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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Edwin Ross spent Sunday in Rainier.

Wm. Meeker and wife visited the metropolis Tuesday.

T. A. Cloninger, dairyman, of Scappoose, was in town Wednesday.

Squire Blakesley paid a visit to Corvallis, Benton county, this week.

Clerk Quick visited Portland and Oregon City Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Flagg, of Salem, were in the city Monday last.

Dennis Perry, of Portland was visiting his parents here Sunday.

Superintendent Cleeton, of Vernonia, was in the county seat Sunday and Monday.

The steamer Dalles City passed down the river with an excursion on Sunday last.

J. H. Decker has ornamented his barber shop with a new chair; one of the hinge type with cushion bottom.

Professor C. H. Jones stopped off a few minutes at St. Helens Wednesday, while on his way to attend the teachers' institute at Clatskanie.

Jos. Norton's crew of quarrymen are now working at La Center, Wash., in the quarry at that place, and will return to St. Helens in about three weeks.

We learn that Dr. Blanchard, of Gilton is seriously ill. Also that Thomas Holce, of the same place, came near breaking his leg last Saturday while doing some hauling.

Twenty-one street-car conductors were arrested in Portland last week, the offense being that they were making more money than the company, having, it is said, been "knocking down" from one to five dollars per day each.

Will Parker, brother of Mrs. Edwin Merrill, of Deer Island, was drowned in Reed's mill pond at Cedar creek, Wash., Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Merrill left on the Dixon Tuesday, via Caples, to attend the funeral.

The county court could do a good act by offering a bounty on the scalps of grey squirrels, as they are very destructive to the grain crop. Mr. M. Saxon says they have destroyed about one-fourth of his grain this season, and many others make the same complaint.

Monday night in Portland the wholesale houses of Whittier, Fuller & Co. and Wadhams & Co. were partially burned causing a loss of about $280,000. The insurance only covers about one-half this sum.

Steamboat rates on the Columbia are again cheap. The Astorian is carrying passengers round trip between Portland and Astoria for $1. The Shaver and Dixon have a 50 cent rate between Portland and Skamokawa, one way, and a corresponding cut has been made by the Telephone and Union Pacific; in other words it is cheaper to travel on the river than to stay at home.

Many years' practice have given C. A. Snow & Co., solicitors of patents at Washington, D. C., unsurpassed success in obtaining patents in all classes of inventions. They make a specialty of rejected cases, and have secured allowance of many patents that had been previously rejected. Their advertisement in another column, will be of interest to inventors, patentee, manufactures, and all who have to do with patents.

While the democrats made a trifling gain in the senate, they lost in the house, and they will have but two representative in the new state board of equalization, which convenes at Salem in December next. The state board of equalization is composed of the following members, by judicial districts: First, Dunlap, dem.; Second, Woodcock, rep.; Third, Gibson, rep.; Fourth, Lownsdale, rep.; Fifth, Wingate, rep.; Sixth, Hunter, dem.; Seventh, Luckey, rep.

The regular customary growl about the sidewalks is being heard in St. Helens, and we don't wonder at it. They are pretty bad; the nails stick up just far enough to catch some unwary pedestrian, whose thoughts are soaring above the common plane of sidewalks. We have noticed a good many little accidents which have caused the unfortunate to utter some very bad oaths, meanwhile we hope the proper authorities will give some leisure time to this and grant a much needed relief.

Mr. George Merrill claims that he is not looking for an office, and that he is not a people's party man; yet he told the editor of this paper some time ago that only for the fact that he wanted to visit the world's fair next year, and should he have been unfortunate enough to have been elected, thereby preventing his attendance at the fair, he would have been a candidate on the people's party ticket for county judge at the late election. We presume by this that he had the reins of the party in his hands, as he could in no other way have controlled the nomination for judge. Consistency, where art thou?

