

SATURDAY MORNING, March 6, 1869. Hard Times Coming—How Shall We Meet Them?

Owing to the complete failure of our mines the present winter, for want of water, and to other circumstances, the above question is becoming disagreeably pertinent. In this section of country, where the miners fail to dig out a certain amount of gold, the farmers immediately experience dull times and an unsteady and uncertain market.

There is not a single farmer in this valley who cannot well afford to give from \$100 to \$500 in farm produce taking therefor certificates of stock and if they never realize a dividend they will be reimbursed ten fold by the increased prosperity of the county.

The editor of the Auburn Stars and Stripes thus answers an enquiry as to composition of political rings: "Your good sense should teach you better. Of course political rings are not made of gold. If you will take the trouble to investigate, you will soon become satisfied that brass forms the principal ingredients in these so-called rings."

Another scene in Congress.—There was another disgraceful and disorderly scene in Congress at the election of Speaker; but this time it was owing to the ruffianly conduct of a Democrat (Brooks, of New York) aided by Jones of Kentucky, and Elbridge of Wisconsin.

Reconstruction.—Grant reminded to a prominent politician on Wednesday, that reconstruction could take care of itself, and that the Alabama claims should receive his first attention.

A New Book.

On or about the 1st of February, Messrs. Drake & Co., Proprietors of the celebrated PLANTATION BITTERS, will issue the first number of their new book, entitled "Morning, Noon and Night."

Board of Trustees.

The Board convened at the Town Hall, at 7 p. m. Present, D. Linn, President, O. Jacobs, John Orth, A. Martin, and John Duck—a full Board.

Jas. R. Wade, Street Commissioner, was present and presented his annual report. The report shows total amount of Road taxes collected for the year, \$1386 07, currency, reduced to coin \$1039 56.

The report was referred to O. Jacobs, A. Martin and John Orth, special committee. Bills against the town: Glenn Dunn & Co. for sundries for Town Hall, \$8 50.

The Board adjourned to the evening of March 12th.

INAUGURATION DAY.—Thursday, the 4th inst, was the occasion of much rejoicing throughout the country. In San Francisco and Virginia City there was a general jubilee, signified by a liberal display of bunting, firing of guns, ringing of bells, etc.

From Pilot Rock.

Advices from Klamath are almost up to the 20th inst. Health and harmony reigned among both whites and Indians. Lately there was a slight fall of snow, and the Lake and ground froze tolerably hard.

The weather continues favorable. Messrs. L. Colver and P. W. Caris left this place for Klamath, on Sunday. They are meritorious young men, and their absence will be much felt here, while their coming will be gratifying to Klamath people.

The School clerk has made his annual canvass of Ashland District, and gives the following information: There are 84 legal voters, 122 persons drawing school funds, 60 families, 25 children under four, 30 single gentlemen over 21, and 19 single ladies over 18.

Our ingenious friend of the forge, M. Mickelson, has invented a gang plow, one or two of which he manufactured and tested. It works admirably, and seems a decided success.

Mr. O. Conlidge, the other day, brought in eight fine deer, as the result of a days hunt, up near the snow.

Mr. Holden, of Ashland, returned from Goose Lake today. His description of that valley is flattering. He thinks the soil is fertile, and the climate not at all severe.

The Emigrant road is in good condition. In the valley of Jennie Creek there is no snow; on the high ridge east of that valley it is apparently not over two feet, and west, on the Ken-Creek ridge, it will not average more than a foot.

Letters from Klamath Agency written on the 25th report all quiet. Ashland, March 3d, 1869.

Report of Jacksonville School District for the Year Ending February, 1869.

No. of legal voters 224; persons over four and under twenty years of age 241; male scholars 120; female scholars 121; quarters of school taught three; kind of books used, Wilson's spellers and readers, Davis's Mathematics, Quack-cubos' grammar, Philosophy and Rhetoric, Spencer's Copy Books, and Cornell's Geography.

The velocipede mania has become general. In Chicago they have a "rink" where the celebrities exercise themselves at the expense of four falls to a circle. In New York, Boston and Philadelphia the velocipedes have made their appearance on the streets, and no longer attract unusual attention.

The Committee on Military Affairs of the House, have agreed to report favorably on Mr. Mallory's bill authorizing the Secretary of War to settle the expenses of the Oregon War Claims of 1854.

The telegraph line between the Dalles and Umatilla is to be pushed forward. It is expected to be finished about the 1st of April.

Tribute to Merit.

We cheerfully give place to the following tribute to worth, freely offered by the gentlemen whose names are attached, to a worthy gentleman who has long been connected with the Herald as special collector and business agent in Portland.

WILLIAM DAVIDSON, Esq.

DEAR SIR:—Having learned that you propose to withdraw from the Herald, to engage in other business on your own account in this city, the undersigned members of the Board of Directors and stockholders of the Oregon Herald Publishing Association, take this occasion to express our high appreciation of your invaluable services, untiring industry, indomitable energy, and strict integrity in the important financial trust confided to your charge by the said Association; and we hereby cordially and earnestly commend you as a reliable business man, justly entitled to the high estimation in which you are held by your numerous friends and the public generally.

Very respectfully your friends, J. C. Hawthorne, W. Weatherford, J. H. Hayden, James K. Kelly, A. E. Waite, John F. Miller, H. F. Bloch, Beriah Brown.

Railroad Items.

The Oregonian says: Yesterday the bark Oregon was discharging rails shipped hitherto for the west side road. The rails are each twenty-eight feet in length, and four of them weigh one ton.

