



Salem, Friday, Nov. 24, 1876.

THANKSGIVING.

Before another issue of the WILLAMETTE FARMER can reach its readers they will gather around the festive board to partake of the annual Thanksgiving appointed by the Executives of the Nation and State in commemoration of the mercies vouchsafed to us as a people. It is well that while the leaves are falling and the winter winds are sounding, there should be in every heart a remembrance of the blessings that crown the year and give us the harvest to satisfy our many wants. It is true that through the country we feel less financial abundance than usual, but for all that we are blessed, as a general fact, with all that is necessary to make life comfortable and happy, with a prospect that the future will give prosperity to at least equal the past. Though we occupy a region remote and isolated, in a manner disconnected from the great centers of modern civilization and progress, we possess and enjoy social life, culture and refinement; have around us the safeguards implanted by religion and the common schools, and the guarantee of law, and recognize that in obedience to the strong will and stout arms of our people the wilderness has blossomed and ripened with precious harvests and the forests been supplanted by the orchards that surround more than ten thousand homes. We can and should trace the origin of mental and physical power back to the Supreme Ruler; should find in the Creator of the Universe the benign cause that gave us the fertile Earth to till, the benignant skies to lend us sun and shower, the all-encompassing air that yields the breath of life, and living springs to quench the craving thirst—giving us also the brain to plan, the will to do, and the strong arm to execute all that is necessary to develop from the crude things of Nature all that is needful, not only for the mere physical and natural wants of man, but to elevate and cultivate the human mind to the highest development, to divine—yes, even goldlike aspirations.

We may well be proud that it is given us to know the Divine Will, to subdue nature, to tame the animal races to our service, to study the hidden forces and make them serve us, to be a free and independent people developing within ourselves the highest culture and enlightenment, but there should mingle with this just pride a remembrance of our shortcomings as individuals and as a Nation, of our weakness and dependence on Him, from whose divine strength comes all our power and to whom we must look in the future, as our fathers in the past, for the continued blessings that can make us happy as individuals and as a people.

Thanksgiving should be tempered by humility: Human pride is vain that is not purified by meekness; feasting and rejoicing are suitable while we know that our barns and storehouses are filled with plenty, and he that possesses plenty could have no more if to his life's burdens were added the cares, vexations and vanities that must follow the possession of riches.

Some Facts about Wheat.

Without pretending to give accurate figures of the wheat crop of Oregon for the year 1876, we are able to form opinions of results that will most probably approximate correctness. It has been feared that the surplus of Oregon production would this year fall short twenty to twenty-five per cent of the surplus of 1875, but the opinion of a gentleman largely connected with milling and shipping is that the product of 1876 will not materially vary from that of 1875, and that the surplus will be about the same as that of last year, which under the circumstances we may consider a satisfactory showing.

Linn county consists largely of first prairie land much of which either could not be put in properly last winter and spring, or was not put in at all, and so that county probably shows a deficit from last year's production, but the other counties some of them make up that discrepancy so that the aggregate equals the production of last year. Douglas county shows an increase, that too, of wheat of a superior quality, though the wheat of the upper Willamette counties is not equal to that of the counties below.

Most of the wheat already sold has been on the line of the railroad; those who live on the river have generally held on to their grain in hopes that the new line of boats would soon be in operation and bring about a reduction of freights. A larger proportion of wheat seems to have been disposed of in Marion county than elsewhere, which is fortunate for the farmers who therefore will have the benefit of the present improvement

In prices. On the west side and in the upper Willamette counties a greater proportion of the wheat in warehouse remains in the hands of farmers while in this vicinity the greater part has been sold.

