

SPILLS OF OFFICE.

A Washington special to the Philadelphia Times says there are more applications by Republicans for retention in the offices which they now hold than there are from Democrats for these places. These Republicans give all kinds of reasons why they should be retained. Some invoke the Tenth of Office law, some the Civil Service law, others, (and not a few of them,) declare their purpose to act with the Democratic party hereafter, and many other expedients are resorted to in order to keep themselves in office. AN... which shows that these Republican office holders, after having been fed on government pap for twenty-five years, are hungrier than Democrats...

An exchange whose editor hides his radical republicanism behind the name "Independent" boasts that it is a matter of which republicans may well feel proud that under the new democratic administration there has been a thorough sifting and no frauds have been found and not a cent of government funds but what has been faithfully accounted for. We suppose this editor wrote that item just after reading an account of Cleveland's unceremoniouslyouncing the Rome, New York, Postmaster because he was \$700 short in his accounts. No, the sifting has not been completed, but we confidently believe that when the committee now investigating the Treasury department finishes its work and reports the country will be shocked at so much crookedness.

As we have often remarked before in these columns, if the election of a democratic president is to result in nothing more than a mere change of officers, then it would have been better for democrats that Cleveland should have been defeated. But we now see that there was great significance in Cleveland's election. Real civil service reform will be carried out in good faith and not in that hypocritical way which it was under Grant, Hayes and Arthur. Economy, for economy's sake, will be insisted upon in all departments of government. The people did well in electing Cleveland.

Prayer meetings were held in Trenton New Jersey, just before the city election, in behalf of the republican candidate for Mayor. The prayers were answered in the election of the democratic candidate by a surprisingly large vote. It is a pity that so many fools and religious cranks are permitted to control the proceedings of religious congregations. One of these fools will do more to retard the growth and spread of religion in an hour than Bob Ingersoll can do in a year.

Another "frascal" has come to grief, and must be kicked out. Cooke, Postmaster at Unionville, Conn., has been found short to the extent of about \$4000 and has been arrested. His peopulations has been going on for over a year, but they were not discovered until a Democratic president took the reins, when the thief was soon discovered. Turn 'em out.

There is talk of consolidating the Post Republican and Critic, all Washington newspapers, into one great, booming democratic daily. There is no longer a necessity for a republican paper in Washington or anywhere else, and very likely the talk may amount to something. Barring accidents, this country will be in democratic hands for the next 50 years or more.

Editor Oregonian, DEAR SIR: As a matter of truth, do you not enjoy as much personal happiness now as in the days of the republic, and before you became a citizen of the confederacy?

REFUTATION.

It does seem that this democratic administration takes a kind of jocosse delight in proving that the campaign thunder used by republicans last fall to defeat Cleveland was a false thunder. It will be remembered that the republican stump speakers and editors held up their hands in "fear and trembling," and "mourned with a great and very sore lamentation" over the, (to them,) certainty that the democrats would pay off the rebel debt, pension rebel soldiers, re-enlave the colored people, deprive federal soldiers of their pensions, and do many other things which would tend to ruin the country if Cleveland should be elected. These charges were incessantly rung in the ears of voters all over the country in order to frighten and intimidate them into the support of Blaine, and it is believed that one hundred thousand timid republicans who had grown heartily sick of republican miracle and extravagance, were, by these means held to the support of Blaine, and under ordinary influences would have supported Cleveland. But despite the fear of turning over the government to the confederate democrats' good sense prevailed to that extent that Cleveland was elected. And, now, then, what effort has been made to pay off the rebel debt? Who has proposed to pension rebel soldiers? What single colored person in all the land has been remanded to his former condition of slavery? Or, what person in all the Southland has been found, who would if he could, or could if he would, reduce any colored person to a condition of slavery. Not one anywhere. These timid republicans now rejoice that Cleveland is elected, for it is now well understood that the rights of colored people will be as secure, if not more secure, than they were under republican rule. As an evidence of the manner in which the present administration will treat the colored people, we have only to refer to a dispatch sent out a few days ago in which it was said "that the policy of the administration regarding appointments to offices in southern states now held by colored republicans will be not to substitute white men for colored, but to replace incompetent or dishonest colored republicans with colored democrats who are worthy and capable. In accordance it is said, with this policy the postmaster general has just appointed ex-Representative Tom Hamilton, of Beaufort, route agent from Beaufort to Jacksonville, South Carolina. Hamilton was the leader of a small band of colored men who supported the Hampton government in South Carolina in 1876.

