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HOMICIDE—We learn from a gentleman just down from Corvallis that a man named Howard, engaged in a saw-mill near that place, was mortally wounded a couple of days ago by a knife in the hand of a man whose name we did not learn.

"BRICK" POMEROY COMING.—We see by the San Francisco papers that "Brick" was expected at that city some time during the present week.

MR. MOTLEY is a sister of the late Park Benjamin.—Oregonian. We were not alone in thinking Motley belonged to the weaker sex, and are glad to have such authority to prove that the question in this case is no longer doubtful.

PROHIBITION.—The committee of arrangements for the camp-meeting of the M. E. Church South, to commence at their camp ground at Dixie on Thursday, July 8th, request us to state that no huckstering of any kind will be permitted within the limits prescribed by law, and that the provisions of the statute in the case made and provided will be rigorously enforced.

POSTPONEMENT.—We are requested to state that the camp-meeting of the M. E. Church advertised in our last issue to commence on the Thursday preceding the second Sabbath in July, is postponed one week, so as not to conflict with the camp meeting of the M. E. Church South, which commences at that date at Dixie.

I. O. G. T. CELEBRATION.—In another column will be found the programme of the proposed celebration by the Good Templars at Dallas, on Saturday, July 3d. We are sorry they could not have made it convenient to participate jointly with one of the public ovals, but as they are numerous enough to make quite an imposing turnout we have no doubt the affair will be a creditable success.

THE POLK COUNTY TIMES is the name of a very wide-awake, lively paper, which comes to us all the way from Dallas, in Oregon. It is the successor of the Signal, lately published at the same place.

PORTLAND CITY ELECTION.—The election at Portland last Monday was a complete Republican triumph, every man on their ticket being elected by majorities ranging from 104 to 444, the maximum being reached by their candidate for Marshal, who is and always has been a Democrat.

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FARMERS, READ THIS.

Three weeks since we stated that the prospects for a bountiful harvest in Oregon were more favorable than for many years past. Such was the case at the time. All opinions in this respect coincided, and the only complaint that farmers could make (they always must have something to complain of) was, that the harvest would be too great—that wheat would be down to twenty-five cents per bushel, etc.

From Eastern Oregon, from Idaho, from Montana, from California, from Iowa, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, and in fact all over the Union, the same alarming cry arises—"short crops." Even from Europe dispatches have been received at San Francisco, stating that the wheat crop in that country is going to be very light.

Here, at home, in Willamette Valley—west and east—good and reliable men inform us that the late continued hot weather has sadly decimated the crops—almost destroyed them in some instances. In Polk and Yauhill counties the Fall wheat is doing well in most cases, although a little rain ten days or two weeks ago would have been considered a god send in a great number of cases. But the Spring wheat is nearly all blasted from excessive drouth and a hot sun, so that if the heavens were opened forty days and forty nights now it would do Spring grain no good.

The prospects of the grain crops have been somewhat modified by the hot, dry weather we have had for some time past. Winter wheat will not be much affected by it, but Spring sown grain, especially that put in late, is showing its bad effects noticeably. Oats will head with short straw, and a good rain-fall within the present week would greatly assist in swelling the yield.

In view of all the facts stated, and also the more directly important fact that speculators from San Francisco, Portland, Salem, and other markets, have their agents now traveling about through the country for the purpose of buying up all the grain they can purchase at the old rates, we wish to counsel our readers, at least, to hold on to what grain they have on hand from last year's crop, as well as what they expect from the present harvest, for, to the best of our judgment, the demand inside of three months will command fully fifty per cent. advance on old prices.

This may be all a fancy of ours, but we deem it our duty to give our patrons, to the best of our ability, a fair index of the "signs of the times."

The mail between Portland, Lafayette, by way of Hillsboro and Forest Grove, is getting to be of rather huge proportions for a country route. Last Monday the mail going out from the city amounted to nine bags weighing about ninety pounds each.

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compari-on. Give us a daily mail to start with, and we will not doubt the early completion of a railroad through our lovely and fertile fields. Then we will show Oregon and the world that Willamette Valley West is indeed the garden of the universe.

ROAD WANTED.—The people of Spring Valley have long felt the necessity of more direct communication with Dallas than by going round either by Eola or by way of Bethel. They desire a road across the hills to intersect the Amity road between Holmes Gap and Dixie, which could be accomplished at a very slight expense, and which would be a great convenience to the people of Spring Valley and a benefit to the county generally.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.—This morning we again visited the camp meeting at Dixie. To the best of our judgment—there were about six hundred persons in attendance. The pulpit was filled during the morning service by Governor Woods, who preached a most eloquent and practical sermon—one of the best we ever listened to, and every one accords him the highest praise for his effort.

