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SALEM, FRIDAY, NOV. 8, 1878.

Proclamation of Thanksgiving.

The President has issued the following proclamation, setting apart Thursday, November 28th, as a day of thanksgiving.

The recurrence of that season at which it is the habit of our people to make devout and public confession of their dependence upon divine favor for all the good gifts of life and happiness, and of public peace and prosperity, exhibits in the record of the year abundant reasons for our gratitude and thanksgiving. [Abundant harvests, productive mines, ample crops of staples of trade and manufactures have enriched the country. The resources thus furnished to our reviving industry and expanding commerce are hastening the day when the discords and distresses through the length and breadth of the land will, under the continued favor of Providence, have given way to confidence and energy and assured prosperity. Peace with all nations has remained unbroken; domestic tranquility has prevailed, and the institutions of liberty and justice which the wisdom and virtue of our fathers established remain—a glory and defense to their children. The general prevalence of the blessing of health throughout our wide land has made more conspicuous the sufferings and sorrows which the dark shadow of pestilence has cast over a portion of our people. This heavy affliction even the divine ruler has tempered to the auffering communities in the universal sympathy and succor which have flowed to their relief, and the whole nation may rejoice in the unity of spirit in our people by which they cheerfully share another's burdens. Now, therefore, I, Rutherford B. Hays, President of the United States, do appoint Thursday the 28th day of November next, as a day of national thanksgiving and prayer; and I earnestly recommend that, withdrawing themselves from secular cares and labors, the people of the United States do meet together on that day in their respective places of worship, there to give thanks and praise to Almighty God for His mercies, and to devoutly beseech their continuance.

In witness whereof I have hereuto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. R. B. HAYES.

SUICIDE AT WOODBURN.

WOODBURN, Nov. 1, 1878.

EDITOR RECORD:

We have a genuine case of suicide in our midst. The people of Salem will recollect an individual na[illegible] Hiram Burrows, who, last spring assau[illegible] in the streets of [illegible] and pronounced insane. [illegible] land to the Asylum. On th[illegible] came back here, where he has sin[illegible] his home living with Mr. R. F. Hall. On the 30th of last month he took a gun, saying he was going hunting (which he frequently did), but failed to come home; yesterday the neighbors turned out to look him up, when he was found by Mr. Casey; he had shot himself through the head; death had doubtless been instantaneous.

Peter E. Matheit, Justice of the Peace, was notified who immediately empanceled a jury, the following is their verdict:

We, the undersigned jurors, empanceled to inquire into the cause of the death of Hiram Burrows, deceased, do find after examination of witnesses and physicians, that the deceased came to his death by a gunshot wound by his own hand.

(Signed) JOHN A. LOCHMILLER,
J. H. SEUTHER,
R. BINNORD,
FRANK MORAIS,
JAMES CASEY,
J. B. LANDIS.

Still Lingering.

Notwithstanding the fact that the State Fair and Legislature has closed for this year, and that the people generally have returned to their homes, to attend to their own business, there still linger in our midst a few suspicious looking characters, and we would suggest that the people of Salem exercise a little care about leaving their homes, and fastening their doors and windows at night.

Died.

Mrs. Josephine Helm, wife of Dr. J. C. Helm, daughter of Dr. D. Payton, of this city, died at her home at the Dalles on the 31 ult. after a short illness. Mrs. Helm had many friends in Salem who regret to hear of her death.

Ladies, you can make a very pretty window ornament by taking a bowl of water and putting in it two sweet potatoes. In several weeks they will sprout and throw out their green leaves. It will be a beautiful vine, and can be trained in any manner which the taste of the person may desire.

The Governor of California has issued discharges for thirty-seven prisoners now confined in the State Prison at San Quentin, who will be liberated during November. Of this number twenty-four receive restoration to citizenship.

The stage barn, at Rattlesnake Station, on the Dalles and Kelton route, with ten horses, coach and other property, was recently destroyed by fire.

You can save 20 per cent by buying your dry goods or clothing at Aiken & Farnham's new store, next to the post-office.

Some men are like pictures which need and will bear a strong light; others look best in a dark corner.

The administration of the Bavarian State railways has begun to light the cars with gas.

"We Wan't a Grave-board for Ma."

