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Persons who come to settle in Oregon should never locate permanently without seeing this part of Columbia county. It is free from malaria, the soil is good for all purposes, it is well watered, it is good for crops and fruits, large and small, good schools and good society. If you are looking for a home don't forget Columbia county.

Envy! What is it? It is the evil nature of man that worketh good to no one, but causes many to suffer; it is the yearning of nature for a better place than has been allotted as his share of this world's goods; a longing to overpower some man and put himself in the seat that rightly belongs to another. It is in fact the devil working in the heart of him who is not strong enough to withstand the temptation to do evil in his sneaking way. It is the one great fault of men often found lurking just under the hide of so many seemingly good men.

The lumber business is again looking up, much to the gratification of those engaged in that business as well as to the people at large. Logs have advanced 15 cents per thousand on the Sound, which is a good indication. The advance in price is accompanied by a brisk demand, something that has been anticipated with a great deal of anxiety for many months. There seems to be a feeling of more confidence among loggers and lumbermen than for a long time. While it may be said that money has not begun to circulate freely, there is a general feeling that the worst times are over, and trade will improve henceforth, a condition which will be very acceptable at any time it may come.

Ex-Senator Dolph takes issue with the supreme court of this state on its affirming the decision of the lower court in an appeal case. Mr. Dolph very severely criticizes the supreme court, indeed speaks in very uncompromising terms of the decision of that august tribunal of justice, and calls into question the motives which inspired the court to render such a decision. The ex-senator, as usual, plays the role of "the great I am," heaping abuse upon the court in a manner unbecoming a gentleman in Mr. Dolph's position. Just how long the supreme court will permit itself to be slandered by the ex-senator is a question being closely watched by all loyal citizens. We believe that in any other state of the Union a man to apply such terms to the supreme court as Mr. Dolph has in this case he would be immediately summoned to answer for contempt.

The United States district court has reversed the decision of the circuit court for Clatsop county in the concurrent jurisdiction case, and holds that where the laws of Oregon and Washington conflict, either has jurisdiction to the middle of the river, but where the laws do not conflict each state has jurisdiction to the opposite shore. The time of the trial will hereafter occupy the time that will hereafter be in determining just where the center of the river is. If Judge Bellinger's interpretation of the law is correct there is more urgent need than ever of Oregon and Washington enacting uniform laws governing traffic on the Columbia river. Otherwise the courts of both states will, in future, be burdened with nonsensical litigation in settling disputes and punishing violations of the laws of the two states bordering on the Columbia. The two states ought each to have jurisdiction to the opposite bank, without which our laws may be violated with impunity.

The county assessor in his endeavor to straighten out the entanglements of former assessors in Columbia county, is having no end of trouble. Indeed it is almost like making a complete abstract of the property. Assessor White has already found and assessed a great deal of property that never has been assessed before. One day this week it was discovered that a hundred lots in Columbia City escaped taxation heretofore, and tracts of land in many parts of the county have been overlooked by Mr. White and will in future be subject to taxation. In a great many instances it is found that property has been assessed to other parties than the real owners, and there are any number of double assessments. By thorough investigation it is also discovered that many persons have failed to give in their entire real estate and therefore it cannot be found on the roll of former years. But the assessor and his deputy say they are determined to straighten out these entanglements and see to it that an honest assessment is had. When the county board of equalization meets on the 26th of August no doubt there will be many persons present to inquire why their assessment is higher than in former years, but in many cases this can be explained by the fact that part of their property has heretofore escaped the assessor. Mr. White is no respecter of persons when acting in the capacity of a public servant.

While people who have money are casting about looking for a place to invest it they should not overlook the fact that right here in St. Helens there is an opportunity to invest a few thousand dollars which would yield large profits to the investor and furnish employment to a large number of men at good wages. This is nothing less than the building of a wood flume from Milton creek into St. Helens. The Milton creek county furnishes an abundant supply of timber which would not be exhausted for years to come, and persons who have examined the grade say there would be no difficulty in constructing the flume into this place. With a little larger expenditure of money the flume could be made of sufficient capacity to carry lumber and piling. But this need not be considered in the beginning, for the flume could be profitably used all the time carrying wood, for which there is a ready market here all the year. In addition to this being

the most convenient point on the river to supply steamboats, several hundred cords a week could be contracted in Portland. This is not guess work, but the result of thorough investigation by parties who contemplate going into the business. It is an easy matter to figure out just what the net profit would be on every cord of wood handled, because the estimates on cost of construction and operating have already been made. There is already a large amount of cordwood sold here to the steamboats alone plying on the river, and the amount would be greatly increased were it positively known they could always depend on the supply. With a flume running wood on the docks in this city this uncertainty would be removed. Let us say again that money invested in this proposition will yield larger profits than in any other enterprise, and an investigation of the matter, we believe, will prove these facts conclusive to the satisfaction of any business man.

