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To Our Weekly Subscribers.

We are now in the fifth month of the publication of the STATESMAN, as the change of proprietors was made on the 1st day of August. During that time we have made no request for payment of subscriptions, desirous that you should have full opportunity to test, and so fairly approve or disapprove our course.

Determined to do our best and let the people be the judges, we have been gratified by realizing a success, which, although moderate, has been entirely satisfactory. There are about three hundred new subscribers on our lists, and we constantly receive additions, as well as friendly assurances from all quarters.

Of course it takes money to run a newspaper, and more of it than most people suppose. So we would simply say that we shall always be prepared to send receipts to those who can pay up.

A great campaign is approaching and we are anxious to be on hand, and always be found in the front of battle. Great battles are seldom fought *on credit*, so if you help us out with cash, you will supply us with the real sinews of war. The proprietor is anxious to enlarge and improve the STATESMAN, and it depends entirely on the support he receives whether he can be able to do so.

We propose to give the people of Oregon *as good a paper as they will pay for*, and to make it a success by making it in all respects a people's paper. If you know any good man who wants the STATESMAN, send us his name, with the understanding that he pays for it in six months, and sooner, if he can. It is part of our faith that every sober working man in the land ought to have a State paper, and that every man who wants to read one, is good for the subscription price. We desire to call the attention of our readers and friends to the fact that we now publish about as much again of matter as the AMERICAN UNIONIST contained at the time of discontinuance. We shall increase the STATESMAN to the size of the largest paper now published in this State when five hundred more subscribers are added to our list, and anything our friends can do to help us to reach that number will be fully appreciated. We repeat again, that the STATESMAN shall be as good and as large a paper as the people will pay for. Please examine the direction of your paper and see if the date on the tag is the date to which you have paid up. Where their is no date named, the subscription commenced August 1st, 1869.

Quite a number have sent us the subscription price and paid up in advance, to whom we tender our best thanks.

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Letter From Linn County.

ALBANY, Dec. 9, 1869.

Our city election came off last Monday. There was much interest and considerable excitement as to the result, each political party running a strict ticket. But whisky and the "unterrified" finally triumphed. The Republicans elected but one on their whole ticket, namely, Chas. Riley, one of the Aldermen. Long, Democratic nominee for Marshal, beat Weller, Republican, by only two votes. There is some talk of contesting his election, as the Democracy carried out their well known practice of getting persons not entitled to vote drunk, and then having them to swear the vote in.

The average majority of the Democratic ticket is about thirteen. The whole vote cast was 257. Whisky rules in Albany for another year. Gambling saloons, rum shops and drunkenness are ahead. The brawls and fights of the coming year were introduced yesterday by the Marshal elect, over a gaming table in one of those rum shops legalized by our City Council. It is understood that the Marshal elect whipped his man this time, and his late constituents are glorifying over the event as another great Democratic victory, though, it is needless to add, that the man who was whipped belongs to the "time honored Democracy."

A. Cowan & Co. are doing a lively business in the pork line, paying for a good article from five to six cents per pound, while the ruling price in Scio, as we are informed by Mr. Wheeler, who is engaged in the business there, is half a cent higher, or from five and a half to six cents per pound.

Our County Court is in session, and the principal business before it is the petitions for the location or change of county roads and petitions for rum sellers' license. The road cases are generally contested, but it is useless to fight against rum or whisky in the Courts in our county, since the Democrats have such a large majority, and as the officers of the county are subject to their constituents, they make it a point as far as they are concerned to see that whisky has justice. L.

Legislation in Washington Territory.

The Legislative Assembly of Washington Territory adjourned *sine die* on the evening of December 2d, after a session of something over sixty days. In an era of startling proceedings, and the most extreme resorts known to parliamentary tacticians, the recent session of that body has been one of the most remarkable in the annals of the country.

