#### A Matter of Economy.

It is to be hoped that the Legislature, which is soon to meet, will not neglect the very important issue which was so to the reduction of official incomes. Every party pronounced for the abolition of exorbitant fees, and every platform echoed the cry for economy. Economy was the watchword of the campaign, the shibboleth by which each party sought to achieve successwhen we call attention to the public demand for economy, we wake no partisan strain and rouse no partisan prejudice. We seek nothing of the kind, we only desire to make the action of the Legislature as harmonious as was the sentiment of the people and the profession of all party platforms before the late election.

Having been elected on a common declaration of principles, the people demand of this Legislature a study of all financial questions from the stand-point of economy. The people want no ofdees to be so remunerative that men can earn three or five times as much by being Clerk or Sheriff of some wealthy county as they can earn in any other position. Especially at the present time they demand very prudent and economical administration of affairs, for the present year promises to be one of only very moderate prosperity for producers. Wheat is at so low a price that there is little profit in raising it; the farmers will have to rule their own private concerns on an economical basic, and they certainly do not intend to practice economy themcives and have a few fortunate officials revel in the possession of exorbitant College.

It seems to be conceded that our being the case, it is necessary to get out of debt as soon as possible to do so, without making taxation burdensome. If we have a heavy State debt to pay off, and have hard times to do it in, then it is all the more necessary to save the people any unnecessary tax, and leave them as free as possible to meet the narrowing of their own incomes by the decreased price of breadstuffs and the taxation required to relieve the State from its existing debt. So, then, the most important duty for the coming Legislature to perform is, to shape taxation at a figure the people can bear, to reduce fees to a fair living rate, and to make salaried offices of all the positions which are too remunerative in the larger counties.

Political strife intensifies, and corruption exists, because office-holding is so remunerative as to be demoralizing. they furnish the capital by means of which political campaigns are carried on, and so lead to all the corruption we have to complain of. This furnishes another, and one of the strongest reasons why all official positions should be reduced to a scale that will not offer prizes to speculators. This Legislature can become popular with the voters of all parties if it will act up to the party professions made before the election and really labors, to relieve the people of all the burdens possible.

LITTELL'S LIVING AGE .- The numbers of The Larney Are, wiready issued both is month. have been as usual filled with the valuable productions of the ablest living contributors to periodical literature. Among the important articles of these numbers are the following :-On the Personal History of Lord Macaniay, by F. Arnold, New Quarterly Reoles: The Place of Homer in History and in Egyptian Chronology, by Rt. Hou. Wm. E. Gladstone, Contemporary Remove The Poets at Play, Blackwood: The Convent of San Marco, Macmillone "Josh Billings" in English, Speciator; "Laient Thought," by R. H. Hatton, Contemporary Recorns The Moon's Figure as Obtained in the Stereoscope, by Chas, J. Wister: A Carlons Product, Mac william: Finger Rings, Bestick Quarterlus Louis Phillippe, by the author of "Mirabean," &c., Temple Bar: Bishop Wordsworth on Cremation, Spectator: A Professor Extraordinary, Fraser; Comets, Spectator; The Isle of Wight, Quarterly Review; Habit in Plants, &c., by H. Evershed, New quore terly: The Petrarchisa Commoration, Athenevening The Brunswick Onyx Yase, Jondsome Derisive Punishments, Chambers' Jaurand, etc., etc., with shorter articles, poetry and miscellany. These numbers also contain excellent short stories, "The Country Cousin," and "The Manor House at Milford," and instalments of "Far from the Madding Crowd." "The Story of Valentine and his Brother," "Alice Lorraine," and "A Rose in June," all capital serials. With fifty-two such numbers, of sixty-four large pages each (aggregating over 3000 pages a year) the subscription price (\$8) is low : or still better, for \$10, any one of the American \$4 magazines is sent with The Liging Age for a year. Littell & Gay, Boston, Publishers.

H. D. Boon starts off, the busy month of September with a new double column ad.

#### A SALMON PIVER TRIP.

OCEAN BEACH, August 22, '74.