So our readers will see that if republicans had to make their campaign over they would be left entirely destitute of any campaign issue upon which to make it. Take from them the bloody shirt issue and they would be as poor as Job's turkey. Miss Cleveland sets at rest the report that she is a republican by asserting that she approves her brother's principles, and quite superfluously adding, "He has very strong principles," as several people have discovered.

It is now thought that Judge Bronaugh of California, formerly of Portland, will receive the appointment of U. S. district attorney for Oregon. He comes from Attorney-General Garland's State, Arkansas.

Harrisburg.

April 22nd, 1885. Rev. McCallister was in town last week. Mr. James McCoy and wife, relatives of Mrs. Remy, are in town. Miss Whitney, who is teaching at the Pike school house, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends here. Dr. Harris, of Oakland, has located in Harrisburg. Mr. Cooper, of Whatcomb, W. T., has been visiting for a few days at his father-in-law, Mr. Jerry Sullivan. There is to be a May day picnic near the Harrisburg bridge, under the auspices of the boys Brass Band. A large crowd and a pleasant time is expected. Mrs. Marquand, of Junction, was the guest of Mrs. McClain, a few days last week. Our old townsman, S. S. Train, stopped off a few hours with us on Monday. Howard Bramwell has accepted a position as clerk with G. F. Wright, our grocerman. Damon Smith's new sign is very neat, and will, no doubt, call in many a customer. The body of Frank Remy has not yet been found. A diligent search has been kept up, and yesterday giant powder was fully and judiciously used in blasting the river from the R. R. bridge down, but without effect.

Morris Island.

As I have been one week behind I will try and be up with the other reporters hereafter. Every body around here is happy, all done seeding, nearly all through gardening, and the much wished for rain is here. If "Gardez" will address two cent postage stamp and address Mrs. Taylor Probat, Albany, Oregon, as others did, that saw my statement in the Democrat of April 10th in regard to fine poultry, he or she will get all the information he desires, but if "Gardez" cannot tell a Bantam from a Braham. ISLAND POPPY.

CORRESPONDENCE

Lebanon.

Mr. Geo. Ridgeway and Miss Betty Stringer were married Sabbath morning at the O. P. Church, by Rev. Hickman. Our postmaster A. Newell went over to the Nestuccia to spend a few days taking his wife with him. The office is in charge of W. C. Peterson his accomplished deputy. Two men came in from Ochoco on Sunday and said they had met James and Jo Ekins at the Summit. There was then 2 1/2 feet of new snow and still snowing. The snow of the winter was still to the depth of 6 feet. Mrs. Sherer was buried here on Monday. She was married less than a year ago and her husband is left with a little babe 5 weeks old to mourn their early loss. She was the daughter of F. C. Hansard. Business is very dull, a little more so than A. has been.

Mr. and Mrs. Stringer gave a party Tuesday evening in honor of their daughter Mrs. Ridgeway. Miss Sarah Jones has been on a visit to the country, much to the delight of her many friends. Mr. Livermore of W. T. is here seeing what the prospect is for establishing a paper. While the citizens would be much gratified to have such an enterprise, they cannot subscribe as liberally as they would wish because money is too scarce. There was a party of 12 went up to the Sodaville rink the other evening. We understand they had a pleasant time. The conversation of some of them was probably more gratifying to themselves than elevating.

Rev. Bowersox of Salem was in town Thursday on his way home from Sweet Home where he has been on a ministerial visit. Mrs. L. Putnam of Albany spent Thursday with Mrs. F. M. Miller. Mrs. R. McCally and daughter Jessie returned from East Portland Saturday. The recent frosts have nipped the early vegetables, where they were not covered.

There is some talk of having a May party with the May pole dance, May queen etc. As it appears that you have no correspondents from this locality, I thought a few items would be acceptable and in order.

