13 LEY BROS., Editors & Pr ps

the [Post Office at La ide, Oregon, as Second Cla

Published daily except Sunday

Bix months in advance 3 50

Saturday, May 27, 1905.

ADVERTISING BATES play Ad rates familabed upon app al residing notices 160 per line first in, 50 per line for each subscouent

Cards of thanks, 5c per line.

PIONEERS RESPONSIBILITY

The latent wealth in the soil. the bidden treasures of the, mines, the potentealities of water falls, advantageous geograpical positions may nfl abound in s vicinage, and yet would be homeseekers pass through it to other localities. The why of is not hard to find. People, who are hunting homes in a country that has been settled by the whites as long as Oregon, may be divided into two classes: 1st-Those who have some means, and are able to purchase a small farm, or invest in some business. 2nd-Those who have little means, but are seeking a locality where their aptitude for, and willingness to labor gives them a reasonable hope that in a few years they can become to be possessors of a home of their own.

Mr J

the cit; Portla

Colum

leton.

busine

Mes

who h

into W

Grand

will re

their

Mr

troubl

for se

a shot

try th place.

Ass

the e

and t dietor

no ins

but t

some who

count 6000.

whe

moi wiv

en ols:

I larj arr rat dit

reg

The majority of both these classes are practical good-sensed level head persons, who when they reach a locality 'that has been settled for thirty or forty years, will look about them and largely form their opinion of its capabilities of what the old settlers" have won from its pristine possibilities by way of home comforts. The homeseeker judges of the possibilities of making a pleasaut home by the success of the pioneers. Few of the new comers are so egotistic that they are willing to invest the price of the home they sold in some state east of the Rocky mountains and experiment in a locality of dowdy farms, ramshackle towns, poor schools and bad roads, in the belief that they can do better than others have done. The "old settlers" in any localify, by the way they have developed its natural resources, give character to it in the estimation of new comers and when they fail to see evidences of practical development, no amount of rhetoric will convince them that it is a safe business proposition to invest or cast their lot there. To illustrate this-There are probably a hundred valleys in Oregon that will produce as fine fruits as Hood river, but the fact has not been demonstrated. Hood

La Grande Evening Observer river fruits stand at the head of the list of all fruits in the world, and men are not afraid to procure a home there. There is no question but if Mr Cos and his wife, who settled in Hood river valley in the fifties and by their intelligent labor and skill produced for the Dalles and Port-Obe year in advance...... \$6 50 land market superior butter and fruits, the chief product of that valley today would be cord wood and ties, and no new comer could be made to believe that fruit could be grown there in

sight of Mt Hood's eternal glaciers of ice, but a few miles away

An agitation has been in progress in Portland for some time against a nest of saloons gathered about the entrance to the exposition. The council has been asked to revoke the licenses, but it refuses to take action. Now, the initiative and referendum is being invoked. The council to be asked to submit an ordicance te popular vote closing. the objectionale places. If that fails, the the members of the council should be obliged to tand at the gate every day dur ing the fair bearing upon their backs a placard like this; "We are responsible for permitting this disgrace to be visited upon the city."-Statesman

Son Lost Mother

Son Lost Mother "Consumption runs in our family, and through it I lost my Mother," writes E B Reid, of Harsoony, Me "For the past five years, however, on the alightest sign of a Cough or Cold, I have taken Dr King's New Discovery for Consumption, which has saved me from serious lung trouble." His mother's death was a sad loss for Mr Reib, but he learned that lung trouble must not be neglected, and how to cure ti Quickest relief and cure for coughs and colds. Price 500 and \$1.00; guaranteed at Newlin Drug Co. Trial bottle free.

J. L. MARS, Contractor and Builder Dealer in Building Material La Grande, Or. Drop a line, naming work, and I wil give the right price. LA GRANDE



×

I. HARRIS THE MEAT MAN Is still doing business at the old stand. Will be glad to see all his old custmores as well as new ones. As good prime beef cattle is now scarce, I have on hand a fine selection of cured meats, hams breakfast bacon. About the fifteenth of May, I will have a fine assortment of young prime beef, which are now fattening. Do not for-get that I now have as good fresh beet as there is on the market a well as fresh fish and poultry. **Prompt Delivery Phones**

MARBLE WORKS E. C. DAVIS, Proprietor, Complote assortment of fin-est marble and granit always on hand. Estimates cheerfully furnished upon application. Headstones and 'Monuments' A Specialty



"here are many kinds of meat, but we sell only the best kind. A trial order will convince you of the truth of this statement. We kill only the best specimens and

kill it correctly. Our prices are as low as consistant with the best quality.

G. E. FOWLER Truck and Transfer Wood and Coal

Phone 1611

All order given prompt attention.