

MEN WE KNOW.

W. J. McCONNELL,

One of Yamhill county's most enterprising citizens, came to the Pacific Coast from his native State, Michigan, in 1859, and two years later, to Oregon, where, for nine months, he was engaged in teaching school at North Yamhill. From there he was called to Idaho Territory, to serve as U. S. marshal, which position he acceptably filled for three years, afterwards going to California, and returning to North Yamhill in 1871, established, and has since carried on, the extensive mercantile business there. A few months ago he also opened a branch store at Moscow, Idaho Territory, under the firm name of W. J. McConnell & Co., which is also fast gaining the confidence of settlers in that locality.

L. L. WILLIAMS,

Of Roseburg, was born in Vermont, and followed the early immigration to the Northwest, coming to the Pacific Coast in 1839, where he at once took on active part in the early Indian wars. He is a famous hunter, noted mountaineer and persistent Indian fighter, for which latter quality he has sufficient cause, being a survivor of the Clapville river massacre of 1851. In that hand to hand encounter, he received several frightful wounds from arrows, tomahawks and other missiles of Indian warfare. An iron pointed arrow having been fired into his body, the barb with a joint of the main shaft, four inches in length, was drawn off inside, and worked its way entirely through and was removed from the opposite side after seven and a half years of intense suffering. In 1855 and 1856, he served as captain of the first Oregon infantry. Mr. Williams, very singularly, combines all the elements of the rough and ready backwoodsman and that of a thorough and competent business man. We hear of him hunting grizzly bears and fighting Indians one year, and see him in his shirt sleeves busy at work in some important office the next. He has several times been elected clerk of Douglas county, which position he is occupying at the present writing.

G. ROSENTHAL,

One of Olympia's most substantial merchants, is a native of Bavaria, and was born in 1810, emigrating to the United States when but 16 years of age. He has been a resident of Olympia for fifteen years, nine of which he has been in business for himself, and at present does the largest general merchandising business on the Upper Sound. Mr. R. is one of those men who expend, at least, part of their earnings in developing the resources of the country. A little over three years ago, he purchased the coal mines at Chehalis, on the line of the Northern Pacific railroad, and since that time has taken out considerable coal, which, in quality, is similar to the famed Seattle coal. The peculiar location of this mine will make it of immense value as soon as it is properly developed, as the coal can be delivered either on the Columbia river or at Puget Sound.

W. D. PITTEMBER,

Dealer in general merchandise, at Hillsboro, Oregon, was born in Wayne county, Ohio, in the year 1832, and, when but 22 years of age, came to Oregon, engaging as teacher in Ashland, Jackson county. He retained this position for eight years, until 1862, he resigned for the purpose of enlisting in the U. S. army, serving for three years in Co. "D," 1st Cavalry, then exploring Eastern Oregon. In 1866, he once more engaged in teaching at Hillsboro, which position he filled until other business called his attention. Mr. P. served as deputy clerk of Washington county for four years, and afterwards as clerk for two years. He has been secretary of the Washington county Agricultural Society since its organization, until this year, and has held many other offices of trust and honor. As a business man, Mr. P. combines everything that goes to make the successful man, being liberal, enterprising and a very close buyer. At the late election he was elected treasurer of Washington county.

A. LUELLING,

County clerk of Washington county, was born in 1831. When but 16 years of age, and before the discovery of gold on the Pacific Coast, he came to Oregon as a member of his father's family. His father brought the first fruit trees across the plains and at once started a nursery at Milwaukee. Young Luelling remained with his father until he took up a donation claim 2 1/2 miles from Portland. Two years later, however, he moved to Washington county, and engaged extensively in farming and stock-raising. He afterwards made two trips to California in the interest of his stock-business, and finally settled down permanently in the northwest corner of Washington county, in 1862. Mr. L. served his county in 1866, as commissioner, and in 1874 was elected county clerk, a position he held for four years.

