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CORRESPONDENCE.

We invite correspondence from all sections on subjects of local and other interest. With each letter the name and address of the sender is required, especially if sent for publication.

The Court has granted a stay of proceedings in the Jacob Sharp case in New York. It will be remembered that Sharp was convicted of bribery some weeks ago, and that in due course of time he was sentenced to serve a term in Sing Sing. The defendant is very old and feeble and it is not likely that he will live to see the end of his case, or that he will ever become an inmate of the penitentiary. It is now said that his mind is giving way under the strain of his prosecution. Nothing can be more pathetic than the attempt to keep this decrepit old man out of prison until the end of his life, which, in the nature of things, he will reach very soon, when he will be called to plead before a court whose law is mercy, but whose judgment is sure and knows no delay. What a spectacle that a man who has lived to such an age, and standing on the verge of the grave—when his life should be settled down to a calm sweet serenity almost divine—a muddle of reverence, and love, and charity, and his conduct a law of benevolence and rectitude to the world, and pointing to that transformation from life here to the unknown hereafter—his last days, days of peace and tranquil beauty, a token or index in this life of what he would hope the beginning of his eternity might be. But on the contrary, struggling with his last breath to avoid the impending and just retribution the law requires in its vindication for his crimes. Let the miserable old man have the benefit of every day delay the law gives to his class, and let it be hoped that he may be dealt with by the Great Judge in the court beyond—the Judge who makes no mistakes—as his case deserves. But let not the vigilance of the law be satisfied with the prosecution of this old man; and let it not rest, nor its wheels miss a single revolution until it brings all the big bribers as well as the little ones to the inexorable bar of justice.

The American party is becoming an element in our politics again. It is largely the old Know-nothing idea, and their war-cry is "America for Americans." This idea is perhaps well enough in a conservative degree, because all citizens of the United States, whether native or naturalized who conform to our system of government, respect and obey our laws, and discharge patriotically their duties as citizens, are essentially Americans, and the intelligent native born citizen will not be ashamed to own him as a brother, and march with him side by side in the field of duty wherever that may lead, notwithstanding his foreign birth; and still, notwithstanding the demagogical cry "America for Americans" by a party recently organized for the purpose of "saving the country" from the ravages of its foreign citizens. This party finds excuse for its existence in the fact that with the vast hordes of foreign population who annually find their way to our shores and become useful citizens and rear up sons and daughters who are a credit to our intelligence, and take rank with the most substantial men and women of America, a few Socialists and Anarchists also find their way here, who infect our larger cities, and whose occupation is stirring up discord and strife; a set of lazy vagabonds despicable and despised, not only in America, but wherever found.

The excuse is not a sufficient foundation for a political party, and the party will not succeed. Socialism and Anarchism will not flourish in our soil and climate. The tree may be planted but will not take root. Our political system will crush it wherever it shows its head, and where the laws are not already sufficiently severe to reach the emergencies as they arise, they will soon be made so; and it does not matter what political party may be administering the laws, it will be sufficiently strong and patriotic to cope with and punish this evil, and amply able to prevent its spread or inflict effect upon our institutions. The party is organized

by a class of selfish and ambitious men who have always, or for a long time, had place in our country, but have been for many years in the background and could not find opportunity to break out in political armor ready to save the "sinking ship" of state. These fellows were buried out of sight when the Know-nothing party yielded up the ghost to the parties that were then contending for an actual living principle, and were so hopelessly engulfed under the debris following the agitation of the issues which led up to the civil war, and have been kept so until the people have largely forgotten those times and incidents, and no longer care to be so firmly bound to party as to be led by it and do its bidding without a reason or inducement beyond the egotism of its leaders to absorb the emoluments of position and grow fat.

The leaders of this American movement see this condition of things in politics, and while they do not hope to become a great national party or even to control one congressional district in the whole country perhaps, yet they do hope to become such a factor that they can skillfully wield the club "balance of power" in such a way as to get concessions to their advantage, from the great leading parties of the day, in much the same way that the "mugwumps" and prohibitionists did in 1854.

