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WEDNESDAY.

Questions Asked and Answered.

Below we give a letter recently received by Mr. Pearce, of Eola, from New Jersey. Being almost daily in receipt of letters from the East of similar import, we give both the letter received and Mr. Pearce's answer thereto. We will only add that Mr. P. is a well known and reliable contributor to the Agricultural Bureau at Washington, and also to this journal. His statements as given below, any person living in this vicinity can of course vouch for their truthfulness:

VINELAND, NEW JERSEY,
May 31, 1871.

Mr. T. Pearce, Eola, Oregon.

DEAR SIR: I notice in the Monthly Report of the Department of Agriculture, a meteorological table prepared by you, in which I have been much interested, and I take the privilege of asking a few questions of you relative to the climate and charactics of Oregon. In the first place I desire a climate the reverse of enervating. Having lived some years in Minnesota, I know how to appreciate a clear bracing atmosphere. There must of course be various climates in so large a State, and on the Pacific slope, so that almost any constitution can have its needs supplied by a proper choice of locality.

I am unable to place Eola upon any map I can find. First, In your region can good grazing lands be found—for I judge that you have portions of country adapted to sheep and stock raising—and are there any running brooks or lakes? Is your drinking water hard or soft, from wells or springs, is it cold? What is the character of the soil, clay, sandy or stony? What is your time? Judging from your table you cannot have any difficulty in raising peaches, plums, cherries and the small fruits. I have heard of Oregon apples. Are they a success with you? Do your people take any interest in breeding fine stock? Are there any drawbacks to the most successful stock raising, and fruit growing? Do you have frequent droughts or an excess of rain? Is your summer weather sultry, or are nights cool? Do you have mosquetoes, or other insect pests; curculio, for instance?

If you can give me the names of any successful stock raisers or fruit growers in your own or other parts of the State please do so. What are your advantages over Northern California?

Very Respectfully,
ALFRED D. SMITH.

EOLA, OREGON, June 21, 1871.

Alfred D. Smith, Esq.,

DEAR SIR: Yours of the 5th inst. is at hand, and I take pleasure in replying to your interrogatories. If you have a map of Oregon you may find Eola (formerly Cincinnati) on the west side of the Willamette five miles above Salem.

Q. 1. Good grazing lands in this vicinity can be bought from $8 to $20 per acre, although land in the immediate vicinity of Salem is selling at from $100 upwards per acre, this however, is land specially adapted to market gardening.

2. There is an abundance of springs and running streams. There are some sections not well supplied with stock-water, such instances however, are quite inconsiderable.

3. Our drinking water comes from both wells and springs, is cold and good, and almost universally soft; the exceptions being in some few instances where it is impregnated with saline matter.

4. The character of the land is variable, but little sand, except upon the river bottoms. The general character is a rich loam, a large share being alluvial and having a clay sub-soil. We have no stony land.

5. The timber is fir, cedar, some pine, oak, ash, maple and cottonwood, answering to the basswood of the Atlantic States.

6. In this valley we raise apples, pears, plums, cherries and all of the small fruits to perfection, as successfully, perhaps, as can be done in any country in the world. Peaches, like corn, we do not regard as a successful crop; in some specially favored locations they succeed tolerably well, while in others the effort to raise them has been pretty much abandoned. The reason for this is probably found in our cool nights, during the warm season we are *blessed* with a salubrious sea breeze from about three in the afternoon until sunset or later, which cools the atmosphere too much for peaches to succeed, but richly compensating for the loss in this respect by giving us deliciously cool nights for sleep.

7. Our people are taking some interest in raising improved stock. At our State Agricultural Fair we have some very creditable exhibitions of stock of all kinds, although of course, in a country so new, there is still much room for improvement. There are certainly no drawbacks to the most successful stock raising, and the only drawback to successful fruit raising is found in the sometimes unremunerative prices; this, however, applies more particularly to apples alone.

8. We have a large amount of rain during the late autumn, winter and early spring months, with showers through May and June generally, after which we seldom have rain until September, and sometimes none until October, from the 1st to the 10th of December we look for the setting in of the winter rains. The dry season, we do not regard as drought. We do not need rain during the time indicated, and would generally very much prefer not having any.

9. We have no mosquetoes, and are but little troubled with insects injurious to fruit, except caterpillars, with which we have been troubled the past and present year.

10. Having never been in Northern California, I cannot state what special advantages we have over that region. In reference to the question I would say that our old settlers sometimes become dissatisfied with Oregon and move to California, where they seldom remain more than from one to two years; often declaring on their return that they would not exchange their own location in this State for the whole of California.

I refer you to John Minto, Daniel Clark and Thomas Cross, of Salem, Marion county, and John Johnston, of Luckiamute, Polk county, as successful stock raisers. Of fruit growers I refer you to M. P. Owen, of Salem, and William Ruble, of Eola.

