

CITY AND COUNTY.

BRIEF MENTION.

Wild blackberries are ripening. Geo. Croner now carries the Long Tom mail. Many improvements are being made in town. See notice of referee's sale in another column. Tame strawberries have disappeared from the market. Considerable farming land changing hands at present. East Portland elected a Democratic Mayor last Monday. It is impossible for the sawmills to supply the demand for lumber. The fireworks for the celebration will cost several hundred dollars. Stone is being hauled for the foundation of Horn's brick building. The Fourth of July committee should offer a prize for a bicycle race. A good soaking rain would be appreciated by the people of Lane county. Osburn and Co. are having their drugstore repaired in handsome style. The Fourth of July posters have been distributed over the county. Read them. Dr. Sharples informs us that he believes Mr. Rice Wooley will eventually recover. It is expected that fire will be started in the brick kiln of Hendricks & Campbell this afternoon. The iron for the fronts of the bank, W. T. Campbell's and J. M. Horn's brick buildings have arrived. Some of the sidewalks of this city are in a dilapidated condition. The city council should order them repaired immediately. The city election in Portland last Monday, resulted in the election of three Democrats and one Republican to the Council. There will be a horse race at Junction next Friday, for a purse of \$50. We understand that Jack Keeney's horse has been entered. Mr. J. Briggs, of Fern Ridge, has a field of "Dead" wheat, which is said to be very fine, it standing waist high, and being headed out. The entire family of Mr. T. Awhrey are down with the measles, and one or two of them are said to be in a dangerous condition. We return our thanks to Mr. John Deadmond for a mess of fine McKenzie trout. John is one of the most expert trout fishermen in the county. Mr. Humphrey has received a brand new \$125 bicycle, but at last accounts had not plucked up the necessary courage to mount the untame thing. Mr. Wm Durant has opened a meat market in the building one door north of Goldsmith's grocery. If you want first-class meat at living prices, give him a call. Clay Owen and Geo. Vandyne have gone East of the mountains with a drove of cattle, and hope in a few years to return, not millionaires, but wealthy young men. Archbishop Blanchett, of the Catholic Church, died at Portland last Monday. He was one of Oregon's earliest missionaries, and was beloved by all who knew him.

State University.

We clip the following from the editorial columns of the Daily Oregonian, concerning the University of Oregon: The receipts of the institution during the year, including the sum of \$3,243 14 on hand July 1, 1882, were \$15,638 89; and the expenditures during the same period were \$14,797 35—leaving a balance on hand of \$841 54. But on July 1st a quarter's salary will be due the faculty, amounting to about \$3,000. To meet this there will be, in addition to the amount on hand, \$625 of this permanent appropriation, and probably \$900 interest, making the sum of \$2,525, which will leave a deficit of about \$600 when the next term begins in September. But on Friday last there was received from Mr. Henry Villard for the university ten of the first general mortgage bonds of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company of the par value of \$50,000 paying six per cent interest payable semi annually. This generous gift includes the interest from January 1, 1883, so that there will be also \$1500 due from this source by July 1. The university needs an additional two-story building—the lower story to be used as a hall and the upper story as a library and apparatus room. The present hall is in the third story and is too high and difficult of access for the purposes for which it is used and needed. Besides the room must be cut out for society and other purposes, so as to give more class room below stairs. Altogether, the university of Oregon is an established and growing fact and factor in our intellectual and social economy. Eugene shows its civilizing and elevating power in every direction—and particularly in the rising generation. **Lowell Items.** The travel over the mountains is greater than usual. This is a rustling place, for hop yard men, and logging camps. Parties who have come over the military road report no snow. The United Brethren are holding meetings here with good success. Kitson is receiving guests at his springs on Middle Fork. All who have tried the springs seem well satisfied. Arthur Grimes, who left Middle Fork about the last of March for Summer Lake, has arrived at his destination. When he left here he had neither blankets, knife or gun, and only a very little "grab" and only six matches. **MIDDLE FORK.** **Coburg Items.** Grain in this vicinity looks fine. The Sunday School picnic was a success. The school at this place has closed on account of the measles. Mr. Theo Blow intends removing to Junction City soon, which will leave Coburg without a blacksmith. Messrs R C and H. A. Vaughan have moved to a farm they recently purchased in the vicinity of Springfield. The saw mill here will soon start up much to the joy of the people of this vicinity. The owners are first-class business men and will, beyond a doubt, do a paying business. **Con.** **The Ablest in Oregon.** In closing its report of the commencement exercises at the State University, the Daily News of Portland, paid that institution the following deserved compliment: "Entire harmony exists in the university, and the prospect for a prosperous year in 1884 was never better. The faculty is, without question, the most able in an Oregon school, and is able to do good work. Its strength is recognized by the Board of Regents and their wisdom is exemplified in the large class of well-fitted men and women graduated this year. Nothing but thorough scholarship is able to pass the rigid examinations at Eugene. Long may those faithful men be instructors in the University of Oregon." **THE FIRST.**—We were shown one day this week the first patent for a dotation land claim ever issued to any person in Lane county. It was issued in the year 1838 to Mr Eugene F and Mrs Mary Skinner for the land lying north of Eighth Street, a large proportion of which is now built over by the beautiful city which bears the name of the patentee. The document is written on genuine parchment paper, and bears the signature of President James Buchanan. We understand that the parchment will still remain in the family and be preserved as an heirloom. **A HILLSBORO TRAGEDY.**—Last Monday morning Zach Taylor and his son-in-law, Ben H. Thomas, who had been having some trouble about a piece of land, went into Tom Handley's law office at Hillsboro to settle the matter before the referee, and while there the quarrel was renewed, and both drawing pistols, fired at each other at close range. Baker was killed instantly, and Thomas died within five minutes afterward. **EUGENE'S REPUTATION SUSTAINED.**—At the Printer's Picnic in Portland our typographical friends Messrs Frank and Wm Alexander fully sustained Eugene's widespread reputation, by Wm Alexander being announced the handsomest looking printer present, and Frank for being the "crankiest." **CIDER MANUFACTORY.**—Mr W H Abrams has men engaged in building a large house for his cider manufactory, in the eastern part of our city. He has ordered a large amount of machinery from the East, and this Fall he intends manufacturing a vast quantity of cider. **ANOTHER JUDGE.**—Born, in this city, June 15, 1883, to the wife of Judge R. S. Bean, a son. Mother and child are doing as well as could be expected.

