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**TO ALL IN ARREARS.**

On the fifteenth day of this month we shall make out accounts against all who owe us over one year's subscription and place them in the hands of a Commercial Bureau, organized for that purpose, to be legally collected. This will be trouble to us and expense to delinquents, and we hope they may respond without the demand of an attorney.

**To Our Readers.**

We are now settled in Portland, and though our business is not systematized in all respects, yet we begin to feel at home in our new quarters. We meet with a kind reception from the farmers in this vicinity, and hope to make more intimate acquaintance with farmers all over the State and to be able to represent their interest to the best advantage. For this purpose we propose to study the markets and report them as fully as may be necessary on every important point. Should any of our friends want particular information we do not give, we shall with pleasure answer all reasonable inquiries. We are at their service and will do all we can to benefit them. The commercial interests of the Northwest center here, and we feel that in all important respects we can be of more use here than elsewhere. Business men recognize the value of the FARMER as an advertising medium, and we shall have their patronage to a liberal extent when the spring trade opens.

If our present list was paid up, and we had our pay in advance as the Oregonian does, which wants itself with with so much importance, we could make the people of the Pacific Northwest all the newspapers they could possibly require, and would be sure to do it. We shall strive to attain this point by next fall, and after this year no one can get the FARMER without cash in advance. Many who receive this paper treat us in a way that is dishonorable to themselves and dishonest towards us. They keep us out of the possession of means that cripples our efforts and prevent us from being as useful as we wish to be towards them.

**More Wisdom About Wheat.**

It was a wonderful coincidence, that the day after the FARMER was issued showing that the Oregonian was not giving correct reports of Oregon wheat transactions, that paper had a cablegram from Liverpool that said: "Oregon average wheat ranges from one shilling to one shilling and sixpence higher than California average." Now the undoubted fact is that no such telegram came with the Liverpool quotations but it was invented in the office of that paper, and published as an answer to the facts we stated. That sort of journalism will receive proper appreciation no doubt. The editor-in-chief must have forgotten this, for a week later we find an editorial where he says, in the style of elegance his readers are accustomed to, but which shows lack of culture as much as lack of decency.

**A Waste of Time.**

We have no time to waste in answering the Oregonian's low abuse. If the FARMER had not the best of the controversy about market reports, that self-important newspaper would not lose its temper and show such indecent ill-manners. There is nothing to be made bandying words with a blackguard and demagogue. It will be some satisfaction to the people of Oregon to know that they will not always be dependent on the Oregonian for news, and the time is approaching when its odious news monopoly will be broken. The editor of that paper has the excuse that he was made of coarse and vulgar material—so far as it goes.

**Exit the Tree Swindlers.**

The legal gentleman of this city who was employed as attorney for Robinson and Fineman in the suit commenced in the name of L. Green against John C. Jory, of Salem, informs us that his clients have left the country, leaving orders that the trees they had should be sold for what they would bring. The farmers and others who were to be victimized by them are therefore relieved of all obligation. This journal did all it could to unite the farmers to join in defending all units, and was the only one that took strong ground for its patrons. It is more than probable that the firm stand taken by the WILLAMETTE FARMER had much to do with their sudden leaving. We take pleasure in rendering any service we can to the people we serve, and shall never be wanting when our assistance is needed.

words meant to avoid direct meaning. However, it does plainly deny that average Oregon wheat is not superior to that of California, the very fact stated in his pretended cablegram from Liverpool January 24th; and it also denies, in effect, that Oregon wheat is worth 45c 6d per 500 lbs, just shipped.

This man reminds us of the other who could never open his mouth without putting his foot in it. At the very time he quoted wheat just shipped at 44c we showed that 46c was offered for a cargo just cleared, and that orders from Liverpool for cargoes ready for shipment were 45c 6d. He had best leave the wheat market out of his part of the editorial work, and confine his mighty intellect to something he knows more about, if there is anything he does know more about. When he invented the phrase "Mountebank Farmer," perhaps his intellect was over-stimulated by the effort.

**Mixed Farming.**

A merchant in Salem, Mr. J. W. Gilbert, who was brought up to know how to farm, and has a great taste for country life, has a farm a few miles from town managed by one hand who understands his business, and in addition to regular farm work carries on a system of improvements. He grows wheat in considerable quantity, a few acres of corn last year gave a satisfactory yield; raised over 300 bushels of potatoes, a good lot of fruit, takes care of some blooded pigs and has cows and poultry that yield a good revenue. This Salem merchant advocates mixed farming. At his own table he eats his own meat and vegetables, wheat flour and corn bread, butter and eggs, and find all pay a reasonable profit. His flock of bronze turkeys are fine fowls. He lately sold 10 Berkshire pigs for \$120; has calves and colts, besides sheep, and considers that mixed husbandry is essential to true success in agricultural pursuits, even in farming.

