Oregon Weekly Statesman.

SATURDAY.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

European News.

Dates to Feb. 15th.

The garrison of Belfort has surrendered to the Germans, and been permitted to march out with the honors of war.

The Bordeaux Assembly is engaged verifying election of members. On the 16th the Assembly was to proceed to constitute the new Government. The Deputies were received with great enthusiasm by the populace.

Prince Napoleon has taken up his permanent abode in London.

The reigning sovereigns of Germany have been invited to attend the grand entrance of the Emperor on his return to his own Capital. He will visit them all on his way back from Paris. He will be in Berlin March 8, when the first German Diet meets.

France is said to have expressed a conviction that a Republic will be established.

Eastern News.

Washington, Feb. 15.—In the House the bill to enforce the 15th Amendment was passed; yeas 144, nays 64, after a long discussion.

The bill provides for the appointment, by the United States Circuit Judge, of two supervisors of elections, of different politics, for towns of over 2,000 inhabitants, and for a Chief Supervisor of each Judicial District. It enables the United States Marshals and deputies to call to their aid bystanders or a *posse comititus* direct. It provides that all elections of Representatives to Congress be by ballot, written or printed, anything in the State laws to the contrary notwithstanding.

The clause requiring the military authorities to obey the command of the Deputy U. S. Marshal was struck out.

Government has received advices from Key West that no news need be expected from the Tennessee, which went to San Domingo with the U. S. Commissioners, until the last of this month, and that no fears need be entertained of her safety.

That "Fifth Notice."

The State official paper contains a notice from the State Treasury Department, in which Mr. Fleischner notifies the public that he has funds on hand applicable to the payment of certain warrants, and then follows an enumeration of about two hundred warrants which the holders have reason to suppose will be cashed on presentation at the State Treasury. We are informed that the numbers published are the warrants reaudited by the supererogation of the commission which lately adjourned, and instead of paying those warrants as he has advertised, the Treasurer merely pays as much of them as the commission thought it for the interest of the Democratic party to have paid at the present time. Mr. Fleischner does himself injustice when he published that he will do a thing which in fact he will not do. It may have been oversight on his part that his announcement was made in such general terms, but it is unfair to those who live at a distance and are holders of State warrants to publish that they can come here for their money and disappoint them, on their arrival here, by tendering them only a part of it.

There is another announcement made in this advertisement, in which it strikes us the Treasurer has "reckoned without his host." He adds a paragraph to say that no interest will be paid "after this time." We confidently anticipate that the courts will prick this bubble blown up by Democratic legislation, and declare the commission an illegal affair, and pronounce all its acts illegal. We should regret to see all the high judicial aspirations of our friend Bonham put out by such a damper, but it is high time that the humbug pretensions of this commission should be done away with and set aside, and steps taken to have the business of the State properly transacted. "Equitable adjustment" and "repudiation" are synonymous terms with Democracy, but they will answer much better to humbug the masses in a political campaign than for practical operation in State finances. The State Treasurer has evidently been placed in a false position as to some matters of importance, and we hope to see him change the specification of that "Fifth Notice" to correspond with the facts.

State News.

Linn County.

From the Albany *Democrat:* Wheat, $1 per bushel; butter, 30 cents. eggs, 16 cts.

There are at present five schools in successful progress in this city.

About $90 were the receipts of 'Lish Applegate's Mohammedan lecture.

G. M. Stroud, mail agent on the railroad, has moved his family to this city.

Mrs. T. J. Ross, daughter of "Uncle Johnny Crabtree,' died near Scio last Saturday.

Last Sunday, at Brownsville, Mr. Leander Kirk was married to a Miss Evans, daughter of Berry Evans.

It is rumored that six of the most inveterate and incurable guzzlers of our city are soon to join the Good Templars and thus get "out of the depths."

The family of Hubbard Bilyew, Sen., in the Forks of the Santiam, are at present all stricken down with the smallpox, but strong hopes of their recovery are entertained. There are seven members of the family, and all have been attacked with the terrible disease in its most malignant form.

Portland.

The *Herald* says: We learned yesterday that the North Pacific Railroad Company had purchased a tract of land on the Columbia river known as Carrol's Landing, a place for which they were negotiating a purchase some time since, previous to the location of Kalama. This fact caused all sorts of rumors to roam about town yesterday, in reference to the fate of Kalama. There seems to be no cause for apprehension, though quite an excitement originated from the report.

The *Oregonian* says the rush of passengers and freight to the new city continues unabated.

The contract made with Condon & Co. to construct the first section of the North Pacific Railroad, commencing at the Columbia river, has failed to be approved by the Company at the East, and Capt. Walker has been appointed of construction.

A Tillamook man reports a discovery of gold mines over that way, and has procured tools and appliances in Portland to work them.

The *Bulletin* says, a young man named Hall, who attempted lately to rob Kah's store at Milwaukie, was arrested in Oregon City.

Work is to be resumed next week near the gas works for the railroad landing depot and ferry.

