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Notice to Subscribers.

TO OUR READERS: We publish only a sufficient number of the FARMER to supply actual prepaid subscribers and we cannot supply back numbers.

REMOVAL NOTICE.

Our readers will please bear in mind that our present address is Salem instead of Portland. All matters will receive prompt attention if addressed to the WILLAMETTE FARMER, Salem, Or.

DID YOU get our circular? Will you assist us in making the FARMER better known? We hope you will try. If you cannot get up a club, get all you can.

THE "PEANUT BOY," who has the traffic on a railroad train, might be a very useful member of society, but is usually an agent of some extortioner who pays the railroad for the privilege of trading on the trains, which he improves by purchasing an inferior and cheap lot of candies, nuts and fruits to be retailed to travelers at about four times their reasonable value.

EVERY FRIEND who receives a copy of our circular will confer a favor by reading it carefully. We trust that as many as can will introduce the subject to their neighbors. If every reader and well-wisher of the FARMER will do this there will be a valuable acquisition to our lists.

CORPORATE MANAGEMENT.

The able correspondent of the N. Y. Times, writing from California, which State was long his home, alludes to the tyranny practiced by the railroads of that State, and gives many particulars of their extortions. He recalls that those roads were built by the people and literally cost their reputed owners nothing.

OUR DRINKING WATER.

An item telling of the experience of a lady in Port Townsend prompts us to say that people must be more careful as to the water used in drinking. This lady after suffering some three months from her stomach, finally insisted upon severe emetics, which removed three animals, something like water lizards, which were alive, and which undoubtedly were taken into the stomach in drinking hydrant water.

long as these railroad sharpers have millions to use annually for bribing and corrupting the people's agents and representatives. The story of railroad oppression in California is a frightful picture of human weakness on one hand, and of organized cupidity on the other.

WATERING STOCKS.

A news dispatch of Nov. 1st, says: The business of importance before the chamber of commerce to-day was the presentation of the report of the special committee on railway transportation and on the watering of the stocks of corporations. The commissioner's report states that stock watering operations similar to the late issue of \$13,000,000 of Manhattan elevated railroad stocks constituted a grave offense against the community and should be made a misdemeanor by law.

TAXING MORTGAGES AGAIN.

The Linn County Business Council advocates giving the Mortgage Tax Law a fair trial. The effect of the law at present, under its operation assessing money at its full face is disastrous. Manage to equalize money assessments so as to correspond with assessed values of property and there can be no objection to the law, except that taxing money leads to demoralization and encourages perjury.

Hotel Keepers Speak.

The hotel keepers continue to be annoyed by the United Carriage & Baggage Transportation Company. Their representatives go on all incoming trains and solicit patronage. They, to our personal knowledge, deceive the people, and we have witnessed the deception. They tell travelers that none of the hotels have busses or hacks to meet the train at East Portland.

EASTERN OREGON SOUTH OF THE COLUMBIA.

Recent travel by the writer in the counties of Wasco and Umatilla affords personal and reliable information concerning a wide district that has been much neglected and underrated, and today offers the greatest inducements for settlement of all the eastern country. There is so much to learn concerning the "Inland Empire," as the eastern region is aptly called, that we never make a journey through any part of it without realizing the fact that all personal knowledge is inadequate to the actual resources and capabilities of the "Upper Country."

So the country south of the Columbia to the eastward of the Umatilla river was rapidly settled and developed. Also, a great tide of immigration poured into the Palouse region, north of Snake river. All this was to develop a country over a hundred miles east of The Dalles, while no attention—or but little—was paid to the region west of Ainsworth, on the north side of the Columbia, and west of Umatilla river on the south.

ELECTIONS.

The elections last week had the following results. In Massachusetts, Gen. Butler was defeated by 10,000 majority, though he got 15,000 more votes than elected him last year. More votes were cast than ever before. He announces his intention to be a candidate in 1884, and considers his large vote very satisfactory.

In New York, Carr, the Republican candidate for Secretary of State, had 19,000 majority, while Democrats elected the rest of the State ticket by 10,000 to 14,000 majorities. Maynard, the Democratic candidate for Secretary of State, was a pronounced temperance man and the brewers boast that they defeated him. The Legislature of New York is strongly Republican.