DEAR RECORD: Our company, consisting of 15 persons, arrived here in detachments on prominent before the election, relating the afternoon of Thursday the 19th to find the beach almost deserted, on account we presume of rains and cold weather. Nobody wishes to go to the breezy beach when it is cool enough at home. We found the road as good as could be expected after the protracted rains, and our driver, Mr. Lawrence, understanding the science of letting us down into mud-holes "easy," got through without and command public confidence. So, anything being broken except the lid of our dutch oven. Our confreres however were not quite so evenly disposed. Their team being very small compared with their load, they preferred ferrying Salmon, one at a time, on the quarter deck of a good steat horse. So the ladies went over in a man's saddle, sitting side-wise, while one of the gentlemen rode behind guiding the horse. They were succossful in crossing safely and having lots of river; now rapid, now placid, now through fun, which latter was the chief object in view. They also succeeded in getting apset within a half mile of the beach on account of taking a cut off, the ladies being all on not were not upset. No damage was done though judging from the way we rushed to the rescue, there was iminent danger.

We found the same "old nessn" with its roar of waves, and a very pleasauteamp, with the Little Dalles, the Big Dalles, and Waseoplenty of stove wood ready cut and split. pum (now Dalles City) were, to us, a marvel Lumber being scarce, we planned our table on four posts, and succeeded in getting next morning after we arrived, with one salmon for which he asked \$1 50; we did not he assured us there would be "biyu fish." We lost one Soda Spring itea on the road,far away in the Coast mountains, baving imported him on a blanket thus far from his guided by Indians, to whom we had given a native wild in the Caseades. There were several of his companions that didn't get lost, but were never found.

One of the camps where part of our company stopped, is named Mosquito camp, and all wanderers to the beach are warmed to shun it benceforth. It is at the crossing of State is considerably in debt. That the last stream before reaching the toll-gate. Our young folks climbed to the top of the loftlest hights and slid down; waded into the surf and sat dawn; being very careful to leave the mise sevious boys at camp, fearing the boys would make fun of their appearance, whereupon the said boys took a spy-glass and sat down on the bank composedly waiting their return. At night we had splendid tires, and sorgs till midnight, among which "John Brown and his three little Indians boys," bore a conspicuous part. Six days. later and our return was hastened, so having notime to send our letter, we brought it. Wa came by express. We crossed the mountains. and reached the Agency: in a little over nine hours, where we had to stop two hours and get our horses shod. We rode three hours that night and camped in a field where it would be difficult to set down our to o feet beside each other on a smooth place. We had a time pitching our tent, which was a wagon cover, with loops on two corners, we finally fied one loop to a tallloak grub, piaced a rail against another grab and fastaged a corner tothat, then we pinned the next corner tothat, then we pinned tothat toth County offices are worth so much that around two branches of a hazel bush, the to a little oak limb, and our tent was upnot over three feet high it is true, but we could get under it, and it being between as and the sky the dew was kept off. After adjusting our ribs to the ridges for awhile we lept on one comfort, with another and a blanket over us. This may sound incredible: it does to us. but we did it, after considerable time spent in trying. In the morning we took a cold lunch and arrived at home at half past sleven, baving made the trip in nineteen

# BELLE W. COOKE.

hours and a half travel.

The month of September, commencing at 12 o'clock to night, promises to be a "sugar" month for the Capital City.

Already are our merchants brushing up, cleaning and painting preparatory to receiving new stocks. Our sidewalks and streets are being put in ship-shape for the expected crowds and every body in the city are rubbing their hands with glee at the expected "good times coming."

Below we give the dates of the meetings. etc., that are set for September.

1st. Meeting of the State Medical Society. 7th. The Fall session of the Willamette University begins .... Mrs. Beile W. Cooke's select school commences County Court meets.

9th. Commissioners Court will assemble. 14th. The State Legislature convenes.

15th. The first annual meeting of the State Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, will commence.... An adjourned meeting of the State Temperance Union will come together.

list. The Deaf Mute school opens. 22d. State Woman's Suffrage Association

will begin their meeting. Besides we may look for other State and county assemblies, shows, exhibitions, concerts and a variety of other amusements. Classes are to be organized in singing. Pebating and literary clubs will be formed. The Historical Library and Reading rooms opened. The Supreme Court will be in session and other doings going on, all of which events will be duly chronicled in the Datta RECORD and WILLAMSTE FARMER.

