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AMONG THE PINES

A Trip To Pine Mountain and Return.

Locating on Timber.

A Great Rush Now on For Timber Land In This County.

Last Thursday morning the editor started for the pine woods with a party of fifty people all bound for the wooded slopes of Pine mountain, where 'twas said we would find a splendid collection of trees for sawmill purposes. After we had arrived safely at the top of the Crooked river hill we sailed along at a spanking gait behind J. L. McCulloch's driving team. From the top of the hill to Powell Buttes there is a succession of sage plains and juniper ridges nearly all of which would produce a wealth of vegetation if there was only water on them. All around these buttes there are farms that show a more or less degree of thrift. After leaving Powell Buttes a few miles we took the "fork hand" road and threaded our way among the junipers for miles where the sand would occasionally rise in a cloud from the wheels of the wagons and settle in a blanket of powder over all the crowd, it was no respecter of persons. About twenty miles out the grass assumes a better appearance and becomes more plentiful and so continues until one gets within the range boundaries of Milligan's ranch. After a long and tedious journey we arrived at the summit of the Bear creek hills and viewed the beauties of the Paulina mountains to the southward, about twenty miles away. The north slope of this range is covered with a luxuriant growth of pine that stretches down to the valley like a monster field of green wheat, with the lines as plainly marked as if done with a seed drill. This timber is said to be all taken with some kind of scrip. From the summit of these hills we could view the feeding grounds of the stock belonging to George Milligan, which consists of rolling hills covered with a fine growth of bunch grass. Through this part of the county runs what is known as the river bed and which seems to have been a prehistoric river of large size, even larger than the Deschutes. At rare intervals along this ancient riverbed water is found, and it is one of these places where is located the home of Mr. Milligan, one of the prominent stock growers of Crook county. With the only watering place within a radius of thirty miles he has a bonanza. He raises fine cattle and horses and does not have to feed in winter as is done in less favored localities.

After a little preliminary skinning for wood and water the party began active preparations for the evening meal by building fires at more or less regular intervals along the low cliffs in the stock yard. A picture worthy the brush of a Rembrandt was presented to view as the fires threw their ruddy light on the surrounding cliffs and the campers, casting weird shadows on rock and hummock. After the meal was finished little clumps of men and women gathered here and there and many speculations as to what the following day would bring forth were hazarded. The larger portion of the crowd found sleeping room in the barn, which was over 100 feet in length and nearly as wide as it was long. The editor and his side partner found room at the house for their little bed and as it turned very cold in the night there was something akin to ice very close to our extremities before morning and we were forced to get up and build a fire to thaw out. About three o'clock the wagon be-

gave the signal for all hands to be up and away and in a few minutes everybody was astir and in a short time a steaming hot cup of coffee was being discussed with a relish not to be found in the city cafes. We were soon on the road and the fresh morning air brought the glow of health to the cheeks of all. About eight miles from the home ranch we came to the hay ranch where Mr. Milligan puts up what hay he must have for winter use. This field contains about 150 acres and has no fence around it, as the bunch grass is so good that stock do not bother the rye. Crossing a low divide we came to a gently sloping hillside which stretched away for several miles and as the foremost wagons were bowling along at a merry gait an Antelope sprang up from near them and several shots were fired at it only to cause it to show the deep disdain it had for the poor marksmanship of the party. A few miles farther brought us to Sand spring where the horses were watered. Here is a strange formation as the ground is covered several inches deep with fine pumice stone which has been thrown from a volcano in the near vicinity at some remote period of time. It is presumed that it must have been emitted from the crater that now forms Paulina lake during some of its later eruptions as the country is thickly covered with pumice stone in and around the lake. We were given a piece of this stone that had been floating around in the lake for an indefinite time and had become worn into the shape of a small boulder or washed gravel.

Leaving Sand spring we wended our way up through pine glades and open prairies for several miles until we reached the forest proper. About three miles into this forest brought us to the camp of the timber locator and in a few minutes he had the crowd segregated into parties and started them out to locate on the claim to be selected. Some went on foot and others drove in the wagons, as the timber was free from any undergrowth and perfectly level ground there was no difficulty in driving anywhere. As soon as the locations were made a hasty lunch was eaten and all hands started for town. The larger part of the crowd took the old Silver Lake road across the desert and came in by way of Bear creek hills. This part of the road is very hilly for about six miles and then coming out at the C. H. Dealy ranch slopes gradually down for several miles until one gets to the foot of Powell Butte. We stopped overnight at Dealy's and talked sheep and other matters. Mr. Dealy has just cause for complaint in the condition of the county road below his ranch for at least two miles. This road is very narrow and there is a band of sheep being bedded on it and have filled the road, what there is of it, with loose stone and earth until a wagon can hardly be kept in it.

