



Salem, Friday, Aug. 6, 1875.

State Grange Deputies for 1875

Farmers of Oregon, and Washington and Idaho Territories: Organize for self-protection and for the emolument of the industrial pursuits. To facilitate this work, I have commissioned the following persons as my Deputies, in this jurisdiction, to institute Granges, and to have a general supervision of our work in their respective jurisdictions:

Table listing deputies for various counties including Douglas, A.A. Mathew, Looking Glass, Roseburg, etc.

The Alleghenians.

This company of talented artists gave two of their delightful entertainments in this city this week, which were varied by vocal performances, music on the Swiss bells, and also by means of glass tumblers partly filled with water, which were played upon with admirable effect.

VALUE OF SUMMER FALLOW.—Mr. G. W. Teller cultivates the old Hamilton farm across the river in Polk county, which has been tilled incessantly for a great many years.

IMPORTATION OF BLOODED SHEEP.—Lawrence & Peet, of California, who advertised that they would bring Merino pure bloods to this valley last spring, did not go beyond Portland with their stock, but send us word that they have arrived at Portland with another lot of 50 head thoroughbred Spanish Merinos, and will be in Salem in a few days.

The Statesman learns that the small pox is in the family of Mr. Maybell fifteen miles south-east of Oregon City.

ADVANTAGES OF OREGON.

The present year furnishes a most favorable illustration of the great and superior advantages this State offers for reliable farming. All over the State the harvest is most propitious and the yield abundant, except where the planters put in wheat so late in the spring that they had no right to expect a full yield.

Astoria and Portland.

When the Portland Board of Trade sends forth its proclamation to the shipowners of the world not to send large vessels to Oregon, and declares that freight is worth \$125 per ton at Portland more than at Astoria, it acts entirely in the interest of Portland and not for the State of Oregon.

Overland Emigration to Oregon.

Mr. Wm. Heid, of Portland, Oregon, has received a letter from Richard E. Randolph, of Topeka, Kansas, Commissioner of Emigration for Oregon in that State, who states that already over one hundred wagons have passed through that place bound overland for Oregon, from Missouri, Texas, Arkansas, North Carolina, and Kansas.

The Missing Mail Sack.

It seems that last October a mail sack reached the Portland post office from the upper country that contained one registered package of gold dust valued at \$2,500, and several other registered packages that increased the total value to \$3,000.

Wigwam and Warpath.

Mr. George Meecham shows us the prospectus of his father's book, with the above title, which is just published at the East. It contains a rehearsal of Mr. Meecham's entire experience in connection with the various Indian tribes of Oregon, the war with the Modocs being given in the concluding chapters.

The State Teachers' Institute will be held in Salem on the 1st, 2d, and 3d of next September.

Astoria.

Astoria has grown greatly, a friend informs us, so that within the past year it has doubled its population. A great amount of business connected with lumbering, the fisheries, and other commerce of our State naturally centers at Astoria, and it commences a growth that will undoubtedly continue and increase and never diminish.

The New Farmers' Wharf at Salem.

We were informed last week that the piles could not be driven for the new wharf to be built in connection with the Farmers' Warehouse in this city. It seems that the river bed at that point is composed of a hard gravelly cement that ordinary wood piling could not penetrate.

Self-Binder and Reaper.

We allude elsewhere to the Gordon Self-Binding Harvester, which Mr. A. De Coombs is exhibiting in our State with a view to selling State or county rights. This machine consists of a Marsh harvester with the binder attached and has done excellent work on the farm of Mr. Charles Swegle.

Farmers Warehouse at Salem.

This excellent warehouse is receiving the finishing work this week, and Mr. Herren informs us that he will be prepared to receive wheat for storage next week. All the machinery is being rapidly put in place.

Albany.

Our sister city up the valley is making rapid strides towards greatness this season. We travelled to Portland the other day with Mr. Dave Froman, who is building a new brick block in Albany, and being unable to obtain seasoned flooring was going below after it, where he purchased his supply.

DEATH OF D. B. CARTWRIGHT.—The remains of Mr. D. B. Cartwright of Sublaw received burial in this city last Friday, according to the ritual of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry of which he was a prominent member. His health has been failing for some time and his decease could not have come unexpected to his family.

PLUMMER FRUIT DRYER.—When at Portland last week we visited the fruit dryer in process of construction, on the east side, near the ferry. Mr. Plummer has all the machinery on hand, and it is fast approaching completion. He is confident of commencing work next week and will then show all interested what his machine can do.

Items from Scio.

A young friend, "F. B.," writing from Scio, says the hay crop in that vicinity was generally good, though somewhat injured by the excessive heat in July.

The bridge across the Thomas Fork at Scio is completed, and does credit to the builder, Messrs. V. Coffe and M. Burt. It is a great benefit to the citizens of the Forks.

J. R. Crabtree, son of James A. Crabtree, and our correspondent were bathing in the river on the 18th, and young Crabtree came near drowning in a deep hole; being unable to swim, sank to the bottom and became unconscious, and was fortunately saved by his father who happened to be near by and plunged to his rescue.

Many parties have gone from that part of the country to the mountains, the most of them to Fish Lake, after fish and berries, and many report the heat so excessive as to spoil the enjoyment. Others enjoying themselves luxuriously.

