

THE ENTERPRISE.

OREGON CITY, OREGON, MAY 2, 1873.

The Enterprise Strains at a Gnat

A very palpable piece of canting is that of the Enterprise, this week, where it charges the 'Radical' papers with having assisted, by their denunciation of the Peace Policy in relation to the Modocs, to create a bad impression at the east, of the people of Oregon.

The above we take from the Statesman of last Saturday. It is characteristic of its editor, and seeks to create a false impression as to the tenor of our article.

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City Matters—A Statement of our Financial Condition.

In order that our citizens may be guided in their choice for officers to conduct the affairs of the city for the ensuing year, we propose here to make a statement of its affairs, and what has been done with the people's money by those who they selected a year ago to transact their business.

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Summary of State News Items.

Horse thieves have broken out again in Eastern Oregon.

In Wasco county much of the fruit buds have been killed by frost.

The Grand Lodge I. O. O. F. of Oregon will meet at Dalles May 19th.

The Oregon Iron Works at Portland has been closed for three months.

Three divorcees were granted by the Circuit Court at Eugene City this week.

John Blumer has been sent from Jackson county to the State Insane Asylum.

Fort Stevens is garrisoned now only by a sergeant, a corporal and four men.

Prof. O. S. Fowler, the Pre-noloquist, is in Victoria, and will probably come to Oregon.

The O. S. N. Co.'s new steamer Daisy Ainsworth was launched at the Dalles last Tuesday.

The cost of the Astoria Custom House was \$71,000, three thousand less than the appropriation.

Brig. Gen. Mart. V. Brown is to create the Albany Firemen picketers, May 13th.

A petition is going up for an extension of the West Side mail route from Junction to Corvallis.

A span of fine gray horses, belonging to J. W. Rogers, of Yamhill county, was stolen a few nights ago.

The freighting business between Roseburg and Jacksonville this season, is expected to be lively.

In a few days a force of 150 Chinamen will be set at work on the Albany and Santiam canal.

The Mercury says the prospects are good for a large fruit yield in all parts of Marion county this year.

More burglaries reported at Salem. The last raid was on the house of Mr. R. H. Price.

Mrs. Brotherton and three children, survivors of the Modoc massacre, are in Jacksonville.

Several cases of scarlet fever were reported in Benton county last week, but none fatal.

Twelve tolerably good horses were purchased last week in Benton county, for about \$78 apiece.

The Bulletin says: "The Oregon Iron Works will continue in active operation throughout the summer."

The burnt district in Jacksonville is being rapidly built up with good and substantial structures.

Jacksonville should procure a fire engine, how that the fire officers have been somewhat provided for.

Contracts are made in the Umpqua Valley for sheep to be delivered after shearing at \$2 and \$2 50 per head.

James Dixon has purchased the entire interest in the Yreka Stage line, and will put on tri-weekly coaches.

The citizens of Independence, Polk county, have voted to tax themselves \$2,000 to build a new school house.

Jas. C. Oliver, a seaman on board the schooner Alida of Coos Bay, was washed overboard and drowned a few days since.

The remains of Hon. F. W. Weymire, who died in Salem last Monday, were taken to his late residence in Polk county for burial.

A new flouring mill, with a capacity of 75 barrels of flour per day, will be built at Independence during the present season.

On the route from La Grande the epidemic is affecting the stage stock as far as Meadows. Soon it will make a further move westward.

Eleven hundred tons of coal and one hundred thousand feet of lumber was shipped from Coos Bay for the week ending April 22d.

The grain crop in Wasco county is said to be in excellent condition, but much of the fruit has been injured or either killed by the late frosts.

Markham convicted of arson at Lafayette, has been sent to the Penitentiary for ten years. Russell, convicted of larceny, was sent for one year.

W. B. Bruce, tried in Yamhill county for an attempt to poison the family of Mr. Torrence last fall, was found guilty and sentenced by Judge Bonham to 10 years in the Penitentiary.

Albany has got a chicken ordinance which forbids chickens straying upon their neighbors' gardens, under the penalty of becoming chicken pie for whomsoever will slay and eat.

It is reported that Ben Drew, formerly well known in Oregon in connection with the Quartermaster's service in the Indian war of 1855-6, is now a clerk in the New Orleans Custom House.

