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Rock Crusher Arrived.
The Western steel rock crusher and engine, recently purchased by the commissioners from Beall & Co., of Portland, arrived in good shape and will soon be put in operation, and before many months the Oregonia county expects to have roads that will be a pride to the taxpayers and catch the eye of new emigrants. For years our commissioners, like many others, have been practicing false economy in building roads. They spent hundreds of dollars each year in building and repairing dirt and plank roads, and the money was not needed. The following year they were repaired again at a large expense with the same results, but they have learned by investigation that crushed rock is the only economical road to build. They have spent as much as much in one year building crushed rock roads as they have formerly spent in three years on the present roads, but when once built, with a little repairing now and then, it is a passable road all the time. In a period of five years it will prove far less expensive than in the past. The commissioners are to be congratulated on this movement.—Kalamia Bulletin.

Future Tax Collecting.
The following is a synopsis of the law regulating tax collection, heretofore which was passed by the legislature. Taxes paid on or before March 15th succeeding the date of the levy will be allowed a rebate of three per cent, provided that the rolls reach the sheriff prior to and catch the eye of new emigrants. Taxes paid between the 15th and 31st, both dates inclusive, will not be allowed any rebate, but neither will any penalty of interest be added thereto. Taxes become delinquent after the first Monday in April, and there will be added immediately thereto a penalty of 10 per cent and also interest at the rate of 12 per cent per annum, in addition to the penalty. If one-half of the taxes are paid on or before the first Monday in April, then the payment of the remainder will be deferred up to the first Monday in October; but if not then paid it shall become delinquent and subject to a penalty of 10 per cent and interest at the rate of 12 per cent per annum from the first Monday of the preceding April. On all personal property taxes the law compels the sheriff to make levy and collect the same after April 1st, unless one-half thereof shall have been paid on or before the first Monday in April. The law compels the sheriff to sell all lands on which taxes have not been paid and provides that tax sales shall be made not later than March 1st of the year succeeding that in which the levy shall have been made. Property will be sold to the persons bidding the lowest rate of interest, and certificates will be issued therefor, and deeds given to the property three years after such sale, unless the property shall have been sooner redeemed.

STOCK FARM FOR SALE.
FOR SALE, AN EXCELLENT STOCK AND dairy ranch, located on main road side of Clatskanie, about five miles from St. Helens. There are 200 acres, more or less, in the place, which is capable of producing a living for 200 or 250 head of stock. Excellent improvement on which to cut the best of hay yearly, daily feed for stock. For further particulars call on Mr. C. H. Green, Care St. Helens, St. Helens, Oregon.

Bill Nye as a Dairyman.
When I was young and used to roam around over the country, gathering watermelons in the light of the moon, I used to think I could milk anybody's cow, but I don't think so now. I do not milk the cow unless the sign is right, and it hasn't been right for a good many years. The last cow I tried to milk was a common cow, born in obscurity, kind of a self-made cow. I remember her brow was low, but she wore her hair high, and she was haughty, oh, so haughty. I made a commonplace remark to her. One that is used in the very best society, one that need not give offense. I said "So"—and she "Soed." Then I told her to "Hiss" and she "Hissed." But I thought she put too much expression in it. Just then I heard something crash through the window of the barn and fall with a thud—sinking thud—on the outside. The neighbors came to see what it was that caused the noise. They found that I had done it in getting through the window. I asked the neighbors if the barn was still standing. They said it was. Then I asked them if the cow was injured much. They said she seemed quite robust. Then I requested them to go in and calm the cow a little, and see if they could get my plug half off her horns. When you have no appetite, do not roll your foot and feel dull after eating you may know that you need a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Price, 35 cents. Samples free at the St. Helens pharmacy.

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A Fish Story.
Wm. Riddley, Perry Watson, Wm. Randle and A. Porter, four boys who were the bane together in the brave days of old, concluded it was a good time to go fishing last week, so they went down to Sauvie Island, near where the Columbia and Willamette join. That has many little lakes on it which are filled by high water, but do not connect with the river when the water is down. They tried one or two without much success, then they tried another which did not seem much more than a big pond. They made one sweep through it with the seine and caught such a multitude of fishes that after getting the help of three other men, the seven were unable to haul out the seine-load of fish. They drew it in to shore so they could catch them, and then all took what they wanted, still leaving a lot behind. The four each took what dressed about 100 pounds of the best carp and cat, and all say they never saw such a haul of fish before. This is their story and as they haven't seen any of the fish we won't vouch for it, but as no old soldier would ever be caught stretching the truth in telling a fish story, it will have to go.—Forest Grove Times.

Uncertain Knowledge.
This brief effusion was left in our office this week by an unknown, and is consequently fatherless: "When one realizes they are only listening to 'maybe,' 'perhaps,' 'I think so,' and their own imagination, it makes them feel as if they were living in a soap bubble, knowing the inflated air will soon collapse. Thousands are drifting on the craft of uncertainty and have traveled on that boat so long, really believe everything is chance. If you were to ask them if the sun was going to rise tomorrow, they would say 'perhaps,' when any biblical student could answer the question positively. These thoughts of 'don't know,' poison the very atmosphere in which they live. We should live on certainties and in assurances. We should talk facts, know things as so before we assert them. This brings firmness of mind, inspires courage and self-reliance. We want to establish our life on realities, for this quells anxieties and one becomes calm and happy and enjoys the atmosphere of knowledge."—Aron.

