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Profoundly impressed that we, the Farmers' Alliance, united by strong and faithful ties of fraternal and home interests, should set forth our declaration of intentions, we therefore resolve—  
FIRST—To labor for the education of the agricultural classes in the science of economic government in a strictly non-partisan spirit.  
SECOND—To endorse the motto "In things essential, unity; and in all things, charity."  
THIRD—To develop a better state, mentally, morally, socially, and financially.  
FOURTH—To create a better understanding for sustaining civil officers in maintaining law and order.  
FIFTH—To constantly strive to secure entire harmony and good will among all mankind, and brotherly love among ourselves.  
SIXTH—To suppress personal, local, sectional, and national prejudices, all unwholesome rivalries and selfish ambitions.  
SEVENTH—The truest jewels which it carries are the tears of widows and orphans, and its imperative commands are to visit the homes where lacerated hearts are bleeding; to assuage the sufferings of a brother or sister; bury the dead—

**EAST LEBANON, August 3, 1891.**

**Mr. Editor:**  
The following article was clipped by the Albany Democrat from the New York Voice and hastened out as "Cold Kail, let again" to its democratic readers to prejudice them against the Farmers' Alliance in old Linn County.

"The Alliance, as a political movement at least, is certainly going to smash, on this sub-treasury, or the scheme itself will go to smash. The same is true of the People's party. The Western National Alliance has refused to endorse the scheme and the National Grange, has, in an official document, denounced it as "unwise and impracticable." It is the blindest political folly to persist, under the circumstances, in pushing such a measure to the front as the test of fealty to the movement.

If the People's Party wants to exhibit an act of statesmanlike wisdom, it will "swop out" the sub-treasury scheme for a prohibition plank in favor of an issue of treasury notes, based on gold and silver bullion, issued by direct payments for government expenses, in the proportion of \$3 in notes to each \$1 of bullion, until there is \$50 per capita put in circulation.—Voice."

Now, Mr. Editor, I don't know that we stand in need of so much gaudy advice either from the Democrat or the Voice. We think they will have enough to do to "paddle their own canoe," between now and the next election. There are one thousand saloon men and whiskeyites, five hundred politicians and lawyers, waiting and anxious, with eyes and mouth wide open to give us all kinds of advice free of charge. The Oregonian, like a big flop-eared hound, is yelping on our track, and has set a whole pack of little fiend papers to bark at us like a set of snapping cayotes.

Now then, solicitude for our welfare is all well enough when needed, but we don't just need it yet; when we get in a knot-hole like the prohibitionists, or get loaded down with obnoxious bills and measures, cheat, wrong or defraud the public like the democrats and republicans; then we will need help to unload and will perhaps call on them. Besides we don't know whether the Harrison administration is going to leave any crumbs for us to eat, the treasury is empty and the government is wanting to borrow money now to pay its debts; or rather to the salaries of the officials and to pension agents for each and all of the old

parties. Every man that ever hallowed for the dear old flag and can swear all right, is now getting a pension, to the disgrace of decency and honesty.

The democrats and republicans have stolen nearly every thing in forty-two states, except the penitentiaries, and I guess they would have stolen them, but they wanted them for a homestead by and by, when their evil deeds come to light.

Lebanon's honorable Mayor "struck the nail on the head," when he said, "the farmers don't need our advice." We are going to get there Eh, with both feet, "and don't you forget it."

My wife says for me "quit writing for the Express or some of those politicians will have me stealing sheep, or straying off with another woman, or some other devilment." Now says I, "wife, the Alliance folks don't talk about their members, like the church members of Lebanon, and besides there is more honest, old fashioned religion in this thing than half the meeting houses, and as for hypocrites, we ha'n't got any."

**PRODUCER.**

**WHITCOMB ECHOES.**

Haying about done.  
Trout biting vigorously.  
Mr. Shepherd left for California last week.

There are a number of bears running loose here that need corralling and Mr. Gaylord and party expect to try their hand.

Mr. Boone has a very fine cougar on his ranch that he would like to see some of the brag cougar dogs turned loose after.

Mr. Letsinger has such a heavy crop of hay this year that he had hard work curing it on the ground it was mowed off of.