Council Proceedings.

COUNCIL ROOMS, EUGENE CITY, June 15, 1883. Council met pursuant to ordinance. Present—Mayor Dunn, Councilmen Edris, McClung, Luckey Sloan, Campbell. Absent—Conner. Minutes of last regular meeting read and approved. Finance committee reported the following bills correct, and on motion, warrants were ordered drawn on the treasury for the several amounts: M L Whitsett, \$3 50; J E Attebery, \$15 25; J M Sloan, \$9; Springfield Mill Co, \$25 80; T G Hendricks, \$3 30; O Moore, \$5; Nelson & Johnson, \$4; Street committee made a verbal report in regard to survey ordered at last meeting and asked for further time; granted. Report of Marshal read and placed on file. On motion the committee on fire and water were authorized to purchase a Siemens coupling for engine. Petition of Gross and others for street crossing, received; granted. Petition of Jos Lane read, and on motion, laid on table. Petition to increase the pay of night watch, read and referred to judiciary committee; The following bills were read and referred to the Finance committee: J E Attebery, \$16 75; Springfield Mill Co, \$36 56; R S Bean, \$1; E M Waite, \$98 87; R Sparks, \$3; O Beckwith, \$9 50; R G Callison, \$41 50; T C Jankins, \$3; J M Cleaver, \$2; H H Page, \$1 50; E J McLaughan, \$10 75; On motion, the rules were suspended and warrants ordered drawn in favor of T C Jankins for \$3 and commutation on printing for \$38 87, the bill of E M Waite. Councilman Campbell moved that when the council adjourns that it be to meet on Monday, June 25th, to hear report of street committee on grading Willamette street; carried. The judiciary committee was instructed to report an ordinance correcting Chap 3, Title 3, Sec 13, and Chap 4, Title 3, Sec 18, of Ordinance No 1. On motion, adjourned to meet June 25, 1883. **R. G. CALLISON, Recorder.** **Handsome Compliment.** We take the following extract concerning the work of the W C T U in Eugene, from the proceedings of the Annual State Union: "Mrs Prof Bailey of Eugene city reported verbally as to the condition of the work in that city. The daughter of one of the wealthiest citizens of Lane County, who has always been accustomed to have wine on her table, has banished the wine and joined the union and is one of the most active workers. Miss Willard desired to add for the comfort of the temperance people of this State, her hearty commendation of the city of Eugene and the State University. When she and Miss Gordon were there they were in the midst of the commencement exercises and yet they gave way for her meeting. And it was not a meeting as if thrown together with a pitchfork, but was a well prepared, well organized meeting and participated in by the faculty and others of the University. A warm welcome was extended by Rev Candion. This state of things does not exist in all the educational institutions in the country. She cited some instances. Miss Willard said she was proud to find such a state of things in the leading educational institution of this State, and she would take occasion to tell this wherever she should go, and let the less civilized States on the Atlantic coast know of the advancement made here. She further said that if any parents in this state had any fears about Godless schools they need not be afraid of your State University. A city that has 1000 names enrolled in its blue ribbon club is a good moral city."