A boy, not over eleven years old, whose pinched face betrayed hunger and whose clothing could hardly be called by the name, dropped into a carpenter shop on Grand River Avenue, the other day, and after much hesitation explained to the foreman:

"We want to get a grave-board for ma. She died last Winter, and the graves are so thick that we can't hardly find hers no more. We went up last Sunday, and we came awful near not finding it. We thought we'd get a grave board, so we wouldn't lose the grave. When we thought we'd lost it, Jack he cried, and my chin trembled so I could hardly talk!"

"Where is your father?" asked the carpenter.

"Oh, he's home, but he never goes up there with us, and we shan't tell him about the board. I guess he hated ma, for he wasn't home when she died, and he wouldn't buy any coffin nor nothing. Sometimes, when we are sittin' on the door-step talking about her, and Jack an' Bud are cryin', and I'm rememberin' how she kissed us afore she died, he says we'd better quit that, or we'll get what's bad for us. But we sleep up stairs, and we talk and cry in the dark all we want to. How much will the board be?"

The carpenter selected something fit for the purpose, and asked:

"Who will put it up at the grave?"

"We'll take it up on our cart," replied the boy, "and I guess the grave-yard men will help us put it up."

"You wan't the name painted on it, don't you?"

"Yes sir, we want the board white, and then we want you to paint on that she was our ma, and that she died the 2d of November, and that she's gone gone to heaven, and that she was one of the best mothers ever was, and that we are going to be good all our lives and go up where she is when we die. How much will it cost sir?"

"How much have you got?"

"Well," said the boy, as he brought out a little calico bag and emptied its contents on the bench, "Bud drawed the baby for the woman next door and earned twenty-five cents; Jack he weeded in the garden and earned forty cents; I run of errands and made kites and fixed a boy's cart and helped carry some apples into a store, and I earned sixty-five cents. All that makes a hundred and thirty cents, sir, and pa don't know we've got it, cause we kept it hid in the ground under a stone."

The carpenter meant to be liberal, but he said:

"A grave-board will cost at least three dollars."

The lad looked from his little store of metals to the carpenter and back, realized how many weary weeks had passed since the first penny was earned and saved, and suddenly wailed out:

"Then we can't never, never, buy one, and ma's grave will get lost."

But he left the shop with tears of gladness in his eyes, and when he returned yesterday little Bud and Jack were with him, and they had a cart. There was not only a head-board, but one for the foot of the grave [illegible] well, and painter and carpenter had done the work with full hearts, and done it well.

"Ain't it awful nice—nicer than rich folks have!" whispered the children, as the boards were being placed on the cart; "won't the grave look nice, though, and won't ma be awful glad!"

Ere this the mother's grave has been marked, and when night comes the three motherless ones will cuddle close together and whisper their gratitude that it cannot be lost to them, even in the storms and drifts of Winter.

Mrs. Scott-Siddons at the Opera House Last Night.

Mrs. Scott-Siddons' entertainment, at the Opera House last night was witnessed by a very fair house, though not so large as we should liked to have seen. At 8 o'clock Mrs. Scott-Siddons made her appearance on the stage, and was greeted with loud applause. Mrs. S. has a splendid voice and rare elocutionary powers, as was evidenced by the fine manner in which all of the pieces were read, especially "sleep-walking scene," "Macbeth," and "Creeds of the Bells." The entire performance was listened to with marked attention, and was appreciated as much as any entertainment could under the circumstances; the house being as cold as a barn, rendering it very uncomfortable to the hearers, as well as the reader; and had not the entertainment been extraordinary good, the audience would not have remained in so uncomfortable a house to hear her through. Mrs. S. will appear again tonight, at which time we trust the house will be made comfortable, and that she will be favored by a large audience.

Unique Boating Club.

At a regular meeting of the Unique Boating club held last evening in this city, the following officers were elected: Geo. P. Gray President; Geo. Herren, Vice President; W. J. Clarke, Secretary and Treasurer; F. D. McCully, 1st captain; J. W. Forsythe, 2nd captain; Executive committee, James Forsythe, Finley Perrine, and F. D. McCully. It was also determined to give a select party in the near future.

One of the hostiles that assisted in the murder of George Coggan and then turned States evidence, has gone crazy and stands in the Pendleton jail yard chained by one foot. Sufficient evidence has been obtained to justify the hanging up of several of them.

The Walla Walla fair shows a balance on the wrong side of the book. The fair of 1877 paid all expenses, and left a balance of $300 in the treasury. The fair of 1878 absorbed the balance of the previous year and left the society $300 in debt.

