

PARAGRAPHETS.

J. F. McCoy has moved into his new saddle shop on First street.

J. Schmeer's dwelling in the rear of his bakery is progressing.

The roads are rapidly improving hereabouts.

The city will be full of Odd Fellows on Monday.

J. Bloom has a neat stock of goods at low prices.

Jack Titus started out with the new team on Tuesday.

Wm. Gird went to Portland on Monday, on business.

Butter is now quoted at 20c per pound—a fall of 5c.

On the 18th, to the wife of John Layton, a daughter.

The weather has been very pleasant during the week.

'Odd Fellows' panic at Hackleman's grove on Monday at 2 o'clock P. M.

The ball on Monday night is strictly a "calico ball," and ladies are requested to wear calico dresses.

Remember the Taxpayers hold primary conventions to-day, in Linn county, and be on hand.

Wednesday and Thursday were hot days, and brought out linen dusters and such.

Our young friend Henry States has opened a school near Scio. He has a good reputation as a teacher.

The Climax Steam Washer does away with all the hard labor of washing—it's truly a labor-saver.

Hons. T. W. Davenport and R. Williams called on Tuesday. Both being lively.

One hundred and fifty Odd Fellows from Salem alone are expected here on the 27th.

Col. J. D. Biles called last week—just as fall of fun and jollity as ever.

All of Newt. Houston's children, two boys and two girls, are sick with the scarlet fever.

The Willamette river is lower than usual at this season of the year.

Messrs. Titus, Bourgardes & Co. had their new turn-out on the streets Tuesday. It is gay.

Clay Kuhn has put out a fine young orchard on his place across the Calipoon.

Geo. W. Young is getting along finely with his new residence on Baker street. It will be a neat and cosy residence when finished.

W. H. Dodd is fitting up a residence for the reception of his wife, who has been spending the Winter in California.

C. P. Crandall, Esq., has resumed control of the Salem Statesman again, and it is now a red-hot Republican paper.

Health of the county generally good, but there are a few cases of lung, remittent and bilious fevers—no serious cases however.

The gold fever has reached this settlement and a number are talking of starting for the Stickeen mines next month.

Croquet is all the rage again, and some of our people are constantly engaged in the excitement of the game.

Brooklyn singing society has a member who talks scandal, \$1.00 for each offence; only the wealthy are able to attend.

This is the season of the year when all good business men hang out their signs—advertise.

As upholsterers Warren & Co. get away with all of them. Try them.

The stockholders of the Albany Farmer's Company hold a meeting for the election of seven directors, in this city on the 10th of May.

Read the several new ads. this week, and patronize men who patronize the printer—they'll do to tie to.

We learn that the English peddlers were in the Forks, the first of the week, endeavoring to sell "bankrupt goods."

Between twenty and thirty Lodges, and members from numerous others, will be in attendance at the Odd Fellows' celebration next Monday.

Farmers rushing their plows now-a-days. A larger area than usual will be seeded to grain this season, if the weather holds favorable for a few weeks.

What a horrible idea is contained in the following stanza, considering the present sensible temperance movement:

If ever I marry a wife, I'll marry a landlord's daughter. And then I can sit at the bar And drink old Bourbon and water!

Those desiring tickets to the ball on Monday evening must apply to the Committee, Dave Thompson, John Millard and Coll. Van Cleve. No tickets will be sold at the door, and no person admitted without a ticket.

THE CAMPAIGN OPENED.—Hon. T. W. Davenport, Independent candidate for Congress, and Hon. R. Williams, Republican candidate for Congress, met in debate at the Court House in this city on Monday evening last.

A full house greeted their appearance. The friends of both candidates were disappointed in the effort of that occasion, as neither did himself justice, nor came anywhere near sustaining their acknowledged reputation as debaters.

One reason for this was that, heretofore both gentlemen have worked in the same party harness, and as this was their second meeting in the canvass, neither was posted as to the "line of argument" the other would pursue. In fact each was a little green, having just been brought in off of the "range;" but as soon as they have become accustomed to the harness, "hair will fly," as both are accomplished "stumpers," and know how to use the King's English in the most effective manner.

