

East Oregonian Branch Office. The office of the EAST OREGONIAN has been established in Portland in the Abington block, second floor, under the name of Homer H. Hallock. He will be glad to have residents of Pendleton, and of Eastern Oregon generally, to make a visit when in Portland. He will be glad to render them any service in his power.

Strahon is on the sick list. Meals go to the Masonic restaurant. Good watch repairing, go to Fletcher. A. W. Nye has been visiting in a few days. Vaughn now drives the stage here and Helix. Foundation walls of Gagon's new house 45 inches thick. Opening has taken J. G. Calloway's day clerk of the Villard. Y. W. C. T. U. are getting up an entertainment to take place shortly. Ward L. Bowsby is making final to-day before County Clerk Hart-

Union County Democratic convention convened to-day at 1 o'clock at the train is four hours late at Huntington arrive here at about half past 10. N. M. Perkins is building a substantial wall around his property on the street. Barber & Crews have a large sum of money to loan on improved land at low interest. James Barnard, brother of Miss Barnard, is in town from Fossil, in county. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson took a trip to Walla yesterday. Mrs. Wilson returned to visit friends. E. P. Nichols has been offered \$4000 for his handsome residence on upper street. The offer was refused. Turner returned last night from Baker and Baker counties. He was in attendance at the Democratic convention in City. J. E. LaForce, dentist, is in town. In view of locating for the practice of profession. He is much pleased Pendleton. Manager Holcomb of the O. R. & N. left yesterday for Omaha, to confer with President Adams. He will be absent ten days. Tom Costello, of Nolia, was in to-day. He will remove his family to the mountains for summer in a few days. J. Trobaugh, who has been at Walla some time for medical treatment under Dr. Blalock, came home last night with much better health. R. L. Oliver, who went to Walla some time ago for medical treatment, has returned, the doctors there not able to do anything for her. The old established house of Rothchild & Sons, dealers in general merchandise, has a new advertisement in this paper which your attention is called. E. Dick, an old college friend of R. Nelson, arrived yesterday from Cannon. He is looking up a location for his farm, who wants to take land. One having spare rooms to let during State convention next Tuesday please leave word with J. H. Raley court house as soon as possible. Walla Union: A number of Walla's politicians have expressed intention of visiting Pendleton on Monday next, to witness the Democratic Convention. East bound train came in this morning at 11 o'clock. The delay was caused by a freight train getting off the sand drifting into a cut this morning. Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Webb will leave Pendleton shortly, to make their home, probably in some of the booming cities of the Sound. Many people in Pendleton regret their departure. Walla Statesman: Uncle Webb, Oregon's honest Statesman, called on the Statesman to-day to lift his good wishes and a little oil lamp, as Brother Bessner hath

man from the mountains named in was arrested last night for drunkenness and fined \$10 his morning. He is to go to jail five days. He claim to have had \$50 last night, which he thinks stolen. The Eureka Flat people have held a meeting and unanimously decided that they want G. W. Hunt's O. & W. T. They guaranteed to raise \$40,000, and \$100,000 bonus asked. Walla has guaranteed the other \$60,000. J. Donaldson, a business man of one Falls, is in town, says a dispatch from San Francisco to the Oregonian. Donaldson is a business man of Pennington, and we are proud of him. Spof-Falls cannot have all of the good of life. S. Byers & Co. are having all the in their mill recaptured. The machinery being lately put in at the mill and foundry. Mr. Byers has just new roller, called the Pacific, which is very much. Description books for the stock of the American Loan and Trust company are open. Any one desiring to take can find the subscription book at office of the Umatilla Real Estate and company in the EAST OREGONIAN building. Also an explanation of its terms and benefits. Walla Journal: Mr. Felix Bell, one of the best printers and paper men on the coast, has accepted the editorship of the EAST OREGONIAN. It is that enterprising journal will find a jewel, seldom found in a newspaper, trustworthy, competent, and altogether manly. Such men are worth weight in gold.