The bolting fever which has raged recently throughout the Union, whereby a minority has on so many occasions succeeded in defeating the dominant party by breaking up a quorum, has there been carried to the farthest extreme. The numerous stampedes of the Sacramento Solons at their session two years ago, the resignation of our own Representatives in order to defeat the scheme for gerrymandering the State, or even the persistently repeated resignations of the Indianians in their frantic efforts to defeat the Fifteenth Amendment, are all eclipsed by the scenes which have so recently transpired on the floor of the Washington Assembly. The accounts given by the Sound papers with the comments thereon by party writers, are hardly sufficient to enable one to form a complete idea of the merits or demerits of each particular "failure to find a quorum," but they do show that these things occurred frequently, and in the interest of each of the factions—parties is not the word, for personal and not party issues seems to have drawn the dividing lines. It seems that whenever during the first part of the session either faction had a working majority properly organized and drilled, the others would incontinently skedaddle and break up the quorum, nor did these scenes always lack something of the ludicrous. On one occasion we read of the Sergeant-at-Arms being instructed to prevent a contemplated hegira and essaying to do so. Several escaped until it wanted but the loss of one more Legislator to break the quorum, and that one was endeavoring to escape by climbing over the railing which partitions off the lobby. At this juncture he was seized by the eager hands of the official, who clasping his leg in one hand and his neck in an affectionate embrace with the other, thus detained his victim astride the bar until the roll was called, the vote taken and announced, and the meeting proceeded gravely to discuss the question whether or no, a member who has his head, one foot, and less than half his body in the hall, may in parliamentary language be said to be "within the bar." At another time, the opposition having for the time being the balance of power, proceeded to instruct the presiding officer to resign the dignities of his situation. It chanced, however, that there was barely the constitutional number of members present, and while these, with a President of their own choosing, could do wonders, without the deposed President on the floor, as a member they could do nothing. Knowing such to be the case his Honor made a flank movement for the door, the "grave and reverend seigneurs" seeing their bright hopes thus about to fade, instructed the door-keeper to prevent all egress, which that official declined to do unless ordered by the presiding officer, and as there was no danger of such an order from that source on that particular occasion, once more the Council was compelled to adjourn for want of a quorum.

At other times scenes of a different nature are recorded on the journals of that body; for instance we find the following in a report of a Committee, which was adopted by the council on the 29th of November:

"That the Hon. W. H. Newell, by base insinuations, attacked the private character of Hon. C. M. Bradshaw, in a gross, unparliamentary and ungentlemanly manner, and that Mr. Bradshaw left his seat and crossed the room with the manifest intention of chastising Newell, that the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Council caught and held Mr. Bradshaw so that he could not reach Mr. Newell, who immediately thrust his right hand in his pocket as if to draw a revolver; that while Mr. Bradshaw was firmly held by the Sergeant-at Arms, Mr. Newell threw a glass tumbler at Mr. Bradshaw and immediately took refuge alongside of Mr. Vansyckle to avoid Mr. Bradshaw's second attack. That Mr. Bradshaw, simultaneously with the attack, applied language of an ungentlemanly and unparliamentary nature towards Mr. Newell."

The Committee recommended and the Council unanimously agreed, that both offenders should apologize at the bar for their "hasty and inconsiderate conduct." They go on to say:

"Your Committee cannot ignore the fact that the conduct of Mr. Newell merits his expulsion from this Council, but, owing to the session being near its close, and association with him will be therefore brief, we are disposed to pass his conduct without visiting upon him its full merits."

But we are not to suppose the whole session of the assembly was passed in such proceedings, for at times they worked with a vigor that deserves great commendation, as proof of which House Bills are numbered as high as 136, while Council Bills are over 100, which together with memorials, resolutions and addresses will make a pretty voluminous journal. The Governor does not seem to have been dismayed by this array of documents as he sent back veto messages on at least thirty-nine different acts and there were probably some we have overlooked. Thirty-eight of these were passed again notwithstanding the veto, and became law. One of the last official acts of the Assembly was indicative of considerable sense. It seems that the legislators had been invited to a ball for the benefit of the Town Hall fund, but feeling constrained to devote their energies exclusively to business, they resolved that out of each members pay the Secretary of the Territory should retain seven dollars, to be applied to the fund, and the members would neither dance or eat the supper. An evening session was held, the five minutes rule put in force, a great deal of business disposed of, and the second biennial session of the Legislative Assembly of Washington Territory passed into history.

The coolest place in London during hot weather is the reading room of the British Museum. The room is kept cool by steam; that is, they drive a current of cool air into it by means of a steam engine, and the student is thus provided with a most agreeable temperature.

The Last Prop Going.

