CITY AND COUNTY.

FRIDAY, March 13.

CONPERENCE OF MINISTERS AND 8A-LOON-KEEPERS.

At a meeting of ministers and saloon-keepers of Salem. Oregon, in the office of Col. C. A. Reed, having for its object the closing of salcons on the Sabbath, the following business was transacted:

L. J. Powell was elected President, and E. J.

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Mr. Smith, of the Opera Saloon, made a very good speech. Said he sold whisky, but was in favor of temperance, and would gladly close his place of business on Sabbath and attend church, if all the other business establishments in the city would close—not only saloons, but all places of business.

Mr. Parmer said he would like to close up on Sabbaths if all other business houses would do the same. He considered saloons a necessity; was not salamed of them.

Mr. Pettyjohn said he did not care to run a saloon on Sunday; was willing to close his saloon if all

on Sunday; was willing to close his saloon if all other places of business would do the same. He related some incidents showing how whisky was sold in several of our stores; was very ready to concede to anything provided it be general.

Mr. Adkins said he was willing to close if all others would

others would.

Mr. Byrn said he was ready to do likewise.

Mr. Smith said he did not see any reason why a saloon should be closed on the Sabbath more than on any other day, but was willing to close his saloon if all others would do the same.

Mr. Jones said he was gratified with the import of the speeches made by the different gentlement. They were ominons of good results. He asked no more than the laws of the State and Government reasuries.

more than the require.

Mr. McPheters said he thought the man selling whisky under license had more right to sell whisky than others who were doing it without license; said he thought it impracticable to close saloons under existing circumstances.

Dr. Dawne said he believed no distinctions should

br. Dawne said ne beneved no distinctions should be made, a saloon-keeper should not be asked to close his saloon when men paying no license kept their houses open. He believed the saloon-keepers of Salem were as good as the same number of men taken from any other department of business.

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Mr. Powell said he thought the meeting must be promotive of good. That the bringing together of the two extremes could not fail to work well. He concurred in the main, in the remarks of the other

oncurred in the main, in the speakers.

On motion of Mr. O. H. Smith, it was agreed to prepare and circulate an agreement to bind all business men of Salem to close their places of business on the Sabbath.

On motion, Dr. Dawne and O. H. Smith were appointed a Committee to prepare an agreement to be

on motion, Dr. Dawne and C. H. Smith were appointed a Committee to prepare an agreement to be signed by the business firms of all kinds relative to closing on the Sabbath.

Mr. Adison Jones, O. H. Smith, Wm. McPheters and P. D. Parmer were appointed a committee to circulate the agreement among the business men of the site.

On motion, it was decided to publish the agreement

On motion, it was decided to punds the agreement in the Dally Statesman; also the call for a meeting at the Opera House on Monday, March 16th.

On motion, Dr. Dawne and Mr. Pettyjokn were appointed a committee on publication.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

E. J. Dawne, Secretary.

SCHOOL STATISTICS OF POLK COUNTY FOR 1874. The following statistics are kindly furnished us

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CIRCUIT COURT.

March Term Bonham, Judge.

FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

G. W. Rhodes et al. vs A. Myers; motion to strike

G. W. Rhodes et al. vs A. Myers; motion to strike out complaint argued.
Oregon fron Works vs A. Wessel, same as above. State of Oregon vs Chas. Miller; trial concluded and verdiret of not guilty returned.
State of Oregon vs Maurice Graves; Grand Jury reported a true bill, for larceny.
State of Oregon vs Jesse Adams and John Guess; Grand Jury reported a true bill, for larceny, and the Court ordered that warrast issue for the arrest of the parties, and that they be admitted to bail in the sum of one hundred dollars each.
John Rogers vs Oregon & California Railroad Co.; John Rogers vs Oregon & California Railroad Co.;

FINE REMITTED .- Warren Gibson was convicted. FIXE REMITTED.—Warren Gibson was convicted, at the present term of Court, of an assault with intent to do great bodily injury upon the person of one Blanton, and adjudged to pay a fine of \$50, and costs of action amounting to about \$400. Upon the recommendation of the Judge and District Attorney, and a petition signed by all the jurymen before whom the case was tried, showing that the circumstances which provoked the assault were of a very aggravating character, Governor Grover has ordered that the amount of the fine be remitted; defendent only being held to pay the costs.

