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**NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.**  
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**NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.**

St. Louis, May 21.—A memorial, signed by nearly 1,000 women of this city, praying for the repeal of the social evil regulation system in practice here, was presented in the City Council last night and referred to the Sanitary Committee.

Atlanta (Ga.), May 21.—In the Convention, to-day, there was considerable discussion on the proper method of building canals, the minority thinking it should be Government work, and not under control of private corporations.

New Orleans, May 21.—The gun store of Bouron, a foreigner, was gutted by a mob March 5th. He sued the city, claiming \$31,000 damages. Judge Durell decided that the city had not the police under its control, and therefore it was not responsible.

Memphis, May 21.—A terrible tragedy was enacted on the steamer Phil. Allen, lying fifty miles below here, this morning—a planter named Butler, who in company with his fiancée went on board at Friar's Point, being shot and instantly killed by John Cannon, while under the influence of liquor. After the shooting, Cannon went to the clerk of the boat and asked for a package of money he had deposited, and after getting it he jumped ashore and made his escape.

**EUROPEAN.**

Brussels, May 21.—A dispatch from Rome says the Pope has had several severe attacks, and is in danger of suffocation. The Cardinals are in the Vatican ready for any emergency.

Madrid, May 21.—The Carlists, under Alphonso, yesterday afternoon made a stubborn resistance. The commander of the garrison surrendered on condition that the lives of his men be spared; notwithstanding the capitulation the Carlists butchered one hundred and fifty men in the streets of the town.

**From the Modocs.**

Camp South of Tule Lake, May 20.—10 a. m.—Lieutenant Boutell reports that the Modocs had a row among themselves the day after the Battle of Soras or Dry Lake. Two-thirds of the warriors decided there was no use in continuing the contest; some of the Modocs even made bold to say that they would not fight any more, except in self-defense. Jack waxed wroth at this disaffection, and threatened to make war on the recreant warriors, but finally agreed to a cessation of hostilities and dispersed the warriors to their couches in the rocks. He then called together a few of his braves, collected the finest weapons, ammunition and horses, and started off for the Pitt River country. The Modocs fought by Hasbrook's command were encountered by a detachment under Captain Jackson at first, and routed afterward. The main command, under Hasbrook, stirred them a little. The Modocs stampeded upon the approach of the soldiers.

May 20—10:30 a. m.—Latest advice state that the Modocs have been seen along the road between here and Van Bremer's.

Yreka, May 21.—The regular courier arrived at a late hour last night, bringing the news that the Modocs were out south and west of the lava-beds, causing fears that they were endeavoring to get around on Bute Creek and Bogus.

From F. Miers, just arrived from Big Valley, we learn further items concerning the Pitt River Indians: Though the settlers in the eastern part of the county have been used to Indian scares, every season, they pay but little attention to them for any length of time. Joseph Edson, who went over to Big Valley some ten days ago, discovered the tracks of three Indians, crossing the emigrant road beyond Pilgrim's Camp, the Indians evidently going down to McCloud River. Of what tribe they were is a mystery; at any rate, a Mr. Ball,

bound for Big Valley with a team and wagon, concluded that he would go by Fort Crook rather than take any risk of going via Sheep Rock and Pilgrim's Camp. From Egg Lake, on Pitt River, trails have been found leading towards the lava-beds and Modoc camps, which shows that there has been constant communication with the Modocs since hostilities commenced.

Jacksonville, May 21.—A company of forty-five volunteers from Douglas County, under Captain Rodgers, passed through here yesterday afternoon on their way to the Front. This makes 105 men that have left here for the Modoc country. The volunteer company raised in Goose Lake Valley is said to consist of forty-five men.

Two miners, named Casey and Johnson, were killed by a caving bank, last Tuesday, while at work in their claim on Sucker Creek in Josephine county.

