

Result of Cheap Specifications.

This morning as the contractor was trying for the second time to raise the bridge across Pudding river on the road to English's mill, when all was up but the last bent, the structure fell, damaging and breaking the material badly. It was being built on blocks instead of planted on the mud sills.

We learn since that the two men who were on the bridge when it fell—Geo. Lewis and Samuel Johnson—were both badly bruised, the latter so severely that he was brought to town for treatment this afternoon, with a leg badly bruised and severe injuries from the shock of the fall.

GONE UP THE RIVER.—The Oregonian says Mr. R. A. Habersham, who is connected with Gen. Michler's office, will start up the Willamette river this morning with a party of surveyors, consisting of twelve persons. The party will ascend as far as Eugene City, and starting at that point commence the survey of the channel of the river and come down stream.

RUNAWAY.—A team belonging to b Mr. Robinson, who lives three miles south of town, was at the W. R. T. Co. wharf this morning, where he was loading a barrel of lime, when the horses got frightened and took the road towards home. They made good time and steered clear of danger, barely escaping from wrecking Tom Reynolds' express wagon, until they found themselves tired and the wagon astride of a big oak scrub, where they were recaptured and went quietly back to the wharf for the aforesaid lime. Damages merely nominal.

POWDER.—In these times when parties are sitting out for sea coast and mountain adventure they of course want ammunition to carry on sport with and we take pleasure in reminding them that Ben Forstner, next to Scarkey's block, north, can sell them the best brands of powder cheaper than they are used to, and equip them in every respect from a gun cap or fish hook up to a Parker breech-loader or best Remington sporting rifle.

HAD A GOOD TIME.—A gentleman who rather forced the season and made an early trip to the ocean beach at the mouth of Salmon river, came back with the report that during the week he camped on the shore he neither saw the sun nor had a glimpse of the sounding sea, all because the fog was so dense during that time.

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.—The Republican State Central Committee have decided as follows: Precinct meetings to be held the 25th of July, county conventions, August 4th, State convention, August 11th. Marion county is entitled to 12 delegates. There will be 117 delegates, or rather votes, in the convention.

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AN OCTOGENARIAN.—Mr. M. Vanderpool, of Sodaville, Linn county, called on us this morning to pay his subscription. He is almost eighty years of age, but is erect in form and active in mind and drives his own buggy about the valley still.

C. E. Montell writes from Lapwai Agency, I. T., to know how a drove of Nez Percé ponies would sell in this valley.

Walter Jackson started the 1,200 ewes purchased of Thomas Cross, on the road to Southern Oregon this morning.

Hon. W. R. Dunbar is heard from at Yakima, visiting his brother who has a ranch there.

The Enterprise says Clackamas county has some handsome farms in the vicinity of Oregon City. A person can go a long distance before he will see finer looking places than those owned on the hill by Messrs. W. P. Farlow, Wm. Holmes, John Brush, Bell & Barker and Arthur Warner.

Mr. E. B. Dannon, of Bay City, Michigan, is now in this city. He has had an eye to the advantages offered by Oregon for a number of years and is here to see for himself and at his leisure.

Mr. Haines has pigs three weeks old of good fair stock, and of a litter of 7 the least weighs 12½ lbs and the largest 17½ lbs.

The Bulletin says the Portland foundries and machine shops are all busily employed. Some Portland sportsmen? sallied out on the east side yesterday, tried a cougar and were afraid to shoot him.

The outgoing steamer for San Francisco carried the largest amount of wool and the smallest invoice of flour that has ever left this port on any one vessel.

Quite a number of families left our city yesterday upon the steamer for San Francisco, carrying with them their household goods. Lack of remunerative employment is the cause assigned.

An Englishman named Frank Rogerson, the Oregonian says, had his leg crushed by a falling tree and Dr. Kinney was obliged to amputate the same to save the man's life.

Dr. Alfred Kinney is appointed attending Surgeon, and Dr. W. B. Cardwell assistant Surgeon at the St. Vincent De Paul Hospital. Major Michler has instructions to improve St. Helen's bar by scraping process. Work has begun.

The United States commissioner of agriculture says that Pennsylvania comes nearer being self-supporting than any of the older states of large population. She raises nearly everything, and her manufacturing and mining districts are her markets.