It is estimated that in Marion county we have a surplus the present year of over three quarters of a million bushels of wheat and that the wheat used for bread, feed and seed will swell the total of production to a million bushels. When we consider that the total surplus of our State in 1870 was no more than that, we catch an idea of actual growth of production among us, and can form some opinion of the future that awaits us when the valley of the Willamette and Umpqua devote one-fourth their tillable lands to the yearly production of wheat—that is one million of their four millions of acres;—When that time comes, which is inevitable, because these lands are rapidly becoming too valuable for mere pasturage, then we shall be able to furnish the world with at least 20,000,000 bushels of wheat alone. The possibilities of the future are not to be derided, for the time is not distant when the world will be astonished at the great productiveness of the Columbia river valley, including the Willamette region and the millions of acres of wheat fields that are waiting cultivation in Eastern Oregon and Washington.

Without promising exactness we give the following as approximating a fair statement of the wheat in this county already put in warehouse, and to still be hauled in. Salem Mills, 100,000 bushels; Farmers Warehouse, 90,000 bushels; Jefferson, 50,000; Marion, 40,000; Turner, 35,000; Antkeny's, 25,000; Brooks, 20,000; Grays, Woodburn and Hubbard, 100,000; Aurora, 10,000; along the river below Salem, 125,000; with an estimate of at least 150,000 to be yet hauled in by farmers, which, with the grain needed for seed and use will considerably overgo the million bushels we claim.

A remarkable fact is that the hills and uplands are now paying great returns for good cultivation. Six years ago, when Messrs. Kinneys took the Salem Mills, the receipts from wagons were 40,000 bushels, and the total of wheat hauled to Salem did not exceed 50,000 bushels. The total of wheat warehoused in this place the present season will not fall short of 325,000 bushels, and that too when railroad stations take wheat away from us, and a large amount goes to the river at the mouth of the Santiam. The great increase is in the hills, it seems, and much land is annually cleared to add to the area of cultivation in this county.

It would seem that the increase of acres has the past year compensated for deficiency in production through the whole State, and that leaves us a surplus equal to that of last year to dispose of.

Petite Prunes d'Agen.

Mr. P. F. Bradford, whose address is Portland, and whose farm is in the hills about four miles from Portland, near the line of the west side railroad, advertises with us, that he has several thousand fine trees of this excellent fruit for sale, being trees raised for his own use with great care, that have made remarkably fine growth. Mr. Bradford is planting largely of plums and prunes and must have over 10,000 trees set out, many of which should bear next Summer. He has investigated the various kinds of these fruits with a view of determining what varieties he can plant to the best advantage and from the success manifested in this State and in large orchards now bearing in California, he considers this variety one of the best, the dried prunes made from it being a favorite in the California market. He has carefully grafted and cultivated a supply for his own use and has a surplus for sale. We can bear witness that the prune trees of this variety we purchased of Mr. Bradford last year were the finest trees we procured from any source, and made the best growth of all the 1500 trees we planted, only one dying out of 200, which speaks well for the hardiness of the variety and also for the care with which they were cultivated. The few thousand Mr. Bradford has for sale can only supply a small part of the great demand for these trees, but the regular nurserymen have a good supply.

OSWEGO NURSERY.—G. W. Walling & Son, of Oswego, are again in the field with probably the largest assortment of fruit trees and greatest number ever found in an Oregon nursery. It will be remembered that the famous Peach Plum originated there and those who want to purchase that or any other variety of plums, prunes, or fruit, shade, and ornamental trees, can read their advertisement and know where to address them.

Weatherford & Co., Salem, is a place where you can find any and everything in the line drugs, medicines, toilet goods, perfumery, and what is more necessary this time of the year, his Mountain Balm "Wigandia," that is a sovereign remedy for coughs and colds. He also deals largely in paints, oils, and painter's materials of all kinds.

Breyfus Bros. inform their friends that their establishment will be closed, Thursday, November 30, Thanksgiving Day.

DIED.—Near Butteville, Nov. 18th, Miss Belle Roberts, aged 17 years.