**LIST OF JURYMEN.**—Following are the names of the jurymen composing the panel which has been drawn to serve at the next term of the Circuit Court, for Marion county, which will convene on the second Monday (the 9th) in June: A. Ditmore, James Warren, S. A. Trumble, T. W. Davenport, J. H. Baughman, James Jory, George Ashby, Ralph Walter, J. M. Brown, B. A. Willard, Geo. W. Shaw, M. A. Wade, Wm. Taylor, Warren Cranston, Thos. Collins, Jno. Ford, G. A. Cook, Jr., L. D. Heater, A. H. Cornelius, Jno. S. Kalle, Isaac Mecully, A. C. Keene, G. W. Thornbury, J. H. Settlement, Jno. M. Pritchard, Geo. F. Metcorkle, Terevin Adams, Alfred Stanton, James Duncan, Harlan McAlister, W. R. Adair.

**MEDICAL MEETING.**—The Medical Society of the 31 Judicial District will meet at the College room, Moore's block, on Monday, the 21 day of June, 1873, at 10 o'clock a. m. The members, as well as those who desire becoming members, are requested to be punctual to time, as business of importance will be transacted. The papers of the District are respectfully requested to notice the above.  
H. CARPENTER, Cor. Sec'y.

The Guard says: The wool market this spring does not open as briskly as last year. The ruling price promises to be 20 to 25 cents per pound, against 50 to 60 cents one year ago, and with no great demand at that price, even. The amount of wool grown in Lane county this season will fall far short of the clips of former years, by far the larger portion of the sheep having been taken east of the mountains last year and the year before.

The wagon road from Pioneer to Newport is completed for about two-thirds the distance, and every exertion is being made to finish it at once. Assistance is asked, and several gentlemen in the vicinity have promised substantial aid. The completion of this road will open direct communication by land between Corvallis and the seaboard.

The Eugene Guard says: "Persons in Siuslaw Precinct report that several bands of Indians, supposed to be from the Siletz Reservation, have passed through their neighborhood, going south. It is also reported that an Indian known as 'Siuslaw John,' who was the unhappy possessor of two squaws, has killed the old one and left for parts unknown."

The La Grande Sentinel has a private letter from Anetha City, stating that there are about thirty white men and fifty Chinamen employed in working the various mining claims in the camp, whose wages in the aggregate amount to \$220 per day, the wages of the white men being \$4 per day and those of the Chinamen \$2 per day.

The Farmers' Club at Crosswell, Lane county, elected the following officers: President, S. B. Jackson; Vice President, N. A. W. Howe; Secretary, R. Knox; Treasurer, P. C. Soland; Executive Committee, John Bouy, John Morse, G. W. Rinehart.

The Steamer Onetta, on her arrival at Astoria, the other day, from Yaquina Bay, was seized by the Custom's officers for being without the necessary papers.

The Burnt River Ditch in Eastern Oregon has been leased for a term of three years by R. Pleasanton, of Rock Island, Illinois, for \$250,000.

M. P. Bull, editor and proprietor of the La Grande Sentinel, has been appointed Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for the 9th Judicial District.

Mr. William Monroe, a member of the last State Senate from Wasco county, died at his residence near Bridge Creek Postoffice, on Sunday May 11th.

**Rock Point Farmers' Club.**

Editor Willamette Farmer.

Our club met May 10, 1873. The question for discussion at this meeting was, "Is it advisable for farmers to organize themselves in secret societies?" From the fact that the order of Patrons of Husbandry is taking a start in this State, the question as to whether farmers should become associated together in secret, or not, was discussed with considerable interest. It is not necessary to give the remarks of each member of our club. The most of the argument was opposed to secret combination among farmers. Some of our members thought the Patrons of Husbandry a grand humbug. But we need light on the subject, and if those who are interested in forming granges in this State will come and lecture to our club, we may change our views, and all become grangers. We are all looking out for sharpers who are ready to fleece the farmers on every turn. We fear that persons are organizing these granges who care but little for the farmers' interests.

Our committee who was appointed at a previous meeting to make sale of the wool belonging to the members of our club, (which amounts to about 15,000 pounds) introduced a resolution to the effect to hold our wool for a certain price for 60 days, and if sale was not made, then said committee was instructed to make arrangements and ship our wool to the New York, or Boston market—which was adopted.