RETURNEY.—W. H. Lewis, who spent some time

RETURNES.—W. H. Lewis, who spent some time in Salem last Fall while connected with Reed's pan-orams of the Northwest, and afterwards went to San Francisco, returned by the steamer Ajax, after San Francisco, returned by the steamer Alax, after an absence of about four months, arriving in this city yesterday. He has done San Francisco thoroughly during his absence, and having been up in a balloon a portion of the time, has been in a position to see considerable of the world at a single glance. Mr. Lewis is at present corresponding agent of the Mining and Scientific Press and the Facific Rural Press, published by Dewey & Co.

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Another Bell.—Mr. B. F. Brown, agent for Wells. Fargo & Co. at this place, received a letter yesterday, from Garrett & Co. of San Francisco, advising him that they had shipped to his order, ner steamer Ajax, another bell for the Salem Fire Department, to take the place of the one now hanging in the tower. The new bell is expected to arrive on the Grover this evening. It is about 200 pounds lighter than the one we now have, the bare bell weighing 2006 pounds.

Roskopr.—The Roskopf watch, as a time piece, is claimed to be without an equal. It is said that no smount of jarring, or rough usage which does not actually break it, will cause it to vary. Mr. W. W. Martin has sold a number of those watches during the last year, and within the past three weeks he has sold seventeen of them; and of all that have been bought of him not one has ever come back to be regulated, and none have ever needed repairs. These facts are sufficient testimony of their regularity and worth. ity and worth.

HEAVY DAMAGES .- A trial was commence HEAVY DAMAGES.—A trial was commenced in the Circuit Court, yosterday, wherein the plaintiff. John Rogers, sues the Oregon and California Bailroad Company for \$20,000, which he claims to be the amount of damage sustained by him in being dumped out of one of said Company's coaches whea the same ran off the track on a certain occasion. A compromise was effected this morning by the company agreeing to pay \$3,000 and the costs of suit.

suit.

Acquirred.—At the last term of the Circuit Court in this county, Charles Miller was tried under an indictment for shooting one Slater near Jefferson, and the jury being unable to agree at that trial, the case went over to the present term; and after a second trial, which lasted two days, the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty, and the defendant was discharged. The shooting occurred over a settlement involving two dollars and a half which Miller owed Slater, and out of which the entire difficulty grew.

SATURDAY, March 14. CIRCUIT COURT.

March Term-Bonham, Judge.

FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS. John Rogers vs. Oregon & California Railroad Company: settled and dismissed.

Company; settled and dismissed.
State of Oregon vs. Maurice Graves; prisoner arraigned, and plead guilty.
Whitley vs. Glaze; continued as per stipulations

on file.

The Grand Jury came into Court and reported four indictments which are true bills.

Colby vs. Cox & Earhart; judgment by detault.

John Moser vs. J. C. Martin; judgment in Justics' Court reported. tice's Court reversed.
T. J. Buford vs. New York Life Insurance Com-

pany; motion for continuance granted, upon terms that defendant pay to plaintiff and his witnesses necessary costs and disbursements of preparing for trial at this term.

FROM JEFFRSON.

Our Jefferson correspondent sends us the following items from that village:

Jefferson is still engaged cultivating a fine crop of measles. Schools and church exercises have all been suspended for about three weeks.

Froperty has been changing hands here lately at ruinous figures. That the Beaver Hosiery Company, incorporated at \$12,000, sold for \$5,000. Conser's house, which two years ago sold for \$2,000, was to-day purchased for \$520. B. Van Buren's property, purchased a few years ago for \$1,600, has We have had an accession of one more preacher,

making in all, of resident ministers, seven.

One more doctor has located in the place, and still there is room for one more.

