LOST IN THE TAOS COUNTRY.

made to drug and rob us, and that we either drank too little or too much of the coffee.

Mr Bloom, who was a sheriff's officer, was of the opinion they thought he was hunting some of their number and wanted to flag him, while I could only think of the Penitentes and their rites I witnessed two days before.

But we were three sick, cold men that night, and after the shadow at the window, we took turns holding the gun until morning.

Only the girl and the small boy were in the adobe in the morning. We were too sick to hold any investigations, and getting the team from the log pen we started on.

I was very sick, much worse than the other men, and the driver produced a small bottle of aconite and advised me to take some. He didn't konw how much a dose was, neither did I, so he poured out about a teaspoonful in the cover of an oil can, and I swallowed it. Thanks to a sick stomach, which rejected it, I am yet alive. He had given me enough to kill a man.

The cold was intense, the blizzard was increasing and I began to wonder how I would look to these Mexican mountaineers with my lily white hands folded.

We stopped the rig and discussed prospects, and while the ways and means committee was yet at it a Mexican on horseback passed us, and he said snow was six feet deep north of us. Bloom bolted, and asked the driver to take him to a miner's cabin on the stage route to Taos, where he would stay until the blizzard stopped and the stage could get through, going north.

I didn't want to die in the mountains, and asked the driver to take me to the nearest point on a railroad. We let Bloom out on the way, and we turned back west for a twenty-mile drive to a mountain station.

I will never forget that drive of six hours. Too sick to sit up and nearly frozen, yet in places along the trail I was obliged to walk because of the steepness of the ascent.

But we made it just as the train was due south. I went into the little depot and lay down on the floor behind the stove. The driver left me and started for his fifty miles of return trip. I was picturing warm cars, back to Santa Fe, and a doctor. But my trip was far from the finish. A hoodo was camping on my trail, and he wasn't through with me

Just as I had got partially thawed out the north bound train came in. I remember of the engineer coming into the depot and of hearing him say the south bound train would not get in before night. Had I realized what this meant for me I would have taken this train north, but I was too sick to realize or care. I was warm, and the Mexican concoction and the driver's aconite were working off.

The train pulled out, and I found I was alone—absolutely alone. The fire got low and I got up to put on more coal. There was no coal; there was no station agent; no wires ran into the depot, there was no town Down the track a short distance was a section house, the only building in sight. I went to it It was locked

Then it dawned on me I had to make a hustle for myself or I would be in cold storage long before the train went south that night.

Not a piece of wood nor a bit of coal could I find, but under the station platform I found a box someone had fed his horse in and hidden. I broke it up and kindled the fire, then took the scuttle and one of the boards from the box and between the rails I would scrape up the engine cinders deposited there.

The cinders were more than half snow, but I would thaw off the snow and put the cinders in the stove, and by working industriously for seven hours I kept from freezing, as there was enough unburned coal in the screenings to make half a fire and keep me half warm.

Feeling good, I would have taken things as they came, made the most of them, and almost welcomed the experience for the story material it afforded. But as sick as I had ever been, so weak I could hardly lift the scuttle of cinders to the platform, and without a mouthful of food for over 24 hours—well those were the longest hours, and that was the hardest day's work I ever put in Could I have found an ax or any tool I would have torn up the depot platform for fuel, I got one loose board off with a stone, but could not break it or split it, and had to give it up.

But the train came at last, about ten o'clock that night and never did a locomotive whistle sound so welcome.

The train men were very kind to me and did everything to make me comfortable on the four hours' ride back to Santa Fe. There I found a doctor, and in 24 hours was back in the game, ready for anything circumstances might push up—barring anything that looked or smelled of snow.

LOGAN

At the December meeting of Harding Grange, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Master, Geo. A. Kohl; overseer, A. F. Sloper; steward, Frank Kohl; assistant steward, Arthur Funk; chaplain, Mrs. H.S. Anderson; Ceres, Elma Babler; Pomona, Ivah Gerber; Flora, Ellen Tracy; lady assistant steward, Lily Anderson; gate keeper, George Tracy; lecturer, Laura L. Kirchem; treasurer, F. P. Wilson. This is an excellent list of oefficers and augurs well for the success of the order. Geo. A. Kohl has served two terms as master and is well equipped to fill the position.

J. D. Chitwood of Damascus was a visitor.

REX DYSPEPSIA TABLETS

Relieves gas in stomach, distress after eating, stomach nervousness, dizziness, headache, heartburn, heart palpitation and other ailments caused by faulty digestion. Price 25c. Prepared by United Drug Company, Boston, Mass. Sold in Oregon City only by Huntley Bros. Co., the Rexall store.

