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of papers they advertise in.

GAPTAIN WEST ON GOOD ROADS.

BROWN SBORO, Oregon.

EDITOR MEDFORD MAIL:

In looking through the Weekly Ore-gonian of April 14th, I note a state appropriation for the Lewis and Clark Exposition of \$500,000. It awoke a muse. The prophet suld: "While I mused the fire burned." We will admit the fact that the appropriation of half a million dollars by the state was thought to be a mammoth way of advertising Oregon in the United States and especially to eastern capitalists, who will be attracted to Portland by the great show in 1905. Now, the question from stem to stem of the big craft, per-arises, how can we of Southern Oregon. who help foot the bill, be most benefited by that extra tax we pay. We will suppose that eastern men come to the show, then after taking in the big exposition conclude they would like to visit Jackson and Josephine counties, for the purpose of seeing the far-famed ap-ple orchards of the world. They hapto get off at Medford, Ashland Gold Hill or Grants Pass, just after a rain. They are driven in carriages through muddy lanes, rough roads and ross unsafe bridges. What is the result? They say to themselves, if not to the public, "Yes, you have a fine climate, like sunny Italy; you have good water in abundance; your timber is un-surpassed in the world; your soil is of the richest and most durable variety; your orchards are great and the fruit thereof, like the fruit of the Tree of Life 'is for the healing of the nations;' - your roads and bridges."

but I will not anticipate, but is it not a good time just now to find out some thing about how our candidates and prospective candidates for state, district and county offices stand in regard to asking for appropriations from the government and state and county for the constructing of good roads and permanent bridges. The writer has no objection to the extra \$4.32 that he paid in tax to help the Portland show; but that year. He came "the Horn around" from New York as a sailor on the will our representatives and senators work with the same zeal for a like sum to be appropriated by the state for the construction of good roads, which would be of more value to all taxpayers, both in city, farm and village, than four such shows would be in twenty years? 'Ils a fact that such roads cannot be constructed without money. But the people of Oregon, and especially Jackson county, will more than willingly pay an extra tax when they know that they will be benefited by the money.

A railroad company charges a high rate or freight tariff because their road is in bad condition. But how is it with put six horses before a two-horse load of apples to get to the railroad. Can he say I must and will have a dollar extra on the box because the road is bad No. They simply tell him to make his road good, or quit hauling apples-and we may apply this to every other product of the farm with the same result.

This letter is not written as a campaign "ignis fatuus," or delusive sight 'Tis a subject, like Banquo's ghost, that will not down at the bidding, but follows at the heels of every one who travels a public road. Let every candidate inscribe upon his banner, "Good Roads CAPT. T. J. WEST.

Southern Oregon Mines.

The Copper Eagle mine, on the sum is of the highest grade to be found in the west and carries a good percentage of gold.

Robert Jackson, who has been working a property near the old Sugar Pine mine in Galice creek district, recently struck an ore chute from which he panned \$100 to the pan. There is said business affairs were in good shape and to be an immense amount of money in sight. Over \$10,000 has been taken his section and no reason for his takfrom this mine at various times during ing his own life could be found. the past few years.

The famous Big Yank property in Galice creek district has been sold by W. T. Cope to Seattle parties, for a good-sized consideration. The Yank group is composed of a number of low grade propositions, in which there are immense quantities of ore, all ready blocked out, and with modern methods of treating the ore, it is believed the mines can be made to pay.

The complete cyanide plant, formerly in use at the Darnell mine, near Kalama, has been purchased for S. Chase, manager of the Oro Fino mine,

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on Jump-off-Joe creek. Mr. Chase stated recently that he had just received word from his representative at Kalama and that the plant would be placed aboard the cars at once. The plant was originally an expensive one, but was bought at a bargain by Mr. Chase. It is of 50-tons' capacity. The Oro Fino has been under development for over a year by Mr. Chase and during that time has made a splendid showing. The ore body is large, the

eyaniding proposition. Work has begun by the big dredger on Foots creek, the property of Champbeen in operation it has proved and is proving all that was expected of it. It is evident the big dredger will be a suchas given little or no trouble-a re-markable thing for a new dredger beginning work on ground that offers as many obstacles as does Southern Ore-The 40 big buckets of the dredger have cut to a depth of 25 feet and bedrock is expected at a depth of 30 feet. While the channel to be dredged will not require a greater scooping depth than this, the buckets, if necessary, can dip to a depth of 60 feet or more The dredger is 112 feet in length and is two engines. It is floated in the backwater made by a dam across lower Foots creek. The ground here pros-

values being mainly base, and running

from \$5 to \$10, making it an excellent

Who is The Oldest Settler

An issue or two ago THE MAIL published a statement of John X. Miller, of Trail, in which he claimed You have the material at hand for the distinction of being the oldest the best roads in the United States; settler in Rogue river valley. On Tuesday of this week J. E. Gaunyaw of Medford, dropped into the office to file his claim to that honor. Mr. Gaunyaw tells that he came to the Rogue river valley in the spring of 1851, and fought Indians under Lieut. before stated. Then he went to Josephine creek. The old gentleman wore pitcher-first base route. a reminiscent smile as he told of paying Josephine Rollins, for whom Josephine county was named, \$1 a piece for dried apple ples, for the privilege of talking to her. "She was the only young girl in the whole country," said Mr. Gaunyaw, "and it kept her busy baking