As has been given out a formal organization of an Odd Fellows' lodge was perfected in St. Helens last Saturday night. The officers of the grand lodge were present and conducted the ceremony in a very impressive manner. In the evening the steamer Cricket brought a party of forty-two of the fraternity down from Portland to take part in the proceedings, which arrived at 9 o'clock. Immediately after their arrival business commenced at the newly furnished Odd Fellows' hall, and a lodge of twenty-four charter members was instituted. After the organization was completed the newly-made members and the visitors repaired to the Oriental hotel, where an excellent supper had been prepared for the occasion, and partook of the good things of the land. The visitors represented nearly every lodge in Portland and a number of them made very encouraging speeches during the evening. All seemed well pleased with the future outlook for St. Helens lodge No. 117, and at 2:30 o'clock in the morning took their departure for home, carrying with them the thanks of the St. Helens members for their attendance and assistance in planting such a noble institution in our midst. The new lodge has a splendid hall, nicely fitted up, and the future for it looks extremely bright. The regular meeting night is on Saturday of each week.

The little steamer Cricket, owned by Chief of Police Spencer, of Portland, brought a jolly crowd of excursionists down from that city last Sunday, where they enjoyed themselves during the day in a way most befitting. They spent most of the day at the grove near "Nigger" creek, and about 4 o'clock in the evening they came in to the ball ground, where they established a temporary croquet and baseball gound. Two nines were chosen with an equal number of ladies, and "play ball" was called by the umpire, while a number of others engaged in croquet. In the ball game nine innings were played, and the score was 22 to 29—very good for the ladies, as some of them seemed to have played the game before. At 7:30 the crowd boarded the steamer and were off for Portland. Among the crowd was a sister and nephew of Mrs. C. L. Colburn of this place.

The following clipping from the McMinnville Register is self explanatory: "We have been looking for the man who could surpass Bill Nye in exaggeration. Here it is: 'A farmer in Marion county says he has a snake which swallowed an eight-day clock in August, 1887. Until the clock run down its striking was regular and its ticking could be heard. A short time ago the farmer found some eggs that had been deposited in a hole by the reptile and on breaking them open found that each contained an open-faced watch in first-class running order. He sold the watches at a big profit and has now given the snake a post auger in the hope that it will produce enough corkscrews to enable him to start a wholesale drugstore.'"

Mr. Bolt Havird, of Enterprise, Columbia county, has been in the city this week for the purpose of investigating a claim against the estate of his stepfather, Mr. C. Stehman, deceased. It appears that when Havird was quite young, some thirty odd years ago, his father died and Stehman married the widow. It also appears that Stehman borrowed the money from the Havird estate, and there is nothing to show that he returned it. Now, that Stehman is dead and has no further use for the money, Havird intends to see if it cannot be made a claim against his estate, presumably with a view to protecting it against other claims.—Salem Democrat.

Attorney W. B. Dillard, well known to the people of Columbia county, returned to St. Helens last Saturday after an absence of several years. He spent some time in Virginia, after which he came to Southern California, but said he found no place he liked so well as old Webfoot. Mr. Dillard talks of permanently locating here and continuing the practice of law. Accompanying him is Mr. Goodshire, an attorney of Southern California.

St. Helens is becoming quite a resort for recreation seekers, a number of excursions having visited us this summer. This is one of the most pleasant points on the river for those desiring a few hours' rest from city life, and if our picnic grounds were fixed up and a platform built for dancing purposes, we could no doubt secure a large number of excursions as it is just a nice ride from Portland.

An entertainment will be given in the church at Scappoose by the Ladies' Aid Society on Tuesday evening, August 9th. Admission free. The programme will be literary and musical, followed by ice cream at 15 cents per dish. The church quilt will be raffled at that time, and a large attendance is expected.

Mrs. Rubert, of this place, left last Friday for San Francisco, where she is visiting relatives.

Sheriff Massie paid Clatskanie a business trip Wednesday.

There will be a social dance in Scappoose next Friday.

When you are in need of blank notebooks, call at The Mist office. Price, 50 cents.

Brigadier-General H. B. Compson, of the Oregon National Guard, was in St. Helens yesterday, and in company with Mr. A. H. Blakesley, visited Camp Gibbon, a mile out of town, on a trip of inspection. The general has visited and inspected every company in the state, and says that in most cases they are in very good condition, yet some are badly in need of clothing, apparatus, etc. The object of his visit to Camp Gibbon was to select a suitable place for the encampment next year, at which time the entire militia force of the state will go into camp together.

