# Oregon Scout.

## FROM IDWA. J. Nowman Relates His Experience While Traveling in the East.

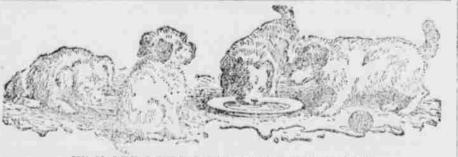
KNOXVILLE, IOWA, February 9, 1891. EDITOR OREGON SCOUT :---

go back to Buston to begin my story. senate over the house railroad bills; On the morning of December 8th I took they have passed the house almost the steamer for Portland, Maine. At unanimously and are strong in every 8 o'clock we started toward the rising | respect, if carried out will reduce local sun which was stining brightly. The freight rates from one-third to one sea was smooth and in a short time we half, and confer the power to make lost sight of land on our right, but on rates from the corporations to our log our left we could see land most of the islators. Geer's bill gives power to the time. At one point we run very close commission to enforce its provision-, to an island which appeared to be noth- This bill will be the bone of contention ing but rock, with two lighthouses and in the senate. The corporations have a number of other buildings on it. a friend in the chairman of the railway Farther inland was a city called Rock- committee, a Portland millionaire, port-a very appropriate name as the | whose sympathies are not apt to be entire surrounding country was noth- with the struggle for the people. These ing but rock. Reaching Portland at 4 are plain facts in the case and well o'clock in the evening we found eight known to all. The expected tight in or ten inclues of snow. Here we had the senate is one involving hundredour first sleigh ride, looking around the of millions of property which is worked city un'il noon the next day, when we to their sole use as they see fit. They concluded that we were far enough to claim not only the right to tax Oregon the north, so at one o'clock we took the products for all the traffic will bear, train back to Boston, Philadelphia and but the further right to dictate the Washington.

there appeared to be law and order.

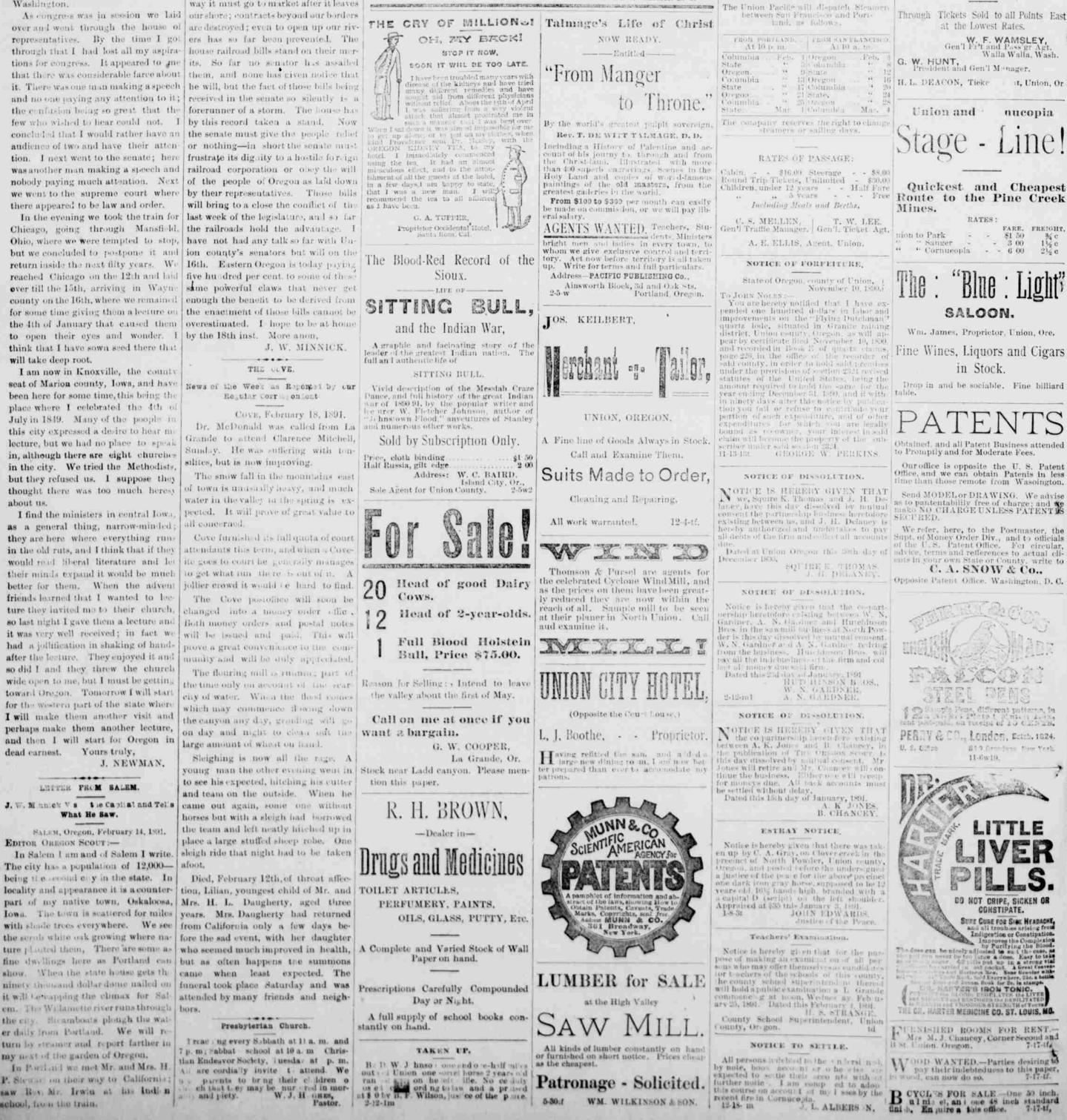
Produce of Il kinds is high, with a railroal to our county and no market THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19. 1891. for the tons of produce that go to waste. This is what our legislature is grappling with. Yesterday and today I learned the true inwardness of the bills that have passed the house and are now in the hands of the senate. It is one of the greatest battles between corporations and the people that has ever tak-I am now in Iowa but I will have to en place in Oregon. It will be in the way it must go to market after it leaves





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seat of Marion county, Iowa, and have been here for some time, this being the place where I celebrated the 4th of July in 1849. Many of the poople in this city expressed a desire to hear ma lecture, but we had no place to speak in, although there are eight churches in the city. We tried the Methodists, but they refused us. I suppose they thought there was too much heresy about us.

I find the ministers in central Iowa, as a general thing, narrow-minded; they are here where everything runin the old ruts, and I think that if they would read liberal literature and let their minds expand it would be much better for them. When the advent friends learned that 1 wanted to loeture they invited mo to their church, so last night I gave them a lecture and it was very well received; in fact we had a jollification in shaking of handafter the lecture. They enjoyed it and so did I and they threw the church wide open to me, but I must be getting toward Oregon. Tomorrow I will start for the western part of the state where I will make them another visit and perhaps make them another lecture, and then I will start for Oregon in dead carnest. Yours truly,

LETTER PRCM SALEM.

SALEM, Oregon, February 14, 1891. EDITOR OREGON SCOUT :---

The city has a population of 12,000being the second coy in the state. In locality and appearance it is a counterpart of my native town, Oskaloosa, em. The Willamette river runs through | bors. the city. Bicamboats plough the water daily from Portland. We will return by steamer and report farther in my next of the garden of Oregon,

In Portland we met Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Stewar on their way to California; naw Roy Mr. Irwin at his Indi n school, from the train.