

MAN WAS BORN TO MUSTLE. He is of few days; but quite a plenty.

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No matter how poor a native of the Hawaiian islands may be, he is never seen begging. The only beggars there, are chiefly the impoverished Portuguese residents.

When the Filipinos volunteer to serve under American officers and join in putting down the rebellion and in the capture of Aguinaldo, as they have been doing lately, it is evident that the opposition to American government in the Philippines is on its last legs.

Among the resolutions adopted by the county judges, the county commissioners and the county assessors at their convention held in Portland last week, was one asking that the present law for the election of road supervisors be repealed. This resolution, of course, originated in the fertile brain of some county judge or commissioner who is not satisfied with the official patronage which his office has a thumb on. He had in mind a perpetuation of himself in office and he wants to use the patronage of his office to that end. The appointment of road supervisors by the commissioners' court has given many an officer an almost sure lease on his office, as judge or commissioner, for a much greater number of years than he would otherwise have been elected to. The law as it now stands is a just one and ought not to be repealed. Who, think you, are better qualified to judge of the fitness of men for road supervisors than are the voters of the respective road districts of the country? It's a scheme to control official patronage and the legislator who favors a repeal of the law as it now stands need never go to the rural precincts for election bouquets.

The thorough, deliberate and comprehensive method with which the Tariff Commission is going into the subject of Philippine tariffs is pretty good evidence that no general act for the government of the islands will be passed at the short session of Congress. One good reason for this is the necessity of military rather than civil rule there until order is fully restored, and another good reason is the desirability of some practical experience in administration before Congress formally and finally acts. Permanent trade regulations for the Philippines, therefore, will be enacted by the Congress that is elected in January. This makes of Oregon the correspondence printed in another column today between Senator Foraker and ex-Senator Corbett. Mr. Corbett proposes, if he is elected this winter, to stand in the Senate for the largest possible freedom of trade between the Philippine Islands and the United States. It is objected to this that if we do this, other powers will claim, under the "most-favored-nation" clause of our commercial treaties with them, the same equal rights with us accorded to Spain by the treaty of Paris. Mr. Corbett holds this objection invalid, and he is prepared to maintain in the Senate that this concession to Spain was part of the purchase price of the islands, not subject to the "most-favored-nation" clause of the ordinary commercial treaty. It is interesting to see that Senator Foraker agrees with Mr. Corbett on this point. It is certain that this question will be acutely at issue in the Fifty-seventh Congress, and the cause of free trade with the Philippines will need all the votes it can get. The death of Senator Davis reduces the ranks of the champions of the islands by one. The gap would be filled by Mr. Corbett's election.—Oregonian.

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MURDER AND SUICIDE.

G. W. Traylor, or Jacksonville, Murdered L. J. Hardenbrook and then Shot Himself.

On Saturday night of last week the quiet of Jacksonville was disturbed by the perpetrator of one of the worst tragedies in the history of Jackson County, it being that of murder and suicide. The scene of the crime was a residence near the old Rogue river distillery, in the northeastern part of town.

The principals in the tragedy were all recent arrivals in Jacksonville. G. W. Traylor, the murderer, was a teamster, aged 44 years, and came to Jacksonville from Drain, Douglas County, not long since, with his family and sister-in-law, Miss Sarah Beeson, a woman about 20 years of age. He had resided in Jackson County some years ago. L. J. Hardenbrook, the victim, arrived in Jacksonville last Friday afternoon, having come for the purpose of marrying Miss Beeson, to whom he had been engaged for some time. He was about 29 years old.