**Hotel Arrivals.**  
**BOWMAN HOUSE.**—R. L. Knight, J. A. Mato, La Grande; D. Cameron, W. L. Babcock, Walla Walla; Frank Otis, W. T. Miller, Kamela; Miss Cad Barnhart, Barnhart; Wm. Rose & wife, Billings, W. T.; Dan Smith, Umatilla; L. L. Road, J. B. Wilson, Mrs. Lomon and two children, City; W. D. Van Orsdall, O. S. Van Orsdall and family, Leachama; Mrs. Crowder, Portland; E. J. Miller, Blue Mountain; J. W. Ellis, Centerville; D. A. Shout and wife, Iowa; J. E. La Force, Astoria; Frank Fairant, Baker City; T. Roberts and family, Pomeroy; A. J. Mullinax, Waukegan; W. G. Mitchell, Walla Walla.  
**VILLARD HOUSE.**—H. Watkins, Helena; Thos. F. Clancy, Meacham; W. H. Walker, J. A. Crouch, E. F. Bart, Portland; R. C. Oglesby, T. B. Prime, Dr. M. Stiles and wife, Weston; B. S. Hardacker; Thos. C. Marshall, Missoula; J. Kohn, San Francisco; G. W. Grayson, California; Thos. Fitzgerald, R. S. Draper, T. D. Williams, City; Charles S. Graham, San Francisco; L. W. River, J. J. Stewart, H. Beckwith, C. Taylor, Louis Olcott, Portland.  
**GOLDEN RULE.**—I. Ross, Cold Spring; Jim Bogel; A. L. Ford; Peter Blancher; John Parks; Tom Kelley; Julius Kruger; Walla Walla; J. Morrison, Encampment; J. S. McLeod, City; H. Westlake; Lewis Nease; Turner Graves; M. Dollan; J. W. Brown; Wm. Crye; Wm. Philpat and wife, Portland.

**VANSYCLE WINKS.**  
**Death of Mrs. Stockman; A Daughter's Born; Married; O. & W. T. R. H. and the Helix Right of Way.**  
Vansycle, March 27, 1888.  
Mrs. Lizzie Stockman, wife of W. J. Stockman, died here to-day of consumption. She has been sick about seven months. Mrs. Stockman leaves four children. She was a kind mother, a devoted wife and a good neighbor. Her name never has been mentioned in strife or discord of any kind. Rest to her ashes.  
Born, to the wife of Wm. Westfall, Monday, March 26th, a daughter.  
Died on Monday, the 26th, the infant daughter of Wm. Westfall.  
Chris Simpson and Miss Sarah A. Bishop were married here to-day by J. L. Killian, J. P.  
Late sown wheat is coming up nice and if we have late rains we will have good crops.  
O. & W. T. people are crowding the road toward Centerville as fast as men and money can.  
A few days more and Centerville would have connections, were it not for some bridges that have to be built. While the carpenters are at work on the bridges it is likely Mr. Hughes will lay the track to Helix, if the right of way is secured to that place. But parties there are standing in their own light by refusing depot grounds. Hughes will put in a siding one mile north of Helix and one mile south of there. Helix people will see the train run through. They had better come to the mountain—it won't go to them.  
HORACE.

**THE SURPLUS DWINDLING.**  
**The Largest Amount Appropriated on Record.**  
The river and harbor bill as completed by the committee and given to the House for passage is as follows:  
The appropriations for rivers and harbors on the Pacific coast are: Humboldt, Cal., \$150,000; Oakland, Cal., \$175,000; Wilmington, Cal., \$90,000; Yaquina bay, \$120,000; San Joaquin, \$25,000; Redwood, Cal., \$74,000; Mokelumne, Cal., \$2,000; San Luis, Cal., \$25,000; Sacramento and Feather rivers, Cal., \$20,000; San Diego, \$10,000; Napa, Cal., \$7,500; Petaluma, Cal., \$2,000; deep sea mooring, Cal., \$150,000.  
Coquille river, Or., \$20,000; Coos bay, Or., \$50,000; Cascades, Or., \$175,000; Upper Columbia, Or., \$10,000; mouth of the Columbia, Or., \$350,000; Lower Willamette, Or., \$30,000; Upper Willamette, Or., \$15,000; Coquille, Or., between Coquille and Myrtle Point, \$2000; gauging the water of the Columbia, \$2500.  
Chehalis river, W. T., \$2000; Cowlitz, W. T., \$2500; Skagit, W. T., \$15,000.  
The bill makes an aggregate appropriation of \$19,432,783 and is the largest bill of the kind ever brought in.  
The Mississippi river from Minnesota to the Gulf of Mexico receives \$3,350,000; St. Mary's river, \$1,500,000; Missouri river, \$625,000.  
**The Mch Give Little, the Poor Much.**  
From the Walla Walla Union.  
Among the most liberal subscriptions to the Hunt subsidy, we have the honor of stating that a contract for \$25 was signed by a young lady—one who makes her living by her needle. For fear of rash guesses as to her identity her name is given—Miss Kaufman, the milliner. The Union knows of a businessman in Walla Walla, who owns property valued at \$15,000 or \$18,000, whose business nets him yearly as much, and who is among the most rampant of those who claim to work for the good of the country, and whose subscription was also \$25. As he is a disgrace to his protestations of enterprise, his name is not given.

