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Just the thing for our Oregon winter weather.

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All goods sold by me are GUARANTEED to be what I recommend them, or I will at any time make it good to the purchaser.

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JOHN G. WRIGHT,

Dealer in

FAMILY GROCERIES,

Crockery and Glassware,

Wooden and Willow Ware,

Tobacco and Cigars,

COMMERCIAL STREET.

Salem, April 30, 1875.

\$1200

Salisbury, Wisniewski wanted to sell our Blacksmith shop, on Commercial st., below Wade's hardware store, for a small outlay of cash. Bring in your old Plows, and see if I don't say. oct29/1

Good Farms FOR SALE.

637 ACRES OF LAND IN MARION COUNTY, Oregon, ten miles north of Salem, on the Dayton and Wheatland road; is a beautiful location, and is the very best land in the State. Can be divided into three good farms. We have an offer for a part of this place at \$41 per acre, which would leave the balance of the land in a square body of 500 acres, 300 of which is under cultivation; 100 acres slashed, joining the cultivated fields, that could be easily got ready for the plow, having been slashed from five to ten years. All the buildings are on the 500 acre tract, and for which we only ask \$30 per acre. Those who are in search of good land should go and see this place. For particulars, call and see the proprietors.

265 ACRES OF LAND IN MARION COUNTY, Oregon, two and a half miles from Gervais, and about the same distance from Woodburn, lying on the Butteville road. Is a desirable location, is the very best quality of land, and well known to be one of the best farms on French Prairie by all who are acquainted with the country. 35 acres of this tract is under cultivation; the balance of the tract, 50 acres, is timber. There is a desirable good dwelling house on this place; two good barns, with plenty of shed room for stock. For full particulars, go and see.

On the premises, or address them at Wheatland, Or. Nov. 24, 1877. 1m p'd.

Little Giant GRUBBING MACHINE.

We wish to inform the people of Oregon that we have purchased the patent of "The Little Giant Grubbing Machine," and that we are now prepared to supply any number of them at a very reasonable price. The subjoined testimonials of the superior qualities of these machines and their comparative cheapness should recommend them to all those desirous of clearing off land at but trifling expense. For further particulars apply to Frank Cooper or Wm. Dolaney, Salem, or Albert Briggs, Scio.

This is to certify that we have used "The Little Giant Grubbing Machine" and found it superior to anything of the kind ever used in this part of the country: Preston Munkers, Wm Ireland, Henry Isley, J S Morris, A Davis, J B Irvine, A Baldwin, B F Briggs, Henry T Hare.

We the undersigned have seen "The Little Giant Grubbing Machine" work and can assure the public that it is the best machine of the kind we have ever seen working. M. Alexander, G W Hamilton, J C Johnson, Peter Smith, J M Brown, Wm H McKnight, P Blyden, D P Mason. Scio, May 25th 1877.

F. C. SULLIVAN, ATTORNEY AT LAW, OPERA HOUSE, SALEM. S. E. corner, at head of stairs. oct27

Farmers, Take Notice. PLOWS REPAIRED.

WHAT OLD PLOW OF YOURS CAN BE MADE as good as new at JOHNNY KNIGHT'S Blacksmith shop, on Commercial st., below Wade's hardware store, for a small outlay of cash. Bring in your old Plows, and see if I don't say. oct29/1

BY TELEGRAPH.

Father Martin, Catholic missionary, who spent several weeks in Sitting Bull's camp beyond the Canadian line, called on Gen. Crook in Omaha and said that the experience of one good winter north of the line would cure Sitting Bull's Indians of their loyalty to their leader and they then would be glad enough to return home either as hostiles or willing to surrender. Father Martin pronounced Sitting Bull an arrant demagogue and in no sense a leader, but shrewd in anticipating the wishes, plans and schemes of his band.

Charleston S. C. Dec. 12.—The municipal election here to-day, resulted in the election of W. W. Sole, Mayor, and the entire Democratic ticket by a large majority over the Independent ticket, headed by D. F. Fleming.

