

SIDE-HEAD PARAGRAPHS.

EXTRA.—Four cows, branded '11' on left hip; also one dark bay 2-year-old filly. Two dollars and fifty cents per head will be paid for the delivery of the cows and \$5 for the delivery of the horse to Sweetland & Sheldon, St. Helens. W. H. MURROVE.

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.—E. F. Riley, of Portland, was, on Monday last appointed by Judge Blanchard, administrator of the estate of W. W. Cole, deceased, and filed his bond, which was accepted by the county judge. The appointment was made upon the recommendation of the widow and father of the deceased. The principal part of the property is situated at Danby, this county.

ONLY TOO TRUE.—In speaking of the number of justice court cases, Judge E. D. Shattuck, of Portland, a few days ago, said: "I say, without a fear of contradiction, that hundreds, yes, thousands of dollars are spent annually by the county to pay justice, constable and district attorney fees in the useless prosecution of small civil disputes under the guise of criminal actions. This system ought to be frowned down. It is an outrage."

FOUND A SKELETON.—A couple of small boys, while cruising back of town last Sunday morning, found a human skeleton, which had evidently been deposited for a great many years. The back part of the skull, only, projected above the surface, the rest of the body being buried. Upon examination it was found that the skull had been fractured on the back of the head, the blow breaking the bone and mashing the skull flat. It was thought by some that the skeleton was that of an Indian, since the place where it was found, near the mouth of Milton creek, has always been the rendezvous of a few natives.

SLIGHT COLLISION.—The steamers Iralda and Elwood had a slight collision at this place Tuesday morning. Both steamers were attempting to make the landing, coming together head on, and were close to the wharf. The Iralda gave the signal to pass to the right, which was changed by the Elwood to pass to the left, the former steamer again blew one whistle to pass to the right. All these signals came in quick succession, so the boats were so close together all the time neither could change her course and they came together, the guard of the Elwood carrying away a part of the Iralda's house. The damage was but slight, however, and will be easily repaired.

TOO MANY LIKE THIS.—He stepped off the telephone with an old-fashioned satchel in his hand and looked about him wonderingly, says the Astoria Budget. Finanny he sidled up to a Budget reporter and asked in broken English, "Ver dose council shambles vas?" "Council chamber," responded the reporter, "what do you want with the council chamber this time in the day?" "Don't mention it. I youst from the old country come over, and I am going to run for the council chamber, and when Mr. Harrison bees the United States again I move from the shambler into the gumstom house. I pretty quick catch on, see?" And he trudged on up the street talking dutch to a raw Irishman who was looking for a job on the police force.

SLIGHTLY METEORIC.—George Gibson handed us a good sized chunk of some other world Saturday, in the shape of a part of an aurore that fell a short distance below Junction City, Lane county, Oregon, some time since, says the Prineville Review. We are told these meteoric stones may not be stones at all when they are out in space; but before they strike our atmosphere they may be soil, vegetable matter, a horse or a man for that matter, but whatever substance it is, it ignites and burns by the friction, caused by passing so rapidly through our atmosphere. Let one begin pondering on this subject, and he will soon arrive at the conclusion, that there are a whole lot of things he don't know.

TOUGHT 99 TERMS.—A curiosity in the way of a country schoolmaster is Prof. John W. Woods, respectable and respected, says the Corvallis Times. He has probably taught more terms of district school than any other man in America. His career as a pedagogue began when he was seventeen years old in the Henkle mill schoolhouse on Mary's river, Benton county, in 1854. That was over 40 years ago, and Prof. Woods, without rising above the rank of a country schoolmaster, has followed the business ever since, winding up his last school in Douglas county last Friday. He taught only in the counties of the Willamette valley, and he lacks only three months of having taught 100 terms. He is anxious to secure another school so that he may complete his 100 terms. He is a bachelor, and 57 years of age. More than \$9,000 have been paid him for his services, the most of which has gone to pay debts for indigent and unfortunate relatives.

CHURCH FAIR.—The ladies of the Congregational church at Rainier have organized themselves for the purpose of building a church at that place and are making a very good start in that direction. They have been at work for some time preparing for a church fair, and the fair opened last Friday with a splendid assortment of fancy articles, largely made by hand, and a good patronage. In the north end of Masonic hall hot meals were served, consisting of oysters, coffee, and a number of other edibles. In the south end of the building could be purchased almost anything from a sewing needle almost anything from a sewing needle to a bedroom set. The fair was kept open until a late hour Friday night, and at the hour of closing, the receipts were something over \$40. Saturday night it was the intention to hold an auction for the disposal of what stock was left. The fair, on the whole, was one of pleasure and profit, and we hope the good ladies who have shown so much public spirit in the premises will meet with abundant success.

