

Reform at the Ballot Box.

The San Francisco Times and other influential journals in California can loudly demand some system that will insure the utmost independence at the ballot box.

The Solano County Advertiser, in commending upon this matter, says: In our judgment, it is the duty of the State of California to relieve every one of its citizens from this slavery in which despotic patronage, both public and private, holds so many voters.

If these complaints be well founded in a State where the "ballot" is in use what must be said of Oregon when all elections are by the viva voce system and every man's ticket is read aloud by the clerk?

Yesterday, a renegade Spokane Indian, called "Spokane Ike," was, on the requisition of the agent, promptly arrested by Capt. Goodale, and confined at Fort Klamath, for advising the Indians here to violate treaty stipulations, and attempting to produce a general bad feeling among the Indians on this Reservation.

Who was it that welcomed the first batch of Chinese ambassadors to the White House?

Who was it that welcomed the first batch of Chinese ambassadors to the White House? James Buchanan and members of his Cabinet, in 1857, as we all remember!

Who controlled this State at the commencement of the Chinese influx, and for years afterward, without attempting to discourage their coming, or passing laws for the preservation and protection of the placer mines for the use and benefit of white miners? The Democratic party!

Who was elected on a special pledge of hostility to the Chinese, and a few months after election coolly sat down and ate and drank at the same table with Burlingame's opium-smoking rat-eating troupe of Celestials?

H. H. Haight, Frank McOppin, and other Democratic officials!—California paper.

GOOSE LAKE.—By some parties from that locality who passed through here on Sunday, we are informed that a very heavy frost had fallen at the upper end of the valley. Beans, potatoes, and all kinds of vines were cut down; and those who have tried to raise gardens in that end of the valley are quite discouraged.

IN DEMAND.—Capt. McCall, of the Ashland Woolen Mill, informs us that there is considerable demand for its fabrics. He has recently returned from Siskiyou County, Cal., where he received orders to a considerable amount. We hope our own people will patronize it liberally, and so keep much of our money at home.

HUNTING TIMBER.—We are informed by Mr. Caldwell, of the Waldo Stage line, that Mr. Dickenson, of Crescent City, and a San Francisco gentleman, are examining the sugarpine lands on Rogue river. If they find plenty of timber, they intend cutting and rafting it to the Coast, when properly seasoned.

SOLO.—Bro. Nixon, of the Yreka Journal, has just been victimized by an acroestic. You have our sympathy, Bob; but you will probably reply in the language of the acroestic itself.

Letter from Klamath Agency.

It seems necessary under the circumstances, to say a few words in regard to the Snake Indians east of us.

Col. Otis says "no Indians could be more peaceable." It is true that they are not engaged in hostility now, and that they are more peaceable than they have been heretofore, for until this summer they have been engaged in active hostility.

Although south-eastern Oregon should be settled up, I do not consider it right to encourage unsuspecting families to expose themselves. If they understand the situation, then they will go in sufficient numbers to protect themselves, or wait until some provision is made to take the Snakes in charge, which, it is hoped, by the hearty and efficient cooperation of the military and civil authorities, will not be long.

A. D. Helman, of your valley, reached here on the 11th with his threshing machine, to thresh the Agency grain.

Buckner, clerk in Nurse's sutler store at the Fort, died on the evening of the 11th, after a lingering illness of several months. He was a man of some 45 or 50 years of age.

During the thunder storm lately, an Indian woman in Sprague River Valley was "struck by lightning" and instantly killed.

Yesterday, a renegade Spokane Indian, called "Spokane Ike," was, on the requisition of the agent, promptly arrested by Capt. Goodale, and confined at Fort Klamath, for advising the Indians here to violate treaty stipulations, and attempting to produce a general bad feeling among the Indians on this Reservation.

Last night the smoke lifted from the valley, and today the atmosphere is clear, and everything is lovely.

Klamath, Oregon, Sept. 14, 1869.

DISTRESSING ACCIDENT.—We are sorry to record a terrible accident that occurred at Sterlingville on Saturday last, by which Gifford B. Comstock was almost instantly killed. It appears that Mr. Comstock was out with a hunting party, one of which was his brother-in-law, Josiah Burrell, and that on the evening previous caution was given to all the party, accidents in the brush having been the subject of conversation.

Early in the morning the party separated, and Burrell soon jumped up a deer at about 70 yards distance. Firing at the deer he missed it, and while endeavoring to get another shot, he found that Comstock had been in range and had been mortally wounded. Comstock had evidently been trying to get a shot at the same deer and holding his gun close to his side, as the hammer was knocked off by the ball from Burrell's rifle, before it passed through him. When Burrell found him, he said, "you have shot me," and those were the last words of the unfortunate man, as he expired in a short time after. Mr. Comstock was respected by all the community, and leaves a widow and one child. No one feels more distressed at the shocking accident than Mr. Burrell, and the sad result is another warning to hunting parties to use extraordinary care against such occurrences.

