

Home News.

PARAGRAPHETS.

Markets unchanged.
Weather cool and damp.
Onions, raddishes, etc., in full supply.
Mills about stopped work, having run out of wheat.
The heavy rainfalls of the week have interfered with plowing
N. Baum wants an unlimited amount of wool.
Democrat's anything but happy over their ticket.
Plenty of snow yet to be seen on the mountains.
Our people are engaged in putting their houses and property in good condition for the coming summer. House cleaning is in order.
The Odd Fellows procession on Monday was a very large and imposing affair.
Several large cakes left over from the supper on Monday night, will be sold by H. W. Dodd at auction to-day.
It would pay some one to erect a few neat dwelling houses to rent. Houses are in demand.
Messrs. S. T. Denny, J. Priest and William McCulloch started for a visit East last Monday.
The meeting of the stockholders of the Albany Farmers' Company transpires on the 19th inst.
A number of emigrants direct from the East, arrived in this city during the week.
To-day the Independents hold their County Convention. Ten o'clock A. M. is the opening hour.
Wheat in Liverpool, 13s 3d; San Francisco, \$2; Portland, \$1 65 @ 100 lbs.
Modoc yells now agitate the still night air from the throats of Albany hoodlums.
The receipts at the Indian show Tuesday night were \$250—the biggest house yet.
Delegates to Independent Convention commenced arriving yesterday.
Communication from "Bedrock Democrat" will appear next week. It's a scorcher.
For a ticket to Albany College entertainment last night, we make our best bow.
For a splendid double cake (two story), well frosted, lettered, etc., we are indebted to the daughters of Rebekah.
The wife of Rev. Dr. E. R. Geary left for the East on Thursday, having received a telegram that her mother was lying very ill.
Campbell, Independent candidate for Governor, and Grover, Democratic candidate for the same office, speaking at the Court House this evening.
Judge Walton, Giltrey, Wright, Cornell, and a number of other good boys gave us a friendly visit during the week.
John Millard, our enterprising nurseryman, presented up with stalks of rhubarb (pie-plant) that measured over 4 feet from the tip of the leaf to the root, and the leaf was 3 feet across.
Chas. Finlayson, 5 years old, charged a mustard bottle with powder, the other day, and then touched it off with a coal. His face was somewhat blistered and hair scorched, but nothing dangerous.
Travel is lively along the Upper Columbia.
Walla Walla fireman are quarreling about Chief Engineer.

PERSONAL.—Judge Thornton has been spending the week in the city, attending the ecclesiastical trial at the M. E. Church, as counsel for Rev. Mr. Shaw.

Mr. A. Hannon, of Waitsburg, W. T., one of the founders of Albany, is now on a visit to this city, having arrived on Wednesday's train. Mr. H. likes the Territory very well, but we are inclined to think that he will take up his residence here again, as it seems more like home.

Mrs. Tho's. G. Young, of Portland, who had been visiting in this city for several days, went home on the noon train Thursday.

Rev. D. K. Nesbit, of Corvallis, passed through the city, returning home from Portland, on Thursday. We are sorry to learn from Bro. Nesbit that he contemplates removing to the East shortly. The Pacific coast needs just such earnest workers, and will sadly miss him.

Mrs. R. Cheadle returned on Wednesday from a two months' visit in San Francisco, purchasing goods. She experienced a very pleasant and agreeable trip.

Mrs. William Gird starts for Victoria next Tuesday, to visit her sister, a resident of that city.

Mrs. Ike Sprenger, who has been visiting relations in this city, returns to her home at the Dalles next week.

Syl. C. Simpson delivered an address last evening, at the Opera House, for the benefit of Albany Collegiate Institute. We went to press too early to learn the result.

Harry Godley and family have gone to Soda Springs. Harry and lady will run the Hotel during the summer at that lively watering place.

W. S. Newbury, Esq., of Portland, called on Monday. Mr. N. is now engaged in the practice of law in Portland, the style of the firm being Shoup & Newbury, in which we wish him the fullest success, because he deserves it.

Capt. Crandall, of the Salem Statesman, was in our city on Monday. The Captain is full of life and good spirits, and makes a live paper of the Statesman.