More emigrants want I here to clear up this fine bottom land and put it in crops; there is room here for thirty more families.

**M. E. W.**

**CRABTREE CRUMBS.**

A heavy mist hid the sun all of Monday forenoon, and on Tuesday we had several hard showers. Whether or not it will injure the grain that has been cut remains to be seen.

Several threshing outfits were ready to begin operations, but the rain will delay that kind of work for a day or two.

We visited Lebanon last week and enjoyed meeting many old friends, and making some new ones. While there we went to the paper mill, and were greatly pleased with what we saw, and the kindly treatment we received.

Mr. Frank O'Neil led the way through the mill, explaining all difficult points, a courtesy that was highly appreciated by all of our company.

Mrs. Hanrahan, of Lebanon, visited Mrs. G. C. Moon and other friends here last week.

Misses Luna Crabtree and Vina Price, of Albany Prairie, visited the family of Marion Crabtree over Sunday.

Miss Ora Crabtree was down from Lebanon on Monday.

Dr. Booth is now attending the family of the late Jasper Crabtree. The mother and three children are quite low, but we hope for better things.

Lillie Crabtree, aged 16 years, daughter of the late Jasper Crabtree was buried Monday at the Franklin Butte Cemetery. A long procession followed her remains to their last resting place. The quivering lips and flowing eyes of all present told better than words could have done, how dearly she was loved and how sadly she will be missed. The many beautiful flower pieces prepared by loving hands, bear testimony to the fact that we can look through the gloom and darkness of the grave, up to the beauties and brightness of the "Better Things" that have been prepared for the pure and good.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. G. S. Harshbarger, and his earnest words made a deep impression on all who heard them.

The following named young ladies acted as pall bearers: May Griggs, Ivy Charlton, Florence Beard, Emma Pomroy, Minnie Cyrus and Emma Hart.  
Crabtree, Aug. 3, 1891.

**Notice.**  
All persons knowing themselves to be in debt to me will please come forward and settle up. I can't run business without money. On and after August first I will sell for cash on the block (no credit.)  
7-10-41. G. T. COTTON.

Monday, in Portland, the body of George Ogle was found in the Willamette about half a mile below the North Pacific Lumbering mills. His clothing was found neatly folded up on the bank of the river. He was a man of much mental capacity, a prominent Methodist and a cultured man in every way. He was the victim of an unhappy marriage, and had been recently addicted to drink. It is supposed he committed suicide. He was utterly penniless.

It is rumored that a change will soon be made in the Oregon Pacific's time table. By the change one train will start from Yaquina Bay and run straight through to Green Basin, and the other train will start from the front and run through to the Bay. By this change the engineer now running to the Bay will have his day's run shortened about 40 miles. All trains will then noon at Albany.

This is from the San Francisco Bulletin, and is good advice to Oregon people also: "Now is the time to be extra careful about fire. The country is as dry as tinder. Two villages have been almost burnt up within a day or two, and minor blazes are reported from various parts of the state. Fields and forests are in a condition to ignite with half a chance, and are burning in many places. The number of campers in various localities adds to the danger."

The contractor of the canal will commence work on next Monday, when he will employ a certain amount of teams and men and as fast as he can open up the work will employ all good men offering. He says he let station work to men that want work that way, and will furnish them tools to do the work.

The newly elected clerk of the school land board, Geo. W. Davis, took the oath of office Monday and immediately took charge of the affairs of the office. Napoleon Davis, the old clerk, will remain with Davis, and the new clerk, until he gets familiar with the office routine.

A large wood pile was set on fire, just this side of Walker's station, either by a passing train or tramps, Sunday afternoon, burning out the ties in the railroad track for quite a distance, and warping the iron rails. When the afternoon local reached that point the employees had a lively time fighting the fire, using two flat cars from Creswell to haul water for the purpose. The train succeeded in getting across the break at 7 p. m.