Mr. Davenport is cool, self-reliant, and depends entirely on solid argument and the justness of his cause for success, and is blessed with a strong, unimpaired constitution, which will enable him to stand the mental and physical strain of the State canvass not only without injury, but probably with beneficial result.

Dick Williams goes after his antagonist with less method, in a haphazard, "lickety brindle" sort of style, getting in a "joke" now and then which generally "brings down the house," and to the superficial observer, seems to get away with his opponent in good shape. But while witticisms may and do create a transient impression favorable to the author, they are but transient, and melt before the solid arguments of his opponent like mist before the rising sun.

We doubt whether Mr. Williams

has the physical force to carry him through the canvass in good shape. Of one thing we are satisfied, and that is, that neither gentleman, on the occasion referred to, acquitted himself as well as he will hereafter. Both, we are informed, acquitted themselves much better in Corvallis, on Tuesday evening.

On Wednesday the ladies arrested in Portland for disturbing the peace of that city by praying and singing in front of a saloon, having been found guilty were brought before the Court and sentenced to pay a fine of \$5 each or go to jail 24 hours. Bonds were offered by gentlemen present, or money to any amount to pay the fines and costs, but the ladies firmly refused all offers, and declared themselves ready to be incarcerated in jail. It was a most affecting time, and the end is not yet. The five ladies were given rooms in the third story of the jail, and everything provided for their comfort. As soon as discharged they went straightway to the Taylor street M. E. Church, where a temperance meeting was being held at the time.

The 20th was an eventful day in Wall street, opening with the failure of Capron & Merriman, followed by events which precipitated a panic on the Stock Exchange. The failures above noted were followed by various rumors, all of which tended to disturb confidence and unsettle matters generally. There was a report that a railroad and steamship war was likely to result from the inability of the Pacific Mail, Panama railroad and the Union Pacific railroad companies, to agree upon some amicable freight arrangement, and that the Central Pacific Co. was about to consummate an agreement with an English Company to put on an opposition line of steamers between San Francisco, Japan and China.

In the House, Pollard, of Vermont, offered a resolution reciting the conflict of authority between the United States courts and the Territorial courts of Utah, and that the enforcement of the laws has been delayed and obstructed, and directing the Judiciary Committee to report a bill for the regulation of the legal jurisdiction of courts and officers in Utah.

The Executive Committee appointed at a recent meeting in Faneuil Hall, Boston, to take action for upholding the public faith, have issued an address recommending the formation of leagues throughout the country to unite the people in favor of demanding that the Government shall redeem its financial pledges and create stronger public sentiment in favor of specie payments.

The bill which passed Congress recently, known as the Finance bill, on the 22d was vetoed by President Grant. To have approved the bill the President would have simply been going back on his record, as he has shown himself opposed at all times to the schemes of the inflationists. The President has done his duty, as the future will clearly show.

Another petition from Oregon in favor of Government aid to the Portland, Dalles and Salt Lake Railroad, was laid before the Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, on the 20th.

The Arkansas Nuddle. Affairs in Arkansas have got into a fearful snarl, and blood may be shed freely before an amicable adjustment is reached. Joseph Brooks claims to have been elected Governor of that State in 1872, and on the 15th, at Little Rock, took the oath of office before Chief Justice McClure, and then took forcible possession of the Governor's office, ejecting Governor Baxter and taking possession of the Court House. Brooks bases his action on the decision of Judge Whitlock of the Circuit Court of the State, made that morning, overruling a demurrer filed by Gov. Baxter's counsel in a suit brought against him by Brooks for the Governor's office, and issuing judgment of ouster in Brooks's favor. Baxter and Brooks both have called for assistance to maintain their rights as the Governor; both have raised quite a little army of volunteers, and have went into camp in close proximity. On the 21st the two little armies pitched in pretty lively for a few minutes firing some two hundred shots, and wounding quite a number. What will be the upshot of the affair the future alone will disclose.

The House Committee on public lands have agreed to recommend the passage of a bill providing that all lands heretofore granted by Congress to railroad companies shall be subjected to local taxation the same as similar property of individuals.

