

30th of last August. The subjoined communication was written for this paper, by the deceased, shortly before his death and speaks the interest he took in the prosperity of his county—

**MR. EDITOR**—I enjoyed the highest satisfaction a short time since in passing through Lewis county and viewing the assiduity of the citizens in gathering in the returns of the harvest—setting aside the disappointment I was subject to with respect to the rich composition of the soil of the country. Much has been said relative to this part of Oregon, by designing and ignorant people probably, with the intent of suppressing its importance. Now sir, from personal observation, I am confident that no part of Oregon territory when under a proper state of agriculture would afford the husbandman more ample returns than Lewis county or the whole of the Puget Sound country generally. The prairies being formed by a rich sand competent of retaining a large amount of moisture during the dry season, thereby imparting to vegetation support sufficient to withstand the influence of caloric during the summer months. The timber land being composed on the surface by dead vegetation and beneath of a strong adhesive white clay. That the land will ultimately afford the most encouragement for agriculture is without doubt. The wheat crops are from 25 to 30 bushels to the acre generally. Other crops in the same proportion.

Yours with much respect. **A TRAVELER.**

**THE IMMIGRATION.**—We have been informed from reliable sources, that 300 wagons are on their way from the United States to this territory. We learn also that the emigration from Oregon, overland to this territory, will this year amount to between 1000 and 1800 persons. (Californian.)

The 1000 you have already, the remaining odd 800 you can have in the Spring—that is, provided Oregon is not in the same "fix" by that time.

**ITEMS OF NEWS.**—The Washington correspondent of the New York Journal of Commerce, says: It is provided by an existing law that the President upon the conclusion of a treaty, shall designate one major general who shall go out of the army, and two brigadier generals. The House passed a bill repealing this proviso. Mr. Benton has reported this bill with an amendment, suspending the proviso till the 4th of March, so as to relieve Mr. Polk of the duty. He proposes to provide also, that no vacancy shall be filled in the mean time. Either Gen. Scott or Gen. Taylor must therefore be designated on the 4th of March, by the president inaugurated on that day, to go out of the army. Gen. Taylor has expected the law would take effect within a week or two of this time, and I learn that he has taken his measures to meet the emergency in a manner consistent with the generosity of his character. He has, it is said, addressed a letter to the President, which will be printed at a proper time, resigning his own commission in the army, in behalf of the continuance of Gen. Scott at the head of the army. This course was determined upon by Gen. Taylor before his nomination by the Philadelphia convention.

The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun writes that Brig. General Cushing has tendered the resignation of his commission in the army. Nei-

ther his nomination, nor that of Major Generals Quitman and Pillow, have ever been sent into the Senate. Their commissions expire by virtue of law on the conclusion and proclamation of peace.

**DIED**—At Vancouver, on the 25th ult, **THOMAS ARCHIBALD**, son of W'm C. Mc. Kay, of inflammation in the stomach, aged seven months.

### JUST RECEIVED:

**P**ER "Eveline" and "Sabine," and for sale, in addition to their former stock, at  
**COUCH & CROSBY'S.**

#### OREGON CITY AND PORTLAND,

the following goods viz—Pink and fancy prints, flannel, fancy drills, Berkeley checks, ticking, shirting stripe, kremling, 3-4 & 4-4 bro. cotton, bro drilling, cashmeretts, linen drill, long cloth, cotton carpet, cotton umbrellas, foolscap and letter paper, ink, quills, oil stones, crockery & glass ware, castors, looking glasses, dutch ovens & covers, sauce-pans, coat & vest buttons, hair brushes, razor strops, braces, boots & shoes, dressing cases, tea-caddies, cigar boxes, green & black tea, raisins, figs, coffee, sugar, salaratos, pepper, tobacco, sperm & whale oil, tar, chalk, sperm candles, wash-tubs, wooden buckets, baskets, garden hoes, axes, nails, mill-saws, &c.—to be sold low for cash or produce.

**FOR SAN FRANCISCO**, California, with despatch. The new, A 1, coppered and copper fastened Brig **SABINE**, Nath'l Crosby Jr. master. For passage only, having superior accommodations, apply to **COUCH & CROSBY'S**, at this city and Portland.

### LEATHER.

**U**PPER, SOLE and HARNESS LEATHER, in lots to suit buyers, for sale at Portland, by  
(tf) **F. W. PETTYGROVE and Co.**

### PROVISIONS.

**B**EEF, PORK, SALMON and BREAD for sale low for cash, by **W. F. GOODE.**  
Oregon City Oct. 13 '48. (tf)

### OLD STORE.

**N**EW GOODS at **KILBORN, LAWTON and Co.'s** Just received per Henry the following goods:  
Bro. sheeting, do. shirting, do. drilling bed ticks.  
ribands: bl'k, green and gun powder  
tea: coffee: sugar: pepper:  
glass: nails: lead: smok-  
ing tobacco: etc. etc.  
All of which will be sold low for cash or produce.  
Oregon City, Sept. 1, '48. 22s.

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July, 15, '48.--15s.

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Dry Goods, Hardware, Crockery, Groceries,  
Agricultural Implements, Boots and Shoes,  
Stoves, Fire-arms, Paints, Iron, and  
Ready-made clothing.

The above articles are of superior quality, and will be sold low by (3s.) **H. CLARK.**