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TAKE PARTICULAR NOTICE. The partnership between Clarke & Craig is drawing to a close, and the business will be conducted after dissolution by Mr. Clarke.

The directors of this institution were condemned to imprisonment, and the Edinburgh Scotsman says they are treated like other criminals, fed on coarse diet, chiefly oat meal porridge, and made to work ten hours a day.

Glasgow Bank Directors.

Attention, Stockmen. Stockmen who have intentions of selling their stock will please bear in mind that as a medium for bringing the same before the public, the FARMER has no equal.

Webfoot Wheat.

Editor Willamette Farmer: In your issue of Feb. 14th is an article headed "Walla Walla Wheat," in which the Weston Leader, in speaking about the raising of fine wheat, says that in Umatilla County they can raise a finer quality of wheat than can be raised in any county of the State west of the mountains, and makes it as a banter in these words: "Trot out your Webfoot wheat growers and let them make a comparison."

A new article called celluloid was invented by two brothers named Hyatt some ten years ago. This new material has found such favor that several large factories are in operation in Newark, New Jersey. It is made of tissue paper and camphor, and as a close imitation of ivory it has superseded the use of that article to a ruinous extent—ruinous to dealers in elephant ivory. It can be made as hard as ivory, but is elastic, and can be molded into any form.

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Sowing Spring Wheat. Editor Willamette Farmer: As the season nears for the spring sowing, a few words on the subject may not come amiss. Though what we shall offer may only be based on our own experience or theories, yet we think that a free interchange of opinions and experience is the best way to inform each other, that each may be benefited by the experiences and theories of all.

How to Sustain the Soil. Editor Willamette Farmer: Feeling an interest in the future as well as the present prosperity of the farmers of Oregon, I beg to offer a few suggestions that may in some degree—and I think in a great measure—affect that prosperity.

Resolutions of Condolence. At a meeting of Lebanon Grange, March 8, 1879, the following resolutions in regard to the deaths of Brother A. and Sister E. Saltmarsh's children, and Brother James and Sister Minnie Saltmarsh's two children, were adopted:

SELF-BINDERS. A DIFFICULTY OVERCOME—AN INGENUOUS PATENT TO TAKE OUT THE SMALL PIECES OF WIRE. During the past few months there has been considerable discussion pro and con regarding the self-binder and the small pieces of wire constantly found in the wheat, and some terrible results have been cited to show the effect these pieces of wire have upon stock.

Management of the Brood Mare. The care of brood mares will demand a good share of the breeder's attention during the next few months. If owned by a general farmer, and accustomed to work, it is better to continue to work them moderately almost up to the time of foaling; but great care should be taken not to worry nor overload them, neither should they be required to make any unusual exertion of any kind, as any of these causes are liable to induce abortion or premature labor.

What Our Presidents Cost. A correspondent sends to the Boston Herald the following curious calculation: "I have been calculating the difference between the expense of supporting a President of the United States at the salaries they have received since the first inauguration of Washington with the sum of \$10,000 per year to each President during his life, the same to commence upon his inauguration day, he receiving no other pay for his services. The result is as follows: Salaries from 1789 to 1870, at \$25,000 per year, \$2,100,000; from 1871 to 1879, at \$50,000 per year, \$500,000; total, \$2,600,000. The combined lives of all the Presidents to this date, dating from their first inauguration amount to 280 years, and at \$10,000 per year it amounts to \$2,800,000. There being a little difference in the sums total, while for most of the time the salary has been but half what it is now, would it not be better for the country, financially and morally, and for the Presidents also, if they each received \$10,000 per year during their lives, dating from their inauguration? The present expense of the Government would be \$20,000 per year instead of \$50,000; and it is not probable that we should have on an average more than two Ex-Presidents living at one time, and four would not increase the present expense. The object of the large salary was clearly for the purpose of giving the outgoing President a respectable competence to retire upon, and not be driven to mental labor for his support. Would not the above plan be an improvement?"

Take Advantage. In one of our rambles as city editor our attention was attracted by an unusual number of empty cases in front of C. H. Meussdorfer's hat store, on Front street. Curious to know what all these empty cases signified (and a city editor has always to be curious) we entered the store and found that our friend C. H. Meussdorfer, the popular hatter of Portland, had just returned from San Francisco, having made his purchases for the Spring and Summer trade in his line. Mr. Meussdorfer told us that as times were very dull in San Francisco and wholesale houses overstocked, he had been able with gold coin in hand to purchase at nearly bankrupt prices, and had taken in a stock of goods and an assortment never seen heretofore in Portland, and that he was quite willing to let his customers have the benefit of his lucky purchases. We overhauled his stock and must frankly confess that we have never seen such a splendid assortment of hats and caps and at ridiculous low prices, and we think it our duty to call the attention of the public to this event, and would say, "If any one wants a hat, let him go to C. H. Meussdorfer's, price his goods and take advantage of his lucky purchase." For hats of every description call at Meussdorfer's, 162 First street, or 151 Front street.

Editor Willamette Farmer: The preservation of the soil is the point to which we shall direct our remarks in this communication. It is a well-known fact that the average yield of wheat per acre has decreased from year to year, until in 1876—the year which gave us the largest general yield we ever had—statistics show our average yield to be but seventeen bushels per acre. Why is this?

Editor Willamette Farmer: At a meeting of Round Prairie Grange, No. 106, P. O. H., held at Brooks Station, Marion County, March 15, 1879, the following resolutions were adopted:

From Happy Flat. HAPPY FLAT, March 21, 1879. Editor Willamette Farmer: It seems that since you moved to Portland your Lin County correspondents have failed to write, so I thought I would send you a few lines.

Millinery. Miss Annie Hensley, who superintends the trimming department of the millinery establishment of William Millican, in Salem, has just left on the steamer for San Francisco, for a supply of spring and summer goods. We would recommend the lady readers of the FARMER to give her a call when needing hats and bonnets. They also keep a nice assortment of gloves, handkerchiefs, and ladies' underwear.