Councilman Clay Kuhn is slowly recovering.

Aus. Williams, of Brownsville, an old time Republican, and one of the biggest hearted men in Linn county, called on Friday.

LARGE WAREHOUSE.—Messrs. Parker & Morris have commenced work on their fine warehouse on the bank of the Willamette river in the eastern edge of the city, and expect to complete it early in July. It will be one of the largest and most convenient buildings in the State.

WHITENESS.—J. E. Smith is ready to be subsidized to do whitewashing, kalsomining or house-cleaning, and can be found at his residence on Third street, between Ferry and Washington, when not engaged at work.

STORMY.—It has been stormy a good portion of the week. A heavy fall of rain occurred just before day Friday morning, and the weather was real wipetish.

AT THE M. E. CHURCH.—Prof. L. J. Powell, of Salem, will preach Sunday morning at the M. E. Church. He will lecture at the same place in the evening. Subject: The Woman's Temperance Crusade. All are invited.

RELIGIOUS.—Rev. Joseph Emery, of the M. E. Church South, will preach at the Congregational Church to-morrow at 11 o'clock. All are invited.

Pacific Slopers.

A Jacksonville man will burn 100,000 bricks this season.

An Ashland lady has sewed together 3,382 pieces of calico into two quilts.

A headless lamb was born in Baker county last week. It survived but a few hours.

Average temperature at Baker City for the week ending April 22d, 39 degrees above zero.

A large number of cattle have died on Main Powder river this spring, from eating poisonous herbs.

A couple of pounds of butter are wanted at Baker City, to supply the market and bring down prices.

Charley Stover, of Baker county, cut off two of his fingers last week. Moral—don't play with edge tools.

Baker City Academy, under charge of Prof. Barrett and wife, closed a successful term on the 17th of April.

Butter in Pendleton is now selling at 37c, with a downward tendency; eggs, 15; potatoes, 1c; beef, 8@10c.

The road over the Blue mountains is now in such a condition that freight teams can cross over without serious difficulty.

A large packtrain passed through Pendleton this week with goods destined for Eldorado, Baker county. Business is reviving.

Mr. George Stanbury, of Hepper, Umatilla county, had his leg broken last week by the kick of a horse which he was branding.

A new voting precinct has been established in Jackson county, east of Klamath Reservation. It is called Sprague River Precinct.

The Pendleton Tribune insists that La Dow will yet "come to the front in the canvass and make it warm for his opponents." If so, why not.

The mail from Baker City to Umatilla Landing now runs through in something over 24 hours, instead of two days as it has been doing.

Jacksonville will have some fine races toward the close of May, on the track near that place. Some of the fastest stock in Oregon will be there, both runners and trotters.

An abstract of the report of the Superintendent of Schools in Baker county for 1874, shows the number of teachers examined during the year, 17. Amount apportioned, in coin, \$1,702 78, and in currency, \$217 35, making the whole amount, \$1,920 03.

The Independent Literary Society, of Jacksonville, has received a large variety of dramas, comedies, etc., from San Francisco, and are now actively engaged in preparing for the entertainments for the relief of the sufferers by the fire, which will take place on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, May 14th, 15th and 16th.

A sheep-raiser in Wasco county writes as follows: "On the 1st of April I had 92 ewes with 154 lambs. I have now about 300 lambs, more than one-third of which are twins. How high is that? Should they keep on increasing in that ratio, I shall have over 700 lambs from 521 ewes. This I think is very good. I intend to compete for the first prize on twins."

Hereafter the boats on the Columbia leave Wallula on Mondays and Thursdays for the down trips, and going up will leave Celilo on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

A Grange has been organized at Wallula.

Olympia records her regular fire alarm. No damage.

Walla Walla Chinamen have a cemetery of their own.

A "variety supper" is the latest at Walla Walla.

The water works is what troubles Walla Walla folks.

The bridge across the Palouse at Colfax has been finished.

The telegraph lines between Sound points are being changed.

The Walla Walla jail is more than crowded. Fourteen birds.

The islands of the North Pacific are attracting considerable attention.

A company of six men left Walla Walla a few days since, bound for Stickeen.