The Oneonta lately took up 164 head of young cattle to the pastures of Eastern Oregon.

The Ajax was to leave San Francisco today for Portland.

Work is to be resumed on the McMinnville ditch as spring opens.

The *Willa Sale* says the Holladay's surveying party have lately completed the railroad survey from Astoria to the junction with the Portland and McMinnville route. This work was commenced last fall, and has been continued to the present time.

The Astoria surveying party confirm all the previous reports of a practical route, a valley of the richest soil, with rolling lands toward the mountains, and groves of fine lumber timber. Game was also found in plenteous quantities, such as pheasant, deer and elk.

City and County Items.

Firemen's Ball.—The programme for the Fireman's Ball to take place on the 22d, will be found elsewhere. Inducements will be offered to bring out people from abroad, and the Salem Department will no doubt be fully represented. The intention is to have a first class good time.

Farmers' Bells.—Sol. Durbin received by boat yesterday a box of "farmers' bells," an article in general use in the East, which struck his fancy, so he brought some back with him. They are to call hands home to dinner, and can be heard easily for half a mile.

Mail Facilities.—The more we have the more we want, of course, in this world, so it is only following the inevitable rule to suggest that it would greatly accommodate the business of the upper valley towns, along the railroad, if the mails could be transported twice a day.

For California.—We see in the list of passengers, by steamer Idaho, that our townsmen Hons. E. N. Cooke and S. E. May have gone to California. Mr. Cooke goes to meet his estimable lady, whose health required a trip to the milder climate of Southern California, where she preceded him last week, accompanying Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hoyt.

Great American Broiler.—We have made a trial of the new broiler advertised in our columns, and are prepared to recommend it as a convenience no housekeeper should be without. Meat is broiled nicely and easily, and in a very short time. Call at the store of Anderson & Brown and examine the article, which is not expensive, and its merits will be apparent.

Wilson's Avenue.—The City Council, last evening, authorized the Committee on Streets to make such contracts as they may think best for the improvement of the Avenue. It is not thought best to attempt to grade the walks the present year, but to have the public square planted with a variety of shade trees, so as to insure a growth as soon as possible.

Ferriage Reduced.—We are informed by the Ferry Company that a reduction of nearly one-half has lately been made in ferriage at this point, a liberal movement that will no doubt result to the advantage of Salem, as it will greatly increase the travel between this city and Polk county. A pair of horses and wagon are now crossed for twenty-five cents, and other rates are in proportion.

Smith & Bowker.—Our friends Bowker & Smith have spent so much time together as stone masons that they hardly know how to do any business separately; so we conclude since the popular meat market of John Smith is to be run hereafter under the name of Smith & Bowker; John tried the meat business alone for a while, but found it didn't come natural. So he takes Charley in as a partner.

Tie on the Track.—We learn from Col. Farrish, who came up on the train last evening, that this side of Gervais the train was stopped for the purpose of removing a tie placed across the track by some maliciously disposed individual. If the perpetrator of this offense could be found he would be apt to spend time enough in the State brick yard to learn how the law treats that offense.

Boots Missing.—One of our subscribers in the country informs us that a man calling himself Dr. Jinks, who had a companion with a Dutch name, not to be easily pronounced, stopped one night last week at the house of an old gentleman, who missed his best boots after their departure. "Dr. Jinks" is requested to hunt up his Dutchman, who is supposed to have worn the boots off, as the old man can't get around this muddy weather in his stocking fet, and has no other pair.

At the University.—Yesterday afternoon Prof. L. L. Rogers lectured upon the chemistry of the human body, as announced. He handled his theme familiarly and well, creating great interest among the scholars. After the lecture followed music, essays, recitations and the reading of the "Mocking Bird," a weekly paper of the school, conducted by the young ladies, quite lively with wit and sarcasm. Then came Calesthenics under the lead of Prof. Gill, joined in by the whole school. The recurrence of Friday afternoon is evidently anticipated with pleasure by all the scholars.

Not as Reported.—The telegraphic account of the Chorpenning affair, which accused the Postmaster General of being about to pay off an old claim which had been repudiated by the Post Office Department for ten years back, when he was stopped by a resolution of Congress, seems to have been unfair to that officer. It seems that he had directly reported against the claim, which amounted to nearly half a million dollars; but the rush of business at the close of the session, last summer, a resolution was passed ordering him to adjust and settle it. Ascertaining the mistake it had made, Congress countermanded the previous order.

The neck tie sociable was immense. Words fail to describe the rush for ties, and the confusion and fun that ensued. Sometimes a contretemps would occur a trifle embarrassing, but as a whole the thing was a success. There were a myriad, or perhaps a trifle over a myriad, of small boys there, a few more than we had any use for. They carried off all the neck ties before we arrived, and they disposed of their share of the supper in double quick. We conclude from late experience, that all sociables are for the purpose of developing boys, but as this is like to be an essay on boys instead of neck ties, we conclude, repeating the assurance that, boys and all, the "new thing' was a success.

