

LANDS AND HOMES.

Marion county is situated in the heart of the magnificent Willamette valley, the central gem in the cluster of rich counties that form that princely domain, and is the banner commonwealth of the great north-west in all the essentials that go to wards making it a profitable abiding place, and a home for the thrifty farmer, the cunning artisan and the industrious mechanic.

Rich in its agricultural resources in its cultivated and uncultivated lands, in its water powers, and minerals; rich in its colleges and schools of learning, and with a climate unsurpassed for its salubrity, it presents to the immigrant from the overcrowded states, where cold winters and hot summers, with terrible cyclones, prevail, with some means, advantages that no other county in Oregon possesses.

Much has been written of this western country that requires a stretch of the imagination to comprehend, and numerous complaints are heard from the class who have been misled by them, so in this brief sketch the writer desires to avoid exaggeration as to its present and prospective advantages, asking those in the east into whose hands this may fall—particularly those who have their eyes directed towards the coast—to peruse it carefully, feeling that it is not written to lure immigrants within its borders, but only as a truthful description of a land which, if it does not "flow milk and honey," contains within its bosom wealth and resources equal to any other country on the Pacific side of the Rocky mountains.

BOUNDARIES.

Marion county is bounded on the north by the Willamette river and Butte creek which separates it from Clatsop county; on the east by Chehalms county and the Cascade mountains, which separate it from Wasco county; on the south by the Santiam river and the north fork of the Santiam, separating it from Linn county; and on the west by the Willamette river.

PHYSICAL FORMATION.

The county contains, including valley, prairie and mountain lands about 100,000 acres.

There are two main divisions, the mountain and the valley. The latter extends from the Willamette river to the foot of the Cascade mountains, a distance of about fifteen miles.

The mountainous portion contains some fourteen townships of mostly unsurveyed land; lying in a strip twelve miles north and south by forty miles east and west, and comprises all classes of land, from rich narrow valleys in the passes, up through all the grades of rolling, hilly and broken, to that of rock-bound canyons and inaccessible rugged peaks. It is generally heavily timbered, and in the near future will be valuable for its lumber supplies. These hills and mountains afford a wonderful summer range for stock, and many of the more enterprising farmers are availing themselves of this opportunity, and when the cold frosts of autumn approach, the stock are brought out to fresh pastures, thus enabling them to survive the winter storms with little loss.

GREAT ADVANTAGES.

A decided advantage Marion county has over many others is the diversified farming interest that can be carried on throughout the entire year, notwithstanding this is a wet climate during the winter months, the uplands are seldom too wet to work, and long before the plow-farmers are through with their seeding, the hill farmer is preparing for his summer work. And yet the low lands are much preferred by many; the yield per acre is generally greater, and perhaps less labor is required to place the soil in proper condition for crops; and then should the season prove dry, the bottom lands are sure to bring the best crops. No better farming land can be found in the United States than that on the noted Howell prairie. French prairie, Southern prairie and Salem prairie. The soil of these are wonderfully productive. With good cultivation, forty bushels of wheat and sixty of oats per acre can be readily secured.

FACILITIES FOR MARKET.

The Willamette river, with two lines of railroad running the entire length of the county from north to south, with the Oregon Pacific road crossing the southeast corner of the county, affords ample facilities to reach a market in any direction.

SALEM.

Is the capital of the state and county seat of Marion county, situated on the Willamette river—and on the O. & C. railroad. Costly buildings have been erected, among which the state capital building, county court house, Chemekete hotel, opera house, new public school building, Catholic school building, Methodist church, Willamette University, and many private residences and business blocks, which will compare favorably with older and larger cities.

GENERAL.

All things considered, the Willamette valley has the best country in the world, and Marion county is about centrally located therein. To those seeking homes in the west, to better opportunities can be offered, than are found here. Persons desiring information regarding Marion county or the Willamette valley, those wanting farming lands, stock farms, business property or city residences, will be promptly and reliably informed by addressing the well known firm of Willis & Chamberlin, real estate agents, opera house block, Salem Oregon.