The country over which the party traveled is one of the finest stock ranges in the west and for miles one can look over vast fields of the very best bunch grass that ever grew. The reason for this is that there is no water, but it would seem an easy matter to get water by sinking an artesian well. No doubt but a good supply of water could be obtained at a reasonable depth and perhaps a flowing well at no great depth.

Seven Years in Bed
"Will wonder ever cease?" inquired the friends of Mrs. L. Penne, of Lawrence, Kan. They knew she had been unable to leave her bed in seven years on account of kidney and liver trouble, nervous prostration and general debility; but, "Three bottles of Electric Bitters enabled me to walk," she writes, "and in three months I felt like a new person." Women suffering from Headache, Backache, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Fainting and Dizzy Spells will find it a priceless blessing. Try it. Satisfaction is guaranteed at Adams & Wenzel Co. Only 50c.

ELECTION NEWS

Williamson Carries District By 10,000.

Smith Elected Clerk

Booth Elected Judge and the Sheriff in Doubt—Light Vote Polled.

Monday morning dawned as such mornings usually do, but from the unusual stir about town one would know that something out of the ordinary was about to take place. Soon the stream of voters wending their way to the court house gave the snap away. Nearly all day the front steps and hall way were blocked by voters waiting their turns at the booths. This town should have not less than five booths instead of three, for had there been a full registration a large number of voters would not have had a chance to vote. Arrangements were made to get the news from outside points by telephone and we give the vote for the different state and county officers as it stood at the time of going to press.

District Williamson 478, Butler 279; State, Furnish 430, Chamberlain 385; Blackman 269, Moore 336; Sears 293, Dubbar 354; Crawford 346, Raley 322; Wann 288, Ackerman 413; Whitney 362, Goldrey 248; County, Wills 357, Booth 644; Smith 573, Foster 285; Sam Smith 518, McMann 497; M. H. Bell 351, Poindexter 185, Akeley 243; Powell 408, Allen 241; Merrill 290, Johnson 438; Huston 348, Graves 306; McCulloch 268, Crooks 480; High school, yes 376, High school, no 115; Burgess 279, Emmitt 275, Wheaton 236, Doak 387, Morse 268, Sanders 255.

Lamonta Linea.

Wm. Newbill and daughter, Mrs. Evans of Sheridan Oregon, are visiting relatives and friends at Lamonta and Willow creek.

It is rumored that George Hendrix is preparing to remodel his residence, and that he contemplates later on to construct a new residence building in front of the one he now occupies.

Mrs. E. Weigon, Lamonta, a professional photographer, contemplates sending for a new and up to date Camera and outfit; the Camera has reversible back and is arranged to make twenty eight separate exposures on a 5x7 plate, using but one lens.

Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson of Ashwood who have been visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity for several days, left Monday morning for Hood River, to be absent several weeks on a business and pleasure trip.

The Lamonta school under the able management of J. C. Banks closed Thursday after a successful term of seven months. Excellent record made in attendance and progress. Some of the patrons say this was one of the most successful terms in the history of the district. June 2, 1902. JENNIE B.

A helpful rain is falling to-day and the indications are for several days of wet weather. This is the time of year when rains are usually expected and if rain falls in sufficient quantities to wet the ground to a depth of several inches during the next few days, some of the earliest of the fall sown grain will be far enough advanced to insure a fair yield without more rain.

Mrs. J. H. Grant near Lamonta, received news of recent date that her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Stringer, and the younger members of the family, who reside near Lebanon, Linn Co., Oregon, are afflicted with the smallpox. Mrs. Stringer

is reported very ill with the disease. Mr. and Mrs. S. are the parents of Mrs. Eva Hansen of Prosser Washington, and Percy Stringer of Chillicothe, Mo., who will be pained to learn of the condition of the loved ones at home. It is impossible to get the particulars as the family are under strict quarantine. The children who are away from the parental home, as well as the afflicted family, have the sympathy of their friends and acquaintances in this hour of anxious waiting for further developments. It is the wish of all that Mrs. Grant may soon receive news that the family's condition is much improved.

Stops the Cough and Works off the Cold.
Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, No Pay. Price, 25 cents.