REUBEN RUMORS.

E. S. King is hauling shingles from Aplary. Alex McDonald, of Deer Island, was in town last week. James McNaughton made a trip to Oregon City on Friday.

J. E. Beagle, of Thur. Mist, was in town Saturday. Call again, brother. W. D. Connell, of Deer Island, was in town Tuesday; also Eugene Blakeley, of St. Helens.

Samuel Howe and family, of Neer City, were visiting Mr. Howe's mother at this place Saturday and Sunday.

Sam Bowen and wife, of Mooresville left for Eastern Washington last week. They expect to be absent until September.

Mrs. H. B. Borthwick, of Portland, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting friends at Mooresville, returning home on Sunday evening.

Mrs. John D. Neer, of Portland, has been visiting her mother, Mrs. C. Stehman, during the last week. She returned home on Friday.

Mrs. C. Stehman is having very poor health this summer. I am informed that there is little hope of recovery on account of her age.

H. B. Borthwick and James McNaughton spent several days with Company A, at Gearhart Park, they being members of said company.

H. B. Borthwick sent a scow load of wood to Cook's cannery last Thursday, and a scow load of lumber to Astoria Sunday. Borthwick is a rustler.

H. C. Brown was in town Tuesday making out legal papers in a case of replevin of R. R. Foster vs. T. O. Marks of Aplary. The case is set for trial at this place on August 7.

Lawrence Archibald returned from Salem on Wednesday, where he went to see his wife. He reports her improving nicely and thinks she will be able to return home in about six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. William Williamson, of Portland, were looking over the lay of the land at this place on Monday. The gentleman thinks the completion of the Astoria railroad will make business lively here.

CROPS AND WEATHER.

Following is the report of the State Weather Bureau for the week ending on Monday, July 29.

WESTERN OREGON.
Weather—Generally cloudy weather, with the temperature cooler than the average, were the principal features of the weather during the past week, consequently the sunshine was deficient. There was a total absence of precipitation.

Special grain report—Harvest is progressing rapidly in all sections; some threshing has been done, and already some grain has been shipped. From the progress which has already been made with the harvest, it is expected that the bulk of the fall-sown grain crop will be harvested within the succeeding week or ten days. Within a few days the entire winter oat crop will have been harvested, and the spring oat crop will soon be ripe enough to harvest. Much of the spring crop of oats on the higher land has already been cut, though on the lower land they are too green. Spring-sown wheat has ripened so rapidly that within ten days it will be ready for harvest in some localities; in the southern counties, also in Lane and Linn counties, the crop suffered somewhat by the warm, dry weather though there is a wide divergence of opinion as to material injury. Wherever barley is grown the crop is good. In the Willamette valley the crop is not generally grown, but in Douglas, Josephine and Jackson counties it is one of the principal crops, and an excellent one this year. The size and fullness of the heads of wheat and oats are commented upon by correspondents in all sections. Farmers are jubilant over the expected yield as a rule. The potato crop is in need of rain, though up to date it has made good progress. There is a good crop of peaches, the earliest of which is on the market. There are large crops of prunes and plums. All vegetables and fruits are making the good advancement toward maturity that was expected.

Real Estate Transfers.

