

NEWS FROM OVER STATE

Fatal Stabbing Affray Near Eugene.

SOWING WHEAT IN LINN

Eastern Oregon Man Mistakes His Mother-in-law for Burglar and Kills Her Instantly.

As a result of a stabbing affray at 7 o'clock Monday morning on Fall Creek, about 20 miles east of Eugene, John Howard is dead and Charles Alley, his antagonist, charged with murder. The only witnesses of the deed were the two young sons of the accused. His victim was a single man. Howard died Monday evening at 7 o'clock. He was cut across the stomach, severing the intestines and stabbed once in the left arm and three times in the back. Alley was not injured. When arraigned Alley appeared very cool, complacently munching an apple during the proceedings. According to the best information, the pair had been logging together, occupying the same shanty. They were settling up this morning and quarreled over the ownership of a lamb. The lie was passed, whereupon Alley attacked Howard with a knife, inflicting fatal injuries. Alley was committed to jail.

Fall Sowing in Linn.

Linn County farmers are sowing a great deal of Fall wheat now, and from present prospects the acreage of wheat sown in this county will be three or four times as large as that sown last year. There are several reasons for this. Last Fall was not auspicious for sowing grain, and the average was small, while this Fall has been a good one for seeding purposes. The Spring grain this year was a complete failure, and Spring yield for several years has been light, so farmers in this part of the state are beginning to abandon the practice of sowing at that time.

Killed His Mother-in-law.

A telephone message from Pines, gives an account of the killing Sunday night of Mrs. Beck, by her son-in-law, Leonard Foster, a prosperous farmer living five miles from Pine. Foster was awakened during the night by someone moving about the house and, thinking there were burglars in the house, he sprang from his bed and fired at the intruder.

Mrs. Beck's screams as she fell mortally wounded, apprised Foster of his fearful mistake. An inquest was held at Pine. So far no arrest has been made, as the shooting was in no sense malicious. Foster is generally liked, and he has the sympathy of the entire community.

Young Girl Suicides.

While on a boat en route up the coast from Newport, with her newly married sister, Mrs. Allison, Sophia Noice, aged 19 years, left her money, her watch and a note bidding all goodby, on bureau, and at midnight the watch heard a splash in the water. Nothing has been seen of Miss Noice since then, and the circumstances point strongly to suicide. A lifesaving crew is dragging for the body.

In her note, besides bidding farewell, Miss Noice said she would not be seen again, and bade her relatives not to worry. Her home is in Blodgett Valley.

Horses Burn in Barn.

A large barn between Forest Grove and Cornelius, belonging to John Buchanan, was found to be on fire about 3 o'clock Sunday morning and burned with all its contents before the flames could be checked. Three valuable horses were burned to death and over 540 tons of hay, besides much grain and farm machinery were destroyed. The fire started in the left end and must have been set on fire by some person. It is thought that a tramp may have slept in the barn and accidentally set fire to the hay.

Newspaper Libel Suit.

The Salem Journal was awarded a verdict in the libel suit brought against it by City Marshal D. W. Gibson. Some time ago the Journal published a story charging Gibson with brutally kicking a dog to death. It developed afterward that the dog did not die, and Mr. Gibson brought suit to recover \$5000 damages because of the publication. The jury was out about 20 minutes.

Elk Reported Killed.

Three elk are reported to have been killed in the mountains in the eastern part of Linn county recently by Wil-

Ham Sladen and Cal Wertz, of La-comb, who brought the meat to La-comb and divided it among several families. State Game Warden Baker is in Albany investigating the matter, and arrests will probably follow.

Accident at Dell.

A frightful accident happened to Norris Morgan, of Dell. While driving the vehicle was upset, Mr. Morgan was thrown to the ground and one of the wheels of the wagon passed over his head, breaking both upper and lower jaws. Drs. Payne and Prinzing, of Ontario, and Dr. Hoople, of Vale, had to drill both jawbones in order to insert a wire to hold them in place.

Prohibitioners Active.