UNDERTAKERS QUARREL.—Up in Spokane two rival undertakers had a dispute as to which should bury the corpse of William Smith, who came to his death from the effects of a gunshot wound inflicted upon his corpse by one Adolphus Selheim. One of the rivals brought suit against the other and replevined the body of Smith before the other fellow could get it into the grave. The public have a listless interest in watching the case, just to see if a modern miracle can be performed, and if the undertakers can accomplish what the doctors cannot; that is, recover the dead.

LAST CENTURY'S SERVANT GIRL.—Our grandmothers sigh for the "good old times," but the "servant question" seems to have been a perplexing one even a hundred years ago this month. The following advertisement was inserted by an irascible householder in a New York paper of December 4, 1794: "I want to hire a servant girl, who has once condescended to do housework—she shall have a black woman to do the drudgery and a white girl of fourteen to carry her expresses to her lover. My coach shall be at her call every afternoon at 5 o'clock—twice in the week she may attend the amphitheater, vulgarly called the circus. She may be more acceptable if she has a taste for novelties, can dance well, and knows the secret character of ladies of high life in town. To such a one generous wages will be given. N. B. None need apply that will not engage for one month, as the ladies of the present day (who hire out) often break their contract, and slip off, to the great embarrassment of their employer. Apply at No. 67, Petticoat Lane."

THE RAINIER FAIR.—EDITORS MIST: The Ladies' Aid Society of Rainier, have hit upon a method which, if not new, is somewhat unique, in raising funds for charitable and church purposes. It consisted in what is known as a fair, there being useful and ornamental articles, made mostly by the untiring industry of the various members of the society, placed on exhibition for sale. This fair was held in Masonic hall, the use of which was generously donated by the fraternity, and in addition to the very attractive appearance of the main hall, made so by the deft and ingenious touches of skillful ladies, was added a dining room in one of the ante-rooms, where oysters in various forms, were served, together with other delicious viands, to tempt the appetite and add coffers to the treasury. While the gross receipts far exceeded the most sanguine expectations for these hard times, aggregating \$105.00, yet the greatest and most gratifying success of the whole enterprise was the necessary seal and unanimity with which the society, and for that matter, nearly the entire community, labored. The value of such an achievement cannot be measured in dollars and cents—it is an undying proof of the stability of our institutions and the patriotism of our people. While we are not disposed to make any special claims for Rainier people, your correspondent prophesies that if they continue to hold together in the future as at present, it will not be long ere a chapel will grace the hill and become a counterpart to the noble school building which we regard with unparelleled pride. It is impossible to make public acknowledgment of all the devotion and generous sacrifice bestowed by various individuals, but Messadames Clarke and Deitz are deserving of especial mention for vigorous and persistent labor, and Mrs. Carlson, for the contribution of choice material. Amid the multitude of cares the organizer was by no means forgotten, and she can only make public acknowledgment, not alone of the present received, but of the kind appreciation of her humble efforts to serve the public. These gatherings serve to cement in lasting union the ties of neighborhood friendship better than any other method yet tried, and is worthy of trial in any community.

FROM OVER THE STATE.—Considerable fruit is being shipped from the Grand Ronde valley to Denver. Raspberries are in all stages, from the bloom to the ripened berry, in Coos county. Several big merchants of Eastern Oregon have formed a "pool" to buy goods together. The Pendleton roller mills purchase price for wheat has dropped from 30 to 28 cents. Riddle, Douglas county, has not houses enough to accommodate the people who want to live there. Sherman county owes \$23,072 in warrants and interest. Cash on hand and unpaid taxes cut this down to a net debt of \$10,000. The Arago, Coos county, creamery is receiving about 4,000 pounds of milk each day, and the daily output of butter is about 200 pounds. Ex-Secretary of the Treasury Foster, who visited Baker City last week, has returned East, but expects to be in Baker again in the near future. Astoria is to issue bonds to the extent of \$200,000 to obtain money to construct a system of waterworks. They will run 30 years and draw 5 per cent interest. The price of flour, says the Grant County News, on account of the demand and excellent quality, has been raised to \$4.25 per barrel wholesale and \$4.50 retail. One of our farmers east of town, says the Cottage Grove Leader, recently sold a cow for \$12 and a hog for \$15. In Oregon the hog is king, while the horse and cow take a back seat. William Davis, of Klamath county, has made 3400 pounds of butter this season, which netted him 22 1/2 cents per pound. He said that his cows paid him \$22.50 per head this year. With a successful season's operations behind it, the Pendleton scouring mill has closed for the winter and inside and out the buildings are to be painted. The mill has proved to be a complete success. When it starts up in the spring there will have been made many improvements, and the aggregate for 1895 will, beyond doubt, far excel the amount handled this year.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Pay the printer. Next Tuesday is Christmas. Harvey Fowler, of Neer, was in town Saturday last. Justice H. C. Brown, of Goble, was in town Tuesday. W. H. Musgrove, of Sauvie, was in town Wednesday. Edwin Merrill, of Deer Island, was on our streets Monday. Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Johns were in the metropolis last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. James Muckle were in Portland last Friday and Saturday. G. S. Foster, proprietor of the townsite of Goble, was in town Saturday. Little Gracie Dart is suffering with a severe attack of typhoid-pneumonia. John Dolan and Eliza Hawkins, of Gillton, were in the county seat Monday last. Mr. and Mrs. A. Davis were passengers up on the Iralda Wednesday morning. D. F. Baker, of Vernonia, proved up on his claim before Judge Blanchard last Monday. Henderson Orchard, one of the proprietors of the city water system, was here Tuesday.