Pleasant Hill Items.

Hay harvest is approaching. Our Sunday School is flourishing under the supervision of J. D. Matlock. "Opposition is the life of trade." For further information call on Hal, Lem, Stires, Wheeler and Cook. Dr. Bristow and family are absent, visiting friends and relatives in Polk and Marion counties. Ed. says that his ma is liable to find a new cook on the ranch, as batching is getting rather old. The music classes of W. J. Bristow will conclude at the Pleasant Hill church building, July 2, at 10 a. m., with the following: PROGRAMME: A short drill—By the class. Music—By the Schools, "Our Greeting Song." Prayer—By Caleb Davis. Music—"Beautiful Home." Address of Welcome—L. N. Mulkey. Response to Address of Welcome—J. D. Matlock. Music—"Nearer Home." Recitation—"Supposed Speech of Regular," R. E. Bristow. Music—"Sleigh Ride." Select Reading—"When My Ship Comes In," Miss Tense Parker. Music—"Boating Song." Match Reading—Martha Handaker, "The Polish Boy;" Kate Cruzan, "Cato's Speech Over his Dead Son." Music—"Cast thy Bread upon the Waters." Select Reading—"Pyramus and Thisbe," W. L. Bristow. Recitation—"About Women," Ella Handaker. Music—"Patriotic Glee." Recitation—"New Church Organ," Ida Parvin. Music—"Hark the Song of Jubilee." Essay—"Singing School," B. F. Mulkey. Music—"Singing School." Closing Address—Rev. Wiley. Music—"Picnic Song." Dinner, base ball and swinging. **ASHER.** **Cottage Grove Items.** [FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.] June 6, 1883. Measles still prevalent. Miss Myra Cathcart is quite ill again. Mr Polk Curvin visited Eugene this week. Camp-meeting closed at Siuslaw Monday. Born, June 15th, to the wife of Mr Hugh Thomas, a daughter. Smoky more like September than June. Gardens and grain need rain badly. Some slight indications of rain this morning. Our fear is that it will not come. Mr John Stewart, of Eugene, accompanied by a horse buyer, visited our burg one day last week. Mr R W Veatch dislocated one of his fingers last Sunday by getting it caught under the seat of a hack whilst alighting from the same. Mr S E Veatch did as hard a half day's work Sunday as he ever did on a week day, substituting a fire that was threatening destruction to a neighbor's premises. The neighbor, a bachelor, was gone from home. Mr V had set the fire the day previous and thought it out, but the wind kindled it. Some rails and wood were burned but no other loss was sustained. **ALEX.** **Camp Creek Items.** June 15, 1883. Health generally good. Wm Giebart killed a large cougar one day last week. Preaching at Waltherville by Revs I N and J Mulkey. There was preaching here last Sunday by Rev S. Jenkins. Mr Campbell's children have gone down to Benton county to visit relatives and friends. Mr and Mrs Allen met with a severe accident, one day last week while returning from Eugene. The horses became frightened and started to run, when they upset the wagon, throwing them out and hurting both badly. We understand that Mrs Allen is getting better, but Mr Allen is very sick. We hope both will soon recover. **OR.** **Local Market Report.** EUGENE, June 22, 1882. Wool—22 cts per lb. Sides—15. Hams—15@16. Shoulders—12. Lard—15. Butter—20. Eggs—25 cts per doz. Chickens—85 per doz. **AT JUNCTION.**—We understand that the surveying corps of the Oregon Central Railroad have finished the survey of the extension to Junction City. It will only be a few weeks until the graders commence work. Junction property is now held firm, and in a few months it will fully "boom." **PROPERTY SOLD.**—The piece of property lying just north of this city and known as Skinner's Butte, was sold this week by the heirs of the late Mrs Mary Packard to Dr T W Shelton, for the sum of \$5,000. The place is said to contain 120 acres. **TEACHERS INSTITUTE.**—The State Teachers Institute will be held in Salem, June 26, 27, 28 and 29. In the programme we notice that Prof E Burke, of the State University, will deliver an address on "English Literature in Schools." **BOOK-KEEPER.**—H W Abrams, who was sentenced to the penitentiary at the last term of court for the killing of Dr Brownlee, is keeping the books in the foundry at the state penitentiary. **STREET IMPROVEMENTS.**—We understand that two business blocks on Willamette street will be improved by re-grading. Also that gutters will be ordered on each side of the street. **HANDSOME.**—Mr J. B. Rbinhart has completed the painting of E. H. & L. Co's trucks and apparatus. The work was done in a truly artistic style. **SOLD.**—The Wachenheimer place near Junction was sold at Sheriff's sale Monday, by Mr B Bremer for \$140.