J. M. McCALL,

Senior member of the firm of J. M. McCall & Co., dealers in general merchandise at Ashland, Oregon, was born in Pennsylvania in 1823, and came to Jackson county, Oregon, in 1850, where he at once actively engaged in farming and mining. The want of a mill in the southern portion of the county, induced Mr. McCall to engage in the milling business at Ashland, in 1859. Two years later, he distinguished himself as captain of the first Oregon cavalry, and in 1872, he started his present establishment. Mr. McCall is public-spirited and enterprising, and is doing a great deal towards building up his county. He was one of the original starters of the Ashland woolen mills, and his firm was the means of establishing that species of all Oregon papers, *The Ashland Tribune*.



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AARON LURCH,

A son of the fatherland, was born in 1848, from whence he emigrated to the United States at the age of nineteen, beginning his career in the humble occupation of peddler. To better his condition he came to the Pacific Coast in 1871, securing a position as clerk for A. Goldsmith, at Cottage Grove. Here his integrity and attention to business soon won for him a host of friends, and by strict economy he saved a sufficient sum of money which enabled him to start the present firm of Lurch Bros., at Cottage Grove, of which he is the senior. Since the establishment was opened in 1874, it has steadily grown in favor with the public, and the firm at present sell more general merchandise than any other two firms in that section of Lane county. Mr. Lurch is public spirited and contributes liberally to anything which is likely to benefit his county or the State in general.

H. C. STANTON,

Postmaster at Roseburg, Douglas county, was born in the year 1826, and came to this State in 1853, where he was engaged in farming until 1862. The Idaho mines induced Mr. Stanton to go to that Territory, where he remained for four years, when he once more returned to Douglas county, and was appointed postmaster in 1868, which position he is still filling to the universal satisfaction of all who receive their mails at Roseburg. Besides being postmaster, Mr. Stanton also does quite an extensive business in the dry goods and grocery line, and is one of the live and enterprising citizens of his locality.

H. B. MORGAN,

Sheriff of Washington county, resides at Hillsboro, and was born in the year 1831, in Sagamon county, Illinois. Being raised a farmer, we naturally find him turning his attention to agricultural pursuits immediately on his arrival in Yamhill county, in 1852. After seven years' farming, he went to Wasco county in order to engage in stock-raising. At this, however, he staid but four years, returning and settling down in Washington county, in 1865, to farming and stock-raising. In 1876, Mr. M. was elected to his present office, and the universal satisfaction he has given to his constituents is evinced by the fact that he was re-elected at the last election, to serve for two years longer.

W. D. HOXTER,

Was born in New Jersey, raised in Ohio, and came to Oregon at an early day, where he engaged as teacher at St. Helena, in Columbia county. In 1868, he represented that county in the Oregon legislature. Since then his business has taken up all his time, so that he has repeatedly refused offices tendered to him. From St. Helena, Mr. Hoxter removed to Centerville, in Washington county, and from there in 1871, to Forest Grove, where he not only transacts an extensive general merchandise business, but also buys grain, and having extensive storage capacity, takes grain and storage. Mr. Hoxter is yet in the prime of life, being now but forty-two years of age, and certainly possesses more than an average amount of pluck. The recent heavy fire at Forest Grove, although it destroyed Mr. Hoxter's store, has hardly stopped his business, for we find him at it now more energetic than ever, determined to soon repair all losses sustained. Outside of business, Mr. H. has an eye to the beautiful, his residence being one of the handsomest at the Grove.

AN INDUSTRIOUS BOY.

In our April number we made the following offer:

A \$5 velocipede will be given to the boy who will deliver at this office within two months the largest collection of Oregon woods, labeled with proper names. Pieces need not be over three inches in length, but must show the bark and grain.

In response to the above, a few days since, we received a box containing 80 pieces of wood, each of a different variety, and all properly named. The collection was made by the 12-year old son of Mr. Samuel Sykes, now of Corvallis, but formerly of this city. To the shame of Oregon boys, be it said, that young Sykes was the only one who responded to the offer, the balance of the boys being, no doubt, too busy playing marbles or making collections of strings of buttons.

ANOTHER OFFER.

On the 1st of September we will give a \$12 copy of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary to any boy, girl or grown up person for the best collection of Oregon and Washington Territory grasses and grains in the stalk and seed. All must be properly named and delivered, free of expense, to us at the business office of this paper in Portland.

The best Photographs for the least money, at Abell's Gallery, First street, between Morrison and Yamhill.