The campaign on the question of prohibition, to be voted on in the coming election, is becoming very active in Linn county. Prohibition speakers are in the field, and several speeches in favor of the local option law have been delivered in Albany. J. M. Glass, of Pasadena, Cal., a well known Prohibition orator, spoke in the Linn county courthouse Monday evening. The opponents of prohibition have not yet sent out any speakers, but have confined their efforts to sending out pamphlets discussing the matter from their point of view. The county is now being flooded with literature on prohibition, both favoring and opposing it.

More Than the Law Allows.

State Game Warden J. W. Baker, arrested two Portland men giving their names as Johnston and Wetzel, on the northbound overland train between Tangent and Albany, Monday for killing more China pheasants in one day than the law allows. He boarded the train at Tangent and found the men with 37 pheasants in their possession. Questioning disclosed the fact that they had killed all the pheasants themselves, and the Game Warden then secured evidence from the conductor that they had come from Portland on the late overland Saturday night, hence had had only one day (Sunday) for hunting. Twenty birds would be the limit allowed by law for them to kill in that time, and they had almost twice that many in their possession.

They said they were engaged in work on the Lewis and Clark Fair buildings, and asked permission to go on to Portland, promising to return and pay their fines. The Game Warden granted the request, after confiscating the pheasants.

Work on Power Plant.

Considerable work has been done on the proposed electric power plant at the junction of Sandy and Bull Run rivers, and it is announced that a large force of men will commence work on the power plant shortly after the Bull Run bridge, across the Sandy river, has been rebuilt. The right of way for the flume, or canal, has been cleared from the place where the station will be built up the Sandy river for a distance of something over four miles. It is expected that the big power plant will be built there by next year. The station will stand on the Thomas place, which was purchased by the syndicate of capitalists who are pushing this enterprise, and it will have a fall of over 300 feet.

There is scarcely any limit to the power that may be developed at this point.

Cigar Store Thieves.

Thieves tried to walk off with the stock of Sam Oldsteins cigar store at an early hour Monday morning, but succeeded in getting only a few cigars. The store is in front of Nehrens saloon, near the postoffice, and when it is closed for the night, it is surrounded by an iron fence. The perpetrators of the deed poked a stick through the holes in the fence and abstracted a few cigars, and disarranged the cases, but beyond that little damage was done.

Supreme Court Decisions.

Where a wife has secured a divorce from her husband, he having made no appearance in the case, no right of appeal exists and no attempted appeal can preclude the wife from giving testimony against her husband concerning events happening after the decree. A sale of property for taxes in 1899 to an individual does not defeat the lien of the county under a purchase of the same property for taxes of previous years irregularities in the manner of taking a deposition will not defeat a conviction for perjury when the witness gave false testimony.—Oregonian.

Saves Two From Death.

"Our little daughter had an almost fatal attack of whooping cough and bronchitis," writes Mrs. W. K. Haviland, of Armonk, N. Y., "but, when all other remedies failed, we saved her life with Dr. King's New Discovery. Our niece, who had Consumption in an advanced stage, also used this wonderful medicine and today she is perfectly well." Desperate throat and lung diseases yield to Dr. King's New Discovery as to no other medicine on earth. Infallible for Coughs and Colds. 50c and \$1 bottles guaranteed by Howell & Jones.

Send your job work to the Courier office.

ENCOUNTER WITH COUGAR.

Joseph and Jacob Harless Meet Savage Animal Going to the Mines.

Joseph Harless and his father, Jacob Harless, who reside at Molalla, in this county, returned from the headwaters of the Mollalla a few weeks ago, where they have been doing some work on a mining claim. Young Harless reports having encountered a cougar on the trip out, and had it not been for peculiar circumstances the encounter might have resulted seriously. Joseph was some distance ahead of his father on the trail, and as he rounded a bend on the trail which at this point passed a huge pile of rocks, he came suddenly upon one of the largest cougars ever seen in the Molalla mountains. Just how large it was Harless cannot tell, but as it sat on a large rock, crouching with its tail gently tapping the twigs on either side of the rock and gazing at Harless, who stood only a few feet distant, he expected it to spring at him any instant. Not having a gun with which to defend himself, Harless stepped back a step or two and reached for a large knife he always carries in a belt when in the mountains, and stood ready to put up a defense, if attacked.