The following is from the Oregon City Enterprise: "Whilst so much is being said about that one hundred tons of railroad iron from Danville, Pa. purchased by the West Side, and with which we understand, they will be able to complete one mile and a quarter of their road, we venture to state that we have seen a letter from official sources which says that Ben Holladay & Co. have purchased fourteen thousand tons of heavy T rail, and will begin shipping it shortly.

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"THE DEMOCRATIC PRESS."—We have received No. 3, of this paper published at Salem, by Beriah Brown. It is a well got up paper, quite as Democratic as we expected to find it but sadly deficient in local intelligence.

In the Republican caucus Blaine was nominated for Speaker of the House of Representatives, by acclamation. McPherson was nominated for Clerk by a large majority.

TAKING LEAVE.—On Wednesday, the heads of the various Departments, took leave of their subordinates, and the different diplomatic corps paid their farewell visits to the Secretary of State.

"STATE JOURNAL"—Our Union contemporary, published at Eugene City has entered on its sixth volume. It is one of the best papers in Oregon, and is established on a substantial basis.

BORN.

MILLER.—On March 26, to the wife of J. N. F. Miller a son.

McKENZIE.—On March 26, to the wife of U. M. McKenzie a son.

NEW TO-DAY.

Administrator's Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that letters of Administration, on the estate of James Hubbard deceased, late of Jackson County, Oregon, have been granted to the undersigned.

The man who told us last week that he was too poor to take a paper, went up to a bar the other night and spent about ten dollars for whiskey—he had a bad headache next day.

State Items.

THE INSANE ASYLUM.—Dr. J. S. Gilmer, Visiting Physician to the Insane Asylum, made his regular quarterly visit to the institution, yesterday. We learn from him the following facts in relation to the inmates of the Asylum: The number of patients on the 30th November last, males, 73; females, 25; total, 98.

DALES BRANCH MINT.—Mr. H. A. Hogue, Superintendent of the Dallas Branch Mint, was in the city yesterday. He informs us that the work of excavating for the building is nearly completed, and that the foundation walls will be begun, probably, about the 15th of March.

The Willamette river at this place is falling very rapidly. Yesterday morning it was only two feet above low water mark. If the water falls as rapidly in the twenty-four hours, ending this morning, as it did the last twenty-four, all the large boats will have to lay up.

We hear of many of our citizens who are contemplating a pilgrimage to White Pine this spring. Like many other mining excitements, these new diggings are just over the hill, and any adventurer is certain to lose himself down with the precious metal.

Treasurer Cooke has filed in the Secretary of State's office, additional bonds required by our laws, when the accumulation of cash shall exceed the sum of one hundred thousand dollars in the State Treasury.

That paper gives a thrilling account of the loss on the 29th ult., of a little boy 21 years old. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stroy, lived near Salem, and the little fellow wandered away from his playmates, and was lost in the woods.

The Register says that the Town Council of Albany have appropriated \$2000 for the purchase of a fire engine.

THE CABINET.—The following is the Cabinet selected by President Grant: Secretary of State, Eli B. Washburne; Secretary of the Treasury, A. T. Stewart; Secretary of the Navy, Adolphus Butte; Secretary of the Interior, J. D. Cox; Atty. General, E. B. Hoare; Post Master General, A. J. Crosswell; No. Secretary of War is vacant.

TURN! TURN!—The Nevada Gazette says:

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RECONSTRUCTORS NOTICE.

THE undersigned having been appointed by the County Court of Jackson County, State of Oregon, executor of the last will and testament of Thomas Croxon, late of said county deceased, all persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the proper vouchers within six months of this date, to one of the executors, at his residence in the town of Jacksonville, Oregon, and to present same to the undersigned, at his residence in the town of Jacksonville, Oregon, on or before the 1st day of January, 1869.

For Sale.

DR. McALISTER offers his house and lot situated in Jacksonville, Oregon, for sale. The lot is one of the best and most located in the city, and the improvements are of the best order, and the improvements are of the best order, and the improvements are of the best order.

WANTED.

AT THE CITY BREWERY: BEES-WAX, NEED PRAS AND OX-ION SACKS ON HAND.

To the Reading Public.

WE have fitted up a comfortable Reading Room and Circulating Library, which will give everyone who wishes to read a chance for particular acquirement of the City Press, and other publications.

Rooms Wanted.

ON and after the first day of October, 1868, the undersigned have determined to sell for cash exclusively, except upon special contract, those lots which are included in the first and second pay up, all accounts with the Oregonian will be closed on the 1st of October.

SEND FIVE CENTS FOR SAMPLE COPY OF THE AMERICAN WITNESS.

AMERICAN WITNESS, 200 Broadway, N. Y. P. O. Box 6000, volume 2, No. 1.

In the Matter of the Estate of George P. Funck, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned, having been appointed Administrator of the estate of George P. Funck, late of Jackson County, Oregon, deceased, will receive and pay up, all accounts with the estate, on or before the 1st day of October, 1868.

WILLIAM DAVIDSON, Office, No. 64 Front Street, A. J. Galt, Telegraph Office, Portland, Ore.

SPECIAL COLLECTION OF CLAIMS, BONDS, PRINCIPAL NOTES, BOOK ACCOUNTS, AND ALL OTHER CLAIMS.

Redemption State Bounty Bonds.

STATE OF OREGON, TREASURER'S OFFICE, Salem, February 17th 1869.

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