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"The evening paper contains the news of to-day; the morning paper gives you the news of yesterday."

HORACE GREELEY.

ALMOST A FIRE.—Sunday morning the handsome new residence of Dr Minthorn in Highland addition was a scene of much excitement for a few minutes. About two o'clock a. m. the women folks sleeping in a room adjoining the sitting room were awakened by a dense smoke in the room which almost strangled them. They at once arose and discovered the house on fire. The alarm was given and had it not been for Bert Cook and two men who were sleeping at the house, it would have been burned to the ground, but by cool and quick work the fire was soon under control and the flames subdued. The night being very cool a good fire was left in the fire-place when the family retired and during the night the fire caught in the frame work and communicated to the side wall and ceiling. Dr. Minthorn himself was away at Albany at the time. It is said Bert Cook has proven himself a first-class fireman.

RUNAWAYS.—About noon to-day a team belonging to Al Pettyjohn started on a dead run from in front of Thos. Burrows' grocery store on Commercial street, and in turning the corner of Ladd & Bush's bank collided with a buggy belonging to M. A. Van Scoy causing damages to the extent of some $15 or $20 and scattering Christmas goods promiscuously over the ground. The second runaway was that of the Wells Fargo Express team. Geo. Watters was delivering some express matter at E. S. Lamport's, when the team supposed, no doubt, that it was dinner time started for Minto & Low's livery barn at the corner of High and Court streets. They collided with a telegraph pole, however, at the corner of Liberty and Court streets and narrowly escaped severe damages. One of the horses, "Jumbo", struck the high walk with such force as to leave a badly shattered plank. No damage however.

A PERFECT SUCCESS.—Saturday evening the opera house was comfortably seated with a well pleased audience. The occasion was the first appearance in this city of the famous colored jubilee singers. The programme rendered by this company was highly entertaining and elicted much applause. "Ding Dong Bell," as sung by Miss Chim, was a very fine rendition. The Quartette "Come Where the Lillies Bloom," was a fine selection and rendered by these splendid singers, was very entertaining indeed. George Conley was the hero of the evening in singing his comic selections, which, to say the least, were simply immense. This celebrated company give their last performance in the opera house this (Monday) evening. Don't fail to hear them. An entire change of programme promised.

CHRISTMAS AT CHEMAWA.—Mrs. Irwin and Miss Cornelius, with fifteen pupils, are in the city to-day from the Chemawa Indian school. They came to make purchases for the Christmas festivities to be held at the school to-morrow night, when it is expected that a pleasant and profitable time will be had. The examination held in the school the past week shows higher standing for the pupils than ever before, the average being from 70 to 100 per cent. The observance of holidays and civilized customs, such as their Christmas tree exercises to-morrow evening, is a very good idea, and should form no small part of the education of these modern aborigines.

CAPITAL MINES—W. H. Byars Esq., special United States mineral land surveyor, and his surveying party returned last Tuesday after making an official survey of the Capital Consolidated Gold & Silver mine for a patent from the United States, by order of the surveyor general. This company will patent 3000 feet at once, and be ready to carry on active operation by erecting concentrators, etc. early in the spring. The weather above the fog while the party was at the mine was clear and pleasant. There is a force of men under charge of Mr. Ward at work there now. The company feel highly elated over their prospects.

DANGEROUSLY ILL.—For several days, the familiar face of Squire Johnson has been missed upon the streets. His many friends will be pained to hear that he is dangerously ill at his home in this city. He was some better early this morning, but this evening is not feeling so well. His friends are very anxious over his condition, and hope to see him out fully recovered, as soon as possible.

SQUIRREL HILL.—Squirrel Hill school house located about seven miles south of the city in the Salem hills, will be the scene of much enjoyment on Christmas eve. A rousing good time is anticipated, and great preperations have been made. Snow fell their last evening to the depth of two and one-half inches.

ON THE MARKET.—The trustees of the Willamette university have put on the market their block of land on State street, joining Prof. Randles property. Any one who desires a bargain call on the agent, T. VanScoy.

AN ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING.

A Public Mass Meeting at Jefferson Saturday Arouses Attention—They Have Faith in the Court.

Saturday a public meeting was held at the beautiful little city of Jefferson, to discuss the question of building a bridge across the Santiam river at that place. The meeting came off alright but the greater part of it was taken up by another subject that was not exactly down on the programme.

It would seem that the illustrious and ever-beaming editor of the Woodburn Independent has conceived the idea that he has received a revelation from the All-wise Being to go forth and warn the people of Marion county of the great wrongs they are about to suffer from the hands of Salemites, and save them, even should he be compelled to storm the walls of Jericho for forty days and forty nights. Having sent out a limited number of circulars, which were so false that the lie was stamped upon them in plain letters. The "Daniel" from Woodburn sought his opportunity to be at the meeting at Jefferson Saturday, and, with the support of a half dozen or so of moss-back followers, sought to take the meeting by storm and have the whole world at his feet. Alas, but things are not what they sometimes appear to be!

The meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock p. m. and Mr. Chas. Miller elected temporary president, with Mr. Chas. Smith as secretary. As soon as the meeting was called to order, "Daniel," from Woodburn was noticed sitting in the crowd and acting so strange that attention was called to him. He was invited to stand up and speak a few words for "the good of his country." He gained the floor in a bashful school boy fashion, and attempted to show the people how he had placed his carcass upon the altar as a living sacrifice for the dear people, and attempted to show them how the board of trade and real estate men of Salem were trying to compel the county court to appropriate a large sum of money for the purpose of building an armory and to macadamize the county roads, all of which he declared was an outrage and would bankrupt every farmer in the land. He even insinuated that the court and commission were opposed to any improvements outside of Salem and in his wild-west talk of some forty minutes duration, he told how the CAPITAL JOURNAL and Statesman had abused him and what great and glorious things he was doing for the good of the country. As soon as he ran down and had said his say, Salem's worthy citizen, E. H. Bellinger, who was before locating in Salem, one of Jefferson's most esteemed and responsible citizens, was invited to speak on the subject, and in a few words and with little trouble Mr. Bellinger proved to the satisfaction of all that "Daniel" was a "prevaricator" of the first water and was only working his little racket as an advertising dodge, and did not have the interest of the people at heart as he had attempted to make them believe. Before Mr. Bellinger had left the floor he had turned the tide of feeling and placed the Woodburn man in a bad box.

Mr. Ab. Cornelius next addressed the meeting and said that in his opinion he could see no reason for all this talk as the court had not even entertained either proposition that the Woodburn man said had already been appropriated. But, said Mr. Cornelius, I am in favor of appropriations for the permanent improvement of our county roads, and as Salem is the central point, I think that the improvements should start there and spread on out as fast as the county could build them. Mr. Cornelius said that he thought the court and commissioners were men of sound judgment and would not allow themselves to do that which was not for the best interest of the people of the whole county.

Mr. H. Hanison was called upon and made a short but interesting talk. Mr. Hanison is an intelligent and broad thinking man. He expressed himself as in favor of anything that would have a tendency to increase the valuation of property, and said further, that he hoped the county court would build the armory. He was a great admirer of that organization known as the board of trade, and in his opinion thought Salem should feel proud of them. He thought if the county roads were ever macadamized that the work should commence at Salem. At the close of his talk, Mr. Hanison asked that a resolution be adopted, thanking the board of trade of Salem for the good they had done, and to express their confidence in the county court.

Mr. Miller, the chairman, next made a few short remarks, and expressed his opinion in a favorable way and said he had the greatest of confidence in both the county court and the commissioners, and thought they would do only what was the best for the people in all cases.

J. S. Shoemaker was the next to speak, and he made a good talk. He thinks that if the county court wants to build an armory and appropriate money towards macadamizing the country roads, that they are acting for the good of the the people. In his talk he expressed his feelings towards the little whiffet of an editor from Woodburn in very plain words, and told him it was a fight he was trying to get up between the people of Jefferson and Salem, and that he had better stay at home and do his fighting in that town. Chas. Smith then took the floor, and told the people that they had come together to discuss the bridge question and then offered the following resolution which was adopted amid considerable enthusiasm.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That we are opposed to any unreasonable expenditure for the erection of an armory building in Marion county; that we oppose any appropriation for advertising; that we favor improvements of roads in any manner that may be legally and justly decided upon; and, further, that we have confidence in the good sense and judgment of our county court in the matter.

After the resolution had been adopted "Daniel" from Woodburn begged to be allowed to say a few words, which was granted. He took the floor and for a few minutes abused the meeting, stormed the chairman, declared that several in the meeting had trampled upon him and that after all he had done for their good, this was the thanks he had received and with a loud cry of "Oh! ye sons of iniquity," he made a desperate grab for his linen duster and hat and made a grand rush for the door amid hisses and groaning. The bridge subject was brought up and as the shades of night were approaching no time was had to discuss the matter to any great length, so a committee of 30 persons, 15 from Marion and the same number from Linn, were appointed to meet at Jefferson on Christmas day and discuss the matter at greater length.

The JOURNAL is happy to note the good sense and judgment used at the meeting. The bridge at Jefferson should be built and it will be constructed just as soon as possible without a doubt. The bridge will prove of great advantage to both counties and the city of Jefferson is pushing ahead fast and deserve consideration from the hands of the people.

STILL THEY COME.

The Frozen-out Inhabitants of the East Look to Oregon for Comfortable and Pleasant Homes.

