

The *Oregonian* is hard-pressed in attempting to find a reason for the overwhelming defeat of its party in the late state election in Rhode Island. We sympathize with it, but must insist that if it can find no better reason than misrepresentation, it would better remain silent. It says that the prohibitionists defeated the republicans because the republicans refused to take grounds against a resubmission of the prohibition amendment. Now this is not true. If the prohibitionists defeated the republicans at all, it was because republicans in state convention resolved in favor of a resubmission of the amendment which had formerly been submitted and adopted but which has proved to be a dead letter so far. The present legislature of that state is republican in both branches by a majority of over four to one, and not more than six weeks ago it passed a resolution in favor of resubmission of the amendment. Of course prohibition voters in the republican party, who all along have refused to go into the prohibition party because republican leaders have assured them that they would get all the temperance legislation they desired if they would only remain loyal to that party, were disgusted with this open and unabashed violation of these oft repeated pledges, and therefore ran a ticket of their own. Republicans in Rhode Island, as elsewhere, have repeatedly assured prohibition voters that that party is a prohibition party, but every time it is put to a practical test it fails to redeem its pledges. On the contrary the democratic party has never made any such pledges. The democrats now have the legislature in that state and the *Oregonian* says they will promptly pass the bill for resubmission, and prohibitionists will soon have an opportunity of seeing what they have gained by their hobby by giving the state to the democrats. Gained, indeed! How much more would they have gained by giving the state to the republicans? Were they not also pledged to resubmission? Prohibitionists were totally indifferent as to which should have the state as both were pledged to resubmission. But of course they were heartily glad of an opportunity to punish republicans who had proven so false to their oft repeated pledges. The republicans are in hard luck generally when the liquor question is an issue, and this grows out of the many promises which that party has made and never fulfilled. In attempting to steer clear of Scylla they almost uniformly find themselves beached on the rocky coast of Charybdis.

Twenty years ago America furnished England with nearly all her bread stuff. We had no rival then for British patronage and our farmers were making money in raising wheat and some of them were growing wealthy. They found in this export trade a market at good prices for all the wheat they could spare. They supposed that the British demand for our wheat would increase yearly and keep pace with the increasing productions of our country. But a change has taken place and we now have a formidable rival in the grain markets of the mother country. India has suddenly developed into a great wheat growing country and to-day it is the chief granary of England. With her pauper labor and starvation prices she has about driven American wheat from the English markets, and our farmers must seek a market elsewhere or turn their attention to the cultivation of other crops. The following figures show the condition of affairs better than any words can, and if our readers can get any consolation out of them they can do more than we can. In 1888 the exports of wheat from the United States to England were 24,341,431 bushels, and from British India, 31,369,600, the latter increasing her exports over the preceding year 6,000,000 bushels.

Good farming is not merely doing one thing well, but so far as possible adopting all improved methods of increasing the productiveness of the land, and the farmer that intelligently studies the soil he cultivates and acquires a knowledge of the fertilizer it needs to bring out its greatest productiveness is the successful farmer of the future. While on the other hand, the farmer who follows the old style of cultivation—always taking from the soil and returning little or nothing—will find his profits decreasing year by year, until finally nothing will remain but barren fields and a big mortgage on the land. Take agricultural papers and read them; study your soil and if you find it lacking in any of the qualities necessary for good crops, supply them at once. Don't try to cultivate more land than you can thoroughly attend to, and what you do cultivate do it in an intelligent manner.

The cellar needs your attention at this season of the year and if you would save a doctor's bill it is well to look after this matter. Remove all decayed fruits and vegetables, throw open the doors and windows and let the vitiated, disease-breeding atmosphere out. A good disinfectant is lime and a good coat of whitewash will wonderfully improve the appearance of the walls and give the atmosphere a pleasant and wholesome odor.

The Mexican consul at Los Angeles turned a nice little penny by charging from \$3 to \$4 for passports to cross the Mexican line, and scooped in many tenderfeet. No passport is needed.

As a friend of the briber and ballot corruptionist Judge Woods of Indiana appears to wear the championship belt. He has quashed already 26 indictments and his rulings will apply to at least 100 cases of bribery and corruption before the court. Dudley and his tools will thus escape punishment, but the fact that bribery was an important factor in the late election in that state cannot thus easily be eradicated from the public mind. If the bribers were innocent and certain to be acquitted, and their innocence judicially established they would not resort to technicality to escape a trial. As long as Judge Woods is all right and the new prosecuting attorney has charge of the cases there need be no fear of any serious attempts to try the bribers.

"He's a Democratic nigger. Let him die." This was the general remark among the colored people of Charlottesville, Virginia, while Frederick Thomas lay for weeks, ill and falling. The white people took care of him. Thomas was a plasterer, an upright man, much esteemed in the community; but his own race "cut" him because he voted with the Democrats. It will be a better day for the best interests of the colored people when they learn to vote independently and intelligently, instead of going a blind solid brute force like a stampeded herd of buffalo.

The announcement that "Floater" Dudley is to control the subordinate appointments and the policy of the pension bureau will be welcome news to the tribe of claim agents. It is ominous, however, for the treasury and for the mass of honest veterans who want to receive the stipends their valor has earned free from extravagant charges for collection. As a pension attorney, Dudley will now be in a position to do what is commonly called a "land office business."