In Virginia, Democrats succeeded. Mahone is badly defeated, State majority 30,000; Legislature also Democratic. Negroes were intimidated by the riot at Danville, where five were killed, and refused to go to the polls to vote.

Mississippi goes largely Democratic. Legislature 130 Democrats to 25 Republicans and Independents.

Pennsylvania elects the Republican ticket by 16,000 to 17,500 majority. New Jersey is Democratic by about 8,000 majority and Legislature has five Democratic majority on joint ballot.

The race conflicts at the South will cause national agitation and surely divide the country again on the presidential question. The murder of the five blacks at Danville, Va., caused colored people generally to remain away from the polls in that State. This will, unhappily, revive questions that should remain silent. The presidential issue in 1884 will practically be the South against the North. It is time that issue was dead and buried.

THE MORMONS.

The Edmunds bill, that many supposed would answer the purpose with Utah, merely gave control of that territory to the once married Mormon men and women. The devilish system remains and rules. The U. S. Commissioners did their best but accomplished little. Mormonism is receiving thousands of recruits from Europe and spreading into Idaho, so that it controls the south counties, where it will be Mormon if the north counties are annexed to Washington on its admission as a State.

The whole nation is puzzled over this Mormon question. Our republican ideas are not competent to cope with so despicable and criminal a system. Ignorance and lust are the foundation of this system and perjury and murder are its working principles. A strong hand should be upon it and compel obedience to laws. The Mountain Meadow massacre—which was only one of many damnable deeds—has never been punished, much less avenged. All the territories in the great basin should be governed with an iron hand.

PROSPECTUS.

FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING THE WILLAMETTE FARMER

Within the reach of every farmer in the Pacific Northwest, we shall after this date reduce the price as follows: One Year, in Advance, \$ 2.00. Clubs of Ten, (money with names), 15.00. Clubs of Five, (money with names), 6.75.

This new schedule of prices is meant to accommodate all classes and leave no room for complaint or dissatisfaction. At the price named above this paper the cheapest on the Pacific Coast.

We intend to make a farmers' paper that every farmer in the land will need and will not willingly do without. We understand the interests of agriculture in this region and intend to continually study and work for the advancement of the class we represent.

We have correspondents in all sections of the Pacific Northwest who will report the success of farming in every locality.

We shall keep pace with production in every department, and report, through correspondents and from personal observation, all important facts concerning farming in all its branches, including production of grain, grasses, fruits and vegetables; concerning stock raising, the value of cattle for meat and dairying; of horses for all purposes; of sheep for wool and mutton, or both; of swine and poultry. Also, of all other branches of agriculture.

We shall continue to study the markets and inform our patrons on all points, so that they will be able to judge the situation for themselves. Our old patrons will bear witness we have worked faithfully, in this connection, in the past. We shall do so in the future. No daily newspaper in Portland has ever given the producers of the country such clear views of the world's crops and markets as the FARMER often does. Our market reports have been worth hundreds of thousands to the producers of this region.

We shall carefully edit such miscellaneous material for use as will benefit and instruct both young and old. The FARMER aims to be an educator in every department of life.

Our editorial will freely and independently discuss every question that interests the people from the standpoint of right. So far as we have influence, we shall be exerted in favor of good principles, good government, true religion, temperance and for the elevation of the masses of the people, and State Government.

The Home Circle is edited by a lady of mature experience in the labors of the farmer, and we acquainted with the ways of the world. She interests herself in all the duties and pleasures of home. This circle bears witness to the good influence the FARMER exerts in many homes & make the lives of mothers, wives and children better and happier.

It is a family paper that the FARMER stands the closest relations to the people and exerts the most salutary influence.

The Willamette Farmer is not local in character as the name might lead you to believe. It is named after years ago when the Willamette Valley was Oregon, but it has expanded and grown with the growth of the country, and represents all the agriculture of Oregon and Washington.

This is the farmer's own organ, open for all to redise experience, seek information, and state of grievance they may have to complain of against him or her and to offer to oppose or devote them. Our columns belong to the people, and the value of the FARMER chiefly depends on such popular utterances.

The Editor brings to your service the experience of 23 years spent in this region; intimate knowledge of the country; many years' acquaintance with agriculture, and twenty years' acquaintance with many of you in the columns of the FARMER. The reduction of prices is made in especially frank and open that respect, and shall appreciate the good will of all who do so.

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