

Albany Register.

LOCAL MATTERS.

POST OFFICE REGISTER.

MAILS ARRIVE: From Railroad (north and south) daily at 12.30 P. M. From Corvallis, daily, at 10.30 A. M. From Lebanon, tri-weekly, (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) at 10.30 A. M. MAILS DEPART: For Railroad (north and south), daily, close prompt at 11 A. M. For Corvallis, daily, at 1.50 P. M. For Lebanon, tri-weekly, (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) at 2 P. M. Office hours from 7 A. M. to 8 P. M. Sunday, from 12 M. to 2 P. M. Money order office hours from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M. P. H. RAYMOND, P. M.

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THE CENTRAL GRANGE—Met at the Pacific Opera House yesterday afternoon. There was quite a large attendance.

CLOSING THE MAILS.—Hereafter the mails going north or south, by railroad, will be closed promptly at 11 o'clock A. M. No further change will be made.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.—We give, this morning, the balance of President Grant's message. It is a plain, matter-of-fact document that all can readily understand and appreciate. It is worthy of a careful and candid perusal.

CHANGE.—Mr. W. H. Dodd has been appointed agent for Wells, Fargo & Co., for this city. He entered upon the duties of the office on Monday. Mr. Dodd is an old employee of the Express Company, and stood very high in their estimation.

FROZEN.—Navigation on the Upper Columbia above the mouth of the Willamette ceased since Friday last. Navigation of the Lower Columbia, from mouth of the Willamette to Astoria, is difficult as well as dangerous, although boats continue to make irregular trips.

FRANKLIN MARKET.—J. L. Harris, late of the City Market, has taken charge of the Franklin Market, and will take pleasure in throwing in sight all kinds of meats of the best obtainable quality to old and new customers. As a butcher Jim has no superior on the coast, and having catered to this public so many years he knows just what is wanted.

MARRIED.—Capt. N. B. Humphrey, "by the blessing of God, District Attorney for the third Judicial District," arrived in the city the other day, looking as happy as a big sun-flower. He acknowledged that he had captured one of Polk county's fairest daughters, and that he had married her—the head and front of his offending—and he was proud of it, as well he might be. He was married to Miss R. M. Smith, at her home in Polk county, on Sunday week. May happiness ever wait upon them.

AT IT AGAIN.—Hank Mendenhall occupies his old place at the City Market, where can be obtained at all times the best market affords in the way of pork and beef steaks, mutton chops, "bolls" and "bakes" and "stews," etc., at the lowest rates. Hank's old friends will be pleased to learn that hereafter he will wait upon them, giving the fullest satisfaction to all who may favor him with a call.

SKATING.—Is freely indulged in by the young and gifted of our city. There are several places in the Canal that afford splendid opportunities, we are told, for enjoying this kind of exercise. Those old codgers around town, who are enjoying a brief spell of "rheumatiz," don't take a lively interest in such sport—not any.

PERSONAL.—Rumor has it that W. F. Alexander is seriously ill, at his farm about nine miles southeast of this city.

Bob Head was in the city on Tuesday.

RELIGIOUS.—Meetings are still held nightly at the M. E. Church.

DIED.

December 8th, 1873, in Dalles City, Wasco county, Oregon, COLON T. FINLAYSON, of consumption, in his 32d year.

Colon T. Finlayson was born in Dunblane, Perthshire, Scotland, January 7th, 1841. At the early age of three months, his parents removed from Scotland to the United States, settling in Indiana, where they resided for twelve years, when they moved to Oregon, settling in Linn county. As a boy, Colon was known among his young acquaintances as a genius. He finished his education at the Salem University, graduating with high honors. He afterward filled the Chair of Mathematics at the Albany Collegiate Institute, giving the fullest satisfaction. In the science of mathematics he had few equals. A pamphlet published by him a few years ago, entitled the "True Philosophy of the Tides," gained for him a wide reputation, both in the United States and the Old World attracting the attention of the first scientists of both countries. In later years, as an inventor, he projected a "Submerged Wheel" for propelling ocean and river steamers, which is thought, by competent judges who have examined the invention, will revolutionize, eventually, the system of propelling boats. In the death of Colon Finlayson the world loses one of its brightest intellects. Some two years since, while residing in California, deceased lost a loving wife by the same disease which has at last taken him from among us. He leaves two children and a large circle of friends to mourn his loss. Peace to his ashes.

SLEIGHING—Is what's the matter in Portland. We didn't have enough sleighing up this way to make a be- ginnement.