Remember the magic lantern entertainment next Thursday evening at the schoolhouse. Commissioner Schoonover, of Vernonia, was in town a few minutes last Tuesday morning. The Queen passed up with a ship in tow Monday, and the Oklahama with another on Tuesday morning. Mrs. J. B. Beagle left for Hillsboro Wednesday, where she will remain over Christmas, visiting relatives and friends.

It is said upon good authority that Chauncy M. Lockwood, of Portland, will be chief clerk to Secretary of State Kincaid. If you want to sell, buy or exchange goods the newspaper is the only way by which you can make it profitably known. Supper will be served at the St. Helens hotel on Christmas night, in connection with the dance to be given at this place on that night.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Watts, of Reuben, went to Portland Friday to attend the instituting ceremonies of a new chapter of the Eastern Star. Rev. J. J. J. requests us to announce that he will preach in St. Helens next Sunday evening. His subject will be: "St. Helens' Greatest Need."

Quite a delegation passed through here on their way to Gillton to attend the regular session of the county alliance which met on that day. The Banquet saloon has closed up, its license having expired last Saturday. It is thought that Mr. Meeker will not take out a new license. J. H. Bannon, of Clark county, and R. L. Poltek, formerly of this county, killed two cougars while out hunting near Vancouver one day last week.

The members of Avon lodge, No. 62, Knights of Pythias, are especially requested to be present at installation of officers, which takes place New Year night. There will be a social given at Masonic hall this (Friday) evening, at which coffee and cake will be served, and a general good social time is expected. J. B. Meerve came up from Rainier Wednesday, where he has been making some artistic improvements on the interior of Mr. John Dibble's residence.

Cloninger & Brinn, proprietors of the Model saloon, have dissolved partnership. Mr. Brinn, retiring from the business. Mr. Cloninger will continue at the old stand. Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Serber, Captain Cox, S. A. Miles, Lindley Meeker, Henderson Orchard, and Mrs. Captain Goad were passengers up on the steamer Iralda from this place Wednesday.

Harry West, of Seapooose, was in town Tuesday and informed us that his father, W. W. West, was slowly improving from his recent ill health. This will be gratifying news to that gentleman's many friends. Messrs. Strachan and Gibbs have just completed a three-wire fence, enclosing 400 acres of land at the mouth of Milton creek, the property of Bays & Jeffries, of Portland. The land will be used exclusively for pasture.

John Vanblaricum, John Edholm and D. B. Denlow came over from Vernonia last Sunday to attend to business in the clerk's office. They reported about two feet of snow on the mountain and it was still snowing. Those who enjoy tripping the light fantastic will have ample opportunity to do so during the holidays. There will be balls given at Seapooose and St. Helens on Christmas night, and in St. Helens on New Year night. The city council could not do a wiser thing than make an appropriation to assist in building the proposed plank walk between St. Helens and Houlton. They should contribute in proportion to the estimated benefit to be derived. Governor elect Lord has appointed as his private secretary Willis S. Dunaway, of Portland. Mr. Dunaway is a son of Mrs. Abigail Scott-Dunaway, of woman suffrage fame, and a nephew of H. W. Scott of the Oregonian. He is in every way qualified for the position. Sanders Brothers, of Portland, will entertain the people of this place and the surrounding neighborhoods with a scientific entertainment, under the auspices of the public school, at the schoolhouse next Thursday evening, December 27. Admission 25 and 15 cents. Doors open at 7 o'clock.

The first of the year is near at hand, at which time everybody should at least make an attempt to square up their accounts, and we hope those owing us will find it convenient to do this, thereby enabling us to make some other fellow happy by treating him in the same way.

Track-laying is progressing rapidly on the old narrow gauge railroad. The heavy rails which are now being put down have been laid a mile or more south of West Dayton toward Dundee. The heavy rails now being laid down, and greatly improved road bed on this line would indicate that the Southern Pacific intend making this branch in good shape for a much greater increase in traffic over the line.

