

OREGON MIST.

NOVEMBER 17, 1900.

Meeting With Success.

Mr. Thomas Meserve, of Deluna, was in town last Saturday. He reports satisfactory progress in procuring the right-of-way for the proposed flume from their mill to the railroad. A few parties yet remain to grant that privilege, but it will require little time and effort however, to finish the undertaking, after which the mill will be started and the lumber for constructing the flume will be sawed as rapidly as possible.

Addition to the Court House.

The county commissioners at the last session of court authorized the county judge to have a small addition to the court house built. The room will be about 12x14 feet, one story in height, at the rear of the main building, to be used as the clerk's office. The volume of business to be transacted in that department is rapidly on the increase and more room is needed. The cost of the structure will not exceed \$125. Work will be commenced at once.

Obscure Title Hinders Work.

The commencement of work on two short cut-offs in the Clatskanie river which are to do away with two bad bends is delayed on account of the difficulty of securing title to the land required. The title is mixed up among a lot of heirs, and some of these cannot be found and it appears to be difficult to decide who really owns the land. The cuts to be made will require the dredging of about 60,000 cubic yards of mud, but work cannot begin until the government has secured title to the land.

Removed the Bell.

The bell which has ornamented the church hall for the last fifteen or eighteen years, and which too, has been summoned people to all public meetings as well as religious services, tolling the death knell of numerous persons as well, no longer stands in the position so long occupied by it. Last Friday a number of persons concluded to add and remove it to a more convenient place in the city, and now it stands at the corner of the lot recently purchased by the Methodist denomination. It will be handled henceforth.

The "Woodshed" Social.

The social given here last Thursday evening to raise funds for which to build a woodshed at the Congregational church was well patronized. An excellent literary programme was rendered, after which a contribution was taken, netting almost \$8. Lunch was served, for which 15 cents was charged, from this was received a revenue sufficient to make the total receipts \$19. This sum of money is not sufficient, however, to build the woodshed, and a number of individuals have agreed to subscribe to the fund, hence the shed is an assured fact.

Viewing the Situation.

Mr. Montgomery, of Portland, was in St. Helens on Wednesday making arrangements to go on a tour of inspection of the timber through the section of country between St. Helens and Oak Ranch creek, thence on to the mouth of that stream. Mr. Montgomery represents some Wisconsin capitalists, who contemplate the purchase of a large body of timber in that section if it is obtainable, and who also instructed Mr. Montgomery to look over the railroad survey made through the Milton creek country from here to Oak Ranch. The gentleman expects to return here in a few days when he will start on the cruise.

To Astoria for a Dime.

It is generally believed along the front that the rate war to Astoria will continue until passengers are carried for nothing or else 10 cents. There is no doubt but what the rate will go down to a dime and when that point is reached the fight will cease. The Northern Pacific Railroad is said to be becoming tired of the war, as it is injuring its business. People desiring to go to Seattle take the boats to Kalama for 25 cents, instead of purchasing tickets in Portland and thereby save about \$2. Nobody is going to Astoria on the boats except on business. On Saturday nights, however, the Hassalo carries a large crowd.

Cannot Consolidate.

The facts have developed that it is impossible under the laws of the state for the school districts of St. Helens and Houlton to be consolidated, if every person residing within the districts was willing for such action to be taken in the premises. Superintendent Chapman, in order to clearly establish in his mind the manner in which to proceed, wrote to State Superintendent Ackerman, and on last Monday received the following reply:

"The district boundary board under the law has no authority to make any changes in school districts, because the law does not provide for petitioning. That part of the law which did provide for petitioning was stricken out. This was caused by a party petitioning, and you will notice under the clause 'when petitioned as hereinafter specified' is within the part concerning school districts, which did not pass. Since there is no regular way of petitioning, it is immaterial who has the right to petition."

"Hence it will be readily seen that no change can be made in the boundary of the districts until the legislature sees fit to empower the district boundary board to proceed in some manner, which now it has not the authority to do."

New O. R. & N. Boat.

The O. R. & N. Company has decided to build another large sternwheel steamer for services on the lower Columbia between Portland and Astoria, the contract being let last Monday and work started the next day. The machinery will be built by W. & C. Wickes and will embody all of the latest improvements, with a view to securing the greatest possible power and speed at the smallest cost. The dimensions of the new steamer are: Length, 185 feet; beam, 34 feet; depth of hold, 8 1/2 feet. The engine will be 24 inches in diameter of cylinder by 96 inches stroke, and will develop 1800 horsepower. This power, with the finely modeled hull, will give the new boat great speed, and when necessary she can be used as a towboat. Rate wars may come and go but so long as the Columbia flows untrammelled to the sea, there will always be a field for steamboats, and the O. R. & N. Company are showing their faith in the future of this field for business by continually adding to their fleet.

