Oregon Scout.

AMOS K. JONES. THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 1890.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

JOHN P. IRISH is the democratic nominee for congress from California.

TARIFF reform is not free trade, but James G. Blaine's reciprocity policy is -absolute free trade.

IF some sensible and just assessment law could be passed by the next legislature it would go far toward being an atonement for the follies committed by that body for some time past.

ROGER Q. MILLS, in a speech at Maryville, Missouri, the other day, called attention to the fact that the grain crop of 1889 sold for 100,000,000 less than the grain crop of 1859.

BILL NYE says: "Enjoy life while you can, for you will be a long time dead." This leads an exchange to remark that Tom Reed and the republican bosses are evidently profiting by the advice.

THE West Shore, which all residents of the Pacific coast take a pardonable pride in, comes to us this week enlarged and otherwise greatly improved. It is a journal that should be on the center table of every resident of this state.

PROF. PICKERING, basing his conclusions on a series of photographs of the planet Mars in April, concludes that the southern temperate regions of Mars have just experienced an irruption of polar ice no less remarkable than that which still adds the zest of danger to the navigation of our own North Atlantic.

EVERY man is a part of his town. The town embraces the fortune, and in some measure, at least, takes on the character of the man. So loyalty is the line of all well shaped human nature. The man who does not stand up for his town is in some way dwarfed. There is something wrong about him. His fellows will pass their judgment upon him, and the chances are that while he may add to the discomfort of others, he will not escape making himself unhappy.

THE fact that there is not a vacant proof, or any applicant making such dwelling house in town while there is affidavit, or oath, shall knowingly, wilan unusual demand for them should fully and corruptfully swear falsely to induce some of our capitalists who have any material matter contained in said plenty of vacant lots and the whereproofs, affidavits or oaths, he shall be withall to build, to erect a number deemed guilty of perjury and shall be of dwellings for rent. Rev. Driver liable to the same pains and penalty informed us, yesterday, that he would as if he had sworn falsely before the be compelled to give up the parsonage | register.

to the new minister and that he had Approved May 26, 1890. hunted the town over trying to secure

a hoeus into which he could move but on State Fair, '90 was unable to find one. In consequence he will have to leave town which he very much dislikes to do. This is a bad state of affairs and not creditable

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL EXHIBITION

Under the management of the Oregon State Board of Agriculture, will be held on the state fair grounds near Salem, commencing on

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Monday, September 15, '90

-And lasting one week.

-CASH PREMIUMS-

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A splendid field of horses entered in the



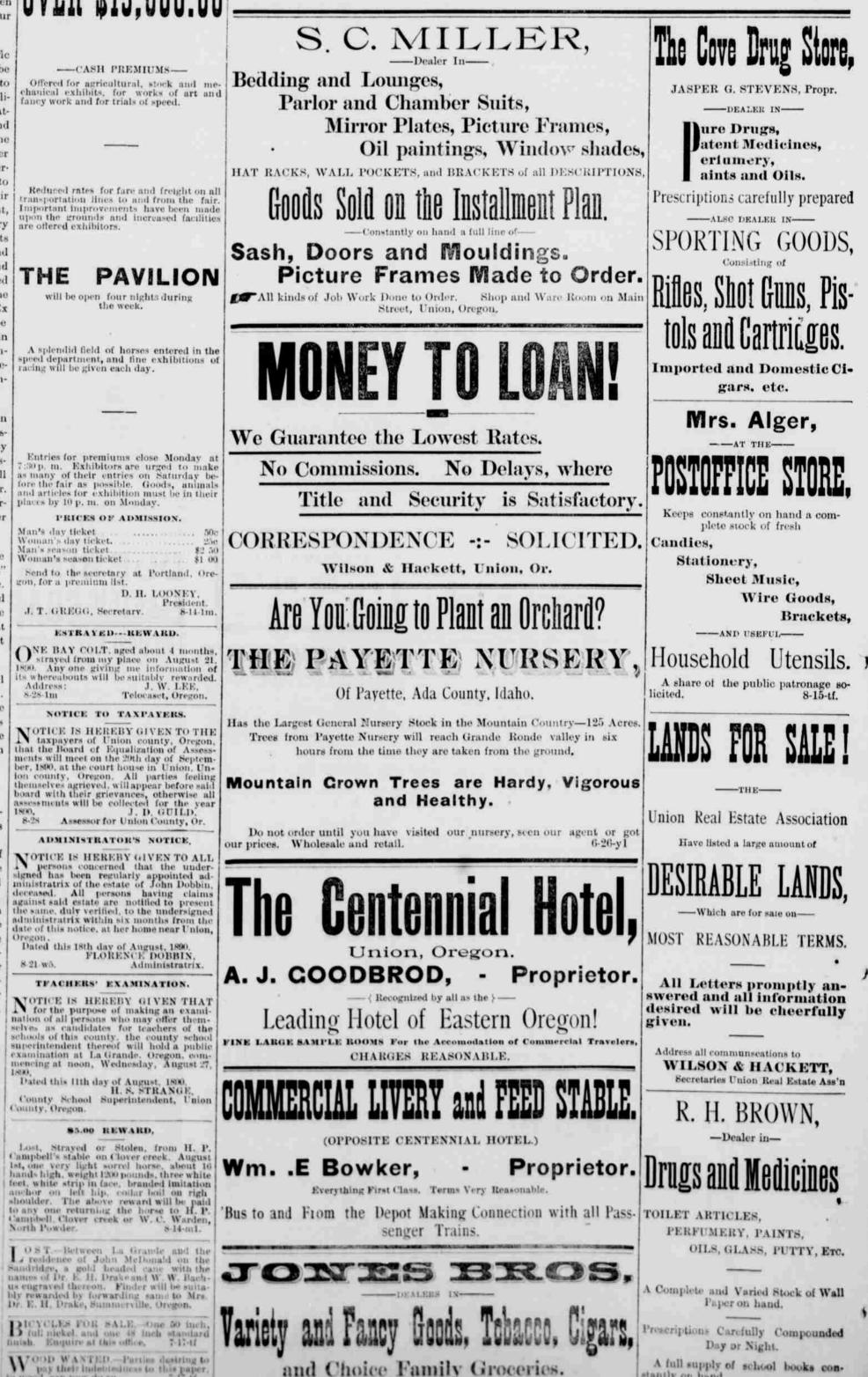
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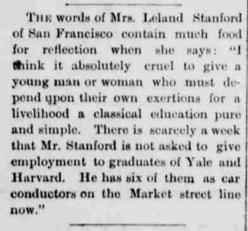
We are in the field with a much larger and better stock of goods than ever before, and can show more and greater improvements for the season of 1890 than any other house.

