

U. S. Official Paper for Oregon.

SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 1874.

RAIN.—Rain has fallen nearly every day this week.

Weather cloudy, with indications of more of the same kind.

Latest advices from Liverpool quote wheat—average, 12s 3d@12s 6d; club, 12s 7d@12s 10d.

Dr. J. C. Bolon is to read the "Declaration" at the Harrisburg celebration.

A campmeeting is to be held on the Calipooia, west of Tangent, commencing on next Friday.

Mr. Crouse, of the sawmill, proposes to make a flying visit to the East in a month or two.

Councilman Cowan has thrown up his seat and a new man will be selected to fill the vacancy.

Thanks to Mart. Paine for a branch full of delicious cherries last week.

Mr. Burrell, of Knapp, Burrell & Co., Portland, and Mr. Swan, manufacturer of the Moline Plow, were in this city during the week.

Everybody is getting out their old fuses and burnishing them up ready to properly usher in the glorious fourth.

Postmaster General Cresswell has tendered his resignation, and the President has tendered the appointment to Eugene Hale, of Maine.

LARGE BAND OF SHEEP.—A large band of sheep, a thousand or more, passed through the city on Tuesday, en route for the grass lands east of the Cascades.

RECEIVED.—Through the politeness of the Secretary, E. M. Waite, we are in receipt of the list of premiums for the Oregon State Fair for 1874.

WAGONS.—Large numbers of Eastern built wagons, of different makes, are now to be found in our markets. The supply of harvesters, plows, seed drills, and farming machinery and implements generally, was never so large.

On Thursday three different rain-clouds were observed in Albany prairie, discharging copious showers at the same time, miles apart. During the afternoon two of these clouds came together, bursted with a loud noise, and for a while there was a second deluge in that neighborhood.

The Beecher-Tilton Scandal has been re-opened by Theodore Tilton, who publishes a seven column article in the *Golden Age*, corroborating the scandalous disclosures made by Victoria Woodhull some time since. We hope this time that the charges against Beecher will be thoroughly sifted, and the whole truth brought to light.

La Dow (Dem) beats Williams (Rep) 302 votes; Chadwick (Dem) beats Foster (Rep) 2,394; A. H. Brown (Dem) beats D. G. Clark (Rep) 1,185; Rowland (Rep) beats Dawne (Dem) 40.

All the small towns in the State, near, will celebrate the Fourth and their own shrubbery this year.

Judicial Election.

In the Second District Burnett (Ind) beats Mosher (Dem) 69 votes. Fitch, Prosecuting Attorney, is elected over Chenoweth, 267 votes.

In the Third District Whitney beats Humphrey 367 votes.

In the Fourth District, for Judge, Shattuck (Ind) beats Johnson (Rep) 1,373; Thompson (Ind), for Prosecuting Attorney, beats Moreland (Rep) 662.

In the Fifth District Laswell, (Dem), for Prosecuting Attorney, beats Cartwright (Rep) 962.

PSYCHO-THERAPEUTICS.

THE APPLICATION OF HYPNOTISM AND THE MAGNET TO THE RELIEF OF PAIN AND CURE OF DISEASE.

The medical world became much excited some months since over a new method for relieving pain and curing disease in a speedy and effectual manner, without the use of drugs and nostrums. The discovery was reported to have been made by two eminent physicians of California, and to have been evolved from experiments made by them upon patients in hospital and in private practice. Reports were daily received of the wonderful cures effected, which were published in the local papers, and not only occasioned much local excitement, but were copied and commented on far and wide.

The doctors hearing of the success of Hypnotism, of course began to ridicule the new theory, and soon precipitated a war of newspaper cards, followed by a rapid firing of epigrams, charged with satire and sarcasm, until the public mind, confused with the arguments advanced on both sides, at last settled down to the conclusion that Hypnotism had at least afforded much amusement to the outsider, whether its miraculous claims were well founded or not, and the main question was lost sight of in the interest that centered in the wrangle among the doctors. It may be as well to state here that the physicians who were practicing the new plan made no pretensions to having discovered a new principle, but this did not save them from the charge of plagiarism that was unjustly hurled at them by other members of the profession, although in good humor, but with the view of detracting from the importance of their experiments, and the consideration to which they were entitled.