COLD.—Cold, freezing weather is the order. Ice sufficiently thick and strong to skate upon now delights the youth of Albany.

SEED WHEAT.—Howell, Harper & Co. have for sale a choice article of Wheat for seed, such as Fall or White Winter, Click and Chila Club, Sonora, &c., &c., all of which they will dispose of by exchanging for other wheat, or on other terms which will suit.

Navigation is reported closed on the Upper Columbia river. Evidently they have been having cold weather up there. The Lower Columbia is reported full of floating ice, seriously impeding navigation.

Wheat quotations in Portland give \$1 95@2 05 per cental—the latter only offered for large lots to be delivered immediately.

Our latest advices from Liverpool quote the wheat market at 13s 2d@13s 4d for average, and 13s 4d@13s 6d for club.

A dispatch from Halifax, dated December 6th, says the missing steamer Picton is supposed to have been burned at sea, and all hands perished.

A bill will be offered to repeal so much of the postal law of the last Congress as prohibits the passage of newspapers through the mails without postage. Good.

The Democrats claim Texas by 40,000 majority.

A man at Trenton, who found several thousand dollars over two years ago, and has advertised it every day since that time, gets great credit for his honesty. Any man would have quit looking for an owner long ago; yet this Trenton man keeps on advertising. But he owns the paper in which it is advertised, and pays at full rates out of the money fund. After three years more of advertising the whole amount will have been absorbed.

They have a very smart business man in New Jersey. Last week a young man was struck by lightning in a field near Trenton, and when the people began to flock to the spot to look at the victim, they found a man standing by the corpse trying to sell lightning rods to the crowd.

The Danbury News man has dedicated his almanac to "that distinguished co-laborer in the field of meteorological horoscropy, inflammatory rheumatism."

Bismarck says he wants to get rid of all the fools in the army, therefore he encourages deserting.

Linn County.

A correspondent of the Oregonian, writing from Harrisburg, puts up the shipment of wheat from this county for the present season at about the right figures. He says:

The shipment of wheat from Linn county will be greater than many calculated. Albany will ship at least 550,000 bushels; Taigent, 100,000; Halsey, 165,000; Harrisburg, 188,000; Miller's Station, 15,000; Peoria, 30,000; making a total of 1,148,000 bushels. There is as much wheat in the hands of the farmers yet unsold as will bring the surplus for shipment up to 1,200,000 bushels, and the total production of Linn county is fully 1,500,000 bushels, including what is kept for home consumption and seed for the coming crop. This will give \$1,200,000 to be distributed among the farmers of Linn county for wheat alone, not taking into account the amount availed for oats, barley, hay, sheep, cattle and the other productions of the farm. From every part of Linn county there comes the cheering news of plenty, prosperity and satisfaction as the result of the year's industry and a smiling providence.

The same correspondent, in speaking of the price of land in this county, says:

In the southern part of Linn county, farm land is not so good as the Albany prairie nor so well cultivated, and the improvements are not so far advanced. This is evident from the difference in the price of land and the production of wheat to the acre. In the Albany prairie land sells at \$35 per acre and produces an average of thirty bushels of wheat to the acre. In the southeastern end of the county prairie farms sell from \$14 to \$20 an acre and raise from eighteen to twenty bushels of wheat to the acre. These are average prices and quantities. There are farms in the Albany prairie that would bring \$50 an acre and that produce from forty to fifty bushels to the acre. The best farms in Linn county are capable of still higher cultivation and increased production. Lands in the foothills, adapted for sheep, can be bought from \$4 to \$5 an acre, with a considerable free range in the Cascade mountains. The farms for sale are held firm at present rates, with a decided tendency upwards. As soon as Oregon has direct communication with the Eastern and Western States by railroad, emigration will come in rapidly and prices of land will advance in proportion. More direct communication with Europe by sea will secure a greatly increased demand for the fine wheat and choice flour of the State at enhanced prices.

A Good word is spoken for the Patrons of Husbandry:

Such is the popularity of this organization in Linn county, that the great majority of the local granges have to hold meetings once a week to initiate members. They are wisely confining the membership to farmers exclusively. If the past is a guarantee for the good judgement, wise counsels and prudent action of the future, the Patrons of Husbandry will work a great revolution in favor of themselves and the industrial classes generally; when the farmers are prosperous in an agricultural State like Oregon, all other industries are benefited to a great extent.

