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MAN WAS BORN TO HUSTLE.

He is of few days; but quite a plenty.

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IN COLLECTING evidence of the degeneracy of the American people, the fact that the increase of cigars consumed amounted in numbers to only 64,000,000, whereas the consumption of the pestiferous cigarette exceeded that of 1895 by 881,998,235, should not be overlooked.

This paper and the Weekly Oregonian for \$2 per year is a combination which many people hereabouts are taking advantage of these days. During the legislative session the Oregonian will cover all the news of that body. THE MAIL will print legislative news but we cannot cover as much ground in that line as the Oregonian.

THE Anglo-American arbitration treaty is now an assured fact, Lord Salisbury having agreed to the treaty as suggested by Secretary Olney. All that now remains to be done is for the attachment of signatures and the senate's ratification. The above treaty is one between European countries and the United States and is of a nature which will forever settle matters of differences between these great nations and simply means arbitration instead of war.

THERE is now talk of Russian intervention to end the Turkish atrocities in Armenia, and yet it has been but a little while since thousands of Jewish subjects of the Czar fled to Turkey for protection. The Mohammedan Sultan might return Christian Russia's compliment by abolishing the ice hell of Siberia. Turkey and Russia have long been running neck and neck for the penant of infamy—the crown of cruelty. By all means let them reform each other.

By a vote of 168 to 102, the Funding bill was defeated in the lower house of congress last Monday. The bill has been one of the all absorbing topics that have interested congressmen for the past two years, and a great deal of hard feeling has been engendered between the champions and enemies of the measure. It is thought that there will be no more attempts made for the refunding of the railroads' debt, but that the government will immediately take some action toward the settlement of the question.

THE county commissioners did not order warrants drawn for the bills presented by the several road supervisors of the county at the January meeting. This matter was carried over to the February term to allow the supervisors time to procure vouchers for the expenditure of county money, which may have come into their possession during the last year. When these vouchers are procured and the accounts are found to be correct in other particulars the warrants will be drawn. No mileage was allowed the supervisors this year.

SHERIFF BARNES is not burying THE MAIL to any great depth with favors which he has to bestow in the placing of legal advertising, but that is no good reason why this paper should be blind to the splendid work which that gentleman is doing. One especially good bit of work which he is doing is that of hustling in the delinquent taxes. When the office was turned over to him last July the delinquent tax list of Jackson county amounted to nearly 16,000. The amount now delinquent

is less than \$5000—and that is good work, whether done by a populist, republican or democrat. Mr. Barnes is aided materially in the matter of these collections by a county judge and board of commissioners who are at all times watching for opportunities to secure to the county that which belongs to it.

DURING the year 1896 there were 10,625 homicides and but 122 legal executions in the United States. These figures, compared with those of 1895, show that crimes of this kind are steadily on the increase, while the disproportion between the number of homicides and the hangings continues to grow greater. As matters now stand one might slay a fellow mortal every year and stand an excellent chance of dying of old age, so far as the courts are concerned. You may go upon the streets, insult a man, provoke him to offer you violence, shoot him down like a dog, and, if able to employ eminent counsel to behead you with legal technicalities and befuddle the jury, go scot free; or failing in that, put the public to an expense of thousands of dollars in excess of what your cowardly carcass is worth, and escape with a short term in some comfortable penitentiary where you will be well cared for, taught a good trade and regularly prayed for at the expense of law abiding people. What is the result? The people, despairing of legal protection from the armed thug, take the law into their own hands—invoke the power of Judge Lynch to defend their rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. There are more lynchings than legal executions. In 1896, the first named reached the appalling number of 131. This is indeed a terrible record of lawless violence but it were idle to declare against the effect without first removing the cause. The American people are naturally law abiding; but above and beyond their respect for courts is their inherent sense of justice—paramount even to the law of the land is the law of self preservation. Theorists may protest and sentimentalists spend their ready tears; but so long as the assassin is whitewashed by the courts and the rapist turned loose to prey upon pure homes, Judge Lynch will continue to hold his midnight sessions—the shotgun will continue to roar in the hands of the maddened mobs and the lonely tree groan beneath its grewsome burden, for in Judge Lynch's court there is no eminent counsel skilled in the esoteric art of protecting crime; no postponements; no appeals; no one year term in the penitentiary for the infamous rapist, and no consoling hope of pardon by a governor.

New Land Plats On File.

United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, January 7, 1897.—Notice is hereby given that the approved plats of survey of the following townships have been received from the surveyor general for Oregon, to wit: tp. 40 s., r. 1 east; tp. 40 s., 2 east; and on Thursday, February 18, 1897, at nine o'clock a. m., said plats will be filed in this office and the land embraced therein will be subject to entry on and after said date.