This party cannot expect to accomplish for themselves anything beyond this, and thus is a political policy of very doubtful legitimacy which in business life, would be looked upon as a system of blackmail. Both political parties will coquette with it but will not make it any substantial concessions. Our country is yet to young to become a people of a single parentage. Every citizen can trace his parentage to some foreign country and it will not do for men whose grandfathers were Irishmen, to say no Irishmen for America, or for a man whose parents or grand parents hailed from hearty Germany, to say "no more Dutch for America!" "America for Americans!" While means should and will be found to stop foreign pauper emigration to this country, there is no good reason why even that should be made the main feature of a political party.

Platt Wants the Labor Vote. There is a strong suspicion in home Democratic circles in New York that the money for the United Labor party is supplied by ex-Senator Thomas C. Platt, a wing of the Republican party. James H. Hooker, the leader of Irving Hall, comments on the pleasant things said about the United Labor party in certain Republican papers and says: "Recently the Labor party seems to have come into fortune. It has printed millions of pamphlets, free distribution, and has been admitted to the meeting rooms in various assembly districts. No funds for these purposes have been raised by the party, yet money flows in. I have felt almost convinced that the leaders of the United Labor party are already drawing wages from T. C. Platt. The motives of Platt seem to be to elect a Republican Legislature, which he can control. This, in fact, is necessary to him just now, as he has jobs which must be covered up, and he must capture the State this year and wheel it in line for Blaine next year. His very existence as a political boss depends upon the result of the legislative canvass. He knows that Prohibition will draw out 30,000 votes from the Republicans, and he sees that his only chance of success lies in replacing these with as many labor votes. He has captured the United Labor party but that is a matter of only a few thousand votes. The grangers will go against him and he can expect nothing from the new national reform party. The Henry George vote is therefore his only hope."

Congressman Oates of Alabama, who is now in Washington, says, touching the action of the next Congress on the subject of the Pacific Railroad Commission: "The House will be very thirsty after the Pacific Railroad fellows. There will be a decided determination on the part of the House to get clear to the bottom and get at the facts. If the present Commission has not the power to extract the desired information, then, if we have the power, we will pass a law giving the Pacific Railroad Commission all the powers to act in the premises. I think the House can pass such a law on the ground that the results of the investigation now going on are necessary for the House to know in order to act intelligently in future legislation affecting railroads. The Inter State Commerce bill will be amended, and I believe the Civil Service law will also be amended."

Gov. Beaver, of Pennsylvania, in a recent interview said: "Blaine is off to the destruction of small fish by the use of a trap, which will catch all sizes. The trappers do not care, and Mr. Corbett thinks

GRANTS PASS ACADEMY.

This excellent school is rapidly establishing a reputation throughout Southern Oregon, of which our citizens may well be proud. Its rapid growth, in facilities for good work, as well as in numbers, speaks well for the public spirit and progressive views of the people of Grants Pass.

With a full corps of competent instructors and an excellent supply of school apparatus, the school year which begins next Monday, promises to be so successful as to mark an era in educational work in this part of our growing state.

Prof. Henry L. Benson will continue as principal, and will have personal supervision of the academic department. Miss Winifred Mosher, who gave such excellent satisfaction last year, as an able instructor, will have charge of the grammar school. Mrs. S. U. Mitchell will again take charge of the preparatory department, and Mrs. H. L. Benson will continue to instruct the little folks in the primary room.

The rooms have all been newly painted and refitted. Everything has been done that could be done, to make the work of the school bright and attractive.

The academic course is of the same high grade as that of the State Normal schools, and prepares the pupils equally well for the responsible duties of teaching. There will be a class of exceptionally bright students graduated next June, who will, doubtless, in their after life, reflect credit upon the school and themselves. An interesting class in experimental chemistry is to be organized at once, and in the spring the botany class will be prepared to make frequent excursions into fields and woods, to make collections of the flora of Josephine county.

We are glad that we have such a school in our midst, for it obviates the necessity of sending our boys and girls too far away from home for the purpose of obtaining a liberal education. It is to be hoped that from all parts of Josephine county, young men and young ladies will take advantage of the opportunity, and at once begin to fit themselves for the active duties of life.

GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

Late advice from Louisa County, Ark., state that intense excitement prevails there, in consequence of a serious quarrel between Clarence Chapman, white, and a negro named Hunt. It is feared a collision between the white and black population will take place.