Urban Liberty.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—The following is the official notification sent by the State Department today to Ambassador and Minister of the United States, all over the world, of the independence of Cuba:

"I am directed by the President to inform you that the military occupation of the island by the United States has this day ceased and that an independent government, Republican in form, has been inaugurated under the Presidency of Thomas Estrada Palma. You are instructed to convey this information through appropriate channels to the government to which you are accredited.

"JOHN HAY."

Trespass Notice.

Notice is hereby given that all persons are warned not to trespass upon the following described premises by driving across or herding upon the same any livestock of any description whatsoever under the full penalty of the law for trespass and damage, viz: The $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$, the $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$, and $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec 21, the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec 22, the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec 29, the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$, the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec 29, all in township 12 S., range 16 E., W. M., containing 800 acres and known as the Maling mill-site.

Willow Creek Land & Livestock Co.
N. A. NEWBILL, Pres.
GEORGE DEK, Sec'y

RIVER AND HARBOR BILL.

Washington, May 27.—The conference of the two houses of congress on the river and harbor bill today reached a final agreement on that bill. The exact figures showing the aggregate result of their work have not been determined, but it can be stated that of \$9,500,000 appropriations added by the senate, only about \$4,500,000 was retained. As the bill will be reported it makes a total appropriation of about \$65,000,000 in direct appropriations, and for work authorized. The important senate amendments include the following:

Oakland harbor, California, \$100,000 cash and \$150,000 continuing contracts, instead of \$868,203 continuing contracts as originally provided for.

Calaveras and Mormon rivers, California, \$50,000 cash and \$175,000 contracts.

The senate amendment requiring bonds by guarantee companies from contractors and giving to the secretary of the war directions to extend the time for the completion of the bridges was stricken out. Most of the amendments made by the senate for large improvements were disagreed to, and will go out of the bill, if the conference report is accepted. Among the provisions which met their fate is the appropriation of \$150,000 for the improvement of the harbor at Guam.

Didn't Marry For Money.

The Boston man, who lately married a sickly rich young woman, is happy now, for he got Dr. King's New Life Pills, which restored her to perfect health. Infalible for Jaundice, Biliousness, Malaria, Fever and Ague and all Liver and Stomach troubles. Gentle but effective. Only 25c at Adams & Wenzel Co.'s drug store.

NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There

Some Stolen, Others Not

Gullings From Our Exchange

News Notes of the Week

Timely Topics

Just one year after the Jacksonville Florida fire, live embers have been discovered while some digging was being done among the ruins, so the fire has been literally "burning a year."

The Paul Mohr portage road on the opposite side of the river, was sold at sheriff's sale at Goldendale last Saturday to satisfy the contractors who built it. It was bid in for \$36,592.—Dallas Mountaineer.

Houston, Tex., May 22.—Latest reports from Goliad state that ninety-eight persons were killed and 103 injured by a tornado which passed over that city yesterday afternoon. The property loss in the city and the surrounding country will probably reach \$200,000.

Yesterday eight people from Harington, Wash., were here, having returned from locating timber land in the Matolis country, Crook county, where they were taken by Douglas Allen. They were well pleased with their locations, as the timber is satisfactory, and they have reason for believing that it will be within reach of market in a few years.—Dallas Mountaineer.

"A young man in Libson may now consider himself the 'cock of the roost.'" His wealthy aunt recently died and being a fervent believer in the transmigration of souls, and that the soul of her dead husband had entered a rooster, willed her entire fortune to the bird. Disgusted with this fowl disposal of the "seeds," her nephew had the rooster killed and appointed himself the heir to his estate. He now does a little crowing himself.—Ex.

J. H. Brown of Sumpter, a mining and oil expert was in Arlington this week and in company with Henry Crass made a trip over to Ross Beardsley's place on Pine Creek to investigate the oil prospects for a syndicate. Mr. Brown informs the Record that the prospects are very favorable and has advised the company to commence development work on the same at an early date. He is interested in the oil fields around Weiser and the Malheur districts.—Arlington Record.

EVANSTON, Wyo., May 23.—The snow storm which struck this section Saturday night has continued without abatement. It is estimated that from ten to four inches of wet snow has fallen, the greater part of which has melted in valleys. Sheep and lambs are reported to be dying by the thousands and the prominent sheepmen estimated that the loss in Uintah county alone will reach 200,000 head, which would have had marketable value of about a million dollars.

My little son had an attack of whooping cough and was threatened with pneumonia; but for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy we would have had a serious time of it. It also cured him from several severe attacks of croup.—H. J. SMITH, KANON, World Herald, Fair Haven, Vt. For sale by all druggists.

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