R. M. VEATCH, Register,
R. S. SHERIDAN, Receiver.

Fruit Trees and Ornamental Shrubs.

L. B. Warner has just received a large invoice of fruit trees, ornamental shrubs and small fruits of all kinds. My stock this year is exceptionally fine. Those wanting good, clean stock will do well to call on me before placing orders. Delivery grounds at residence in Southwest Medford.

L. B. WARNER.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Jackson County Bank will be held at the office of said bank in Medford, Oregon, on Saturday, the 6th day of February A. D. 1897, at 2 o'clock p. m. J. E. ENYART, Secretary.

In Probate Court.

In the matter of the estate of Isaac Constant; petition for license to make pro rata payments on claims; petition and report approved. Estate of Flory A. Morey; inventory and appraisal; total of amount of appraisal \$112.50, also order for sale of personal property.

To Restore Old Books.

Valuable books and engravings that age and the book-worm have defiled are restored by using paper of a special kind, made into a pulp and by careful experiment tinted the exact color of the page that is to be mended. A bit of gum Arabic or gum tragacanth is put into the mixture so that it will hold together. A thin sheet of something firm, glass, or mica, or celluloid, is put under the spot to be repaired, which is filled with the pulp, which, by a delicate touch, is worked to just the surface and the texture of the paper that surrounds it.—N. Y. Post.

The Legislative Circus Has Opened.

The 19th legislative session of Oregon convened at Salem Monday. The house did not organize until Wednesday afternoon,—the result of a factional fight to delay for two weeks the election of senator. After the election of temporary chairman, and the appointment of a committee on credentials, the long pent up animosity that has been engendered between the different factions over the senatorial contest and the election of speaker of the house, broke loose and the first days of the session were lively ones, indeed. The anti-Mitchell men secured the temporary organization, but the successful filibustering tactics of the Mitchell faction prevented the organization of the house until it was too late to commence the voting for senator for two weeks more. The contest for speakership of the house soon resolved itself between Benson, of Josephine county, and Bourne, of Multnomah. Up to time of going to press no organization in the house had been effected, and chances of a dead-lock seem imminent. The Bourne men refuse to attend, thereby preventing a quorum. The senate, however, is hard at work and bills by the score are being introduced.

Medford's City Election.

The annual municipal election was held in Medford Tuesday for the election of city officers for the ensuing year. There has probably never been an election held here when there was less friction than that of Tuesday—the total vote of 334 against that of 419 last year being testimony sufficient to prove that the interest in the result was of little consequence to the voters. There were three tickets in the field—one of which, owing to the law requiring nominations to be filed fifteen days previous to the election, had no place on the official ballots, but the names were written on the ballots by those desiring to cast their votes for them. The result is as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, North Medford, 171.

For Mayor—G. H. Haskins, 93; C. W. Wolters, 67; J. W. Odgers, 10.

For Trustees—Fort Hubbard, 127; F. M. Plymale, 97; W. H. Simmons, 85; J. R. Wilson, 108; A. M. Woodford, 130; A. T. Drisko, 18; E. H. Whitehead, 21; A. N. Berlin, 11; J. Tressler, 19.

For Recorder—G. T. Jones, 74; W. W. Stanfield, 76; N. A. Jacobs, 21.

For Treasurer—W. H. Meeker, 62; Charles Strang, 99.

For Marshal—William Churchman, 84; T. W. Johnson, 28; F. M. Poe, 13; S. H. Murray, 43.

Whole number of votes cast, South Medford, 136.

For Mayor—G. H. Haskins, 77; C. W. Wolters, 55; J. W. Odgers, 4.

For Trustees—Fort Hubbard, 95; F. M. Plymale, 79; W. H. Simmons, 73; J. R. Wilson, 93; A. M. Woodford, 108; A. T. Drisko, 8; R. H. Whitehead, 12; A. N. Berlin, 6; J. Tressler, 7.

For Recorder—G. T. Jones, 58; W. W. Stanfield, 61; N. A. Jacobs, 13.

For Treasurer—W. H. Meeker, 45; Charles Strang, 82.

For Marshal—William Churchman, 66; T. W. Johnson, 25; F. M. Poe, 9; S. H. Murray, 35.

The officers elected are—

Mayor—G. H. Haskins.

Trustees—Fort Hubbard, F. M. Plymale, J. R. Wilson, A. M. Woodford.

Recorder—W. W. Stanfield.

Treasurer—Chas. Strang.

Marshal—William Churchman.

The Lodges Install Officers.

The several fraternal orders of Medford met this week and last and installed their newly elected officers. They are as follows:

OXFORD LODGE, NO. 103.

D. T. Sears, W. M.; J. E. Enyart, S. W.; J. A. Whitman, J. W.; Z. Mackey, treasurer; W. V. Lippincott, secretary; E. W. Starr, Tyler. Past Master W. I. Vawter was the installing officer.