Two downtrodden "flowers of the forest," perambulating the streets of Pendleton, caused the Tribune editor to burrow in flowery chaplets of his vivid imagination.

The Congregationalists in California, according to the new minutes, have 63 churches, 12 of them having pastors and 41 acting pastors. Seven of the churches have been organized during the year. The communicants number 2,709, of whom 420 were added during the last year.

Pere Hyacinthe and the old Catholic Bishop Reinkens, of Germany, are at variance. Pere Loyson repudiates the latter's jurisdiction, and the Bishop's official organ replies that the prelate has never claimed a connection with him since his marriage threw light upon his revolt from Roman Catholicism.

The average stableman is happy in Washington county, as he well may be, for the season is already at hand and now it is that the average young man loves to spin his girl through the country in the best of turn-outs, while sparkling eyes gaze fondly on blushing beauty, and rippling laughter is borne across the waving fields to the woody dells beyond.

The evidence hitherto submitted to the Court of Inquiry leads to the impression that General Howard will soon be decided not responsible for the wrongful acts of certain subordinates in the Freedman's Bureau administration, and that he is personally free from blame.

Mrs. Phoebe C. Bailey, who was a great-grand-daughter of John Alden and his wife Priscilla, of Mayflower times, has just died at Dover, New Hampshire, at the age of ninety-one, having lived to see three generations of her descendants.

W. E. Webb, a stock raiser on Main Powder River, has lost over fifty cattle by their eating poisonous herbs.

The surgeons of the Confederate army and navy are to hold a Convention at Atlanta, Georgia, on May 20th, for the purpose of embodying in permanent form the important medical and surgical facts brought out by their war experience.

The Methodist proposes to abolish the itinerant system which has outlived the conditions that made it effective. Its principal use now is to prevent preachers from getting acquainted with their congregations.

The widow of Captain Hall, the Arctic explorer, has petitioned congress for aid.

Sir Samuel Baker's African expedition cost the Khedive of Egypt over £240,000, while the results were comparatively meagre, and his Highness grumbles.

The Jewels which the Duchess of Edinburgh brought with her to England are said to be worth \$2,500,000, and includes as many as a 100 bracelets.

One of our exciting questions now is, which is the third city of the Union? For a long time Brooklyn has had the honor; now it is claimed by St. Louis.

Gen. John B. Hood, of the late C. S. A., is doing his best to repopulate the South. He has been married five years, and is now the father of seven children.

The Chicago Tribune says that large quantities of macaroni and vermicelli are made in that city and sold as imported articles.

Rochefort has been interviewed, but he refuses to tell the manner of his escape. He probably saw his chance and rushed for't.

The Government engineer in Paris used to be a printer. He is setting up the Vendome Column very rapidly.

The estimated expenditures to relieve the suffers by famine in India up to the end of February are \$12,500,000.

Pullman, of palace car fame, is building a \$75,000 cottage at Long Branch.

In France the Pope alone can grant a divorce, but does not prevent actions for separation.

A note of \$1,000 sold at auction sale in Pendleton on the 19th inst. for \$30.

Weston promises to become one of the liveliest towns in Umatilla county.

The closing exercises of the Baker City Academy were a grand literary treat.

The Jacksonville Red Men are going to give a grand ball on the 12th of May.

The Khedive of Egypt has taken military possession of the Suez canal.

Walla Walla wants a brass band. They should have one.

The Indians at Umatilla Agency are prospering finely.

The crusaders are still on the streets of Portland.

Tacoma is going to have another hard-times ball.

Beecher makes this sensible reply in the Christian Union to a query as to whether it is wicked to dance: "It is wicked when it is wicked, and not wicked when it is not wicked. In itself it has no more moral character than walking, wrestling, or rowing. Bad company, untimely hours, evil dances, may make the exercise evil; good company, wholesome hours, and home influences, may make it a very great benefit."

"Old Bill Allen," the present Governor of Ohio, is brought out as a Democratic candidate for next President, by a paper of that State. This is unkind, seeing that the growing unpopularity of his administration as Governor promises to retire him for all time to that political "bourne from whence he but recently emerged after a quarter of a century of "waiting and watching."