CLOSING EXERCISES.—The closing exercises of the different public schools in the city took place yesterday morning, and these, with the visits which were made by different schools in the afternoon, must have made a season of profit as well as pleasant enjoyment for the little folks. All of the exercises were of the most creditable character to pupils and teachers, and showed a system of thorough and careful training. Several of the schools, before adjourning after the morning exercises, were visited by Mr. F. A. Smith for the purpose of photographing them, who thus furnished one of the pleasantest episodes of the day. In the afternoon the pupils of the South Salem school, with their teachers, Mess Clarke and Mr. Lockhari, marched in a body to this side and visited the Central school. were made by different schools in the afternoon. in a body to this side and visited the Central school. The two schools then united and went out to East The two schools then united and went out to East Salem to witness the closing exercises in Mrs. P. L. Prices room, the Primary department of the High school. These consisted of dialogues, declamations, and singing, assisted by Hopewell's choir, and a paper read by one of the young Misses of the school. These exercises were indeed excellent, and elicited much praise from the large audicites of visitors. After the conclusion the three schools mitted marched, with their teachers down to the city, and disbanded in front of Chemeketa hotel. And thus the duties and pleasures of the schools for the last day were complete and gratifying, excepting that the North Salem School was not present at the visitation. The closing exercises in Mr. Hopewell's department of the East Salem school, which is the highest grade, will take place this evening in his school room, and all who wish to attend may be sure they will be pleasantly entertained.

From Easters Origins—Mr. T. J. Buford, an

sure they will be pleasantly entertained.

FROM EASTERN OREGON—Mr. T. J. Buford, an old resident of Salem, who has passed the last year in Eastern Oregon; returned a few days ago, and is now in the city. Mr. Buford contradicts many of the reports concerning the loss of stock in that portion of the State during the winter, and particularly in reference to Wasco county. He says that stock, as a general thing, both cattle and sheep, has wintered uncommonly well and are in excellent condition now. Generally, he says, losses have occurred through neglect of owners; though some few have met with losses which could not be averted, from exposure and disease. In the Palouse country, Mr Buford says large numbers have died, but it was owing to the fact that unmigrants had come in there with stock at so hat a day that they had no time to prepare food for the winter. He cites one case, in prepare food for the winter. He cites one case, in which only one was lost during the winter, and says this was the general good luck of stock raisers in that valley. He thinks that stock on all ranges in this was the general good luck of stock raise; that valley. He thinks that stock on all range these sections, with few exceptions, has come these sections. of the past winter in better condition than was the case last Spring.

A MOST FOR A CRAZY MAN .- Sheriff Scott was in-A ECST FOR a CRAZY MAN.—Sheriff Scott was informed yesterday morning that a man had been seen wandering about the old Mission Grave Yard, East of the city, for several days, that he acted in a strange manner, and was believed to be crazy, about four o'clock of the same afternoon, Sheriff Scott, accompanied by six or seven men, went out there for the purpose of looking for the man, and bringing him into town if found. They devoted nearly two hours to vigilant search and inquiry, but could neither find nor hear anything of him, except that some children of the neighborhood had en several occasions seen a strange and singularly actseveral occasion, seen a strange and singularly acting man in that vicinity, and it was thought he must be deranged. The party returned about six o'clock, no wiser than when they started out; but some further inquiries well prosecuted, to learn if possible the occasion for the reports.

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In Session,—The Board of State Capitol Building Commissioners, Hon, Henry Klippel President, is now in session in the city. The Board is at present occapied chiefly with business connected with the iron work for the Capitol Building, and will continue its session through the season. Active work will be resumed as soon as the weather is sufficiently settled to admit of it.

MONDAY, March 16.

CIRCUIT COURT. March term Bonham, Judge.

SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Stanton vs. First Christian Church, dismissed at

plaintiff's cost.

State of Oregon vs. Maurice Graves; sentenced to State of Oregon vs. Manrice Graves; sentenced to three years imprisonment in the Penitentiary. State of Oregon vs. Jessie Adams and John Gness: arraigned and given till Monday morning to plead. State of Oregon vs. O. H. Smith; appeal from decision of Clerk; dismissed for want of jurisdiction. State of Oregon vs. John Kearns; arraigned and given till Monday morning to plead. State of Oregon vs. Henj. Bianton; arraigned and given till Monday morning to plead.

AGREEMENT.

Pollowing is the agreement prepared by the com-committee appointed for that purpose at the Saloon-Keepers and Ministers Convention. relative to the closing of all kinds of business on the Sabbath; and hich is to be circulated among the business men

which is to be circulated among the customer of the city for signatures:

Whereas, the Law of God and the Law of the Land recognize the Sabbath as a divine Institution and a day on which there should be no buying or selling except in cases of necessity.

Therefore, we, the undersigned business men of the city of Salem, State of Oregon, obligate ourselves to close all our places of business of every kind on the Sabbath.

