LOCAL MATTERS.

Plenty of rain this week.

Farm Fans for sale at A. Wolf's, Independence.

Miss Lina Ross and her class are making beautiful zephyr flowers.

Ladies ribbed hose, 15 cts. a pair, at Wm. Millican's, Salem, Or.

Ladies silk gloves and mitts in beautiful shades at Wm. Millican's, Salem, Or.

Notwithstanding the rain there is any amount of talk about picnics and excursions.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wolverton, of Independence, were in Monmouth over Sunday.

A fine assortment of Ladies Linen Dresses and Ulsters at A. Wolf's, Independence.

Mr. A.B. Griggs started his meat wagon on Thursday morning to supply his country customers with fresh beef.

P. Centemeri kid gloves, direct from the factory, at Wm. Millican's, Salem, Or. Something good for the price, try them.

Look out next week for advertisement of J. D. Lee, Dallas. He is now getting in a large stock of the most desirable goods.

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Prof. Stanley will engage in the music trade during the spring and summer while recruiting his health. He will especially represent the Weber and Haines Bros. pianos and Estey organs. Parties desiring a really good instrument should confer with him, as he agrees to hold himself personally responsible for every instrument sold.

Last Saturday Sister Wolverton celebrated her 55th birthday by giving a delightful little dinner to her relatives and a few friends. The company was pleasant and the dinner hour a merry one. Sister W. never looked handsomer nor happier, and we heartily wish for her many more returns of her birthday as happy as the 55th. The printers had a jubilee Monday morning over the plate of cake sent this office by Sister W.'s thoughtfulness.

The following were the exercises of the Vespertine Society, April 30, 1880: Essay, "Life of Livingston," Stella Rowland; Recitation, "The Tear," Lucy Gard; Select Reading, "The Mother and Poet," Jossie Wolverton; Recitation, "The Loom," Jessie Baskett; Essay, "Oregon," Grace Doughty; Select Reading, "Go feel what I have felt," Alice Tatom; Essay, "Memory," Retta Rash; Match Reading, "Through Death to Life," Allie Catron and Susie Lucas; Select Reading, "The Bridge of Sighs," Angie Caldwell; Essay, "Charity," Fannie Griggs; Historical Questions by Allie Butler, Addie Bolton and Clara Gard.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

(From the Daily Standard.)

PACIFIC COAST.

—Mr. Brown, near Wilderville, Josephine county, intends to go heavily into making sorghum syrup.

—Diphtheria prevails about Elkton, Douglas county.

—President villard offers to contribute $1,000 toward a plank road from Canyonville to Roseburg.

—Since the death of W. B. Carter, James A. Yantis Esq., is to take charge of the Corvallis *Gazette*.

Mr. J. E. Magers, of Salem, and W. D. Fenton, of Lafayette, have entered into a law partnership at Lafayette.

—The flood in California rivers is doing damage, breaking levees and flooding the bottom lands.

—Capt. H. E. Morgan is inspector of hulls for Puget Sound.

—The inquest in the DeYoung case, in San Francisco, develops facts substantially as narrated at first.

—The Vancouver *Independent* hears of a rumor that an opposition line of boats between Portland and The Dalles is to be established this summer.

—The *Benton Blade* says W. A. Wells is to build a mammoth warehouse at Corvallis, to cost $3,700 capacity 90,000, and machinery to cost $2,300.

—D. W. Craig, S. A. Clarke and W. J. Clarke have filed articles of incorporation of the *Willamette Farmer* Publishing Company with a capital stock of $10,000.

—The Dallas Academy is to be so correlated to the studies of Willamette University that the graduates of the academy shall be fitted to enter the freshman class of the university.

REDUCED.—The O. R. N. Company have given orders that the charges on wheat, flour and other freight will hereafter be $1.50 per ton between Salem and Portland. This will be a great benefit to shippers, as freight heretofore was $2.50 per ton.

—On the evening of the 24th inst., says the San Francisco *Chronicle*, the members of the Bohemian Club gave a farewell reception to their late president, R. C. Rogers, after which Mr. Rogers will proceed almost immediately to Portland, Oregon, where he has a government appointment.

—The Rev. J. Dillon is making arrangements at Chicago for a grand excursion to Oregon about the time of the Oregon State Fair. He writes Mr. E. M. Waite of Salem, that he has secured very low rates on the Union and Pacific Railroads, and is confident that hundreds will avail themselves of this opportunity to visit Oregon.

—The commencement exercises of the fourteenth regular session of the medical department of Willamette university were held on the evening of the 27 ult., at the Taylor St., M. E. church, Portland. The graduates receiving their degrees were Oregon C. Blaney, Ben. T. Burton, Wm. A. Howell, Lewis A. Kent, Jay Tuttle and Fleetwood F. Powell. Most of the graduates intend to locate in the interior towns for the practice of their profession.

—The *Statesman* says the citizens of Eola and vicinity are raising a subscription for the purpose of re-covering and repairing the church house and to have preaching once a month for one year. The other three Sundays will be free for anyone to preach. The parties raising the subscription are having good success.

—The snow storm in the Sierras, on the line of the C. P. R. R., lasted two weeks up to the 28th, and immense quantities of snow fell and became very solid. Many snow-slides occurred sweeping away mining works, many people e caping narrowly. It was the most terrible storm ever known.