The Salem Post is making considerable of a stir over a young woman who was engaged to two young men at the same time. That is nothing. Orville Van Buren Thompson, a man of thirty, of Chicago, was engaged to seven young ladies at the same time, using the same diamond ring for each, and besides has a wife and two children. The Salem man is "not in it."

Astoria day at the exposition attracted a large crowd from the city by the sea. As to the reception they received in return for the courteous treatment tendered by them to the Portland Chamber of Commerce on a recent visit to Astoria, can best be related by those who were present. To a disappointed witness they seemed disappointed.

The Nehalem Journal, Vernonia, R. H. Mitchell, editor, is again a welcome visitor at this office. The paper suspended publication last July, but was resurrected last week and placed under new management, and we trust will receive a liberal patronage. All the deeds of the present subsidy only call for a railroad from Astoria to transcontinental connection. It was at first in the deeds that it should be from Astoria, or Flavel, but Flavel has been left out. The road will be from Astoria only.

Clerk Weed and wife were in Portland Wednesday. Mr. Weed attended the meeting of the county clerks and recorders of the state, and is on a committee on constitution and by-laws for the proposed new organization, with instructions to report later. John Cooper, who has been very low with typhoid fever, passed the 21-day notch last Wednesday and is now improving. He had gone the twenty-one days without eating, the nourishment taken being a little milk.

The dance on Christmas at this place will be conducted the entire night, or as long as you wish to indulge. Don't stay away for fear of not getting dancing enough. Remember that supper can be had here on Christmas night. All who attend the dance will be well fed. Editor L. W. VanDyke, of Vernonia, was in town a few minutes yesterday, en route to Portland.

Miss Josie Groves, of Portland, came down from Portland Wednesday afternoon on the Iralda. The people of Houlton are preparing for a Christmas tree at that place on Christmas Eve. Sheriff Duan was in Portland Wednesday in attendance on the sheriff's convention. E. O. Darling, of Pittsburg, came down from Portland Wednesday.

PERIS POINTERS.—Dell Fowler's son is suffering from an attack of something very much like typhoid fever. We heard that there was the largest run of logs last week that was ever made in Milton creek. Mrs. S. Vosberg and Mrs. R. Bailey enjoyed a pleasant visit with Mrs. E. F. Pope at her home last Friday. It seems that winter has set in in earnest by the amount of snow and rain we are having. At the present time the snow is seven inches deep at this place.

MAYGER ITEMS.—C. N. Davidson is very busy at his wood contract. Our school ended last Friday, and Charley Mc is a very sad man. Jack Huntly has removed from this place to the island above Stella. Mrs. M. Davidson has returned after a two week's visit to her parents at Nappaville, Wash. Our esteemed friend J. R. Buckler has taken a partner for better or for worse, we know not which. We have a new baby in our town. It was born to the wife of John Socksburg on December 3rd.

Mr. A. Crocker has been on a visit to the family of J. Cramer for the past week, and has just returned home. C. W. Mayer intends moving his family to Portland so that his children can have the benefit of better schools. The Green Creek Lumber Company intend putting men to work soon fixing up their skid road preparatory to next season's work. All the skids will be faced. One of our woodhaulers took French leave the other night, taking with him a horse and wagon belonging to the Mayer Company. An officer is on his track, and his apprehension is but a question of time.

Thousands Coming.—Editor Hofer, of the Salem Journal, who recently returned from the Middle West, speaks in the following emphatic manner: "The press of the state is speaking quite freely of the growing tide of immigration from the East to Oregon. The foremen of an army of several hundred thousand people are now arriving on every train. The hundreds of thousands are undoubtedly to come in the next two years. No one can doubt the population of the Willamette valley will double within five years and contain a round half million of people. The Journal speaks from positive knowledge when it says that thousands of families in the Dakotas, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Illinois, Missouri, and Kansas will come to Western Oregon within the next six months. These states have all been afflicted, more or less, with drought, short crops and intolerable suffering from hot weather the past year. In some of them vast areas were literally burnt up by the heat and drought, causing

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great suffering, destitution and depopulation. The people in those sections have food for neither themselves nor stock, and have no water or fuel.

BORN.—URIE.—At Houlton, Oregon, December 6, 1894, to the wife of John Urie, a son.

Notice of Final Settlement.—NOTICE is hereby given that I have filed my final report and final account of my administration upon the estate of S. F. Shattuck, deceased, with the county clerk of Columbia county, Oregon, and that the honorable judge of the county court of said county and state has appointed Monday, the 7th day of January, 1895, at 11 o'clock A. M., and the courtroom of said court in St. Helens, Oregon, as the time and place for the hearing thereof; at which time and place any person interested therein may appear and contest the same. H. C. LAMBERSON, Administrator.

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