O, H. SMITH,

A LITTLE FOO HONEST.—We once knew a man by the name of Smith in the town in which we lived, who heard that his neighbor Johnson had lost a very fine cow, for the return of which a reward of fifteen dollars was offered. Smith, seeing a chance to turn an honest penny, started out in search of the lost bovine, in hopes that she had merely strayed away and that the lucky star which he always fol-lowed would set between her hours. Constitulost bovine, in hopes that she had merely strayed away and that the lucky star which he always followed would set between her horns. Crossing a stream which ran by the town, he started for the timber which skirted it on that side. When he had gone about half a mile he met an Irishman with whom he was acquainted, and to whom he said: "Jimmy, Johnson has lost his cow," (then he described the animal) "and has effered fifteen dollars reward for her; and I thought I might as well have that fifteen dollars as anybody. Have you seen her in this neighborhood?" "Faith," said Jimmy, "the silf same crathur but jist dhroped the brow o' the hill ferninst, and ye'll be afther findin' her in the holly beyant." With visions of a "ten" and "five" fitting before his eyes, Smith struck out for the holly boyant, where he wandered about in the brush for four or five hours, and at last was forced to abandon the search and return. Meeting Jimmy again, he teld him the cow was not there; and inquired if he had seen her since they were talking, "Faith, that I have." "Where is she?" "What would ye give to be tould?" "Now, see here," said Jimmy, "five dollars; an' if ye'll cancel that I'll be afther tellin' ye," The account was cancelled, and Smith looked up with eyes of eager expectation. Said Jimmy: "Sure, an' if ye'll go to Johnson's barn, ye'll be findin' the cow all nice tied up in her sthall. "That's what Jimmy was doing while his friend was prosecuting a vigorous search over in the holly; and besides squaring his little indebtedness he had the fifteen dollars reward safe in his pantaloous pocket. We don't know as anything similar to this ever eccurred in Salem, but it might some time; and if it ever should it would only be necessary to refer to this number of the Statestan

to know all about it.

OUR COMMERCIAL SCROOL.— The experiment of conducting a Commercial or Business College in Salem, and making it self-sustaining, proves to be even more successful than the founders of that institution, Professors Crooke and Lockhart, bad at first dared to anticipate. From having its existence only as a mere experiment, itstrode forward and assumed a position of tangible reality; having a regular organized Board of management, in which are the necessary qualifications for properly conducting its business affairs, and for imparting instruction in the different branches which it aims to teach. Pupils have been coming in from time to time, until the instructors, as was contemplated at the start provided the success of the instintion would warrant it, have decided to open a day school in addition to their evening sessions, and in connection with the Commercial department, in which about twenty pupils can be instructed in the ordinary branches of learning, besides those who are taking the regular business course, studying phonography, etc. The day school will open one week from to-day; and for the accommodation of those taking the common branches, convenient school desks have been placed in the room. The room is otherwise neatly and comfortably furnished and well lighted; and pupils will find it a pleasant place.

Business Change.—The well-known grocery firm on State street, Price & Rovee, have purchased the OUR COMMERCIAL SCHOOL .- The experiment of

Business Change.—The well-known grocery firm Business Change.—The well-known greery firm on State street. Price & Royce, have purchased the entire stock of greeries belonging to Capt. I., S. Scott, and will henceforth conduct their business at Capt. Scott's old stand. The change took place this morning, and Messrs. P. & R., with Jack Strickler as assistant, have been as buse as fifteen or twenty bee hives (with narry a drone) all day, moving their old stock of goods into their new place of business. The business will be carried on as heretofore; that is, a complete stock of everything in the greery line, glass and earthen ware, flour and feed, etc., will be kept constantly on hand. The proprietors awow their purpose to make this the best and cheaperst establishment in their line in the city; and are entitled to a fair trial. ntitled to a fair trial.

BLACKSMITHING-Andrew Kelly, well-known for BLACKSMITHING—Andrew Kelly, well-known for many years as a blacksmith, has purchased the property and conducts the blacksmithing business at the old stand of Jack Brown, near this office, on Commercial St. Mr. Kelly solicits a continuance of liberal patronage formerly bestowed on this popu-lary stand, and his friends will know where to find him. As a wagon maker is connected with the shop, wagons can be furnished ready made or repaired in

WELL AGAIN. - We saw our old policeman. Perry Herron, this afternoon; the first time he has been out since he was taken with typhoid fever six weeks ago. He looks thin and very much bleached out-but thinks he's good for many hard knocks in life's

A. D. Saunders of Lafayette, wishes to kn whereabouts of Jonathan Riggs and Isaiah Poteet who came with him last fall from Kansas and any one who can give information of their whereabout will confer a favor by addressing him as above.