The Myers Proposition.—A number of citizens met last evening at the Senate Chamber to consider the proposal to erect Agricultural Machinery Works and a turbine Wheel Foundry in this city. Geo. H. Jones, Esq., was elected Chairman, and S. R. Hammer, Esq., Secretary. Mr. Myers explained at length the value and importance of the works he had in contemplation, and showed that it would require at least one hundred thousand dollars to put them into operation. He stated that the people of Oregon City were anxious to have them erected there. He had been offered all the ground he wanted and water power free at Jefferson, if he would locate there, but he preferred to purchase for twenty-five thousand dollars here if the citizens would offer a subsidy of ten thousand dollars. He was followed by Gov. Grover, who made a statement with regard to the value of the water power, and added that he was prepared to guarantee half of the ten thousand from himself and associates. He went on to remark upon the benefits that would result to our city from such enterprises; said the W. W. Mf'g. Co. intended to dispose of all their water power as fast as valuable manufacturing interests offered to locate upon them, only reserving the one upon which the Woolen Mills are situated. He alluded to the value of Oregon timber which would be used in the works contemplated by Mr. Myers. That gentleman, in his remarks, had made the statement that the capital for these works would be brought from the East, where it had been made from the turbine wheel business, and would thus be a permanent addition to the wealth of Oregon. Gov. Grover made statements showing the great importance of turbine wheels as a manufacture in the East. On motion, a committee of five, consisting of Gov. Grover, J. H. Moores, Warner Breyman, James Martin and John F. Miller, was appointed to canvass the city for subscriptions, to the proposed subsidy. The general sentiment of the meeting was evidently favorable to the measure.

Oregon Children's Aid Society.

We are requested by the Society to publish the report of the Secretary of the above Society for the last year.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

SALEM, Nov. 1, 1870.

To the Ladies of the Oregon Children's Aid Society:

Herewith I submit my annual report as Secretary of your Society for year ending with last month.

During the year the regular meetings of the Society have been punctually held, and well attended.

Our efforts have been less active, in some respects, than in previous years, because, probably, of the accomplishment of the design to provide a home, which was built and provided with a matron during the previous year.

At the present time this institution is under the care of Mrs. Raymond, and while there are no orphans in the Home, it is still accomplishing much good by affording a comfortable home, at very low prices, for half-orphaned children, where fathers are not prepared to personally provide for them, except in some such manner.

The child, in the institution a year since, has been adopted by Mr. Fisk, and so is well and providentially cared for.

While it may be thought by some that the Society is not accomplishing much in the line of its espicial design, we may feel proud of having, by our labors, and the benevolence and generosity with which the public has seconded them, erected a comfortable building and made a commencement that shall some day form the basis of an extensive establishment of which the State may be glad to avail itself.

We are ready and willing to receive and provide for any orphans who need a home, but it is a fortunate thing for our State that there are not many such as yet. There are frequently cases of orphans adopted and kindly cared for by families, which so relieve the demands upon us.

I can say, with sincerity, that so far we have done a good work, and have met with success that is gratifying. Our means equal our needs for the present, and whenever the demands upon us shall increase there is no doubt that the public will second our efforts by liberality in furnishing necessary means. HARRIET T. CLARKE.

The Gate of Puget Sound.

Samuel Wilkinson, who accompanied the North Pacific Railway Expedition across the continent, is writing up his notes for the *Christian Union*. The following is an extract:

The Pillars of Hercules, on which swings the gates of inlet and outlet to the Mediterranean sea, are but the posts of a wicket compared to the gigantic portals of De Fuca. The width of the entrance is fourteen miles. The northern gate-post, Cape Bonilla, is the seaward buttress of a range of mountains, some of which are 6,000 and some 7,000 feet high. They are covered with fir trees to the summits. They are not bald. They have the green of eternal youth. Cape Flattery, the headland on the south, is a wonder that men should travel around the globe to see. It is the termination of the snow-clad Olympic range. Where it breaks down into the ocean it is a perpendicular wall one hundred feet high, of jagged, contorted rock, a conglomerate of boulders of basalt, beach-sand, round cobble stones, and pebbles, solidified into the hardness of adamant. The material presents the resistance of flint. But a force of nature in some far-back age cracked, broke and disarranged it, as a man with a grip of his fingers would splinter an army biscuit. Immense blocks stand detached in every position.—Their characteristic is a suspension of falling. Unseen pressure holds the vast masses in place, but their downward movement is so seeming, that the beholder sweats with impatience at the stoppage of an action which he feels must instantly be resumed, and to see which he is constrained to wait. The never ending, yet never arriving avalanche of mountain fragments was arrested in mid-heavens—thousands of years ago! How long? Who knows! Down beneath then the sea has for centuries been drilling and boring into the rock, and has made vast and deep garrottoes, and arches, and colonades, into which the tides ebb and flow, and where seals live and love and raise families of baby seals, and where violet-colored cormorants, petrels, guillemots, harlequin ducks, and muros make nests and make music of a deliciousness that money cannot buy. And, unparalleled beauty, all around this gate-post of the entrance to Puget Sound, in which foam, down into the sea descend cascades of water from the summits of cliffs. Litchens and mosses grow on the rocks, above the swells of the waves. From the upper tide-levels down, hang fringes of sea-weeds in the greatest variety and the utmost profusion. Above these are banks of blue flowers, which in great patches change the jagged rocks into soft blue sky.

