avalanche* says the engineer of the Maggie Hays patched the boiler with lead.

The jury in the case of Thos. Dickens, for killing Ward Bolton, returned a verdict of not guilty.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—The *Tribune's* special says the minority report of the Committee to investigate the affairs of the Methodist Book Concern is creating much excitement among the Methodists, who propose to demand another investigation, and will agitate the subject at the next general Conference. Members of the minority say they have reason to believe that a portion of the testimony has been suppressed, and that frauds to a considerable extent have been hushed up. There will probably be a change in the Concern at the next Conference.

The same says that the chances of Duke Montpensier for the throne of Spain are vastly increasing lately. France, it is said, is determined to espouse his cause, so far as her influence may go, and Prim has promised his support.

BUFFALO, Feb. 13.—D. S. Bennett, member of Congress from this district, will publish a card in reply to the recent attack by the *Commercial* (an advertisement), denying their statement in toto, and announcing that he has instituted proceedings in court against the proprietors of the paper. Noah Davis and D. B. Butler have volunteered to prosecute his suit. It is said that the damages will be laid at $100,000.

A letter has been received from Queen Victoria's commissioners explaining a scheme for a series of international exhibitions of works of art and industry, to be exhibited annually in London. The first exhibition will take place in 1871. The arrangement of classes will be without reference to nationality, as heretofore. It is intended that the exhibitions shall be opened in March and closed punctually in December.

Secretary Fish, on the 10th, wrote to Motley that the President had appointed M. M. Breckwith, of New York, as Commissioner, for the purpose of corresponding with Her Majesty's Commissioner.

A long communication was yesterday presented to the Senate Judiciary Committee from a committee of the present Legislature of Georgia, claiming the legality of that body as at present organized, and entering into a long defence of its organization.

James M. Cavanaugh, Delegate from Montana, presented sixteen citizens of that Territory to the President yesterday. The interview was very pleasant.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—A *Tribune* special says Representative Cooke, of Indiana, from the Judiciary Committee has introduced a bill to relieve the Interior Department from the presence of the influential western lobby, which has been working vigorously for a long time to secure patents to immense tracts of land in New Mexico, held under Mexican grants, which have at various times been confirmed by Congress without being previously examined, and were afterward found to cover far more land than the original grant.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Havana letters of the 7th state that Gen. Gorguche met with no success in his operations against the insurgents between Puerto Principe and Najassa. A report says that $250,000 had been sent from Havana to Neuvitas to pay off the troops, but was never received, and the authorities fear it has been embezzled by the Commissioners.

PIQUA, Ohio, Feb. 13.—A tragedy occurred at St. Mary's Church here this morning. While the congregation was engaged in worship, a young woman entered and took a seat. Shortly after she drew a pistol and deliberately shot a young man in the seat in front of her. He rose and started toward the entrance, followed by the girl, who attempted to shoot him the second time, but was prevented and arrested. The man lies in a critical condition. The cause of the act is said to be the refusal of the man to perform a promise of marriage, and the announcement in the church today of his engagement to another woman.

HAVANA, Feb. 12.—The assassin of Isaac Greenwald was arrested last night. He is Sergeant of the 5th battalion of volunteers. A court martial will be immediately convened for the trial of the murderer. The city is now perfectly quiet. No disturbance occurred since last Sunday.

Dispatches from San Miguel state that troops now occupy that city. Many families from insurrectionary districts have arrived and are settling in town.

OTTAWA, Feb. 12.—A proclamation has been issued declaring that after the 15th of April American silver will pass current at 20 per cent. discount.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Feb. 12.—Ministry has resigned and Chas. Fox Mount has been called upon to form a new government.

MONTREAL, Feb. 12.—The funeral of Gen. Windham, late commander of the forces of Canada, took place this afternoon. All troops and garrison militia officers and prominent citizens were present. Public offices were closed at noon as a mark of respect to the deceased.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 12.—The Winnepeg *New Nation* of the 25th is received. It says the Red River Convention met at Winnepeg on the 25th.

After three days' session it decided to draw up a list of rights demanded by the people and submit it to the Canadian government through Donald Smith, the Canadian Commissioner, as a basis of their becoming a part of the Dominion of Canada.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 13.—The directors of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, yesterday, ratified a new contract with the Missouri River road, and the acting President has gone to Leavenworth to take possession of the road and arrange for through transit to Atchison.

The National Hotel at St. Joseph, Mo., was burned yesterday. The loss in building and furniture, $19,0000; insurance only $6,000.

General Stringfellow, of Atchison, has commenced suit against the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company for $10,000, for services in procuring beneficial legislation from the Missouri Legislature.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 13.—Two of the consolidated bank robbers have been arrested. Two picayune special policemen were ring-leaders of the robbery.

Upon the application of a committee of citizens, Judge Collins, to-day, made the mandamus peremptory, requiring the city authorities to order a municipal election for the second Monday in March, as the law provides.