**Open Air Concert.**  
If the weather continues favorable the Pendleton Brass Band will give an open air concert this evening in the band stand, commencing at 7:30. The music will be rendered in the following order: 1, march; 2, andante and galop; 3, andante and waltz; 4, overture; 5, schottische; 6, march; 7, baritone obligato; 8, tula obligato; 9, galop; 10, march. Mr. Perkins has taken a great deal of pains in instructing the band during the past winter and selecting new music, and the concert this evening promises to be very entertaining.

**Court in Walla County.**  
E. R. Skipworth, Esq., returned this morning from Walla county, where he has been attending court. The court ran eight days and considerable business was done. James M. Ceelor was convicted of manslaughter for the murder of Girard Cochran in October of last year, at Lostine, and sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary and fined \$500. E. R. Skipworth, M. Baker and C. C. Smith appeared for the State, and W. G. Piper, M. L. Olmstead and C. H. Finn appeared for the defense.

**The Republican Banquet.**  
From the Alta California.  
Governor Alger of Michigan is with us, and the chiefs of the Republican party have invited him to the banquet hall, and, after entertaining him with that genuine California hospitality which has no politics, subjected him to toasts and responses until a late hour. We very cordially approve the courtesy of it. Governor Alger is a deserving citizen. His great fortune, won in the lumber trade, is liberally used in doing very intelligent and discriminating charities. And it is to be noted that since favorable legislation has increased the number of great fortunes in the country, great poverty has also increased, and has made it more necessary for the wealthy to distribute the riches which the law has bunched in their hands. Of course such a situation, while it affords the opportunity for exercising charity the greatest of the beatitudes, employs a progressive decay of that individual independence which is the unique virtue of a government that secures equal rights and refuses special privileges. But, for all that, we should not look a gift horse in the mouth.  
Governor Alger is a somewhat conspicuous candidate for a place on the National Republican ticket, therefore the oratory which so adorned the feast becomes of instant public interest. In fact, the Chronicle declares that the distinguished company was so occupied with public questions that it did not notice whether the dishes placed on the table was roast beef or poppie.  
The public question which came in for the largest share of the discussion was legislation to restrict commerce, and by unnecessary taxation of the necessities of life, produce a surplus in the National Treasury. Nearly all of the speakers manifested a sublime admiration for taxation as the only road to national prosperity. Restriction of commerce was declared necessary to commercial development, and all were convinced that the only way to learn to swim is by staying away from the water.  
It was a spectacle of unanimity and harmony not often seen in politics.  
One of the most talented speakers dwelt upon what the Republican party has done in educating the Democratic party. There were path and point in what he said. But after reading the speeches, one is compelled to the conclusions that the good work has been reciprocated. The occasion was the first in years in which so many leaders of the Republican party have addressed themselves solely to the discussion of an issue raised by a Democratic President. Some of them were hailed by their unfamiliarity in it. Some floundered in the surf which foams off the shore of this mighty ocean of economic questions, but they all kept, as Governor Alger happily expressed it, "above the mud line," and that they did, is solely due to the President's influence upon politics and upon the methods and manners upon both parties.  
For many years there has been only the width of an official pay-roll between the two parties. Each has assailed the motives of the other and made personal warfare, with only the spoils in prospect, no matter which prevailed at the polls. One effect has been to fill Congress with non-representative men. The President has put all such methods behind him and has forced the attention of the country to a definite issue, so large that it greatness all men who discuss it, and to him this political banquet owes its dignity of expression. Had he not compelled it otherwise these leaders would have been discussing the Missouri Compromise, the Kansas-Nebraska bill and the War of the Rebellion.  
We congratulate them upon their involuntary education, and their progress out of sepulchral politics, for thereby they save themselves from being taken for a company of resurrectionists, and stand for what they are, American citizens, who champion the wrong side of a great issue with tolerance of temper and dignity of speech.  
Meantime, while they talk, the people go on voting. Each city that holds a municipal election in California is thereafter illuminated with bonfires kindled to celebrate the triumph of the issues raised by the President which the people endorse at the polls. While these speeches were being decorously spoken across the table, Vallejo and Marysville were following Oakland and Sacramento, in defeating Republican local tickets in campaigns pitched on the line laid down by these banqueting Republican leaders. The evidence of rapid change in public sentiment following the President's message, which began in Syracuse, N. Y., and continued in the local elections of Iowa and Minnesota, continued in California. Therefore, we cordially agree that the Republican leaders shall do the banqueting, while the people do the balloting.