It seems cruel and unkind to knock the last prop from under a man, when he has only one leg left to stand on, to spoil that last hope and leave him without a show, but that is about what Senator Williams is doing with our Democratic opponents. They had built all their hopes upon the Chinese question, the Coolie trade and the introduction of a virtual slave system into regenerated, America was their favorite theme, and since the "nigger" has so entirely failed them, they had seized upon the Chinaman and upon his back they were endeavoring to climb into the Paradise where political power and patronage do so abound. The Senator from Oregon, with a sagacity that sustains his fame as a statesman, and a humanity that becomes his reputation as a man, has improved the first hour of the session of Congress to introduce a bill to prevent the importation of hordes of the lowest order of Asiatics, and restrain the movement of Koopmanschap & Co. to initiate a new order of slavery in this nineteenth century. Leave the Chinese and other Asiatics to follow their instincts and seek profitable labor on these shores, and many of the most industrious and enterprising will come where they can earn good wages, and their labor will help build up our prosperity without degrading it. Open the ports of the nation to the speculators, who would flood these shores with the lower and most debased orders of the human race for the mere hope of making a profit on them, and much harm would undoubtedly ensue.

The passage of the bill referred to, will disarm Democracy of its great weapon in Oregon, as well as deprive it of its most valuable ally in the South; for, without doubt, the disappointed Southron, anxious to drive out the negro population by the use of another inferior race, and so regain the political power and prestige he has lost, is making contracts with Koopmanschap & Co. in the hope that this result may be realized. Democracy is powerless without some hobby to ride or some inferior race to make use of. The Chinese question, in some of the objectionable phases, may be of use to them, but a wise statesmanship will deprive it of those features, and protect the best interests of the nation by careful legislation and an exclusion of every element of danger.

NEBRASKA VS. OREGON.—We publish today a very interesting letter, written from Fremont, Nebraska, by Mr. R. P. Earhart, which gives our readers some idea of the difference in climate between our State and that. Mr. G. W. Teller, who has lately arrived here from that State, corroborates Mr. Earhart's impressions, and says that the bleak plains of Nebraska have become populous, and lands there are more valuable than in Oregon, because the country has been so extensively advertised and so has secured immigration. Mr. Teller says no one hears of Oregon there. He is delighted with our climate, soil, productions, the variety of scenery, the low price of land, the abundance of timber and water, and is glad he came. He thinks that if we could make the advantages of our State known abroad, that people could not be hindered from coming here. As Mr. Teller don't remember that any one has mentioned Oregon to him in four or five years, his own arrival can only be accounted for on the principle of natural American sagacity.

On the 17th of November St. Josephs Convent at Toronto was totally destroyed by fire. At the time the building was occupied partly as an asylum for indigent old men and partly as a school for young ladies under Father Conway. The fire was discovered about midnight and much excitement existed owing to the danger that some of the decrepit occupants of whom there were ten asleep in the upper story. However these were all carried, or assisted out of danger by the heroic efforts of the firemen and volunteers. As the fire spread rapidly all that could be done was to save the surrounding buildings, in which attempt the department was successful. The scholars did not sleep in the building and thus much of danger and possible horror was avoided. Loss $5,000, not insured.

A singular breach-of-promise case has recently been tried in London. Ann Payne aged 55, and who vehemently denied being 59, sued James Smith, a blacksmith, for damages to her blighted affections on account of his failure to redeem a promise to marry her nineteen years ago. Since that time the defendant who is a youth of seventy-five winters, had made her several presents amounting in all to about £20, but declined to marry her during the life of his brother who might be offended at such a proceeding. Finally he told her four years ago that he was too old to marry, that he had a good housekeeper and could not make up his mind to change his mode of living. Whereupon the heartbroken dame brings suit and the jury heal her lacerated feelings by mulching the faithless swain in the sum of £50, which he is abundantly able to pay for the privilige of continuing single a few years more.

YAQUINA BAY.—Mr. P. Abbey, of Newport, near the ocean on Yaquina Bay, informs us that a corporation at that place has secured a subscription of $14,000 for the building of a schooner of about 200 tons burthen, intended for the San Francisco trade. Lumbering is already an important business on the Bay, and this schooner is intended to be the commencement of a regular line of vessels, to be built and owned there. As the capital is secured, the work on the schooner will immediately commence and be finished early next summer. Captain Dodge, of Newport, has lately purchased the Champion, a 50-ton schooner, at Tillamook, which he has loaded with freight, at Portland, and is now probabably on his way to Yaquina. The Champion will be used in the coasting and oyster trade. The future of Yaquina Bay, and the coast country generally, is scarcely to be appreciated at present, but with such capacity for lumbering, great fisheries and oyster beds, and extensive cattle ranges that are never dried up in summer nor frozen in winter, it is easy to predict population, wealth and great success in the coming years.