**Sleeping, Hunting Coons, Etc.**

A gentleman called at our office the other day, and after informing us that he had a piece of writin' he'd like to stick in," handed us the following remarkable production:

To the Editor of the Willamette Farmer I saw in Your Paper about sleep the first ten Years I was in Oregon one half of the time only four hours of a Night there was a Boy his Name was Burga Motte we hunted Rac Coons 16 Nights we came in after the second Night a 12 o'clock and took a lunch one morning started at one o'clock Burga says less go in the barn and lay down a half hour we sleep about two hours I never laid down in the day time to sleep I done a good days work every day except sundays I was running through the woods with my Gun, we would go into the Woods and start the Dogs a hunting we would lay down between the Roots of a large Tree, the Dog would not bark no more than five times before I would wake he might have barked till he was grey headed before Burga would wake I always worked about five minits to wake Him we started to go three miles to a Creek we came to a Place there was a field on the north side of the Road Burga says they raised Corn there the field was sowed in Wheat we started a cross the field and came to a Plow and Harrow Burga says this is no place for a Plow and Harrow I says there is a swamp in the west end of the field we grabbed the Plow and started in the Swamp we came to the small end of a long log we went as far as we could and threaded the Plow six feet from the Log to the North we took the Harrow and threw it on the other side we never cut a Tamarack Tree I climbed the Tree and knocked the Coon out he never would climb to the top of the highest Tree he was to Chiken hearted I have climbed to the top of the highest Tree in the day time I could see for 15 miles around We caught 33 Coons.

**Swindling Convasers.**

We have received information that some of our subscribers have been swindled by a man calling himself Whitworth. We have no such agent, and cannot find out who it is, to have him arrested. Last fall we lost over a hundred dollars by dishonest agents, for all the money paid W. P. Leonard was stolen by him. We have now no agents in the field, and when we put one to work we will be sure to announce it. This Whitworth is said to have had one of our receipt books, but if so, he got it dishonestly.

**DIED.**

In The Dalles, Jan. 4th, passed this life Mrs. Eliza J. Tompkins, wife of J. D. Tompkins. Aged 21 years, 1 month and 27 days.

**More Wheat Quotations**

A correspondent of the Standard complains that the FARMER misrepresents the wheat market, and it defends the wheat ring at our expense, though not much at our expense either. He says: Taking the highest quotations as mentioned in any newspaper yet: 45c 6d.

Cost of wheat free on board @ \$1.75 (exchange 49c) 96c 3d  
Freight, 39c 6d, U. K. 8c 1d  
Insurance. 10c

Cost of cargo (per qr. of 500 lbs) 45c 6d  
He says that freight is 39c 6d United Kingdom, whereas we have for two weeks past sold of charters made at 35c to United Kingdom, which makes a trifling difference of 4c 6d on 2000 pounds, or three cents a bushel to start on. Whenever he wants to talk about a "wheat ring," as he does in this defense of the wheat ring, he had better tackle some one who never went to school and is a candidate for an Insane Asylum. The Standard ought to examine their communications before it makes their authors ridiculous by publishing their barefaced untruths.

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Sandridge Grange, No. 67, Linn County, installed officers on January 4th, who are as follows: P. Swank, M.; John Utshoff, O.; Mrs. Taylor, L.; Melvin Miller, S.; Jas. W. Swank, A. S.; E. Hancock, G. B. Miller, T.; Pat. Keister, R.; J. Kincaid, G. K.; Mrs. M. Bardwell, C.; Miss Emma Swank, P.; Miss Melvina Miller, F.; Miss Ida Miller, L. A. S. After the installation dinner was served in the hall, such as the great sisters only can get up. The installation was public, and all partook of the good things with a relish, and had a general good time.

**Weather Report for January 1879.**

During January 1879, there were eleven days during which rain fell, giving an aggregate of 3.72 inches of water, six clear days, and fourteen cloudy days other than those on which rain fell. The mean temperature for the month was 36.07°. Highest daily mean temperature for the month, 46° on the 18th. Lowest daily mean temperature 29° on the 4th. Highest record of thermometer for the month, 53° at two o'clock p. m., on the 19th, lowest thermometer 18° at seven o'clock a. m., on the 4th, mean temperature for the month at two o'clock p. m. 41.25°. A very little snow fell on the 19th. Frosts occurred on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 12th, 14th, 16th, 20th, 22nd, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st. The prevailing winds for the month were from the north during eleven days, southwest fifteen days, south five days.

During January 1878, there were sixteen days during which rain fell, and 6.28 inches of water four clear days and eleven cloudy days.

Mean temperature for the month 40.7°. Highest daily mean temperature for the month 49°. Lowest mean temperature for the month 21°.

W. M. HILLERY, Secretary.

**Resolutions of Condolence.**

At the last regular meeting of Turner Grange, P. of H., the following preamble and resolutions were adopted, and a copy ordered sent to the press for publication.

Whereas, Death has spread his sable pall and bereft our midst our worthy brother Charles Bruce; therefore,

Resolved, that our Grange has lost a most efficient member, the community a kind friend, the home circle a dear father and most affectionate husband.

Resolved, that we tender our most heartfelt sympathy to our bereft sister. Permit us, dear sister, to mingle our tears with yours. Then rest thee, dear brother from toil and care, at home with the Master, away from earth's pain; thy harvest is gathered. Like earth's ripened grain thou art garnered on the beautiful shore. Then why should we mourn, knowing so well our loss is his gain. We shall soon cross to that beautiful shore and meet with our dear brother again.

W. M. HILLERY, Secretary.