It was in 1739 that some ten persons came to John Wesley, in London, to consult him concerning their spiritual state. They formed the nucleus of the society which, at this hour, numbers more than 50,000 preachers, 3,000,000 communicants, and 12,000,000 hearers—in Great Britain and Ireland alone, the number exceeding 100,000. The religious body extend its circuit over the whole known world.

Henry Ward Beecher's church is composed of 1982 members—just about two full regiments. They would fill 150 omnibusses, or more than thirty railroad cars. The musical director of Plymouth Church receives $2,000; Mr. Reckwood, tenor, $1,000; Miss Thursby, soprano, $900; Mr. Zundel, organist, $1,500. Two new deaconesses, Mrs. Moody and Mrs. Fanning, have been recently elected.

The First Female Methodist Minister.—Even the Methodists, with all their theological, dogmatical crotchets, have come over, and licensed Mrs. Van Cott to do the work of the ministry. What is the world coming to? Mrs Van Cott is belaboring the sinners right and left in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

Not So.—An exchange says that women are rapidly taking the places of men in many of the higher branches of art and industry. We deny the assertion. They are only taking the places which rightfully belong to them, and of which they have been deprived by prejudice and usurpation.

State Taxes.—The *Oregonian* grows indignant because we have shown that the poll taxes returned from almost every county are greatly deficient, and some of them are exceedingly short Multnomah county happens to return about one-third as many poll taxes as it cast votes. Our strictures have been general and made with reference to every county, and for the purpose of correcting an evil more than to make present complaint. The *Oregonian*, incorrectly, boasts that Portland pays the great majority of the taxes as it is. What has that to do with its not paying the poll tax it owes? If that county having got rich off the risk, can't afford to pay taxes on its gains, it had better refund the profits made off the rest of us and sell out to some place that can afford to be a metropolis

A young lady of Cincinnati is about to commence the study of law, with a view to the practice of it in the courts. As she possesses great personal beauty, it is to be presumed that she will dazzle and bewilder a jury as much by her charms as by her logic.

SUNDAY.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

French Dates to the 17th.

Bismarck will only consent to prolong the armistice five days, owing to military preparations in the south of France.

Grevy has been elected President of the National Assembly at Bordeaux. A caucus composed of a majority proposes a Provisional Republic with Thiers as President, Favre, as Premier, Duke De Cozs, as Minister of Foreign Affairs; the other ministers to be Simon, Picard, Buffet and Barthey. On the conclusion of terms of peace the Convention will adjourn to Paris, and submit to a plebiscite a further form of government.

The Vice Presidents of the Assembly are Martel, Benois and Vitelotrel.

The London Conference.

The Conference at London stands adjourned waiting for the arrival of the French Representative.

The British ministry declares that the remark made last November by Odo Russel to Bismarck, that England would have to go to war with Russia without allies, was unauthorized and censurable.

The Alabama Commission.

During a discussion in Parliamemt an explanation was given of the American Commission to the effect that it was simply to discuss amicably all differences, which are to be referred to the Home Government for instructions, which will be returned by cable, so as not to delay consideration.

German Movements.

The Belgian militia serving on the frontier have been disbanded.

The Emperor of Germany will not return to Paris until peace is declared.

German troops are concentrating in large numbers on the Loire, and if war is resumed the greatest energy will be exercised.

The Prussians are levying contributions in the Departments in spite of the armistice, but the Emperor has reduced two-thirds the exactions on the lower Seine.

Eastern News.

Samuel Sym, of Oregon, whoever that may be, is appointed Counsel to Singapore.

Senator Nye, from Committee on Territories reports adversely to the organization of Alaska Territory.

All information relative to the Alabama claims, fisheries question, and other matters of dispute with England, are being arranged by the State Department for the use of the Joint Commission.

California.—Dates to the 17th.

Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express box was lately taken from a stage between Cloverdale and Healdsburg.

The Japanese party, which arrived here for Washington, includes a Prince of the royal family, uncle to the present Mikado, and a regular Minister to the United States, also of the rank of a Prince, who is the first Minister ever appointed to reside abroad by the Japanese Government.

Quotations of flour remain unchanged and wheat is quoted at $2 20@2 40 per cental.

