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Oak Plain, No. 6—H. B. Sprenger, Sheild, Linn Co., Oregon. Meets 2d Saturday.
Tangent, No. 7—J. H. Scott, Tangent, Linn Co., Oregon. Meets 4th Saturday.
Grand Prairie, No. 10—Thos. Froman, Albany, Linn Co., Oregon. Meets on 4th Saturday until after October, after that on 2d Saturday.
Harrisburg, No. 11—S. S. Train, Harrisburg, Linn Co., Oregon. Meets 4th Saturday.
Soap Creek, No. 14—W. L. Cauthorn, Wells, Benton Co., Oregon. Meets 2d Sat.
Charity, No. 15—C. P. Clinghan, Grangeville, Idaho Territory.
Salem, No. 17—Adam Stephens, Salem, Marion Co., Oregon. 1st and 3d Sat.
Turner, No. 18—Wm. M. Hilleary, Turner, Marion Co., Oregon. Meets 4th Sat.
Lebanon, No. 21—J. M. Settle, Lebanon, Linn Co., Oregon. Meets 3d Sat.
Knox Butte, No. 22—P. B. Marshall, Albany, Linn Co., Oregon. Meets 4th Sat.
Harmony, No. 23—Marion Arrant, Albany, Linn Co., Oregon. Meets 3d Sat.
Mono, No. 25—B. F. Smith, Lewistown, Polk Co., Oregon. Meets 1st Saturday.
Grand Prairie, No. 26—J. C. Jennings, Junction, Lane Co., Oregon. Meets 3d Sat.
Evening Star, No. 27—Euda Kelly, East Portland, Multnomah Co., Oregon. 1st Sat.
Umpqua, No. 28—W. F. Owens, Roseburg, Douglas County, Or. Meets 1st Sat.
McMinnville, No. 31—W. S. Frink, McMinnville, Oregon. Meets 1st and 3d Sat.
Scio, No. 36—H. S. Williams, Scio, Linn Co., Oregon.
Santiam, No. 37—Oscar Pomeroy, Scio, Linn Co., Oregon. Meets 2d and 4th Sat.
Molalla, No. 40—N. H. Darnell, Molalla, Clackamas Co., Oregon. Meets 2d Sat.
Jordan Valley, No. 42—J. B. Traak, Jordan Valley, Linn Co., Oregon. Meets Saturday before 1st and 3d Sunday.
Willamette, No. 52—Stokley Moore, Corvallis, Benton Co., Oregon. 1st Thursday.
Siuslaw, No. 54—Isaac Simpson, Siuslaw, Lane Co., Oregon. Meets 2d Saturday.
Sand Ridge, No. 57—James M. Swank, Albany Linn Co., Oregon. Meets 2d Sat.
West Union, No. 72—J. A. Imbris, West Union, Oregon. Meets 2d Saturday.
Woodburn Grange No. 79.—W. F. Ray, Woodburn, Marion county, Or.
Howell Prairie, No. 80—Meets 4th Saturday. J. W. Howell, Salem, Or.
Butte Creek, No. 82—J. R. White, Butte Creek, Clackamas Co. Meets 2d Saturday.
Powell's Valley, No. 84—George Williams, Powell's Valley, Multnomah Co., Oregon. Meets 1st Thursday.
Goshen, No. 101—meets on the 1st Saturday. W. R. Dillard, Goshen, Lane Co. 2d Sat.
Charity, No. 103—Miss Agnes Waggoner, Halsey, Linn Co., Oregon. Meets 3d Sat.
Round Prairie, No. 106—W. M. Collard, Brooks, Marion Co., Oregon. 2d Sat.
Farmington, No. 110—Calvin Jack, Reedville, Washington Co., Oregon. Meets 4th Sat.
Tualatin, No. 111—F. M. Kruse, Wilsonville, Clackamas Co., Oregon. Last Sat.
Butte, No. 148—Thos. Paulsen, Portland, Multnomah Co., Oregon. 3d Wed.
Wingville, No. 150—Bononia Sturgil, Baker City, Baker Co., Oregon. 1st and 3d Sat.
Baker City, No. 152—Thomas Smith, Auburn, Baker Co., Oregon. Meets 2d and 4th Sat.
Canyon City, No. 161—E. S. Penfield, Canyon City, Grant Co., Oregon.
Daniel Clark, No. 162—Henry Hall, Prairie City, Grant Co., Oregon.
Young's River, No. 172—C. Peterson, Olney, Clatsop Co., Or. Meets 1st Saturday.
Owego, No. 175—G. W. Stephens, Owego, Clackamas Co., Oregon. Meets 2d Sat.
Josephine, No. 179—J. S. Chatham, Wilderville, Josephine Co., Oregon.
Washington, No. 181—Lulu L. Day, Murphy, Josephine Co., Oregon. Meets 3d Sat.
Rogue River, No. 190—M. B. Gibson, Ellensburg, Curry Co., Oregon.
Washougal, No. 192—C. J. Moore, Washougal, Clark Co., W. T.
Umpqua Dist. Pomona Grange—Meets 1st Saturday at 2 P. M., Geo. W. Jones, Sec.
Cape Horn Grange, No. — Wm. Haffy, Jr., Cape Horn, W. T.

