

A POOR DEFENSE.

Some time ago the DEMOCRAT, feeling that it was a duty which it owed to the public, showed up the short comings of the late legislature in a way that proved a mortal offence to some asinine scribbler in the Oregonian, who, doubtless, because the mention of his own name would prove a stench in the nostrils of decent people, finds it more convenient to hide behind an assumed name. He says he is not surprised that democrats are kicking against the "wagon road appropriations" because they are always kicking when anything is to be done. This man who writes under the name of "Progress" says the democrats have generally opposed the acquisition of territory, internal improvements, the collection of federal revenue, and the education of the masses and a string of other charges, which none but an ignoramus or a falsifier would think of making. But has not "Progress" gumption enough about him to know that, if all these assertions about democrats were true, they do not singly, nor in the aggregate, constitute any defense to the charges of gross profligacy and inexcusable extravagance which are brought and still stand unanswered against the legislature? No, "Progress" failed to make a decent defense or reply to any of the many counts made against the legislature. While the DEMOCRAT will not allow "Progress" to shift the issue to a matter foreign to the subject, it will take time to show its readers what a falsifier of history and facts "Progress" is. He would make people believe that the democrats have always opposed the acquisition of territory. Now what are the truths of history on this point? Nearly two-thirds of the present area of the United States was acquired under democratic rule. Take the Louisiana purchase made by that immortal democrat, Thomas Jefferson, and the territory of New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, California, Nevada and a part of Colorado all acquired by the treaty with Mexico under that other great democrat, James K. Polk, and it is no matter of surprise that "Progress" should want to hide his face from the gaze of the public by covering it with an assumed name. The pharisee who is afraid to sign his name to his conglomerated mess of falsehoods, misrepresentations, abuse, slander and vituperation, imagines that such constitutes a defense to the charges which he evidently feels are weighing heavily upon his party, but the people will not permit their minds to be diverted from them by the silly chatter of the coward who hides behind a non descript name. Abuse of the DEMOCRAT will not clear the skirts of "Progress" and his party from the stains of the outrage practiced upon the people. The people of Linn county are told by this man, "Progress," who has "stolen the livery of the court of heaven to serve the devil in," that they can raise money by subscription or by local taxation to build their roads and bridges, now, after having been compelled by a republican legislature to contribute thousands of dollars of their hard earned taxes to build local roads for Tillamook, Coos, Curry, Grant, Morrow and other counties. This is adding insult to injury by presenting the covert threat that these cormorants who congregate around the public treasury have the power and intend to use it. Well, the people will have their say after awhile.

Russell Harrison, it seems, is likely to heap some reproach upon, and attach scandal to, the Harrison name. He was arrested the other day on a charge of criminal libel in publishing in a paper published in Helena, Montana, an article charging ex-Governor Crosby of that territory with being a diamond thief, moral leper and several other very derogatory charges. Young Harrison says he was not in Helena in April, 1877, when the article was published, while the foreman of the paper says he was, and that he ordered the article published. The article appeared in the Helena paper on April 30th, 1887. When Russell Harrison denied being in the territory at that time, Crosby's friends began to search for proof showing that he was, and they found it in the hotel register of the Cosmopolitan, where it appears that young Harrison registered on the 22nd and left on the 30th of April, the latter being the very day on which the article appeared. From this it would appear that the young gentleman was caught napping in his attempts to fib out of his libel suit.

The democrats carried the city of Albany, New York, by a clear majority of almost 4000 over the two republican factions, a larger majority over both than the entire vote of either republican faction. They also carried twelve out of the seventeen wards for Supervisors, and control the County Board by a vote of 17 to 14.

Won Kwang Pei, formerly of the Chinese Embassy at Washington, advocates the expulsion of every American in the service of China as a reprisal for the execution of Chinamen from America. In a memorial on the subject he refers with contempt to the American navy, which he declares would be powerless as an aggressive movement.

In no line of business in Oregon during the last five years has there been so much progress made as in the newspaper business. In no state in the Union in equally limited fields do we find as good newspapers as in Oregon, nor in none is the competition so sharp and exacting.

