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**LACOMB.**

Rain, still it rains. The farmers took advantage of the fine weather last week, and most of them got their grain sowed.

J. Hardin and J. K. Charlton went to Albany the first of the week.

Jim Miller has sold his blacksmith shop to Mr. Beaupard, who has moved in and taken possession.

Mr. Hooker has his new residence almost completed. It is one of the finest houses in the suburbs.

Herbert Downing lost a valuable horse last week. It having got its leg broken.

The Thanksgiving dinner at the school-house was a grand success. The pupils acquitted themselves very honorably and did credit to themselves and teacher.

There was a play-party at Billy Downing's Thursday evening. Quite a number of the young people attended. Some young men came up from G. Bradley's (where they tried to have a dance) and attempted to break up the party, but they "got left."

Rev. Norton held services at the school-house last Sabbath.

Sunday before last was Rev. J. H. Kirkpatrick's day to preach at Lacombe, but he failed to come. Maybe he thinks he preached enough in the summer to last all winter.

George Bradley is building a barber shop. He will soon be ready to commence business.

There was a social hop at Wm. Savage's last Saturday night.

C. A. NABLAN.  
**HOLIDAY HEADQUARTERS.**

**You Should See the wonderful array of Holiday Goods at Julius Gradwohl's Bazaar.**

While in Albany this week our attention was attracted to the wonderful stock of holiday goods which was found in Gradwohl's Bazaar. To try and describe what we saw in there would be beyond the question, for tricycles (knaging or stand), bicycles, tricycles, velocipedes and toys of every description and style. His shelves, counters and every available space are filled with the choicest and most varied stock of holiday goods ever seen in this valley, which consists of a beautiful assortment of albums, pith goods, books and rolled gold jewelry which will do the same service as gold and costing one-tenth as much money, diamond cut pins, rings, fine umbrellas for holiday presents and novelties. His stock is now in and holiday shoppers should lose no time in seeing his wonderful array which is not surpassed by any on the coast either in elegance or price.

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**Making Men Good.**

A few weeks ago an article appeared in the editorial column of the Express in which this statement was made: "You cannot make men sober or moral by law." This statement was selected for a text, and affirmatively treated from one of the Lebanon pulpits last Sunday evening. The 23rd chapter of Ex. was read for a lesson, and the law on murder, on homicide, and the law of damage were all read. We do not propose to take an "ipse dixit," nor an "exparte" statement, but to the law and to the prophets, "Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone." In Gen. 2:15 we find the law to Adam. Was he made better? Let the wall of millions answer from the caverns of despair. The law to Noah, Gen. 9:5, did he keep it? or was he made moral or sober by it? Read the 24th verse of this 9th chapter: "And Noah awoke from his wine"—dead drunk. In the 19th chapter of Ex. we have the moral law in full, also in Deut. 5:3 the law is repeated. This perfect law, (for it is perfect) demands entire obedience. Has any man kept it? Did the Jews keep it? Let Ahab and Jezebel, 400 prophets of Baal, answer. If this is not complete, then let the sad wall of captive Jews as they hang their harps on the willow trees, in captivity, sing back their mournful dirge of degeneracy. Will the reverend gentleman read the 34 chapter of Gal. 10th and 11th verses. "No man is justified by the law in the sight of God; for as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse." Then read James 2nd chapter and 10th verse, "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." Now read Rom. 3d chap., and 20th verse, "Therefore by the deeds of the law shall no flesh be justified in his sight; for by the law is the knowledge of sin." Now if we will read Eph. 2nd chap., and 10th verse we will find how men are made sober, moral and better; "Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments, contained in ordinances, far to make in himself twain: one new man, so making peace; and that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross. "When to the law I fled it poured its curses on my head." We got no better, not even sober, until we find Christ. You get men to Christ and then you get them better, and not till then; you get a man converted and then he will stay sober and not till then, if once he has fallen. You get men to accept Christ as their keeper of the law, then and not till then will the law make them better; for "Christ is the end of the law to anyone that believeth."

Now if the reverend gentleman will read the entire 7th chapter of Hebrew he will find that if the law could reform men, or man could have been made better by law, then there would have been no Calvary no Cross and no cleansing by the blood of Christ from all sin.

We have only examined the gentleman's theology, which is all full of mistakes and radical errors; but his mutilation of Blackstone was horrible; "conglomeration of disjointed fragments" of a great author. If the gentleman will amend his theology, or answer, in the columns of the Express, our quotations of Holy Writ, we will then review his little knowledge of Blackstone, and also show how little he knows of civil law, in Oregon, making men better. We want no "ipse dixit," but facts. Respectfully,  
**J. H. KIRKPATRICK.**

**TENNESSEE.**

As I am thinking of leaving Tennessee in a very short time I will try and say something for Tennessee that will perhaps help to elevate me to a higher office.

We are sorry to inform you that Mr. P. L. Wallace has not been very well for the past week.

Mr. Jack Fox will soon be through digging potatoes.

Spicer is building up rapidly. I believe before March next I will be able to sell my property in Potatoville for a large sum of money.

Mr. Allen, of Lebanon, has moved to Tennessee. We are much pleased with the increase to our little town.

Mr. Charley McKnight acted as superintendent over our Sunday school last Sunday.

A young man was seen walking the streets of Spicer asking a real small gentleman if he had seen anything of a white horse. "Not to-day" was the reply.  
**Y. C. GUESS.**

**J. H. Stine, Formerly Editor of the Lebanon Express, Killed.**

[From Albany Herald.]