It was developed at the coroner's inquest that Traylor, who was evidently infatuated with the young woman, had objected to the marriage and had even threatened Hardenbrook's life in conversation with his wife and her sister, but that he assented to the young man's calling at the house after his arrival in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Traylor, Miss Beeson and Hardenbrook spent Saturday evening together at the Traylor residence, nothing seemingly happening to cause any ill feeling. About 11 o'clock Traylor left the others, and a short time afterward his wife retired, leaving Miss Beeson and Hardenbrook alone. A few minutes later a gun was fired from outside the house, through the window near which the young couple were sitting, the bullet striking Hardenbrook and he would have fallen to the floor had not Miss Beeson caught him and held him in the chair. The bullet entered at the back of his head, coming out at the forehead. Death was almost instantaneous. Two shots were heard soon after, and search being made for Traylor, his body was found in A. Pugh's corral, about 150 yards from where he committed the murder, with the top of his head blown off and parts of his skull and brain scattered about, and the deadly weapon—a 32-40 single shot Winchester rifle—with which he had done the frightful deed, lying under his prostrate form. The neighbors were aroused by the women and Sheriff Orme was summoned, who took charge of the bodies and sent for Coroner Pickel.

The coroner's inquest was held Sunday morning and the jury found a verdict to the effect that Hardenbrook came to his death by a gun-shot wound, inflicted by G. W. Traylor, and that Traylor died from wounds inflicted by himself. At the inquest Traylor's wife testified that her husband was afflicted with a spinal disease which at times affected his brain. It was also said that his sister-in-law's marriage was objectionable to him and this fact, coupled with his physical ailments preyed on his mind to such a degree that in a moment of passion and frenzy he put an end to Hardenbrook's and his own existence.

Hardenbrook's remains were sent to his relatives in Douglas County for interment, and Traylor was buried in the Jacksonville cemetery Monday. Senator Cushman K. Davis, chairman of the committee on foreign relations of the senate, died at his home in St. Paul, Nov. 27, at 8:40 o'clock. He had suffered greatly during two months of sickness, and gradually sank away, being unconscious for several hours before death, and, so far as could be known, suffered no pain.

Death of a Former Jacksonville Lady. The following is taken from the Garfield, Wash., Enterprise. The lady referred to was a sister of George Justus, of this county, and her husband is a son of A. S. Johnson, formerly a resident of Medford.

"Died, at her home in Garfield, Sunday, Nov. 4th, at 5 a. m., Mrs. Annie Johnson, the beloved wife of O. H. Johnson. Mrs. Johnson's maiden name was Annie Justus. She was born in Jacksonville, Oregon, Nov. 6, 1863, where she resided from infancy to womanhood. On the 20th of February 1885 she was united in marriage with Mr. O. H. Johnson and in the year 1888 they left Oregon and settled in Garfield, Washington. In the following year she was converted under the faithful preaching of Elder Geo. F. Stivers and became a member of the Christian church in this city.

"She leaves her husband, two children, Pearl, aged 12, and Clara, aged 6, three brothers and three sisters, besides many relatives, and a host of friends to mourn her loss. But their loss, we confidently believe, is her eternal gain. The very large audience which attended the funeral services November 5th at 2 p. m., conducted at the Christian church by Elders Messick, Stivers and McCroskey, only attested the love people had for her and her bereaved family. The death of this good woman ought to be a solemn warning to all the people of Garfield. Up to within three days of her death she was in apparent good health. All that medical skill could do was done—all the kind ministrations of husband, children and many warm-hearted and devoted friends were of no avail. In the gray dawn of the Lord's day morning, about the same hour that our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ left the dark confines of the grave, her pure spirit left its tabernacle, where it had lived just 37 years, and wended its way, accompanied by heavenly messengers, into the presence of her dear Redeemer. She had no fear in death."

—Read THE MAIL for the news.

Will Ask for New Laws.

At Portland last Friday the state convention of county judges, commissioners and assessors closed its work by recommending the following changes:

"That the first Monday in January of each year shall be fixed as the date of valuations to be placed on all property. That the treasurer shall be collector of taxes up to the time they become delinquent; that the sheriff shall collect the delinquent taxes. That if the present law is not adequate it should be made so that levy or advertising on real property or sale of same for delinquent taxes should not be made necessary. That all taxes should become due and payable November 1, annually, and become delinquent on January 1, following, and that a penalty of 10 per cent be then added, with legal interest on same, after becoming delinquent. That all road taxes should be collected in cash; that the state poll tax be abolished and the amount of said tax be added to the road poll tax. That a road poll tax of \$4 be due and collectible from all male inhabitants of the state of Oregon between the ages of 21 and 50 years, at any time between the first day of February and the first day of the following February; that the road supervisor or his deputies shall collect said \$4 from every person liable to pay the same, or by proper legal notice on their employer. Active or exempt firemen or state militia to be exempt from the payment of said tax. That no property be exempt from such tax, and that the refusal to pay it be made a misdemeanor, with the penalty affixed. That the present law providing for the election of road supervisors be repealed. That the collection of the seal bounty tax for the year 1899 be enforced. That legislation should be enacted enabling the different counties to purchase real property when sold for delinquent taxes, and that such counties be authorized to dispose of the same by sale or otherwise. That all road or poll tax receipts shall be issued by the state, to the different counties; the receipts to be uniform in size, and a fac-simile of the state seal affixed. Receipts and stubs to be carefully numbered. A committee was appointed to draft a bill on assessment and taxation in conformity with the resolutions of the convention. This same committee is to wait upon the legislature and ask that bills be passed in conformity with the resolutions adopted.

The Lecture Course. You will no doubt be waited on in a few days by those who are promoting the lecture course for Medford. The interest manifested is very gratifying. When the tickets are for sale it is hoped that Medford's citizens will show their hearty appreciation of the laudible enterprise by a large patronage. Tickets will be on sale just as soon as a definite date can be given for the concert. The members of the concert company come very highly recommended. Walthor, the great Belgian violinist, has been in Medford. Those who heard him are advertising him sufficiently by their praise. Of Miss Jean Durrell's emotion work the Chicago News says: "It can be likened to none other than Clara Morris in her best days." Dr. H. W. Thomas, of Chicago, says: "Her dialect representations interest, charm and please." Says Hon. Jno. C. Black: "She amuses, entertains and instructs by her public recitations." State Senator Evans says: "Jean Durrell is one of the best public entertainers that has ever visited Aurora. I have heard many readers, but none are so captivating and charming in my opinion. She is equally good in pathos and humor, and can keep an audience in tears or convulsed with laughter at will." Concerning the soloist, Miss Adelaide Roddy, we quote the following testimonies: "Miss Roddy has a sweet voice, which she knows how to use to the best advantage."—Santa Cruz, Calif., Sentinel. "Prof. Luchesi predicts that she will become absolutely a vocal artist of fame."—The Wasp, San Francisco. The San Francisco Chronicle says: "Miss Roddy is blessed with the physical attraction and timbre of voice that will place her among our first singers." Miss Durrell and Miss Roddy both will appear in Medford in the concert in which Walthor and the Boston pianist, Miss Cummings, will play. Watch for the date. Get your tickets early. This will absolutely be the musical event of the season.

Among the Churches. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. The quarterly communion will be held next Sunday at 11 a. m. All members are urged to be present. The usual evening services will be held at 7:30 o'clock. Subject—"Lessons From the Death of Christ." All are welcome.

A new lot of Japanese goods just received. Call and see them. G. L. Davis.

\$70 sewing machines—\$30 to \$45—call on Jno. F. White, Medford.

Immense stock of new furniture and upholstered goods—at Webb's furniture store.

See the latest in piano chairs at the Coss Piano House.

There are over 250 rings to select from, all solid gold, at Elwood's.

New designs in bamboo and rattan goods—for holiday trade—at I. A. Webb's furniture store.

Geo. Brown & Sons, Eagle Point, headquarters for posts and shakes.

Chase & Sanborn coffee at G. L. Davis.

If you can't find what you want go to G. L. Davis—he's got it.

The Coss Piano House has some good horres for sale.

School supplies at West Side grocery.

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OREGON'S CENSUS.

The population of Oregon as officially announced is 413,536, as against 313,767 for 1890. This is an increase of 99,769, or 31.7 per cent. The population in 1880 was 174,768, showing an increase of 138,999, or 79.5 per cent from 1880 to 1890.

Jackson County's population is 13,698. In 1890 it was 11,455, an increase of 2243.

Echoes From the Street.

W. J. Sturges:—"You were mixed a little on my having rented those rooms in the Barnum building I recently bought. I want to rent them. I have fitted them up in good shape."