TEACHERS ASSOCIATION.—The eleventh session of the Marion county Teachers' Association will be held at Silverton commencing on Tuesday, Dec. 28th. The public examination of the teachers will be held there on the last day of the session, on Friday, Dec. 31, 1869.

THE CITY AND COUNTRY.

Saturday, Dec. 11.

The new show window of Yeaton & Boon shows the presence within of lots of new goods. It is quite an ornament to the street.

Mr. Johnson, next door to the Woolen Factory store, is engaged in making cider. His advertisement speaks for itself, and we can say to those who relish a good article of apple juice that the article he manufactures is excellent.

J. R. Herron has taken the Salem Market and will continue the business heretofore conducted by Cross & Brooks. Mr. Herren understands the business thoroughly, and we prophesy will be very accommodating and popular.

On Thursday morning Deputy Sheriff Reynolds arrested Andrew Thompson, an old man who has lived in a little cabin on the river front for some time past, on a charge of insanity. He was taken before the County Court, and on the examination of Drs. Carpenter & Peyton, was pronounced insane. Reynolds will start for the Asylum with his patient, or prisoner, on Saturday morning.

A SEVERE MOUNTAIN EXPERIENCE.—Levi Murphy, of Monmouth, son of Wm. Murphy, and a son of Mr. Perry Watson, of this place, arrived here on Thursday, after a severe experience in the Cascade Mountains. They started from Yakima some time in September, intending to drive a band of seventy-five cows south, by the California trail, on the east of the mountains, to Jacksonville, where William Murphy is now residing. At Ochoco they became satisfied that it was too late to drive on the intended route, and decided to cross from there by the Lebahon road; and in carrying out this plan, they encountered deep snows in the mountains, and suffered much hardship and severe loss. Four horses and thirteen cows died in the mountains, all their baggage and fixtures were lost, and even the clothing they wore was almost torn off their persons. They arrived here without money, hungry and almost naked, but as they were among friends, their wants were soon provided for.

Obituary.

Died, at his residence in this city, on the 10th of December, 1869, Marion B. Lingo, of typhoid fever, in the 27th year of his age.

Dr. Lingo was a native of Missouri, from whence he moved to Oregon, and settled with his relatives in Lane county, in 1852. He received the degree of M. D. from Toland Medical College, of San Francisco, and for some years had been engaged in his profession at this place. He was Professor of Anatomy in the Willamette University, an enthusiast in the profession, and gave great promise of a bright future.

As a neighbor, friend, brother, he was endeared to all by his genial disposition, his real unostentatious generosity, and his high ideas of integrity and uprightness of character. As a member of this community, of his profession, and of the various societies, he leaves a vacancy that will not soon be filled. His own family, of whom there is an aged mother, a brother, a young wife and an infant child, mourn for him as fond hearts mourn the gentle and the true; but amid their sorrow, they can remember his every act with pride, down to the last hour of consciousness. On Sunday last he spoke freely of his approaching end, arranged his business affairs, expressed his wish that the Medical Faculty, who have attended him with all the fidelity and care and skill possible, should take charge of his remains, and that afterwards he should be buried by the orders of Odd Fellows and Good Templars. He commended his wife and child to his brethren, bid all farewell, said that he was prepared to die and wished to go home, and then relapsed into unconsciousness, nevermore to recognize his friends on earth. At five o'clock yesterday morning he was discovered to be sinking, and at ten minutes after two he quietly went to sleep.

The remains will be conveyed from the residence to the Institute Chapel, at ten A. M. tomorrow, where the services will be conducted by Rev. C. C. Stratton.

Sunday, Dec. 12.

Harper's, Frank Leslie's and other illustrated weeklies, and all the other standard magazines are received at Yeaton & Boon's, as we see by copies laid on our table.

Gounsky, whose tailor shop is adjoining Cole's stove store, is always ready to make, mend or clean clothes at short notice, and does all well.

Mr. E. Grounds, of Buena Vista, deals in sewing machines, and his ad. invites attention. His machines are just received from the makers at the East, and are of the best quality.

Allphin has gone extensively into the business of fattening fowls for sale to city customers, and in his yard has at present, 160 geese, 85 turkeys, 40 ducks and 25 dozen chickens. If you want to engage a good Christmas dinner give Jack a call.

Mr. Daniel Strang informs us that he has seen an immense hog, fattened by Samuel Allen, Esq., which is to be killed between Christmas and New Years. People guess its weight at a thousand pounds and Mr. Strang thinks it will at least reach eight hundred.