The towboat service on both river and bar is in more satisfactory shape than it has ever been before, and the company's regular captains are taking ships up and down the river with less delay and less down of increased power, delays and expenses on the river will be still further lessened.

CLATSKANIE ITEMS.

Mrs. Fabrique and Mrs. Bratchey spent Tuesday in Portland.

To go to Portland by steamer and return by rail is now considered the proper paper.

John A. English left last week to take his place as watchman on the steamer Sarah Dixon.

Maggie Fisk went to Portland this week to spend a few days with her uncle, James Rice.

Dan Rice returned Tuesday evening from Portland. He had been calling on James at the sanitarium.

Miss Avello Conyers, after spending some time in the interest of her millinery store, returned Tuesday evening.

The new Graham building seems to be absorbing the most market, which is being gradually dismantled to take its place inside the new structure.

The school in the adjoining school district, No. 15, closed last week and the teacher, Miss Jones, left on the steamer Shaver for Portland Monday evening.

The postoffice is now walled in by a partition and the postmaster can lock himself in his little cage and interview the public through a window. No getting in behind the scenes now.

The drama "What's Next?" announced for Friday evening of this week, was postponed a few days on account of a sprained ankle which disables one of the principal characters.

Miss Maud Bryant is in Portland this week and expects to attend the wedding of our former teacher, Miss L. May Reid, who is to be married at University Park on Wednesday evening of this week.

A scow was loaded with cedar lumber at Brown's mill early this week, destined for a Portland firm. Harry Keasay steamed up pretty steady these days turning out considerable manufactured lumber.

Joe Erickson, Jr., was cutting wood one evening last week, and by a slip of the axe, cut the back of his right hand quite severely. He has had to make occasional trips to town for surgical help.

D. Dixon, Sr., met with an accident last week while assisting his son, Dan, to fall a tree for wood. He slipped from the spring board and fell on his axe, cutting a gash near the shoulder blade. He is getting along as well as could be expected.

Lumber is on the ground for a new building to become the home of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Tichenor in the W. K. Tichenor suburban addition. The building will be under way in a few days as soon as the builders now employed elsewhere can get around to it.

John C. Bryant has returned at the close of the logging season in the camp where he has been employed for the summer. He is well, and brings back the same benevolent smile he carried away with him. If anything worries John, his countenance does not show it.

The latest arrival is being entertained at the residence of Lawrence V. Maxwell and wife. He is called diminutive, but weighing 160 pounds shows that he is not small for his age, and his voice, too, well, it can be heard quite a respectable distance, and sometimes at inconvenient hours, but he is hale and hearty and will have better control of his vocal powers after a while.

Rev. F. J. Winters, the new minister at this place, is being quite cordially received, and takes hold of his work here with an energy that is commendable. He has more than ordinary ability in the pulpit and has been listened to so far by large audiences. He has a venerable and dignified air, whose gentleness and interest make friends for herself and the cause they represent.

The Slocum Medicine Company show did not find quite as good picking on their return to our city last week as when they visited us in September. The time between visits gave a number of our citizens time to reflect on their lasty action of loading themselves with medicines sold to cure anything that ailed them. They are not sure that anything ails them and feel as though they might have been duped as well as duped.

Inquiring about some lumber and shingles piled near the blacksmith shop, we learned that Popham & Company intended adding an addition to their shop, as they find their present quarters too small. We are pleased to note that our business men find it necessary to provide more room for increasing business. Most of them have done so during the past year and others have it in contemplation.

Barge Washington Raised.

The barge, Washington, owned by the Hale & Kern Company, which was sunk while on her way down the river with a cargo of rock for the Gray's harbor jetty, by running on a rock near the jetty, was brought to the surface, and was beached near the scene of the disaster. The accident occurred early last spring, and as the barge was insured for \$25,000, the underwriters determined to recover her. A great deal of time and labor has been expended on the job, notwithstanding that it was necessary to suspend operations during the high water season, which was much longer than usual.

Even after the cargo of rock was removed, the barge, although in about 100 feet of water, refused to leave the bottom, and after the sand which had collected on her had been removed as far as practicable, it was necessary to bring barges and jackknives into use to bring her to the surface. Some river men say that she will be found not worth the expense of raising her, but whether this is so or not will soon be ascertained. It is supposed that Goble has at last given up her frame in every kind and, and it remains to be seen whether she has been strained by the force of the current or not. Her owners have suffered much loss and inconvenience through the loss of her services during the summer—Oregonians. The barge was taken to Portland Tuesday, where all necessary repairs are to be made at once.