San Francisco, Dec. 11.—A Chinaman named Ah Lang, holding the position of boatman on the Occidental and Oriental Co's steamer Oceanic lying at the Pacific Mill dock, had an altercation with one of the Chinese crew who refused duty this morning during the time the boatman stabbed the sailor, killing him almost instantly. Ah Lang was arrested.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The department superintendents of the National Association called in a body at the executive mansion and were received in the east room by the president and Mrs. Hayes. Mr. Wickersham, on behalf of the visitors, expressed satisfaction for the passage in a message in relation to education, and thanked the president for the same. The president, in reply, promised to aid their great work by every means which lay in his power.

The Tribune's Washington special says: Secretary Everts is reported saying to night when some foreign appointment was recommended, that the administration had pretty nearly concluded it was useless to make more nominations; that the senate would not confirm anything and that the president saw little use in sending names to that dignified body for rejection. Should such a step be adopted most of the senators will be much disturbed as they all want nominations.

Senator Blaine is going to Hot Springs a week to try the effects of the baths. He wants to drive the malarial poison out of his system. Ex-Secretary Robeson will accompany him.

Louisville, Dec. 13.—The Courier-Journal's leading editorial to-morrow is a strongly denunciatory of the course pursued by Democratic senators in acting with Senator Conkling against the administration.

San Francisco, Dec. 11.—A society has been incorporated for the purpose of employing peaceful measures to expel Chinese from the fields and factories of the state. Articles of incorporation were some time ago issued by the secretary of state. The organizers claim that the laboring classes will co-operate with them and adopt their plan; will lawfully prevent Chinese competition in all mercantile branches of business, and that manufacturers will simultaneously discharge all Chinese in their employ. No aid is required from Washington, state laws not conflicting with federal acts being the leverage they propose to bring to bear on the subject.

New York, Dec. 14.—During the Vanderbilt will trial to-day, Arthur Gilman, architect, testified that the commodore consulted him about plans of a monument in Central Park to Washington, to overtop every other monument in the world, to be 625 feet high. The least cost would be \$750,000.

The house committee on foreign affairs to-day examined Gen. Ord, the chief points of his testimony being that cessation or diminution of Mexican raids on the Rio Grande was attributable to the large American force, and revocation of the existing orders would elude dangerous elements in Mexico and cause more raids.

It is an interesting fact that Blaine would have been chairman of Conkling's committee on Mexican affairs and that too by the desire of the latter, if his ill health had not previously determined him to be absent from Washington for rest during the holiday recess. It seems to be generally considered the twelve years' feud between these two gentlemen is at an end.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—The Times Washington special says the president says in regard to the action of the senate that he sees no reason for changing his course of action on the subject of New York officers. He intends to go on and determine just what men he sees fit and upon the senate must rest the responsibility of rejecting them.

Foster, of Ohio, thinks the president will accept no compromise but continue making nominations to the senate for New York custom house positions. At a consultation at the White House to-night several of the president's friends, including the vice president and Chas. Foster, are present.

Conkling to-day received scores of congratulatory telegrams from all parts of the country.

New Orleans, Dec. 15.—The Galveston News special reports that the El Paso trouble has broken out anew, and fighting between the state troops has been going on for two days. A dispatch received by the governor from the sheriff of El Paso county states that there was fighting all day yesterday at San Elizario between state troops and Mexicans from both sides of the river. The governor sent a dispatch to the president asking the aid of the U. S. troops.

Mexican troops continue to march to the Rio Grande. More than one thousand cavalry are between San Luis Potosi and Saltillo and others are following in the same direction. Several battalions of infantry are on the road to the same point, and one thousand infantry and some artillery will be sent by General Yago Cruz to Matamoros. The troops are said to be well officered and armed with improved guns.

New York, Dec. 16.—Ben Holladay's youngest and only living daughter, Baroness de Russwurm, is at the point of death at the New York Hotel. Her decease is momentarily expected. Her illness originated in hemorrhage while voyaging from Europe, aggravated by a severe cold.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The prospect in the house now seems quite good for the passage of a bill extending for ten years the time allowed to the northern Pacific R. R. Co. to complete its line. Sympathy for the present bondholders in that unfortunate enterprise is very marked. This has secured the support of the pending application, by many who are earnest opponents of subsidies. It is expected to receive its worst opposition from Senator Mitchell in the interest of the Portland South Pass and Salt Lake Railroad, which many believe has no real purpose but to cripple the Northern Pacific.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Several days ago, Gen. Hawley, in an answer to a telegram from Secretary Everts, said it would be impossible for him to accept the appointment of commissioner general to the Paris exhibition. It is reported to-day that Gen. McCormick had declined, but authentically reported later that he has reconsidered the matter and his name will probably be submitted to the senate Saturday.

