

An exchange in treating of the protection which high tariff men claim is afforded farmers by the present tariff law, says that it is still claimed that protection gives the farmers a ready market for their produce. A good many other people have said the same thing, but not recently. Most intelligent protectionists have abandoned that ground. It is so battered and riddled by the truth that only the misinformed would think of resorting to it.

The farmers, next to the workmen, are at the bottom under the protective system. By reason of the natural growth of the agricultural interest of this country their crops are greatly in excess of the demand of the home market.

In the fiscal year 1884, the farmers exported 15,247,510 bushels of Indian corn; 27,256,427 bushels of oatmeal; and 70,349,012 bushels of wheat. Nor do these great quantities represent all that the American farmer sent abroad. Protection has not yet succeeded in building up for the farmer a home market for the produce of his land.

Under the protection of the tariff between 1850 and 1860, the home market consumed a much greater percentage of the products of our farms than is now bought by our manufacturing towns.

In the price of the exported surplus is to be found the result of competition with the world. The protectionists have had no care or concern for the farmer. They protest against compelling American labor to compete with what they call foreign pauper labor.

But granting that they are sincere in their assertions that they desire protection in order to sustain higher wages, they have no such friendship for the American farmer. While they have been building up a wall to give the control of the market to the manufacturers, they have permitted the farmer to suffer from competition with the cheap labor of Southern Russia and with the ryots of India.

The New England veterans of the late war went on an excursion the other day to Harrisonburg, Virginia, where they were met and very courteously and kindly treated by Confederate veterans. Now all this was bad enough—in fact a mingling with disloyalty that is truly reprehensible, but when these New England veterans deliberately marched out to a Confederate cemetery and strewed rebel graves with flowers, the offense is one absolutely too grievous to be borne.

But now after the war has ceased and become a matter of history to eight out of every ten voters in the country, these valiant gentlemen come forward to open up the war again, and when anything like this strewing of flowers on Confederate graves by union veterans takes place these men who are always bloody minded in time of peace and carry a white flag in time of war, are up in arms at such scandalization of the union cause.

An esteemed contemporary insists that the Internal Revenue Bureau be "wiped out," because it is "an odious, oppressive and undemocratic institution." None need pay the taxes on whisky and tobacco except such persons as consume these commodities; hence it is difficult to see in what consists the oppressive character of this method of taxation. If the voluntary taxes which men pay for their drink and smoke are undemocratic, in the estimation of our contemporary, it would doubtless regard the Custom-house as an altogether lovely democratic institution.

We would call attention to the fact that any person desiring to make final proof on his or her homestead or pre-emption claim may have the notice published in the DEMOCRAT if he or she desires. Tell the Registrar to designate the DEMOCRAT and he will do so. This applies to Roseburg and Oregon City districts.

John Bilyeu has gone east of the mountains to remain during the winter. John Gill is recovering from the shock received on Saturday last. He was thrown underneath a horse which he was shoeing, and made a foot stool of, receiving some severe bruises and one or two fractured ribs.

The North Scio school began on the 21st inst, under the tutorage of Prof. Lonsay, assisted by Curt Winn. The M. E. minister, whose name we have not learned, preached at the new church last Sabbath.

A. J. Johnson, proprietor of the Western hotel, started for Eastern Oregon and Idaho yesterday. A street fight was the first thing on the roll Sunday morning. One of the city duds received the worst of it. Prof. Merrill will begin his second term in vocal music this evening at the city hall, with from 25 to 30 scholars.

Fine weather prevails and farmers are taking advantage of it. They are busy sowing their summer fallow ground. I am a No. 1 at Dr. H's. F. M. Mr. Smith, the sheep hide buyer of Salem is in town. Mineral soda from Findley Soda Springs, for sale at W. E. Kelly's, at 10 cents per bottle. I like the girl very well but Ma says it won't do. G. L. S. I think I can stand Kelly off. Did you see me getting in at the dance the other evening? W. R. P. A. J. is offering \$5.00 to any one who will set the dog's legs and guarantee a perfect fit. Archie, when you go calling, you shouldn't be fooling with the pet.

R. Glass is repulating his business house at this place. Glass Bros. are still filling orders at their planing mill. They seem to have a reputation for good work and promptness.