Anti-Driven Well Meeting.

JUNCTION, June 10, 1883. All persons opposed to paying royalty on using the so-called Nelson W Green driven wells, are requested to meet at Baber's Hall in Junction City on Saturday, June 9, 1883, at 1 o'clock P. M. **MANY CITIZENS.** Pursuant to the above call a goodly number of citizens of Junction City and vicinity met and was called to order, and Mr W J Gregory was elected President of the meeting and W M Houston Secretary. After stating the object of the meeting by the chairman, Mr R V Howard offered the following series of preambles and resolutions which were unanimously adopted by the meeting after some discussion upon the subject of the so-called driven wells: **WHEREAS,** Certain persons in Oregon are demanding from \$15 to \$75 for each ordinary well now in use in this vicinity and are threatening to bring suit against all persons refusing to pay for the same, claiming that they are infringements of the so-called driven well patent of N. W. Green, and **WHEREAS,** The parties above referred to have misrepresented and otherwise acted in a strange and unusual manner, which was calculated to mislead and cause any one to doubt whether they have any legal or moral right to collect any royalty whatever and **WHEREAS,** Using the words of one of the above parties, they now say that Judge Deady, before whom they will be brought will multiply their own price by three and give them judgment for three times as much as they sue for; and **WHEREAS,** The so-called N. W. Green driven well patent has been declared to be null and void by an eminent judge of one of the highest courts our country to-wit: The judge of the U S Circuit court of the State of Iowa, before whom, as we are informed, was brought all of the material evidence both for and against the patent and was therefore for that reason the only fair trial ever had in the case. Therefore be it **RESOLVED,** That neither N W Green or any other person has any valid claim against any person for constructing or using the ordinary driven well in general use in Oregon. Therefore, should suit be instituted against any person in Oregon who is willing to contribute his equal share in proportion to the number of wells (or pumps) he may have in use, it would be the duty in that case for each and every citizen of Oregon alike interested to contribute an amount sufficient to make to make up a fund to defray all necessary expenses in defending the case of any person contributing, should they or any one of them be sued within one year from this date for an infringement of the N W Green patent, and for the purpose of raising a fund for that purpose, this meeting does now appoint R V Howard as corresponding secretary, with whom all interested persons in this State are respectfully solicited to correspond, the object being not to collect any funds at present but to get a sufficient amount subscribed and ready should there be occasion to use it. After the adoption of the above, a subscription was taken to the amount of \$800 and upwards. The meeting then adjourned. **W. J. GREGORY, Chairman.** **W. M. HICOKS, Secretary.** **Personal.** Dr. G. W. Odell is in town. Mrs Wm Osburn has returned from a visit to Prineville. Johnny O'Brien has recovered sufficiently to resume work. Miss Irene Dann is home from Portland to spend the Summer. Mr Jas L Page paid the metropolis a short visit one day this week. Mr L G Adair has gone to the Snowden Springs for a brief season. Mr Robt Hayes has returned from the Foley Springs much improved in health. Mr Alex Coekeline and wife have returned from a visit to Marion county. Mr. J. W. Wright, of Junction City, was in Eugene last Wednesday attending to legal business. **Real Estate.** Having lately issued a circular descriptive of Lane county of 15,000 copies, I can furnish the same free to parties wishing to send them East to friends. They furnish more information, such as the immigrant wants, than you could write in a letter of 20 pages. I am also operating with E. J. Haight & Co., of Portland, Oregon, the most active, energetic and thoroughly advertised firms on the Pacific Coast. Parties having real estate to sell will find it to their advantage to place the same in my hands, as I am constantly increasing my advertisements, and am fully determined that Lane county shall have her share of the immigration bound westward. **Geo. M. MILLER,** Real Estate Broker. Office, Willamette St., Eugene City, Or. **GOOD TEMPLARS.**—The report of the grand secretary of the Independent Order of Good Templars, now in grand lodge session at Astoria, shows the number of working lodges to be 104, an increase of 39 since the last yearly session. Number of members of members 4,480, increase 1370. Number of juvenile templars 3,625 with 51 clubs. The next grand lodge will meet at Corvallis. **To CORRESPONDENTS.**—We would most respectfully request our numerous correspondents to abstain from all personalities in their communications, as the columns of a newspaper is not the proper place to vent the spleen of one person against another. **PURCHASED.**—Mr Robt Vaughan, of Coburg, purchased of Mr S H Friendly, this week, his farm lying 7 miles east of Springfield, paying the sum of \$1,500. About eighteen months ago Mr Friendly paid \$3,000 for the place. **The McKenzie road** is now open for travel and wagons can pass over the road without difficulty. **Wm. Osburn, Sup't.** **BORN.**—In this city, June 16, 1883, to the wife of County Judge Church, a son.