ODD FELLOWS, NO. 83.

C. J. Howard, N. G.; Ira A. Phelps, V. G.; W. E. Nicholson, R. S.; C. E. Taylor, per. sec'y; E. A. Johnson, treas.; Isaac Woolf, R. S. N. G.; H. H. Harvey, war.; I. A. Merriman, con.; I. A. Mounce, R. S. S.; J. W. Johnson, L. S. S.; F. Amann, I. G.; A. S. Wells, O. G. District Deputy Grand Master W. F. Shawver was the installing officer.

ROGUE RIVER ENCAMPMENT, NO. 30.

Isaac Woolf, C. P.; C. J. Howard, H. P.; E. A. Johnson, S. W.; D. S. Young, J. W.; D. T. Lawton, scribe; I. A. Webb, financial scribe; Z. Mackey, treas.

OLIVE BRANCH, NO. 25.

Myrtle Nicholson, N. G.; Mrs. Clara Drisko, V. G.; Virgil Woodford, financial sec'y; Ella Perdue, R. S.; Mrs. Josie Simmons, treas.; Mrs. P. Stewart, war.; Fannie Haskins, con.; Mrs. I. Woolf, R. S. N. G.; Myrtle Woodford, L. S. N. G.; Mrs. D. S. Young, R. S. V. G.; Mrs. S. Smith, L. S. V. G.; Mrs. Arthur Wells, chaplain; Edith White, O. G.; Mrs. Cora Lyons, I. G. Mrs. Lyons, District Deputy Grand Master, was the installing officer. After the business of the evening was completed, the younger members of the lodge were treated to a genuine surprise by the older members, who had prepared a sumptuous repast at Woolf's hall, and there they all repaired where they spent a most pleasant evening.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS, NO. 31.

J. W. Curry, Deputy Grand Chancellor, installed the following officers: W. S. Jones, C. C.; W. W. Woods, V. O.; Ira A. Phelps, K. of R. and S. J. A. Whitman, M. of P.; J. E. Enyart, M. of E.; E. L. Bashford, M. at A.; H. U. Lumsden, M. of W.; J. H. Butler, I. G. F. M. Wilson, O. G.

WORKMEN, NO. 48.

C. W. Wolters, M. W.; N. B. Bradburn, foreman; A. J. Nicholson, overseer; Wm. Churchman, I. W.; A. N. Berlin, rec.; Chas. Strang, financier; W. I. Vawter, receiver. The installation was conducted by District Deputy Master Workman E. A. Johnson.

WOODMEN, MEDFORD CAMP, NO. 90.

Council Commander F. M. Wilson installed the following officers last Thursday evening: J. H. Butler, C. M.; L. E. Hoover, A. L.; F. M. Wilson, banker; W. W. Woods, clerk; Perry Stewart, sentry; H. G. Shewer, watchman. There were a number of invited visitors present, and a splendid musical and literary program was rendered before the installation exercises. Refreshments were also served during the evening and a splendid good time was had.

A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING.

Harvard has 3674 students, which is the largest number of students attending any university in America.

John A. Howard, who, with a detachment of Chicago board of trade battery, captured Jefferson Davis at the close of the war, died at Chicago last week.

Mrs. Mallory, a candidate for presidential elector from Wyoming, lacked just one of getting 10,000 votes. She is investigating to see whether the missing vote is her husband's.

A Hungarian christening at Mayfield, N. J., ended in a riot and as a result one man is dead, two are dying, and five others are badly injured. Too much strong liquor was the cause of the trouble.

A Connecticut bicycle scorcher went over his handle bars and broke his neck last week. Wheelmen will be relieved to hear that his bicycle was a high grade one and not severely injured.

Finally rains have greatly lessened the chances of a terrible famine in India. The situation there, however, is yet very grave, and relief committees are diligently working to alleviate the suffering of 750,000 people who are destitute.

In 1896 there were 10,652 murders committed, as against 10,500 in 1895. Of this large number only 122 were hanged as by law, while 131 met death at the hands of mobs. It will be seen that only a little over one and one-tenth per cent of the murderers are punished by the death penalty.

And now comes a story that Gomez is tired of the war and wants to surrender, provided Weyler is recalled. The report comes from the Spanish legation. There will not be much confidence reposed in this rather startling report until proof more positive than mere newspaper scare head articles are submitted.

The Princess de Chimay, formerly Miss Ward, of Detroit, who has lately had some very unpleasant experiences with a foreign husband, and who, to escape his tyranny, ran away with a gypsy, has written a letter to her American friends warning them against entering into matrimony with foreigners, citing her experience as a safe guard.