It is now claimed that the United States produce more carpets than any other country in the world. In 1875 the value of the product was $92,366,000. In 1872 our importations of carpeting amounted to nearly $6,000,000; in 1877 they were only $675,000.

WEATHER REPORT.

EOLA, Nov. 1, 1879.

During October, 1878, there were nine days during which rain fell, and aggregate of 3.30 inches of water; eleven clear and eleven cloudy days.

The mean temperature for the month was 49.32 deg. Highest daily mean temperature for the month, 59 degrees, on the 5th. Lowest daily mean temperature 42 degrees, on the 24th. Mean temperature for the month at 2 P. M., 58.54.

Highest thermometer for the month 72 degrees, at 2 P. M., on the 4th. Lowest thermometer, 34 degrees, at 7 o'clock A. M., on the 24th.

Frosts occurred on the 15, 16, 24, 25 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30th. The prevailing winds for the month were from the Southwest during eight days. North, nineteen days. South, four days.

During October 1877, there were ten days in which rain fell, and 2.47 inches of water; ten clear, and eleven cloudy days.

Mean temperature for the month 55.9 degrees. Highest daily mean temperature for the month, 60 degrees, on the 19th. Lowest daily mean temperature for the month, 40 degrees, on the 31st.

F. PEARCE

The Contrast.

Under the administration of the laws of England, those persons who defraud the public for large amounts are quite as apt to receive punishment as petty offenders. In this respect, Englishmen may justly be proud of their country, for it affords a great contrast with the way affairs are managed in the United States. The Directors of the city of Glasgow Bank have all been arrested and imprisoned, and they are not permitted to confer together, in order to lay blame on some outside person so they may escape. In San Francisco, had such an event occured, the whole city would have been surprised. The way we do business is, when a man defrauds the public for a large amount, if even imprisoned at all for a short time, his rooms are sumptuously furnished, and his table has the best the markets afford. We presume in the end, however, affairs will change in San Francisco.—Call.

PLANTING FRUIT TREES.

From the fact that there was a great destruction of fruit trees here, in the winter of 1861 and 1862, many became discouraged and neglected their orchards. In fact, the price and demand hardly justified very much attention to the old orchards, or in planting out new orchards. The farmers attention in western Oregon have been mainly turned, for twenty years past, to raising wheat as a standard market. The consequence has been that our wheat lands are much exhausted, and the annual product is decreasing. It is, therefore necessary that we turn our attention to several other sorts of production that will return a good profit. And of these, none will be more sure and remunerative than fruits. Old orchards can be revived and brought to a healthy condition, by high culture and severe pruning. But, perhaps, this process will cost more than to plant out new orchards. And, on lands where old orchards have been standing for many years, the elements which go to make wood and fruit are pretty much exhausted. To plant out young fruit trees where old ones have long stood, is folly. Young orchards should always be planted on fresh grounds, rich by nature, or made so by manures, well worked into the soil before planting.

The cheap fruit driers, now attainable here, can be run on our fruits to any amount, and to profit to the fruit raisers and dryers. The demand for our dried apples, pears, plums and corn is unlimited, and the price quite encouraging. The experience of our people here in raising fruit, will be a good guide to them in selecting trees for new orchards. I set out a large orchard, some twenty years ago, and planted some twenty-four varieties of apples, a dozen varieties of pears. If I were now to plant out an orchard, I should plant not more than about eight varieties of apples and three of pears and plums. I should plant out of the peaches, the Jefferson and Cox's Golden drop—mainly the peach plum. Our old lands can be cultivated successfully in fruit trees, which do not exhaust the soil from raising vegetables in the spaces between the trees, or grain after the fourth year of planting. There should be a million of fruit trees planted in Western Oregon within 18 months to come. Rotation in crops is just as necessary here as in any other of the States. Corn, potatoes, beans, peas, clover, beets for stock, and onions and several other species of vegetables should be raised in abundance here.

As the nursery men give general directions, as to how to plant and cultivate fruit trees, it is not necessary that I write on that matter.

D. N.

October 31, 1878.

Last week as the locomotive on the West Side, at Portland, was moving down the track a German by the name of George Burns attempted to climb upon the pilot but missed his footing and fell underneath the engine which dragged him some distance and killed him almost instantly. No blame is attached to the engineer.

