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A GOOD ONE ON T. H. CRAWFORD

Plante Dried Apples in Hopes of Raising an Orchard--Story Leaked out at Mayor Slater's Birthday Anniversary Tea.

The name of Attorney Jos. F. Baker was omitted in the list of those who were present on the occasion of Mayor Slater's birthday anniversary.

There were a number of personal reminiscences mentioned that evening that should not be altogether forgotten. One being the occasion of the first meeting at Union of the Farmers Institute, when Thomas H. Crawford delivered the address of welcome as the story goes Mr. Crawford thought he had acquitted himself at least fairly well as he had discoursed the horticultural advantages and possibilities of this valley when to his surprise, immediately at his conclusion, Hon. James Hendershot arose and apologized for Mr. Crawford's limited knowledge of horticulture. That several years ago he had become quite enthusiastic and had sent to the Walls Walls seed house for several sacks of dried apples and after carefully selecting some rich land proceeded to plant them with the intention of growing an orchard. Upon his failure in his first attempt he had lost his enthusiasm hence his remarks should be taken for just what they were worth. The professors who were present from Corvallis up to the present time are not quite sure whether Mr. Hendershot's remarks were really meant for Mr. Crawford or for them.

ANOTHER HENDERSHOT STORY

During the political campaign of 1898 Mr. Strickland a former well known resident of Meacham was secured by the Republican central committee to make a number of speeches in the valley. He had spoken at

Union and his next appointment was to be at the Cove. While at Union he met his old time friend Hon. James Hendershot who had heard his Union friend speak and complimented him very highly and asked where his next appointment was. Upon being informed the Cove, Mr. Hendershot remarked that while I am a democrat I will for the sake of old time acquaintanceship see that you get a good crowd. Mr. Strickland thanked him and then asked him if there was anything in particular that the Cove people were interested in, if so he would give special attention to it in his address there. Mr. Hendershot's immediate reply was that for several months the subject of the "tariff on tin" had been discussed about the stores, school house debates and fire-sides and that the people were not satisfied with their information and nothing would please them better.

Another thing Mr. Hendershot informed Mr. Strickland was that the appreciative part of the Cove audience were always in the rear of the hall.

The balance of the day Mr. Hendershot spent among his Cove friends and when the proper hour arrived Mr. Strickland had a fine audience and after a very few preliminary remarks he referred to the all important question of the "tariff on tin" which immediately received a generous applause from all over the house. Mr. Strickland then began to warm up and every time the word "tin" was mentioned he was sure of applause and in his endeavor to please he gave them a straight hours talk on tin and

mentioned few if any other issues of the day. Well to make a long story short, Mr. Strickland's itinerancy was called off.

HE LOVED CHILDREN SO

Another story was told of a prominent Baker City merchant who was in the St. Elizabeth hospital and had been operated upon for appendicitis. During the rush of business of the hospital they had called in a good lady to assist them for a few days who was well acquainted with the merchant. A few hours after the operation she inquired of the physician how he was getting along, when receiving the reply that he had just removed his appendix. The good lady sympathetically remarked "poor man and he did love children so."

Operations Suspended

(Observer Special)

St. Petersburg, Oct. 20.—For the moment heavy rains and impassable roads have compelled a suspension of operations in Manchuria. There was practically no fighting yesterday.

There is evidence of a new disposition of forces on both sides. Kuropatkin is extending his right, whether with the view of turning a movement for the safety of Lone Tree hill, the importance of which point is now fully realized by Japanese who have attempted to retake it in two night attacks, or whether to meet and thwart the Japanese turning movement from the west has not yet developed. The Japanese also appear to be shifting their weight westward.

Velled hints continue to arrive that the Russians have recovered from the blow inflicted last week by Oyama, and that Kuropatkin is preparing for a new struggle as soon as the roads become dry.

The Associated Press dispatches from Mukden tonight mention the reports that the Japanese are already preparing to retire and the war office admits that Kuropatkin's left has again moved slightly forward, but gives no light upon the movements of the Japanese. There is an utter lack of late news from Tokio, and an enemy so resourceful may really be preparing to spring a surprise movement instead of planning a retreat.

ENGLISH VIEW OF WAR

London, Oct. 20.—English newspapers and military critics find it difficult to apponion the exact strategic

significance attaching to Kuropatkin's action on the Shakhe river. It is supposed his success there is due to his having kept three divisions of troops in reserve and it is admitted that his attack on Lone Tree hill may have been an intentional counter stroke after drawing out the Japanese from their strong positions. The balance of opinion, however, favors the idea that it was a desperate endeavor to cover his retreat from the Benahlu district and the battle of Shakhe river may be considered to have ended in a victory, but not a decisive one, for the Japanese who were too exhausted to follow up their success.

Politics in New York

New York, Oct. 20.—Richard Van Cort, son of the postmaster of New York and republican candidate for assemblyman from the Fifth district, grandson of McAvoy, cashier general of the postoffice department and republican worker in the Fifth district, was arraigned today on the charge of having colonized his district with non-resident citizens with the purpose of registering and voting them in the coming election.

Boys Win Prize

(Special to the Observer)

St. Louis, Oct. 20.—The world's fair jury today decided that in the contest for kites to rise to an altitude of at least 500 feet with 800 feet of line, the awards should be:

First prize, \$500, to J. M. Wardwell of Stamford, Conn.; second, \$300, to J. N. Fatout of St. Louis; third, \$200, to H. B. Bristol of Webster Grove, Mo. The winner of the first prize is a boy of 15.