San Francisco, Dec. 14.—Dispatches from various points in the southern portions of the state indicate a general light rain with a prospect of more.

San Francisco, Dec. 16.—It has been raining most of the day, with fresh easterly wind, and every day a continuation of same. Dispatches from the interior indicate general rain probable.

FOREIGN.

New York, Dec. 12.—The Herald's London special says a profound sensation was produced throughout England yesterday when the announcement of Plevna's fall was known. The London Stock Exchange at once recognized the financial import of the great event and a rapid rise in Russian bonds occurred. Prices of all Russian securities rose and maintained a remarkable firmness. The press of London speaks in no uncertain tones regarding the gravity of the situation in which Osman's defeat placed England's tomorrow ally.

All the afternoon journals yesterday appear to have taken their cue from the editorial of the Times of the morning. The moment, it declares, has arrived when England is to seize the opportunity of using her influence with Turkey.

The Globe says after a resistance which has enlisted the admiration of the whole world, the impregnable fortress which the Osmanli created out of a small unfortified town, has surrendered. The defensive power of the Porte is temporarily shipwrecked by this tremendous disaster. It is impossible to exaggerate the probable consequences. Sofia will certainly be captured by the Russians before long, after which no obstacle worthy of serious consideration to the rapid advance upon Adrianople exists, and when the Russians are there, the Porte must accept any terms the Czar proposes, or stake the very existence of the Ottoman empire on the defense of Constantinople. It is the duty of our minister to impress upon the Sultan the urgent expediency of giving full weight of his influence in all counsels in favor of immediate peace before the resources of Turkish power is utterly exhausted.

All telegrams received at London agree in declaring that the attempted sorties of Osman from Plevna toward Vidin were made with a desperation which has won for him the respect of his enemies. His men endured all manner of privations within the invested town. They had suffered terribly from cold, owing to insufficient clothing, and from disease, neither doctors nor medicine being at hand, and from famine.

London, Dec. 12.—The Russian official account of the capture of Plevna says the Turks fought like lions. Seven Pashas were captured. The counting of prisoners and trophies is not yet completed.

London, Dec. 13.—A telegram from Verbitza states that the Czar will start for St. Petersburg Saturday. He has visited Osman Pasha and returned to him his sword in recognition of his bravery.

Constantinople, Dec. 12.—A grand council was held to-day at the war office. It is said it was resolved to carry on the war to the last extreme.

New York, Dec. 13.—Specials from Paris say the crisis is ended and McMahon has arrived at understanding with the left. A deputation of the right waited upon him and told him it was impossible to form a ministry. The marshal was deeply moved and said there was nothing to do but resign, but subsequently yielded.

London, Dec. 13.—Parliament has been formally prorogued to January 17th.

Mr. Welch, the new American minister, left Liverpool at noon yesterday. A number of gentlemen witnessed his departure and the band played "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Hail Columbia." He arrived at the St. Pancras hotel, London, in the evening, where he was received by Mr. Pierpont the retiring minister, the secretary of legation, and a few Americans.

London, Dec. 12.—For the last three days the Russians knew that Osman Pasha's provisions were exhausted, and that a sortie was preparing. They received the news on Sunday that he would concentrate his whole army near the bridge over the river Vid. This news was confirmed during the night by Skobeleff, who discovered that the Turks had silently evacuated the Grivitsa redoubt and all their positions on Grivitsa hill. Gen. Skobeleff occupied the position at 7 in the morning and attacked the Russian positions with such fury that they captured eight cannons in a minute and almost annihilated the Libersky Grenadier regiment. The Turks found themselves under the fire of a hundred cannon of the Russian second line and were attacked by the Grenadiers, who resolved to recapture their guns. The Turks were driven back after a fifteen minutes' bayonet fight, but continued to fire from the shelter of the banks of the Vid until 12:30 p. m., when the firing ceased on both sides, and a quarter of an hour afterward Osman sent an envoy to treat for surrender. Osman's wound in the leg is not serious.