From the Court House the procession will march to the ground, in Mr. Leving's pasture, where the exercises will be conducted in the following order: President and Chaplain, Orator and Reader of Declaration, La Croix Lodge No. 23, Rose Lodge No. 29, Morning Star Lodge No. 41, Val Fontis Lodge No. 74, Pleasant Hill Lodge No. 95, Viola Lodge No. 99, Lodges from other counties, Citizens.

FIRE AT ALBANY.—Mr. Mason, of this place, who was returning yesterday from a visit to Albany informs us that on Thursday a destructive fire occurred at that place, which destroyed the new engine house, Gird's saloon, and two other houses. The fire originated in the saloon building, which was one mass of flame before water could be brought to bear on it.

ANOTHER QUESTION.—Why is it that we have not a brass band in Dallas? There are enough of young men about town who expend a large amount of superfluous gas for want of something better to apply themselves to, and we think their "blowing" might be turned to their own advantage as well as that of the community by organizing a brass band. Considerable money goes out of the county every year for this kind of thing, which we think might just as well be kept at home.

INJUSTICE.—Our attention was drawn to day to an article in last Saturday's Democratic Press which we had not read, in which the editor of that paper violently and unjustly assails Mr. Pennoyer, of the Portland Herald, and also our esteemed fellow Democrat, Hon. Benj. Hayden, and directly insults the Democracy of the State generally.

General F. A. Staffing, of Chicago, has been appointed General Consular Agent, under the law passed at the last session of Congress. His duties require him to travel all over the world, and to examine the accounts of our Consuls and report to the Government generally in regard to their management.

The New York Herald, referring to some of the outrages committed by the Spanish troops in Cuba, wrathfully inquires: Can nations hold Colonies by the garrote, the bayonet, and fire-musketry in this age of civilization?

To this the Louisville Courier-Journal responds: Well, if our Government can hold States by the "bayonet and fire musketry," why may not Spain hold Colonies in the same way?

Dr. Souder is represented as repudiating the respectable old doctrine of a litteral hell of fire and brimstone.—Whereupon Figaro remarks: If a few more of hell's old friends give it the cold shoulder, it will soon freeze over. We are rejoiced thus to see so many ministers renouncing the Devil and all his works.

Recent official figures say that it has cost the Government nearly two hundred thousand dollars for every Indian it has killed in the last ten years.

The Government has determined to put 2,500,000 acres of land in the market at Denver City, Colorado. The sale will begin the 13th of September next.

1776 I. O. G. T. 1869 CELEBRATION At Dallas, Saturday July 3d

The various Lodges will assemble (in Regalia) in the Court House Square and form procession at 10 o'clock, A. M., in the following order: President and Chaplain, Orator and Reader of Declaration, La Croix Lodge No. 23, Rose Lodge No. 29, Morning Star Lodge No. 41, Val Fontis Lodge No. 74, Pleasant Hill Lodge No. 95, Viola Lodge No. 99, Lodges from other counties, Citizens.

OFFICERS OF THE DAY: President, A. Stephens, Zion; Orator, H. N. George, Buena Vista; Reader, G. W. Kook, Dallas; Chaplain, Jas. Harter, Pleasant Hill; Marshal, A. M. Smith, Buena Vista.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

VALUABLE HOMESTEAD PROPERTY FOR SALE!

THE EAST PORTLAND HOMESTEAD COMPANY offer for sale Lots and Blocks in Stevens' Addition to East Portland, at REASONABLE PRICES.

On 1, 2, and 3 Years Credit, Or payable in Monthly installments. The object of the Company is to afford every facility to the Actual Settler to obtain a Home-stead according to his means.

The Land offered for sale will more than double in value, as soon as the Oregon Central Railroad will be in running order to Oregon City.

Mr. James B. Stephens will start for the East at an early day to procure the necessary appliances to supply the place with an abundance of pure water, that is obtainable from the various springs back and on the town site. Title U. S. Patent.

REAPERS AND MOWERS. I HAVE AT MY FARM THREE COM- bined Reapers and Mowers, which will be sold CHEAP, FOR CASH, or exchanged for Stock or Produce.

Vineyard & Turner, ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW, Dallas, Oregon.