TUESDAY, March 17. ADJOURNED TEMPERARANCE MEETING.

At Reed's Opera House on last evening was gathered a large and intelligent looking audience, including many ladies, organized with Prof. L. J. Powell. Chairman; J. D. Locy, Secretary. The Committee who had been appointed to circulate a Sunday Agreement made their report, by which it appeared that the following firms and business liouses in Salem, were willing to close their houses on the Sabbath: on the Sabbath

J D A G W Jordan Audrew Keily, T M Scott, J C Adkins, A J Monroe, J C Brown. Ino Hughes Wm England, Jos B Smith, P D Palmer, J T Byrn, D W Cox. l'errill & Gillingham Josephus Holmes. G Wright, Breyman Bres. W Nesbitt. W Acabit.
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Martin & Allen.
A T Yeaton.
L Myers & Co. rs V A Conn, Ed Lamport, R M Wade & Co. Sam'l Gray, F M Beweley Pettyjohn A Wilbur, E Richards, W G Stanton, H Howell Boothby A Stapleton. B F Drake, Altert Bales, L S Bates. Ben Kelsay, J G Holbert,

I. S Bates. J G Holbert.

The meeting had been called in the name of Clergymen and Saloon-keepers—but the last named class, seemed to take the less interest. However, they were well represented by O. H. Smith. Esq., whose rubecand plux was seen in prominent position. It may be constitutional, but we could not help thinking that he looked more like a enstoner even than a dealer, but not being acquainted with the gentleman, we well not venture to say that he is one of those, who thrive on their own custom. Judge Thornton discussed the language of the premable to the Agreement, and said some classes of straigned and given till Monday morning to plead.
State of Oregon vs. O. H. Smith; appeal from decision of Clerk dismissed for want of jurisdiction. State of Oregon vs. John Kearns; arraigned and given till Monday morning to plead.
State of Oregon vs. Benj. Bianton; arraigned and given till Monday morning to plead.
The business of the Jrand Jury has been upon complaints to them made and upon which the following indictments have been tound, which are true tills: two for assault, three for larceny, three for selling whisky without license, and one for selling whisky win the large wards. In the various discussions, Revs. Jours 10 of

marks. Several of the speakers seemed to take a discouraging view of affairs, but the meeting was cheerful, almost to bilarity, and submitted to the hat twice, with commendable patience, when our beg did not realize the gas bill. The general impression seemed to be that the Meeting had produced as much as it consumed, but not of so illuminative a quality. Finally the Agreements were circutated in the andience, but as it was now ten o'clock, many had lost their interest and begun to leave. The Committee was continued with the addition of Rev. Mr. Bewercox, and the Meeting adjourned to meet next Monday evening.

NEW BOOKS.

Mr. J. B. McClane. State Librarian, furnishes us with the following list of books received for the State Library, since the 11th of February, 1874, to the 14th inst The Annual Cyclopædia, 1871-2; purchased by

The Annual Cyclopedia, 1871-2; purchased by Hon, W. W. Upton. Corrected Copy of Treaties and Conventions, July 4th, 1776; by Hon, J. C. Bancroft Davis, De-partment of State, Washington. Ohio Geological Survey, vol. 1; S. G. Harbaugh,

Ohio Geological Survey, vol. 1; S. G. Harbaugh, State Librarian.

Laws of Delaware, 1873, duplicate, two volumes, House and Senate Journal, 1872; Hon. S. F. Chadwick, Secretary of State.
Wisconsin Reports, vol. 16; purchased by Hon. W. W. Upton.

Salem Directory, 1874; Hon. S. F. Chadwick,

Secretary of State.

Connecticut Reports, vol. 39; Colonial Records, from 1835 to 1843, vol. 8. Specifications and Drawings of Patents, Augus 1873; Hon. Jas. S. Grinnell, Chief Clerk Paten

Annual Report of the Commissioners of the Ohio

State Library.