W. C. Garner to Agnes J. Garner, 1/2 of sw 1/4, sec 22, t 7 n, r 2 w; \$1000.
George H. Pearson to W. S. Pearson, 30 acres sw 1/4 of nw 1/4, sec 23, t 5 n, r 4 w; \$500.
W. S. Pearson to Sarah J. Pearson, same as above; \$100.
James H. Sheldon to John S. Sheldon, 1/4 of lots 9, 10, 11 and 12 blk 23 and 1/2 of lot 14, sec 2, St. Helens; \$500.
Daniel Stehman and wife to Grant W. Girt, ne 1/4 of s 1/4 and 2 acres in nw 1/4 of sw 1/4, sec 11, t 6 n, r 3 w; \$250.
United States to Lewis L. Griffin, sec 1/4 of sw 1/4 and lot 7, sec 6, and ne 1/4 of nw 1/4 and lot 1, sec 7, t 7 n, r 1 w; patent.
Christ Vonbonk to Apollonia Bornmer, 1/2 of sw 1/4 and ne 1/4 of nw 1/4 and lot 3, sec 5, t 4 n, r 4 w; \$500.
J. B. and L. E. Wilkes and wife to A. A. Mead, sw 1/4 of nw 1/4, sec 28, t 4 n, r 4 w; \$50.
Hannah Tyskiewicz to W. B. Dillard, lot 1 blk 2, lot 1 blk 3, lot 8 blk 6 and lots 14 and 15 blk 17, St. Helens, quitclaim; \$150.
Hannah Tyskiewicz et al to James Dart, lots 4 and 5 blk 19, and lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 blk 24, St. Helens, quitclaim; \$1.

TREASURER'S NOTICE.

COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE, ST. HELENS, Or., July 5, 1895.
NOTICE is hereby given that all Columbia county warrants heretofore presented and endorsed "Not Paid for Want of Funds" up to March 1, 1895, will be paid upon presentation at this office. Interest on the same will not be allowed after this date.
E. M. WHARTON,
Treasurer of Columbia county, Or.

SCHOOL BOOK CHANGE.

Circular Letter of Instruction Sent Out by Superintendent.

I am authorized by the State Board of Education to notify you that the following named text books have been adopted by law, for use in the public schools of Oregon for the term of six years, beginning October 1st, 1895, and ending October 1st, 1901:

PRIMARY AND INTERMEDIATE GRADES.
ORTHOGRAPHY—Reed's Word Lessons, Scribner's Word Analysis, and Manson's Spelling Books.
PRONUNCIATION—Webster's Series of Dictionaries.
READING—Barnes' New National Readers, consisting of First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Readers.
PENMANSHIP—Spencerian System and Copy Books.

ARITHMETIC—Fish's Written Arithmetic, Nos. 1 and 2, and Brook's Normal Mental Arithmetic, also National Number Tables, 1 to 12.
GEOGRAPHY—Montgomery's Elementary and Comprehensive Geographies, both Pacific Coast editions.
LANGUAGE—Maxwell's First Book in Language.

GRAMMAR—Maxwell's Introduction to English Grammar, and Maxwell's Advanced English Grammar.
HISTORY—Barnes' Primary and Barnes' Brief History of the United States.
SCIENCE—Monteith's Popular Science.
PHYSIOLOGY AND HYGIENE—Smith's Series of Primary Books in Physiology and Hygiene.
DRAWING—The Eclectic Series of Drawing Books.
MUSIC—Loomis' Series of Vocal Music, and Song Wava.

ADVANCED GRADES AND HIGH SCHOOLS.
ALGEBRA—Robinson's Series.
GEOMETRY AND TRIGONOMETRY—Robinson's Series.
PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY—Eclectic.
ADVANCED HISTORY—Barnes' General History.

COMPOSITION—Wadley's Composition.
LITERATURE—Smith's Studies in English Literature.
BOOKKEEPING—Bryant & Stratton's System.
BUSINESS FORMS—Ward's System.
CIVIL GOVERNMENT—Peterson's Civil Government, Oregon edition.

ADVANCED SCIENCES—Steele's Series of Chemistry, Botany, Physics, Astronomy, Zoology, Zoology and Physiology.
VOICE CULTURE—Kidd's Elocution.
MORALS AND MANNERS—Gow's Work on Morals and Manners.

FOR SUPPLEMENTARY READING.
JOHNSON'S Series of Natural History and Historical Readings.
IRVING'S Sketch Book and Tales of a Traveler.
SCOTT'S Ivanhoe and Lady of the Lake, The Abbot, Marmion and Woodstock.
MACAULEY'S Essay on Chatham.
WEBSTER'S Bunker Hill Orations.
SHAKESPEARE'S Twelfth Night, Julius Caesar, Merchant of Venice and Midsummer's Night Dream.

THE DISCOVERY PAPERS.
ARNOLD'S Sobras and Rastum.
EMERSON'S American Scholar.
You will observe that a new series of Spellers, Language, Grammar, Drawing and Civil Government has been adopted, while all other books are the same as used the past six years.