Real Estate Transfers.
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BUY AND SELL STAPLE AND FANCY
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Hardware, Feed, Dry Goods, Notions
AT LOWEST LIVING PRICE
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Women and Jewels.
Jewels, slender, flowers, man—that is the order of a woman's preference. Jewels form a magnet of mighty power to the average woman. Even that greatest of all jewels, health, it often ruined in the strenuous efforts to make or save the money to purchase them. If a woman will risk health to get a coveted gem, then let her fortify herself against the insidious consequences of coughs, colds and bronchial affections by the regular use of Dr. Boecher's German Syrup. It will promptly arrest consumption in its early stages and heal the affected lungs and bronchial tubes and drives the dread disease from the system. It is not a cure-all, but it is a certain cure for coughs, colds and all bronchial troubles. You can get Dr. G. G. Green's reliable remedies at the St. Helens pharmacy. Get Green's special almanac.

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VERNONIA, OREGON.

Columbia county will pay next year .0106 per cent of all the money collected by the state from the various counties as state taxes. The state tax is not now levied as formerly. The new law provides for making the levy on an entirely different principle. It has been the custom to levy a percentage on the total taxable property of the county. Until 1905 the levy will be based on the average valuation of taxable property for the past five years, and by this method for the current five years the share of Columbia county will be as given above. After that time each county's share will be figured on the average expenditures, roads and bridges excepted, during the current five years. That is, the expenditures of all the counties will be added together and each county's share will be the proportion that each bears to the whole. As this proportion is, so will the state tax of each county be figured. For instance, if the state desires to raise \$500,000, the proportion from this county would be .0106, or \$5,300, which is, perhaps, about the same sum as would result from the 3 1/2 mill levy on the present valuation. Carry county will pay the smallest per cent, being but .0046, while Multnomah will pay the largest, being .0123 per cent. This plan of levying the state tax will endure for five years, when another order of things will be operative. Article 4 of section 2 of the new law reads as follows: "In order to ascertain the proportion of such taxes to be paid by several counties, said state officers shall ascertain from the reports of expenditures of the several counties, on file in the office of the secretary of state, the average amount of the expenditures of each county during a period of five years; and each county shall pay such proportion of state taxes as its average amount of expenditures in all of the counties of the state, such computations to be made by said state officers in January, 1905, and in January in each fifth year thereafter. Until the January, 1905, computation the proportion of the state taxes to be paid by the several counties shall be as based on the assessment of the several counties for the past five years."

ADmiral Dewey is growing weary of the inquiry, and asks that things be hurried. If the investigation had been left to the admiral he would have finished it before breakfast—and to the entire satisfaction of the public.
COLUMBIA county is out of debt and the St. Helens Mist celebrates itself and the republicans of the county upon the happy condition, which has been brought about, as in Marion county, by republican officials. In fact, the circumstances of Marion county fit Columbia very nicely.—Salem Statesman.

There is a law in Oregon to the effect that all persons doing business for the state, in advertising for bids for any kind of work, material or produce, must insert in the advertisement a clause giving Oregon's produce, manufactures and materials of any kind the preference. Where it is impossible to secure what is required within our own borders, it is rendered obligatory upon the party transacting the business for the state to accept that which is partly produced or manufactured within the state, where the prices are such as will warrant it. How often do we see advertisements for bids on state contracts without any reference to the clause that gives our own people a chance.

DOWN-COUNTY PEOPLE SHOULD
GO TO THE
Clatskanie Drug Store
FOR THEIR
Drugs and Medicines
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Leaves Clatskanie Wednesday and Friday at 4 p. m., tide permitting; leaves Oak Point Monday at 5 p. m.
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6 a. m. Corvallis and Way-landings. Mon. Wed. and Fri.
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Security Savings Co. vs. Goble-Nehalem Railway Co.; default and decree.
H. West vs. G. H. Lemon; plaintiff allowed to amend.
Rountree vs. Knott; plaintiff allowed to amend.
S. A. Miles vs. H. N. Smith; confirmation of sale.
J. Hayburn vs. Erickson; confirmation of sale.
Munkle Bros. vs. St. Helens Building Ass'n.; confirmation of sale.
E. E. Quick vs. Peoples; foreclosure.
Conyers vs. Bryant et al; decree for petition to establish liens as formerly surveyed, and D. J. Switzer, E. E. Quick and J. W. Clark appointed referees.
P. Merrill vs. F. A. Smith; default.
O. G. Caples vs. F. Vivian; dismissed.
Richardson vs. Horst; dismissed.
Yager vs. Yager; decree of divorce.
Meyer vs. Meyer; decree of divorce.
Wells Fargo Co. vs. Columbia county; motion to file occasional bill.
Fulliam vs. Sandstrom; judgment on verdict.
Black vs. Black; motion to file cross bill allowed.
Bryant vs. Conyers; plaintiff allowed until first Monday in February to file bill of exceptions.
G. A. Hall vs. John Lindburg; motion for new trial overruled. Notice of appeal in open court.
Evans vs. Evans; default and decree.
Badger vs. Badger; decree.
H. K. vs. Goble-Nehalem Railway Co.; judgment for plaintiff.

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From Deer Island.
Mrs. Charles Hugh, of Astoria, is visiting Mrs. Gragg this week.
Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Shearer have been visiting in Washington county for several days.
Fred Adams has secured a position with the N. P. bridge carpenters, and has gone to Roy, Wash., with them.
For sprains, swellings and lameness there is nothing so good as Chamberlain's Pain Balm. Try it. For sale at the St. Helens pharmacy.

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