Chas. Strang:—"My sister, Helen, is still at the hospital in San Francisco. Yes, her health is improving. She writes that the improvement is not very fast, but that it is noticeable. We feel hopeful that in time she will fully recover."

Mrs. E. Brown:—"We have a letter from Bert every few days. He is still on the road and is working alone now. He had an old salesman with him for a while. His territory is the larger towns in Nebraska and his line is dry goods. In his last letter he said no snow had fallen but that the weather was cold and the wind blew all kinds of ways. We are hoping he will be given a Pacific coast route."

M. M. Gault:—"I'll tell you how it is, Bliton, about that foundry. If I don't succeed in interesting some one on the outside in the matter, I'm going to put one in myself in the spring—that is, my brother and I will. He is over in California now but is anxious to get back to the Rogue river valley again—and the probabilities are that we will go in together on the foundry proposition. I have done a splendid business in Medford and I know with a foundry in connection it can be more than doubled."

J. K. Darnell:—"I helped put down a new sidewalk in front of the Jackson County bank last week. Underneath the old walk I found two brass buttons and a beer check. Think of that, will you? Walk been down for years—in front of a bank, and not so much as a copper coin. I'll never go around a bank hunting for 'sleepers' hereafter. I tried to get Mr. Gilkey to cash the beer check but he declared the indorsement on the back was not genuine and referred me to Shorty Hamilton, who was a strong advocate of Woolley during the recent campaign."

Tom Merriman:—"My wife had a letter this week from her mother, who lives over in Idaho, near an Indian reservation which the government recently purchased from the Indians. The Indians are rich now and they buy all manner of things. One of them, my mother-in-law says, bought a hearse, hitched his team to it, put his squaw and papooses inside, and mounting the driver's seat himself drove all over town. After a few turns up and down the principal streets, he drove to his home on the reservation—with his family still inside."

W. H. Parker:—"I had a letter from my son, Day, last week. He is in Cork, Ireland, or was, when he wrote. How did he get there? Why he and a classmate at Monmouth shipped as sailors last June from San Francisco on a sailing schooner. I don't know what his notion was—suppose he wanted to get away from school work for a while. Says he is in good health—has gained eighteen pounds in flesh—and likes the Irish people immensely well. Don't know whether he will follow the sea or not, or where he will go, or when he will return. George is at Salem at work on my book in a printing office."

Get Ready to Laugh.

Everybody will be delighted to learn that Alfa Heywood, the prince of comedians, whose marvelous ability to impersonate, whose funny topical songs, bright, witty sayings and sweet singing have established him as a prime favorite with amusement seekers, will appear at the Medford opera house, on Dec. 6th.

Few there are who do not remember this comedian in his impersonations of "The Cuckoo Song," "The Old Maid," "The Chinaman," "Josiah Allen's Wife," "Silly Billy," introducing the wonderful imitations of callope, phonograph and animals, his humorous stories and catchy songs.

Mr. Heywood, as befits an artist of his ability, is always abreast of the times and returns to us with a brand new program designed for laughing purposes only. He has surrounded himself with a carefully selected company, each being as fine in their respective lines as Mr. Heywood is in his. He has with him Mr. Guston Ullrich, the brilliant cello soloist, Miss Gertrude Monroe, the charming young violinist, and Miss Beatrice Carpenter, a sweet and sympathetic contralto singer, who is world famous.

Reserved seat tickets on sale at Elwood's jewelry store after one o'clock Tuesday, December 4th.

For Sale—Near Eagle Point—

Eight acres, bottom land, with water right of sixteen inches of water; post, board and wire fence—hog tight; house of seven rooms, with pantry and bath room; wood house; barn, stable for four horses, with mow for twenty tons of hay; good orchard—apples, peaches, pears, cherries, plums and prunes; good blackberry patch, produced \$500 worth of berries this year; fine strawberry patch. Price \$500. Address or call upon Dr. G. B. Cole, Eagle Point.

Farm for Sale.

I have a 200-acre farm for sale, in Sams Valley precinct, 120 acres of good, tillable land and balance good pasture land; all under fence. For further particulars call upon or address JOHN DUGGAN, Sams Valley, Oregon.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cure biliousness, constipation and headache. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. For sale by Chas. Strang, druggist.

