

RIGHTS OF THE DEBTORS.

While we are discussing the matter of interest on money, and the propriety of regulating usury by law, we must not forget that the debt or class constitute the largest proportion of the community...

The quality and value of money is usually well understood by those who possess it, but they think best to make the world believe it resembles any other commodity and has no greater power...

Usury laws are dictated by humanity and a desire to advance the public good. We venture to say that wherever rates of interest are established in the United States, such rates are fully as high as the ordinary business uses of money will justify...

"Justice," in his repeated efforts, advances no opinions of his own, but everlastingly gets stranded on some opinions of financially expert men...

Money lending at legal rates of interest is honorable, but taking advantage of a debtor's needs to extort illegal interest has always been held up to the scorn of the civilized world...

The Oregonian lately quoted a number of eminent writers on financial science, who agreed that usury laws fail of their object, but they wrote essays based on the financial condition of a country where money is a drug...

If the interest of the debtor class can be advanced—as is claimed—by the non-taxation of money, notes and accounts, and no offset for indebtedness, and if such non-taxation will induce capital to come here from abroad to seek investment, or be loaned at a rate of interest that will permit enterprise to live and thrive...

There is an over-abundance of capital in San Francisco, and we have every reason to believe that it would seek investment in Oregon, if not liable to taxation here. Scotch capital already seeks investment here, and is glad to receive ten per cent interest for long time loans on real estate...

YAGUINA BAY.

This rather large expanse of water, as we approached from the West, was first seen from a high hill eight miles distant—whichever, by the way, is a wonderfully long eight miles.

Sojourners here are quite numerous, and many Salemites may be seen, among whom are Dr. C. H. Hall and family, Miss Addie Scriber, Jay Cox and brother, John Forsyth and sister, Mrs. T. H. Cox and daughter, Mr. Beech, Geo. Gray, Ed. Edes, Chas. Gray, and John Shaw.

The roads here are in good condition, and we all agree that it is the best mountain wagon road we ever traveled. We only met one wagon on the grades that gave us trouble, and that was easily overcome after a few minutes' delay.

We are all pleased with South Beach, as good milk and butter can be procured here of the Davises, at reasonable cost. We are all camped on Mr. Davis's land, have free use of his pasture, and Mrs. Davis allows any one who wishes, to bake bread in her oven.

The question whether sea sickness is not entirely the effect of the imagination has been decided here in the affirmative, as last night "one of the boys" in an adjoining camp dreamed that he was sea-sick, and carried out the programme before he awoke.

Some people have an idea that Prof. O. B. Johnson is a very quiet man, but we have learned to the contrary. We find that he is not only an inveterate bug-hunter, but is immense as a trout fisher.

We indulge in sea fishing, and good fishing is found at Beaver Creek, a few miles south of our camp, which is located in a beautiful grove that resounds with laughter and glee, as it contains many groups of pleasure seekers...

Sea bathing is a luxury we have free of charge. A party went in to-day, but went out a great sight quicker, for the water proved too cold for comfort.

Yaquina, August 2, 1878.

Weather Report for July 1878.

During July, 1878, there were three days during which rain fell with an aggregate of .58 in. of water; 23 clear days and five cloudy days. The mean temperature for the month was 63.54 degrees.

The prevailing winds for the month were from the south during four days, southwest two days, north 25 days.

The Topeka Kansas Commonwealth contains correspondence from the Paris Exposition from the Commissioner of that State, who says: "There is but one 'State display' in the Exposition, and that is Oregon."

Why pay \$100 for a phonograph when \$1.50 judiciously invested in ice-cream the coming summer, and two bushels of turnips in the fall for a marriage certificate will give you a life lease on a talking machine that never requires any tinfoil on the cylinder escapement?

Think over all possible ways of enlarging your business and ask yourself honestly which will sooner, not surely and most largely contribute to that result with the least expense.

Paper made from linen, 1900.

THE PENITENTIARY.

An hour's stroll through the various departments of the Penitentiary reveals the fact that under the superintendency of Mr. Burch, it has been well conducted. So far as order and cleanliness are concerned, it challenges comparison.

The subordination officers are a determined, good-looking set of men, and withal, polite and gentlemanly. They are: Rob't Thompson, Warden; Joseph Osborne, Assistant Warden; and Wm. Westcott, Turnkey.

Exporting Grain.

For the information of farmers desiring to ship grain to San Francisco, we publish the following bill of expenses, which is as nearly correct as is possible to obtain:

Umatilla's Loss.