A Plummer Fruit Dryer.

Yesterday, says the Bulletin, we stated that a company had been organized in East Portland the object of which was to engage in the fruit drying business according to the Alden plan. The Plummer machine and not the Alden was the one adopted by the company and they received the machinery upon the steamship John L. Stephens, and will forthwith commence the erection of the factory building. Mr. Plummer, the patentee of the process as well as the machine, is here in person and will superintend the construction of the work. The establishment is one of great capacity, and being located in the midst of the great fruit growing district of the State it will no doubt do a profitable business, and by creating a profitable market for the producers, it will encourage the general fruit grower to redouble the bulk of his production.

The Oregonian says Messrs. John A. Bradley and P. J. Martin of Portland have purchased a piece of land in East Portland and will put up an establishment for the introduction of the Plummer Fruit Dryer. The machinery is on the Rival now due. These gentlemen will push matters as soon as the necessary machinery arrives.

Runaway and Horse Killed.

This morning, a family living in North Salem, named Gregory, were removing to South Salem. The team was loaded up with the household effects and just starting off, when the family of a near and not very pleasant neighbor celebrated the departure by cheering, clapping hands and shouting "Glory!" This unpleasant demonstration caused the horses to runaway, by which the effects were scattered, the wagon disrupted and damaged and one horse killed. The wreck was strewn along from the factory to this side of the Mansion House. The horse seems to have killed himself by running against the fence of Marion Square, where he now lies dead. It seems that a very uncomfortable state of affairs existed between the two families, and Gregory was moving away to another part of the town where he would not have to stand guard with a shot-gun to protect his family and effects. We do not know who the other family are, but their conduct in causing the runaway was not commendable. Mr. Gregory considers that he is damaged \$150 to \$200.

PASSENGER LIST.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer J. L. Stephens sailed from Portland for San Francisco last evening with the following

- PASSENGERS: Mrs J T Crews, Frank Gilder, Frank Newstrom, Thos Whiffin & wife, E Wood, W O Bruen, Miss Ida Myers, Jesse Healy, Miss Kate Blythe, Jos Holladay, Arnold Pollack, Gen Smith, R W Gorrell, A Lobe, Dr W D Baker, Jas Laidlaw, Thos Wilson, E Frank, A N Reed, wf & dtr, G Bettman, M L Reynolds, Madam Babcox, F Gilder, Wm Whitney & son, H P Isaacs wf & 2 chn, D F Smith, Mrs M Ruble & child, H Thompson, Simon Rubel, D G VanNostron, Ley Rubel, J M Dornier & wife, Mrs Stroble, 2 boys & Miss Maggie Mulcahy, infant, Katie Z Dwyer, Miss A W Sweeney, Mrs L D Aiken, Aud 15 in the steerage.

All a Mistake.

MR. EDITOR: I am informed that it was published as a news item in the RECORD, and copied by various other papers, that my daughter Ella, in going on horseback to Dixie campmeeting, was thrown from the horse and had her arm broken, or seriously injured.

Now, for the relief of inquiring friends, and to be relieved myself from having often to verbally refute the statement, I wish to say that on the day the accident should have occurred, Ella went with myself and family to Sunday School and preaching at Spring valley church, and that she has had no time received any such injuries. J. E. WITTEN. LINCOLN, July 15, 1875.

Salem Shipping and Storage Company.

The warehouse of this company grows towards completion; the bins are made and the floors nearly completed. The wheat elevator is not yet complete but work is going on. The boiler is all set and the engines will be ready in a few days. Hands are at work putting the rafters in place and another week will make a decided difference. The wharf is not yet commenced but the contractor has engaged board for his hands and expects to commence operations with a pile driver on Monday.

FOR CHAMPOEG.—Mr. D. Grierson, owner of the draught stallion Ben Roy, which has made a profitable season here, goes to Champeog with his horse next week, to remain a month or so. Ben Roy made a season here last year and his colts speak well for him and have brought him custom this year. We doubt if any stallion ever did as well in Marion county as he has the present season. The people of the lower part of the county and across the river in Yamhill and Clackamas will find him a good horse for all work.