A TOWEL FOR EACH.—It is not uncommon, in country houses, for all the members of the family to use the same towel for wiping their hands and faces. I am often surprised to see how this practice prevails, even among people of considerable cultivation; frequently, the towel is made of three yards of good crash, sewed together at the ends, and hung over a roller. This seems very generous and nice when it is clean, but not so after it has hung there three or four days, used morning, noon and night by half-a-dozen persons. We may be able to endure a great deal of our own dirt, when we are obliged to, but it is not a morbid delicacy that shrinks from using a towel soiled by other persons. Each human body gives forth its own peculiar exhalations from every pore of the skin, waste matter, more or less filthy, so it is not merely the impurity derived from external sources that we wash and wipe away when we perform our ablutions. It is also this one's dyspepsia, that one's biliousness, the other one's tobacco—ugh! Give me a clean towel, please! And please give every child its own towel and its own comb as soon as it is old enough to use it. I want to add—please, O fellow citizen! give every human being a chance to wash the whole body, privately, whenever one wishes to do so, in a comfortable bath-room, with plenty of hot and cold water, and a good bath-tub, and all the clean towels desired.—American Agriculturist.

General Washington's family Bible is advertised for sale. It is in three large quarto volumes, and the public are gravely informed that it was presented to Gen. Washington by the author.

California agriculturists are going largely into ginger. They haven't got much beyond the first syllable yet, but hope to do so when their plans germinate.

In purchasing a machine select the most popular!!!

NEW TRIUMPHS! SALES OF LAST YEAR.

THE STATISTICS FROM SWORN RETURNS of the Sales of Sewing Machines in 1873, (reported in 1873), show that the Singer Manufacturing Company sold, last year, over FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND more machines than ANY other Company, and over one quarter of all machines sold during that year. Nine out of ten of said Singer Machines were for FAMILY use—proving the great popularity of the Singer in the household. Annexed are the Sales of the different makers:

Table with columns for MACHINES, The Singer Manufacturing Co., Wheeler & Wilson Mfg Co., Howe Machine Co., Domestic S. M. Co., Wood S. M. Co., Wilcox & Gibbs S. M. Co., Wilson S. M. Co., Amr. B. H. O. & S. M. Co., Gold Medal S. M. Co., Florence S. M. Co., and TITUS, BOURGARDES & Co. Agents, Albany, Or.

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SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH.

From the World's Fair.

VIENNA, AUSTRIA, Aug. 20, '73. W. G. WILSON, Esq., President Wilson Sewing Machine Company, Cleveland, Ohio:—The Wilson Sewing Machine received the GRAND PRIZE MEDAL for being the Best Sewing Machine, and a Grand Prize (medal of honor) was awarded to the Wilson Sewing Machine Co. for manufacturing sewing machines in the best manner, from the best material, and by the best known mechanical principles. These celebrated machines are now on exhibition and for sale at the store of BLAIN, YOUNG & CO.

NEW TO-DAY.

CITY MARKET,

W. H. MENDEHALL, PROP'R.

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Albany, Dec. 15, 1871-15v4

Special Notice.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING SOLD out their entire interest in the Hardware business, etc., in this city to Messrs. Clark & Wyatt, request those indebted to them to call at the old stand and square accounts. W. H. KUHN & CO. Albany, Dec. 5, 1873-2v

Notice.

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE Linn County Agricultural Association: There will be a meeting of the stockholders of the Linn County Agricultural Association at the Pacific Opera House, in Albany, Linn county, Oregon, on Thursday, January 1st, 1874, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing seven Directors to serve for one year, or until their successors are elected and qualified. C. P. BURKHART, Sec. W. W. PARRELL, Sec. Pres.

MISCELLANEOUS.

FIREMEN'S HALL!

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GRAND BALL!

IN ALBANY, AT THE PACIFIC OPERA HOUSE,

—on—

NEW YEARS EVE, Dec. 31, 1873.

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RECEPTION COMMITTEE:

M. V. BROWN, A. N. ARNOLD, N. BAUM.

FLOOR COMMITTEE:

WM. BENJAMIN, N. B. HUMPHREY, L. KLINE, WM. TALLY, J. R. HERREN, GEO. CLINE.

A general invitation is extended. Firemen are requested to appear in uniform. TICKETS (including supper at the St. Charles Hotel) \$5

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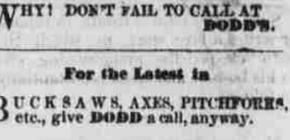
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