ARRIVED.—The new bedplate for the Capital Lumbering Company, to replace the one broken by the explosion some weeks since, came up on the Friday boat. It will be put into position immediately and it is expected that the mills will be in running order by Wednesday or Thursday of this week.

John and the Demijohn is the suggestive title of an interesting book sent to us by A. Roman & Co., of San Francisco. It is one of the temperance tales of Mrs. Julia McNair Wright, an authoress well known for her "Golden" series of tales for young people. We read the book with interest, and think it interesting and calculated to impress the minds of youth.

CLOSE OF TERM.—The first term of the Willamette University closes Thursday evening, the 16th inst., with the annual *Public* of the Ladies' Literary Society, to be held in the Chapel of the Institute, which will consist, as usual, of rhetorical exercises with interludes of music. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday forenoon preceding will be devoted to the examination of classes in the studies of the term. The attendance of parents and friends is earnestly requested during the examination. Such attendance greatly encourages the school.

Michael Myers, who left here the past fall, after many years' residence, writes to a friend that he is located for the present at Santa Clara, where his health is better than it has been for ten years. He thinks that region the garden of California. He had been to San Diego, and describes it as without any adjoining farming country, and he soon got enough of it, the whole country being covered with sage brush and prickly pears.

The new Hotel Association on Thursday last elected, as a Board of Directors, John F. Miller President, M. Hirsch Vice-President, Geo. P. Holman Secretary and J. G. Wright Treasurer. They proceeded yesterday to lay off the grounds at the corner of Trade and Commercial streets on the lot sold by Joseph Watt last month, and will commence operations immediately.

Tiger Fire Company, No. 2, have appointed a committee, composed of A. J. Brown, G. E. Strong and M. J. Allphin, to make arrangements to have a ball on New Year's Eve, the proceeds of which will be used to defray the indebtedness of the Company. The firemen deserve to be remembered and assisted, and no doubt they will succeed and have a splendid affair.

Beriah Brown, B. B., received one of those two bundles last week. We saw it carried up stairs. The drayman who packed it up quite disconcerted, in importance, the ancient worthy who was "big with the fate of Rome." One more bundle, gentlemen—this one will only last three months—give him one more bundle and the campaign *Press* can stand the press and press on through the whole campaign. His distinguished patron, "over in Polk," really ought to stand elected for that bundle, but then it is none of our funeral.

The Toledo (Ohio) *Blade*, published an account of a snow storm in Oregon last October. It refers probably to a few inches of snow that laid a few hours in the Blue Mountains, which we mentioned at the time as a strange event. There was considerable of a snow fall on the top of Mount Hood a month or six weeks earlier, which our Eastern exchange can mention if they want to be very particular, and they can add that Mt. Hood looks down now in December, upon the growing grass and blooming flowers of the Willamette Valley, where an occasional wild strawberry is trying to ripen before Christmas.

Tuesday, Dec. 14.

Scott & Farrar have 40,000 brick on hand and for sale, which they can deliver at short notice.

Times were lively at the wharf yesterday, six steamboats coming and going—the greatest number during the present season.

The Salem Dray and Hack Company have a special notice in to-day that demands attention. They mean "biz" and you must read the card.

Barker & Baxter have begun to build another two-horse truck for the People's Dray Company. John says they will be done and running about New Year's.

The *Herald* says the *windows* of the various houses around the public square "no doubt felt greatly disappointed at the non-appearance of the musicians" last Saturday. Poor windows!

Abbey & Co., of Yaquina, who occupy a store in the middle of Union Block, Commercial street, have a call for your attention to-day. Read the ad. and then you will see why they are bound to sell those goods.

John Barker wants the early bird who steals his daily STATESMAN to call around some day and see him, for he thinks he can afford to pay for two copies, if that is necessary to secured the peaceful possession of his own. Walk up, Mr. man.

HAVE YOUR PICTURE TAKEN.—If you want a holiday present for somebody, Lobdell says this pleasant sunshine will help him take it, and he is more regular in attending to the business than sunshine is to its share. His place is on State Street, up stairs.

RAILROAD BRIDGE.—We hear from I. R. Moores, Esq., that the railroad bridge over Clackamas, stands a good show to be in position during the present week. The weather seems to be on their side and the indications are that it will continue favorable for a few days to come, as the wind sits in the right quarter.