PURELY PERSONAL.

A. Torrey was down from Talent Tuesday.

Dr. J. M. Keene was a Portland visitor this week.

Judge W. W. Willits, of Prospect, was in Medford Tuesday.

Attorney C. P. Snell was at Roseburg this week upon business.

Mrs. M. E. Minear and children left Tuesday for Collins, Iowa.

J. Court Hall, of Gold Hill, was visiting Medford friends last week.

Jos. Geppert, of Big Butte, was registered at Hotel Nash Tuesday.

Mrs. Ed. Gurnea returned last week from his visit to relatives in Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Jones, of Central Point, were Medford visitors Wednesday.

Hert Brandenburg is up from Sisson for a week's visit with his parents and friends.

Hon. E. D. Briggs, member-elect of the Oregon legislature, was in Medford Tuesday.

Attorney and Mrs. A. S. Hammond spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Eugene.

Mrs. W. H. Hembree was at Ashland last week upon business and visiting her parents.

Mrs. J. G. Conley and Miss Ada Perkins, of Topeka, were pleasant callers at THE MAIL office last Friday.

W. W. Cardwell, formerly of Medford, has returned to his home at Roseburg, from Alaska.

Miss Myrtle Woolford left Wednesday for Portland, where she will visit relatives during the winter.

Landlord C. E. Smith, of Hotel Layton, Grants Pass, was in Medford last week visiting his old-time friends.

Mrs. R. B. Daw returned Wednesday morning to Henley, Calif., at which place her husband has employment.

W. P. Johnston left Wednesday morning for his home in Oklahoma, in response to a telegram telling of illness in his family.

L. B. Warner and son, Louis, returned this week from eastern Oregon, whether they went a few weeks ago to deliver fruit trees.

John Gilpin, of Klamath, Calif., was in Medford Monday purchasing goods. Among the bills of goods purchased was a lot of furniture from I. A. Webb.

Hon. W. A. Carter, member-elect of the Oregon legislature, was in Medford Wednesday evening being initiated into the mysteries of Medford Encampment, I. O. O. F.

D. W. Day, a mechanical engineer, from Richfield, Utah, arrived in Medford last week and will remain for some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Day.

T. H. March, his son, Herbert, and nephew, Richard March, arrived in Medford Monday from Warsaw, Wis. If they like our country they will probably remain here.

F. Pierce Smith, who left here last spring for Walla Walla, Wash., returned last week for a visit with his many friends hereabouts. He may decide to remain here.

C. T. Nicholson and daughter, Miss Edith, returned Tuesday from Ft. Klamath. They will remain in Medford this winter. Will and his wife will remain at the Fort.

M. E. Dougherty left Tuesday morning for California. He will visit several places in California, returning to Medford to spend Christmas with his brother-in-law, W. H. Barr.

W. H. Hosler, who formerly resided in Medford, but who has been in Alaska for several months past, returned to Southern Oregon last week and is now with his family in Ashland.

Mark Baker is down from Ashland for a few days. He has closed his planing mill in that town and next Monday he will leave for San Francisco, where he may engage in business.

Dr. R. T. Burnett returned this week from a professional visit to Riddle. He will remain here only a few days when he will return to Riddle to fish some dental work which he has under way.

ness and saddlery, the style of the firm being L. A. Lucas & Son. They have rented a room in the Barnum block, which they will occupy as soon as it is vacated by F. K. Daniel & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Cox left Medford Saturday for San Jose, Calif., where they go for Mrs. Cox's health. Mr. Cox will remain with his wife three or four weeks. Word has been received from them since their arrival at their destination to the effect that Mrs. Cox stood the trip well and that they had great hopes for decided improvement in her health.

\$100 Reward, \$100. The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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Dated this 24th day of November 1900. W. M. COLVIG, A. E. REAMES.

Notice to the Public. Notice is hereby given that I have this day given to my minor son, George H. Aiken, aged 18 years, his freedom from parental interference in the transaction of any business or occupation he may wish to engage in. I shall claim none of his earnings nor will I pay any of his debts.

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