Articles of incorporation for the Port Townsend & Southern railroad have been completed and will be filed in a few days. Capital, \$3,000,000. The railroad will be built from Port Townsend to connect with Portland, Or. Surveyors will be at work inside of thirty days on the proposed line and the line will be built rapidly.

It is stated that Vice-President Potter of the Union Pacific road will soon visit the San Francisco office of his company with requests for the resignation of the present officials and the appointment of new men. Eccles, the present general agent, has been made the subject of a rumor to the effect that his stay there will be short. His successor, however, has not been named.

It is stated that Terrence V. Powderly, General Master Workman of the K. of L., will not continue in his present office after the session of the General Assembly to be held in October next. It is his intention to make an extended tour throughout the State when he will take the stump for the purpose of beating Blaine and the Republican party in 1888. It is also said that Powderly will attempt to swing the entire Order of Knights into line against the Republicans.

In an interview, United States Senator Morgan of Alabama, gave it as his opinion that there was no doubt of Cleveland's re-nomination. The Senator said that the building of the United States warships on the Pacific Coast was a giant stride in the right direction, and he predicted that California would turn out a vessel which would be a credit to the naval armament of any nation. He said he was the author of the bill which made it compulsory to build one of these vessels on the Pacific Coast, and he was satisfied the movement was a good one and in the right direction.

A recent dispatch from New York says: "Senator Henry W. Corbett of Oregon is now at the Gilsey. He says the salmon catch in the Columbia river this season will probably reach 10,000 cases or 4,800,000 pounds. That is fully twenty per cent below the usual amount, and he credits this falling off to the destruction of small fish by the use of a trap, which will catch all sizes. The trappers do not care, and Mr. Corbett thinks

the United States government might as well take the remedy in hand, especially as the Columbia river is the dividing line between Oregon and Washington Territory."

The Iron Mountain Iron District Mining Company, near the line of the Northern Pacific railroad, ninety miles east of Tacoma, was organized Aug. 10th Col. A. N. Hamilton, W. P. Twomey, J. T. Samuels, A. P. York and H. C. Walters. The ores will be used for fluxes in the Ryan smelter. The mine is claimed to be the richest mineral discovery yet made in that section of the country.

The San Francisco hop market is quiet, with prices nominal, and the tone of the market is far from being firm. Coast crops of 1885, best 16¢@17¢ cents, same, common to good, 13¢@15¢ cents; 1885, good to prime, 10¢.

Notice to the Public. BY Virtue of the Sale of the COURIER Printing plant, all unpaid subscriptions, back owing, are payable to Mr. A. V. Allen, who all unpaid advertising from June 1st, 1887. W. J. WIMER.

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Notice for Publication.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Lenoir, Oregon, Aug. 20th, 1887. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the County Court of Josephine County, Oregon, at Grants Pass, Oregon, on Saturday, Oct. 8th, 1887, viz: O. F. Topping, Preemption D. S. No. 4820, for the W. 1/4 of S. W. 1/4 Sec. 14 T. 29 S. R. 5 W. W. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Wm. Jordan, of Grants Pass, E. Stackpole, of Sheskake, and Joseph Chapman, of Williams, all of Josephine county, Oregon. CHAS. W. JOHNSON, Register.

HOP PICKERS' BALL!

— There will be a — GRAND BALL given at the Hop houses of Dunbar & Wolf, on

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Roseburg, Or., Aug. 15, 1887. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Judge or Clerk of the County Court of Josephine County, Oregon, at Grants Pass, Oregon, on Saturday, October 1, 1887, viz: James McLaron, Homestead entry No. 3755 for the S. W. 1/4 of S. W. 1/4 Sec. 29, S. E. 1/4 of S. E. 1/4 Sec. 31 of N. E. 1/4 Sec. 31 T. 29 S. R. 5 W. W. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Wm. Chapman and Wilson Baine, of Altus, Frank Nickerson of Grants Pass, D. S. Holton, of Korbysville, all of Josephine County, Oregon. CHAS. W. JOHNSON, Register.

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County Treasurer's 6th Notice.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY TREASURER, Grants Pass, July 15th, 1887. Notice is hereby given that there are funds in the County Treasury for the redemption of the following County Warrents, numbered as follows: Nos. 20, July 11, 1885; 13, 11, 17, 23. Interest on the same will cease from this date. J. W. HOWARD, Treasurer.

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