A Pendleton paper presents the following list of citizens of that county killed and wounded during the Indian raid. It is believed there are several others not yet reported:

- Wm Laman, H Hale; E B Nelson, C L Jewell; Geo S Smith, M Blake; Erny Campbell, John Crisp; Geo Cogswell, W N Keith; E T Pratt, Campbell Berry; John Nay, Luke Skelly; O P McCoy, Jas Myers; Chas McLaughlin, Thos Smith.

Benevolent Association.

On the steamer Oregon arrived H. C. Oliver, Esq., of San Francisco, who visits the North Pacific for the purpose of organizing a secret society called Workmen's Association.

Raise City is going to have a brass foundry.

LETTERS FROM YAKIMA.

MR. EDITOR:—Having promised to furnish information to numerous friends resident in the Willamette Valley concerning this country, I shall try to do so through the columns of your paper.

We noticed the crops along the road from "Barlow's Gate" to the base of the Simcoe mountains were rather light, especially in the Klukkat Valley; but on our arrival in Yakima Valley, we found the crops invariably from average to very good.

Everything in the vegetable or grain line is luxuriant and thrifty, the result of irrigation. A failure or short crop can never occur here, unless the farmers neglect proper irrigation.

Wheat, oats, barley, rye and corn can be grown here to perfection, and everything in the vegetable line, that will grow in a temperate climate, can be successfully cultivated in Yakima, or Kityas Valley.

This country needs railroads to make it prosperous and wealthy. It never will be a very extensive farming country, but by combining farming and stock raising, the settlers can do well, and there is room for many more, though the most desirable locations are claimed.

Some Things New in Building Houses for the Million. Under the above caption the Rochester (N. Y.) Express calls attention to a new article of building material, known as the "Very Best" Roofing and Siding.

As for my part I would rather settle here on 40 acres I could call my own than rent a good farm in the Willamette Valley.

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Under the above caption the Rochester (N. Y.) Express calls attention to a new article of building material, known as the "Very Best" Roofing and Siding. There went up, says the paper above referred to, a few days ago, as if by magic, in the vacant lot east of the first swing bridge on east Main street, one of the neatest, cosiest cottages we ever saw.

The right to use the "Very Best" Roofing and Siding for Marion and Polk counties has been purchased by our townsman, J. S. Coulter, one of our best architects and builders, and people who contemplate building—those who desire to renew roofing, or those who wish awnings absolutely impervious to the rain, would do well to call on Mr. Coulter, without delay.

New Business.

Frank and Andy N. Gilbert will, in a short time, open a real estate and brokerage office in a part of the building now occupied by Charles Uzafove, formerly occupied by the Dollar Store.

Polish White Winter Wheat.

Mr. Waite, Secretary of the Oregon State Agricultural Society, has received a letter from Mr. D. F. Pankey, of Oakland, Oregon, in which he says his Polish wheat, which was sent him last spring from the department at Washington, though sown late, has on many of the stools as high as 60 spikes, and thanks it an excellent grain for picking qualities.

Nonsensical Sporting Party.

A party of Nuns started last Tuesday for Nootka, on a hunting and fishing expedition. Look out for an overplus of game in the market—the gents are all crack marksmen. The party is made up of our worthy fellow students, J. W. Crawford, T. C. Smith, and Charles Calvert.

SEASONABLE NOTES.

We have passed midsummer and the sun shortens his daily appearance, drawing less moisture from the already thirsty earth, giving us cooler evenings and promise of pleasanter days. The harvest is far in advance of the time in ordinary years, and already the heavily laden wagons go rattling over our streets to fill up the waiting warehouses with the newly reaped golden grain.

When the farmer prospers so do we all, and while prices do not promise to be as good as in '77, he seems to have a fair show in all respects, and the promise of his success makes the business man and mechanic look happy in anticipation. There is no prosperity equal to that which springs from successful cultivation of the soil.

Kola Items.

Wm. Jones, of Kola, has been refitting his warehouse, and getting ready to store wheat. He has had a new screener made at B. F. Drake's foundry, and also had the engine repaired, and everything about his warehouse thoroughly overhauled for active operations.

Minnie Warren Dead.

Minnie Warren, the charming little dwarf exhibited here some years ago with General Tom Thumb and Commodore Nutt, died about two weeks ago, at Middleboro, Mass. She was married about a year ago to another Lipitlan named Major Newell. She died in child-birth, and the child died also.

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THE NEXT TERM OF THE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT, will begin Monday, Sept. 8, 1878, with the following list of books: THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES, by H. COLLETT, M. GARDNER, PRESIDENT; HISTORY OF CALIFORNIA, by H. H. HARRIS; HISTORY OF OREGON, by J. C. GARDNER; PRESIDENTS; MRS. JOSEPH HULLMAN, ACADEMICIAN DEPARTMENT; and ELLA M. ALLEN, B. S. D.

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