Secretary Windom has decided to give only 29 cents premium in purchasing 4 per cent U S Bonds, and 8 cents premium in buying four and a half per cent. This premium which the people have to pay on their debts which they want to settle is the burden placed on their shoulders because the republicans refuse to reduce taxation. Generally when a debtor wants to pay his debt the creditor is glad to get dollar for dollar but here the people are compelled to pay 129 cents for each 100 they owe of 4 per cent bonds, and 108 cents for each 100 cents they owe of 4 1/2 per cent bonds. And all this, because republican policy makes it possible and practicable for bondholders to thus wrench money out of the pockets of the people which they do not owe at all. It is a beautiful policy and we hope our farmers and laboring men who supported this policy last fall will open their eyes to its practical workings.

A couple of poor immigrants on their way to California had a baby born to them on a Southern Pacific train some days ago, and out of gratitude wanted the passengers, who made up a fine purse for the little fellow, to choose his name, and that of Grover Harrison was finally decided upon.

Hotel Arrivals.

REVERE HOUSE.—J G Gross, Waterloo; T C Peebler, Lebanon; L E Chenery, H Lang, H L Rees, J D Farley, Portland; J Siegel, W D Scott, E Loupe, S F; A Hill, Woodburn; Mr McClure, city; J E McCarty, Denver, Cal; F Collins, Neb; Chas Van Dyke, Milwaukee; G Stoltz, Salem; D S Busey, L Douglas, Harrisburg; J Bailey, Alaska.

ST CHARLES.—J R Kirkpatrick, Lebanon; G Gillsper, S G Irvine, Newport; W V McGee, Cottage Grove; D Cohn, J McKnight, L S Westgate, S F; G A Waggoner, D Large, F L Tompson, Corvallis; A Morgan, Salem; D P Ames, Philadelphia; D L Sullivan, St Louis; J T Marton, N Y; F Turner, C Turner, L S Townsend, W H Mitchell, J F Barrett, Portland; A Johnson, Kansas City; F C McNair, Chicago; A L Morgan, St Joe, Cal; F Godley and wife, J W Bressler and wife, Halsey.

RUSS HOUSE.—O C Smith, Mincola, Neb; R C Cannon, Santa Rosa, Cal; M A Thompson, Portland; G C Myers; D C Hadden, Oakland; J H Maloney; A Solum; A Skaar; J Carlile; A R Harrington; T Kellogg; H Bruer; H Fretton; J E Archibald; R Kreis, Brooks; J J Graham, Millers.

A fine line of gold headed cases at Ewert's.



A KNOCK DOWN ARGUMENT.

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, Cor, Broadalbin and 1st St., Albany, Or.

WHO WANTS A TEACHER? Any school district wanting the services of a teacher can be supplied with one by communicating with L. M. Curl, County School Superintendent.

Miss Minnie Parker, of Portland, has opened an art studio in Filina's block, and will give instructions in

OIL PAINTING, at reasonable rates. Mt. Hood, Three Sisters and other local scenes executed by Miss Parker may be seen at her studio. The public is invited to call and inspect them.

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.

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SPECIALTIES. CLOTHING

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

Furnishing Goods.

Fine line of light weight underwear—balbriggan and woolen; hosiery, 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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Stick a Pin

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 or Country produce G. W. SIMPSON, Albany, Oregon.

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

GO TO CITY DRUG STORE. Guiss & Son.

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. J. E. MCKINNEY, Albany, Oregon, April 2nd, 1889.

JOHN BRIGGS, FLORIST, ALBANY OREGON. ROSES A SPECIALTY. Cemetery lots planted and attended to.

1889 SPRING AND SUMMER

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 Linn county.

Special Bargains In Cashmeres

In colors and blacks. Seersuckers, gingham, 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 Linn. 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 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 and will endeavor to do my part towards securing the trade in and adjoining counties to Albany, and to keep up with the progress of the lively and growing city of Albany. I will have something to say about

Carpets, Boots and Shoes, Groceries,

SAMUEL E. YOUNG

FURNITURE.

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

Thomas Brink.

Palace Meat Market. J. V. PIPE, PROPRIETOR. FIRST ST. - - ALBANY, OR. Will keep constantly on hand best mutton, pork, veal, sausage, etc., the best meats and largest variety in the city. Cash paid for all kinds of fat stock.

City Meat Market. SHULTZ BROS., PROPRIETORS. Keep a full line of meats of all kinds in a cool place, completely protected, and always fresh. Also have constantly on hand and other fish.