I omitted to state in the beginning that should you come to Oregon you will find a climate such as you seek, "the reverse of enervating," invigorating, healthful and pleasant.

I have endeavored to answer your questions candidly, and should you upon these representations move here I believe you will not be disappointed.

Very Respectfully, T. PEARCE.

ACQUITTED.—Mr. Henry C. Saunderson, who was arrested several months since upon the charge of bigamy and has remained since that time in the county jail, was yesterday brought before the Court and, without trial, honorably acquitted. This is very well; but who or what can atone for the hours of anguish passed both by himself and young bride, from whose side he was taken accused of this crime? Was it fate or malicious persecution that brought this false accusation against him?

California Nominations.

As will be seen by our telegraphic dispatches this morning, the State Democratic Convention of California, held at Sacramento on the 21st, and 22d inst., made the following nominations. For Governor, H. H. Haight; for Lieutenant Governor, E. J. Lewis; Supreme Judges, Jackson Temple and Selden S. Wright; for Secretary of State, W.B. C. Brown; for Comptroller, R. O. Dewitt; for Superintendent of Schools, O. A. Fitzgerald; for State Treasurer, A. Coronel; Attorney General, Joseph Hamilton; Surveyor General, J. W. Bost; State Printer, John Barry.

MARRIED.—At the residence of the bride's father, in Yamhill county, June 25th 1871, by Rev. Mr. Howard, A. C. Schwatka and Miss Anna M. Gaines. Our blushing friend Gus., whose name of Schwatka, so alarmed the Idahoians that they called him "Buffalo Calf" instead, has fulfilled the hopes of his youth and the promise of his manhood by getting married. Gus. is a print, the only one in the State of his size, and that 300 lbs. of avoirdupois of his is scarce large enough to receive all the good wishes the craft bestow on him. We hope and predict that *his Gaines* will prove nobody's loss. The boys acknowledge the receipt of a shoe blacking box full of cake, but where, oh! where! was the wine to moisten it? Oh, we forgot that Gus. has joined the daughters of temperance, and hereafter is only going "where the good niggers go"—we mean where the good printers go.

Circuit Court, June Term.

JUDGE—A. J. THAYER, PRESIDING.

TUESDAY, June 27, 1871.

Marvin vs. Marvin; S. C. Simpson appointed referee.

Ensign vs. Ensign; J. H. Reed appointed referee.

State vs. John B. Cyr; demurrer sustained and defendant discharged.

State vs. Sam'l Adolph; demurrer sustained and defendant discharged.

State vs. Thibodean; selling liquor without license; demurrer sustained.

State vs. Thibodeau, No. 2; demurrer to complaint sustained.

State vs. John Dillon; Grand Jury reported not true bill; prisoner discharged.

T. L. Bonney vs. State of Oregon; set aside complaint and verdict.

Howk vs. Howk; L. Vinyard appointed referee.

Starr vs. Starr; James Chapman appointed referee.

State vs. Masier; on motion, submitted.

Hill vs. Hill; motion to strike out complaint allowed, and defendant allowed to file an amended complaint.

GENERAL NEWS.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

An organization called the Puget Sound Farmer's Club will meet at Olympia on the 1st of July.

An important discovery of valuable iron ore has been made on the Puyallup river, about fifteen miles from Steilacoom.

The streams flowing into Puget Sound from the Cascade mountains have been unusually high from melting snows, and some of the farmers have lost their crops.

Several papers have stated that Alonzo Leland, Esq., was obliged to leave Lewiston on account of his connection as counsel with the man Walters, who was was hung by a mob. The statement is incorrect. Mr. Leland did not leave at all.

The Olympia *Transcript* has an account of some big trees, from which we quote: Not three miles from the block house on the Chehalis river is a fallen tree, three feet in diameter at the butt, and 290 feet in length; measuring sixteen inches at 200 feet from the ground. A monster fir lying prostrate on the ground, which has just been measured in Pierce county by the surveying party, is eleven feet in diameter, and 310 feet in length; and in the field notes in the Surveyor General's office, is a section corner in township ninteen north, range eleven west, with two bearing trees, fourteen feet each in diameter.

Portland.

From the Portland dailies of the 27th we cull as follows:

The *Herald* says no freight is received for above the Dalles by the O. S. N. Co., because the Cascade road is not finished.

The flags in Portland were at half-mast on Monday out of respect to the memory of Mr. Delschneider, a member of the Multnomah Fire Co.

Mrs. Duniway had her bulletin board broken by a runaway horse.

The *Oregonian* speaks of the large number of new books that are being weekly added to the Portland library.

The Edward Jones is expected with a large cargo of freight and 140 Chinese emigrants.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

EUROPEAN NEWS.

Lisbon, June 25.—The Emperor of Brazil will leave Lisbon to-morrow for France. He will make a visit to Bayonne, Paris, Germany, England and Italy, and return to Brazil in February.