The Secretary of our club was instructed to correspond with Professor Condon, and learn if he would come and deliver a course of lectures to our club on wool.

Our club is prospering and numbers forty-five live and active members, and, as I said before, are on the lookout for those who live at the farmers' expense, and would advise others to do the same.

GEORGE S. DOWNING,  
Asst. Sec'y.

**THE CIRCULAR SAW.**—An exchange says: "The invention of the circular saw is generally attributed to Captain Kendall, of Maine, who died a few weeks ago at the age of 89. This is a mistake. The circular saw was invented by Joseph Murray of Mansfield, England, son of an old servant of the Byron family, whom Lord Byron, the poet, often speaks of in his letters as 'Old Joe Murray.' The first saw of the kind ever made is still shown by his descendants."

Young persons should, above all things, beware of beginnings, and by no means parley with temptations. Their greatest security is in flight, and in the study to avoid all occasions of evil.

On last Saturday there was a school picnic at Hubbard's Station. Several hundred people were present. The Aurora Brass Band made music. There was a big dinner, and Rev. P. S. Knight delivered an address.

The Arizona Citizen of May 10th says that Troop D, First Cavalry, by command of General Schofield, have been ordered to California to engage in the Modoc war.

**OREGON CITY WOOLEN MILLS.**—The brick work of this mill is finished, and it now awaits the roof. This will be placed in position in about two weeks, and in a short time thereafter the machinery will be erected. The mill will be in running order in about five weeks, unless some unforeseen circumstances should arise.—*Bulletin.*

**PRESSURE ON BEECHER.**—A telegram from New York, May 5th, says: The Brooklyn papers are full of letters to-night from people urging Henry Ward Beecher to deny the terrible stories related of his criminality with women. Beecher says he will deny nothing, that he does not read the papers, and that he cares nothing for what anybody says.

Mr. A. J. Monroe, of Salem, has received the contract for the stone work on the State House building, that is, the foundation above the ground. He has contracted to build it three feet high of a blue sandstone that is procured at Oakland, the wall to contain 3,200 cubic feet, at \$1.80 per foot.

**CLATSOP.**—The officers of the Clatsop Farmers' Club are: President, S. Russell; Vice President, R. W. Morrison; Secretary, Jeff Morrison; Assistant Secretary, S. D. Adair.—Time of meeting, second Saturday in each month.

The Belcher and Crown Point mines, Nevada, are very rich. They have recently declared dividends for one month amounting to \$82,000 for the former, and \$1,000,000 for the latter; both combined footing up to nearly two million dollars.

**GOOD APPOINTMENT.**—Dr. A. C. Kinney, son of R. C. Kinney, Esq., of this city, has been appointed Chief of the Medical Staff of Charity Hospital, New York city, by Mayor Havemeyer—salary \$5,000.

Hon. James Brooks, ex-Member of Congress and editor of the New York Express, died April 30, in Washington aged 63.

**DIED.**—In this city, May 21st, Mrs. Anna S. Driver, wife of Rev. I. D. Driver, in the 35th year of her age.

At the last meeting of the Board of Directors of the State University at Eugene, Judge Thompson tendered his resignation as President of the Board and as Director, which was accepted, and Judge Walton was elected to fill the vacancy.

A military company was organized by the citizens of Willamette Valley, on the 17th inst., and the following officers elected: James A. Masterson, Captain; John S. Clark, 1st Lieutenant; Thomas Z. Smith, 2d Lieutenant.

Dispatches received at the Army Headquarters from the Klamath and Lapwai Reservations state that all is quiet, and that there are no indications of incursions on the part of the Indians.

The two prisoners who escaped from the Corvallis jail were recaptured last week about eight miles from town.

A rattlesnake was recently killed near Spencer Butte, Lane county, that was 52 inches long and weighed 20 pounds.

The La Grande Sentinel says that a large fly is damaging the wheat crop of Union county.

A small child of Mr. Edmond Jenkins, of Lane county, was badly scalded on Wednesday of last week.

Eugene returns taxable property for 1873 to the amount of \$339,964, against \$390,523 last year.