The Oregon City Enterprise says the Irreducible Fund for Clackamas county is in, and the warrants are issued for the clerks of its respective districts. From the School Superintendent we learn that there are 2,889 children who are entitled to draw from this fund. The amount apportioned to the county is, coin, \$1,692 98, and currency, \$585 47. The sum of 58 cents and nine mills in coin, and 20 cents and two mills in currency is apportioned to each scholar in the county.

The following masters were elected at a recent meeting of Clackamas county granges as representatives to the State convention to be held in Portland next September: A. Nicholas, Highland, No. 70; J. W. Offield, Mountain View, 142; F. W. Foster, Harding, 112; C. W. Bryant, Oswego, 175; N. W. Randall, Warner, 117.

QUAKERS.—Mr. Haines informs us that several Quakers are looking at Oregon for a good place to found a colony of Friends. They have now gone to take a look at the Walla Walla country but have received a good impression from looking at Yamhill and will be likely to settle there.

Sweet Maiden with the Dark Brown Hair.

Sweet maiden, with the dark brown hair And eyes so brightly beaming, I cannot look on one so fair, And not of love be dreaming.

Each furtive glance, each longing gaze, Sets my poor heart to aching, And makes me think of other days When first my heart seemed breaking.

Yes, long ago I loved in vain A bright and pretty maiden, And sweetest visions filled my brain, Like dreams of long-lost Aida.

My recompense was chiefly great In grief and melancholy; And something near akin to hate Repaid me for my folly.

And yet, again, my hopes revive Whene'er of thee I'm thinking; 'Tis useless against fate to strive— Once more in love I'm sinking!

Then will you have this heart of mine?— But, ah! its yours already, To bid it hope or bid it pine In love's supernal eddy.

WILL WILSON.

SATURDAY, July 17.

OCHOCO.—A letter to the Albany Democrat from Prineville, Oregon, says that on Monday, July 15th, as Mr. L. Gulliford and family and his sister-in-law with her two children were riding in a wagon, the team took fright and ran away, overturning the wagon and seriously injuring all the occupants. Mrs. Gulliford was bruised and cut about the head so that her life was despaired of, but as she rests well it is hoped she will ultimately recover. Mrs. Wm. Gulliford had her hip dislocated and was otherwise injured. One of her children had one of the bones of its foot broken. Mr. Gulliford himself was severely injured in the back, but it is hoped is not serious. The rest were only slightly injured.

FILED.—Articles of incorporation of Gervais Grange, Patrons of Husbandry. Incorporators, J. W. Thornbury, M. A. Wade, S. Harkleroad. Object, storing, buying and selling of real estate and merchandise, etc. Capital stock, \$500, in \$10 shares. Place of business, Gervais.

FINE TROUTING.—Judge Bonham, J. B. McClane and H. H. Gilroy had splendid success trouting in Silver Creek yesterday, the total catch being 208, of which we are under obligations to the last mentioned for a supply that made breakfast very enjoyable.

THE OTHER SIDE.—A North Salem man informs us that the runaway we told of yesterday was caused entirely by carelessness in leaving the team and not by the conduct of the neighbors spoken of.

SCHOOL LANDS.—We learn from Col. T. H. Cann that considerable inquiry for State land exists, especially in Jackson county. He issued seven bonds for deeds this morning.

Shall We Have a Linen Manufactory.

The Bulletin says Mr. Thos. C. Smith, the gentleman who for some time past has been engaged at Salem in preparing flax for shipment abroad by the aid of convict labor, but who, unfortunately, was burned out during the late fire at the Penitentiary, has become thoroughly convinced that a linen factory would not only pay in this State, but would soon become one of its chief interests, and he has been corresponding on this subject with some of the leading manufacturers in his native city, Belfast, Ireland. His correspondents are forcibly impressed with the proposition, and they write that, if fully satisfied as to the extent of flax-growing land in the State, and the general business outlook, they will not hesitate to establish a factory in our midst at their personal cost, bringing with them all the skilled operatives required in the conduct of the business. Mr. Smith having been brought up in a factory, and being related to some of the wealthiest manufacturers in Belfast, is confident that by going thither he would secure to Oregon a linen factory and the means of working up the waste into merchantable good, such as soaking, twine, rope, etc.

