

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL. To our friends one and all we extend the greetings of the season.

As another year with its joys and griefs, its cares and perplexities, has gone to swell the ages of the past, and make up its history.

We congratulate our friends upon the achievements of the past year, and hope the next will be even more glorious.

From the San Francisco Alta of Dec. 31st we copy this: This Company, recently formed, filed yesterday in the office of the County Clerk a certificate of incorporation.

THE TREATY OF 1856.—The following is a short history of the treaty which is creating so much disturbance between England and Russia:

The treaty of Paris, which Russia is so anxious to have abrogated, was signed on March 30, 1856, terminating the Crimean war.

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From the Portland papers we learn that the Assistant United States Marshal who lately engaged in the census business in Oregon, is soon to receive one-third of their pay.

From Viva Voce to Ballot.

Below we give a portion of an editorial in Wednesday's Bulletin under the above heading:

Among the Congressional proceedings we find this: Senator Morton, of Indiana, introduced a Bill which provides that all elections for President, Vice President and members of Congress, shall be by ballot.

The Bill, if passed, will affect Oregon, of course, as the viva voce system is practiced in this State. The Constitution of the United States, Article I, Section 3, declares:

These two clauses are all that the Federal Constitution contains in respect to the subject. It will be observed that while the authority of Congress to make regulations, or to alter any such concerning the choosing of Representatives and Senators as any of the States shall establish by legislative enactment, as to the time, place and manner of holding the election, except the place of choosing Senators, is explicitly declared, the Constitution is by no means the clear warrant of authority for giving to Congress similar right to declare in what manner each State shall vote for the Presidential Electors.

The change from the viva voce to the ballot system will not, we think, find much opposition in Oregon. It will certainly not meet with absolute party antagonism, neither do the Democrats nor the Republicans, as many of the prominent men of each party have already placed themselves on the record in favor of the ballot system.

The corrected census of Ohio makes the total population of the State, 2,565,682. Saturday was one of the coldest days of the season in the East.

The Italian Chamber of Deputies by a vote of 192 to 18 has passed a bill providing for the removal of the Capital of Italy from Florence to Rome within six months.

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Telegraphic Summary.

BERLIN, Dec. 25.—The uncertainty of the fall of Paris is the topic of conversation, and demand for speedy bombardment is clamorous. A belief prevails that the bombardment has been postponed by the influence of the Queen of England.

LIENS VIA LONDON, Dec. 24.—The occupation of Nuits by the enemy causes a panic here. The Garde Nationale and Garde Mobile appeared.

AMIEENS, Dec. 24.—A German victory is reported at a place southeast of the city over the army of the North, 69,000 strong. The Germans carried several villages by storm and took 1,000 prisoners.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—King William telegraphs to the Queen that General Manteuffel won a victory on the 23d near Amiens, taking 1,000 prisoners, and commenced to pursue the French in the direction of Arras to-day.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—A Pacific cable dispatch dated Brussels, December 25th, says Faiderberc has fallen back across the valley of Hallof.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—A fleet of transports are preparing to leave Brest with a considerable force for an unknown destination.

THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT are hastening the organization of district camps for new levies.

VERMONT, Dec. 23.—The congratulations of Queen Victoria to the King of Prussia on his acceptance of the title of Emperor of Germany, were presented by Her Majesty, to-day, through Secretary Otto Russell.

OREGON WHEAT FOR SEED EAST.

From the San Francisco Trade Report of December 17th we copy this: The last Oregon steamer brought tons choice white wheat, which is being shipped to Chicago by railroad, at 34c per lb. It is for seed purposes.

GOOD FOR OLD SOLDIERS.—December 19th, the House passed a resolution giving to the soldiers of the war of 1812 and the Mexican war the same rights and homesteads as the soldiers of the late war of the rebellion.

JEFFERSON.—We have the following real estate transactions reported from Jefferson: Geo. W. Johnson to Jesse Parrish, 210 acres, for \$3,500; H. A. Johnson to A. H. Carter, homestead and lot, \$350; John Long and H. Lee to Hiram Smith, 300 acres, \$3,300.

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THE GOVERNMENT IS going to compel the Pacific railroads to pay the interest on their bonds. It is time.

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NOT AN APOLOGY.—A fierce attack of sick-headache, accompanied by brain fever, rheumatism, chills, cholera, cramps, menses, sore nose, boils, spoplexy, prolematics and other parergonic complaints, added to a general unwellness, might be urged as a reason for the large amount of interesting matter in our columns this morning; but we urge no such reasons, and hope the explanation will be perfectly satisfactory to our three million four hundred and eighteen thousand seven hundred and sixty-four readers.

PUBLIC SALE.—At the Court House to day will be offered at public sale the lot and building adjoining the New Register Buildings, on First west of Ferry street.

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CITY DRUG STORE. A. CAROTHERS & CO., DRUGGISTS & APOTHECARIES, (Foster's Block, First Street), ALBANY, OREGON.

GREAT LAND SALE! 20,000 ACRES!! BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the Willamette Valley & Cascade Mountain Wagon Road Company, made December 19, 1870, will offer at public auction, the highest bidder, on Monday, the 7th day of February next, at the office in Albany, 20,000 ACRES OF LAND, belonging to said Company, and situated in Linn county, Oregon.

Notice to Contractors. IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BY AN ORDER of the County Clerk of the county of Linn, State of Oregon, sealed proposals will be received by said Clerk until 12 o'clock, P. M. of the 23rd day of January, 1871, for furnishing all the materials and performing all the work in the construction of a Jail on the southeast corner of the Court House square, in the city of Albany, in said county.

THE GREAT BLOOD PURIFIER. AN AFFECTIONABLE BLOOD PURIFIER, possessing rare tonic and nervous properties, a certain cure for RHEUMATISM, GOUT, NEURALGIA, MIGRAINE, BRUISES, SCALD HEAD, ITCHING, SCURF, MEXICAL, MEDICAL CURES SCROFULA, SALT RHEUM, AND ALL RUPTIVE AND CUTANEOUS DISEASES, gives immediate and permanent relief in 75 PERCENT OF ALL CASES.

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Allen's Lung Balm. The formula was given to me, which I used to give it a trial, and I only add that my cough is entirely cured, and I am now able to attend to my business as usual.

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WAR TO THE KNIFE, AND KNIFE TO THE HILT! Gen. High Price Killed. Gen. Trust Mortally Wounded. BUT REMEMBER That you can buy all kinds of GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS FOR CASH, CHEAPER AT M. PEARSON'S (the young man from Wisconsin) Grocery Store, than any place in Albany. For M. PEARSON still lives, and is always ready to BUY. MINER & PEARSON, nos 26-12 At Chadwell's old stand.

Buckeye Shuttle Sewing Machine! THE ROOM ADJOINING M. PEARSON'S Grocery Store has been newly fitted up by Miner & Pearson, for the purpose of exhibiting for sale the

ATTENTION. PERSONS WISHING GOODS AT BARGAIN FOR CASH or Trade, should give us a call and see for themselves, as we will give great inducements for the next SIXTY DAYS, on all goods on hand now. Nov. 19, 1870. R. CHEADLE & CO.

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CAUTION. Do not be deceived who want a good medicine, and desire "Allen's Lung Balm." Do not allow unprincipled dealers to sell you a preparation called Allen's Pectoral Balsam—see that you get ALLEN'S LUNG BALM, and you will have the best Cough remedy offered to the public and one that will give you satisfaction.