London, June 25.—The annual banquet of the Golden Club came off last evening. The prominent speech of the occasion was made by the Earl of Granville. Speaking of the treaty of Washington, Earl Granville said Mr. Cobden always desired that America and England should always be connected by ties of the warmest character. The speaker then eulogized the labors of the Marquis of Ripon and Prof. Leonard in the High Commission, and spoke of the settlement of the Alabama question as a great and good work, both in its relations to the past and future, showing how dissensions which were, perhaps, the commencement of quarrels should be settled, leaving behind only friendship, peace and good will. In continuation he alluded to the United States as holding striking protectionist opinions, but declared his belief that the people of that country have come to the conclusion that it is unprofitable to continue the collection of enormous tariffs.

CALIFORNIA.

Political News.

San Francisco, June 25.—A vessel has been sent north with a party to take possession of the newly discovered coal veins on the Aleutian Islands in behalf of the company in San Francisco, who fitted out the first expedition. They carry supplies with them and will proceed to open the veins and make preparations for a systematic working of them.

This afternoon Henry Weimer, of Vallejo, was shot and mortally wounded by Thos. Farren, at whose residence, on Clementina street, he was visiting. The two men appear to have been skylarking and becoming excited handled each other with considerable roughness. Farren says that Weimer attempted to throw him down stairs when he drew a revolver and fired, the bullet passing through the lower part of Weimer's body. Farren was arrested. The doctor in attendance reports Weimer sinking fast.

San Francisco, June 25.—The Democratic State Convention at Sacramento, on the 21st and 22d, was a very harmonious one, and business was dispatched with rapidity. The platform adopted is substantially the [illegible] as now stands, with all amendments, opposing railroad subsidies, and favoring a distribution of public lands among actual settlers, rigid economy in National and State administrations, abolition of the income tax and all sinecure offices, opposing Chinese immigration, and denouncing the mismanagement of national affairs by the Republican party. The nominations were then in order, and Gov. H. H. Haight was renominated by acclamation for Governor; E. J. Lewis for Lieut. Governor; Jackson Temple and Selden S. Wright for Supreme Judges; W. B. C. Brown for Secretary of State; R. O. Dewitt for Comptroller; O. P. Fitzgerald for Superintendent of Schools; A. Coronel for State Treasurer; Jos. Hamilton for Attorney General; J. W. Bost for Surveyor General; John Barry for State Printer; Thomas Laspayer for Clerk of the Supreme Court; I. Friedlander for Harbor Commissioner, and J. W. Coffroth for Congress in the middle district.

Friedlander positively declined the nomination of Harbor Commissioner. The State Central Democratic Committee will meet on July 6th and nominate another candidate.

San Francisco, June 26.—Seventy-six men from New York, all utterly destitute, arrived from Magdalena Bay by steamer Montana to-day, and are now in front of the City Hall waiting to interview Mayor Selby. They are greatly incensed against the Lower California Colonization Company through the outrageous misrepresentations of whose agents they were induced to go to that desolate and God-forsaken locality. They say that before they were allowed to leave they were compelled to sign an agreement to release the Lower California Company from all liability for damages. Some are sick, others barefooted, and they are all in rags and a badly demoralized conditions. They say that had not the Mexican authorities at La Paz given them rations they would all have starved.

Dr. Barstow, who shot himself in the forehead with a pistol last night from unknown cause, and Wiemer, who was shot by Thomas Farren at the christening party on Clementina street yesterday afternoon, are both still living though in a hopeless condition.

City and County Items.

LOCAL BREVITIES.—An interesting statement of what is going on in and about Yaquina Bay, has been given us by Mr. B. F. Joslin, formerly connected with this paper, and which will appear to-morrow if we can find space.....Mr. G. W. Gray has men employed excavating the cellars of his new stores to be erected on State street .....Messrs. Lampson & Co., the enterprising manufacturers of confectionery, will remove to Commercial street, opposite this office, as soon as the carpenters get through with their work.....The performance of the troupe now playing at the Opera House, is above the average of traveling exhibitions .....Messrs. Cox & Earhart have a few more cans left of that genuine New York State maple sugar, "a word to the wise is sufficient".....The reason why stoves and tinware is so cheap at David Cole's, is simply because he is on the jury and the Judge won't excuse him.....Under the new schedule time of the O. & C. R. R. we received yesterday the *Oregonian* at 2 p. m., the *Herald* at 6 p. m., and did not get the *Bulletin* at all.....Again we are compelled to lay over a number of interesting locals for want of room.