An Unanswerable Argument. The strongest argument which can be urged against the advisability of administering such corrosive and nerve destroying poisons as arsenic and quinine for intermittent and remittent fevers, is the vastly superior success in the prevention and cure of such diseases of a medicine which is the very antipode of the above-named drugs, both in respect of its composition and the results wrought by it. Such a medicine is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, a purely vegetable preparation which not only eradicates with wonderful promptitude every trace of fever and ague, and kindred types of malarious disease, from the system, but is a certain preventive of all malarious bogotten of miasma, insalubrious air and water. These results mineral and febrile remedies do not effect with certainty, and their continued use entails consequences highly pernicious to the system. The Bitters, on the other hand, not only afford speedy relief, but establish health on a permanent basis.

The Presidential Outlook.

As can be seen by reading the late dispatches, the result of the Presidential election depends on the official canvass of votes in three Southern States, Florida, South Carolina and Louisiana. Should these States all go for Hayes he will have one majority of the electoral college.

Meeting of the Board of Managers.

The annual meeting of the Board of Managers of the Oregon State Agricultural Society will be held at the Secretary's office, in Salem, commencing on Tuesday, November 28th, at 10 A. M. E. M. WAITS, Secretary.

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Henry Black, of Ada, Hardin Co., Ohio, says: "My wife had rheumatism for five years—no rest, no sleep—could scarcely walk across the floor. She is now completely cured by the use of Centaur Liniment. We all feel bound to you, and recommend your wonderful medicine to all our friends."

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"Some time ago I was shipping horses to St. Louis. I got one badly crippled in the car. With great difficulty I got him to the stable, on Fourth Avenue. The stable keeper gave me a bottle of your Centaur Liniment, which I used with success in that two days the horse was as active and nearly well. I have been a veterinary surgeon for thirty years, but your Liniment leads anything I ever used."

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Castoria is the result of 30 years' experiments, by Dr. Samuel Pitcher, of Massachusetts. It is a vegetable preparation as effective as Castor Oil, but perfectly pleasant to the taste. It can be taken by the youngest infant, and neither gags nor gripes. Dr. A. J. Green, of Royston, Ind., says of it:

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The Castoria destroys worms, regulates the Stomach, cures Wind Colic, and permits of natural healthy sleep. It is very efficacious in Croup, and for teething Children. Honey is not pleasant to the taste, and Castor Oil is not so certain in its effects. It costs but 25 cents in large bottles.

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Lewis DEANNEY, Secretary. nov24

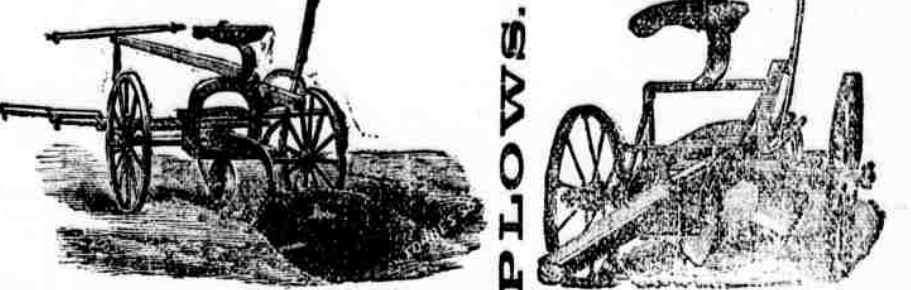
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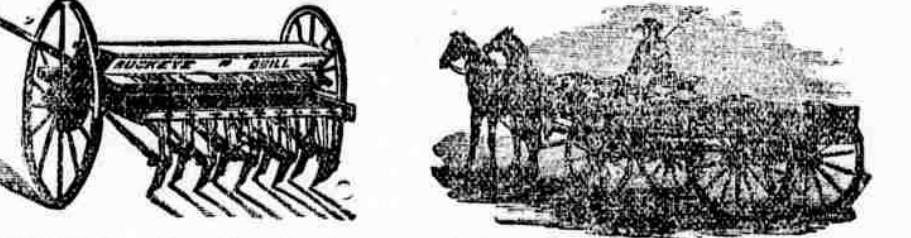
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Portland, Or. oct13

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