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With the arrival of spring we can review the winter and compare it with other seasons. The year before we had more severe weather...

THE WORLD HAS BEEN WAITING with suspense, for weeks, to hear some news of the Long's party, that was at last accounted lost...

The Oregon Vindictive and Anti-Monopolist has come to a disgraceful end, as we have always supposed it would, and so vindicates the indifference with which we have treated its slanders...

THE PRINTER INCREASES and decreases matters that come before him, frequently, by the addition of an 0, or by leaving one out...

HENRY W. LONGFELLOW is dead! The sweetest poet of America, whose charming writings and pure thoughts were but the natural expression of our almost perfect life...

APRIL IS HERE and our farmers find everything backward. They are behind hand with their plowing and hurrying to improve every day...

PRESIDENT ARTHUR has qualified the good opinion extended to him by the American people, for his judicious conduct of his high office...

PASSAGE OF THE CHINESE BILL.

It will be good news to many through the Pacific States that the bill to prohibit Chinese immigration has passed both Houses of Congress...

The subject of emigration from Asia is one of great importance to our nation, and while professional philanthropists cling to the belief in the brotherhood of all mankind...

All the Caucasian race meet and mingle here and blend and harmonize in a satisfactory manner. We believe that, so far as possible, the American continent should be kept as a home for the white races...

We do not share the disgust that many entertain of the Chinese, or the opinion so current among us to their dishonesty. We have employed them as domestic servants and as farm laborers...

The people of these Pacific States hesitate to see all avenues of labor, many handicrafts, and even ordinary manufacturing, pass to the control of Chinese...

All things considered, American citizenship is not compatible with Chinese labor, and our civilization cannot sustain itself against such competition. That is why, as a people, we oppose Chinese emigration...

MOB LAW. A few weeks ago we all felt an uncommon interest in a terrible tragedy that occurred at Seattle, and the common verdict through the country...

Now that the Seattle lynching has borne its first fruits—and that so speedily—what do we think of it? The deputy sheriff at Linkville is mourned by his friends...

law, no summary execution of so-called popular verdicts, but that all good citizens should combine loyally to make good laws, and stand firm to sustain and enforce them.

WESTERN OREGON AND WASHINGTON.

A review of the wide extent of territory included in Oregon and Washington, and comparison of the great natural advantages and vast resources that exist within these boundaries...

To appreciate the value of this whole region, and the immensity of its resources, we can safely enter on a comparison with any other portion of the United States...

Much of these Eastern States is mountainous, and the sterility of New England has become a proverb. Considering our wide scope of country suited to agriculture...

New England has no mines of any consequence, and little good soil, but its mountains pour down streams that are utilized to turn the wheels of countless manufactories.

Almost simultaneous with the news of the murder Mr. Stephen Jory's friends at Salem received a letter written two days before it occurred...

A CORRESPONDENT of the Corvallis Gazette writes: "Alsea Bay is the place to get a home. If you have not a home, come to Alsea Bay, for there are 100 settlers and plenty of land vacant for 100 more."

THE HORSE IN MOTION. The huge quarto volume recently published by James R. Osgood & Co., is the most valuable work on the horse which America has yet produced...

PROSPECTUS.

The Willamette Farmer.

On the first day of April this newspaper will commence to do business strictly upon a cash basis, and all subscriptions not pre-paid at that time will be discontinued.

During the thirteen years and over of its publication, the WILLAMETTE FARMER has gained the confidence of thousands of producers by its devotion to their interests...

The most valuable portion of our columns consists of contributions from farmers, who give, in this manner, their experience, and the result of their investigations and practical efforts.

Our news columns give all the important and reliable news of the day, both local and foreign. We copy freely from our exchanges all items relating to the resources and development of the wide region known as the Pacific Northwest.

Our miscellaneous reading is varied, covering a wide range of agricultural, scientific and literary subjects, with touches of humor, the desire being to give the paper value as a means of information on all useful topics.

The Home Circle is edited by a lady familiarly acquainted with farm life, and adds much to the value of the FARMER in every household by the interest it creates in the minds of wife, mother and children.

Such as it is, we present this issue to many new readers this week by sending them sample copies through the mails, from which to judge its value to the farmer and his family.

DAIRYING.

From this time onward, to all the future, the dairy interest is to assume more and more importance in Oregon, for the growth of commerce and building up of large cities will create a demand that must be met at home.

The first requisite is good dairy stock, and for this the professional dairyman cannot depend on the common stock of the country, though good milkers can occasionally be found.

We always read with pleasure of improvement of dairy stock in this region, because the time has now come when such stock will pay. Many have failed of success, financially, when bringing choice stock of cattle here...

Another prime necessity is to have good locations for dairy farms. Along the Columbia river there is much good land that can be converted into rich pasture, and stock can be kept to advantage there...

kept to advantage there; but such land is extra valuable, and low land may not be the best adapted to the health of the stock.

We believe that land along the coast, or on these foot hills, is actually preferable for dairies. It is along the coast of California that dairying is best practiced, because the contiguity of the ocean supplies moisture that sustains the grass and makes summer pastures as nutritious as at other seasons.

Another sine qua non of dairying is to have winter feed, and make gilt edged butter in the winter season, a feat that seemed difficult of accomplishment until ensilage solved the problem.

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WHAT OUR READERS SAY THIS WEEK.

R. T. Hawley, an old friend of the FARMER, writes from Goldendale, W. T., when remitting for his paper: "I think you are just right in demanding advance payment, so that you can make us the best paper possible."

L. F. Mancher, whose name has been on our list so long that he seems a part of the institution (and a very good part) reminds his subscription and says: "Received your reminder but don't feel so badly worried at a notice asking to renew as some do."

Mr. Stephen Smeed writes from Waverly, Lane county: "Allow me to say that I for one am pleased you have adopted the cash system, and now hope you will stand up for Free Trade, and then I think you will make the FARMER a success in Oregon."

Robert Bruce, of Pendleton, makes a remittance, and kindly says: "I wish every farmer of Oregon could see the great value of your paper to their direct interests. They would not only subscribe, but pay it, too. I am sorry to see such a large delinquent list (he hasn't seen half of it). Honest farmers, what do you mean? Do you ask God to prosper you while you rob the editor? Come, come, pay up like men. You are all able to do so. I close by wishing you every success that such management as yours deserves; and that is what every honest, unprejudiced man, especially the farmer, should endorse."

One of the best men in Yamhill county is R. B. Branson, a good farmer and an eminent stranger, whose time ran out and his paper didn't appear for three weeks, and then re-mitting for himself and neighbor, he writes: "I renew my subscription to the FARMER; I can't do without it; for heaven's sake send me the three last numbers, as I don't want a broken link in it. After this always discontinue my paper when the subscription runs out. If you turn a horse out to starve him a little, he will be easily caught. I send most all of my papers East, and South, after reading them."

Mr. George Heintzmann writes from Viola, Clackamas county: "I think a great deal of the FARMER, and can hardly see how a farmer can get along without it."

We are receiving quite a number of notes from old friends who say they wish us to continue their papers a few weeks or months longer, and they will pay up, but we cannot do so. Several times we have tried to get the cash system started, and when such requests began to come in we tried to accommodate, and the first we knew the old plan got in to full swing again, so we now make a full and square stop and give the mailing clerk his instructions. The Editor seldom looks at the list, reads no business letters, and cannot even think of business matters. In this case he gives certain instructions and leaves the book-keeper to conduct all the business. We hope all old friends will see this matter in the same light as those who speak above, who represent hundreds of letters we are receiving.