The Bear Chase.

A report reached town Tuesday evening that there were two large brown bears in a canyon just back of town about a mile. Immediately a posse of "the braves" were organized, consisting of etc.—seventeen, all together—armed with guns, clubs, knives (to scalp with), and at once started in pursuit of the large game, accompanied by something less than a dozen of St. Helen's large canine population, which were never known to shirk their duty while on the trail (to the station). At Houlton a guide was secured and the would-be captors proceeded to the spot where the beasts had last been seen. No sooner had that place been reached than the dogs took the scent and were off in a jiffy down the gulch, through the thick brush, over logs, closely followed by Kendall and others of the bravest. From the noise made by the dogs and amid the shouts made by the men to each other of "All is well," the chase was fairly on. After some time a wildcat was sighted on the higher ground by one who did not venture into the jungle, but fearing it might attract the attention of the dogs he did not shoot. A little later another of the conservative ones discovered a bear about midway of a tall fir, and the pursuers were at once summoned to the spot of observation, where "Make ready, take aim, and fire!" was in order. The echo of the shot had not died out before someone rushed headlong down the embankment to the foot of the tree to take the scalp and—dress the wounds, but beheld the bear did not drop. The gunner being satisfied that he bored the bear through to daylight concluded that he had made a mistake; but just at this point another saw (?) a bear jump out of a tree (in fact bears were jumping in all directions) closely followed by a second one, and made across toward Germany Hill cemetery, and the dogs again gave chase. They did not go far, however, until darkness came on, and they returned to the hunters for fear of getting lost out in that thickly inhabited country of bears, cougars, wildcats, and section men. After a little rest and speculation as to who was the biggest sucker, the crowd returned home having had some of the most violent exercise they had enjoyed for some time, and to get even on the "bear" they made "beer" suffer on their return to town.

Log scales for sale at the Mist office at 50 cents each.

WANTED.

To rent a small house on farm with respectable family. Would pay rent with sewing and washing for family. Have four children, boy 13 can make himself useful on farm. Address Mrs. Bertha A K, Hunters, Oregon.

OREGON LAW MAKERS.

There Will Be Thirty-nine Republicans in the House and Sixteen in the Senate.

The returns are now all in the hands of the secretary of state and from them the exact composition of the next legislature is learned. The republicans will have a majority of twenty over all on joint ballot, the democrats, peoples, citizens and democratic-peoples having a total of thirty-five.

The republicans have a majority of seventeen in the house and two in the senate.

The senate is composed of 16 republicans, 12 democrats, 1 peoples, 1 citizen, 1 democrat-peoples; total, 30.

The house is composed of 39 republicans, 18 democrats, and 3 peoples; total, 60.

The democrats have made a gain in the fourthcoming legislature of three—gaining four in the senate and losing one in the house. The republicans lose nine—two in the house and seven in the senate. Beckley, the democratic-peoples senator from Douglas, will add one more to the gain of democracy.

The composition of the next legislature is here given accurately:

SENATORS.