To the Farmers.

We have many inquiries from farmers and others about crop prospects in localities other than their own. In order that we may be able to give a full statement of the condition of the condition of the crops in all parts of the county we have prepared the following questions which we desire our farmer friends to answer in detail. We would like to have a letter from every neighborhood in the county. The answer may be given by writing down the number of each question as we have numbered them, and then write the answer to each question opposite its number. We will make a full report in our issue of the GUARD of July 7th. Hence those who send in answers will please send them by July 6th. We hope our friends will make inquiries among their neighbors upon the points contained in the above questions and then answer each question separately. The following is the list of questions: 1. Will the March sowing of Spring wheat be excellent, good or inferior? 2. Will the April sowing be excellent, good, or inferior? 3. Will the May sowing be excellent, good, or inferior? 4. Is there any Fall sown grain, and will it be excellent, good, or inferior? 5. What proportion of the acreage of wheat is March sowing? 6. What proportion is April sowing? 7. What proportion is May sowing? 8. How does the acreage sown to wheat compare with the acreage sown to wheat last year? 9. Is hay crop excellent, good or inferior? 10. Is hop crop excellent, good, or inferior? 11. How does acreage compare with last year? 12. Will potatoes be excellent, good, or inferior? 13. How does acreage compare with last year? 14. What is the prospect for apples? 15. What is the prospect for pears? 16. What is the prospect for plums. 17. Will garden crops be excellent, good, or inferior? Let each person who answers the above questions do so in a spirit of candor; remembering that while it is our boast that we have a country that produces never failing crops; yet, our crops are sometimes short. Let us have the condition of the crops as they are whether good or bad. **Lane County and Eugene City.** [Daily Oregonian.] Although the bulk of the immigration now pouring into the country goes to the broad plains of Eastern Oregon and Washington, Western Oregon is not wholly neglected. Among the newcomers are many having money, and these, not being compelled to go into the new regions, generally locate in neighborhoods provided with schools, churches and other establishments of long settlement. The Willamette valley counties are all receiving new population of this highly desirable kind, and none of them in greater numbers than Lane county. Land there is comparatively cheap and in great supply, while educational and other grout's of civilization have been long established. Lane county offers a field for more varied industry than any other of the Western Oregon counties. The grain farmer, the stock raiser, the wool grower, the hay grower, the lumberman, the dairyman and a score of others find the conditions for their various occupations at hand; while the comparative cheapness of land, its fine character and a climate somewhat more genial than that of the northern counties, are more potent inducements. The county is gradually receiving an excellent class of newcomers, and as a consequence business of every kind is prosperous. This is particularly apparent in Eugene, which for many years has gone along in a humdrum, dead-and-alive state. There is not a vacant house in the city, and boarding houses and hotels are full. There is a considerable building movement, and increased trade is reported by the general merchants. Eugene is one of the pleasantest places of residence in the State. It has the constant attractions of cheerful and beautiful scenery, and of location near the river, and during summer months it enjoys the wholesome "ventilation" of the ocean breeze. Its streets are regularly laid out, and are better shaded than those of any other city in the State. The State University is the chief distinction of Eugene, and a great feature in its social life. From it the place takes a high moral and intellectual tone, and this is an advantage it will always enjoy.