Killed at Mooreville.

Adolphus Klossner, employed in the sawmill at Mooreville, was instantly killed on Tuesday afternoon. Klossner was engaged at putting a belt on a pulley when in some manner he was caught and thrown backward, falling to the lower floor, a distance of fifteen feet. He was a man about twenty years of age and had relatives living near Goble. Coroner Dr. Cliff was summoned by telephone, going to Goble on the night boat Tuesday. As the cause of the man's death was apparent to many of his fellow workmen, it was considered unnecessary to hold an inquest.

Sick Headaches.

The curse of overworked womanhood, are quickly and surely cured by Karl's Clover Root Tea, the great blood purifier and tissue builder. Money refunded if not satisfactory. Price 25 cts. and 50 cts. Sold by Dr. Edwin Ross, druggist, St. Helens, and N. A. Perry, Houlton.

WARREN AND SCAPOOSE.

J. S. Bacon was a Portland visitor on Monday last.

D. C. Allard spent Saturday and Sunday at Portland.

Miss Laura Pusey spent a few days at Portland last week.

Mr. A. Johnson spent a few days at Portland last week.

Miss Ella Bacon is on a visit to her uncle, Mrs. Hart, at St. Helens.

Mr. O. Gunderson spent Friday and Saturday of last week at Portland.

Mrs. Beebe, of Portland, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lamberson.

Tom Honeyman and Walter Allison, of Portland, spent Sunday at the Honeyman ranch.

James A. Bacon, who is located at Fort Stevens, spent Sunday with relatives at Warren.

Those who attended the dance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Larsen on Friday evening last, report a good time.

Ed McFarland, while at Portland last week, purchased another car of cattle and arrived here on Thursday last with them.

Rev. Jones of Portland, preached at the Congregational church on Sunday last and will again hold services in two weeks.

Miss Maude Watts, who has been spending a few days with friends at Houlton, returned home the last of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Frakes, Miss Lulu Frakes and Mr. Louis Lispet attended the entertainment at Scappoose on Saturday evening last.

On account of the continued rains, the painters, with the exception of two, who have been employed at the Honeyman ranch, have been laid off.

On Saturday last some of our people witnessed a first-class prize fight for the light weight championship of Scappoose. The mill was between two well-known young fellows who fought twenty-three or twenty-four slugging match rounds which ended in a draw.

The ball to be given at Scappoose on Thanksgiving promises to be a grand success. No expense will be spared to make this the event of the season. The ball is under the management of Prof. Nice, of Portland, who enjoys the reputation of always conducting a first class evening's entertainment.

A most enjoyable evening was spent on Tuesday last at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tompkins. The gathering was in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Meserve, of Portland, who were spending a week with Mrs. Meserve's parents. Singing was indulged in, after which a most dainty luncheon was served. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Tompkins, Mr. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Meserve, Mr. and Mrs. Oatley, Miss M. Ella Tompkins, Miss Emma Gunderson, Miss Nettie Tompkins, Mr. Floyd Pusey, Mr. George Gunderson, Willie Tompkins and Frank Sheffield.

The entertainment and oyster supper given by the Artisans on Saturday evening last was a decided success. The hall was comfortably filled by the invited guests and by the applause with which each number was received, was shown plainly that the efforts of each and every one who had volunteered to help entertain their guests was appreciated. Most notable among the gentlemen who had charge of the supper were Bert West and Lester Duncan, who, with large sprays tied around their necks, were doing their best to see that everyone had enough to eat. Miss Maude Watts opened the programme with an instrumental solo, which was good. Miss Watts was also to sing, but did not on account of her music being misplaced, thereby disappointing the audience.

Mr. Gus. Oteby, rendered a medley, which was well received. The gentleman has a good voice, but the severe cold from which he is suffering, made it almost impossible for the gentleman to finish his selection. Unfortunately, Mr. Jack Chambers also had a severe cold and had to be excused. Mr. Schmitz sang a solo, but gave the audience to understand that it was a hard matter to make a singer out of a potato digger, but the good natured audience excused him and he finished his selection to the satisfaction of his hearers. Miss West recited a most beautiful piece, which called forth a big round of applause. The audience received just what it expected in the work of Miss Duncan, who is a complete master of anything she undertakes. The entertainment was simply immense and the audience was not slow to show their appreciation. The young lady appears to be a better advantage in a comic recitation than in one like she appeared in her last effort. If Miss Duncan continues to improve in the future as she has done in the past, she will enjoy the distinction of being one of our best speakers. Too much praise cannot be given Mrs. Gus Oteby. Her instrumental solos was something grand. While playing, Mrs. Oteby held her audience spellbound and when she had finished it was a full minute before her hearers realized it. The applause which she received was deafening, but no amount of applauding could make the lady respond.