The following persons are in prison awaiting trial by the Third District Court, which convened at Seattle last Monday: Edward Seybirt, charged with killing his father. Charles Seybirt, on the Snohomiah river; Edward Bremen, grand larceny taking from the person of Jacob Schwartz (who was drowned in Lake Kitchelos), the sum of \$1,000; and William Farrell, for selling liquor to Indiana.

### Willamette Valley in 1845.

HE A. P. DAVIDSON.

In 1845, April, I started for the then tar-off Oregon, accompanied by my brother, James O. Davidson. We were six months coming "over the Plains," When we came to the Umatitia, we left the wagons, procuring two hoats at Fort Walla Walls, and making such arrangements as were necessary for the trip, bounced in the boats to try the "wild, swift waters" of the Columbia. We had read of the "mighty" river, presumed it navigable, and trice to unvigate it. We did so, after a fashion. At the mouth of the Deschutes, a mile or so below, the Columbia is cut up into narrow channels, and through these the whole river pours its vast volume of water, precluding even the passage of canoes. We were therefore compelled to make a "portage." This was very fullguing: but with the assistance of the Indians we made the portage. To us the Columbia was a wonderful verdure clad banks, now through high basaltic walls; here narrow, there wide; in one place "still and deep," in another roaring. frothing, frightful! So different was this stream of the Oscident from the Father of Waters; so different was it from our dreams of the "river of Oregon," that we were at once astonished and awe-struck. The Chutes, and an "exceedingly great sight."

Below the Little Dailes the river widens weather beaten sticks, four inches wide, to and forms an immense basin. Suddenly the cover it. Old Chief Schuyler came in, the vast busaltic walls close in, and the river turns itself upon edge, and glides swiftly, smoothly, through the chasm. At the foot of purchase preferring to wait tili low tide when this chasm columns of basalt rise and break up the river into fragments as it widens, foams, and bellows in its "mad career." Through all these we went with our boats, white shirt—a thing of beauty to the Indians of that day. Landing at Wascopum (the old of that day. Landing at Wascopum the old Methodist Mission, now balles City, we went up to see Mr. Waller, Mr. Brewar et al. to procure some food. We dog a few potato procure some good. We dug a tew pota-toes, and Mrs. Brower, good woman, gave us a sait salmon! This was on Sunday—the third Sunday, I think, of September, 1845— and hungry as we were, Mr. Waller would in Asell us annihing to sait, because it was the "Lard's engl!" toiling us to "stay till morn-ing and he would sail us provident them?" "Live" say!" teiling us to "stay til morning, and he would sell us provisions then!"
We told him we could not stay: that if we could get no food of him we must eat salmon skins, although they were full of little "white fellows!" He smiled. Mrs. Brewer said: "It is a pity the people must go away without anything to eat. I'll give them a salt salmon!" God bless the good woman! With the potatoes we hashed on Sunday, and the sait salmon, we—sinteen of us—made a "glosalt salmon, we—sixteen of us—made a "glo-rious meat;" and leaving the Old Pine Log Mission, we pulled on down through basaltie walls to near the mouth of Clickitat river and campad. What a river! What upheavals What piles of rocks !-dipped and bent. More anon.

## RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

From the P. C. Advocate.

Rev. Mr. Atwood preached two scooptable sermons at the Taylor-street M. E. Church on Summy last, and left for Seattle on Monday morning.

We understand an effort will be made during the present week to purchase a lot, erect a chapel, and organize a new M. E. Church in the northern part of the city.

The North Portland Sunday School is gro

ing finely. Every Sunday some new scholars rocke their apparance, and the cheerful happy faces of the hafant class (new numbering 20), under the management of Mrs. M. E. Satherland, is an encouraging sight.

We are informed that at a meeting of mem bers of the First Congregational Church in this city, on Tuesday evening, the question of paying off the church debt of \$2,000 was and, without difficulty, the whole sum was subscribed, and the Society is thus placed out of debt.