FOURTH OF JULY.—The Committee of Arrangements announces this morning, as far as agreed upon, the programme for the celebration of our National Birthday. We learn, however, several additions will be made to the order of exercises that will give further zest to those who participate in the celebration of that ever memorable day. Rest assured that those having charge of the ceremonies will leave nothing undone to make the day pass agreeably to all. It only remains for our citizens to do their duty. Let every place on our principal thoroughfares be adorned. Plant evergreens before your doors, twine wreaths of flowers upon your balconies, and from every flag-staff and window let the stars and stripes be shown. Let our beautiful city put on its bridal dress and give a kindly welcome to those who come to see us on this festive day. Give the boys full scope; roll out your tar barrels and pine knots, and let them build bonfires and rend the air with their merry huzzahs. In short, celebrate the day in the good old-fashioned way, then everybody can go home late at night, perhaps tired, but, nevertheless, satisfied that they have done their best to perpetuate the commemoration of a "better day than ever St. Patrick was."

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY.—A record is made of the recitations, neatness, attendance and deportment, of each student, and an average is taken twice a term. For the first half of the current term the following pupils averaged 90 per cent. and over. Their names are therefore enrolled in Class First: Wiley B. Allen, 90; Hubbard Bryant, 96; Jno. H. Baughman, 92; Annie B. Baughman, 92; Sarah Bridges, 90; Willie M. Brey, 93; Ora Berry, 90; A. A. Bonney, 98; C. S. Cutting, 99; Lydia Chamberlin, 95; Sarah Chamberlin, 95; Olive Chamberlin, 91; Virginia Condit, 99; Quinn Doane, 95; Peter H. D'Arcy, 95; Robt. Eakin, 98; John T. Ford, 90; Jennie Gray, 94; Eva Gilbert, 94; F. M. Hobson, 99; Nellie Hall, 95; Lizzie Imbrie, 90; Josie Imbrie, 90; Thos. C. Jory, 99; Phebe Jory, 99; Mary Jory, 90; M. L. Jones, 98; Geo. A. Lawton, 90; Millard F. Lemon, 96; Alfred R. Lyle, 98; Albert N. Moores, 92; Ada May, 95; Wm. E. McAfee, 91; Eva McLane, 94; Jennie Miller, 99; Frank Parmenter, 96; Nettie Powell, 91; Jno. F. Royse, 90; David T. Sears, 93; M. Clay Starr, 93; M. T. Starr, 99; Freddie Stratton, 96; Amelia Scriber, 98; Emily Shattuck, 95; Mary Starr, 96; Elva Wheeler, 97; Emma Wheeler, 96; Lafayette Williams, 99; Loretta Yokum, 91.

DEEDS EXECUTED.—The Land Office yesterday strikingly resembled by its unceasless activity and busy hum a bee hive. The number of deeds executed supports us in our similie, as will be seen by the following number that were issued: To A F Brown, 80 acres in Douglas county; A Brown, 80 acres, same county; T B Blakely, 40 acres, same county; R M Russell, 80 acres, same county; C A Huntley, 22 acres, same county; Daniel Walker, 40 acres, same county; M Tipton, 160 acres, same county; J H Myers, 80 acres, same county; J V Bradley, 160 acres, same county; John Ricord, 40 acres, Benton county; G Mercer, 40 acres, Benton county; James Gordon, 160 acres, Coos county; John Baley, 40 acres, Lane county; W H H Myers, 36 acres, Washington county; Raleigh Stott, 40 acres, same county; N Job, 160 acres, same county; L M Parrish, 40 acres, same county; B Q Tucker, 160 acres, same county; Mrs. M Skelton, 160 acres, same county; S P Taylor, same county.

WOOL.—The Willamette Woolen Manufacturing Company and our other wool buyers are paying from 35 to 36 cents per pound for wool. It is not expected that much more will come to market until after the Fourth of July.

NEW BOOK.—Mr. Amos L. Williams, a deaf mute, whose appearance is gentlemanly and engaging, is about to canvass the city for a work entitled "One Hundred years' Progress of the United States." The book shows the various channels of industry through which the people of the United States have arisen from a British colony to a first-class Nation in power and wealth. It contains 570 large royal octavo pages, printed on good paper; 278 illustrations—266 from electrotype, 10 steel plate, and two chromos. An appendix is attached entitled "Marvels that our Grand Children will see, or One Hundred Years of Progress in the Future." By subscribing for this book you get a work of positive value; an addition to any library, and at the same time assist a fellow being who labors under many disadvantages in earning a livelihood. When Mr. Williams calls upon you take a look at the book, even if you do not purchase.

FROM THE SOUTH.—Messrs. Urafovage & Wright received yesterday from the south, by steamer, any quantity of oranges, apricots, plums and tomatoes. This office will frankly admit that they received a sample lot of those delicious articles, and found them as fresh and luscious as they were the day they were plucked from the "parent stem." Our readers if they wish any, must be on hand early this morning, or they will find themselves like the brilliant but unfortunate Edgar A. Poe, saying its "too late, too late."