Most of the fall grain is ready to cut and spring grain is ripening fast. Some late sowed wheat and oats doesn't promise well.

Wool Grading and Packing.

We suggest as a most important measure in connection with wool raising in Oregon, that some effort should be made to have the wool product of our State carefully graded and well packed and distinctively put upon the market as Oregon wool.

Warehouses at Turner and Jefferson.

We learn from Mr. Jacob Conser that the two warehouses at Jefferson, building by the Mill company and the farmers, respectively, and also the farmers warehouse at Turner, in this county, are delayed somewhat by failure to receive lumber, but that all will probably be in condition to receive wheat by the first of September at furthest.

Ready to Receive Wheat.

The Salem Storing and Shipping Company will be prepared next Monday, August 9th, to receive and store grain from all parties offering, and Mr. Herren, agent for the Company, informs us they will also buy and sell on commission.

WORK ON THE STATE CAPITOL.—We learn from Mr. Henry Stapleton, Chairman of the State Capitol Commissioners, that the brick work on the Capitol will be completed by the first of September, by which time the structure will be two-thirds under roof.

TELEGRAPH FOR THE LOWER COLUMBIA.—Mr. Lamb, the indefatigable local Superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, has been examining the river shore down along the Columbia with the view of ascertaining the practicability of putting up a branch telegraph line from Kalama to Astoria.

The Salem Woolen Mills are purchasing wool and preparing to manufacture steadily for the year to come. The present owners, Messrs. Miller and Griswold, will pay their personal attention to the business.

Marshall J. Kinney, of the Salem Flouring Mills Company, is now on his return from Liverpool, where he has been for some time past attending to the business of the Company.

Mr. Pond, across the river in Polk county, while trying to smoke out some hornets from his well, burned the curb and windlass and caused his well to cave in, but he destroyed the hornets.

DIED.—In Clackamas county, Oregon, August 1st, Robert H. Bird, aged 25 years, 3 months and 1 day. Deceased was a member of Tualatin Grange, No. 111.

Rev. Addison Jones of the Baptist church Salem, has been very ill the past week but is now recovering. He is a man of great earnestness and sincerity and is beloved by many friends.

The statistics furnished by Mr. Dodge to the Department of Agriculture reveal, in startling figures, the vast natural wealth of our country. Less than one-fifth of the entire area of the United States is occupied by farms, of which only one-fourth is under tillage.

Nomination for Congress.

The Democratic State Convention met in Salem last Thursday and Friday and placed Lafayette Lane, Esq., of Roseburg, before the country as its nominee for Congress. The prominent candidates were Hon. Ben Hayden, of Polk, J. H. Reed, Esq., of Portland, Ex Gov. Whiteaker, of Lane, Mr. Nesmith and Stater declined being candidates.

Trained Horses and Dogs.

On Saturday, the 7th inst., and Monday and Tuesday the 9th and 10th, Professor Rockwell & Hurlburt will give in this city free exhibitions of trained horses and dogs, and will also take any animals presented for experiment and through their skill rate their system of training such animals.

Salem Mills started to grind again on Tuesday, but will not keep up steady work until they finish cleaning the ditch where the water is taken from the Santiam.

A branch of the Young Men's Christian Association was organized in Salem Tuesday evening, Mr. Albert Kinney being elected President.

W. T. Howe, a convict who escaped last fall has been arrested at Port Townsend, W. T.

When you visit Portland do not fail to go and see Wood's Museum, with its 70,000 curiosities. Admission only 25 cents.

The Wrong Side of the Mountain.

On the down hill side of life, which an old medical writer quaintly terms "the wrong side of the meridian," when the functions decay and the frame gradually bends under the weight of years, the system requires to be sustained burdened upon it. Innumerable physical ailments and infirmities then press upon it to which it has been in earlier life a stranger.

Clackamas County Council.

The Clackamas County Council meets on the fourth Friday of each month at 11 o'clock a. m. Place of meeting, at J. G. Trullinger's mill, near the center of the county.

Officers—N. W. Randall, President; A. Nichols, Vice President; W. W. H. Samson, Secretary, P. O. Needy; John King, Treasurer; Frank Vagbe, 1st Steward; N. H. Darnall, 2d Steward; Wm. Higge, Gatekeeper.

By order of the Council. W. W. H. SAMSON, Sec'y.

WM. GRAVES, Dealer in all kinds of FURNITURE, BEDSTEADS, CHAIRS, LOUNGES, WHATNOTS, COFFINS.

Job Turning done on Shortest Notice. Also, Latest Style Repairing. SECOND-HAND FURNITURE Taken in Exchange.

Please give him a call, and examine his goods, before purchasing elsewhere, as it won't cost anything to see his new stock. He also has BROKEN SETS, cheaper than any store in the State. Shop on State Street, OPPOSITE THE BENNETT HOUSE, SALEM, OR.

Administrator's Notice.

ESTATE OF MARY C. SMITH. THE undersigned has been appointed by the Honorable County Court of Marion county administrator of the above-named estate, and all persons having claims against the same are hereby notified to present them to me in the city of Salem within six months from the date of this notice. P. S. ENIGHT, Salem, Oregon, July 15th, 1875.