

# Lebanon Express.

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Grain crop in the valley is turning out fine.

Lebanon can boast of having the best water works system of any town in the state of its size.

The Salem Woolen Mills never were so busy as they are now. They are running day and night. —Salem Democrat.

Vacaville, Cal., proposes to raise the liquor license of the town to \$2,000 a year. There is much opposition to the proposition.

Inventor Edison says that in his opinion the whole country has developed into a national lunatic asylum on the financial question. For this reason he has closed down his phonograph factory.

Complaint has been made in the Customhouse in San Francisco, that some one of the employees has been giving the prices and place of purchase of one importer to another. The charges are being investigated.

There was a terrible tumble in Chicago's board of trade Monday. Many of the millionaires who have made their fortunes through gambling on the necessities of life were reduced almost to poverty by the falling in the price of wheat and pork.

Representative Bland is of the opinion that the repeal of the Sherman act is impossible in either house unless there is a provision made for silver coinage.

The United States is old, big and independent enough to have a money policy of its own. European policy should have no more effect on the money of this country than their legislation upon our tariff system. If we are to ape England in money matters, why not do so on the tariff?

British agricultural statistics are very unsatisfactory conditions. The number of failures of farmers in the British Isles during the first six months of this year was 40 per cent larger than those of the corresponding time in 1892.

In South Africa the Kaffir sorcerers have formed a union to which the members have to give a "charter" for their mistress. No member is allowed to enter upon a situation unless the registered character of the mistress of the house is satisfactory.

As an example of what may be done with the English language, an announcement in an exchange furnishes the most startling evidence. "Mrs. Blank will lecture at — hall Sunday afternoon; the subject, "From Heaven to Hell." The elevator will run from two to four p. m.

The Salem Democrat advises the farmers of Marion county not to sell their wheat at present prices unless absolutely compelled to do so. It is more than probable that the price will be much higher before winter, and a few cents on the bushel means many thousand dollars in the aggregate. It is not speculation to hold for a fair price and it is ruinous to sell at the present price.

Independence West Side: Our readers take but little interest in that injunction suit over the soldiers' home at Roseburg, but when our state normal school at Monmouth is enjoined from opening its doors this fall, what then?

The two minute trotter is at hand. With the aid of a running mate, a bicycle sulky and on the Kirkwood, (Del.) kite shaped track, Ayres P., on the 4th inst., trotted a full mile in the wonderful time of 2:03 1/2. Many who witnessed the performance, great as it may seem, did not hesitate to say that with a faster running mate, the record would have been lower.

The "extraordinary occasions" which sometimes necessitates the calling of an extra session of Congress; has come and Congress is now assembled to relieve the people of the burden that is so hard to bear—an extreme scarcity of money. The President has frankly recommended the repeal of the Sherman act, to the passage of which he attributes all our ills; and urges Congress to give the country such laws as will put beyond a doubt the "intentions and ability of the government to fulfil its pecuniary obligations in money universally recognized by all civilized countries." He still thinks the tariff of great importance, but for the present, of less importance than the money question. The President may recommend and the people may demand but Congress must act. Never before have the people been so clamorous for relief, and they are willing to take it from the hands of any political party. The lines that formally marked the boundaries of political parties seem no longer to divide Congress. The lines are now between gold and silver, with the president favoring gold. It is earnestly hoped that the combined wisdom of Congress, regardless of politics, will solve the knotty problem now vexing the people.

One day last week C. C. Hale killed a rattlesnake on the head of McKay, which is probably the largest ever seen in the country, at least Mr. Hale challenges anybody to report a larger one. It measured 2 feet and 6 1/2 inches in length, 6 inches around the largest part of its body and 1 5/8 inches across the head, and had 11 rattles. The reptile was vicious and showed fight as soon as it was discovered.—Ochoco Review.

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