CHURCH OF CHRIST.—The following statistics of the "Church of Christ" were collected at the Annual Oregon Co-operation, held for 1871 at the Dixie Camp Ground. The session lasted twelve days, and was marked with perfect harmony and good feeling. The average daily attendance was estimated at upwards of two thousand: No. of churches reported, 64; No. of ministers at Co-operation, 21; No. of ministers in the State, 28; No. of members in the State, 3,250; No. of accessions during meeting, 58.

COSMOPOLITAN SALOON.—This place has been refitted, refurnished, gas put in, a Jenny Lind table, new fixtures, repainted, etc. A fine lunch will be spread from 10:30 a. m. to 12 m. and from 9 p. m. to 12, midnight. Altogether it is the finest establishment of the kind in the city. People of bibulous inclinations will soon ascertain this fact. As will be seen by the new advertisement this morning Mr. John Byrne is the proprietor.

SALEM, June 27, 1871.

MR. LOCAL: My proposition to issue the one hundredth marriage license for the year ending on the fist Monday of July, in this morning's issue of the STATESMAN, was called for before noon by a fine, hearty and wholesome looking young gentleman. I gave the promised premium, and hope the young gentleman will ever be as pleasant and happy as he appeared at my office, and, if so, the bride will ever enjoy the sunshine of at least one countenance.

A. B. COSPER, County Clerk.

THE NEW INSTRUMENTS.—The Webfoot Band received their new instruments yesterday. Their shape from the E Flat Cornet to the Double Bass Tuba are alike. This is a new arrangement. Each instrument, when in use, resting upon the left shoulder of the player, giving a pretty and uniform appearance to the company when marching. The tone and excellence of their "bugles" have not yet been tested.

A FIGHT.—Two young men got into a difficulty in the City Bakery last evening about dark. The result was that both got scratched up pretty badly, and one spent the night in the calaboose. The case will probably come up before Recorder Waymire this morning, when particulars of the disturbance will be given.

DRUGS, PAINTS AND OILS.—Weatherford & Co. are in receipt of more goods, making the largest and most extensive assortment, in their line, ever in this city; all kinds of paints, various sizes of glass, pure drugs, oils and extracts, fine Perfumery, etc., in fact a little of everything to be had in a drug store.

SWORN IN.—Judge B. F. Bonham was sworn in as the Circuit Judge of this District yesterday, by Judge A. J. Thayer, in the office of Hon. S. F. Chadwick, Secretary of State, where the proper papers according to law, were filed.

THURSDAY.

California Democracy.

We find in the Sacramento *Union* of June 22d, a report of the preceedings of the Democratic State Convention and the platform of resolutions adopted, which conforms in all essential requisites to the "New Departure" lately taken in Ohio. California Democracy has not found it advisable to thrust the currency question into the present contest, and there is no declaration in favor of greenbacking the bond holders and compelling them to take bonds bearing only three per cent. interest for those they now hold which draw six. The New Departure theory, however, is only important as accepting the situation with respect to the three last amendments to the Constitution and declaring them full settlement of all the issues of the war. Thus the California platform distinctly declares, with the addition of the Ohio dissertation, in favor of the literal construction of the Constitution as provided for in the tenth amendment to that instrument; the absolute equality of the States, and opposition to centralization of power in the general Government.

The platform contains, in all, seventeen resolutions and goes on at length to favor universal amnesty so that Jeff Davis can again command their suffrages. It favors a tariff for revenue only and denounces protection, in *toto*, as unjust, oppressive and corrupt. Of course, it denounces the late acts of Congress, to preserve the purity of elections and to quell the Ku-Klux troubles in the South. The Administration is denounced as a despotism, anxious to perpetuate itself.

It denounces government grants to railroads, past, present and future as a fraud, while there isn't a Democrat in California but knows that his State would have been without railroad connection with the East, only for the aid Government lent to the enterprise. It opposes the income tax, which seems to have few friends in any party. It opposes the subsidizing of corporations at the expense of the State or the people of the State, but the convention nominated a man for Governor who signed ten subsidy bills where he vetoed one. Both parties will stand square against subsidies, as that has been a test matter before the people, irrespective of parties. The remaining resolutions sound a great deal like clap-trap, and simply amount to a wholesale denunciation of the Administration and all its measures. These declarations are far too general to be effective.

A Word in Reply.

ED. STATESMAN: In answer to a criticism of my book which appeared in last week's *Mercury*, I wish to say that a woman whose brother was at Vicksburg and New Orleans, and a scout on Red river; whose nephew was starved at Andersonville; whose cousin died in a hospital ship on the Mississippi, and who had another cousin who was killed before Nashville; besides having three other cousins (playmates of her childhood) who were all through the war, I say that such a woman is not likely to feel like taking the edge off of her opinions for the sake of sparing the feelings of those who upheld the enemy who took the blood of her kindred.

Besides this, the poem that is so objectionable was written in the very heat of the war, and truth is not likely to need changing because it has been written five or six years. I think my poem will be just as popular among good and thoughtful people as it would have been without the criticism of the *Golden Era* and the Salem *Mercury*.

