

THE BEECHER SCANDAL.

This is the most scandalous scandal ever foisted upon the ear of the public, and is furnishing gossip and prattle for every sewing bee and tea party in the land.

It is evident from the tone of the standard Eastern papers that Beecher's defense is considered weak and unsatisfactory among even his greatest admirers and defenders.

The Oregonian tells us that "A. B. Merchan drew pay as Modoc Peace Commissioner up to last February. The Commission had ceased to exist long before that time, the Modocs had been tried before a military court and those of them that were convicted had been hanged nearly six months before February."

GERARD TO BE HANGED.—His Excellency, Gov. Grover, has refused to commute the death penalty in the case of Thos. Gerand, convicted of murder at the last term of Circuit Court in Marion county.

A terrific storm occurred at Pittsburg and Alleghany City last Monday night. The flood was terrible; the whole upper part of the city was flooded.

FOR THE WALLA WALLA STATESMAN.—Bro. Newell, permit us to call your attention to the fact that your last week credited Col. Nesmith's "Welcome Home" to the wrong Albany paper.

A Wisconsin minister has been dismissed from an orthodox pulpit because he built a fire under a bawky horse. His case is almost as bad as that of the Eau Claire preacher.

It is well that the heart-strings can relax and contract. There's Mrs. Weaver, of Peoria. She tried to throw herself into her husband's grave, fainted away and went wild.

It is curious that Beecher and Tilton and Mrs. Tilton, in all of their letters to each other, constantly talked about wanting to die and be at rest, and yet at least two of the parties seemed to have been enjoying life more than there was any physical necessity for.

"New-Horns" is the classic title of a new novel, shortly to be published in the Days' Doing, and to emanate from the versatile pen of the gifted H. W. B.

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IMPROVEMENT OF THE WILLAMETTE.

An important meeting of the Linn County Central Grange Association was held in this city last Tuesday to devise the most effective and speedy method of securing the early improvement of the Willamette River and its opening to navigation of the year round.

It is now nearly ten years since the war of the rebellion closed by the triumph of the Union armies. It is only three years and a quarter since the French concluded a war in which the whole brunt of the battle had to be borne by themselves.

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SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—The report of Tilton's cross-examination occupies nearly four columns of the Morning Call to-day. He gives the particulars of several acts charged in the libelous statement.

The Daily Graphic gives an outline of Beecher's forthcoming defense, derived from parties who profess to thoroughly understand the situation.

Some California chap is writing about "the Science of grasshoppers." He had better explain their agility.

A Mormon the other day traded a span of mules for a girl. He now says he will take his mules back and ask no questions.

A Spaniard named Moreno, who a few weeks ago outraged Mrs. Eldridge, at Anaheim, Cal., was last Sunday killed by an officer who was trying to arrest him.

THE Nevada Journal, relates this incident: "Miss Bradford has a boy in her school who combines head and heart with ready speech.

MANY of Capt. Scott's friends are glad he has got the Statesman. We are glad too, and only trust that in a few months he will not find out that the Statesman has got him.

DESTRUCTIVE storms are reported in Kentucky and Ohio.

PACIFIC COASTERS.

Montana election next Monday. Great fires in the Sound woods. Oregon will have 100,000 bushels of wheat this year.

A State Medical Society will be formed in Salem Sept. 2. J. M. Johns is erecting a large warehouse on the river in Salem.

Salem is proud of an 18-year old squaw who is the mother of five children.

The Washington County Fair will commence September 28th and continue five days.

John Smith has turned out a bill. He lives in Marion county now, and refused to pay harvest hands.

William Baker, living a few miles southwest of Corvallis, caught a large black bear, in a trap last week.

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Two suicides at Frisco Sunday. One of the victims had been accused of "nest-hiding" with a lovely young milliner, and couldn't stand the disgrace.

Aron Beck, of Bloomfield, Cal., brutally cowhided Mrs. Pickle, and now he is in soak himself until he pays the lady damages for his beastly conduct.

Judge Tolman's little girl, who had her leg amputated recently, is fast recovering, much to the joy of the bereaved family and many friends of the Judge.

Charles Watt, of Elko, went out duck hunting, and leaned on his gun to rest. The doctors think they can make him a cork ear in the place of the one blown off.

Mills' Seminary, in California, has a fire brigade composed of school girls. Of course they throw cold water on the young sparks thereabout—don't they?

On Wednesday night of last week the saw mill of Harris and Stone, near old Fort Hoskins, in Benton county was burned to the ground.

Trucks, Nev., has its first photographer, and he has been shot at because he wouldn't take a picture by lamp light of a miner who was going away early in the morning.

S. N. Wilkins, of Corvallis, who has been such a fruitful source for "accident" items, fell off a load of hay last Saturday, striking on his head and inflicting serious injury.

A gentleman just up from Yaguna says North Beach, for several days last week, was literally strewn with thousands of dead codfish, which had been washed up by the surf.

There was no regular trial of John Flanders of Nevada. He had a short interview in the woods, with Benda, however, and it is quite certain that John will not burgle any more.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ATTENTION. PARKER & MORRIS' ELEVATOR. Now ready for the reception of wheat and oats.

300,000 Bushels of wheat at one time, and is located on the margin of the Willamette river.

SIXTY THOUSAND SACKS of flour for sale. To furnish those storing wheat with us, free to those who wish to purchase.

SHERIFF'S SALE. BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE OF FORECLOSURE and sale, issued out of the Court of Linn County, in favor of the Board of Commissioners for the sale of school lands.

WILLAMETTE VALLEY & COGNAC STAGE LINE. From Halsey to the Mountain House in Four Days!

BY TELEGRAPH. TELEGRAM RECEIVED BY Bradley, Marsh & Co. from their Agent: San Francisco, July 21, 1874.

TO MESSRS. BRADLEY, MARSH & CO. British Bankrupt Stock by Next Steamer; purchased at tremendous discount. J. J. O'BRIEN.

THIS Stock consists of Dry Clothing, Hats & Caps, Boots & Shoes, Groceries etc., and will be sold at an enormous sacrifice.

CONFESIONS OF AN INVALID. Published as a warning and for the benefit of young men and others who suffer from Nervous Debility, Loss of Manhood, etc.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS. THE COUNTY COURT ISSUED A WARRANT authorizing me to try on the goods and chattels of one who is delinquent on his taxes for the year 1873-74.

NOTICE. WED. C. PETER OF SIO, OREGON, IS NOT authorized to transact any business on my behalf. W. C. PETER.

SUCCESS BASED UPON MERIT. It is a subject of general interest, among both wholesale and retail druggists, that the market has been flooded with cheaply made and adulterated goods.

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