NOTES BY THE WAYSIDE.

STAFFORD, Or., April 18, 1884.

Editor Willamette Farmer.
I met with Pomona Grange at Salem April 3d. Was rejoiced to find present so many of our tried veterans, among them Bro. White of Butte Creek, and Bro. Bonney of Woodburn Grange. Spent the night pleasantly with the editor of the WILLAMETTE FARMER and family. Bro. C. is busily engaged on his farm, while our kind hostess is as ever busy in the performance of household and editorial duties. On the morning of the 4th, W. S. M. and myself took the train for Roseburg; Bro. Owens met us at the station with a cordial greeting. W. S. O. Buick and Sister B. met us on the morning of the 5th, ready as usual to labor for our Order. At 1 o'clock we held a meeting, at which W. S. M. Boise proved to his hearers the interest he so ardently feels in the agricultural portion of this rising State. Took the train at

six, for Myrtle Creek, where we spent the Sabbath with Bro. and Sister Buick, enjoying our visit amid those romantic hills and fertile valley with the true Grange relish, and on Monday morning, that we might have an extended view of the country by daylight, boarded the freight train at 8:30 for Grant's Pass, a distance of seventy-five miles. Having crossed the Umpqua river at Myrtle Creek, we coursed our way along its western bank, some ten or twelve miles from Cow creek, where the railroad leaves the Umpqua and enters Cow creek canyon. Here we seated ourselves on top of the car that we might enjoy the delightful scenery along the creek and over the mountains. There is some mining done on the creek. Here we passed out of the farming country, and the iron horse pulled us up, up, up for miles in the canyon, through tunnels and along mountain gorges, until we came to the divide, where we passed through two tunnels and shot out to the other side of the mountain, the appearance of the entire country being changed, the mountain steeps consist of granite. The pine and mansanita bush reminded me of the gold fields of California in '49 and '50. The road follows down along the side of the mountain until it reaches Wolt creek, where it forms a complete loop and winds its course towards Rogue river, the country being rough and almost barren. Arrived at Grant's Pass, on Rogue river, about 4 o'clock. The farming land here is quite limited. This place may in the future make quite a shipping point for Josephine county, if the inhabitants can succeed in raising such products as will demand a greater price in the market than the railroad company charges for transportation.

After spending the night, crossed the Rogue river on the 6th, and traveled some fifteen miles to Applegate creek. Here we found a nice little valley, the low lands producing corn and sorghum; the sirup made from it is very good. Fruit, particularly peaches, grows abundantly in this valley.

We visited the Grange Co-operative Store, kept by Bro. Powell, for Washington Grange. They have at present a \$5,000 or \$6,000 stock of goods and are doing an excellent co-operative business. Spent the night most pleasantly with Bro. Basye and family. Attended Washington Grange on the 7th, and was surprised at the concourse of Patrons met in the hall, who made its walls ring with vocal and instrumental music, which delightful exercise seemed to be conducted by the sisters, who are whole hearted Grangers. W. M. Day finally called to order and Judge Boise addressed the meeting for an hour and a half, in which every one seemed interested. Then followed the tables laden with delicious delicacies enough to satisfy a company three times its number, at which we all labored faithfully. Order being again restored your Lecturer was requested to favor them with an address. We had a very interesting meeting and many a cheering word was spoken for the good of our Order. The Patrons of this remote locality are deserving much credit for their praiseworthy and heroic conduct, and for their indomitable perseverance, for which at every meeting they seem to realize a full compensation. With reluctance I bade adieu to friends so generous and kind.

There having been no other appointments made in Josephine and Jackson counties, and wishing to accomplish as much as possible during our brief sojourn, the S. M. visited as far as possible in the former, while I traversed a portion of the latter county laboring in behalf of the Grange, explaining its objects and urging upon the citizens the necessity of immediate, earnest co-operative action.

On the 10th went up the Applegate to Poor Man's creek. The country as we proceed further east seems better adapted to the raising of stock. Hydraulic mining is carried on to a certain extent, but water seems to be scarce. After traveling fifteen or twenty miles obtained a birds-eye view of Rogue river valley proper. The lovely valley spread out before us like a rich panorama, dotted with fine farms, presented a spectacle beautiful to behold, while the grand old Siskiyou mountains standing to the south and Mt. McLathlen, with her eternal snow cap, and the Cascades to the east and north, seemed to say: "This is my treasured farm, trespass not."

We proceeded about five miles into the valley, called on Bro. Mingus, last Master of Jackson Grange, who after a lengthy conversation decided that it would be best to converse with other brothers through the valley, which I did, spending the night with Bro. Plymale, my companion, Bro. Clappel, tarried with Bro. Walker. April 11th Bro. Walker took his team and hack, and we

visited the farmers in various sections of the valley, while Bro. Clappel returned to his home on Applegate.

The renowned table rocks stand in the northwest part of the valley, and to the south is the farm of Col. Ross, whom we visited, finding him a granger both in heart and practice. His farm is in order and everything about it bespeaks taste and refinement. Found the Colonel engaged in tanning deer skins, which reminded us of early days.