BELLE W. COOKE.

General News.

Washington Territory.

The Walla Walla *Statesman* denies that the reported wool frauds were perpetrated at that place.

The Northwestern Home is the name of a paper that comes forth unheralded at Vancouver. It is an agricultural journal and will appear monthly. The first number evinces care and judgment, and looks well. Published by the Northwestern Home Co. at $1 a year.

A Walla Walla paper says: The tide of immigration still continues to flow steadily in our direction. There is no rush or stampede, but people are coming steadily and constantly. All seem well pleased with the appearance of the country, and express their determination to stay.

The County Commissioners of Walla Walla have withdrawn the proposition to pay $16,000 yearly for the term of twenty years. But it is understood that at the next meeting of the Board a proposition will be submitted to the voters authorizing that a subscription of $200,000 to the capital stock of the railroad company, in behalf of the county. It is believed that the proposition will carry.

From the Walla Walla *Union:* In our last issue, in giving an account of the hanging, by a mob, of Peter F. Walters, we doubted the propriety of the action of the Sheriff in not executing the sentence of the law. It now seems that the reason why the sentence was not carried into effect by the officer, was that an appeal had been taken only a day or two before the day set for the hanging, and that the Clerk had issued a stay of execution. This being the case, the Sheriff is blameless.

Eastern Oregon.

The Mountain *Democrat*, published for awhile at La Grande, has ceased to exist.

Southern Oregon.

The Jacksonville *Times* says: Settlers are pouring into Klamath Lake valley. They come from Willamette chiefly, and are settling on Lost river and Alkali lake.

One hundred and thirty men are now at work on the Packwood ditch in Baker county, and the force will soon be increased. The ditch will be completed by September.

A company of cavalry, under command of Brevet Maj. Jackson, has been stationed at Fort Klamath, in addition to the company of infantry already there. Maj. Jackson has command of the post.

From the Jacksonville *Sentinel*: Dr. E. H. Greenman has returned from a trip to Goose Lake valley. He reports that the valley is rapidly filling up with settlers, also that droves of stock, cattle and sheep, are constantly arriving. The country is healthy and peaceable, giving but little employment to doctors or lawyers.

Portland.

The *Oregonian* of the 28th inst. says the contract for grading the first twenty miles of the Oregon Central Railroad has been let to M. L. Hart & Co.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

EUROPEAN NEWS.

Paris, June 27.—The Republican committee will publish to-morrow a list of candidates.

Gambetta arrived at Bordeaux on Sunday and delivered a speech on the reorganization of France. He adheres to the views of Louis Blanc.

London, June 27.—The Fenian Burke was released on condition of reporting yearly to magistrates.

The Pope replying to the French Catholics, praised their zeal and denounced liberal Catholicism.

Thiers has issued a decree for the establishment of a legion of mobilist gen d'armes to maintain order at Versailles, to be composed of a squadron of cavalry and eight companies of infantry.

EASTERN NEWS.

Washington, June 27.—Citizens of California, who have held unsettled claims against the Indian Bureau since 1855, amounting to $25,000, have at intervals pressed them upon Congress. A few dollars have been paid on them in order to ascertain their extent and validity. Secretary Delano has decided to appoint a committee to visit California and examine and report upon all outstanding Indian claims held in that State.

A partial report of the amount of spirits in bond and out in the country was printed a few days ago. The statement shows the stock on hand to be 40,838,166 gallons, or 4,798,826 gallons less than were shown by the report of last November.

Memphis, June 27.—Major Andrew Jackson Donaldson died suddenly last evening of cholera morbus, in the 72d year of his age. He has resided during the last ten years on his plantation in Mississippi.

Louisville, June 27.—Last night Louis Rhioms was shot and killed by his rival, Valentine Rubett, who laid in ambush for him and shot him while his victim was returning from a visit to his anamorita.

St. Paul, Minn., June 27.—There was a desperate and bloody row last night in a saloon, between three brothers and another man over cards. One of the brothers stabbed and killed another.

CALIFORNIA NEWS.

San Francisco, June 27.—Counsel for Mrs. Fair to-day filed a new batch of affidavits in the 15th District Court, and a petition for re-opening of the motion for a new trial, heretofore denied, based upon such affidavits, and those already read and made public. As the appeal of the case is now pending in the Supreme Court, the new motion will probably not be heard until the appeal is disposed of.

Jas. Harrington *alias* Alkali Jim and William Miner, the San Andreas stage robbers who were arrested here some weeks since, came back to-night from Calaveras county en route for San Quentin for ten years each. The third member of the firm is yet to be tried.

Independent Democrats, led by Friedlander, who protested against the appointment of delegates to the State Convention by the County Commissioners, are in caucus this evening. They will probably appoint a Committee of five to confer with a Committee of the same number from the County Committee to harmonize the two wings of the party.

