

Editorial Correspondence.

METROPOLITAN HOTEL, ROSEBURG, May 9th 1879.

Tuesday was one of those drizzly wet days which has a tendency to keep everybody in-doors, and as a consequence our visit in Portland was cut short off, and on Wednesday morning we took the train for Albany, which place we reached about noon. Here we found there had been a few halcyon days, sunshine and warmth, and genial growth through the valley, and then protracted rains again. After registering at the St. Charles we sought Major Thomas Monteith, and visited points of interest about the city, even Geo. Simpson whom we chanced to meet, interested us much. The sun was shining beautifully when we spoke to George, but before our hand shaking was over it was raining again, and as to a reply to our salutation of "beautiful day," the rains descended, and he said: "That is good Ireland, that's a confession that you must have awful weather at Astoria if you call this a beautiful day!" We subsided of course, but we "owe him one." Albany is improved very much since our last visit, and the Odd Fellows with whom we met on Wednesday evening have added vastly to the appearance of the business portions of the city by erecting a magnificent brick three stories in height, which is to be dedicated during the coming session of the Grand Lodge this month. On Sunday the 18th the holy bond of matrimony will be performed in the hall according to the sacred ceremony of the Jewish church, and Hebrews and Christians will meet together to witness it. The officiating officer will be the Jewish Rabbi of Portland, Mr. May, and the bride a lovely daughter of Past Grand Johnson, of Albany. Members of the fraternity may discover in this some result of the lectures of our Past Grand officer. It is certainly an incident in Odd Fellowship without a precedent in the history of the order, and stimulates the hopes which animates the breast of every true Odd Fellow, that the blessed order may yet fraternize the world. There are many things, railroad and otherwise, jotted down in memoranda for future comment concerning Albany—our faithful Sister city in the valley.

At 2 o'clock on Thursday we were seated in the smoking car of ex-Mayor Stroud's train, bound farther south. The fields as we whirled past and through them on either side presented a somewhat yellowish and jaundice appearance in consequence of the prolonged cold storms. It is very evident that the country does not need the present manifestations of Jupiter Pluvius, as all nature and human kind look with disgust at "the weather." There are actually acres and acres of wheat that have been actually "drowned out," and hundreds of farmers who have not yet finished seeding. Verily this is an unusual spring—what will the summer be! Last year, on the 30th of March, the readers of THE ASTORIAN will remember, we were exhibiting to their admiring gaze wheat twelve inches, and barley fourteen inches in height at The Dalles; how it is in Wasco this year we are unable to say. In spite of all, the people assure us that there will be an abundant crop, and a good one. We fully realize that the growing crops of California can only be saved by abundant moisture, and if these wheat fields can swim to perfection, then verily Oregon is the best spot on earth. We should like very much to see some of these fields two months hence.

The Oregon and California railroad is in perfect condition, and ready for business, long hoped for. We never pass over this route from the summit beyond the Calapoia, down Pass Creek canyon, and up the Yoncolla but we are reminded of the almost superhuman exertions required to build it, and the discouraging hopes for its further extension; then putting this and that together wonder when it ever,

the day will come when the devotees of "the-m-asses on the sand lots," shall quit their incendiary sermons, and give credit to whomsoever credit be due. But there can be very little hope founded for such changes in public sentiment so long as "the-m-asses" irresponsible as they may be, exercise the unrestricted function of qualified voters. The telegraph to-day informs us of the adoption of the new state constitution in California. A fellow passenger, a very intelligent citizen of San Francisco tells us that if this be the fact, Oregon will profit from California's disaster. The new constitution will prohibit people from making numerous private contracts; it imposes a double tax (in some instances treble), on the property of corporations and the stocks which such property represents; the supreme courts system inaugurated by it is said to be dangerous; it prohibits aid to the orphans, the widows and the distressed through charitable and agricultural institutions; is communistic and revolutionary; and while it will not benefit the poor will work injustice to the wealthy. Some attempt to equalize taxation might be desirable in our own beautiful, lovely, Oregon, but God forbid that such an utter failure as far as attaining the object desired is concerned should be re-enacted in this state. The railroad commission provided for in the California constitution is a bad feature, a dangerous and not easily remedied experiment. As to the cause of this disaster to California: They will be found to exist in the very principles suggested by THE ASTORIAN so frequently; the abuse of the elective franchise. Let the polls be faithfully guarded, and let every man be disfranchised forever who may be tainted with even the suspicion of interfering with the fullest exercise of freedom of the ballot, rich or poor, white or black, apply the rule to all alike.

Roseburg, like Portland and Albany, has greatly improved since our last visit. Marks & Co., (Asher) have put up a magnificent new store, brick. The Metropolitan is our stopping place, as of yore, O. C. Perkins and E. C. Hendrick proprietors. It is one of the best kept, and is the most popular house in the city. In fact it was so overrun with patronage that we were provided with sleeping accommodations at the house of a private citizen, Mr. D. C. Maclellan, and we retired to rest at an early hour, sleeping soundly and undisturbed until 8 o'clock this morning, when we awoke, and drawing the curtains took a look out upon the smiling face of nature, which was so calm, so serene, so joyous as to inspire us with the thoughts of "Corrina's Going A-Maying," by Robert Herreck, of the period between 1591 and 1674, lately reproduced in Chamber's Cyclopedia:

Get up, get up! for shame! the blooming morn Upon her wings presents the god of morn. See how Aurora throws her fair Fresh-quilted colors through the air; Get up, sweet squired, and see The dew bespangling herb and tree. Each dower has wept, and bowed toward the east. Above an hour since, yet you are not dressed— Nay, not so much as out of bed. When all the birds have inattent said, And sung their thankful hymns; 'tis sin, Nay, profanation, to keep in. Kiss, and put on your foliage, and be seen To come forth, like the spring-time, fresh and green. And sweet as Flora. Take no care For jewels for your gown or hair; Fear not, the leaves will strewn Gems in abundance upon you; Besides, the childhood of the day has kept Against you come some Orient pearls untwept. Come, and receive them while the light Hangs on the dew-drops of the night; And Titan on the eastern hill Retires himself, or else stands still Till you come forth, Wash, dress, be brief in praying.

One could scarcely believe that the days previous to this had been so melancholy. Our movements from this rest upon circumstances, but of things rest assured dear readers, you will hear from us soon again from some point in the valley. D. C. I.

The high credit of the English government, both at home and abroad, seems to have imbued the English people with a blind confidence in the bonds of other nations. It is stated that many English families invested all their means in Turkish and Egyptian bonds, and are reduced to distress by the failure of these governments to pay interest. The three English colonies of Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand, owe a debt of \$365,000,000, nearly all of which is held in England. These colonies have great natural resources, but their present population is about one-half of that of New York state, and not much more than double that New York city.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice to Fishermen. ALL FISHERMEN WHO ARE INTERESTED in their own welfare are requested to attend a meeting to be held at the Court house, SATURDAY evening, May the 17th, at half past seven o'clock, for the purpose of organizing a Fishermen's Protective Union. d-td R. MARRIOTT.

PICKED UP.—On Monday night, the 12th inst., one hundred and twenty-five fathoms new net, thirty-five mesh. Owner can have the same by proving property and paying usual charges. CHARLES DENKER. Shag Island, Oregon, May 13, 1879. 12-1w

LOST.—By the Great Republic disaster, a trunk marked H. N. McKenzie, and among the contents were two scrap books, photograph album, private papers, K. of P. etc. Any one giving information of said trunk to Occident Hotel, Astoria, will be liberally rewarded.

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