J. R. Hardenburg has assumed the office of Surveyor Gneral, vice Sherman Day, removed.

Late news from San Diego says: On the 3d inst., within three miles of town, a team owned by C. D. Thompson, was stolen and the wagon burned, by the Apache Indians, who killed the driver. A white man escaped and brought the news to town. At midnight a party of volunteers started in pursuit of the thieves. When near Round Valley a man named A. Gonzales, a wealthy citizen, being in advance of the party, was mistaken for an Apache, and shot. The Apaches escaped with their booty.

Ninety vessels are now en route for San Francisco from Eastern and foreign ports, including twenty-six ships from New York and Boston, and twenty-two ships and barks from European ports.

Late news from Acapulco is that there is fighting between the revolutionists and Federal troops; the former have been beaten.

Crops at all points in California are said to be looking unusuall well.

Corruption Charged.

We published yesterday a short statement as to the way the Chorpenning claim passed and was about to be paid, we find that the matter was fully treated in an editorial of the Sacramento *Union* of the first instant, which we republish. We hope to see the charge thoroughly examined, and if there is truth in the charges made, the Postmaster General should be held responsible and his place supplied at the earliest moment by the appointment of an honest man. Under the head of "Ghastly Corruption" the *Union* says:

The storm raised in the House of Representatives upon the discovery of the enormous fraud in the matter of one Chorpening's claim for service in carrying the mails, will startle the country as much as it did the honest members of the House. The claim is for nearly $500,000, is ten years old, has been four times rejected as illegal, and by the intrigues of the thieves who infest the lobby, has been at last, through dark and villainous ways, piloted along so far that the draft for the money has been signed by the Postmaster General and is presented at the Treasury for payment. At this stage, just when the swindle was about to be realized, the Committee on Appropriations get upon the track of the swindlers, arrest their game by resolution asking that payment be suspended till an investigation can be made. These proceedings occurred last week, and now comes the sub committee with a report, the most astounding, we venture to say, that has been published to the country since the memorable day when it was shown how Howell Cobb, the rebel Secretary of the Treasury under Buchanan, was using his office to break down the credit of the United States as one of the surest means of making his treason successful. This case is worse than that, since Cobb had at least the merit of sincerity, without avarice, while here is a combination of a Department officer and Congressman with the lobby, whose sole motive can be nothing but the making of money by an act which it is flattery to call robbery.

One of the counsel for the lobby who were interested in the consummation of the villainy was Earle, law partner of Creswell, now Postmaster-General. He was also once Assistant Postmaster-General. A joint resolution, authorizing the payment of the claim, was required. It was engineered by John Cessna, Congressman from the Sixteenth—Bedford—Pennsylvania District, in this wise: On his motion, the rules were suspended, and the joint resolution was carried without report or debate; he then had it sent at once to the Senate, where by a similar process it passed the same day; it was then rushed to the White House and the President was prevailed on to sign it right away. From first to last but 18 hours elapsed. This "law" was then taken by Earle, the counsel for these confederate swindlers, to the Postmaster-General, to receive the drauft for the cash which it authorized to be paid. He showed Creswell a forged report of the House Postal Committee; and on the sight of this forgery and the law just passed, Postmaster General Creswell, without waiting for further information drew the draft on the General Fund for it. He did this in the face of adverse reports made by four of his predecessors in the Department, and also by *himself!* These reports all concurred that the claim had no foundations in law and equity.

When these facts were exposed by Dawes and Beck of the Sub Committee on Appropriations, the House stormy as is its normal condition even in the face of most important matters, was startled into a thrilling silence. Members crowded about the Speaker's chair in utter consternation at what was being divulged, and Cessna, the member who engineered the claim through the House, sat silent and abashed in his own chair. At the conclusion of the reading of the report a resolution was unanimously passed repealing the Earle-Cessna joint resolution to pay the claim, and so for the present arresting the swindle. That is, we trust, but the beginning of honest proceeding. Now let the House arrest this man Earle and his apparent coadjutor, Congressman Cessna, and let there be such a thorough overhauling of the matter, from top to bottom, as will drag to the light every one of the confederates high or low. The conduct of Post master-General Creswell, to make the very best of it, is suspicious and blamable. His haste in signing the draft, when he knew the claim was a cheat without color of law or equity to support it, will shadow his reputation with suspicion, and decent men will be very apt to think that the best thing he can do is to resign his office. But as for Earle and Cessna, the times demand an example, and there will hardly occur a better opportunity to make one of material more worthy of severe punishment.

State News.

Linn County.

From the Albany *Register* we learn that a cattle plague prevails near that place, and many valuable cows have been lost.

Mr. Applegates's lecture netted near $70 for the Albany College.

Thirteen new members have joined the Good Templars at Albany.

The County Court of Linn county has ordered that the Court House shall not be rented for lectures, shows, and such like.

George M. Strong was lately robbed at the Overland House, in that city. Some one went through his clothes, when he slept, and took a half-dozen dollars.

