



Salem, Friday, Sept. 17, 1875.

State Grange Deputies for 1875

Farmers of Oregon, and Washington and Idaho Territories: Organize for self-protection and for the enlightenment of the industrial parents.

Table listing State Grange Deputies for 1875, organized by county (Douglas, Jackson, Baker, Marion, Washington, etc.) with names and addresses.

Any locality within this jurisdiction for which no Deputy has been appointed for the organization of Granges, will receive immediate attention if application is made to me, I will attend to it in person or appoint or send a Deputy.

OREGON STATE FAIR, 1875, Commences Monday, Oct. 11th. All Entries close on Tuesday evening, Oct. 12th, at 6 P. M.

AN UNPLEASANT SUBJECT. During the past year prices have been low and times hard, and, as a consequence, collections with us have been much in arrears.

From Southeastern Oregon. Mr. Rank Edgar, formerly of this county, returns from Camp Wagon, where he is engaged in herding cattle.

BEAUTIFY YOUR HOMES.

The word HOME carries a significance to the human heart possessed by no other, and is only equalled in sympathy and depth of feeling by that other word, MOTHER, which appeals to the finest sensibilities and the most earnest natures.

Thinking thus and knowing this, should not home be made attractive? How else can it remain a beloved tradition and a tender tie through all a weary pilgrimage?

When travelling through portions of California one can notice wide and bare stretches of land sowed to grain, and in the midst of the waving fields will stand a rough ranch building, which alone informs you that there are residents of the soil.

The settlement of Oregon has a much more permanent character, and no doubt the same is true of many portions of California, also. Here the settler generally seeks a home, and his object should be to indeed make one. It requires years of labor to accumulate the means wherewith to build and furnish a house of modern dimensions, but it requires only a pleasant hour's work now and then to surround the humble cabin with beautiful shade trees that will grow as the years pass and become surroundings of beauty to tempt the eye and allure the fancy of the traveller.

Plant the Oregon maples, and the mountain ash, or introduce the graceful elm and sweet scented locust to the site of your homes and they will make them more home-like. The cottage may be simple and unpretending, but the trees that shadow it will be as lordly as those planted and fostered by the hand of wealth.

That which is truly beautiful tempers and civilizes that which it adorns. A love of the beautiful is necessary to true happiness and the cultivation of the beautiful elevates and improves the mind. Therefore all homes should be beautiful to be attractive, and beauty exists in nature so plentifully that they can be made beautiful if we only will it so, and make a duty as well as pleasure of the cultivation which nature invites.

It is time that the farming regions of our State should show more uniform culture and refinement. In many parts of the Willamette valley and other sections the features of an old settled country are apparent. There are many beautiful homes, made so by natural growth and adornment, and the beauty of such should serve as an inducement for all to lay the foundation for such attractions.

Wigwam and War-Path.

By the courtesy of the author and publishers we have been furnished with a copy of Hon. A. B. Meacham's work with the above title. It is a bulky volume, handsomely bound, written in the earnest and rather enthusiastic style of the well-known author, and contains a resume of the experience of that gentleman in connection with Indian affairs for many years, and especially narrates facts and incidents that were connected with his administration of the office of Superintendent of Indian Affairs for Oregon, and his remarkable experience as Peace Commissioner during the tragic period of the Modoc war.

does. Capt. Jack and his band were renegades and outlaws who could be held by no treaty obligation, and were so considered by the peaceable portion of the tribe residing at Yainax, under the head chief, old Sconchila. We were present on the battle grounds of the Modoc contest, and visited the Modoc warriors in their captivity and also the peaceable band at Yainax after the war, and all we could gather of reliable facts dissipated the idea we originally entertained that Capt. Jack's band of Modocs were imposed upon or abused in any manner whatever.

THE MINTO WAGON ROAD.

If the statements made are reliable, of which we see no occasion to entertain doubt, the route across the Cascade mountains by the north fork of the Santiam, commonly known as the Minto Pass, is the best at the present time known for the location of a wagon road and stock trail.

All the existing roads across the Cascade range are very difficult to travel, being a constant ascent and descent of mountain spurs that must necessarily be crossed to make progress.

If it is true that the Minto pass can be constructed, bridged and made entirely practicable for \$50,000, as was estimated by Prof. Powell, who carefully calculated the expense as he traversed the route of the proposed road, and also true that the route is better than all others, then there should be no delay in securing its construction.

The city of Salem is directly interested in its construction, and Albany will have direct connection with the road at about equal distance, so the two counties of Linn and Marion and the western counties of Polk and Benton, are all deeply interested in the opening of the new route.

It strikes us that the city of Salem is deeply and directly interested in securing trade from Eastern Oregon and can well afford to invest liberally in what must bring this "bonanza" to its doors.