**DROWNED.**—News of another drowning in the Santiam has reached us. Mr. Reuben Yost, of Sweet Home, was the unfortunate victim, aged about 17 years. He, with a son of Mr. Moran's, aged 10 years, was in bathing last Sunday just above Picken's ford, and undertaking to wade across the stream young Yost floundering the water too deep attempted to turn back but in doing so lost his footing and was drowned. The Moran boy ran home and told his father, who made search for the body which was recovered shortly afterward and was buried at Nye's grave yard. A sister of the unfortunate young man was called home from Salem to attend the funeral.

Prof. David Torbett has rented a house at Albany and will move there about September 1st.

The EXPRESS is prepared to compete with Portland or San Francisco in matter of style and finish in business and visiting cards.

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**

[Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, July 2, 1891.]  
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 County Clerk of Linn County, at Albany, Oregon, on Aug. 24, 1891.  
**ELIZABETH BROOKSHIRE.**  
Homestead Entry No. 6648, for Lots Nos. 2, 3 and 4 Sec. 30 T. 2 P. 1 E. R. 1 E.  
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: (see 2301, R. S.) John O. Boyd, Andy Fitzwater, Jas. M. South, John M. Flaughter, all of Lacombe, P. O., Linn Co., Oregon.  
J. T. APPERSON,  
Register.

Lebanon people know the EXPRESS has a good job printing office and should give it all of their work.

I will be found in Kirkpatrick's building where I will be glad to see all of my old customers.

S. P. Bach.  
Mr. R. L. McClure has moved into one of Mrs. Bigger's houses on Main street.

Mr. J. A. Beard left last Thursday for Portland where he will commence work in a wholesale drug store.

We are informed that a proposition has been made by J. M. Moyer to put in a water works system, if the town of Brownsville will put up a bonus of \$2000—Our neighbor ought to have good water system and we hope it will be put in.

The heaviest yield of oats we have heard of so far, this year is that raised by Mr. Bill Cross near Halsey 17 acres thrashed out 1147½ bushels or 67½ bushels to acre.

Hon. J. B. Irvine, who formerly lived in this county, but now resides in Lincoln Co., Washington is mentioned as the probable Farmer Alliance candidate for governor of that state. Mr. Irvine it will be remembered is a brother of Hon. R. A. Irvine, of Albany.

A tie-up is feared on the Oregon Pacific if the employers are not speedily paid back wages.

Hon. J. W. Cusick, wife and little son will leave for a trip East, Monday.

A writer in the Salem Statesman from Waterloo says, among other things: The soda is excellent. Clear, cool and sparkling, it bursts from the rocks that have withstood the wear of years of the grand old Santiam. Here we are only one-half hour's drive from Sodaville, another country village with a future. During the past year a feud has existed between the two places, similar to the one between Minneapolis and St. Paul, but goodwill prevails and like those places, we expect to see the two united. We seek to advertise no place—simply write that others may go and do likewise, for here we have had more pleasure than we have experienced for years. Reader, let this sink deep into your tired brain, if you desire a "time" come on here—if health here is the place—if 'rest' come. Parties who wield the brush will find a golden opportunity for sketching, an old mill in ruins, gigantic boulders, cataracts, mountain scenery, etcetera.

The biggest excitement on the north side last week was caused by a big whale over 150 feet long that drifted ashore and died near Tiaga last Thursday. It created a good deal of interest there and will create a good deal more as the weeks go by. Along about the 20th, if the wind holds fair, the folks in that vicinity will think some one has started an oil factory.—Astoria.

The democratic ticket was elected in Kentucky Monday by majorities ranging from 20,000 to 40,000. The new constitution was not adopted by a larger majority. The peoples party polled about 20,000.

\$3.00 per day for teams \$1.74 per day for laborers paid by Thos. Price, ditch contractor. Report at 11 per end of canal next Monday.

The bids for work on the Lebanon Santiam Canal were opened Monday, and the contract awarded to Mr. Thos. Price late of Portland. The price being 16 cts. per cubic foot. He agrees to begin work next Monday and this work will be pushed on rapidly as can be done. The completion of this enterprise means a great deal in the future development of the town, and much credit is due to the officers of the Company as well as many enterprising citizens for the promptness with which the undertaking has been begun. We may very confidently expect our share of the manufacturing establishments that are coming into this country now, for there will be no better point in the valley for cheap power and fuel.