Some three weeks since, a German, styling himself Dr. H. J. Fasy, opened an office for the practice of medicine, and after making a great blow among the Germans of this place, suddenly decamped several days ago, going to Corvallis, taking with him a young girl from this city, and after sending the girl home, left Corvallis yesterday, on foot, for parts unknown. He leaves several solicitous friends in Albany from whom he managed to borrow $250, and said friends are anxiously awaiting some tidings of him. A gentleman from Victoria recognized him as the same individual who lately received a coat of tar and feathers from the citizens of that city, for misdemeanors.

Portland.

We gather from the Portland papers that the manufacture of spurious dimes has been stopped there.

Rev. D. K. Nesbit is to lecture before the Young Men's Christian Association next Tuesday, on Shoddy.

A boy thief has been lodged in jail.

The *Advocate* says: The Oregon Educational Union Society has been organized at the Portland Academy.

The corner stone of the Episcopal Church, at Kalama, was successfully laid last Wednesday.

Rev. T. E. Corkhill, of Iowa, has been tranferred, by Bishop Ames, to Salem, Oregon.

Rev. H. H. Spaulding intends to resume his labors among the Nez Perces Indians, with whom he was a Missionary at the time of the Whitman Massacre.

City and County Items.

Temperance.—By invitation of the Good Templars Prof. Rogers will deliver a discourse this evening upon Temperance at the M. E. Church. There should be a good attendance.

Job Printing.—E. M. Waite advertises this morning. He is prepared to do all fancy, job, and book printing in the best manner. As a printer he has no superior, and his office contains every modern appliance of the art preservative.

Ramsdell's Norway Oats.—We have all heard a great deal about these wonderful oats. It will be seen by the advertisement in another column that Messrs. McClane and L. H. Judson, have a lot of them for sale. Those wishing to secure them for spring sowing will take due notice threof.

Vacation.—The South and Central Public Schools have given a vacation of one week to the scholars, and will reopen on Monday, Feb. 27th. The East and North Schools, having lost one week during the smallpox rage, will not give any vacation until the close of the next term.

How to do It.—A splendid cut from that extra beef of Smith & Bowker being placed at our disposal by that liberal firm, we made use of our "Great American Broiler" and disposed of it. More of that beef remains to be disposed of, but as it wont remain long those who want slices must apply early.

A Slight Mistake.—A day or so ago the *Bulletin* went after the Assistant Treasurer of State as a "carpet bagger" from Idaho, and accused the Treasurer of having sent to that distant region to import a relative. The Treasurer is named Fleischner; the Assistant's name is Fleischman. The *Bulletin* was deceived by the typographical error committed by the Statesman, for while we took pains to write the names plainly, the printer, deceived by the seeming similarity, put them up alike. Mr. Fleischman is no relation, we understand, to the Treasurer. He hasn't that excuse for sending out of Oregon for an Assistant.

Gas for Everybody.—The latest light furnished the world seems to be a new patent burner, used with a gasoline lamp, which requires no chimney, no wick, and little care, as it furnishes a gas which flames exactly like any other gas. Benjamin Forstner, the gunsmith, whose shop is back of the Evangelical Church, has purchased the right for this county, and has lamps of beautiful pattern for sale, or he will, for a trifle, change your coal oil lamps to gas burners. The gasoline is perfectly safe to handle and is no more expensive than kerosene. See Forstner's advertisement elsewhere. The public are invited to call and examine the lamps at his place.

Wilson Avenue Improvement.—Last evening the committee on streets let the contract for setting out 564 shade trees on the public grounds to Alex Miller. These trees are to include a majority of the native forest trees of Oregon, such as the fir, cedar, maple, balm of Gilead and Laurel; 300 cultivated shade trees of over twenty varieties are to be added. The contractor is to warrant that these trees shall live, which will insure them being set out with all possible care and attention. The setting out of these trees will be all the work that need be done as a commencement of improvement of the Avenue, as until they grow and offer a shade we cannot expect it to be a place of popular resort.

Transfers of real estate filed for record during the week ending Saturday, Feb. 18. 1871:

J. B. McClane and wife to Geo. W. McBee, lots 5 and 6 in block 17, North Salem; consideration, $800.

Arthur H. Breyman and wife to O. H. Sheldon, 2½ acres, near North Salem; consideration, $600.

Linus Brooks to George W. Weidler, cashier O. & C. R. R. Co., 10 acres on R. R. line; consideration, $1 and other valuable considerations.

Benjamin T. Hall and wife to J. H. Settlemire, 25 acres of claim, No. 78, T 5, S R 2 W; consideration, $275.

James Whitney and wife to David Whitney, undivided one-ninth interest in donation land claim of John Whitney, being 409 acres, T 5, S R, 1 W; consideration, $180.

J. E. Bently to Samuel Brown, lots 7 and 8 in block 43, city of Salem; consideration, $1,800.

James B. Simpson to S. W. R. Jones, 258 acres in T 5, S R, 3 W; consideration, $2,500.

G. W. Gray and wife to George G. Vanwagner, 100 by 165 feet in block 2, "(Robgets Addition)" $1,500.

Those Bells.—Sol. Durbin has those farmers' bells advertised. He also has one set up for another advertisement, at his livery stable where it can be both seen and heard.