Prof. R. H. Willis, of The Dalles Academy, in a recent letter, published in the Virginia Orange Observer says: I see your Texas correspondent's glowing letter about the advantages of the "Lone Star State," and it suggests to me to write something about Oregon. There is now an immense tide of immigration to Oregon and Washington, several thousand per day for some time during the summer, but probably a little less now. The cold climate of the northern tier of states from Dakota east drives thousand of persons to seek the balmy breezes of the Pacific slope, and really, it is hard to find a climate more pleasant than this. The winters and summers are short and mild, and the springs and autumns are long. Last winter we had here less than three inches of snow in all, that was an unusually mild winter. Generally there is snow enough for sleighing once or twice—i. e. in Eastern Oregon and Washington. West of the Cascade mountains snow is uncommon.

The Pacific coast is not low and swampy, like the Atlantic, but the mountains come right down into the ocean, and hence there is scarcely any malaria.

Oregon is a fine state for grain, fruit and stock-raising; and a great deal of money is made here from each of these occupations. Grain and stock are raised in nearly all parts of the state, and fruit raising is also quite extensive; but in the Willamette valley in Western Oregon, for one hundred miles north and south of Salem, is said to be the paridise of fruit-growers.

This business has not been developed here yet, as it has been in California; and fruit lands whose real value are equal to those of California, command a comparatively small price. During my travels in California last year I found unimproved fruit land generally selling at $100 to $200 per acre, while in the Willamette valley of Oregon it is now worth $10 to $60 per acre.

There is an immense profit in these lands, when the fruit is produced; and people are now taking advantage of this here and setting out large orchards of prunes, pears, cherries, plums, peaches and apples. In California an acre of good fruit-land with trees five years old is worth from $500 to $1000 in a fair location; and this is not unreasonable, when a single crop from this acre sells at $200 to $400.

The same profit can be made in Oregon from the fruit, and in the increased value of the land a far greater profit; because lands in Oregon are so much below California prices. In Oregon prunes and Bartlett pears are most profitable, since both command a good price and bear shipment well.

The Pacific coast prunes are greatly superior to others raised in our country, and hence the demand for them in Eastern markets.

It is safe to say that a farmer here can easily make $5 where he can make $1 in Virginia, and so other classes of industrial workers and nearly all professional men here are better paid than on the Atlantic slope or Mississippi valley. These practical advantages together with the grand scenery make this section wonderfully attractive.

Rheumatism.

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For some time past the question of purity in baking powders has formed quite a feature of newspaper discussions and eminent doctors of philosophy have given opinions as to the ingredients which compose many of the articles sold under that name. The investigations have narrowed down to the limit which awards the Royal Baking Powder the palm of purity, and the most distinguished scientists have testified not only that no extraneous or deleterious matter enters into its composition, but that its use is positively healthful, making as it does, lighter, sweeter and more digestible food. The Royal Baking Powder Company have achieved a world-wide reputation for the success which has marked their preparation of cream of tartar for baking purposes. It is indisputably shown that they have eliminated all elements of tartrate of lime, alum or other impurities, and present to the public a healthful and chemically pure article. The U. S. government chemists and others widely known have verified its superiority over other manufacturers, and testified, through practical experience, to its excellence. It is well for families to observe the fact that it costs more to manufacture the Royal Baking Powder than any other, but it is, as shown by chemical analysis, the only "absolutely pure" baking powder made.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Make your Eastern relatives or friends happy by making them a Christmas present of one year's subscription to the CAPITAL JOURNAL. One dollar spent in a worthy way.

Dr. T. L. Golden has the thanks of this office for Missouri papers laid on our table containing a complete list of the United States senators and representatives of the fifty-first congress.

J. J. Dorris, an old resident of Linn county, was found dead in a pool of water on the streets of Albany at 4 o'clock, Saturday morning. It is thought he was intoxicated.

Go to Wm. Benson's New Candy and Cigar Store, for the finest line of candy, cigars and tobacco, in the city. All good, new and fresh. 156 State street. tf.

Only a few days more and 1889 will be a thing of the past. During this time Squire Farrar will offer you great bargains in groceries.

Yesterday the overland train arrived here about 1:30 p. m. and to-day at 10 a. m. Saturday night's storm caused the delay.

Regular meeting W. C. T. U tomorrow afternoon, Tuesday, December 24, at 2:30 in their hall on Court street.

The CAPITAL JOURNAL is on sale at J. Benson Starr's and at the Favorite cigar store.

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PURELY PERSONAL.

E. H. Bellenger came down from Jefferson yesterday.

Mr. Reed, receiver's clerk at the Scotch mills, visited Jefferson Saturday.

H. V. Matthews, after a month's visit in York state and the East, arrived home Saturday. He reports cold weather, but a very pleasant trip.

The railroad soliciting committee composed of Squire Farrar, B. S. Cook, H. W. Cottle, E. M. Waite and Prof. McElroy are attending the railroad meeting at McMinville to-day.

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