The friends of Booth assert this evening that they have positive information that 170 of the delegates will support him in the State Convention in any event, and that his nomination is certain. The general impression here is that he is sure of the nomination.

Folsom, June 27.—Between two and three o'clock this afternoon, a fire broke out in Chinatown, consuming the entire part occupied by Chinese, with the exception of a brick store outside of Chinatown. It burned the Patterson House, the residence of O. C. Lewis and a portion of a lumber yard owned by S. Addisan.

San Francisco, June 26.—Dr. W. H. Rogers, who was thrown from a carriage last evening while going to attend upon Dr. Barstow, who shot himself in the head, is lying unconscious and little hope of his recovery is entertained. His skull is fractured badly. Dr. Barstow is in a sinking condition—recovery impossible.

Julia Kelly, aged six years, an inmate of the alms house, fell from a heavy wa on this evening. The wheel passed over her skull, crushing it and causing instant death.

The dam at the outlet of Lake Tahoe is nearly completed.

Col. Von Schmidt will break ground for the great tunnel through Sierra Nevada in a few days.

Delegates from San Francisco to the Republican State Convention met in caucus this evening and decided to act as an unit in support of Selby, and agreed on a line of conduct to be followed in certain contingencies. The caucus was not a public one.

BY STATE TELEGRAPH.

Salem, June 27.—Mr. Clark telegraphed to Mr. Greeley in relation to delivering the Annual Address at the coming State Fair, and this evening received the following reply:

New York, June 27.—Daniel Clark, President State Agricultural Society: I cannot visit Oregon this year.

(Signed) HORACE GREELEY.

MEMENTOES.—The only mementoe left at Ladd & Tilton's bank, yesterday, to be placed in the corner-stone of the new Masonic Temple, was a single nickel. This is the last day of grace, so parties had better hasten if they wish any mementoes inserted.—*Herald.*

We will wager a big apple that the name of that paper was the *New Northwest.*

City and County Items.

LOCAL BREVITIES.—Hon. S. F. Chadwick, Secretary of State, was invited to deliver the oration at the Fourth of July celebration in Oregon City. His official duties prevented his acceptance.....Syl. C. Simpson Esq., of this city, delivers the oration at Corvallis on the Fourth of July.....Josephus Holmes Esq. commenced clearing away yesterday on State street, in the rear of Durbin's block, preparatory to beginning work on a two story brick store to be erected there.....Ladies are charged no admission fee at the skating rink.....The O. & C. R. R. Company charge half fare to those who go down to-day to assist in the laying of the corner stone of the Masonic Temple.....See the change in Anderson & Brown's advertisement. A full account of the new addition to their store will be given to-morrow.....Judging from the greenbacks in Murphy & Crossman's show window, we can't tell whether they are keeping a clothing store or a bank..... Scott & Co. received a choice lot of potatoes yesterday from up the river.....Workmen are busily engaged fixing up Marion Square for the Fourth of July.

OLD BLACK HAWK.—Our readers who are "to the manor born" will remember Black Hawk, Dr. Belt's old time saddle horse, now twenty-eight years of age, tied in his time to every gatepost in the county, but for half a dozen years past enjoying a serene old age at the Doctor's expense, eating grass and hay on his farm without let or hindrance. The other day old Black Hawk was drawn from his retiracy, the Doctor tells us, by a school district assessor who caught sight of him and assessed him at fifteen dollars for educational purposes, so the old fellow, having been ridden as a hobby by one generation is helping educate another, but in his old age he resembles the lilies of the field, in that he toils not, neither does he spin around any more blocks.

We have received the first number of the *Real Estate Circular*, a monthly paper, published by Hamwer & Terry, Real Estate Agents in this city. It is a small four page paper, and contains matter of interest to all persons, and particularly valuable to immigrants and others wishing to invest in real estate. The number before us contains an article on the resources of Marion county—to be followed by others descriptive of the various portions of our State.

THATCHER & SON.—This firm received yesterday direct from the East, a supply of Elixer Pepsin, Strychnine and Bismuth, Elixer Pepsin, Pancreatine and Bismuth, Elixer Rhubarb and Magnesia Aromatic, Elixer Helonids Root Compound, And Elixer Cinchona, Iron and Strychina. There you have it, and if the reader understands as well as the writer does, what they *did* receive yesterday, they are in luck.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY.—Mr. Isaac Durbin, living a short distance on the other side of Lake Labish, was aroused night before last by some person trying to force an entrance into his house, through a window. Seizing his gun he aimed at the theif. The gun, however, missed fire, which gave the thief an opportunity to escape, as he was to far when Mr. D. fired the second time, to affect him.

ATTENDING COURT.—The following members of the bar are at present in the city attending Circuit Court. Hon. Geo. R. Helm and N. H. Cranor, of Albany. J. A. Applegate, N. L. Butler, P. C. Sullivan, L. Vineyard and Hon. Ben Hayden, of Dallas. J. G. Chapman, J. H. Reed and R. Williams, of Portland. F. A. Cheneworth and John Burnett, of Corvallis. John J. Daly, of Buena Vista.