**MCMINNVILLE, Or., Nov. 30.**—J. H. Stine, editor of the Whiteson Advance, was shot last evening by N. C. Cook, a section boss on the narrow gauge railroad. Cook then shot himself twice. Both men were killed instantly. Stine, Cook, and a German section hand had been to Amity on foot, a distance of three miles from Whiteson. When about half way back on their return, Stine walked about ten feet in advance of the others. Cook quickly, without warning, drew a Smith & Wesson pistol and fired at Stine, striking him in the back of the neck and breaking the spinal column. Turning the pistol on himself he fired one shot into his breast, missing the heart about two inches. He then placed the pistol to his temple and fired a second shot through his brain. The section hand, thinking his time had also come, started to run at the first shot and did not stop until he got to Whiteson. A squad of men returned and found both men dead. No cause is known for the deed, except it was a sudden fit of mental aberration. Cook has been acting singular for some days, and did not work Friday and Saturday. The section hand with them said that he had taken but two drinks of whisky during the day and showed no signs of intoxication. The men were good friends, and always on the best of terms. They were talking pleasantly at the time of the shooting. They were both about 48 years of age and veterans. Cook belonged to Company A, Thirty-fifth New Jersey infantry of Trenton, and Stine to Company D, Second Pennsylvania cavalry. Nothing is known of Cook's family relations. He was brought here by the coroner last night, and hundreds visited the remains today. He was a fine physical specimen, stately leaves a wife and one child. He was a good writer, an able country editor, and had been connected with papers at Independence, Grant's Pass, St. Helen's, Lebanon, Brownsville and other points. He will be buried at Independence, where he was married about six years ago.

Cook, the suicide, was a member of Lincoln-Garfield post of Portland. They have been notified of his death. His remains were sent to Portland on the afternoon train.

**Mr. FERRIS:**

As we are just outside of the city limits we will not be entitled to help make the City Fathers. However we are deeply interested in all that pertains to the welfare of Lebanon, and consequently feel a deep interest in the election.

The past year has been one of unexampled prosperity to our young, but growing city; and to our mind and way of thinking, there is no one who has contributed more to this prosperity than our present board of Mayor, councilmen and other city officers. We believe all good citizens (not blinded by prejudice) will cheerfully say, "well done, good and faithful servants." Our city finances are in a most excellent condition, a wonderful amount of improvements have been made, and the interest of the tax-payers have been faithfully guarded, and the rights of all maintained.

The charge that our city officers are under the influence of the saloons, or that they connive at violations of the law, is an impudent and unwarranted assertion. If Lebanon has any better men or more competent material for officers, we have failed to make their acquaintance.

We have the great respect for ministers and a profound reverence for their calling; but we fail to see or understand their connection with the Government of the their official capacity. Intemperance is a great evil, the saloons a great evil, but we think it would be better to have a law that would gradually see the saloons out of existence and put respect for the law in their place.

**CRABTREE.**

There is so little going on in this part of the "Moral heritage" that it seems almost folly to try to get items enough together for a readable letter.

The "patter of the rain upon the roof" still continues at intervals, and a longer or shorter "rainy spell" does not seem to be recalled to the memory of even the proverbial "oldest inhabitant."

All sorts of out-door work has ceased for the present. Fortunately the rains have been warm and what grain has been sown before the rains is looking splendidly. Feed, too, has kept good, and stock of all kinds is doing well. The wild geese also are doing well, and are more numerous than we care to have them.

Thanksgiving passed off quietly with no other demonstration than a few family dinner parties.

School has begun in Dist. No. 4 with Mr. Chase, late of Nebraska, as teacher.

The new church building is being energetically pushed forward, and if nothing unforeseen transpires will be ready for use in a short time.

The burning of the Scribner Mill is the chief topic of conversation now. There is not a family but what regards it to some extent, an individual loss. A good many farmers had their wheat for the year's flour in the mill when it was burned. Expressions of sympathy are heard on all sides for Messrs. Golis & Gamble, for their misfortune.

Real estate has been changing hands here some lately. Mr. Dan Hart has sold his farm to a party whose name we did not learn. Mr. Swanson has sold a one-third interest in his farm (formerly owned by the late Jas. Crabtree) to Mr. Harbough. S. W. Gaines has sold sixty acres of his old home place to Joseph Poindexter. G. C. McLean has sold two hundred and forty acres of the Elliott farm to R. A. Moon, of Moon's landing, California. We understand the "New Moon" will not be visible here for a year to come.

Mrs. A. B. Morris, of Albany, visited the family of J. P. Crabtree, Sunday and Monday.

D. F. Crabtree, of Lebanon, was down Friday to visit his brother, Uncle Johnny Crabtree, who is very feeble.

S. W. Gaines and daughter Ida are up on a visit from Hubbard.

John Callahan is very low of typhoid fever at the residence of Mr. John Billyeu.

Last week the Eureka meat market was again closed on account of not getting sufficient support.

Dr. Taylor, who was formerly located here as a dentist, was in town the first of the week on a visit. The Doctor has been in the mining business of late, and judging from the chunk of gold he carried with him we would judge old, he has been pretty successful.

Mr. J. A. Beard, now of Portland, was in town Sunday.

Mr. Chas. Miller returned home Tuesday from a short stay in Portland.

Mr. E. Case and wife returned home Monday from a visit to Junction City.

Pumps down to Albany prices Black pipe 12 1/2 cts. At F. C. Ayer & Co.'s.

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