ANOTHER PIONEER GONE.—On Monday last, Mr. Aaron Chambers, one of the old pioneers of the valley, died after a lingering illness. Up to Saturday, he appeared to be improving; but from Saturday morning to the time of his death, he sank gradually away. Mr. Chambers came here in 1852, and was much respected. His funeral was one of the largest that has taken place for many years. His widow certainly has had her full share of affliction. She saw her first husband, Mr. Harris, murdered by the Indians, in this valley. On the same dreadful night, her little son disappeared and was never heard of. Two years ago, her son-in-law, John Love, died; and last winter, her only daughter, Mrs. Love, and one of her grand-children were carried off by the small-pox. She is now left alone with the three remaining grand-children, and it is to be hoped that she may be long spared to guard over them.

The Colfax Party

On Tuesday evening the Colfax party, consisting of Vice President Schuyler Colfax and wife, ex-Governor Wm. Bross and daughter, Sam'l Bowles, (editor of the Springfield Republican) and wife, Miss M. Wade, and Mrs. L. G. Calhoun, arrived by stage in Jacksonville. The people were anxious to give the distinguished visitors a suitable reception, but it had been ascertained, by telegraph, that it was impossible for them to lay over, and it was thought that a few hours rest would be better appreciated than a noisy demonstration. A large number of citizens, however, had assembled, and the Vice President came forward and thanked them for their attention. He was very tired, he said, and asked to be excused from making a lengthy speech. Gov. Bross made a few remarks, and Mr. Lew. Zigler, who is an old friend of Mr. Colfax, introduced a number of our citizens to him, and the party retired. We acknowledge the honor of a short call from the Vice President, and must say that he is the very beautiful of a republican ruler. He is dignified, without being ostentatious; affable, but not too free. In his position, as second officer of this great Republic, he is the equal of kings, and yet, he never forgets that he is only an American citizen. We were proud to shake hands with him; not because he was Vice President, but because he is a poor printer boy, the sole support of a widowed mother, who has by honorable bearing and industry nearly reached the most exalted position in our country. After resting a few hours the party left again at 1 o'clock, a. m., and pushed straight on for San Francisco.

A Place for Chinese

The press throughout the country are beginning to demand greater protection for laborers, especial for those engaged in underground mining. It is well known that there is a limit to the protection of that class of laborers, and that science has been well nigh exhausted in providing against the unavoidable accidents incident to deep mining. It seems that a certain amount of human material must be worn out yearly in providing for the world's necessities and in view of this fact it would be wise to displace white laborers in dangerous or unhealthy employments, by the lower grade of labor that is pouring in from Asia. Certainly the subject is worth serious considerations by our political economists.

IN COURT.—The September term of the Supreme Court was commenced yesterday. Chief Justice R. P. Boise, and Associate Justices J. G. Wilson, W. W. Upton and John Kelsay, were present, and Associate Justice P. P. Prim was absent. In the forenoon nothing was done except to call the docket. In the afternoon two motions to dismiss cases from the First District were argued and submitted. The Court notified all applicants for admission to the bar to file the necessary papers, and be in readiness for examination on Wednesday evening. On motion of E. D. Shattuck, J. C. N. Moreland was admitted to practice in the courts of Oregon. The Court adjourned until nine o'clock this morning.—Unionist, 6th inst.

COCKLE BURE.—It is said that in some districts, the road Supervisors have failed, thus far, to comply with the law, regarding the "Dagger Cockle Bure." They had better examine the statute; and if they do not attend to the matter at once, and eradicate the dangerous weed, as they are directed to, we hope they will be complained of and prosecuted—that's all!

RAILROAD IRON.—We note in the dispatches the arrival in San Francisco Sept. 4th, of the ship Norway, 157 days from Cardiff, Scotland. This ship brings iron for ten miles of the East-side road, being the first installment of the 2,000 tons purchased by Ben. Holladay & Co., from Cohen. The rest is on another vessel and is due in thirty days, if the vessel makes an average trip.

PERSONAL.—We see that an old citizen of Sterlingville, Mr. Geo. Yandis, has returned from "the States," where he has been on a visit. He is looking well, and prefers Oregon to any place he saw on his travels.

FLAG STAFF.—Mr. Hoine, of the U. S. Hotel, is going to raise a fine flag pole, about seventy feet in height, in front of his premises, to day.

THE following are the appointments for Columbia Conference, Methodist Church South, for the JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT: J. W. STAHL, P. E. Jacksonville Circuit—R. C. Oglesby. Roseburg—D. C. McFarland. Oakland Mission—To be supplied. Coast Fork Mission—" " Egrene City Circuit—R. C. Martin.

Mr. Kahler has returned home from the Supreme Court. He is in high feather, having headed off some of the old lawyers who depended more on prestige than points. He reports Salem full of limbs of the law, and the people of that quiet place with their pockets full of fish-hooks, to guard against accidents.