The river has been rising of late, as well it might, for the flood gates seem to have been wide open. Boats are coming down loaded heavily, and the down freights are strong. Rafting is also being carried on largely and successfully. Items have been scarce of late. Nothing new turns up, and while we have exercised uncommon diligence of late, we have been only poorly rewarded.

Benefit Tendered L. F. Beatty.

SALEM, Feb. 18, 1871.

Mr. Beatty—Dear Sir: We, the undersigned, citizens of Salem, and members of the Fire Department, desirous of showing our appreciation to you for your efforts in behalf of the Fire Department, and, also, for your endeavors to furnish amusement for the public, which, in a pecuniary sense, has been anything but profitable We, therefore, wish to tender you a complimentary benefit, to take place at such time as you may think most proper.

Trusting that this will meet with your approval, and wishing you success, we remain Yours Respectfully,

(Signed)

D. McFadden,	A. B. Croasman,
W. H. Watkinds,	L. S. Scott,
J. M. Patterson,	A. N. Gilbert,
S. Durbin,	J. H. Haas,
J. N. Matheny,	E. A. Thatcher,
J. C. Brown,	F. Levy,
B. Strang,	J. W. McAffee,
And 50 others.	

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Gentlemen: Your kind favor of the 17th instant tendering me a complimentary benefit, in token of your appreciation of my efforts to cater for your amusement has been received; and in reply allow me to thank you most cordially for your opportune offer, which I most gratefully accept, and am pleased to name Tuesday evening, February 21st, as the occasion.

Very Respectfully, Yours,

L. F. Beatty.

TUESDAY.

French Reconstruction.

We have received no positive information as to what are the terms proposed for Germany to secure peace with France, but it is evident that they wish to secure a lasting peace, and to base it upon a Government that shall be satisfactory to the French people. It was expected that Germany would either attempt the restoration of Napoleon or the foundation of a monarchy in some measure dictated by herself, but we see no signs of interference with the proceedings of the French Assembly; no attempt to dictate as to what style of Government they may adopt. England, Italy and Austria, have already given an official recognition to the Provisional Government with Thiers at its head, the first act of the Assembly. With this Government Bismarck is willing to make peace, after which the French people are to be left to work out their destiny as they may elect. So far, the Germans have been reasonable and their course commands respect for its justice and forbearance. It is to be hoped that terms for peace may be agreed upon so reasonable and just that the two nations may be able in the future to maintain that peace and cultivate friendly relations without the constant threat of war to hover as a shadow of evil over both.

Aid for France.

Suffering France, trodden under foot by armies, devastated and bleeding, presents an object for the sympathy of all mankind. Eight millions of her people are reported as being hungry for bread and in need of the necessaries of life. The nations around her have lent a helping hand, and the people of the United States are now called upon to do something to aid them. This call is being liberally met, and it should be so, for humanity should lead us to recognize the wants of the suffering as a claim upon us not to be ignored. War has its horrors which set humanity aside, but peace brings back to man the privilege to cultivate all the kindly graces and the truest feelings, and to be both able and willing to relieve the wants of man should be the means of truest happiness.

GENERAL NEWS.

The *Oregonian* says it is rumored that the elegant and fast steamer Annie Stewart built some years ago in San Francisco, is soon to make her appearance on the Columbia river under command of Capt. Wm Turnbull.

The first steamer on the Upper Columbia, to run from Celilo to Wallula and Umatilla, is to start for that place on Tuesday, the 28th inst.

Dispensation has been granted for two new Masonic lodges, one at Pendleton Umatilla Co. the other at Cottage Grove, Lane Co.

Hon. Lansing Stout is dangerously ill at Portland.

We learn from Sunday's *Bulletin* that a Company has been incorporated to manufacture printing and wrapping paper, Capital $20,000, and which expect to lease the Clackamas paper mills of H. L. Pittock & Co., and continue the business.

The Rosedale is loading for Allen & Lew. is with wheat for Liverpool. The Texas Propositi is loading for Hewett, Flowerdew & Co., with same cargo, for the same port, but has been delayed in getting her cargo down the river. The Stella, loading for Rio, with flour from the Salem Mills, will complete her cargo this week. The bark Whistler is unloading and will have quick dispatch for San Francisco. The steamer Idaho was weather bound at Astoria on Saturday morning. The late heavy rains have flooded the streets of Portland.

The Dixie proves to be the fastest boat on the Lower Columbia, having made the run to Kalama in two hours and forty minutes, and back against a head wind in 2:45.

A new military brass band is being organized for the City of Portland.

The laying of the Corner Stone of the Episcopal Church at Kalama is said to have been an interesting ceremony.

Benton County.—From the Corvallis paper we gather that Henry Pain, of Harrisburg, lately arrested an Indian horse thief at Coos and brought him back for trial. Sheriff Palmer, of Benton county, lately took George Irvin to the Insane Asylum. Corvallis is being improved by the erection of buildings of various kinds.