The Cosmopolitan Hotel, Portland, kept by J. B. Sprenger, late of Albany, is conveniently situated and has an excellent custom, especially from Salem people. We call attention to the card, which will be found under the head of new to-day. Jake Sprenger is the sole proprietor still, owing to the untimely fate of Mr. Coulson.

We call attention to the card of Messrs. E. J. Northrup & Co., of Portland, which appears in this issue. This is one of the oldest and best established firms in that city, and orders sent them are sure to be filled to the best advantage. It don't make any difference if you go there or send there, they are to be depended on in either case.

DENIAL NOT NEEDED.—The *Blade* rather insinuatingly says, that a villainous libel which appeared in an Oregon paper, concerning one of the noblest of our citizens, while on his death-bed, should be denied, if untrue. Were the object of that attack now living, he would no doubt treat such a cowardly and anonymous affair with the contempt it deserves; at all events, his friends will do so now. We know of no one here who has ever thought the lie worthy of belief.

LOST AND FOUND.—A little son of Joseph Baker, less than three years old, was lost on Saturday morning early and a great crowd was soon out hunting for him. It was feared he had got into the mill race, but after diligent search he was found in ardent pursuit of knowledge. He had made up his mind to go school and, picking up a book, he took an early start to find a school house. Oregon three year olds are as keen as anybody's youngsters.

Prof. Plummer has been reading to crowded and delighted houses. As an elocutionist he shows excellence in rendering some of the most beautiful and classic of English and American poems, always choosing with the best taste. In the line of imitation he gives most truthful copies of the doings and sayings of such men as Mark Twain and Ossian E. Dodge. In the hard-shell sermon and the Irish and Dutch scenes he is good, but as a Yankee he won the most unbounded applause and made his hearers laugh until they cried.

THE FUNERAL OF DR. LINGO.—The University Chapel was crowded to its utmost capacity on Sunday last by the friends of the deceased Dr Lingo, who were there to attend the funeral services. Prayer was offered by Dr. Rounds, President of the University, resolutions by the Faculty and by the students were read by Dr. Peyton, and a sermon, of which all speak in the highest terms, delivered by Rev. C. C. Stratton. The coffin was then opened and more than five hundred persons went forward to take their farewell look at the familiar features, after which the procession moved to the Cemetery. The Medical Faculty were next to the hearse, then the Odd Fellows, and then the Good Templars. Notwithstanding the rain, quite a number followed the remains to the grave, where the impressive rites of the Odd Fellows were led by the Rev. J. L. Parrish.

GENERAL NEWS.

BENTON COUNTY.—The *Mercury* of the 8th says: The Willamette Freighting Company, B. R. Bidwell President, has submitted the steamer Ann to the test of inspection at Oregon City, when she was pronounced A. No. 1. She will be commanded by S. K. Smith Master and — Hendrix Engineer. The Company propose to carry freight and passengers on the Long Tom and Willamette rivers, and will build an additional boat soon with much greater carrying capacity than has the Ann.....As a party of ladies and gentlemen were returning from a dance their team ran away, "capsizing" the vehicle and landing the occupants in the mud. Nothing broke but the buggy.....A ditch, for the purpose of draining the upper part of town, has been completed....Benton county is in funds.

POLK COUNTY.—The *Times* has received from Mr. Guthrie some specimens of this winter's growth—second crop — mustard four feet high and seeding, raddishes, onions, &c., in the same fix; oak sprouts five or six inches long and raspberry sprouts over a foot in length. Mr. Guthrie has oats waist high and headed out. Ed. Delashment has timothy in full bloom.....Sheriff Smith has a hard time getting the Polkites to come out with their taxes.....Dallas folks gave Professor James a donation party.

PORTLAND.—From the *Herald* of the 10th we learn that a man named George Forrest had his leg broken by a hawser, while assisting in casting off the steamer Montana when she sailed from Portland, last Wednesday.....Baltimore houses are sending canned oysters, and labels for the cans to be put on after reading, to Portland. [Sharp folks, of course they wouldn't put their labels on Shoalwater Bay oysters.]

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION.—A correspondent of the *Herald* writes from Cowlitz under date of December 9th: About half past six o'clock last night, H. Willson, an old resident of our county, was shot through the shoulder by an unknown person who rapped on the door and was invited in; upon his not entering, Wilson went to and opened the door, when he was shot as aforesaid. The whole thing is wrapped in mystery. Wilson is quite comfortable.