ROBBERY.—Last Monday afternoon about two o'clock, the house of Mr. George Smith, a logger, living about three miles below the Fair Ground, was broken into, and a watch valued at $100, a six shooter navy revolver, a bowie knife and a pair of pants was stolen. No clue to the perpetrator up to a late hour last night, had been found. Judging from the articles stolen, it is strongly suspected that Shultz is still in that vicinity.

NEW DISCOVERY.—A new lead and silver lead has just been discovered ten miles above Quartzville. We saw yesterday a sample, and to-day there will be brought into town two or three hundred pounds. If this lead proves to be what is claimed, it will be the biggest thing yet discovered in Oregon, in the way of mineral discoveries. Fuller particulars will be given to-morrow.

TURNER'S STATION.—Mr. J. C. Cawood, residing near Turner's Station says that a petition having 266 signatures, has been forwarded to Washington, asking that a Postoffice be established at that point. He thinks their application will be successful, but somewhat delayed, owing to the illness of Mr. J. B. Underwood, the Postal Agent for this district.

MUST BE RETURNED.—Some person without consent, has taken away one of the ladders belonging to Hook & Ladder Company No. 1. Mr. J. G. Wright, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, says to save cost and trouble, the person having it in his possession must return it without delay.

ACCIDENT.—Mr. E. E. McArthur, employed at the saw mill in South Salem, yesterday morning had his hand badly cut by the lath saw. His middle finger had to be amputated, which was done successfully by Drs. Carpenter and Chase. The second finger is also badly injured but will probably be saved.

OFFICERS ELECTED.—The following officers were elected on Tuesday evening last at the meeting of Willamette Encampment, No. 1, I. O. of O. F.: James Sheppard, C. P.; B. F. Drake, S. W.; J. W. Smith, H. P.; J. D. Jordan, Scribe; J. Q. Wilson, Treasurer; A. L. Stinson, J. W.

ROAD WORK.—Commissioner F. G. Schwatka commences work this morning on the Spong Ferry road, in the Keizar settlement. He will start in with six teams and twelve men.

CAMP MEETING.—The camp meeting now being held on the Newsom Camp Ground, near Silverton, will continue over next Sabbath. Considerable interest is manifested by those in attendance. All are invited to attend.

OPEN TO-DAY.—The great Overland Store will open to-day in Union Block, on Commercial street between Court and Ferry streets. This large establishment proposes to "out Herod, Herod" in the way of selling goods cheap. Look in our next issue for a large advertisement of this new house.

FINISHED.—The new bridge over the gravel pit and railroad track, a short distance south of the depot, just completed, is one of the most substantial bridges of the kind ever built in Salem. It is 114 feet in length.

I. O. of O. F.—At the last meeting of Olive Lodge, No. 18, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: R. C. Holley, N. G.; A. N. Gilbert, V. G.; C. M. Parmenter, R. S.; E. L. Corner, Treasurer; J. M. Shelly, P. S.

MEETING.—The Board of Delegates of the Salem Fire Department are requested to meet this evening at Fireman's Hall, at 8 o'clock. JOHN G. WRIGHT, Chief Engineer.

FOURTH OF JULY.—The posters will be out to-day and sown broadcast. The Committee are at work and everything gives token of the most brilliant celebration ever seen in Salem.

Circuit Court.

JUDGE—A. J. THAYER, PRESIDING.

SALEM, June 29, 1871.

State of Oregon vs. Joseph Mosier; judgment reversed.

Taylor vs. Tomlinson; demurrer overrulled.

State of Oregon vs. Sanderson; nolle entered and prisoner discharged from custody.

State of Oregon vs. Charles Parker; cause continued and warrants placed in the hands of the keeper of the Penitentiary.

State vs. Wm. Gird; jury trial, found not guilty.

State vs. John B. Cyr; jury trial, found not guilty.

J. H. and I. R. Moores vs. Rideout and others; sale confirmed.

State vs. Pitman; nolle entered.

Durette vs. Lawson; withdrawn at plaintiff's costs.

State vs. Olv. Thibodeau; jury trial, found not guilty.

Sullen's estate vs. Tomlinson, et al.; S. C. Simpson was appointed to take the testimony in this cause and report the same to this Court.

C. T. J. Smith vs. J. N. Lawrence; case on trial when Court adjourned.

FRIDAY.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

EUROPEAN NEWS.

Berlin, June 27.—Emperor William has decreed a deputation on the present army combinations in France, and the formation of all German troops in that country into one combination to be called the army of occupation in France, with Manteufal as commander.

London, June 27.—The striking miners or South Wales now number 6,000. There seems to be no prospect of settlement of the difficulty with the companies.

A subterranean fire is known to be raging in Sheffield and fears are