Specifications and Drawings of Patents, September 1878; Hon. Jas. S. Grinnell, Chief Clerk Patent

ber 1978; Florian Collins of the Collins of the Copy's U. S. Mining Decisions, U. S. Land Office and Secretary of the Interior, with forms, Sickels' 52d New York Reports, vol. 7; Lansing's Reports Supreme Court, vol. 7; 25th New York Cabinet Reports, Ramp; F. B. Woodworth Secretary Regents of the University.

CIRCUIT COURT.

March term Houham, Judge.

SEVENTII DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

State of Oregon vs. John Kearn; defendant plead not guilty. State of Oregon vs. Benj. Blanton ; defendant

plead not guity. Sen. I hands ; declared plead not guity.

State of Oregon vs. Jesse I. Adams and John Guess; defendants plead not guity.

State of Oregon vs. A. H. Whitley; mandate from Supreme Court ordered spread upon the records.

S. A. Clarke vs. C. P. Crandall; jury impaneled and trial commenced.

TO THE SCHOOL TEACHERS OF MARION COUNTY.

There will be a County School Institute held in Salem, commencing Friday, March 27th, 1874, at 9 o'clock, A. M. and continuing two days. It is hoped the bealiers of the County will take a professional interest in the matter, and that all psy-

professional interest in the matter, and that all persons interested in our schools, will contribute in some way, to make the County Institute a present and permanent success.

The Quarterly Examination of those who desire certificates to teach, will occur Thursday. March 26 in, beginning at ten o'clock A. M.

Applicants must be on hand at the hour named.
P. S. KNIGHT.

County Superintendent.

Laron Contract.—It is probably generally known that the construction of an immense palace hotel is to be immediately commenced in San Fran-cisco, which when completed will be the largest he-tel in the world. We have read full descriptions of cisco, which when completed will be the largest hetel in the world. We have read tull descriptions of the plans of the building; but are mattle now to give its dimensions. However, when it is known that the building will contain nearly two million feet of flooring alone, some estimate can be formed of its immense size. The flooring will be of fir and oak, manufactured entirely from Oregon timber, and sawed in Oregon mills. The oak flooring will be used in halls and other places where there will be no carpets, of which some two hundred and fifteen thousand feet will be required. The enterprising In—bering firm of Salem, the Capital Lumbering Company, has secured the contract for furnishing this entire quantity; which they will commence ing this entire quantity; which they will commence ing this cuttre quantity; which they will commence sawing as seen as it is possible to get the logs to their mill, the lumber to be delivered here as fast as the mill can turn it out, either at the wharf or at the railroad depot. In addition to the ordinary fleoring there will be used in the building nine thousand feet of stair lumber, which will also be of oak; and this, too, the Capital Lumbering Company has the contract for furnishing. The in theoring. oak; and this, too, the Capital Lumbering Company has the contract for furnishing. The fir flooring, nearly eight bundred thousand feet, will be furnished by Mr. Geo. Weidler of Portland; through whom we believe the Capital Lumbering Compan; secured its contract for the oak. This is an enormous quantity of lumber to be used in one building, and for a single purpose, and our two Oregon lumbering firms have been fortunate in securing the contracts.

A Fixe Work.—We were shown yesterday, at the State Library room. Gray's Atlas of the United States; which is without doubt the most elegant and valuable work of its kind ever published. It would be impossible to give anything like a synopsis of its contents in a mere item, and the following comprise only a few of its most important features. Beaides containing late and accurate maps of all the States and Territories, it has a series of general

maps of the world. It also has a number of maps grouping the principal rivers of the world, and the most important mountains, showing the elevations at which the different classes of vegetation will grow; a climatological map, showing the average temperature and rainfall in all parts of the United States; and a geological map showing accurately the distribution of minerals throughout the continent. In addition to the various maps, will be found des-criptive historical sketches, valuable educational, criping instorical sections, valuable calcatomat, agricultural, commercial, mining and manufacturing statistics, a complete list of all the railroads in the United States, and much other information of value. The book was presented to the Library by Hon. S. F. Chadwick.

Hon. S. F. Chadwick.