In 1853 Mr. Gaunyaw volunteered under Capt. Goodall and served during the Indian wars. He was the first white man on Rogue river below Galice creek. In 1861 he left Oregon, but returned here about six years ago, so that this break in his continuous residence may give John X. the palm

THE MAIL would like to here from more of the old timers. These ranks are thinning and many valuable are thinning and many valuable McKee then went into the box in place historical dates will soon be unavail- of Donegan. Isaacs hit to right, but

Conn's Body Found.

Silver Lake, Lake county merchant, twice. With two men out Hulin drew who has been missing since March 4. transportation. He went to second on The body of J. Creed Conn, the was found last Thursday, in a field Go-quet's error in not throwing the was found last Thursday, in a field ball to first on Marksberry's third about a mile from Silver Lake in the strike and both men advanced a base on The Copper Eagle mine, on the summit of Peavine mountain, Josephine county, Scool feet above sea level, is being developed under the direction of J. by Market wound in the about a mile from Silver Lake in the strike and both menadyanced a base on the about a mine from Silver Lake in the strike and both menadyanced a base on the about a base on the country Scool feet above sea level, is being developed under the direction of J. by Market wound in the An almost in-It is claimed that the ore gunshot wound in it. An almost incessant search in which nearly every citizen of that section assisted in at times has been kept up since the mysterious disappearance of Mr. Conn from his store in the early morning on March 4th, but it was not until Thursday that any trace of him could be found he was prominently identified

W. C. T. U. Items

The Union met at the home of Mrs Buck, April 21st, with all the officers present. The President read a letter from Mrs. Additon, in regard to the 50,-000 young girls wanted at the St. Louis fair for immoral purposes. All present brought Bibles and a very pleasant hour was spent. The Union will meet at the home of Mrs. Buck, on north C street, April 28th. All are invited. PRESS SUPT.

-Hay and grain at Warner & Davis'.

Medford fans came home from Jack sonville happy Sunday evening. They had witnessed a game of real baseball, had seen the Grays redeem themselves by playing ball like it should be done and were interested spectators at Hut ton's south paw proved an unsolvable enigma to Ashland. Even Hulin (he On & Co. and during the time it has list. Three hits were all he allowed of the famous bunt) couldn't make a the granite city boys, and one of them was of the scratch order. On the other is evident the nig dredger will be a success. The machinery, in its every part, off Donegan before he retired in the seventh in favor of McKee. Two of those hits were homers.

The game opened with Hulin at bat for Ashland. He went out on an easy fly to second. Marksberry couldn't find the ball, and Freeburg hit to Hntton, who assisted Mose Barkedull at the obsequies.

Barksdull and Brouse were assisted out by Donegan at first and Patterson went the same way on three strikes.

Carter and Pool retired, second to

first in the second chapter, and Eastman gave Miles a good chance at a grounder, which was accepted.

The game jogged along that way until the third when Ramsdell hit along the first base line and beat the bail down. He stole second while Hulin and Donegan were consulting and came in on Gasquets three-bagger Hutton, Barkedull and Brouse went out in order.

In the fifth the Grevs scored again. Rothermal fanned, Ramsdell walked, made third on Gasquet's single, and came home while Neil and Engle were busy with Hutton at first. Gasquet meanwhile had reached the third station, and scored on Barksdull's hit. Brouse flew out.

Five hits in the sixth netted Medford two more runs. Patterson opened Irwin and Gen. Kearney at Table ford two more runs. Patterson opened Rock in that year. He walked and carried his blankets from Portland in over left field fence just a little to the left of the home run mark so only got from New York as a sailor on the two bases. He scored on Isaacs' hit, "Willamette," a yessel sent out here but the latter was caught trying to "Willamette," a vessel sent out here but the latter was caught trying to especially to carry the U. S. mail from purion second. Miles flew out to Astoria to Oregon City, arriving at Po-tland in the fall of 1850. In the apring of 1851 he started for the mines average with a two-bagger. Ramedell Donegan. Rothermal caught the ball and mixed up in that Indian fight as and Gasquet both hit, scoring Rothermal, but Hutton went out by the

Ashland's first score was made in the seventh seance. After Hulin and Marksberry had retired Hulin with the assistance of Massrs. Patterson and Barksdull, and Marksberry, under the auspices of Hutton and "Mose," Freeburg picked out one to his liking and landed it against the left field fence. In the throw in there was a bunch of errors and when the dust settled Freeburg was sitting on the

bench with a run credited to him.