Alley, B F, rep, Lane.
Bancroft, F A, rep, Multnomah.
Beckley, Henry, dem-peo, Douglas.
Blackman, Henry, dem, Morrow.
Butler, N L, dem, Polk.
Cameron, Theodore, rep, Jackson.
Cogswell, C A, dem, Lake.
Crosno, C B, rep, Benton.
Cross, Harvey E, rep, Clackamas.
Denny, O N, rep, Multnomah.
Dodson, O M, rep, Baker.
Fulton, C W, rep, Clatsop.
Gates, P P, rep, Yamhill.
Hayes, G E, rep, Clackamas.
Hirsch, Edward, rep, Marion.
Huston, S B, dem, Washington.
Looney, J B, rep, Marion.
Matlock, W F, dem, Umatilla.
Maxwell, J W, rep, Tillamook.
McAlister, D A, dem, Union.
McGinn, H E, rep, Multnomah.
Myers, J, dem, Linn.
Raley, J H, dem, Umatilla.
Smith, John A, dem, Sherman.
Steiver, W W, rep, Gilliam.
Vanderberg, W S, peo, Josephine.
Veatch, R M, dem, Lane.
Weatherford, J K, dem, Linn.
Willis, P L, rep, Multnomah.
Woodward, C H, citizen-dem, Multnomah.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Baughman, D C, rep, Lane.
Belnap, E H, rep, Benton.
Bishop, W R, rep, Multnomah.
Blevens, A, dem, Linn.
Brown, J N, rep, Morrow.
Brown, O C, rep, Douglas.
Bolts, Eouglas, rep, Umatilla.
Buxon, Henry, rep, Washington.
Campbell, J E, dem, Clatsop.
Chandler, E N, rep, Wasco.
Cooper, P, rep, Douglas.
Coon, T R, rep, Wasco.
Cornelius, B P, rep, Washington.
Curran, Geo, dem, Clackamas.
Daly, Barnard, dem, Lake.
Day, T G, peo, Josephine.
Duncan, C H, rep, Baker.
Durham, D A, rep, Washington.
Elmore, W P, dem, Linn.
Ford, Tilmon, rep, Marion.
Geer, Joel P, rep, Clackamas.
Geer, T T, rep, Marion.
Gill, John, citizen-dem, Multnomah.
Goodrich, L J, rep, Gilliam.
Gullixson, H F, rep, Multnomah.
Hauck, J J, dem, Jackson.
Hobbs, J W, rep. Yamhill.
Iuman, R D, citizen-dem, Multnomah.
Jeffreys, S T, dem, Benton.
Keady, W P, rep, Multnomah.
King, W R, dem, Malheur.
Lampson, H W, rep, Yamhill.
Lawton, A S, rep, Clackamas.
Layman, Samuel, rep, Marion.
Maloney, H S, dem, Yamhill.
Manley, A B, rep, Multnomah.
Mays, Polk, rep, Wallowa.
McEwen, J S, peo, Coos.
Merrill, Norman, rep, Columbia.
Merritt, J W, rep, Jackson.
Miller, M A, dem, Linn.
Myers, Geo T, rep, Multnomah.
Myer, G W, dem, Polk.
Nichols, B F, rep, Crook.
Nickell, Charles, dem, Jackson.
Northup, H A, rep, Multnomah.
Ormsby, S B, rep, Marion.
Paxton, O F, rep, Multnomah.
Richardson, C D, rep, Harney.
Russell, L N, rep, Union.
Sheridan, R S, dem, Douglas.
Staats, John O, dem, Polk.
Stone, Jeremiah, dem, Umatilla.
Tone, M, dem, Umatilla.
Trallinger, J C, rep, Clatsop.
Upton, J H, peo, Curry.
Wilkinson, C K, dem, Lane.
Wilkins, Jasper, rep, Lane.
Wright, J A, rep, Union.
Wright, John G, rep, Marion.

NOTICE.

My wife, Mary Howard, having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by her. H. O. Howard.
Dated this 26th day of July, 1892. j29a26

Teacher's Examination.

Notice is hereby given that for the pur- of making an examination of all persons who may offer themselves as candidates for teachers of the schools of this county, the County School Superintendent thereof will hold a public examination at Clatskanie, beginning at 1 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, the 10th day of August, 1892.

T. J. CLEETON,
County School Superintendent, Columbia County, Oregon.
Dated this 29th day of July, 1892

Administrator's Sale of Realestate.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the County Court of Columbia county, Oregon, made on the 6th day of July, 1892, in the matter of the estate of H. S. Mitchell, deceased. The undersigned administrator will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash and subject to sale by the said Court on Saturday the 3rd day of September, A. D. 1892, at one o'clock p. m. at the courthouse door at St. Helens, in said county and state, all the right, title and interest that the said estate has by operation of law or otherwise acquired other than or in addition to that of the said H. S. Mitchell at the time of his death in and to all that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land lying and being in said county and state, and described as follows, towit: The west half of the southwest quarter and the south half of the northwest quarter of section No. 35, township 7 north of range 2 west of the Willamette Meridian, and containing according to United States government survey, 160 acres of land. A. NEVIN,
Administrator of the estate of H. S. Mitchell, deceased. j29a26