The New Bell. The second new five bell for the Salem Fire Department arrived Saturday evening, and is lying in the W. T. Co.'s warehouse. Large numbers of citizens who feel a pride in having a first-class bell for our Department have visited the wharf since the new bell was unloaded there, to test its tone and discuss its probable merits as compared with the one how hauging in the tower. Very little can be told of its tone, however, in its present position, except that it is on a higher key than the tone of the old bell, and curiesity will not be satisfied as to which will best answer the purpose of a fire bell, until the one we now have shall have been taken down and this one swung in its place. This job Mr. Hatch commences to-day, having finished, successfully, the moving of the flag pole at Capital engine house. The new b-ll will not be in its place to-morrow, but if anybody should hear a furious alarm on the next day he had better not run until he sees the fire.

THE EXHIBITION. The exhibition given by Mr The Examerics.—The exhibition given by Mr. Hopewell's school passed off quite pleasantly, despite the noise and confusion constantly kept up by some hoodinus. The exercises presented a tone meriting that honor which is seldom found in our public schools. Mr. Hopewell and his scholars description of the caracters manifested on the occasion. The music was indeed excellent. The duet by Miss Epsie Cox and Miss Josie Wilson, was very beautiful. In fact the whole programments carried out creditably.

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Is the City.—Mr. Thos, Brown, who is a brother of our old fellow citizen O. A. Brown, arrived here a day or two since from Bay City. Michigan, where he has resided for some years. We did not learn whether Mr. Brown comes to Oregon to locate or mot, but we warrant he will not leave the state un-til he has seen O. A., although he is away up at the Malheur agency now, as they have not seen each other for nearly thirty years.

Assessment Completed the assessment roll of the city for the year 1874; and on Thursday evening of next week the City Conneil will meet as a Beard of Equalization, in pursuance to notice published classification. ablished claewhere.

APPOINTMENT.—M. F. Jones has less appointed by Greening General Commissioner of direct for Oragon, to seide in Walla Wal's, W. T.

WEDNESDAY, March 18, CURRY COUNTY ITEMS.

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Quite extensive preparations are going on at the mouth of Regue River for putting up salmon. Messrs. Lonelace, Griffin & Co. sre preparing to put up a large quantity in cans. This is a new firm, one of the members being recently from Iowa. Riley & Stewart, who perhaps own the best Fishery on the Pacific coast, are equally busy, and are extending their operations as fast as possible.

Our people are considerably excited over the prospect of the speedy development of our mining interests. The eld beach is being discovered in various places, at an altitude of sixty feet above the level of the sea, and from one to three miles back from the present shore line. The old beach is rich with gold, which being coated with rust that is generated in the black sand, has been almost impossible to save. A party of skillful miners are now here testing a new machine, which they have invented, that easily saves all the gold without quick-silver, rough sluters, or any of the old, or intricate contrivances. Their machine will revolutionize beach mining, also the process of saving gold now in use in quartz mills.

This has been an unusually severe Winter. Snow is five or six feet deep in eight miles of the coast. Stock, however, has done very well so far.

Quite a number of young married men have been among us this Winter, looking up investments.

CIRCUIT COURT.

EIGHTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

State of Oregon vs. John Kearn; defendant ac-

Clarke vs. Crandall; replevin; in this case, the complaint having failed to properly state the right of plaintiff, he was virtually newsited, and the action proceeded only as the question of damages to be allowed defendant, and the verdict of the jury was for return of the property without damages.

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From Stickeen.—Some time ago we published an item giving some information gleaned from a letter written by Mr. E. F. Thompson, concerning the Stickeen mines, who was then on the eve of starting for the gold fields from Sitka. Mr. Joseph Thompson, of this place, has given us the following contained in a second letter received from his consin, which was written at Fort Wrangle on the 16th of February. The writer says he arrived at that place on the 15th, and was preparing to start immediately for the mines. The weather was fine and pleasant, with the thermometer only thirty-two degrees below zero, and large parties were continually starting out from there for the digging. A party of one hundred and fifty men had started the day before the letter was written, another party of fifty had started, that morning, and Mr. Thompson and twenty-five others were going to start that afternoon, on the ice, for Buck's bar. The mode of traveling, after leaving Fort Wrangle, is on foot. Hand sleds are used for packing outfits, from 400 to 800 pounds being taken on a sled. The entire distance from Fort Wrangle is about 280 miles, the first 150, to Buck's Bar, on the frozen surface of the river, and the remainder over the mountains.