—At the farm of Mr. Thompson, on Five Mile creek, in Wasco county, a waterspout burst one day last week which, though it did but little damage, it made quite a showing and a good deal of noise for some little time. The cloudburst occurred over the gulch near Mr. Thompson's house, and furnished enough water to make a toy river, its depth being three feet and width one hundred feet. The damages as reported are a well filled too full to look natural and a lawn sanded over to the depth of three inches. Further than this no damage was done.—*Statesman.*

—The new gold mines discovered about six miles from Baker City about a month ago, has been prospected off and on since 1864. Its richness is now declared to be immense, while its extent is as yet unknown. It is owned by Geo. Hayes and son, and John Cavens, who are working it under the name of Hayes & Co., and are said to be taking out of the "pocket" which a hand mortar $10 per day. The ledge increases in width and richness as they proceed. They have already taken out $20,000. It is of course impossible to estimate the value of the mine, and its discovery is regarded as astonishing, because so long delayed. Indications are that Baker City will divide the mining boom with Seattle, with chances largely in favor of the former, because of the close proximity of the mines and their easier access. From present appearance "there's millions in it."

Fire in Portland.

Last Saturday morning at 2:30 o'clock a fire broke out in the upper portion of the building on the corner of Front and Ash streets, in Portland, occupied by Walling's job printing office and by the offices of the *Willamette Farmer* and of the Daily and Weekly *Standard*. Walling's printing office and bindery was badly damaged, while the *Standard* and *Farmer* offices were entirely destroyed, with the exception forms of the *Standard*. The books and files of the *Farmer* were all saved, together with the mailing galleys and the list of type. The fire it is thought was caused by the explosion of an oil lamp. The *Farmer* is insured for $1,500 in the Hamburg & Bremen; the *Standard* $1,500 in the Home Mutual; Walling's printing establishment, $8,000 in various companies; Gilman & Co., auctioneers, $2,000; Watson, owner of building occupied by Gilman & Co., $1,000; W. K. Smith, owner of building, $2,000. The *Farmer* will appear on time this week and the *Standard* will continue its publication as usual.

EASTERN.

—The Astor library now contains over 189,114 volumes.

—James Cooke, Barnum's well known circus clown is dead.

—Paper makers are coming down a trifle in the price of paper.

—Urgent efforts are made to secure a mint for Denver, Col.

—A croquet factory at clinton, Maine, burned the other day, loss $30,000.

—On the 27th there was a storm that did heavy damage at London, Canada.

—The price of iron is falling. At Pittsburg nails are worth $1.25 less on a keg.

—Heavy immigration from Europe continues; one steamer landed 2,000 Germans in New York.

—Gold and silver are found and taken out in the Panoka iron range, in the state of Wisconsin.

—Secretary Sherman says the public debt is being reduced at the rate of ten millions a month.

—Gen. Joseph W. Revere, grand-son of Paul Revere of revolutionary fame died recently at the age of 68.

—In round numbers, twelve million, or one-third of the French people, live in cities and towns. In the United States the proportion is one-fifth.

—A resolution was offered in the Louisiana legislature prohibiting the playing of "fifteen" by the members of either house while the body was in session.

—The U. S. supreme court adjourned on account of the death of the clerk, Daniel Wesley Middleton, who has been in continuous service for fifty years.

—An old Sunday law was enforced the other day at Louisville, Ky., and great commotion was created. It is against the law to do any work, and the Sunday working newspapers were raided and names of all workers taken down.

NASHVILLE, April 27.—Judge Connelly F. Trigg died at Bristol last night. He was the third judge of the circut court since Tennessee was admitted. It is understood that his successor will be Postmaster-General Key.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 28.—Mrs. President Hayes' brother, Dr. Joseph T. Webb, died to-day of appoplexy.

BOSTON, April 28.—Grant writes that he will not be with the Army of the Potomac Society at Burlington, Vermont, on the 16th of June. He expects to go to the Rocky mountains for a few weeks, and will not go east of Illinois before fall. At the meeting of the society Joaquin Miller will deliver a poem.

NEW YORK, April 29.—Among excursionists of some note at present in New York is Wm. Marwood, the pupil and successor of the late Mr. Colcraft, the renowned London executioner. He visited the Tombs prison yesterday.

NEW YORK, April 30.—Six ocean steamships arrived to-day bringing 3,386 immigrants from all parts of Europe. Total arrivals for April, 46,118, the largest number ever landed at Castle Garden in one month.

—Thirty years ago there was but one pottery in this country making white and yellow ware, and not a mill to grind material. All the flint and stone was imported from Great Britain. Now there are 800 potteries in the United States, representing a total capital of over $6,000,000. The pottery craze of the last two or three years resulted in the erection of thirty new kilns in the year of 1879.

FOREIGN.

—The opening of the new parliament was rather slimly attended.

BERLIN, April 27.—Bismarck is unable to leave his room. He is suffering from neuralgia, and will shortly go to Luxemburg.

LONDON, April 28.—Communication between England and America by the new French cable will be complete probably by May first.

MADRID, April 28.—The telegraph cable between Singapore and the Phillippine Islands has been laid a distance of 200 miles. Laying the cable will probably be completed in the course of a week.

—The ship *Tabor*, leaving Portland November last, arrived in Liverpool on Monday last. On the passage across the Atlantic the ship lost her sails, port rails, boats, etc. The *David Sawn* arrived at Queenstown on Saturday last with the mizzen topmast gone.

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