The Taylor-street M. E. Church charge will be duly supplied with a pastor transferred from the East. He may be expected in a few weeks. Until then the pulpit will be regu-larly supplied at the usual hours on the Sab-bath. The seats are free, the church is large and convenient, and the public are cordially invited to attend.

## From the Sentinel.

Studies were resumed at St. Joseph's Parochist School on Monday, 24th inst.

Father Glorieux has been busy for some time in adding a new wing to St. Micheal's College. The work is almost finished, and will be ready for the use of the pupils on Monday next. The present addition is a great in provement.

We understand that Rev. Father Cherouse has been appointed by the Government, Spe-cial Agent for five Indian Reservations, namely: Lasmmi, Swinomish, Tulalip, Port Madison and Black River. There are over 3,000 Indians on these reservations, all of whom are Catholies.

Wheat is quotedat 75 cents per bushel at Oregon City.

Since Dr. Bailey, of Hillsboro, hung the clothes in the barn that he had on when he visited those small-pox cases at Cornelius. he visited those small-pox cases at the he does not miss any more of his oats.

Last week, on returning from a black-berrying excursion on the North Yambill, the team containing the excursionists ran away and threw Mrs. A. Tyler out, breaking her arm and bruising her badly.

Last Saturday a team from Yambill county, with a wagon load of women and chil-dren, ran away at Dilly, a way station on the Oregon Ceutral Railroad, in which Mrs. Green Roland had her hip dislocated and was otherwise injured; a Mrs. Fonts had her ankle broken, and several of the children were considerably though not seriously bruised.

The Catholic Sentinel says working are laying the foundations for St. Vincent's Hos-

to the property of the state of

## Break, Broke, Broken.

"I begin to understand your language better," said my French friend, Mr. Arcourt, to me: "but your verbs trouble mestill; you

mix them up so with your prepositions."

"I am sorry you find them so troublesome," was all I could say.

"I saw our foiend, Mrs. James, just now,"
he continued. "She says that she intends to
break down housekeeping. Am I right
there?"

Break up housekeeping she must have "Ob, yes, I remember. Break up house

keeping."
"Why does she do that ?" I asked. Because her health is so broken into "Broken down, you should say."
"Broken down—oh, yes! And, indeed, since the small-pox has broken up in our

"she thinks she will leave it for a few vecks."

Will she leave her house alone?"

"No. She is afraid it will be broken—brok-i. How do I say that?" en. How as "Broken into."

"Certainly: that is what I meant to say."
"Is her son to be married soon?"
"No: the eugagement is broken—brok-

Broken off." "You broken off."
"Ald I had not heard that."

"She is very sorry about it. Her son only broke the news down to her last week. Am I righit "I am so anxious to get the English

"He merely broke the news. No preposi-

"It is hard to understand. That young man, her son, is a time fellow. A breaker, I

"A broker, and a very fine fellow. Good So much for the verb "to break."

#### Mathematical.

As it is generally admitted that nine tailors make a man, sud that forty Poles make a furloug, how many Republicans make a League?

How many pecks of a woodpecker make bushel ?

Is the Tectoral notion correct that there are three scruples to every dram.

Admitting that 40 square poles make one Rude, find how many round, fat French dancing masters will make one polite?

Did Bacehus ever smoke a pipe of wine? May you not gather from the historical accounts of the Trumvirate at Rome, that the Romans were well up in the "Rule of

How many "links" of evidence make a chain" of guilt ?

Is finding the rate of a ship's progress necsharily a "knotty" question

Would not the rule by which we reduce a number of one "denomination" to that of another, he of use in helping about the un-ion of the various Christian churches?

#### All Sorts.

Not to be injused in any event-Pure Christianity.

Whenever business falls off it always seems to get hurt. Why is Summer like the letter N? because it

Doctor, is tight lacing injurious? Of cor -set A Polish noblemsn will polish your boots for a dime in Omaha.

Further devil-up-ments from Brooklyn to-day.—New York Mail.

Seat of government just now-Wherever Grant happens to sit down.

"Tom, what in the world put matrimony in your head" "Well, the fact is, I was get-ing short of shirts."