THE Portland papers are felicitating themselves on the expected visit of Harry Jackson, with the "Great World Circus." They will be badly bilked, as the clown of that institution is only a natural, who mistakes vulgarity for wit. Harry Jackson is in New York and the Oregon public are being imposed on.

FROM Mr. A. Tenbrook, who left Goose Lake about two weeks ago, we learn, that many splendid water-melons were raised there this summer, and that no frost fell, except in the upper portion of the valley. The bears had commenced depredations among the hogs; enough hay had been cut to feed all the cattle there through the hardest kind of a winter.

IMPROVING.—We are glad to state that George Jackson, whose arm was broken on the night of the 4th inst., is rapidly improving. For the first week he suffered intense pain, but the bone has commenced to knit, and he is easier.

RAILROAD WORK.—Mr. Cole informs us that the rock wall between Oregon City and Canemah is finished and the masons have removed to the Clackamas river to lay the abutments for the bridge across that stream.—E.

THE remains of Mrs. Chambers who died in 1859, were removed on Thursday from the farm to the Cemetery on the hill. It was done, we believe, at the request of her son, Mr. West Manning, of this place.

THE Pool will cease has been decided by the Supreme Court in favor of W. G. Buffum the Court holding that a mark is sufficient signature to a will, where the intention is clear.

WE noticed Capt. Goodale, of Fort Klamath in town during the week. He is on his way to Crescent City to receive a number of recruits for his company.

TO ARRIVE.—Sachs Bros. will have an elegant assortment of fall goods opened during next week. The styles are the very newest in the market.

IN Klamath county, California, the Democrats elected their entire ticket. Humboldt county has elected the entire Republican ticket except Sheriff.

REV. THOS. FRAZER, of Portland, is expected here to-morrow.—Asst. Assr. Whittelsey will be here on Monday.

MR. THOMPSON, the Superintendent, informs us that Sunday-school will commence again to-morrow afternoon.

IN the Owen & McMann case the appeal was denied for want of sufficiency in the certificate.

"MADAME RUMOR" says that there is a show to come off this evening. We give the report for what it is worth.

ACCIDENT. There was an explosion in Doct. Ayer's Laboratory, yesterday, which caused some excitement in the vicinity. Ayer's Pills are manufactured under an enormous pressure, in cylinders, like cannon, which sometimes prove too weak for the compressed forces, and burst with terrific violence. Fortunately, the pieces do not fly far, so that no one has ever been hurt by them. The action is more like ice than powder; but it makes Pills which all the world acknowledge are PILLS.—[Daily Journal, Lowell.]

"How fast they build houses now?" said H. "They began that building last week, and now they are putting in the lights." "Yes," answered his friend, "and next week they will put in the liver."

BORN.

HARRICK.—On Bear creek, on the 5th inst. to the wife of John Harrick, a son. COLLINS.—At Thomas' Mill, on the 11th inst. to the wife of John Collins, a son.

DIED.

CHAMBERS.—At his residence, near Jacksonville, Sept. 13th, AARON CHAMBERS, aged 60 years, 1 month and 1 day.

NEW TO-DAY.

Exhibit of the Receipts and Expenditures of Josephine County, Oregon, for the year ending July 6th, 1869.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes County Paid Receipts and Expenditures.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Outstanding County Orders.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes State Fund Receipts.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Contra.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes School Fund.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Poll Tax.

SUMMONS. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Josephine. Simon McAllister, Plaintiff, vs. Elizabeth McAllister, Defendant.

SUMMONS. JUSTICE'S COURT FOR THE PRECINCT of Korbville, State of Oregon, County of Josephine. Frank Rose vs. H. E. Uelandt.

NOTICE. NOTICE is hereby given to shippers and consignees to or from Crescent City, that the Crescent City Lighter Company will not be responsible for any damage to goods or freight on and after this date.

FRANCO-AMERICAN HOTEL AND RESTAURANT, OPPOSITE THE Odd Fellow's Hall, Jacksonville, Oregon. MADAME D' ROBOAM'S BEDS AND BEDDING.

Peter Britt, Photographic Artist, JACKSONVILLE, OREGON. Ambrotypes, Photographs, Cartes de Visite.

M. A. BRENTANO CONDUCTOR, THROUGH TICKETS 125 CENTS. DR'S BUSH & McALISTER, DENTISTS, 704, Market Cor. Kearny St. SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

DR. A. B. OVERBECK, Physician & Surgeon, JACKSONVILLE, OREGON. DR. E. H. GREENMAN, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, OFFICE—Corner of California and Fifth Streets, Jacksonville, Oga.

DR. A. B. OVERBECK'S BATH ROOMS, In the Overbeck Hospital, WARM, COLD & SHOWER BATHS, SUNDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS. DR. LEWIS GANUNG, PHYSICIAN & SURGEON AND Obstetrician.