As Mr. Chicken Bristol was at the close of the Fern Ridge school and I understood, he was to give a sketch of the picnic, I waited and watched for last week's issue, and as I thought he did not give it hardly justice, I thought I would give a short sketch. At half past ten o'clock the citizens of Fern Ridge began to assemble, some in wagons and some on foot, bringing pairs, baskets, tubs and dry goods boxes, filled to the brim. Exercises began with reading by classes, then the primary mental arithmetic class acquitted themselves very nicely, making no mistakes and answering the questions asked them by their teacher. Next, reading by Prof. J. B. Wirt, "The Fount of Youth," followed by an address of welcome by Miss Ollie Layton. Adornment for dinner, and such a dinner, bath not the power to describe, was displayed before our eyes on a table, 32 feet long by 3 feet wide. There was mountains of cake, heapes of cookies, stacks of pies of every kind, fried ham, roast chicken, baked ham, plenty of good biscuits and butter, and other things too numerous to mention, and after 101 persons ate all they wanted and were filled, there was enough left for supper. Dinner over we had a pleasant time chatting with one another and were called to order by the sound of the school bell. First, we were treated with a piece of music by the string band. Introduction by Miss Alice Nave, followed by numerous recitations, of which I will name a few. "The Two Roads," by Miss Lizzie Crockett; "The old man in the stylish church," by Miss Mary Boyd; "Somebody's darling," by Miss Spicy South; "The model wife," by the Prof.; "Wreck of the Heperus," by Miss Mary Wirt; "The little bird's song," by Miss Anna Brown. In fact we were held spell bound for nearly three hours with recitations, which showed the ability of both pupils and teacher. An able address was delivered by Prof. Ribello on the care and education of our youth by their parents, also a few remarks by Mr. Fellows. The afternoon was enlivened by melodious strains of music rendered by Messrs. J. P. Tucker and Wm. Savage. School closed and all dispersed feeling well paid for the day spent.

Prof. Wirt removed immediately after the picnic to Happy Home, where, I understand, he has a fine school, several attending from adjoining districts. I understand school is progressing finely in the upper Hamilton Creek district, under the skillful management of Miss Lydia Charlton. As she is a No. 1 teacher, we think she will give satisfaction to all her patrons. Also her sister, Miss Frances Charlton, is teaching in the George McKinney district and we understand she has a very interesting school. This is her second term in that district, which speaks well for her as a teacher. All those who love soda water can quench their thirst at Waterloo spring, as the river is very low. Mr. Al. Kinder, R. Lindley and Jas. Bellingher have gone to Douglas county. Since those fine showers crops are looking fine and the farmers wear a smiling countenance. HAWKEYE.

Sweet Home.

April 18, 1885. We will again attempt to give a few of the happenings of Sweet Home and vicinity since our last:

In the first place, we desire to make correction in our last about Rev. Joslin refusing to sell the baby wagon. The gentleman says he never refused to sell said wagon, hence we cheerfully make the correction. But we understand that no sooner than the fact was made public that the wagon was not for sale that our parson denied the charge.

Two weeks ago, the 1st Sunday, we were treated to a series of meetings by our Advent friends, conducted by Revs. Smith, Preston and Hamilton. On Sunday last Rev. Joslin preached quite an interesting sermon to our people from Dan. 2, 44. To-night and to-morrow, and perhaps longer, we expect services under the auspices of the Holiness Association and Evangelical church. Travel has commenced across the mountains. Quite a band of cattle passed through last Saturday en route for Eastern Oregon. Two of our young men, Messrs. Haner and Slaven, started last Monday to see if they could better their condition and find a place where the filthy lucre was easier gathered than in the valley. Our people are greatly rejoiced over the rain, and the growler who predicted "the drought had set in," is not to be found, and we suppose has sought less favored skies to ply his vocation. We note a new comer at Mr. E. C. Jackson's, a girl. Mother and child doing well. Deacon Sibbs had a fine Chinook salmon in his possession last Saturday, weighing 19 lbs. We suppose it is no harm to take such a fish in self defense. OCCASIONAL.

Tangent.

The farmers are almost through seeding. The fall wheat looks fine, and the prospects are splendid for a large crop of wheat. We are glad to hear that J. F. Beard's child is improving. Mrs. J. J. Beard spent a few days in Salem last week. There is talk of a Sunday school concert at the M. E. Church at this place in the near future. Mr. Alonzo Dole the detective and horse trader has disappeared from our midst. Two agents of the State Insurance Co. were in town looking after the interest of the company. J. J. Beard is an expert plowman especially when Cass Scott rides the horse. Mr. Jessie Moses is camped on the Willamette bottom where he has the contract of cutting 60 cords of wood. Mr. W. R. Brown the egg merchant gave the town a visit this week. We wish that Rosebud would get a sling shot and shoot the frogs as they disturb the sleep of LITTLE SUNFLOWER.

Pine.

April 20th, 1885. Mrs. James Barges was visiting her son William last week. H. H. Thompson has gone to the Bohemian mines in company with W. J. Cramwell of Harrisburg and some other parties from Coburg. The Jewes Cemetery was cleared of brush and weeds last week. Some steps are being taken to get a deed to the land, which is a move in the right direction. Born.—To the wife of Clarence Taylor, April 17th, a son. A drove of cattle belonging to Mr. Windfield from the vicinity of Lebanon passed through here to-day en route to Lake county. Miss Nellie Willoughby has been sick for the last three weeks. A frost here last night nipped some of the young vines. Some fine showers fell last week, not as much as was desirable though, still, it was a benefit to the grain and gardens. R.