A dispatch from Athens says the fall of Plevna caused demonstrations in favor of war. A telegram received in Paris says the Greek cabinet is deliberating on the course to be pursued. The king will start soon for the camp at Chassis.

London, Dec. 12.—A Vienna correspondent says the Porte is astounded by the fall of Plevna as it was hoped to last until Sultan Pasha would be able to relieve the place. The fact that Edhem and Mahmood Damoud Pasha still retain power is evidence of the disposition to negotiate.

A Berlin special says the policy of Germany seems to be that the Porte must make the first overtures for peace. It is thought very doubtful whether Russia would accept any offer of mediation until then.

Constantinople, Dec. 13.—A report prevailed last night that a great battle had been fought between Metchker and Rustchuk, result unknown. Official reports from Turkish headquarters only mention an affair with six Russian battalions and the Turks generally.

The Turkish parliament was opened to-day by the Sultan. All the Turkish dignitaries and foreign ambassadors were present. The speech from the throne was reserved in tone and alludes neither to peace nor mediation. No overtures for mediation have been made in any foreign embassies.

Bucharest, Dec. 13.—A correspondent telegraphs the report current here that the Russians have gained a great victory near Elena, taking 12,000 prisoners.

A special from Alexandria, Egypt, reports that the British iron-clad Rupert has suddenly been ordered to proceed to Besika Bay.

In Russian official circles it is not thought likely that either Turkey or any power in her behalf will propose peace negotiations.

Berlin, Dec. 14.—The Russians are expected to cross the Balkans in force, after which they will be ready to open negotiations. If the negotiations are successful the result will be communicated to the signatory powers. Further Russian reinforcements have been countermanded, the czar believing the present army is sufficient.

Bucharest, Dec. 13.—According to official returns the Russian losses in the fighting preceding the surrender of Plevna, were 10 officers and 142 men killed and 45 officers and 1,207 men wounded. The Turks lost 4,000 killed and wounded, and the prisoners include 10 pashas, 125 staff officers, 2,000 officers, 30,000 infantry and 1,200 cavalry. Seventy-seven cannon were also captured. The first batch of prisoners, numbering 10,000, have already started for Bucharest.

London, Dec. 15.—A dispatch from Bucharest referring to the fight near Metchka, reports that 50 battalions of Turks attacked Metchka on the 11th, but were brilliantly repulsed by the forces under Vladimir and the czar.

Belgrade, Dec. 14.—A proclamation of the

Serbian government has just been issued announcing that the Serbian army has been ordered to cross the Turkish frontiers. Turkish troops are concentrating on the Serbian frontier.

New York, Dec. 14.—The Times' London special says the publication of the terms upon which Russia will make peace, viz: independence of Roumania and Serbia, autonomy of Bulgaria under a foreign prince, free passage of the Dardanelles, delivery of the Turkish fleet as war indemnity and cession of a large portion of Armenia has created a good deal of excitement in England.

Copenhagen, Dec. 14.—It is believed that the Russian minister is negotiating with Denmark with a view of proposing Prince Waldemar, of Denmark, or Prince John of Glücksborg, as ruler of Bulgaria.

Paris, Dec. 14.—One of two of the proposed cabinet are now to office. Gen. Borel, minister of war, was formerly President MacMahon's chief of staff, and is a skillful and laborious soldier. M. Bor-leaux, minister of public instruction is one of the most popular members of the moderate left. He was under secretary and minister of justice to M. Dufaure. M. Waddington's appointment, to be minister of foreign affairs will be received with warm satisfaction by the whole diplomatic body and constitutes a happy and pacific omen. He is tolerant and moderate, liberal in politics and religion.

London, Dec. 14.—The Post in a leading editorial says: It is understood the British cabinet yesterday had before them a circular from the Porte intimating its willingness to accept the mediation of Europe. The Porte asserts that the guarantees for good government furnished by the constitution are far more advantageous than the establishment of autonomous states which can only lead to disintegration of the empire. The Porte however, considers there are no present prospect of acceptance of mediation as Germany is hostile thereto and any offer on the part of England is not likely to be well received by Russia.

The Scotsman's London correspondent writing on Thursday says: To-morrow Lord Derby will have to announce to his colleagues the all-important fact that both Russia and Turkey are anxious to make peace.