OFFICE—On Main street, one door north of the Dallas Hotel.

Applegate & McCain, ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW, Dallas, Polk County, Ogn.

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PREMIUM GANG PLOWS!

THE BEST KNOWN TO MAN!

MASON'S GANG PLOW

"CHALLENGE."

THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVING PUR- chased the exclusive right from Wm. Mason, for the District comprising the counties of POLK and MARION, is manufacturing these Celebrated Plows, and is ready to fill orders for the same on short notice.

Webfoot Ingenuity & Enterprise! And enable yourselves to raise Large Crops.

NEW DRUG STORE.

I WISH EVERYBODY COULD KNOW that I have just completed my new Store Room

At Independence,

Now don't rush. If there is anything I dis- like, 'tis a rush. But come along, say six, eight or ten at a time, and you will find a good assortment of

PATENT MEDICINES, PAINTS, OILS, VARNISHES, PAINT BRUSHES, DYE STUFFS, PURE WINES AND LIQUORS.

Physicians prescriptions carefully and neatly filled. Owing to my purse being empty, and my credit not good, customers will please bring "the one thing needful," I keep no book accounts.

Since man to man is so unjust I hardly know what man to trust. I've trusted many, to my sorrow; So pay to-day and trust to-morrow!

L. A. ROBB.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

Call and see us. You will always find us happy to see you, happier when we show you our goods, and happiest when we sell to you.

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Northwest Corner Main and Mill Sts., DALLAS, OGN.

HAVING PURCHASED THE OLD STAND formerly belonging to W. S. Robb, and wishing to live and let live, I will sell at low rates, FOR CASH, everything in my line:

Drugs, Patent Medicines,

And all kinds of PURE LIQUORS, put up expressly for Medicinal use.

PERFUMERIES OF ALL KINDS.

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Educational Notice.

Public examination of Teachers will take place on the second Saturday of March, June, September and December.

Sheriff's Sale.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT BY virtue of an Execution issued the 15th day of May, 1869, out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Polk, in favor of R. W. Hill and against the personal and real property of A. A. Miller, for the sum of \$181, gold coin, and interest from date of said judgment, and the further sum of \$46 23, costs of suit and accruing costs, to me directed: for want of personal property, I have levied upon the following described real estate, as the property of A. A. Miller: Lot No. 8 in Block No. 3, south of Main street, and No. 3 east of Main street, in the town of Buena Vista; also all the right title and shares owned by said A. A. Miller in the Buena Vista Mill Company.

Administrator's Notice.

THE undersigned having been duly appoint- ed Administrator of the estate of Andrew J. Thomas, deceased; all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment im- mediately; and those having claims against the estate will present them to me with the proper vouchers, at my residence, about two miles below Lincoln, in Polk county, for adjustment within six months from the date hereof.

ALL SORTS OF GOODS SOLD FOR Cash or Marketable Produce at

FARMERS' STORE!

Money Saved!

IMPORTANT TO EVERYBODY!

THE LARGEST AND BEST STOCK OF

Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Groceries, and Crockery.

That has ever been offered in Polk Co., is just received at

CRONE & WOLF'S

New two story building at INDEPENDENCE, which we will sell CHEAPER than the CHEAP- EST.

We are prepared through recent arrange- ments made in San Francisco, to find someone to sale for all kinds of Produce, and paying the highest market price for WHEAT.

A LARGE WAREHOUSE,

where we offer storage on good terms.

NEW FIRM!

QUEENSWARE IN ABUNDANCE.

NEW GOODS!

AND REDUCED PRICES

AT THE OLD HEADQUARTERS OF

W. C. BROWN & CO,

Brick Store, Main street, opposite the Court House, Dallas, Ogn.

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED THE

Largest and most Complete stock of

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

Ever brought into Polk county, including Spring and Summer goods of the Latest Styles, which we are determined to sell as Cheap, or Cheaper than those of less inducement.

LADIES' TRIMMED HATS!

To which we invite the attention of the Ladies. Also, to our full stock of DRESS GOODS, consisting of Silks, Irish and French Poplins, French Merinos, all wool Empruss and half and all wool Delaines, and especially to our complete assortment of Brass Buttons, Fringes, Gimps and Velvets of all colors, our Gingham, lawns, Cambrics, Swisses, etc., etc., in great variety.

GROCERIES and CROCKERY.

All of which we will exchange for Wool, Wheat, Bacon, Butter, Eggs, Flaxseed or washed Cotton Rags.

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