A bill was introduced in the Senate to-day, requiring the municipal election to be held in November, thus either prolonging the term of the present incumbents, or allowing the Governor to appoint Wilbur, Jr., of the firm of Wilbur & Co.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The *Herald's* money article says, the gold room is becoming very bearish, and freely talks of a decline to 115. Whether sincerely or through confidence in lower prices and short interest, on which to base an upward movement, is left for future determination.

Dr. Harris reported yesterday, to the Board of Health, that smallpox is decreasing.

There were two cases of probable homicide last night. A young man threw an old father down stairs, and finished by cutting his throat. He is likely to die. Another man was stabbed four times.

The quarantine commissioner heard yesterday the complaints of quarantine abuses. If the statements are true there is great need of reform. Extra charges and blackmailing were freely talked of.

The ice crop on the Hudson river is pronounced a total failure.

The report of the coinage of counterfeit five cent pieces proves to be an exaggeration.

A number of discharged mechanics are to be reinstated in the Navy this week.

The post of Most Eminent Commander of the Grand Army of the Constitution is to be offered to McClellan, Hancock being the second choice.

The Spanish frigate *La Altad* has arrived from Havana.

Council Proceedings.

ALBANY, Feb. 10th, 1870.

Roll called, and the following Councilmen answered to their names: Comley, Myer, Gradwohl and Hill.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Committee on Printing reported that Messrs. Bellinger & Brown would do the city printing for the year 1870 for $75, excepting posters and pamphlets, and recommended that as that amount was a reasonable charge for the work to be performed, the contract be awarded to said parties.

On motion the report of the Committee on Printing was awarded to Bellinger & Brown to do the city printing for the year 1870, for the sum of $75 coin.

Councilman Alexander came in and took his seat.

On motion the Committee on selecting lot on which to build Engine House were allowed further time, and, on motion, said Committee were instructed to confer with the Fire Company, and consult counsel to ascertain the probability of procuring title to the lot contracted for by the Fire Company of Mr. Mercier, deceased.

The following bills were presented and on motion allowed, and the Recorder instructed to draw orders on the Treasurer for the several amounts:

J. Gradwohl, for stove and fixtures for Council room, $24 75.

John Long, for building two crosswalks, and spreading dirt and gravel, $17.

A. Parker & Co., for lumber, $32 66.

L. G. Ketchum, for hauling gravel for one lot, the owner (John Good) not to be found, the city charging the same to said lot, $12.

On motion, the bill, $70 25, presented by Montgomery & Barnes, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

J. H. Hackleman presented a petition for a crosswalk from the Northeast corner of Block 106 to the Southeast corner of Block 107, in Hackleman's addition to the City, which, on motion, was granted.

The several bids for building and graveling crosswalks were opened and considered; and it appearing that Wm. Reed's bid ($15 each) for furnishing material and building the four-foot crosswalks was the lowest, on motion, the contract for furnishing material and building all the crosswalks ordered by the Common Council for the year ending December 20th, 1870, was awarded to Wm. Reed, for $15 each, coin.

The bid of Montgomery & Barnes, for graveling the four-foot crosswalks being the lowest ($3 25 each), on motion, the contract for graveling all the crosswalks ordered by the Common Council, for the year ending Dec. 20, 1870, was awarded to Montgomery & Barnes, at $3 25 coin, each.

Councilman Comley presented an ordinance relating to taxing dogs, which was read the first time; also, an ordinance relating to stray horses, which was read the first time.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

A. C. JONES, Recorder.

Financial and Commercial.

Portland legal tenders 83½c buying, 84c selling. Gold, in New York, quoted at 120½.

Liverpool wheat market advanced from 8s 11d to 9s.

San Francisco markets unchanged. We quote:

WHEAT—fair milling, $1 45@1 50; choice, $165; 700 sacks Oregon sold at $1 65 ℔ 100 lbs.

FLOUR—Quiet, with no change. Superfine at $4 50@4 75; extra, $5 25@5 50 ℔ bbl.

OATS—No sales reported. Quiet at $1 25@1 50 ℔ 100 lbs, for California.

BARLEY—Feed, $1 17½; brewing, 1 25; range of market, $1 15@1 25.

The Portland market is being flooded with eggs and butter, which has sent the prices down to a lower figure than they had touched for months, eggs being quoted at 16c and butter at 18@20c. Produce dealers report no improvement in flour, and profess to see no better prospect for the future. Trade still very dull in Portland, says the *Oregonian*, "and it is a fact which cannot be disguised that we have rarely ever had an open winter when there was so little doing, outside of the regular routine of produce shipments."

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Real Estate Dealer.

Sept. 11.—tf.

Rev. Horace Cooke, the New York eloper, preached at Stamford, Conneticut, a few Sundays ago, and before leaving town borrowed $200 of a pious brother, who is still his creditor.