A German philologist contends that "Eye" is a pre-Semitic word for "rib," and therefore an appropriate name for Adam's wife.

Barboo, Wisconsin, advertises for a clargy-

man who can instruct the well-disposed, and knock down and drag out disturbing sinners.

Milwankee's latest cause of complaint is that Chicago has been and gone and stole away her Government revenue cutter, the Audrew Johnson.

"Professor, will you have a cigar?" said a man in the office of a Boston hotel. Nineteeu man stood up and replied, "Thank you, don't

The best thing to brighten tin is whiting and kerosene. Wet a bit of flaunel in the kerosene, then dip into the powder and rub with a will, and your tin will shine like a mirror.

The practice of ringing and tolling bells by swinging the clapper or tongue vio-lently against the side of the bell, while the latter is stationary, is a very frequent cause of fracture. The bell itself should always be in motion when struck by the object that is intended to set it vibrating.

E. W. Platt says: "Take the common herb peppermint, scatter it in their paths and places of resort, and no old rat or young rat will brook the insult, but leave in disgust. I have tried it for eight years at least with perfect success.

The Bucks County (Pa.) Morror says that there were two men in Dovlestown last Wednesday for the purpose of seeing the circus, neither of whom had ever been to a circus, seithough 65 years of age. Both live within sight of Doylestown, and one of them, who has acquired three farms by his own thrift and exertion, had never been on a railroad train.

The church edifice of the Congregational Society in Warren, R. I., recently burned was insured in the Newport Company, R. I., for \$4,000, with permission to use keroseneor gas for lighting. Gasoline gas was used, which exploded and destroyed the building, and the company declined to pay up.

Gen John C. Breckinridge, of Kentucky, is spending the summer with his family at the Theusand Islands. He is still in very poor health, suffering with scute pneumonia.

Gen. Braxton Bragg has been appointed chief engineer of the Guif. Colorado, and San-ta Fe railroad, and will commence a survey of the line shortly, with a corps of two hun-dred men.

The present interest in the Maine canvass centers in the Republican nominations for the Legislature, whether for Hamlin, or Washburn, or Perham, or Drummond, for United States Senator.

United States Senator.

There is no longer any doubt that Senator
Jones has set his heart on Long Branch as a
summer residence. He has purchased from
Mr. Murphy the large plot of ground fronting
the ocean on the other side of Ocean avenue
from Mr. Murphy's cottage. It is the ascond
plot below Fresident Grant's, Mr. DeForrest
being between them. It is one of the hand-

somest plot on the avenue, and costs 300,000 Senator Jones intends to erect a hundsome villa on the site, and to make it his home next summar.

It will cost Washington county, Pennsylvania, \$50,000 to replace the bri iges washed away by the flood.

A Sing Sing letter says Stokes is in the hos-

pital half the time, and that he will hardly arvive his term of imprisonment.

The old Congregational Church at South Hadley Falls (Mass.) observed the difficient anniversary of its organization on Sunday, the 9th inst.

On Saturday the three-year-old son of G.W., Atchinson, five miles south of Atlanta, (III.) was killed by a pitchfork thrown by his father from the top-of a load of hay, the times striking him a few inches below the heart; causing almost lustant death. J. Proctor Knott, generally known as Hon.

J. Proctor Knott, generally known as giou-Proc. Knott, ex-Attorney General of Missou-ri, now a citizen of Kentucky, has been nom-inated Democratic candidate for Congress in Mistrict of that State—s district. the fourth district of that State—a district which he represented in a former Congress. Ex-Pres dent Jefferson Davis, with his son and daughter, is at Portland, Me.

Ex-Governor B. Gratz Brown fell from the front steps of his residence in St. Lanis, on Wednesday last, and broke one of his legs. He slippedon a buttered watermelon rind.

Tom Bernett, a nephew of the I Jaho Governor, had his collar bone broken by being thrown from his horse at Boise City last

It is announced that Gen. Butler will run for Congress in the Sinth Massachusetts Dis-

Advices from Philadelphia, state wool stock scarce. California fine and medicas 30c; Cal-ifornia ecarse, 25@30c.