Painful Accident.

The Democrat says that Monday, July 12th, was an unfortunate day for David Lewis, of Syracuse precinct, Linn county. While going to Albany on that morning his team ran away, throwing him to the ground so that one of the horses stepped on his head and the wheel passed over his leg, wounding him very severely. He was brought to Albany where his wounds were patched up and he was taken home in the evening. He had scarcely arrived when himself and family were surprised by another shock still more painful. The news was conveyed to them that the oldest boy, Douglas, aged about 12 years, while returning home from writing school in a wagon, was in some way thrown out and the wheel passed over his upturned forehead, fracturing the skull just over one of his eyes. He was picked up and carried to a neighbor's house, when Dr. Smith of Jefferson and Dr. Rice of Albany were summoned, but consciousness was not restored until Tuesday morning. He now lies in a critical condition, with the chance for recovery against him.

A man may wear the color of a cardinal on his nose and yet not be strictly religious.

The bicentennial of King Phillip's war was commemorated by the Rhode-Islanders on June 21.

The Government has not yet finished paying prize money to Farragut's fleet.

What the Ministers of Albany say of Mr. Hammond.

We, the ministers of Albany, who have been with Rev. E. P. Hammond, and carefully noted his manner of conducting his services, desire to express to our fellow laborers in Salem and elsewhere, our entire confidence in this self-denying and successful laborer for Christ.

During the few days he has been with us a mighty work has been accomplished in the spiritual regeneration of our city. We have no reason to doubt the purity of his motives, the wisdom of his method, or the fact that he is specially endowed of the Holy Ghost to win souls to Christ. We are deeply impressed with his tender spirituality, loving earnestness, constant prayerfulness, and uniform courtesy. We warmly commend him to the ministers and christian people of our State and earnestly entreat them to suspend criticism and at once take hold with and second his labors and you will be certain with the blessing of God in answer to your earnest prayer for a personal blessing and a great ingathering of souls to Jesus.

- S. G. IRVING, Pastor U. P. Church. R. C. HILL, Pastor Baptist Church. ISAIAH WILSON, Pastor M. E. Church. HOWARD W. STRATTON, Pastor Presbyterian and Cong. Church. J. BOWERSOX, Pastor Evangelical Church.

Dear friends and members, having participated in the labors of Bro. Hammond, and closely observed his operations at Albany, Corvallis and Eugene, being persuaded that his chief object is the glory of God in the salvation of precious souls, we ask you to receive him into your confidence as a man of God, a servant of the Most High, desirous that his labors in the Lord shall be eminently owned of God as they have been among us, we most earnestly entreat you, for Jesus' sake, unitedly to co-operate with him in this most blessed work of leading souls to Jesus, be wise and turn many to righteousness that we may shine as the stars for ever and ever. Yours in Christ, S. HEININGER, Pastor of Evangelical Church, Salem. J. BOWERSOX, Ex-Pastor.

A TERRIBLE DISASTER.

Bursting of a Water Spout in Umatilla County.

From a letter written from Hepner, Umatilla county, dated the 13th instant, to a gentleman in Portland, the Bulletin has been permitted to make the following extract:

The weather has been extremely warm for about a week or ten days past. The heat seemed to increase every day until about four days since. In the afternoon the thunder heads began to rise and grow very black, and there was every indication of a heavy rain, but it did not rain any to mention; the wind blew hard a short time and then all appearance of rain passed away, but the weather was as warm as ever. The next day the same thing occurred again, with about the same result. On Sunday we went down town to meeting and to hear Mr. Leland lecture on Temperance, at 4 o'clock. There were some indications of a storm about 2 o'clock, but it did not come up till about 4. We were in school house; the wind blew hard, and there was a great deal of thunder but very little rain. Soon all was quiet. But just as the lecture was nearly through, John Gilman came in and called one or two out of the house, and very soon people were seen running one way and another, very much excited, and come to find out the cause it was ascertained