HOULTON NOTES.

Jim Cox, Jr., is decking on the Shaver.

Dr. Cliff boarded the A. & C. train for Rainier Tuesday.

Mrs. I. H. Copeland and son, Manley, will visit to Portland Saturday.

Al Henshaw made a trip to Portland Saturday, returning Sunday evening.

Fred Emerson, of Gray's River, Wash., is visiting relatives in this place this week.

Mrs. James Cox is on the sick list this week, the services of a physician being necessary.

Prof. Brown, principal of our school, made a visit to his home in University Park last Saturday.

Our merchant, N. A. Perry, has just recently put into his home a high grade piano purchased from the Wiley B. Allen Company, of Portland.

House moving is all the go in Houlton now. Ed Potter having moved his house to higher ground, and U. W. Clark has a force of men engaged in moving his.

The car belonging to the N. P. bridge crew is on the siding here now. We are told work will commence at once on the steel bridge which will replace the wooden one across Milton creek.

"We the people," (quoting our worthy correspondent of the News from this place), being in the minority, it is hoped the question of consolidating the two school districts is settled now forever.

Houlton has a suspension foot bridge under construction which will span the creek at the old Ferry road. It will be suspended by wire cables from a tower on each side of the creek. Mr. George Brous is the constructor.

The basket social given by the Artisans at this place last Friday evening was a success, considering the stormy condition of the weather. About \$15 was raised, which will be applied to payment on the organ, which was purchased by the Artisans some time ago.

FROM YANKTON.

A. A. Smith has gone down the river to work in Brown Bros. logging camp.

Fred Briggs is kept busy between showers, freighting for his father's store.

Where, O where, is our new plank road? Yankton is somewhat noted for talking improvements which fail to materialize. Let us get on a little more steam.

C. H. Briggs has got nicely settled in his commodious new store. His success in the grocery business has warranted enlarging his quarters, as well as his business. He carries a full line of flour, feed and choice family supplies.

All hearts were pained last Saturday as the message was brought to us that little Josephine, youngest daughter of Louis and Percie Barger, had died. She was an unusually bright and attractive child and many beside the immediate family will grieve for her. All that loving, faithful care could do was done to save the precious life, but God knew best, and we say with aching hearts, "He doeth all things well."

VERNONIA ITEMS.

Bert Schoonover returned home last week for a few days fishing.

Thos. Pettijohn, of Keasey, was in Vernonia Monday on business.

Gus Hult has returned to the valley and will live on his ranch this winter.

W. M. Wilson returned Friday from a trip to Portland via Washington county. There will be a shooting match at John Brous' place on the 30th of this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Gustafson made a trip to Forest Grove last Friday, returning Sunday.

Dog salmon are running full blast and the sports are having a high old time. Trout are also plentiful.

Married, Sunday night at the church, Mr. Dow W. Keasey, of Keasey, and Miss Rosa Seaman, of this place, Rev. Stroup officiating.

Mr. Meek, of Mountaineer, Washington county, was in the valley last week buying young cattle. He only found a few for sale however.

Dow Keasey made a business trip to St. Helens and Portland last week. Miss Mollie McCauley looked after the postoffice during his absence.

G. N. Sitts, who has been in California for over a year, returned to his home on Rock creek Saturday. George says there is no place like Nehalem for him.

PERSONAL AND LOCAL.

County court adjourned last Friday afternoon.

Attorney Cole did business at Astoria last Friday.

Largest stock and lowest prices at W. H. Dolman's.

For a complete stock of general merchandise call at W. H. Dolman's.

Dr. Ross and Charles Blakeley spent Tuesday evening in Portland.

Mrs. E. Cox is spending the week in Portland visiting relatives and friends.

A. Armstrong and Jack Balmanno, of Portland, spent last Sunday in this city.

Merchant Watts, of Reuben, was doing business in Portland Monday and Tuesday.

The Knights of Pythias of Rainier are soon to build a large and convenient castle hall.

Twenty-two persons took passage on the trails last Monday morning for Portland.

County Clerk Watts has been confined to his home several days this week with a severe cold.

Miss Flora Vincent, who has just closed a term of school in Beaver valley, was in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Black, of Mayer, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Slaughter this week.