Dr. Mak, a Chicago lecturer, is the newest aspirant for fame. His specialty is prophecy and he has brought himself prominently before the public eye by predicting the death of over eighty of the most prominent personages in the world, within the next two years. Whence he draws his inspiration is not set forth, but that he loves a shining mark, the list designated for the reaper is evidence.

Dr. Thomas Powell, of Los Angeles, California, asserts that he has discovered what Esculapius sought after thousands of years ago, and what his disciples have constantly tried for since then—the secret of life. According to his theory he has discovered a way to immure the system against predisposition of disease, and has given some practical demonstrations of his assertions which have proven entirely successful. He has inoculated himself with the germs of consumption, typhoid fever and diphtheria, and as yet has shown no ill effects from his experiment.

One of the most brutal and dangerous murderers of modern times, and in some respects unparalleled in the history of the country, is soon to be arrested and taken to Australia to pay the penalty of a number of his terrible deeds. Butler, the man's name, has been for some time, posing as a well-to-do mining king, enticed wealthy citizens of Australia into the mountains under the pretense of showing them rich mining property, which he had for sale, and then, after compelling them to dig their own graves, kill and rob them, and then bury them in the graves dug by their own hands. He is now sailing as a sailor on a ship bound for San Francisco, where officers are awaiting to arrest him.

Not a few who read what Mr. Robert Rowles, of Holland, Va. has to say below, will remember their own experience under like circumstances: "Last winter I had a gripe which left me in a low state of health. I tried numerous remedies, none of which did me any good, until I was induced to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The first bottle of it so relieved me that I was enabled to attend to my work, and the second bottle effected a cure." For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by Geo. H. Haskins.

Advertised Letter List.

Following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed for in the Medford postoffice on January 15, 97.

Gottmann, Henry Couch, Danio
Purce, Chris. Wimer, William A.
Hamlin, Mrs. Anna Yongsman, Miss Lulu
A charge of one cent will be made upon delivery of each of the above letters.
Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say "Advertised."

M. P. POIRIN, Postmaster.

—Legal blanks at THE MAIL office.

A Few Extracts From Oregon Law.

We have been asked to publish the following extracts from the Oregon state laws. Next week the law upon gambling will appear:

MINORS AND SALOONS.

If any person shall sell, give or cause to be sold or given, any intoxicating liquor to any minor in this state, or if any keeper of any saloon, barroom, or other vendor of spirituous or intoxicating liquors within this state shall harbor permit or suffer any minor to loiter or remain in such saloon or other place where such liquors are sold or kept for sale, or to engage in any game of cards, dice throwing, or other game of chance, billiards, bagatelle, or other game in such saloon or other place aforesaid, either for amusement or otherwise, such person shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than three hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one year and shall forfeit his license.

OREGON'S TOBACCO LAW.

SEC. 1.—It shall be unlawful to sell, barter, trade, give or in any manner furnish to any minor under the age of eighteen years any tobacco, cigar, or cigarette in any form or any compound in which tobacco forms a component part, without the consent or order of such minor's parent or guardian and when such minor has no parent or guardian, then in that case, consent may be given by the county court, sitting for transaction of county business, upon proper application in the county in which said minor may have his residence.

SEC. 2.—It shall be unlawful for any minor under the age of eighteen years, to smoke or use in any way any cigar, cigarette or tobacco in any form whatsoever in any public highway, street, place, square or resort.

SEC. 3.—Any person violating the provisions of this act shall, upon conviction, be fined in any sum not less than two dollars nor more fifty dollars.

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WE

Still have some of those Ladies' and Misses' capes, jackets and mackintoshes, notwithstanding the number of persons taking advantage of the great sacrifice sale now going on and which is to continue until they are all gone

WATCH OUT

For the announcement of new goods. Our spring stock will be something not often seen in Medford

W. H. Meeker & Co.

Turf Exchange Saloon...

COURT HALL, Proprietor
Brandies and Cyrus Noble Whiskey

This brand of Whiskey was awarded first premium at the California Mid-Winter fair

Best line of Cigars in the City....

Pure Brandies and Whiskies for medicinal uses. When you are drinking take a drink of good whiskey—try Cyrus Noble Empty barrels and kegs for sale

HERE...
Is No One So Blind...
That they cannot feel the difference—even if they cannot see—between good clothing and Cheap John

CLOTHING

I now have in stock the finest line of fall and winter clothing ever shown in Medford—and more coming. Call and see for yourself, and get my prices. No trouble to show goods....

S. ROSENTHAL, Medford, Ore.

Union...
Livery
Stables
WILLIAMS BROS.,...
PROPRIETORS



No livery stable in Southern Oregon is prepared to turn out better rigs or teams than we—and 'tis this fact that has made our stables the favorite with the traveling public. Horses boarded by the day, week or month—at reasonable rates....

Commercial Travelers Rigs a Specialty....