Meanwhile the physicians who had commenced to practice the new plan, were quietly pursuing their experiments, undeterred by the ridicule of their contemporaries, and the remarkable success which attended their labors is sufficient vindication of their sound judgment and honesty of purpose.

A letter recently received from a medical gentleman of high standing in the profession in California, says:

"You will find Hypnotism a therapeutic agent of incalculable value in practice. Let it be imagination or not to which those extraordinary physical effects are attributable, it is certain that the imagination has never been capable of being made to act in the same beneficial manner by any other mode of management ever before known. We do not wish or care whether the patient believes or not in the result. It is not magnetism. It is not Breidien. It is not anything that I can explain, but say it for

yourself, and tell me what it is, for I only know the results,—and although I cannot explain, I care but little and my patients care less, so long as they feel and know its efficacy."

The following wonderful cures are reported:

Hemiplegia (palsy).—Vion, a native of France, aged sixty years, had been paralyzed on the right side about three years, and had not walked without crutches for several months. Was hypnotized on the 22d of January and the tractors passed over the palsied limbs and side. In six minutes he expressed himself as free from pain, and being told to get up and walk, did so without pain, crutches or stick. The improvement since has been marked and progressive.

Paraplegia (palsy).—Valasco, a native of Gibraltar, aged thirty-nine years, was admitted to the hospital in May, 1868. Being paralyzed from the hip down, he had never been able to stand upon his feet unsupported during a period of five and a half years, and his sleep had been greatly disturbed by muscular jerks and twitchings. He was hypnotized for the first time on the 22d of January, and when the tractor was passed over the legs they were thrown into a violent convulsive action, becoming passive again when the tractor was withdrawn, only to be renewed with each successive pass for a period of three minutes, after which he became quiet, and in eight minutes stood upon his feet without support, taking two steps without assistance. He has steadily improved from the beginning, has walked half a mile by the aid of a walking-stick in each hand, and across the ward without them. The muscular twitching has entirely ceased.

Partial Paralysis.—Mrs. S—, of Marysville, and Mrs. E—, of Sacramento county, both elderly ladies, and Mr. A—, of Yuba county, an old man, were all similarly affected, the left arm of each being partially palsied, so that the hand could not be raised above the mouth. All of the cases were of several years' standing. Each was operated upon for five minutes only. All were cured by a single operation and could use the hand previously paralyzed with perfect freedom, placing it behind the back or moving it in any direction they desired. No medicine was given.

Acute Inflammatory Rheumatism.—J. H—, aged forty, blacksmith, was attacked with rheumatism of both hands and wrists, accompanied with excruciating pain, great swelling and redness; was hypnotized, and in less than ten minutes all of these symptoms had disappeared. I saw him the next day, when the pain had not returned, and learn that he is still well, although six weeks have elapsed since the operation. No medicine given at the time or since.

[Owing to the crowded state of our columns this week we are compelled to defer the publication of the balance of the above interesting paper, until next week.—Ed.]

The following named persons were elected as officers of the Alumni Association of Corvallis College for the ensuing year: President, J. K. R. Carrin; Vice President, Miss Rosa Jacobs; Secretary, Thayer. Messrs. Fountain and Finley were selected to deliver orations, and Miss Rosa Jacobs to read an essay on next commencement day.

Pacific Slopers.

Judge Humason, of the Dalles, is quite ill.

Wool sells at 20@25 cents per pound at the Dalles.

The interest on the irreducible school fund for Lane county amounts to \$2,640 59.

Last Friday, Mr. Merriam, who lives a few miles below Corvallis, was kicked by a horse and seriously injured.

Last week Judge Tolman's little girl, who has been very ill for some time past, had a leg amputated.

J. M. Allen, of Oeboco, will have a grist mill in running order this Fall at Prineville.

Uncle Bob Kinney, of Salem, has sold his ranch on Willow creek, Umatilla county, for \$8,000.

Jos. Holman has resigned his position on the Capitol building and J. W. Scott has been appointed in his place.

A Spaniard was arrested at Salem on Monday, on a telegraphic warrant from the Sheriff of Lane county. What his sin is, is unknown.