This did not occur, however, for just at this moment his father came down the trail talking to himself as is his usual custom when alone. As he came in hearing distance, the cougar caught the sound of his voice, and concluding that two men were too many for him to devour at once, took to the woods. Harless says that hereafter he will leave his knife at home and carry a gun when he goes to the mines, and is very glad that his father, early in life, formed the habit of talking to himself.

World's Fair Rates Extended.

Through the efforts of the Great Northern Railway, World's Fair excursion tickets will be sold on October 27th, 28th and 29th, in addition to October 3rd, 4th and 5th. For full information apply to any Great Northern agent.

MR. MIXSELL WILL GO.

Session of Presbyterian Church Will Cease to Act—New Elders.

The following copy of the minutes of the Portland Presbytery, in relation to the Presbyterian church, is self-explanatory:

After careful consideration of all the facts presented, we find that there is nothing in the evidence which is in any way prejudicial to the ministerial or personal character or standing of the Rev. F. H. Mixsell, nor prejudicial to the personal character or standing of the elders of the church. Nevertheless, in view of the lack of co-operation between the pastor and the session and the strained relations of the church, for the peace and prosperity of the church, we recommend:

First—That the pastoral relations existing between Rev. F. H. Mixsell and the First Presbyterian Church of Oregon City be dissolved, to take effect October 31, 1904.

Second—That the Presbytery declare that the seven elders of said church cease to act, to take effect October 31, 1904.

Third—That a congregational meeting of said church be held in the church on Wednesday, November 3, 1904, at 8 p. m., for the purpose of electing elders, and that the stated clerk of the Presbytery publish suitable notice of the congregational meeting in the church; that Rev. H. Marcotte be requested to act as moderator of said meeting.

Fourth—That Rev. H. Marcotte be requested to arrange for the installation of and install the newly elected elders and be appointed moderator of the session until the Spring meeting of the Presbytery.

Fifth—That all papers in this case, except the sessional and congregational records, be placed in the hands of the stated clerk of the Presbytery. Attest: A. J. MONTGOMERY, Stated Clerk.

Investigate Bramhall Fire.

Toll Thompson and A. W. Lambert, two insurance agents, of Portland, drove out to the Bramhall place, east of the Sandy river, to investigate the fire which destroyed E. S. Bramhall's dwelling last week. There was \$1000 insurance on the house. They were not able to ascertain the cause of the fire. A sick woman was in the house, confined to her bed at the time, and escaped by crawling out of a window of the bedroom. There was no one else about the building. The men were some distance off, and knew nothing of the fire until they returned and found the building in ruins.

A Love Letter.

Would not interest you if you're looking for a guaranteed Salve for Sores, Burns or Piles, Otto Dodd, of Ponder, Mo., writes: "I suffered with an ugly sore for a year, but a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured me. It's the best Salve on earth. 25 cents at Howell & Jones' Drug Store."