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- 1. 20 acres, 4 miles east of Silverton; \$1000.
2. 100 acres, one half in cultivation, small orchard; \$4000.
3. 200 acres, 14 acres in cultivation, 5 miles from railroad, 1 1/2 miles from post office; \$5000.
4. 400 acres, 200 acres in cultivation, good buildings; \$40 per acre.
5. 40 acres, 15 acres in cultivation, small house; \$2000.
6. 40 acres of fruit land, 3 1/2 miles from Salem; \$300—\$600.
7. 80 acres, 20 acres in cultivation, small house, 18 miles from Salem; \$1000; one half cash.
8. 700 acres, 200 acres in cultivation, remainder light timber, good house, good orchard, 9 miles from railroad; \$5000.
9. 11 1/2 acres of fruit land, 4 1/2 miles from Salem; \$400—\$600.
10. 2000—20 acres, 130 acres in cultivation, two orchards, 6 miles from Salem.
11. 15000—75 acres, 200 acres in cultivation, balance light timber, 4 1/2 miles from Salem.
12. 12 1/2 acres of fruit land, 3 1/2 miles from Salem; \$350—\$600.
13. 1750—300 acres, 200 acres in cultivation, one half mile from steamboat landing.
14. 17 1/2 per acre, 150 acres, good house, 7 rooms, good barn, one half mile from steamboat landing.
15. 12 acres of fruit land, 3 miles from Salem; \$300—\$600.
16. 20 per acre, 200 acres, good house and barn.
17. 84 acres, 2 miles from Salem, 90 per acre, 60 acres in cultivation.
18. 40 acres of fruit land, 2 miles from Salem; \$1000—\$600.
19. 200 acres, \$1000, all cultivated, fine buildings.
20. 200 acres, 170 acres in cultivation, good orchard and buildings; \$3000.
21. 11 1/2 acres of fruit land, 1 1/2 miles from Salem; \$100—\$200.
22. 160 acres, 20 acres cultivated, good buildings; \$2000—\$600.
23. 100 acres, all cultivated; \$3000.
24. House and lot on Commercial st.; \$800.
25. 17 1/2 acres of fruit land, 1 1/2 miles from Salem; \$300—\$600.
26. 50 acres, 100 acres cultivated, 1000 prime trees, 500 peach trees, 500 pear trees, 25 acres of hops, good buildings; \$10,000.
27. 20 acres of fruit land, 3 1/2 miles from Salem; \$600—\$600.
28. 80 acres, one half in cultivation, \$2000.
29. House and lot in Salem; \$3000.
30. House and lot in Salem; \$800.
31. 60 acres of fruit land, 3 1/2 miles from Salem; \$30 per acre.
32. 100 lots in Silver Falls city; \$25 each.
33. 100 acres, 14 in cultivation, \$2 per acre.
34. 60 acres, 100 in cultivation, good improvements; \$10,000.
35. Lot on Commercial street; \$200.
36. Livery stable, 10 horses, 7 buggies, 1 car, 1 stage, 1 express wagon, 5 sets double harness, 4 sets single harness, 25 boarding horses, good stand and reasonable rent on buildings; \$2500.
37. 10 acres of fruit land, 1 1/2 miles from Salem; \$300.
38. 20 acres, 1 1/2 miles from Hepperville, 140 acres in cultivation, good buildings, \$50 per acre.
39. 57 acres, all cultivated, with buildings, 1 1/2 miles from Salem; \$3000.
40. 20 acres adjoining Salem town site; \$1000.
41. 20 acres cultivated land, with buildings, 1 mile from Salem; \$2500.
42. 12 1/2 acres cultivated land, without buildings, one mile from Salem post office; \$1500.
43. 30 1/2 acres, one mile from Salem; \$225 per acre.
44. 50 acres, 1 1/2 miles from Salem, one half in cultivation; \$2000.
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ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the administrators of the estate of Lewis Johnson, deceased, will sell at public auction at 2 o'clock p. m., on the 28th day of April, 1888, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, eight per cent of the capital stock of the George Stone Association of Salem, Oregon, sold at the corner of Commercial and Court streets, in Salem, Oregon. Said stock is purchased at private sale any time before the hour of said sale.

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Table with columns: Steamers, From San Francisco, Willamette Valley, May 21, Willamette Valley, May 21, Willamette Valley, May 31.

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