The seventh was bad for Ashland Barksduil got a life through error of shortstop. Brouse swatted one cleare over the left field fence and he and "Mose" trotted home, Patterson followed "Tobe's" example and put one in same place for another homer. died on third. Miles made first on pitcher's error, but stayed there when Rothermal, Ramsdell and Gasquet flew out. In the ninth Ashland scored

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*McKee substituted for Donegan in the 7th Batteries-Hutton and Gasquet; Donegán, McKee and Pool. Umpirc-

Medford is credited with two double

plays, one in the 7th in which Rams-dell, Patterson and Barksdull figured and the other in the eighth, when

NOTES OF THE GAME.
Seely Hall, as the mascot, was always

Manager Hall's marked resemblance to the manager of the Tacoma team, leaders in the Pacific coast league, has gained for him the sobriquet of "Mike

A great many of Mediord's errors pesulted from the fact that the boys forgot about the last column in the summary and tried for everything that came their way. Those are the kind of

Opinions of Some of Our Citizens - Serious and Otherwise.

A citizen:-"I have noticed of late considerable accumulation of debris in some portions of the city, which should be removed at once in the interest of public health and comfort. The long spell of rainy weather has soaked everything, so that when warm weather does come there will be considerable danger of fever. Our people are usually pretty careful in this respect, but I think extra care would not be out of the way this spring. It helps the looks of things like everything, too."

H. W. Jackson:-"All old hunters know the joke that is sprung on a man when he comes into camp with tales of the number of tracks he has seen. He is invariably asked why he didn't gather up enough tracks to make a tew. I claim the distinction of being the first man who ever brought a deer track into camp. brought that same track clear to Medford and here it is. You will see that It is a perfect track, probably of a 'forked horn' buck in sticky mud. The mud had clung to the deer's foot and when finally thrown off the mud retained the impression of the track. I found it way up on the summit of one of those sticky peaks on Elk creek while I was timberizing up there a few days ago. It had been made several days when I found it, so that no suspicion attaches to me. But all jokes aside, that is the first time in my experience that I have met with anything like it. A deer's foot is so small and sharp that I supposed nothing would adhere to it, but the possibili-

Encampment, and as well as a member of the Grand Army Post. Over one hundred members of the above-named orders attended the funeral in a body and at the grave the services were conducted by the members of Medford

Lodge No. 83, I. O. O. F. ADIRESS BY REV. W. F. SHIELDS,

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JACKSON COUNTY.

Flelding Morean and Miss Carrie G. Sullivan, both of Tolo, were married at Ashland Sunday, by Rev. J. T. Abbett.

The balance of the \$20,000 issues of Ashland sewer bonds, \$6000, has been taken up by the First National bank of that eity.

The Ashland Ice and Cold Storage Co., with P. H. Cartor, F. L. Noleon and F. M. Cartor as Incorporators is the lacest Southern Oregon corporation.

The entertainment given at Ashland hast week for the benefit of W. H. Reynolds, whe recently lost his residence by five, notted the beneficiary \$135.76.

The Ashland millita company is ten men short including a bugler, and Capt. Evans is desirous of inlisting that many men in time to take part in the encampment near Tacoma, Wash, in July.

W. G.Kropke, of Ashland, and Mise Grace E, Morey, of Oakland, Califf, were married at that place Sunday. The bridge is well known in Ashland, where she has sport the summers for the past several years, in charge of the Chautaquay cooking school. Mr. Kropke has been a resident of Southern Paelife, and Detective J. N. White, of Martha and Mary and who wept with them in their grief; he who stopped the formating of the past several years, in charge of the Chautaquay cooking school. Mr. Kropke has been a resident of Southern Paelife, and Detective J. N. White, of the men who were committed from Ashland on the charges of burglary and my how were able to unravel anything connected with the antecedente of the men wan ing youn every clew that promises the men who were committed from Ashland on the charges of burglary and grand larcency. Whether or not they were able to unravel anything connected with the antecedente of the men wan of given out. The detectives are running Jown every clew that promises the men who were committed from Ashland on the charges of burglary and who weep with them in caught up in the content of the men was not given out. The detectives are running Jown every clew that promises the men who were committed from Ashland on the charges of burglary and who weep with the

What Was Not Here In 1876 My trip to Medford last week, ac-

companied by my wife, was one of pleasant thought and reflection. The day was warm and balmy, and as we rode along, viewing the many farm houses that dot the landscape on atter side my mind wander.