THAT A CLOUD HAD BURSTED,

As it was called, at the Hinton fork of the creek (Willow Creek), or rather on the divide just above the place Kinney sold to Fielius, and the water came down like a torrent, sweeping everything in its course. We went out on the hill back of the school house, where we could see two or three miles up the valley, and such a sight I never before beheld. The whole valley, from hill to hill, was filled or covered. We could see it for half an hour before it came to where we were. Only one house was carried away. Brainard's house was torn to shreds, and not a thing was saved. Lee Trainor and wife were both in the house sick. They did not see the water until it was within a short distance of the house, and only had time to get out before the flood came and swept everything away. Brainard's loss, he says, is between \$2,500 and \$3,000. He lost \$600 in coin, \$200 in silverware and watches, \$400 worth of gloves and material for gloves, a melodeon, sewing-machine, and everything in the house. Their entire crop was completely destroyed, as was everybody's on that creek above the town, and a good deal was destroyed below the town. George Stansbury lost one-half his crop; so did Ferguson and Leland and Breeding. Below there we have not heard.

THE PLACE THAT W. J. HERREN SOLD,

And that I understand Mr. Lang, NeSmith's partner, had just bought, was completely destroyed, that is, all the crop of grain was swept away. There were one or two stacks of old hay which were carried off. Strait, who had a large crop on his own place and on Widow Smith's place, has not two acres left. John Hinton's place is completely destroyed, that is, his crop is gone, as well as his corral and stable and almost everything he had. The Murist boys have lost all their crop. It is said the Kinney place, or rather the Field place, is entirely ruined. I understand it did not injure Dr. Kinney's place or crop. I also learned that a good deal of damage has been done on Little Butte Creek. The damage done on Hinton's Creek must amount to a good many thousand dollars. There are a great many who will have no seed at all left. What the whole damage will amount to it is not possible now to estimate.

The "Frost Flower" of Russia.

A Boston journal describes an extraordinary "frost flower" of Russia, which has been produced, it is said, in Boston, in a temperature of artificial cold. This wonderful plant, or rather flower, is found only on the northern boundaries of Siberia, where the snow is eternal. It was discovered in 1863 by Count Swinoskoff, the eminent Russian botanist, who was ennobled by the Czar for his discovery. Bursting from the frozen snow on the first day of the year, it grows to the height of three feet, and flowers on the third day, remains in flower for twenty-four hours, and then dissolves itself into its original element—stem, leaves, and flower being of the finest snow. The stalk is about one inch in diameter; the leaves—three in number—in the broadest part are one inch and a half in width, and are covered with infinitesimal cones of snow; they grow only on one side of the stalk, to the north, curving gracefully in the same direction. The flower, when fully expanded, is in shape a perfect star; the petals are three inches in length, half an inch wide in the broadest parts, and tapering sharply to a point. These are also interlaced one with another in a beautiful manner, forming the most delicate basket of frost-work the most wonderful. The anthers are five in number, and on the third day after the birth of the "flower of snow" are to be seen on the extremities thereof, trembling and glittering like diamonds, the seeds of this wonderful flower, about as large as a pin's head. The old botanist says, when first he beheld this flower, "I was dumb with astonishment; filled with wonderment, which gave way to joy the most ecstatic on beholding this wonderful work of nature, this remarkable phenomenon of snow—to see this flower springing from the snowy desert, born of its own composite atmos. I touched the stem of one lightly, but it fell at my touch, and a morsel of snow only remained in my hand." Gathering some of the flowers in snow, in order to preserve the little diamond-like seeds, he hid to St. Petersburg with, to him, the greatest prize of his lifetime. All through the year they were kept in snow, and on the first day of the year following, the Court of St. Petersburg were delighted with the bursting forth of the wonderful "frost flower." Our friends in Boston succeeded in obtaining several of the seeds, and all through the summer and autumn they have been imbedded in snow, brought at great expense from the White Mountains and the coast of Labrador; and they now have the most unbounded satisfaction and pleasure of announcing that all signs are favorable to the realization of their fondest hopes, the production of the "flower of snow." The snow and ice are in a large glass refrigerator, with the thermometer forty five degrees below zero, and the solid bed of snow has already begun to show little fissures and a slight bulging in the center, unmistakable evidences of the forthcoming of the phenomenon.—N. Y. Christian Advocate, 1866.

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