The Watson Spellers have been displaced by Reed's Word Lessons, upon the following terms: The pupil exchanges the old Speller for the new one and pays 10 cents additional, or buys the new book for 20 cents, without giving the old book.

The Grammar exchange is made as follows: The pupil gives his old Speller or Clark's grammar and 35 cents for the new Maxwell's Grammar, and gives his Barnes' Language Book and 25 cents for the new Maxwell's First Book in Language.

Peterson's Civil Government is introduced in place of Young's Class Book, the pupil giving his old book and 45 cents for the new book. *Drawing books are not exchanged for old ones, but are sold direct at 10 cents each for primary, and 15 cents for advanced books.

These special terms upon the newly adopted books are good until April 1, 1896, and all old books should be displaced at once, while the prices are favorable.

All new books adopted are of the latest and best series and their introduction will be for the best interest of the public school.

A full list of supplementary reading matter has been selected, and this list is not compulsory, it should be gradually introduced into the school-room.

Agents for attending to the exchange of new books have been selected throughout the county, and a special effort should be made to have all new books introduced during the fall term.

All text books used in the public schools after October 1, 1895, must be of the foregoing series, and of Books of Directors and Teachers should insist upon the use of the legal books.

In connection with the use of the regular text books, I would suggest that each district be supplied with a Reading Chart, Geographical Chart, Globe, Abacus, Physiological Chart or Manikin, Webster's Dictionary and Blackboard; also Chalk, Erasers, Pointer, Pencils, Paper, Ink, Pens, Etc., all of which may be purchased from time to time from the 10 per cent. allowance made annually from the regular school fund for such purposes.

The custom adopted by some districts of purchasing wood, glass, stoves, tinware, lumber and other articles not actually used in teaching, is to be severely criticized, and should not be practiced.

District clerks are often paid out of the teachers' fund. This should be discontinued. The money used in these transactions should be raised by tax in the district.

Any further information concerning the foregoing will be cheerfully furnished.
Very respectfully,
J. G. WATTS,
County School Superintendent.

DEER ISLAND DOINGS.

The hazelnuts are very plentiful and the crop is now ready to be harvested.
Henry Woodham, of Goble, was up last Sunday to attend Sunday school and while here visited C. H. English and family.

Peach plums are in considerable demand this year. Why do not people give more attention to this beautiful fruit is more than we can understand.

W. J. Bevis Jr. and family, of Portland, are here visiting relatives and friends. Mr. Bevis, who recently had his thigh broken, is just able to be about on crutches.

Miss Lilly Bonser went to Tacoma last Thursday to attend the funeral of her nephew, Leo, a 6-year-old son, the only child of Fred and Cora Dittmer. She is a gentle and loving child of handsome appearance. His parents have the full sympathy of all their friends here.

A. F. McDonald was traveling a few days ago in Cowitz and Clark counties, Wash. He reports the absence of signboards at cross-roads, which is very inconvenient to travelers. The same complaint comes from many parts of this county. The statute requires it, and it is the duty of the county court to erect them.

At an early hour last Monday morning Dr. Cliff brought a young lady into the family of Alex F. McDonald. The family and friends are agreeably surprised, that after almost eleven years of married life that there should come a plump young woman of about nine pounds so sudden, to teach the father and husband the "midnight march," which it is never too late to learn.

Mrs. Bumgardner and her daughters, the Misses Mattie and Mary, intend starting for Ashland, Oregon, in search of climate that may be more agreeable to their

health. For some time past Mrs. Bumgardner's health has been rather poor, and her daughter, Mary, is not very robust. It is hoped they may find what they desire, and be able to return in the near future. Mr. Bumgardner will join them later on.

POINTED AND PERTINENT.

To old subscriber: The Stevenson who committed suicide in California because of bad health, was not Vice President Stevenson. Although nobody knows "where he is at," the latter gentleman is believed to be in good health.

CARD OF THANKS.

To the kind-hearted people who preferred assistance during this illness and who my beloved wife I desire to express my sincere thanks.
EDWIN MERRILL.

EQUALIZATION NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the board of equalization will meet at St. Helens, in the court house, on Monday, August 28, 1895, for the purpose of equalizing the assessment of 1895. All claims for correction must be made before the board.
MARTIN WHITE,
County Assessor.



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