Captain Good's health is reported very poor at present, having been confined to his home for some time.

Mrs. John Gilmore returned last Saturday from Oregon City, where she had spent the week with her daughters.

Rev. Mr. Philbrook's appointments for next Sunday are: Paris, 11:00 A. M.; Yankton, 3:30 P. M.; Houlton, 7:30 P. M.

Mrs. A. Balmanno and Mrs. A. Armstrong, of Portland, visited Mrs. A. Davis of this city, Thursday and Friday of this week.

Miss Dell Butler, formerly of Sitka, Alaska, was married last week to Mr. J. W. Adair, of Sitka.

It is not known when the Lurline will resume her trips to Astoria, says the Telegram. She has been placed in good condition during her rustication at the ship yard.

Last week's bundle of Mrs. Goble did not reach the destination until Saturday. The papers should have arrived there not later than 9 o'clock Friday morning.

When your supply of printed stationery becomes exhausted, send in an order to this office, where best quality of stock and workmanship are furnished at prices consistent with such qualities.

A delegation from the local lodge of Knights of Pythias went to Astoria with a greater number of the members from Rainier lodge on Wednesday in response to an invitation from Astor lodge to pay a fraternal visit.

This paper possesses the only well equipped job printing plant in St. Helens, where the quality of stock used and workmanship are of the best. Our prices are consistent with such qualities and we guarantee satisfaction to patrons.

Our job printing department is kept busy most of the time turning out commercial and society work of all kinds. We are constantly adding to our job material and the reputation of turning out good work is given us by all who patronize us. Our prices are consistent with good workmanship. We will print anything from a calling card to a poster or a book, and do it well and promptly.

It will not be a surprise to any who are at all familiar with the good qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, to know that people everywhere take pleasure in relating their experience in the use of that splendid medicine and telling of the benefit they have received from it, but colds that have cured, of threatened attacks of pneumonia it has averted and of the children it has saved from attacks of croup and whooping cough. It is a grand, good medicine. For sale by Dr. Edwin Ross.

MARRIED.

LAMBERSON-BEAVER—At the residence of the bride's parents, Sunday, November 12th, 1899, Mr. Charles Lamberson and Miss Ella Beaver, Rev. C. E. Philbrook, officiating.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned has been, by the Honorable County Court of the State of Oregon, appointed administrator of the estate of John Hendricks, deceased, and that I have duly qualified as such, and will receive and pay claims against said estate as hereby required to present the same, accompanied by proper vouchers, at the office of C. E. Philbrook, in St. Helens, said county and state, within six months from the date hereof. Dated October 27th, 1899. E. E. QUICK, Administrator of the estate of John Hendricks, deceased.

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LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, OR., October 10, 1899. 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 Register and Receiver at Oregon City, Oregon, on December 22nd, 1899, viz: E. E. QUICK, Homestead entry 10096, for the southeast 1/4 of section 4, township 3 north, range 3 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James M. Archibald, Cook (transient), Christiana (transient), James C. Goble, Oregon. CHAS. B. MOORES, Register.

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SHERIFF'S SALE ON FORECLOSURE.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia county. Flora Wandy, plaintiff, vs. S. H. Kistner and Ellen Kistner, husband and wife, and R. L. Sablin, as assignees of Wadhams & Co., a private corporation, Buckingham & Hech, a private corporation, J. C. Closset and A. H. Devers, Capen Shoe Company, a private corporation, Allen & Lewis, partners, Corbett & MacLay Co., a private corporation, Charles Heggen and F. E. Lesonskie, partners under the name of Charles Hegge & Co., The G. H. Hammond Co., a private corporation, Page & Sons, a private corporation, W. Selinger & P. Lowmeyer, partners under the firm name of M. Selzer & Co., Adam Grant, Henry Murphy, Joe W. Ford, Joe G. Grant and Hugh Whipple, partners under the name of Grant, Murphy & Co., Ed. Brown, J. B. Brown and Bah' Beeseman, partners as Brown Brothers & Co., Julius Trist, Bernard Trist and Jessie Trist, partners under the name of Trist & Co., August Schilling and Geo. F. Volkman, partners under the name of A. Schilling & Co., Doan, as assignees of the creditors of A. E. Adry and S. H. Kistner, together with the creditors of the estate of Arny & Kistner, — Holmes, as assignee of Meier & Frank Co., a private corporation, and the Union Meat Co., a private corporation.

NOTICE OF AN EXECUTOR.

BY virtue of an executor, order and decree, and in compliance with the commands of said writ, I, on Monday, the 4th day of December,