Farmers, if you want the best harness at hand made, call on E. L. Powers, next to Democrat office.



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That is the kind of argument we are using. We propose to make the lowest prices made in this town and we will discount the best figures that any other merchant can or will make.

### This Knocks Down Competition

and gives us an undisputed precedence in our field of business. We want to convince every one that they can be best served in our store and we propose to

### POUND IT INTO PEOPLE

by our low prices until the fact is universally recognized that for high grade goods and the lowest living prices no one can touch

### Brownell & Stanard,

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## GARDEN, Flower, Grass, SEEDS

from the celebrated seed house of

### A. B. Cleveland & Co.

ALSO ONION SETS, AT BEDROCK PRICES.

Discounts to Gardeners,

WALLACE & THOMPSON.

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## Grass and Garden SEEDS

all kinds at

### STEWART & SOX

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ROSES A SPECIALTY.

Cemetery lots planted and attended to.

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Fashionable and Stylish Suits, Business Suits, Light weight Summer Suits. Boys, youth's and child's suits.

## Furnishing Goods.

Fine line of light weight underwear—balbriggan and woolen; nosery, shirts, neckwear, fine wire suspenders, guaranteed for two years, in all the latest novelties.

## BOOTS AND SHOES.

A large line in this department of the best in the market.

## HATS.

Staple and Fashionable lines, among others a fine stock of the John B. Stetson hats.

## Tailoring

Merchant tailoring under expert tailor. Suits made to order under short notice at remarkable low figures. More goods turned out than ever before.

## L. E. BLAIN.

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## Drugs, Paints, Oils, Brushes, Alabastine, Artists' Materials, Etc.,

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## CITY DRUG STORE.

Guiss & Son.

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in the fact that I am offering better bargains than any one else in Albany Bought at bankrupt sales I can sell

## First-Class Goods

at or below COST.

FOR

General merchandise of all kinds call on me. Particular bargains in a sample of shoes.

Cash for Goods Country produce

## G. W. SIMPSON,

Albany, Oregon.

NOTICE.—Whereas, my wife, Lydia E. McKinney, has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, this is to warn the public against trusting her on my account as I shall pay no debts of her contracting.  
P. McKINNEY,  
Albany, Oregon, April 2nd, 1889.

STRAYED.—From this city, a pale red cow with considerable white on belly, smooth crop and split in right ear, eight or nine years old. Been gone two months. Doubtless has a young calf by this time. Will pay anyone for his trouble who will notify me of her whereabouts or return her to me.  
JOHN SMALLMAN,  
Albany, Oregon.

1889 SPRING AND SUMMER 1889

## SPECIALTIES.

## LADIES' DRESS GOODS AND TRIMMINGS.

The largest stock and greatest variety in price and quality I have ever carried, and as good value as ever offered to the citizens of Lincoln county.

## Special Bargains In Cashmeres.

In colors and blacks. Seersuckers, ginghams, chambrays, French prints and wash fabrics. All the novelties of the season in black and colors. I will have something further to say about these in a few days.

## EMBROIDERIES, SKIRTINGS,

Flouncings, and all overs on cambriz, Swiss and India Lises. I have just opened the largest invoice of novelties in this line ever exhibited in this city, and at greatly reduced prices.

## Piques, Lawns, India Linens,

Nansooks in white, ecru and colors, all at prices very much cheaper than ever before offered in this city.

## TABLE LINEN,

In brown and bleached. This stock I bought in New York at less than importers' price, and am able to give good bargains. 58 inch all linen bleached at 50 cents per yard and others in proportion.

## TOWELINGS, CRASHES, ETC.

All these goods I buy direct from importers by the bale, and can sell them much cheaper than if bought of jobbers—towels I buy in quantities in New York, and am offering them at prices that are sure to sell the goods.

## Ladies Cotton Hose

Are cheaper this year than ever before. I have succeeded in getting some good bargains, all of which I am offering to my customers—the same in

## MISSES AND CHILDREN'S.

The above is an outline of the policy I am going to do business on, and will endeavor to do my part towards securing the trade of Lincoln and adjoining counties to Albany, and to keep up with the procession of the lively and growing city of Albany. I will have something to say about

## Carpets, Boots and Shoes, Groceries.

And of course more.

## SAMUEL E. YOUNG.

## FURNITURE.

You want the best and most durable furniture that is manufactured in the United States

## Thomas Brink.

Keeps almost everything in the furniture line that is kept in a first-class store

PIGS.—Some fine Jersey Reds for sale at \$5 a piece. Finest pigs in market. Call on or address Mack Jenks, at Tangent, Or., and get the best to be had.

HAY FOR SALE.—20 tons of tame oat hay, \$5 a ton wholesale, \$6 a ton at retail, at my place 1 mile north of Albany, W. H. WARNER.

100 OR 50 ACRES.—100 acres of fine farming or fruit land, 4 miles west of Albany, for only \$25 an acre. Will sell 50 acres if desired. Nicely located. Call on Cooper Turner on Corvallis road.

FOR RENT.—Hall over F. M. French's jewelry store. Inquire of F. M. FRENCH.