A fellow confined in the Roseburg jail attempted to commit suicide by taking a lot of medicine prescribed by a physician, in one dose. The doctor said it was enough to kill a mule, but he still lives. Medicine will never kill him.

Roseburg Plaindealer: Joseph Berry assaulted and severely beat a man at Empire last week. Berry eluded pursuit and went to Coquille, at which place he got into an altercation with the "wrong feller" and Berry came out second best with a fatal cut in the abdomen.

The Coos Bay News says the U. S. Marshal arrested several officers during the week, charged with trivial infringements of the revenue laws of the United States.

A little son of Capt. J. H. D. Gray, of Astoria, about four years old was drowned in the bay, at that city a few days ago.

Let Girls be Taught to Swim.

The London Standard says: Among the few survivors from the terrible wreck of the Princess Alice are three members of the same family—Mr. Thorpe of the Old Kent road, 17 years of age; his sister, Miss Thorpe, who is a year older than himself; and his brother, a mere boy of 9. All these owe their lives to the fact that they were able to swim. The boys, it would seem, were somehow separated from their sister. They were both picked up by the same boat, and were, when it helped them from their perilous position, swimming side by by side. The sister, who was older than either, achieved her own safety. She struck boldly out, and, in spite of the encumbrance of her garments, the force of the tide, the darkness of the night, and the danger to which she cannot but have been subjected by the frantic efforts of those who were struggling in the water to catch and cling to any object within their grasp, succeeded in reaching the bank. The exploit she accomplished is, if we consider it, almost marvelous. The tide was rushing swiftly down; the water must have been cold and benumbing; the night, as we know, was dark and foggy; there round about her all the horrors of the scene; the "last farwell" was rising from river to sky; in the water the strugglers were grappling, in their last agony; each with each, and yet through all these horrors she fought her way with a calm, quiet confidence which men who have stood under fire and confronted death in other and even more sudden shapes might well envy her. The incident serves once again how important, and, indeed, good it would be if girls as well as boys were taught to swim.

Suicide.

This afternoon about 3 o'clock a man by the name of Joseph Cleck went to the Bennett House and asked for a room, he was shown one, and left alone. A few minutes after the report of two shots fired, in quick succession, was heard in the room; upon going to the room it was found that he had shot himself twice with a pistol, the first ball going in at the mouth and coming out at the back of the head; the second shot entered the heart. The Coroner was notified and at this writing was holding an inquest, a full report of which will be given tomorrow evening.

Coroner's Jury Report.

The following report of the Coroner's Jury summoned to inquire into the death of Jacob Klech, whose suicide was announced yesterday evening:

The undersigned, Coroner's Jury, summoned to inquire into the death of Jacob Klech, find that he was a native of Switzerland, born in Thryngen, Canton Lchaffhausen, aged 28 years, and that he came to his death by a pistol shot fired by his own hand, at Salem, Oregon, on the 31st day of October, 1879.

(Signed) W. P. KEADY,
J. HAAS,
D. F. LATOURETT,
BLISS D. RICKEY,
J. A. CHAPMAN,
J. H. BRIDGES.

Officers Elect of Dashaway Lodge, No. 304. I. O. G. T.

At the regular meeting of Dashaway Lodge No. 304, I. O. G. T., held at Good Templar's hall, in this city last night, the following officers were elected to serve the term ending Jan. 31st, 1879: G. P. Litchfield, W. C. T.; Katie Bunn, W. V. T.; Frank Cooper, W. S.; H. Diamond, W. F. S.; Ella Powell, W. T.; Ella Wright, W. M.; S. W. Carter, W. Chap.; Mrs. L. V. Fisher, W. I. G.; S. Farrar, W. O. G. This lodge has now run almost one year, and has held its own well, the reports make a good showing, and the members feel very much encouraged at the work done during the short time the lodge has been in existence. The officers will be installed next Monday evening.

Open Temperance Meeting.

The Open Temperance meeting was held in the lecture room of the Methodist church last night, but on account of the absence of one of the leaders, Dr. W. H. Rowland, the discussion that was to have taken place, was not had; short speeches were made by several of the members. On motion C. A. Sehlbrede, Miss Florence Adair and Mrs. Hatch were appointed as a committee to arrange a programme for the next meeting also to arrange for the music on that occassion. The audience was then entertained by a short but very interesting speech by uncle David Newsome, after which the meeting adjourned until Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Destructive Fire at Woodburn.

