The New Northwest.

FRIDAY.....MARCH 7, 1873.

HOME NEWS.

The population of Oregon City is 959.

There are 54 road districts in Marion county.

Wheat is quoted at 75 cents a bushel in Salem.

The Jacksonville *Times* is to have a new dress.

Eugene City School District has 343 persons of school age.

A line of stages will soon be put on the road from Roseburg to Coos Bay.

The buildings of the Agricultural College will accommodate 300 pupils.

The improvements in and near Baker City will be very great the coming season.

The rabbits are doing considerable damage to the fruit trees of Union county.

The Linn County Farmers' Association meets in Albany to-morrow, the 8th inst.

The population of Dallas City, excluding Chinese, is 1,080. There are 426 school children.

The Good Templars at Summerville, Union county, will build a hall the coming summer.

Miss Mattie Grooms is a manuscript compositor on the *Christian Advocate*, setting good proofs.

It is stated that the Presbyterians will erect a house of worship at Peoria, Linn county, this Summer.

The new vessel now on the stocks at North Bend, Coos Bay, will be the largest ever launched in Oregon.

The appropriation for Indian service in Oregon this year is $113,000, and exceed those of last year $50,000.

The Oregon Steam Navigation Company's new steamboat at Dalles will be launched some time this month.

The District School at Forest Grove has re-opened with Mrs. C. A. Coburn and Miss Maggie Naylor as teachers.

Encouraging progress has been made in the steps taken to secure the building of an Episcopal Church at La Grande.

Marion Gale, formerly of Eugene, will shortly commence the publication of a Democratic paper in Umatilla county.

The lecture appointed to be given by Rev. Thos. Condon at Salem on the evening of the 3d inst., has been postponed until the 18th.

A letter from Forest Grove states that the people are still indignant because the County Commissioners granted a license to retail spirits in that precinct.

The city election of Jacksonville took place last Tuesday, resulting in the election of M. S. Hayden for Recorder; Jocob Roudabush, Marshal, and the re-election of all the old Board of Trustees.

The following business was transacted at the Land Office at Oregon City during the month of February: 37 Donation Certificates, 12,244.42 acres; 16 Homestead Entries, 1,512.03 acres; 6 Final Homesteads, 975.33 acres; 5 Cash Entries, 94.45 acres; 3 Pre-emptions filed, 375.97 acres. Total, 15,202.19. Patents received on Donation Certificates to No. 3,062.

From the Oregon City *Enterprise:* The contractors for rebuilding the factory are busily at work on the building, and the structure will soon present its former beauty. We learn that it is the expectation of the company to have the factory in operation by the first of August. In order to do this it will require a large force of mechanics. The upper end of town presents a lively and business appearance.

This from the Corvallis *Gazette:* Police matters opened out pretty lively last Monday. We heard of two or three fights and several drunks. The City Treasury was replenished by cash and "notes." Innocent children and helpless women are robbed by drunken fathers and degraded husbands to pay fines and support the liquor-sellers in ease and luxury, and yet we are blandly told "liquor never hurts anybody that lets it alone."

At Lafayette, the other day, Mrs. John Myers threw an old shawl over her head and shoulders, left her husband holding the baby, went to a saloon, got a bottle of brandy, and started on foot for Polk county. The local paper heads its account of the incident as the "Strange Conduct of a Woman." Whereupon the *Bulletin* very pertinently asks, "What more strange of a woman than if the conduct had been that of a man?"

The entertainment given by Baker Post, No. 1, G. A. R., at the Skating Rink, on Tuesday evening, was one of the most successful, musically, socially and financially, ever given in this city. The Rink was grotesquely decorated with the National colors, hung in every conceivable shape from the gas jets, the ceiling and the walls. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the evening, there was a very large attendance, and after the concert the many who chose to remain tripped the heavy heel to dulcet music till the wee small hours of the morning. The proceeds of the entertainment are to be used to defray the expenses of Decoration Day.

NOBLE ACT.—The attention of the lady managers of that excellent institution, the "Home," was called to a case of suffering and poverty by letter. Mrs. Congle and Mrs. Ainsworth, ever prompt to respond to these appeals for aid and charity, proceeded Monday to the place designated in the letter, some distance beyond the toll-gate on the macadamized road, and found a woman with several small children in destitute circumstances. The sufferers were made comfortable and will be cared for by the ladies of the "Home" until work can be procured for the mother.

Any money that is counter-fit is current.