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THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

Gov. Penney's message is characteristic of the man. Criticisms of the public document are... We will startle the readers of Express next week...

CANADA THIEVES.

Miss Ora Barrell is sick with the measles. Andrew Hale, of Albany, is visiting at J. A. Caldwell's.

Several papers (we will not call them newspapers) have been born, christened and fostered under the law relating to the publication of timber land notices.

A more satisfactory system of drainage should be adopted throughout the Willamette Valley. If this were done hundreds of acres of land would be submerged...

As will be seen by a correspondence in this paper a Farmers Alliance was organized at Rock Hill this week. As a people, farmers are credited with being a sleepy, inactive class of citizens...

The office of railroad commissioner must be a secure. Up to last Thursday there were no fewer than eighteen candidates for a position on the board.

We are, and ever have been, opposed to an extravagant appropriation for the World's Fair and are of the opinion that the money which it is proposed to use for that purpose would better be spent in building wagon roads and thus open up the country's resources.

Mr. Holmes has introduced a bill to prohibit certain persons from marrying. This may be all right, but it looks like an affront to common sense.

The Jefferson Review has entered upon its second year and promises to live to a ripe old age in spite of opposition and discouragements.

We received a copy of the Oaktown Observer this week, and are rejoiced that it is not a casual paper.

There was an accident on the road, but the Express arrived on time. Measles is right of us, diphtheria to left of us, good health prevails, and all are happy.

There is a thought that we aspire to criticize; but (unless our own experiences in making an exception) there was a time when pine knots and turpentine soap would have been hailed with delight...

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