A Nevada man is putting considerable money into circulation in Union in payment for large droves of cattle and hogs which he is buying.

The lawyers who sued the Whitley estate of Polk county, for \$1,000 fees for services rendered in the Whitley-Glaze trial got a verdict for \$600 each.

The Christian Church have been holding a protracted meeting at Bethel, and up to the middle of last week had received fifteen accessions to the church.

Daniel Clark, Grand Master of the Patrons of Husbandry, desires all good Patrons of Polk county to meet him at Dallas July 3d, to attend to important business.

The Pendleton Tribune thinks the aboriginal denizens are really much happier and enjoy life to a greater extent than the more cultivated and refined sons of Shem.

A Salem man says somebody fired two shots at him the other evening, when he was driving up his cows.

E. S. McComas has been appointed by the Pioneer and Historical Society of Oregon and Washington Territory as agent in Eastern Oregon for the collection of money to assist in building a monument to the memory of Dr. Marcus Whitman who was murdered in 1847.

The Record says: Notwithstanding various reports to the contrary, the work on the Capitol building has not been suspended a single day since election, when the weather permitted working, with the exception of one week, when it was absolutely necessary to stop for want of material.

W. P. Crowe, Esq., an elderly gentleman residing in Weston, precinct, intending to take a swallow of wine for medicinal purposes, got hold of the wrong bottle and took a mouthful of a solution of something very caustic by mistake; and it was considered very doubtful, when we last heard from him, whether he would survive the injuries he has sustained.

Chris. Weiss has secured the contract for carrying the mail from Jacksonville to Sam's Valley, via Central Point, Table Rock, Brownsborough and Eagle Point, for \$540 per annum.

A private letter from the Cove, Grand Ronde valley, contains this:

"Our spring and summer here are unlike any our oldest inhabitants can bring to memory—veritable Webfoot exuberance of rain, so far has entirely dispensed with the necessity for irrigation, and it prospects form any basis for angury, we will astonish the natives when we make our crop report this fall."

In the Sunday Appropriation bill, as passed the House, we find the following items for Washington Territory: Survey of public lands, \$40,000; for cisterns and repairs at Smith's Light Station, \$15,000; for general repairs at Admiral Head-Light Station, \$3,500.

Says the World: "An out and out Democrat, not remote from Idaho City, on hearing the remark that LaDow had 'made a very poor run,' replied: 'No wonder he has made a poor run, everybody has this spring, the season has been so interally dry.' He thought LaDow had been mining."

Says the Bozeman Courier, of June 5th: "The migration of the grasshopper westward has already set in. Sunday the air was full of them, seeking pastures fresh and new. They seemed to have come across the range from the Yellowstone Valley, which accounts for their early maturity, that Valley being celebrated for being ahead of all others in the matter of early vegetation, on which these early emigrants have been nurtured, and attained a flying capacity in advance of those that settled in the Galletin-Let'em fly."

A term of court was held at Colville week before last. There was one chancery case, two divorce cases, four civil cases in which judgments were taken by default, and two in seven criminal cases, for living in open adultery—cases in which white men are living with squaws without being married to them. In two of these trials were had; in the one a verdict of not guilty was brought in, and in the other the jury could not agree and were discharged, and the defendant held for trial at the next term of court. The other five were continued and the court intimated that if juries would not convict me for that offense in Steaphens county, he would have the trials come off in Walla Walla. There was also a case of seduction under promise of marriage.

The U. S. Land Officers at La Grande have not received as yet any notification of the vacation of Wallows Indian Reservation. The Sentinel says: "It is not advisable for men to settle there until such notification is received—for in these days there is nothing sure but that which is certain. Senator Kelly received a promise of its vacation, but it is not yet vacated."

The Walla Walla Statesman thinks it is "cheeky" in the Sound papers to claim that the Delegate to Congress from Washington Territory this year should be a "clam eater" and says "a man from the grasshopper country would fill the bill just as well."

Five thousand lbs belonging to the railroad company have arrived at the mouth of the Yakima. They were brought from the upper Yakima, and the drivers made the trip in twenty-eight days.

The wheat stored in the Walla Walla warehouses has all been through away.