

The Santiam Canal.

This great work was completed some days since as far as the residence of Mr. James Elkins, about one mile south of the Court House in this city. From this point the waters of the Canal are to be carried in two ditches or canals, one branch leading north to the Calipoola river, and the other running north to the city limits on the south, thence diverging east to La Fayette street, and thence north, down said La Fayette street, to the Willamette river. The branch leading to the Calipoola was completed and ready to receive water on the 31st of December, and it was determined to let in the water from the Santiam on the first of January, 1874; and for this purpose Mr. Luther Elkins, President of the Company, started for the head of the Canal, some thirteen miles from this city, and one mile from Lebanon, on the evening of the 31st. The President took with him a small boat, in which he intended to take a first class excursion from the head to the mouth of the Canal. But upon reaching the Santiam it was deemed advisable not to let the water in at present, as, owing to the heavy rains that had prevailed for several days previously, all the swails, creeks and depressions on the line of the Canal were full to the brim with water, already threatening to break bounds, and of themselves flood the Canal. And in fact this did occur, as the waters from one or more sloughs found their way into the Canal, making a lively little stream, filling the Canal to a depth of more than one foot, flowing through it all day on Thursday. At the time we write this (Friday evening) there is but little more than six inches of water running in the Canal, and the water is very nearly clear, showing that the Canal has been pretty thoroughly cleaned of all loose dirt left in finishing up. So far the undertaking has proved a magnificent and gratifying success—a lasting monument to the originator of the work, and those who nobly came forward and aided, with their influence and money, in completing it. The fall has been nicely graded, giving a fair current, but not too rapid. In fact every part and parcel of the work seems to have been decided upon after great care and cautious calculation, and completed in the most careful and workmanlike manner. We congratulate our people on the consummation of this grand enterprise—an enterprise that will bring more actual prosperity to Albany than any other. We also congratulate the officers and stockholders on the successful issue of the undertaking. In bringing about this success, no men have labored harder or worked more faithfully than have the Board of Directors, for which they deserve and should receive the highest need of praise from all our citizens. And now we announce the Albany & Santiam Canal Company ready for business—ready to furnish the very best of chuck in quantities to suit.

OFFICERS ELECT.—At the election held at the hall of Albany Lodge No. 4, I. O. O. F., on Wednesday evening, the following gentlemen secured office: W. M. Ketchum, N. G.; H. D. Godly, V. G.; P. H. Raymond, Sec.; Geo. W. Young, Treasurer; Messrs. J. F. Backensto, W. S. Newbury and Fred Graf, Trustees.

A. WHEELER & Co.—This enterprising firm is out with an entire column advertisement in this issue, inviting those in want of goods in their line to call and see them at Shedd. They keep a full stock of the latest and best in dry goods, clothing, groceries, etc., and are willing to dispose of the same at a very small advance on first cost. For liberal dealers go to those who patronize their country papers freely.

ONE-FIFTH.—This city pays one-fifth of the taxes collected in Linn county.

WELL DONE.—The present City Council retires from office on Monday. During the year passed they have labored, as a Board, to advance the best interests of the city. In every expenditure of the public funds, economy has been the rule, and every effort used to prevent unnecessary and useless waste. Public improvements of the greatest utility have been inaugurated and completed during the year, which will long stand as enduring monuments, bearing testimony to the good judgment and sound business capacity of the members composing the Board of Councilmen of the city of Albany for 1873. The old Council deserve and should receive the highest plaudits of this people for their honest and conscientious endeavor to properly discharge the public trust with which they were charged. We ask for the new Board at least as much leniency and encouragement in the performance of the thankless task before them for the year 1874, as was extended to the outgoing Board; and we wish that their record, at the close of the year, may be as well and fully made up as was the record of 1873.

WOOD'S HOUSEHOLD MAGAZINE.—For January, contains a lavish supply of first rate articles. It is now in its fourteenth volume and every year has increased its popularity and added new friends to its large list of admirers. Though retaining its old name, it has not the slightest connection with its former proprietor, but has for many months been the exclusive property of Mr. S. E. Shutes, its present publisher. H. V. Osborne (Tenoroon) still continues as its editor and is the only person employed in that capacity—giving to the magazine not a careless supervision, but direct personal attention in every department. The magazine is improving constantly, and is splendidly adapted to the members of the household. The present number contains three engravings and other good things in proportion. Price of magazine one dollar per year—with chromo YO-SEMITE, one dollar and a half. The REGISTER and magazine for \$3 per annum.

OPPOSITION.—Is the life of trade, but is not always a blessing. Rumor has it that a line of steamers will be put on between San Francisco and Portland, to connect with the boats of the W. R. T. Co., the first steamer to arrive at Portland next week. We hope the report may prove true, and that the line may be continued, so that the blessing of low freights may be continued indefinitely. Success to all endeavors to furnish adequate transportation at fair rates.

EDUCATION.—We have received the report of the Commissioner of Education for the year 1872—a pamphlet of nearly one hundred pages—issued at the Government printing office, Washington. It is a very interesting and valuable report.

ICE.—The Columbia river, below the mouth of the Willamette, is running full of ice—an indication that navigation will be possible soon.

OFF THE BAR.—The ship Loch Dee was reported off the Columbia river bar on the 1st. She comes in ballast to load with wheat for Europe.

A Riley, Ky., hash distributor offers to keep the "potpers" for five cents "a pese" less than the lowest bid handed in. That fellow is one of those who can't see "what use public schools is, anyhow."

A man was staggering down street the other day, pretty full of cocktails, a friend overtaking him offered him his arm. "Get out," said the tight one, "I can take care of myself. Do you think this is the first time I have got drunk?"

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH. From the World's Fair. VIENNA, AUSTRIA, Aug. 30, '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 BRAIN, YOUNG & CO.,

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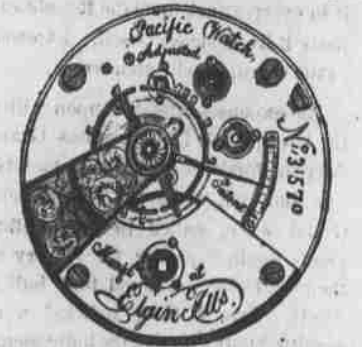
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