The principal business before the Circuit Court for Lane county this week, was the trial of several suits brought by the Oregon & California Railroad Company to recover subscription payments.

The State Board of Education having visited Eugene City, viewed the first site selected for the State University, and commended it as being too low and flat, the Directors met on Monday evening.

New placer mines are reported on Wolf Creek, twenty-five miles from La Grande and twelve miles from the road leading from La Grande to Baker City, and are reported to be about twenty miles in extent.

The city election in Corvallis will take place next Monday, and the political parties seem disposed to divide the vote on the Temperance question. Candidates are cropping out all over the town.

A party of horse-buyers who traveled over Douglas county, have suddenly taken a trip to parts unknown for the health of the horses, and now the farmers are inquiring for their postoffice address.

About eighty Chinamen have started for the Bohemia mines, Douglas county. A new ten-stamp mill will soon be started by the engineers of a San Francisco engineer. It will be erected on the claim of Jesse Barker.

The Mercury reports several cases of epizooty in Polk county, among the horses on the farm of Mr. Prather. Six animals were taken down in one day, and Mr. P. is likely to suffer much loss, not being able to get in his spring crops.

The Journal says the effort to establish the State University at Eugene, is still going on and it is asserted that the candidates will be brought out in the State Capitol election pledged to the repeal of the tax for support of the institution.

The Sentinel learns that if the Nez Perces Chief Joseph's Hallawa make their appearance in the Walla Walla valley, no matter what their bearing may be, the settlers intend to open hostilities with a view of making a quick settlement of the dispute.

Thirty-two Chinamen were comfortably lodged in jail at Pendleton, the other day. They were from Walla Walla, were minus tax receipts, and when they handed over the necessary amount due the State of Oregon, etc., they were set free.

The epizootic is reported to have arrived at La Grande, brought there by the Northwestern Stage Company's horses. It is of a much milder type than when it first started in the East, and the Stage Company has not lost a horse by the disease.

The Pendleton learns that a customer for two thousand barrels of lime for the State Capitol has been let to the two companies at Roseburg—a thousand barrels to each. Marks & Cooper have the contract for supplying lime for the State University at Eugene City.

The Corvallis Democrat says: Complaints are again coming from the people around Yreka Bay, that the water of the Yreka River is constantly pouring around the settlements, committing theft, destroying growing crops, and causing great annoyance to settlers.

At a meeting of the citizens of Toledo, Benton county, a military company was organized, composed of all present. The officers chosen were: Captain D. L. Davis; 1st Lieut., Wm. Mackin; 2d Lieut., J. H. Blain; 1st Orderly, Jos. Thompson; 2d Orderly, John Butler; 3d Orderly, John Willis.

The Eugene Guard says: "What is now carried from Roseburg to Portland, a distance of about two hundred miles, for 21 cents per bushel. The same is charged from this place, a distance of only 125 miles, and from Harrisburg, 12 or 15 miles north of here, the rates are nine cents per bushel."

The Albany Register says: "On Tuesday Dr. E. O. Smith, of this city, exhibited for our inspection some fine specimens of quartz, crystals of the Idaho Capital has been constantly pouring around the settlements, committing theft, destroying growing crops, and causing great annoyance to settlers."

A number of strange Indians, whom nobody knows, have been prowling about the Dalles, and through Wasco county, for some days.

The La Grande Sentinel says: The section of country in and around the Wallawa valley will be thoroughly prospected for gold the present season.

A young man employed by David McBe, in Benton county, has rendered his master temporarily unhappy by decamping with one of his favorite steeds.

A colony of about twenty Germans have gone to work on a 4,200 acre tract of good land lying in Santiam Valley, belonging to Captain A. P. Ankeny, of this city.

A cutting scrape occurred at Springfield, Lane county, last week. Jas. Lawler was cutter, and Joseph Cline was cuttee. James was fined \$50 and costs.

Rev. T. S. Wilson, of the New Jersey Conference, has been transferred by Bishop Foster to the Oregon Conference. He is expected here about the first of June.

The Mountaineer of last Saturday says: "Mr. Ad. Edgar, who is just in from Canyon City, says that about four hundred of the Snake Indians, who have been fed all winter at Fort Harny, have left that vicinity, and it is supposed to have gone down to join Captain Jack."

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