Administrator's sale of Realestate.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the County Court of Columbia county, Oregon, made on the 6th day of July, A. D. 1892, in the matter of the estate of John Farrow, deceased, the undersigned administrator of the said estate will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash and subject to confirmation by the said Court, on Saturday, the 3rd day of September, A. D. 1892, at one o'clock p. m., at the courthouse door in St. Helens, in said state and county, all the right, title and interest that the said estate has by operation of law or otherwise acquired other than or in addition to that of the said John Farrow, at the time of his death in and to all that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land situate lying and being in said county and state, and described as follows, towit: The northwest quarter of the southwest quarter and the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section No. 2, in township No. 6 north of range No. 2 west of the Willamette Meridian, and containing according to the United States government survey, 80 acres of land. A. NEVIN,
Administrator of the estate of John Farrow, deceased. j29a26

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned administrator of the estate of Charles Jasper, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within six months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administrator at his office in St. Helens, Columbia county, State of Oregon.

D. J. SWITZER,
Administrator of the estate of Charles Jasper, deceased. a5a2

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF OREGON, County of Columbia. } ss.

By virtue of an execution and order of sale, issued out of the Circuit Court, of the State of Oregon, for the County of Columbia, to me directed, in favor of John T. McKee and against John H. Edmunds, for the sum of $340.85 dollars, judgment, with interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum from the 20th day of May, 1892, and the further sum of $37.60 dollars, costs and accruing costs, commanding me to make sale of the following-described real property, to-wit: The southwest quarter of section 5 in township 7 north, range 5 west Willamette Meridian, embracing 155 acres, more or less; together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining; all being situated in Columbia county, State of Oregon. I duly levied upon said premises on the 11th day of July, 1892.

Now, in pursuance of said execution, I will, on the 20th day of August, 1892, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Courthouse door, in said county and state, sell at public auction all the right, title, claim and interest in and to the above described real property of the said John H. Edmunds, to the highest bidder therefor for cash, to satisfy said execution, interest and costs. G. A. MASSIE,
j15a12 Sheriff of Columbia County, Or.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, July 2, 1892.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Columbia county, at St. Helens, Oregon, on August 19, 1892, viz:

JAMES McDONALD,

Homestead entry No. 8075, for the n½ of nw¼, se¼ of nw¼ and ne¼ of sw¼ of sec 20, t 6 n, r 2 w. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land under section 2291 R. S.: Cleatman Monroe, Samuel Leonard, Jacob Felber and Jesse E. Sullivan; All of Reuben, Columbia county, Oregon. J. T. APPERSON,
j15a19. Register.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, July 2, 1892.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the U. S. land office at Oregon City, Oregon, on August 23, 1892, viz:

DEAN BLANCHARD,

Homestead entry No. 8929, for the sw¼ of ne¼, se¼ of nw¼, ne¼ of sw¼ and nw¼ of se¼ of sec 21, t 7 n, r 2 w. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: T. H. Woodruff, C. W. Mosher, J. W. Green and Geo. F. Meeck; all of Rainier P. O., Columbia county, Oregon. J. T. APPERSON,
j15a19 Register.

NOTICE.

To the heirs at law of Thomas J. Sheehan, deceased:

U. S. Land Office, Oregon City, Or., June 30, 1892.

COMPLAINT having been entered at this office by Emery Bicknell against the heirs of Thomas J. Sheehan, deceased, for abandoning his homestead entry No. 7376, dated May 29, 1888, upon the e½ ne¼ and n½ se¼, sec 3, township 6 north, range 3 west, in Columbia county, Oregon, with a view to the cancellation of said entry, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at St. Helens, Oregon, before County Clerk, E. B. Quick, on the 8th day of August, 1892, at 10 o'clock A. M., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment; and on the testimony then submitted a hearing will be had at this office on September 30, 1892. J. T. APPERSON,
j15a19 Register.