Michigan has an overflowing treasury, and accordingly no State tax will be levied this year. And that's about the best idea of peace and happiness that has come to the surface recently.

The Board of Aldermen of New York City have requested the Mayor to remove the present Police Commissioners for incompetency and corruption.

The Senate passed the House bill enabling the Secretary of the Treasury to gather authentic information as to the condition and importance of the Alaska fur trade.

ALBANY, Or., Apr. 22, '74. ED. REGISTER.—In his speech at the Court House in this city on Monday night, Hon. T. W. Davenport, Independent candidate for Congress, charged that Judge Tolman, Republican candidate for Governor, had received coin and paid out greenbacks at par in liquidation of county indebtedness, while County Judge of Jackson county; also that he paid private debts in the same manner—paying greenbacks at par instead of coin, thereby defrauding the creditors of the county, and his individual creditors out of their just dues. Although I have been acquainted with Judge Tolman for thirty-one years, a greater portion of the time having lived within a few miles of his farm, it is the first time I ever heard any such charge against him. Living close neighbor to him so long, certainly I would have heard it if any such charge had been made. I believe the charge is entirely without foundation and take this early occasion to say so.

W. C. MYER.

The German tribunal at Severn has imposed a heavy fine on the Bishop of Nancy for his charge to the clergy last July.

General News.

A telegram from Marysville, Cal., dated April 19, says: George Turner, an old citizen and farmer, who had been living alone in a small cabin on his farm, about nine miles out of this place, was yesterday found murdered. He was lying outside of his cabin. A shotgun with one empty barrel was lying near. He had been shot in the head and struck by some heavy instrument. No clue to the murderer.

A telegram dated April 20, Wells, Nevada, has this: A shooting affray took place last night on the western bound emigrant train, under the following circumstances: George Shields, section foreman on the section west of the Wells, had been in town during the day, and just as he attempted to get into one of the emigrant cars to return home he was met by a passenger who ordered him not to enter, and at the same time presented a pistol to his breast. Shields struck the pistol down just as the passenger was pulling the trigger. It was discharged, the ball entering Shields' left thigh, where it now remains. The would-be murderer has been detained at Carlin. Deputy Sheriff McIntyre has gone for him with a warrant from Justice Smith of the Wells.

The following postal changes have been ordered for the Pacific Coast: Postmasters appointed—James H. Whitlock, Greenville, Plumas county, California; David G. Overholt, Canyon City, Grant County, Oregon. Discontinued—Ankeda, Marion County, Oregon.

The following is from New York, April 18th:

The most important event affecting stock operators and commercial men at present is the proposed new combination of Western railroad lines, to turn the tide of freight and traffic hitherto flowing over the Northern routes, via Chicago, into a new channel. It is said an arrangement is contemplated between the Toledo, Wabash and Western, and the Hannibal and St. Joseph roads for through connection for freight and passengers over those lines to and from Omaha and San Francisco.

This is from Rochester, New York, 15th inst.: The Industrial Congress, in session here to-day, discussed and adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Industrial Congress of the United States, representing the producing classes, hereby issue this protest against the expansion of currency, issued by and through the manipulations of the National banking system, believing it to be a robbery of labor and the sum of all villainies.

Resolved, That we demand the issue of a national circulating medium by the Government directly to the people, the same to be legal tender for all debts, public or private, based upon the faith and resources of the country, without the intervention of the so-called National Banks.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the presiding officer of the Senate, and also to the House of Representatives.

The days of "chivalry" are not yet entirely gone. A New Orleans dispatch of the 15th says:

A duel was fought this morning at Tulme Station, Mississippi, between William Wood and A. J. Bachemer. The weapons were dueling pistols, and the distance was twelve paces. Bachemer was shot through the right thigh at the first fire, and Wood was unhurt. This case of the hostile meeting was the placarding each other in the papers and public places on account of some business disagreement. Both were under \$1,000 bonds to keep the peace at the time of the encounter. It is reported that the entire party were arrested by the Mississippi authorities. The party included several newspaper reporters.