PORTLAND.—From the *Oregonian* of the 10th we learn that the Ajax was expected last evening.....The Council refused to increase the police force.....They are putting up a good many street lamps..... A runaway team collided with Dr. Kallenberg and upset him kerwallop.....Hon. J. H. Lassater walked off a gang plank into the Willamette but was fished out again.....Estes & Simpson have twenty-seven men in their mill, and cut last month 800,000 feet of lumber.....The reporter could not do the weather justice even with the help of Pomeroy's *Democrat*. .....The bark Heaton will take a cargo of lumber to Buenos Ayres.

LINN COUNTY.—The *Democrat* tells of a bridegroom, who received a charivari party at the Overland Hotel, and invited them all round to a neighboring saloon to take a drink, after which he invited them to "settle," and went home to bed again..... The editor has found his long lost Wyoming, and dries his tears accordingly....Albany is to have lots of fun at Christmas time.... The Harrisburg election went Democratic by a majority from five to ten.....Sheriff Irvine has paid into the Treasury $12,258, of this amount only $237 was in county warrants.....The *Register* says that the City Marshal elect, "put a head" on a young man from the country, rushed up to the "squires" and paid his fine before he could be arrested.

ASTORIA, Dec. 6th.—We are having very fine weather. The tug arrived here on the 2d. She encountered very heavy weather on her way from San Francisco to this port. The crew say that a better sea boat never never crossed the bar. She is a splendid model, as good as any on the Pacific coast. She is named after this place (Astoria), and is owned by Simson Flavel and the pilots. She took the bark Webfoot in tow and steamed seventeen miles, against the tide, in less than two hours.....S. N. Arrigoni, formerly of Portland, is doing a good business in his new hotel in this place....There are several new buildings going up at present. J. W. W.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY.—The *Enterprise* of the 11th has a long account of a scene in the county court room at Oregon City. It seems that the Sheriff, in the course of a dispute with the Court concerning a charge for mileage, construed a remark made by the Court to apply to his having suffered a prisoner to escape when the Sheriff only had two deputies to assist him, and became wrathy accordingly. At this point F. O. McGown made a remark, and the Sheriff gave him the lie. A fight ensued, but the combatants were separated and fined for contempt of court—McGown $25, and the Sheriff $50. The latter thinks it must have been on account of his politics, and not because he was the officer sworn to preserve the peace and to execute the orders of the court. The editor says that, if the Court insults him, he will get even with him through the columns of his paper. The *Enterprise* will distinguish itself yet; but if McKinney will tell the world that the Sheriff and he are partners in the paper, people will understand why he is so fierce in defense of that individual. It is all in the family, you see.

PORTLAND.—The *Oregonian* of the 11th has a confession by Prisquie St. Martin, giving full particulars of the murder of Philip Wydeen. He and James Wilson beat him to death with clubs and took from the body $602½ in coin. Wilson spent the money and told St. Martin to go back to Olympia, which he did and got arrested for burglary.....A new grand jury has been empanelled to try cases arising since Circuit Court has been in session.....W. W. Chapman, son of the laboring lawyer, was lately married to Mrs. Annie Rodgers, of Montana.....The ladies of the M. E. Church netted $400.

PORTLAND ITEMS—From the *Oregonian* of the 13th we learn that Avery's menagerie didn't sell worth a cent—cause, no bid.... There are twelve prisoners in the county jail, two of them for felony.....The Ajax brought up 129 passengers and 330 tons of freight, 100 tons being iron for the Railroad .....A boy was thrown from his horse while riding by the Courthouse, dragged by the foot, and kicked in the head.....St. Martin's confession is thought to be a humbug.....The Brewster carried away 600 tons of Oregon produce, consisting of grain fruit, pickled meat, railroad ties, hoop poles, staves and paper.

SUICIDE AT HILLSBORO.—The *Herald* of the 12th says Rev. Henry Sewall, a Baptist clergyman, residing in Washington county, near Hillsboro, committed suicide early yesterday morning, by shooting himself through the head with a pistol, the ball entering the forehead producing instant death. No cause is assigned for the act. Mr. Sewall came to this State about twenty-five years ago, married a daughter of Rev. Mr. Gerrish, a Methodist clergyman, and reared a numerous family.

Letter From Nebraska.

FREMONT, Neb., Nov. 21, 1869.