Correspondence.

The subjoined correspondence sufficiently explains itself:

PORTLAND, Oregon, Nov. 15, 1869.

MESSRS. EVERSON & HAINES, General Agents New England Mutual Life Insurance Company, Boston:

Gentlemen—On my own behalf and in the name of my orphan children, I beg to thank you, and through you the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company of Boston, for its munificence in paying me my terminated policy on the life of my husband. On the 21st of January, 1869, misfortune compelled me to forego the payment of the last premium—which non-payment in any other company would have lost me my policy—but I am now overjoyed with the receipt of the amount of the policy (less the amount of the unpaid premium only), thanks to the equity of the Massachusetts Lapse Laws, that must bless many widows and their children. I recommend the New England Mutual to all who would provide against possible misfortune. I sincerely thank you again, gentlemen, for the payment, and also for your generous and gentlemanly assistance in the matter.

Respectfully,

BETSEY MILLER.

PORTLAND, OREGON, Nov. 15, 1859.

MESSRS. EVERSON & HAINES, General Agents of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Boston:

Gentlemen—Having taken a lively interest in the affairs of a large and destitute family, left by an old resident of this city, who died Aug. 2, 1869, and who was insured in the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company, we take pleasure in making the following statement for the information of the public:

A. E. C. Miller was insured by ordinary Life Policy No. 13,054, bearing date January 21, 1863. He paid annual payments to January 21, 1868, inclusive. Since then nothing has been paid. He died August 2, 1869, over eighteen months after the last payment of premium, yet your company working under the Equitable Lapse Laws of Massachusetts, pays the widow and orphans the whole policy, deducting only the premium due; while in all other companies doing business here, about which we know anything, the policy would long since have been forfeited,

By the New England Mutual, the widow has been paid $4 650 50. This we consider munificent, more especially when we take into consideration that the family would not have received a cent from any other company doing business on this coast. This, in our estimation, is enough to recommend this company above all others. This is Equity, this is Mutuality. We, therefore, recommend this company to the public, as the only company that has no forfeitures.

We herewith inclose you the acknowledgments of the widow. Respectfully, etc.,

CINCINNATI BILLS,
JACOB MAYER,
GEORGE H. FLANDERS,
M. SELLER.

OFFICE NEW ENGLAND MUTUAL LIFE INS. CO.
No. 12, CARTER'S BUILDING.
PORTLAND, OREGON, Nov. 18, 1869.

To Messrs. C. Bills, J. Myer, Geo. H. Flanders and M. Sellers:

Gentlemen—Your favor of yesterday, inclosing "Acknowledgments of Mrs. Miller," is at hand.

Please accept our thanks for the voluntary justice you have done to the company we represent.

Yours very truly,

EVERSON & HAINES.

ALBANY RETAIL MARKET.

ALBANY, February 19, 1870.

Wheat, white, ℔ bushel	50@55
Oats, ℔ bushel	50
Potatoes, ℔ bushel	25@37½
Onions, ℔ bushel	75@1 25
Flour, ℔ barrel	$3 50@4 00
Butter, ℔ lb	20
Eggs, ℔ dozen	15
Chickens, ℔ dozen	$2 50@3 00
Peaches, dried, ℔ lb	@20
Soap, ℔ lb	5@5½
Salt, Los Angelos, ℔ lb	2½@3
Syrup, ℔ keg	$5 25@50 2
Tea, Young Hyson ℔ lb	1 00
" Japan, "	1 00
" Black, "	75@1 00
Sugar, crushed, ℔ lb	18@20
" Sea "	14@16
" Island, "	12@14
Coffee, ℔ lb	23@25
Candles, ℔ lb	25@33
Rice, China, ℔ lb	12@16
Saleratus, ℔ lb	16½
Dried plums, ℔ lb	15@20
Dried apples, ℔ lb	5
Dried currants, ℔ lb	
Bacon, hams, ℔ lb	
" sides, "	
" shoulders, ℔ lb	
Lard, in cans, ℔ lb	10@12
Beans, ℔ lb	3@5
Devoe' Kerosene oil, ℔ gallon	1 00@1 25
Turpentine, ℔ gallon	$1 25@1 50
Linseed oil, boiled, ℔ gallon	$1 62½@1 75
White lead, ℔ keg	$3 75@4 25
Tar ℔ gallon	$1 25
Powder, rifle, ℔ lb	75@1 00
Tobacco, ℔ lb	$1 00@1 25
Nails, cut, ℔ lb	6½@7½
Domestic, brown, ℔ yard	15@16½
Hickory, striped, ℔ yard	16@30
Bed ticking, per yard	25@50
Blue drilling, ℔ yard	16@25
Flannels, ℔ yard	50@62½
Prints, fast colors, ℔ yard	@12½
Pork, ℔ lb	5@6
Mutton, ℔ head	$1 75@2 50
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