Belgrade, Dec. 15.—War was announced to-day by salvoes of artillery. Prince Milan will leave for Alexandria to-morrow. He has issued decrees proclaiming a state of siege, and announcing that public functionaries who agitate against war will be dismissed.

Constantinople, Dec. 15.—A circular note dispatched by the porte to the signatory powers of the treaty of '71 reviews the origin and progress of the war, calls attention to the aggressive course of Russia and the disposition shown by the porte to grant reforms, and suggests that the present is the auspicious time for the powers to interpose in favor of peace. The porte has not yet exhausted its resources but desires to stop the further effusion of blood. The chamber of deputies has elected a christian president.

Bogot, Dec. 15.—The Turks burned and evacuated Elena Friday and the Russians re-occupied it.

Semlin, Dec. 15.—Prince Milan's proclamation recounts Turkish atrocities and violations of faith since in treaty of peace made last February and concludes:

Let us move forward alongside the victorious banner of the Czar, the liberator, with faith in God, the protector of right, and success is sure. Given in the name of our country's welfare, Serbian independence and her heroic people. It is God's will.

Constantinople, Dec. 15.—Servians crossed the frontier at Piro, and are marching on Kosevo.

Mehemet Ali has arrived here. London, Dec. 15.—Events at the seat of war have moved slowly since Plevna fell, but the firmness of Russia's death grip on the Ottoman empire was demonstrated at last Wednesday's fight at Metchka, nine miles south of Rustchuk. The fact that 50 Turkish battalions attacked Grand Duke Vladimir so persistently and unsuccessfully, indicates that the Russian position before the Lom and Janetzki is impregnable. Russia is now firmly master of Bulgaria, and her troops can pass the Balkans in great force with slight obstructions whenever the weather permits. The active co-operation of Serbia now fully recognized is equivalent to another Russian victory in the field. This has come, too, at a time when Austria is no longer danger that it will lead Theresia into the conflict.

Genoa, Dec. 15.—Ex-President Grant reached here yesterday in the United States steamer Vandalla, and visited the town during the day, and afterwards received the authorities on board the steamer. He sailed for Leghorn to-day.

FROM SCIO'S MAYOR.

Scio has recently had, in common with other large cities of the valley for municipal election, and the genial F. P. Jones carried the city by a handsome majority, for Mayor.

Whereupon he was postal carded by a number of our leading citizens, congratulating him upon his elevation to the honorable position once filled by the magnificent G. M. Stroud, and the wide awake J. B. Irvine—Mayor of the capital city of the forks. Below we give Mayor Jones' answer to the congratulatory cards.

What he says: Scio, Dec. 12th, 1877. To H. A. Johnson, J. A. Baker, Sam. Hess, T. H. Reynolds, A. M. Bell, G. A. Edes, B. F. Drake, M. N. Chapman, Seth R. Hammer, J. A. Stratton, J. H. Haas—Gentlemen: Upon the receipt of your card of the 6th inst., I was entirely overjoyed; in fact I was too full for utterance. But now being more calm, I cannot refrain from expressing my gratitude, and esteem for those who appreciate the ability that has lain dormant so long in your humble servant.

For long years I have toiled incessantly to reach positions of some kind, and the means used to succeed in so doing are not to be investigated. Experience has taught me that worth, ability, etc. are not the requisites with which to gain office, consequently I turned my attention to diet, and of the success which has attended my efforts, you are already informed. After the proper mastication of only one ton of food I have actually eat myself into office. It is true that your card bears but few names (and the first three of them in the same handwriting) but gentlemen your appreciative qualities far more than compensate for any lack of numbers.

Yours Officially, F. P. Jones, P. M. Which is Phlegmatic Mayor. P. S.—Under my administration the "Hooks" shall be protected.

Congregational Church.

The attendance at the several services at the Congregational church Sunday, were well attended, particularly so the lecture last evening. The ladies of the church had tastefully decorated with evergreens, autumn leaves and mottoes, the interior of the edifice, which gave it a beautiful appearance, and could not have been otherwise than most pleasing to Rev. P. S. Knight, the pastor, who has just returned from a trip towards the rising sun. It pays to go away from home when a person can return and be as kindly and affectionately welcomed as the members of the Congregational church have greeted the return of their pastor.