I have had a very good time coming across, had some very remarkable experiences and saw a great many peculiar things, all of which I will write you about when I can get to a place where the ink does not freeze on one's pen—as I am writing this I am compelled to hold my pen to the fire continually to thaw the ink. This place is forty-six miles west of Omaha and is mostly settled by Eastern people; it is a thriving little town, and, if it don't freeze to death, will, some day, be an important place. I went down to the Western Union Telegraph Station last night, and thought I would enquire about Salem. I did so, and, to my astonishment and disgust, the operator did not have such a place as Salem, Orgon, on his tariff lists or lists of any kind, nor did he know of such a place. Said further, that there *were* many *little* stations in the far west that *he* did not know anything about. Little! confound him, we could put this whole infernal burg into Marion Square easily. Tell Frank Brown to send a copy of Mitchell's Geography to their agent here, with strict injunctions to read and study well the path of his telegraph line, and to have him informed, by letter, that there are other inhabitable portions of God's footstool beside Nebraska.

The people here are living on alkali flats, and in sage brush prairies, in blissful ignorance of our country, its superior advantages and resources. They raise little patches of corn, some wheat and a few vegetables, which generally freeze before they can be harvested. It is a bitter cold State and resembles very much our Oregon, east of the Cascade Mountains; its so-called agricultural lands may be a little greater in extent than Eastern Oregon, but I doubt it. Compared with our beautiful State this one is a humbug, yet the emigration to all parts of Nebraska, during the past year, was enormous, while that to Oregon was not felt or realized at all. You may wonder why this is. I can tell you: these people *advertise*; they have many books, pamphlets and circulars all over the Eastern and Western States, setting forth Nebraska as an earthly paradise; that speaks in glowing terms of its hills, its valleys, prairie lands, &c. &c., making those poor devils, crowded together back there, fairly water at the mouth at the prospect before them. They come; some are pleased, others not, yet all are "stuck" and remain; most of them are better satisfied in the possession of 640 acres here than with 30 or 40 at home, and so the thing goes on; the advertisements still continue and the emigrant, in the hope of a greater emigration benefitting him, says nothing.

Oregon says nothing, does nothing, and is not known. I am, at this moment, I fancy, a sort of living curiosity to these good people. And to think that the name of her Capital is not on the books of the Western Union Telegraph Company is humiliating surely.

I am enjoying first rate health, but suffer very much from cold. R. P. E.

IN MEMORIAM.

At a meeting of the Faculty of the different Departments of the Willlamette University, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, God in his providence has seen fit to remove from our number one so young and talented as our associate Professor, Marion B. Lingo, M. D.,

Resolved, That while we bow submissively to the will of the Almighty in this afflictive dispensation, we are sorry that his place is left vacant among us.

Resolved, That while we gladly bear testimony to the many sterling qualities of head and heart belonging to the deceased, we will ever cherish in our memories the name of one so universally beloved as a man, a friend and a teacher.

Resolved, That we deeply appreciate the many acts of kindness shown the deceased by neighbors and friends, and extend to them our warmest thanks.

Resolved, That to the bereaved wife and the sorrowing relatives and friends, we proffer our deepest sympathy, and fervently hope that the same hand that smote will also bind up the bleeding hearts.

Resolved, That these resolutions be furnished for publication in the *Medical and Surgical Reporter* and the different papers of this city, and that a copy of the same be presented to the wife of our deceased associate and friend.

D. PAYTON, M. D.,
J. C. GRUBBS, M. D., } Committee.
O. S. FRAMBES,

SALEM, Dec. 11, 1869.

At a special meeting of the students of the Medical Department of the Willamette University, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God to remove by death our worthy and respected Professor of Anatomy, M. B. Lingo, be it

Resolved, That in the death of our beloved teacher we recognize the uncertainty of all earthly things, and while we deplore the necessity, we acknowledge the wisdom of God in all his dispensations.

Resolved, That we hold in living remembrance his many excellencies and feel that his exemplary character is worthy of immitation.

Resolved, That the heartfelt sympathy of of every student is with the family and friends in this their sad bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the Salem press, with request to publish, and another copy be furnished the widow of deceased.

F. S. Matteson,	D. Locke,
L. S. Shipley,	E. A. Thatcher,
J. P. Atwood,	W. P. Grubbs,
L. Foley,	C. M. Boswell,
J. S. Denison,	Norman L. Lee,
J. Linsey Hill,	— Kennedy,
Geo. Whitney,	M. P. Sawtelle.

The total rental values of London are estimated for the purposes of taxation at $100,000,000 per annum. Supposing this to be five per cent. on the capital, the real estate of the city is worth $1,000,000,000.

Dr Hayes brought over four hundred photographs of Artic scenery from his last cruise iceward.

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