Halsey.

April 22nd, 1885. Died.—On the 17th inst, the infant child of E. and Ellen Hayes of this place. Wm. Chastain is not expected to live many days. He is an old settler of this county. There is nearly 25,000 bushels of wheat in the Halsey warehouse waiting for better prices. Koonits & Lame have about 20,000 of that amount in their house. The crop prospect never was better at this time of the year in this vicinity. Farmers eyes begin to brighten in anticipation of better prices. Building is at a dead stand still in this part of the country, and it is hoped a change will come soon so that what few carpenters are here may live financially for it has been nipping times for them. Wanders Never Cease. Prof. O. Donaldson, New Orleans, La., proprietor of Museums, who suffered eighteen years with rheumatic pains, states he has spent ten thousand dollars to get cured. After trying doctors, famous baths, electric appliances and legions of liniments without relief, he tried St. Jacobs Oil, which completely cured him. It is a wonderful remedy, he says, and he has sold his crutches. A Life Saving Present. Mr. M. E. Allison, Hutchison, Kan., saved his life by a simple Trial Bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, for Consumption, which cured him of a very dangerous and deadly disease. He writes: "I feel brighter and happier, Langdon & Co. will furnish anyone wishing Syrup of Figs a trial bottle free of charge, or sell fifty cents and one dollar bottles."

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LEBLAIN YOUTH'S and BOY'S CLOTHING, SHOES, and FURNISHING GOODS. In all the Latest Styles OF STOCK OF HATS, In the Valley.

Administrator's Sale. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE UNDERSIGNED Administrator of the estate of Larkin B. Osborn, deceased, by virtue of an order of the County Court of Marion County, State of Oregon, made on the 9th day of June, D., 1884, bearing and empowering him to do so, will on Friday the 15th day of May, 1885, at the hour of 10 o'clock, A. M., of said day, at the Court House door, in Albany in said County, in said State, have public auction to the highest bidder for cash in U. S. gold coin, the following described real premises, belonging to said estate, situated in said Linn County, to-wit: Beginning at a point on the south line of Section six (6) in Tp. 13, R. E. 1, east of Willamette meridian 100 rods west of the southeast corner of said Section 16; thence east 100 rods; thence south 100 rods to the place of beginning, containing 100 acres. Dated April 7th, 1885. JOHN OSBORN, Administrator.

Final Settlement. In the matter of the estate of Zerah B. Opp, deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE UNDERSIGNED Executor of the last will and testament of Zerah B. Opp, deceased, has filed and returned in said matter, in the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, and that said Court has appointed Monday, the 4th day of May, 1885, at the hour of 10 o'clock, A. M., of said day, in said State, to receive public notice to such final account and the settlement thereof. Dated April 7th, 1885. V. A. WATTS, Executor.

Administrator's Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE UNDERSIGNED has been duly appointed Administrator de bonis non of the estate of Edward H. Eubank, deceased, by an order of the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, duly made and entered of record, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to the undersigned at his office in Albany, Oregon, duly verified within six months from the date hereof. April 7th, 1885. GEORGE HICKSBY, Administrator.

GREAT NORTHWESTERN REMEDY. THE OREGON BLOOD PURIFIER. "PUNDERS" KIDNEY & LIVER REGULATOR. Those who suffer early and late need a wholesome reliable medicine like PUNDERS' OREGON BLOOD PURIFIER. As a remedy and preventative of disease it is unequalled. It cures Rheumatism and Gout, Biliousness, Constipation, Dyspepsia, all Biliousness, and all other ailments of the system, by making New Rich Blood. All Druggists and Dealers keep it in bottles, 4 for \$5.

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HARDWARE OF ALL KINDS. Axes, mattocks, brush hooks, picks, shovels, spades, forks, grindstones, wheelbarrows, wringers, ropes, and almost everything you want, can be had cheap for cash at Peters & Stewart. PAINTS AND OILS. Of all descriptions sold by Peters & Stewart. CARPENTERS TOOLS. We want carpenters to know that we keep constantly in stock the very best tools the market affords, and sell them as cheap as they can be sold. Every tool we sell we warrant. No shoddy articles are kept. Come and see us. PETERS & STEWART.

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Proclamation. THOMPSON & WATERS, Brownsville, Linn Co., Or. Having just returned from San Francisco, where we spent much time in selecting our MAMMOTH STOCK —OF— Spring and Summer Goods.

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