GOES HOME TO FIGHT

Countrymen Give Japanese a Banquet and Escort Him To The Train,

This has been an interesting day in Japanese circles in this city. This evening a banquet will be given by K. Masuuchi, who is the principal contractor, in honor of one of the Japanese who leaves this evening for Japan to take up arms in defense of his country. He has been in three prior wars and has a number of medals for bravery and valor. The Japanese headed by the band will escort their departing brother to the train.

Still Hopes

(Special to the Observer)

London, Oct. 20.—Discussing the probabilities of a challenge for America's cup the Yachting World says:

Sir Thomas Lipton when shown the Yachting World's article today, said it was utterly incorrect to assume that he had abandoned the idea of challenging for America's cup. He had, he said, faced great difficulties in securing a suitable designer, but that he had not given up all hope.

Big Exhibit For 1905

(Special to the Observer)

St. Louis, Oct. 20.—At a meeting today of the United States government board at the St. Louis exposition it was decided to ship 80 per cent of the government exhibits to the Lewis and Clark exposition.

William M. Eddons of Washington, D. C. was elected secretary and disbursing officers for the Lewis and Clark exhibition.

King George Buried

(Special to the Observer)

Dresden, Oct. 20.—With the cannon booming and volley of musketry outside and with Emperor William, King Frederick August, Archduke Francis, Ferdinand and other royal personages, courtiers and dignitaries standing about, the catafalque bearing the remains of the late King George of Saxony tonight was slowly lowered into the vault at the Catholic court church,

INTERESTING IMBLER ITEMS

Sent to the Observer by its Regular Rustling Correspondent

George Fisher was over from Dry Creek Sunday.

The Imbler Flour Mill was shut down Saturday as the entire flour packing force was under the weather. Arthur Berry who is now a Knight of the Grip, left for Idaho Monday to sell groceries for Parks & Co. of San Francisco.

Miss Eimer of the Imbler corps of teachers, attended the Maccabees Rally in La Grande Friday. Anna Olson welded the birch during her absence.

John Couch made a trip to Elgin to consult a physician. He was able to return to work in the mill Monday.

The new schoolhouse at Altoon was dedicated Saturday evening. An interesting program was rendered after which the boys spent their money

lavishly in order to get to eat supper with the only girl. More than seventy dollars were taken in.

J. E. Stafford left for Spokane last week.

Al McLeod was over from Summerville Thursday.

J. O. Skillings and mother left for South Dakota Tuesday evening.

Dr. Monk of Summerville made a professional visit to Imbler Thursday.

Al Hartley left for Idaho Monday evening.

Co. Superintendent Brazz visited the Imbler schools and incidently shook hands with the voters.

It is reported that Mr. Rhyder's house burned Sunday.

Another week will probably see the finish of the best harvest in this vicinity.

Fined \$15.00

Frank Silk was arraigned before Justice Hough last evening charged with carrying a concealed weapon and attempting to use on the Chinese proprietor of the Noodle joint on Adams ave. The testimony offered showed that Silk started in to hammer the Chinese with his gun but the Chinese took the gun away from him. After having all the evidence the justice fined Silk \$15 which he paid.

W. P. Caviness left this morning for Malheur county to look after land interest there.

Not Confirmed

The rumor was current on the streets that on the vessel, which was lost coming out from Alaska, were Harry Hale and John Riley, both well known in this city and county. Mr. Watson received a letter from Mr. Henry Rhule father of Harry, who resides in Portland, dated the 17 in which he states he expects the boys home the latter part of the month. As the vessel was lost several days prior to his writing he would certainly have been informed of the accident.

Mrs. W. B. Campbell, left this morning for Elgin to visit friends a few days.

Stop That Shivering And save that Coat

Your horse needs a blanket and we have the best assortment in the valley to suit from. Horse blankets at all prices. New stock just received of MEN'S GLOVES. Working men's high grade gloves. This is a new line with us and we are proud of our selection. Call and see them. Harness and saddles made to order. Winter robes just received. Second hand sewing machine for sale cheap.

E. Christofferson
Harness and Saddles
La Grande, Oregon

A Store With A Record

We have been doing business in this town for 5 years. In that time the town has nearly doubled in population. During the same time our business has increased FIVE FOLD. In other words our business has made a great deal more rapid increase than the town has. There are dozens of reasons for this all of which you will perceive if you begin buying drug store goods of us. In the first place we had a thorough training for pharmacy. In the second place we had exceptional opportunities for learning the practical side of pharmacy in a successful drug store of the highest standing. In the third place we have kept our eyes open and attended to business until we know the demands of the people of this town.

A. T. HILL,
Prescription Druggist
La Grande, Ore.



Have your shoes failed to give you satisfactory wear?

Then try our JOHN STROOTMAN shoe for ladies and children. We know from our many customers who wear them that there are none better. Come in and let us try on a pair of our ladies' \$3.00 welted shoes with oak tanned soles. They will wear; they are stylish and you will come again.

We also carry the Star 5 Star brand of shoes for men, ladies and children. Also the RED

SCHOOL HOUSE line for boys and girls, all thoroughly tested and proven satisfactory.

JUST RECEIVED

Shipment of RAIN COATS at popular prices

Ladies Oxford Gray Covert coat, . . . \$3 25	Ladies Blue Cashier, velvet collar. \$4 50
Ladies Olive Worsted, plaid lining. . . 4 75	Ladies tan worsted mackintosh. 5 00
Ladies gray Dutchess, belt effect. . . . 7 50	Misses blue cashmere with cape. 3 00
Misses Tan Covert, with cape. 3 00	Misses Blue worsted Automobile
Gents wool mackintosh. 5 00	Coat. 4 25
Boys covert coat tan color. 2 25	Gents wool mackintosh. 5 50

We are always glad to show goods and will do our best to please you.

The La Grande Cash Store.