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CLEANISG UP.—The time of year has now come when every street, alley and yard in the city should be thoroughly cleaned and renovated, and every vestige of garbage and filth removed from all chance of breeding pestilence in the community. Billy Stanton has made a very good move in this direction, as we noticed yesterday, and the yard back of his store, where were great heaps of rubbish and fifthy piles of dirt, the yard is now as clean as a floor. There are others vards in that vicinity which are in sad need of attention, and many other yards and nearly all the alleys in the cityare in adeplorably fifthy condition, and we hope to see the work of general renovation going on whenever the weather will permit. mountains

INFORMATION WANTED. About the time of the INFORMATION WANTED.—About the time of the discovery of the body which was found in the slough at Saurio's Island not long since, John Huff, a resident of this place, familiarly known by the title of Major, left here for Portland; going away following. Since that time he has neither been seen nor heard of; and judging from the description of the pistol and other articles found upon the corpse, as given by the Portland dailies. Huff's friends here fear it was his bedy that was found. If Huff is still alive and well, his friends desire him to inform them at once of his whereshouts, and thus relieve their advicty.

SALEM, March 16th, 1874.

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Ed. Whilamere Painter.—Will you allow me to correct an error which appeared in the last number of the Painter.—connection with an article of mynewly invented harrow and clod masher combined? The statement which I wish to correct is the one which associates Mr. Parker with me as one of the inventors. It is perhaps well for me to say that I am the sole inventor, and that I am daily in expectation of receiving my patent.

Арро Вовсика, * Anno Boremer.

Natural History Society.—At the last meeting of the Oregon Natural History and Library Association, the Treasurer reported excellent success in the collections of assessments, and an appropriation of \$50 was made for the purpose of purchasing a first installment of looks with which to stock the shelves. A library Committee was appointed consisting of Messrs. Babcock, Jones and Walton, and Walton, and we understand they now have good prospects of a substantial basis on which to build their library.

School, Tax.—Mr. M. L. Chamberlin, School

School, Tax.—Mr. M. L. Chamberlin, School Clerk for this District, publishes a call in to-dav's issue of the Syarsismas, requesting all persons who have not paid their school tax to call on him at H D. Boon's book store and settle the account.

THURSDAY, March 19. CIRCUIT COURT.

PROPERTY DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

State of Oregon vs. Jesse L. Adams; jury impancled, came dismissed and defendant held to answer in the sum of \$300. To which ruling defendant, by his counsel, excepts.

State of Oregon vs. Benj. Blanton; cause continued, and also ordered that depositions of T. Cromwell and Dr. Hudson be taken by the clerk; and that all other witnesses subpensed for the State appear at next term of the Circuit Court without further subpense.

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A. T. Stewart vs. Baxter A Underwood; Knight
A Lord withdrew their further appearance for
planntif. Plaintif having leen called three times
in open Court, and having failed to answer, and seone having appeared to represent him, a jury was
demanded by the detendants. A jury was impaneled
and returned a verific for defendants.

All inverse was impaneled from further attends. All jurors were decharged from further attend-nce at this term of the Court.

I. F. Colley, vs. Paul Junes : dismissed at plain-

ff's cost, State of Oregon vs. Samuel E. May et al., two cases; continued.

REPORT OF THE GRAND JURY.

The Grand Jury, for the present term of Court, made the following report upon being discharged, showing that there is no cause for complaint in any of the departments the examination of which comes within their province:

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To the Homorable Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Marion:

We, the undersigned, the Grand Jury for said county, for March term, 1871, respectfully represent that we have completed our labors. That we have examined the different public offices in the county, and find them in good condition, and as far as we are able to determine, well kept; and the public records in good condition. We have also example the condition of the ic records in good condition. We have all amined the County Jul, and find the same and in proper condition. Also, we visited the Pontentiary, and were well pleased with the ing's accommodations, the appearance and generahealth of the convicts, as well as the vigilance, and accommodations offered us by the officers in charge. Isaac N. Gilbert, Foreman,
Delos Jefferson,
J. D. Smith,
J. P. M. Cook,
F. M. Cook

Jos. Unthank. The True Decrains.—Mr. Erastus Benett, of Washington Territory, bectured at the Opera House last evening, upon the "True Principles of the Doc-trine of Christ." to a large and noe consisting of ome two or three his dred per ons. The speaker claimed that the secred teachings as expounded by him, and the design of his chart representing God's