Mr. R. Glass, who has kept the post office at this place for some time, has given satisfaction. But under the new administration Mr. Glass is to be succeeded by Mr. R. W. Moses. The soda spring is to be cleaned out, so that the water can be used. This is a good move.

Considerable rain of late. The river raised about 8 inches. Grant Walling and party from Salem left for home yesterday. Mr. Krogstad started for Oregon City, on Sunday, to prove up on his claim which lies at Cape Lookout. A. Bunn and Willis Compton, Big Neckton fishermen, captured a large seal in their net Friday night, the only one that has been caught this season.

Resolved, That the present excited state of the people on this coast, and the depressed condition of industries and commerce, are due to and directly traceable to the present refusal of congress to legislate in the interest of the people. Resolved, That it is our firm and standing resolution to rid our territory, and if possible, the United States, from the presence of Chinese slave labor. We call upon all citizens to aid and assist us in this great and important object.

Mr. Phelps is building an addition on his store, in the shape of a warehouse. X. W. T., and the Chinese. A big anti-Chinese meeting was held at Seattle last Monday. It was attended by the prominent men of Western W. T., who seemed so dead in earnest that it was something to be done that they passed resolutions of the most forcible nature.

A new road has been viewed out from Toledo to the Silette line. A. I. Additions to the population of the Bay are gradually being made—and that's what's the matter of it. The Bay is alive with salmon, and when the weather is fine, numbers of people go out in small boats trolling for this most edible of fish.

Resolved, That those delegates inform the committee at Seattle immediately after their respective meetings on November 1st, as to the action which has been taken in this great reform. Resolved, That the Western Washington Congressional Association, in making final resolution to rid our territory, and if possible, the United States, from the presence of Chinese slave labor, we call upon all citizens to aid and assist us in this great and important object.

The English army is engaged in constructing a water pipe line from Seattle on the Red Sea, 300 miles across the desert to Berber on the river Nile. This is a long conduit. Its progress will be watched by capitalists, and it will be discussed at frontier on the world. But were the bottles of Steroids used last year, placed out and they would form an inch and a half pipe line of health worth \$500 million long, extending from the reservoir in New York to San Francisco.

POISON AT THE FRONT DOOR.

No article entering so generally into the food of every family has been found more villainously adulterated than baking powder. For the purpose of underselling the "Royal," whose absolute purity and wholesomeness has never yet been questioned, hundreds of dealers are putting up baking powders with cheap and adulterated cream of tartar, which contains lime, earth, etc., adding strength by the free use of alum.

Grand Opening OF THE ALBANY OPERA HOUSE, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday Evenings, OCTOBER 7, 8 AND 9, 1885. "The Hidden Hand," by local talent, Wednesday and Friday evenings, and a GRAND CONCERT, with vocal and instrumental music on Thursday evening.

Revere House, W Garrett, Prop'r. This new Hotel is fitted up in first class style. Tables supplied with the best market affords. Spring Beds in every Room. A good Sample Room for Commercial Travellers.

Excursions SEPT. 19, 1885. will be run over the Oregon Pacific Railroad each Saturday commencing until this advertisement is discontinued. Fare for round trip between Corvallis and Yaquina, \$3.

AYER'S Cherry Pectoral. In not a new claim for popular confidence, but a medicine which is to-day saving the lives of the third generation who have come to this place since it was first offered to the public.

New Goods.



L. E. BLAIN Has the Largest and Best Stock of Clothing in the Central Willamette Valley.

His stock of BOOTS and SHOES, either for size or quality, is not equalled in Linn county. Bought for cash and sold cheap.

Department is complete with the latest and best styles. His FURNISHING Goods, are the very best, embracing the latest styles.

MERCHANT TAILORING DEPARTMENT under the charge of W. H. Hibbit, an expert tailor, has no superior in Oregon.

SAUSAGE MILLS, We have a meat cutter that is as much an improvement over the old fashioned sausage mill as J. I. Case Agitator is over a flail. It don't clog and leaves no strings in the meat. Come and see it.

J. I. CASE FLOW. This famous plow is well known in Linn County. The chilled and steel plows are well made from the very best material and are warranted to do as good work and wear fully as well as any other plow.

Oregon Pacific Railroad AND STEAMSHIP LINE. Trains on and after Sept. 14th. Leave Corvallis Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 10 A. M. Leave Yaquina Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8 A. M.