I saw large fields ready to plant to corn and sorghum. Went through Bro. Walker's mill for crushing cane and making sirup, of which he can manufacture two barrels a day. The valley has not yet produced enough for home consumption. Am informed that it grows very large upon black soil, though it is sometimes caught by frost, but always ripens upon thin soil. The yield of sirup per acre is from sixty to one hundred and twenty gallons. In my opinion the raising of sorghum is the most inviting business for farmers of Jackson county, as the manufacture of sugar would soon follow, while they could find ready market in the various sections of this large State, and we should import nothing which we can successfully raise at home. It will be necessary for fruit growers to resort to the drying and canning processes as the freights by rail are so enormous that no profit would return to the producer upon green fruit.

We are in hopes that there may yet be several Granges organized in Jackson county. The little town of Medford is upon the line of rail, five miles from Jackson and near the centre of the valley, and I think ere many years will be the principal town in the county.

Took train for Oakland at 7 o'clock P. M. Was joined by Judge Boise at Grant's Pass. Bro. Buick joined us at Myrtle Creek, and we all arrived at Oakland about 7 o'clock in the morning prepared to commence anew our work. At 11 o'clock a good number of farmers had collected in Masonic hall, to whom our W. S. M. was introduced by W. S. O. Buick, who proceeded in his able manner to explain our object in coming here and the necessity of maintaining our organization. We organized a Grange in the afternoon of twenty members, with Sister H. Cooper, as Master; Bro. J. C. Hutchinson, O.; Bro. Theil, Secretary. After suggestions for good of the Order, meeting adjourned to convene again the second Saturday in May. We predict success for this Grange, as it has many energetic, intelligent and useful members.

Spent the Sabbath with Bro. and Sister Cooper at their farm near Wilbur, in a fine valley surrounded by hills luxuriant with vegetation and flowers. The young ladies of the family kindly gathered and presented me with a beautiful bouquet of wild flowers, which now decorates the centre-table of my little daughter, almost as fresh and bright as when plucked from the parent stem. Bro. Cooper has some furniture made from myrtle timber, also a sideboard of mahogany, and I think the myrtle polishes as nicely and presents as fine and rich a color as the mahogany. I am informed that there is an abundance of myrtle timber in this section, and am surprised that our manufacturers of furniture do not utilize it.

The Patrons of Douglas county have co-operated successfully in wool and machinery. Bro. Owens has managed the business with great ability, but the farmers must not become careless and neglectful, but ever remember that eternal vigilance is the secret of success, therefore co-operate more extensively and enlarge annually.

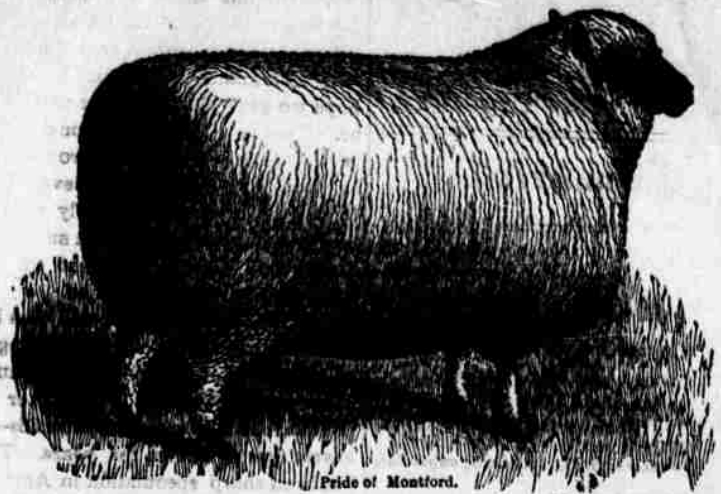
On the morning of the 14th took the train again to Harrisburg, where I spent the night pleasantly with Bro. and Sister Irvin. The farmers in that section are exceedingly busy, and we thought best to postpone a meeting until a time more convenient to those interested.

Should like to attend the next session of the Linn County Council, but that being impracticable, hope to meet all its members at the State Grange in May, clothed in the full armor of the Order, able to report a year of both mental and financial progress. This has been a year of tests and this question remains to be solved. Will the agriculturists of Oregon as a people put their hands and minds in earnest to the work, each determined to make their occupation a success, or will they degenerate into the peasantry system of the Old World? The good seed has been sown, let us labor and hope for a glorious result.

Fraternally, H. E. HAYES.

P. S.—I meet with Butte Creek Grange May 10th. H. E. H.

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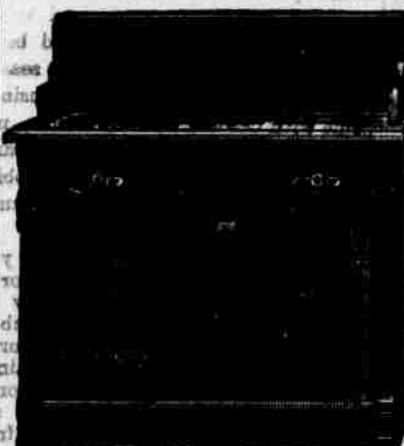
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