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Do not fail to call and see for yourself. FRANK BROS. IMPLEMENT CO., La Grande and Island City.





MR. BLAINE is very rough on the Mc-Kinley bill. When he tells the farmers that "there is not a section or a line in barrel of pork," as he does in his letter nearly every county. to Senator Frye, he robs the advocates of the measure of one of their strongest arguments. Mr. Blaine says in effect that the bill will not help the farmers at all. Yet it was the farmer whom Mr. McKinley was going to save; the farmer's mortgage which the bill was to pay .- New Haven Register.

A GENTLEMAN signing himself "Subscriber" writes to us from Island City and ironically asks if we are not aware that an election took place in this county, recently, and if so, why the directory of county officers which we publish has not been changed. Yes, we are aware that an alleged election dance at the district land office, he or took place recently but there seems to be a doubt in the minds of many as to who were elected. Probably the matter will be made clearer at the next term of court. Meanwhile let our "Subscriber" continue reading THE Scour, bearing always in mind that the tariff is a tax.

According to the quotations yesterday, says the East Oregonian, grain sacks cost farmers eight and a half conts each. When they buy them and all other affidavits required to be they ought to remember that the tariff made under homestead, pre-emption, tax on them is forty per cent. That, timber culture and desert land laws, is without this tax they ought to buy may be made before any commissioner them for five or five and a-half cents of the United States circuit court, or each. They should also know and before the judge of clerk of any court note down in their mortgage memoran- of record of the county or parish in dum book the other fact that this tax is which the lands are situated and the maintained not in the interest of pro- proof, affidavit and oath, when so made ducers, nor laborers, but of a monoply, are duly subscribed, shall have the who absorbs all the immense profit same force and effect as if made bemade out of the farmers by this over- fore the register and receiver, when charge. How any farmer can vote for | transmitted to them with the fee and a high tariff-tax is beyond comprehen- commissions allowed and required by SIOD.

cause a blunder or typographical error. And yet some people lay claim to particular smartness if they can discover an error in a newspaper.

to our monied men. The population

of Union would be increased two or

three hundred during the next few

months if there were a sufficient num-

ber of houses for rent. Every winter

there is a large influx of families who

want to send their children to school, How are these people going to be ac-

commodated this winter? A ten thous-

and dollar addition will be made to the

school house but many of the families

who would like to send their children

to school here will be unable to find a

roof in the town to live under. It is

quite evident that the moss hasn't been

scratched off the backs of some of our

THE managers of the North Pacific

Industrial Exposition which is to be

held in Portland from Sept. 25th to

Oct. 25, have our thanks for compli-

mentary tickets and invitation to at-

tend. Mr. Allen, superintendent and

secretary, writes as follows : "The time

has now arrived when the character

of the exposition can be largely deter-

mined, and I am pleased to be able to

state that in every respect it bids fair

to excel any ever held on this coast,

and to equal any in the entire country

in the magnitude and beauty of its

exhibits. Inasmnch as many new and

attractive features, not hitherto found

at any similar Exposition in the United

States, will be shown at this time, the

educational value of a visit to the Ex

position upon this occasion can not be

too highly measured, and no one can

afford to let the opportunity pass with-

out taking the necessary time to care-

fully examine the wonders and en-

Some genius has made a calculation

showing that every column in a news-

paper contains from twelve to twenty

thousand distinct pieces of metal, dis-

placement of any one of which will

joy the delights here to be found."

monied men even yet.

To read the La Grande Gazette one would think that "dealings in dirt" are going on at a rapid rate over there. As not one in five of these reported transactions are filed for record in the clerk's office it is quite evident that there is some wind remaining in that burg yet.

MULTNOMAH county and Salem will

have a recount of the population. Other portions of the state will receive no attention whatever from the consus the entire bill that will open a market bureau at Washington, although the for another bushel of wheat or another grossest frands have been practiced in

THE NEW LAND LAW.

An act to Amend Sec. 2294 of the Revised Statutes of the United States

and for other purposes. Be it enacted, etc., That Sec. 2294 of

the Revised Statutes be and the same is hereby amended so that it will read as follows:

Sec. 2294. In any case in which the applicant for the benefit of the homestead, pre-emption, timber culture or desert land law, is prevented by reason of distance, bodily infirmity or other good cause, from personal attenshe may make the affidavit required by law before any commissioner of the United States circuit court, or the clerk of a court record in the county in which the land is situated, and transmit the same, with the fee and commissions, to the register and receiver.

That the proof of settlement, residence, occupation, cultivation, irrigation or reclamation, the affidavit of non-alienation, the oath of allegiance, commissions allowed and required by aw That if any witness making such in wood, can now do so. 7-17-17.

A full supply of school books constantly on hand.