W. L. BLOCK The Home Furnisher. We are selling out, but to refill with a larger stock than ever and we are not going out of business but here to stay. We have made some new improvements and expect a large stock of new goods and so will have to make room. We have decided to have a genuine bona fide sale. A Real Slaughter Sale NO FAKE A Real Slaughter Sale. Everything in the house reduced. Will quote a few of the the ridiculously low prices. No doubt you will wonder at our low figures but it must be, as we need the room. Now we are really going out of the Hardware and Paint business for lack of room, so YOUR PRICE is ours. Yum Yum or Cable Springs, - - \$1.75. RANGES AND STOVES. We are Agents for the following Stoves and Ranges, Universal, Quick-meal, Faultless and Standard. All have a 20 year guarantee. We sell them from \$27.50 up to \$75.00. HARDWARE: Large Shovels, 75c; Forks, 60c; Potato Forks, 80c; H. Kes, 50c; Spades, 75c; Frows, 14 inch, \$1.00; Bench Screws, 50c; \$1.25 Axes; Saw Sets, 75c; Black Diamond Files, 8 inch; Hay Knives, \$1.00; Brush Scythes, \$1.25; Brush Hooks; Sugar Kettles, per gallon; Buckets - 8, 50c; " 7, 40c; " 6, 30c; " 5, 20c. PAINT: Imperial, out door, with a 3 yr guarantee, \$1.25 per gal. CROCKERY: We have reduced our entire stock of Crockery and Glassware. We are the only house in town with such a complete stock and it will pay you to call and see for yourself. Never mind what our jealous competitors tell you. Air-Tight Heaters from \$2.00 up, all new and a very fine lot to pick from. MASON'S JARS: 1 Quart, per dozen, 70c; Rubber, per dozen, 1c; As long as they last; Jar tops, per doz, 21c. Iron Beds from \$1.90 and up; Rawhide Chairs, 40c; Sewing Rockers, \$1.10. Carpets and Linoleums: Just received a very fine line of Art Squares. Guaranteed all wool Ingrain, carpet per yard, 50c; Linen warp matting, per yd 15c and up.

Are You Going to St. Louis? If so call for your tickets via the Rock Island Frisco Systems. the line having Terminal at entrance Fair Grounds. Round trip rate \$67.50. Good for ninety days from date of sale. Choice routes going and returning, via. St. Paul, Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo or El Paso. Stop over permitted in both directions. Dates of Sale. June 7th, 16th, 17th 18th; July 1st, 2nd, 3rd; August 8th 9th, 10th; Sept. 5th, 6th, 7th; Oct. 3rd 4th and 5th. On above dates rate of \$72.50 will be made to Chicago and return. For further information and sleeping car reservations call upon or address, A. H. McDONALD, 140 Third St., Portland, Or. General Agent.

Commercial Bank of Oregon City. Capital \$100,000. Transacts a general banking business. Makes loans and collections, discounts bills, buys and sells domestic and foreign exchange and receives deposits subject to check. Open from 9 a m to 4 p. m. D. C. Latourette, Pres; F. J. Meyer, cashier.

Have You Received the Seaside Souvenir for 1904? The A. & C. R. R. will mail to your address free, copies of their "Summer Booklet" containing 30 pages of half tone engravings of Columbia river and Clatsop Beach scenery. Address J. C. Mayo, G. F. & P. A., Astoria, Ore., or G. A. Stewart, Agent, 248 Alder St., Portland, Ore.

Some Seasonable Advice. It may be a piece of superfluous advice to urge people at this season of the year to lay in a supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is almost sure to be needed before winter is over, and much more prompt and satisfactory results are obtained when taken as soon as a cold is contracted and before it has become settled in the system, which can only be done by keeping the remedy at hand. This remedy is so widely known and so altogether good that no one should hesitate about buying it in preference to any other. It is for sale by Geo. A. Harding.

Private Money to Loan. Six and seven per cent. Amounts on land \$100 to \$3000. Also some on chattels and personal security. For sale: The Philip Marquam Homestead eight miles east of Marquam at \$5 an acre. Also block 11, Oregon City, eight full lots 60x105 feet. Slightly building place all for \$1000. John W. Loder, Att'y at Law, Stevens' building, Oregon City, Ore.

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Ho! for St. Louis and the World's Fair! WILL YOU BE THERE? SEE Nature's Art Gallery of the Rockies in addition to the at attractions at St. Louis. This can only be done by going or returning via the "SCENIC LINE OF THE WORLD." Unrivalled scenic attractions Unequaled dining car service Unsurpassed in efforts to please. Write for illustrated booklet of Colorado's famous sights and resorts. W. C. McBRIDE, General Agent, Portland, Oregon. C. N. Greenman The Pioneer Expressman Established 1865. Prompt delivery to all parts of the city. Oregon City, Oregon. BRICK ON HAND AT Crescent Brick Yard. G. M. B. JONES, Manager. Yard on the Abernethy.