The Democratic Convention at Engansport nominated Jonathan D. Cox for the Eleventh

Congressional District. The Anti-Monopoly Convention of the Sec oud Iowa Congressional District at Moquoket, on the 2 th. nominated J. L. Shean.

About 600 Menuonites nearly all from the southern part of Russia, reached New York on the 2 kb. The party nearly all go to Dakots The wife of G. H. Adams, of the Cleveland comme wint, was drawned at Put-In-Bay on the 27th, while out rowing with a party of

The Kiowas and Comanches attacked Gen. Davidson on the 22t inst., at Wickett Agency, near Port Sill, but were twice repulsed, and are attempting to return to the Agency.

The British stemmship Diffy, plying between Southampton and South American ports, went ashore on the coast of Uraguay and is a total loss. Passungers, crew, mails and total loss. Passer specie were saved.

D. Barnes, proprietor of the Argus, wasarfor the publication of an alleged interview with Henry M. Smith. He gave ball in the sum of \$1,500, and was released.

A dispatch from Washington says: The Commissioner of Engineers, who is to report on an improved plan of outlet at the mouth of the Mississippi, has left for Europe, and wild visit the Po. Dannbe and Rhine, in order to personally inspect these rivers and obtain such information as may be applicable to the Missishni. Mississippi.

## STATE NEWS

Knox Batte Grangers are erecting a com-modious hall four miles east of Albany.

Several fast horses are being trained for the Linn County Fair, on the track near Albany.

A little daughter of R. G. Head, of Corvallis, fell a distance of twenty-three, a few days ago, and, strange to say, was not badly hurt,

The Reporter says the dead look in the wheat market at McMinnville is broken. Six bushels and a half have been sold at 75 cents a bushel.

The health in Linn county is improving somewhat, but there are still quite a number of sufferers. Billious sever seems to be the prevailing disease. The stockholders in the Albany Farmers'

Warehouse, last season, cleared over \$2,500 a profit of twenty-one per cent. on the capital invested. This is certainly a good and profitable investment. G. W. Siferte and associates are engaged at

G. W. Sherte and associates are engaged at Classop in building a new steamboat for the Skipanon trade. The boat will be 60 feet in length, 18 feet beam, and of only sufficient depth of water for the trade. The Albany Register says: "The farmers talk of putting up a pool of \$20,000 bushels of wheat as a market opener. Whether the pool will be offered to the nighest bidder, or a price will be set at which it will be sold, we have not learned."

The steamer Mollie is now making regular

trips between E'k City and Newport, carrying passengers and the United States mails. she makes the run in three bours.

One day last week, old Mr. Morgan, a bricklayer, was seriously hurt by a fall. He was building a chimney on Mr. Sargeant's new building at Sheridan, when the scaffolding gav eway, letting the cld gentleman fall to the ground, and his injuries were such that he had fainting spells for some time after the accident. ter the accident.

Last Sunday evening a little daughter, six or seven years old, of Mr. Joseph Perkins, living near Carlton, was kicked in the head by a horse and came near being killed. The horse was sharp shod, and where the shoe came in contact with the child's head it rushed in the skull, making a fracture three inches in length.

The body of Harry Price, recently drowned while crossing the river at Portland, has been recovered.

Marx Silverman, a young man of 18, committed suicide in East Portland, Saturday afternoon under singular circumstances. Judge W. W. Upton has been presented with a handsome gold watch and chain by the Portland bar.

A discharged soldier named Thodore M. Sherman was locked up in Vancouver for at-tempting to commit suicide.

# THE TERRITORIES.

Ike Oreutt matched Charles Wilson's horse "Sam Slick" against John Bland's horse "Heenan," with J. L. Cook, to run 440 yards over the race track at Florence, Idaho ferritory, for \$600. A lively race was ex-

There is on exhibition, at the Olympia Transcript office, a cabbage head raised on the place of Tyrus Himes, a few miles from Olympia, which weighs sixty-five pounds. The seed was sown the 27th of April last, and the head was cut on the 25th of April art.

The trial of William Siebert, who killed his father in Shohomish county last Spring, has been continued until the February term of the District Court.

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