**FARM AND GARDEN.**  
**TREES TO THE ACRE.**  
There are two methods of arranging trees in the orchard, one the rectangular and the other the quincunx system. The latter system brings every tree in the orchard the same number of feet from its neighbor in every direction, while the former, in two directions, give seven feet more space between the trees. The quincunx system, in the economy of land and cultivation, has an advantage of 15 per cent over the rectangular system. The following table shows the number of trees an acre of ground will permit under both systems:

Rows	Rectangular	Quincunx
10 feet	435	659
12 "	362	547
15 "	294	457
20 "	185	278
25 "	99	146
30 "	52	82
40 "	25	41
50 "	13	21

By the above it will be seen that 15 per cent more fruit will be obtained from an acre of ground by the quincunx than by the rectangular plan of planting, with the same amount of labor expended in cultivation, besides a saving of 15 per cent per tree for water when irrigation is resorted to.

**CUTTING SEED POTATOES.**  
Much has been said and written about cutting potatoes for planting, and many experiments have been tried in various parts of the country. It must be evident to all that soil and cultivation have much to do with the results. On rich soil,

where thorough cultivation is given, good crops can be secured, no matter what the size of the cutting, but on poor soil small cuttings will largely fail, because there is not sufficient substance in them to sustain growth for any length of time. While tubers and large cuttings induce early and strong growth. The crop is also earlier and larger than where small cuttings are planted, but the per cent of small potatoes is greater. Taking this into account it will readily be seen that the increase in crop secured by using whole potatoes is not all profit, besides the cost of seed is greater.  
On the other hand, the yield where one eye cuttings are planted is generally light even though the potatoes are nearly all large. Below are given results obtained at the Ohio Experiment Station. Large potatoes were used in all cases:  
One-eye cuttings av. for 4 yrs 98 bu. per acre  
Two-eye " " " " 180 " " "  
Cut in two " " " " 220 " " "  
Whole potatoes " " " " 290 " " "

The above showing agrees very closely with results obtained wherever careful experiments have been conducted for a series of years. Considering quality of crop and cost of seed, two-eye cuttings were the most satisfactory at the station.  
COTTON IN CALIFORNIA.  
Experiments in this State show that we have the advantage over the cotton growers in the Southern States in a large and average yield per acre. It is also well known here that we have less difficulties to contend with in climate. Our freedom from rain during the picking season is a great advantage, and for some years at least there will be little or no need of fertilizers. This last item is an important one. California grown cotton is also much better in quality than the average of that grown on the uplands of the South, approaching more nearly to the sea island cotton of the Eastern portion of the Atlantic States. We also have the advantage of transportation in our favor. Cotton grown in the State should be manufactured here, and it undoubtedly will be. Indeed, there is even now quite a demand for the raw material to supply the Oakland mill and the woolen mills as well, all of which latter use more or less cotton to mix with their wool.  
Taking all things into consideration, there is good reason to believe that cotton growing will eventually become an important industry in California. A cotton seed mill will also be provided for utilizing the seed.

**TOMATOES.**  
The total pack of the United States last year of tomatoes was 67,609,152. Of this enormous amount California packed no less than 6,580,800 cans. Here is a business that Redlands ought to have a share in. The tomato season lasts longer here than almost anywhere else, and immense quantities can be raised in our young orchards without detriment to the trees and with profit to the grower. The only lack is a cannery to work up the tomatoes. The Yucaipa is but a few miles off, and hundreds of acres could be raised there.  
Taking fruit and vegetables there is no reason why a cannery could not run all the year round. That this is a big advantage no one will deny. There is a constant succession all the time, and if they turned their attention to marmalades they would run twelve months in the year. There is big money in the enterprise, and some one with the necessary capital and experience could step in and make a fortune.

**Taken to the Asylum.**  
J. M. Bentley and J. J. Worcester went to Salem last night to convey J. E. Lonon, former proprietor of the Pendleton hotel, to the insane asylum, he being adjudged insane yesterday by Drs. Eagan and Vincent. He has lately been paralyzed in the left side, which probably racked his brain. He is about 45 years old and the doctors do not think he will ever recover his reason. He receives a pension of \$16 per month and has \$800 or \$1,000, and his expenses at the asylum will be paid by his wife. Since his return from California he has been taken care of by the G. A. R. order.

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