From a passenger who came up on the train last evening, we learn that the little town of Woodburn sustained quite a loss on yesterday afternoon, about 1 o'clock, fire was discovered in the store of Mr. W. D. Morris; the alarm was sounded which brought the citizens out in full force, who did every thing it was possible to do to stay the ravages of the fire-fiend; but they were too late, the flames had gained such headway before discovered that it was out of the question to do anything, but see the building and contents burned to ashes. The total loss is estimated at about $2,500, which is partially covered by $1,500 insurance.

Labish Lodge I. O. G. T.

At a regular meeting of Labish Lodge, No. 196, held last Monday night, at Labish school house, about four miles north of this city, the following officers were elected for the term ending January 31, 1879. William Goodrich, W. C. T.; Lou Hubbard, W. V. T.; B. Gabriel, W. S.; Emma Fisher, W. A. S.; Corpor Goodrich, W. F. S.; A. J. Fisher, W. T.; Nina McNary, W. C.; A. J. Spong, W. M.; Eliza McNary, W. D. M.; L. C. Fisher, W. I. G.; W. D. Claggett, W. O. G.; H. T. Bruce, P. W. C. T.; Mattie McNary, W. R. S.; Jennie Grosline, W. L. S.; Trustees, L. C. Fisher, H. L. McNary and W. D. Claggett.

A peddler, overtaking another of the fraternity on the road, exclaimed: "Halloo! What do you carry?" "Patent medicines," was the reply. "Good!" You go ahead, I carry grave-stones," was the reloinder.

A large and brilliant meteor lighted up the northwestern heavens last night, about half-past eight o'clock.

Battle at Oregon City.

Last Saturday quite an excitement was raised in the otherwise quiet little city of the Willamette fall; by ten or a dozen men armed with knives, pistols and clubs, forming themselves into committee to put a stop to the Chinese labor in the woolen mills. They met the Chinese as they came from their work, and made an attack on them, which was resisted. The fight waxed warm, assistance came to both sides and in a few minutes there were some twenty or twenty-five whites and fifty or sixty Chinese engaged in the battle, which made it real interesting. The authorities finally succeeded in stopping the difficulty, but it is thought that the trouble is not yet over. Several of those engaged were severely hurt, one Chinaman received a pistol shot which may prove fatal. The Chinese have been cutting down wages, in their mills until they are two low for any white man to make his board, to say nothing of his necessary expense of living, and we may expect any day, to hear of even more serious difficulties than those experienced on Saturday.

An Iowa girl gilted shamefully by a young farmer, recently took her little pistol and sallied forth. She didn't shoot the the farmer, but merely tumbled over one of his horses, and he'll hardly get in crops enough to begin house keeping with any other girl this fall.

Bessie Turner has been eclipsed by a Kansas woman, who claims to have been carried four miles and married to a man she hates, while in her sleep.

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Jacksonville, Sept. 29 to Oct. 2.
Canyonville, Douglas Co., Oct. 3 to 4.
Roseburg, Oct. 5.
Oakland, Oct. 6.
Eugene City, Oct. 7.
Junction, Oct. 8.
Albany, Oct. 10.
Salem, Oct. 11 to 20.
Corvallis, Oct. 21.
Dallas, Oct. 23.
Lafayette, Oct. 25.
Hillsboro, Oct. 26.
Portland, Oct. 28.
Oregon City, Oct. 29.
Vancouver, W. T., Oct. 30.
St. Helens, Columbia Co., Oct. 31.

During State Fair week I will be at Gaines Fisher's stable on Commercial street, SALEM.

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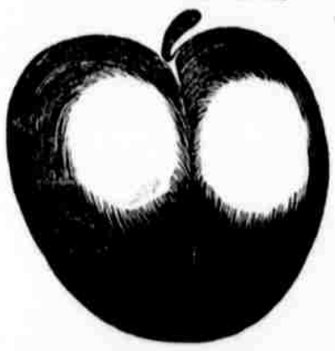
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Salem, September 10, 1878.

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Humphrey's Ferry, Au. 30m2 E. C. BROWN.

Notice of Final Settlement.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned, executor of the estate of J. B. Hubbard, deceased, has filed in the County Court of Marion county, State of Oregon, his final account, and that said court has appointed the 9th day of November, 1878, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for hearing objections thereto and settlement thereof.

T. H. HUBBARD,
Oct. 11, 1878w4 Executor.