It is estimated that about 83,000 will suffice to cut out a stock trail through the new pass and so prove of great utility to both Eastern and Western Oregon, as stock is being constantly driven in each direction.

We submit these facts for the consideration of all who may be interested, and though the road may seem at first view of only local importance, all thinking minds must concede that the whole State has more or less interest in what may develop into a route by which at some future day a railway may enter this valley from the East.

Flax Culture in Oregon.

Mr. Akin, who is working up the one hundred acres of flax raised near Jefferson in this county by Messrs. Chas. Miller and Jesse Parrish, informs us that they will have saved all the seed the present week and have already rotted 6,000 bundles, being one-third of

the entire crop. He has prepared a bundle of the flax fiber to send East. He considers the experiment of Messrs. Parrish and Miller a success and thinks it will lead to the establishment of manufactures among us of shoe-thread, twine, etc., at an early date.

WAREHOUSE AT INDEPENDENCE.

The last work was done upon the farmers' new warehouse at Independence last Monday and it is now fully ready to receive wheat. It has a capacity of 50,000 bushels above, in bins; and 70,000 bushels sacked, wheat below, making 120,000 bushels total capacity.

SAND ISLANDS IN RIVERS.—The Board of State Lands Commissioners, have lately had under consideration the application of Captain L. N. English to purchase as overflowed lands a small sand island in the Willamette river, below the mouth of Mill Creek.

Pelton's Six-Fold Horse-Power.

ED. FARMER: For the last two days we have had in operation one of Mr. Pelton's Six-Fold Horse-Powers on a Pitts Separator. The men using it (the most of them experienced threshers) having used the Pitt and other horse-powers, agree that they can run this horse-power with six horses and do more and better work than they could do with ten horses on the Pitt power with the same separator.

The Multiplication of Diseases.

Diseases multiply. One begets another. A tridling indisposition may therefore, originate a complication of dangerous maladies. Indigestion begets far more formidable diseases; a multitude of ailments are traceable to constipation; fever and ague unhinges the entire nervous system, and is therefore the source of the human organism.

Photographs Copied and Enlarged.

Mr. B. K. Myers, formerly of Salem, is now traveling for orders for J. Wilkins, the well known photographer of San Francisco. He has received already a large number of orders from Salem, Silverton, Independence, Albany and other towns in this valley.

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

Wanted to Purchase. 800 Head GOOD STOCK SHEEP.

I WANT to purchase that number of good SWES, and persons owning stock sheep and desiring to sell, will please address me in person or by letter to the office of the State Archivist, Salem.

Fruit Trees, Fruit Trees!

The proprietors of the WILLAMETTE NURSERY Will be at the Next State Fair, Prepared to receive orders for Trees, Descriptive Catalogues sent free. Address G. W. WALLING & SON, Oswego, Clackamas co., Or.

Young Cattle for Sale.

10 SHORTHORN BULLS AND ONE Devon, and several Heifers, all Thoroughbred. Also—100 Bushels Clean Timothy Seed, For sale at reasonable prices. Address G. W. DIMICK, Hubbard, Marion co., Or.

THE FIRST IN THE FIELD!

For the Fall Trade!

F. LEVY, Pioneer Cash Store, MOORE'S CORNER, SALEM, OREGON.

I HAVE JUST OPENED ONE OF THE LARGEST STOCKS OF GOODS that ever came to Salem, consisting of

- CLOTHING, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Hats and Caps, Tailors' Trimmings, Cloths and Cassimeres, Opera Hats, French, English, and German DRY GOODS, Salem Flannels and Blankets, Carpets and Carpet Warp, Oil Cloths and Mattings, Paper Hangings, Trunks and Valises, Table Linens, Notions, Etc., Etc.

LADIES' DRESS GOODS,

- In Variety: Embroideries, Laces, and Hosiery, Sacques, Shawls, and Furs, Repellants and Water-proofs, Worsted Trimmings, (all kinds,) Ladies' Corsets & Skirts, Silk & Cotton Fringes, Cloak and Dress Buttons, Ladies' Boots and Shoes.

BOOTS AND SHOES,

Groceries, CROCKERY & GLASSWARE, CIGARS AND TOBACCO.

All of which are bought for Cash, and will be sold CHEAPER THAN EVER, as customers shall have the benefit of my cash purchases of Dry Goods and Clothing in a low market.

Wonderful Bargains! F. LEVY, Corner Commercial and State Streets, Salem, Sept. 17, 1875.

Wake Up! Wake Up!

I shall make some Startling ANNOUNCEMENTS NEXT WEEK ABOUT FALL BUSINESS!

In the meantime, Come to S. FRIEDMAN'S

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