To Stop Bleeding.—It is said that bleeding from a wound on man or beast may be stopped by a mixture of wheat flour and common salt, in equal parts, bound on with a cloth. If the bleeding be profuse, use a large quantity, say from one to three pints. It may be left on four hours, or even days it necessary. The person who gave us this recipe says: "In this manner he saved the life of a horse which was bleeding from a wounded artery; the bleeding ceased in five minutes after the application."

"You are very stupid, Thomas," said a country teacher to a little boy eight years old. "You are a little donkey; and what do they do to cure them of stupidity?" "They feed them better, and kick them less." said the pert little urchin.

City and County Items.

Weatherford & Co., Druggists, invite the attention of painters and builders to their stock of glass and paints. They also have brushes, painters' materials, etc. See their new advertisement. 2d

The river was at a stand yesterday, being within six inches of the highest stage attained this winter. The Albany started up again last evening. The grain on the upper Willamette is rapidly being transported to market.

G. P. Terrell has still a nice assortment of staple and fancy dry goods on hand, but he will soon go below to lay in a spring stock, and is prepared to be uncommonly liberal to those who have wants to supply meantime.

Police matters revived the other day, so that a couple of young men got into a fight. One man must have a *head* put on him, for he went to law, and his opponent paid a small fine. Still he was a head in more senses than one.

Not Going.—Prof. Francis calls our attention to the fact that certain persons in Portland are advertising there that he intends to come down and open a class, with them, in a so-called musical institute, which he assures us is not the case. He has all he can do here, has every reason to be satisfied, and intends to remain where he is.

Salem Library Association.—The ladies appointed as a committee to assist the successful organization of the Salem Library Association met yesterday and arranged to have the city districted, with canvassers, whose duty shall be to canvass for books or money to lay the foundation of the library. Arrangements are not yet complete, and due notice will be given when they intend to commence the work.

Not a Sample.—A friend calls our attention to the fact that February has disappointed us this year, and belied all our traditions. Usually this month is balmy and spring-like. We expect green grass and sometimes realize peach blossoms in this month, while the wild flora of our region usually is blooming in beauty. The fact is, the clerk of the weather has stolen a march upon us, and has chopped February out of the calendar. New comers must be reasonable and live in hope.

Invitation. — Officers and members of Capital Engine Co. No. 1, you are cordially invited to attend a Social Ball to be given Tiger Engine Co. No. 2, at Reed's Opera House, on the evening of the 22d inst.

J. J. Isbrie,
Secretary Tiger Engine Co. No. 2

Salem, Feb. 19, 1871.

The Secretary of No. 1 requests us to publish the above, there not being time to call a meeting.

Bingley's Natural History.—Mr. R. T. Martin is agent for the sale of the above work, which is a volume of 1,040 pages, containing a thousand illustrations. This volume conveys a vast amount of information, and should be in every family for the sake of the children, as it covers an important field in education. The book is most attractive in appearance and is well worth the money asked. Mr. Martin will canvass the city this week for the sale of his works.

Illinois vs. Oregon.—We were yesterday shown a letter from Central Illinois, which described a snow storm that lasted three days incessantly, and snowed fences under and did all sorts of things. Here we are, far north of that latitude, and we don't have such a snow storm twice in a century, at least there has been none such in the century since we came to this country.

Theater.—Our readers must remember that the benefit of Mr. Beatty comes off this evening. Our citizens have offered him this testimonial as a mark of respect and as as a trifle of encouragement after a not very profitable season. The entertainment will consist of the laughable comedy, "Taming a Tartar," which will be followed by pantomime and tableaux, with songs between the acts. Every possible pains will be taken to have house made pleasant and comfortable and the entertainment will be good.

Pacific Law Encyclopedia.—Mr. R. T. Martin, of this city, is agent for the sale of this valuable compendium of law, which is adapted to the wants of any and every citizen called on to perform any business involving legal responsibility or requiring legal forms. It is the sum of great volumes of law condensed in a single book and practically adapted to ordinary use. Its publication is not in the interests of the legal fraternity as of the public. Every property owner or business man can find frequent use for such a book and Mr. Martin will undoubtedly find many who will be glad to subscribe for it.

Benefit Sociable.—The ladies of Salem are about to do a neat and quite appropriate thing. They intend to have a united effort and hold a grand sociable at the Opera House for the benefit of C. A. Reed. Mr. Reed has been liberal and accommodating in offering the use of the Opera House to the different denominations, and they wish to show some substantial appreciation of his kindness in so doing. Mr. Reed has, by his enterprise, done much for Salem without, as yet, reaping substantial benefits himself, and we are pleased to see such a movement. The Union Sociable may be expected at an early day.

Trees for the Avenue.—Alex. Miller informs that he will immediately commence work on the Avenue, setting out the trees according to contract. He has had previous experience in this line, having improved a public park