The next session of the Oregon Presbytery will be held at Olympia, on the 12th of June, next.

Prof. O. S. Fowler, of New York, will commence a course of lectures at Portland, May 27th.

A man by the name of Johnson had his leg broken Saturday near Eugene.

**CROPS IN ENGLAND.**—The New York Commercial Bulletin of May 7th says:

A very important estimate of the growing condition and prospects of the growing grain crops in England has been published by Mr. Thos. C. Scott, a grain statistician of established reputation. He estimates that there will be a greater deficiency next harvest than last, and that England will be compelled to import more than half her entire food supplies. In the first place, he estimates that half a million acres, or one-fifth less land has been placed under wheat cultivation this year than last, and that the yield of land actually wanted will be deficient both in quantity and quality. The weather has been uniformly bad both for Winter and Spring wheat, and even under the most favorable conditions of heat and moisture during the balances of the season an average proportionate yield cannot be looked for. There will not only be a deficiency from reduced area, but also from the aggregate yield per acre.

**RESIGNED.**—Professor A. J. Anderson, of Washington county, has sent in his resignation as member of the State Board of Examination. Mr. Anderson states his reason to be his inability to approve the action of the State Board in adopting a list of text books to be recommended to the County Superintendents.

The National Agricultural Congress meets at Indianapolis May 28th. We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to attend its sittings.

**CALIFORNIA MARKETS.**

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

San Francisco, May 21.—Wheat in Liverpool, 12s 5/4 @ 12s 5/4; Club, 12s 6/4. Flour—The local mills have shut down for the season. There is a good stock on hand, and the market is very quiet. The Oregon steamer arrived yesterday with 20,000 lbs. Jobbing rates remain firm at \$1.75 @ 25 for superfine, and \$5.50 @ 6 for extra.

Wheat—Choice shipping, \$1.00 @ 1.02.

Barley—A lot of 2,000 sks choice bay brewing is reported to have sold at \$1.50; we quote brewing at \$1.35 @ 1.50; feed, \$1.20 @ 1.35.

Oats—The Oregon steamer yesterday brought 4,500 sks. The combined heavy arrivals from Oregon and Omaha have depressed the market, and it is impossible to get over \$2.20 for the best kinds; range of market, \$2 @ 2.20.

Hops—Jobbing at 50c @ lb.

Butter—Fresh roll, 22 @ 30c; Irkin, 25 @ 27 1/2 @ lb.

Cheese—12 @ lb for best dairies.

Eggs—Eastern, 18c @ 20; Oregon, 18c @ 20c, with 20,000 dozen just at hand; California, 23c @ 25c.

Wool—Demand active; choice lots being the most sought after, even at full prices. Southern wools are dull and lower than before; the market may be quoted at 13c @ 15c; ordinary clean shipping grades, 17c @ 20c; all descriptions, 20c @ 22 1/2 @ lb; choice fancy lots command an advance figure. Sales for the week by the principal houses embrace 290,000 lbs, 40,000 lbs and 150,000 lbs respectively.

Hides—1,350 California dry sold at 16c @ 16 1/2; 1,530 salted at 8c @ lb.

**PORTLAND MARKET.**

PORTLAND, May 22.—The Bulletin's market report contains the following: Wheat—Market quiet; quotable at \$1.55 @ 1.60 @ cental.

Flour—Standard brands, \$5; country do, \$3.25 @ 4.50. There is little local movement.

Bacon—Market very full; sides quotable at 10 1/2 @ 11c; shoulders, 8 @ 9; hams, country, 13c @ 15c; best sugar-cured do, 16 1/2 @ 17c; lard in tins, 12c @ 13; in kegs, 10c @ 11c @ lb.

Butter—Market full and sales dull. Butter in brine may be quoted at 15c @ 20c; solid, do, in rolls 20c @ 25c @ lb.

Eggs—There are large stocks still in market, and prices remain at 16c @ dozen.

Oats—Demand is limited; quotations, 57c @ 60c @ bushel.

*Handwritten signature: James A. Masterson*