We wish to call your attention to the fact that most infectious diseases such as whooping cough, diphtheria and scarlet fever are contracted when the child has a cold. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will quickly cure a cold and greatly lessen the danger of contretin[illegible] diseases. This remedy is [illegible] free from opium or narcotic [illegible] Sold by all deal[illegible]

CLEAR CREEK

The Fir Grove school will give a shadow and basket social next Friday evening, Dec. 8th. An interesting program is being prepared. You can't afford to miss it.

The Redland M. E. Sunday school are arranging for a Christmas entertainment, Saturday evening before the 25th. We have been requested to announce that any parents, whether in or out of the Sunday school, who expect their children to attend and participate in the usual bountiful treat may send their contributions to the superintendent, A. O. Hollingsworth, or to E. N. Brock. No solicitors will be appointed. Do not contribute unless you expect to be present or represented.

Work with the rock crusher has been resumed and good weather is hoped for until the work is completed

The Northwestern Association, which occupies the former Gruel property, are engaged in cutting five thousand cords of wood and expect soon to start auto trucks to hauling it to market. The question is What will become of our good road?

Our telephone lines have been given a general overhauling preparatory to winter conditions. A number of new phones and an extra division have been added. A new directory will be issued soon.

Miss Hattie Gaskell of eastern Oregon is visiting with her sister, Mrs. L Funk

The Harding Grange held their annual election of officers last Saturday. Mr. Geo. Kohl was elected master for the coming year.

Pomona Grange will meet at the Harding Grange hall on January 10.

EAST CLACKAMAS

Rev. Spiss and wife visited with Mrs. Daywalt, Saturday.

Among those attending the dance in Logan, Wednesday night were Mr. and Mrs. John Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Henrich, Gustave Haberlach and sister and Miss Knutson.

Mrs. V. Conway of Jennings Lodge spent Friday and Saturday with her mother, Mrs. P. DeShields.

At present the farmers are thankful for the good weather, as they are getting their plowing under good headway.

Miss Katie Haberlach enjoyed the dance at the Clarkes Grange hall, Wednesday night, also spending Thanksgiving with Mrs. C. N. Larkins, who lives near the hall.

Miss Emma Haberlach and sister have gone to Astoria to visit a few days with Mrs. Lee Cadonaw.

Mr. Floyd Williams is clearing land on the Riverdale farm.

BEE HILLS

The Bee Hills school entertainment and basket social held Thanksgiving evening at Colton hall, for the purpose of raising money to help purchase an organ for the school, passed off very pleasantly and was a financial success

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hettman and Will Scheiffer enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner with Mr and Mrs. Chas. P. Hunter and family.

John Arquet has moved on the Lafferty place.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Pendleton and children of Molalla visited Mrs. Pendleton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hunter, Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. F. C. Mott and children of Satsop, Wash., are visiting Mrs. Mott's parents Mr. and Mrs. R C. Hunter

CHERRYVILLE

Rev. Dr Runyan preached in the M. E church, Sunday.

A party of about thirty-five persons gathered at an etertainment given by Mrs. J. T. Friel Jr. at her home last Saturday evening, and the principal feature of the entertainment was dancing and singing by three Syrian gentlemen, singing in their native tongue, and singing and recitations and dancing were indulged in by others.

Miss Lillian B. Averill spent Thanksgiving with her parents in Cherryville.

Mrs. Wm. Rugh is rapidly recovering from her late illness.

Earl Badter is visiting his mother, Mrs. Wm. Rugh.

Miss Gracey and niece of Bogeman, Montana, who were visiting the former's cousin, Mrs. Geo B. Conner, left last week for California to spend the winter.

Archie Averill had Thanksgiving dinner with J. T. Friel Jr.

Chas. Newland is spending the winter in Portland.

J. T. Friel Jr. celebrated his forty-sixth birthday last Tuesday, Nov. 28.

LIBERAL

Everyone is busy. Plows are running and ground is being cleared and fenced and the farms are being generally cleaned up. The farmer is rustling for the spring work.

A great many hogs are being butchered for home use.

Sheep are scarce and there is a good demand for them.

China pheasants are coming into the wheat fields fast and they are quite numerous

Victor Grimm and S. Wright are clearing a twelve acre tract of land this winter, to square up with the railroad track.

The masquerade ball Thursday night at Liberal hall was well attended and the music was good. Archie Davis received first prize and Miss Jessie Akins second.

J. D. French was well pleased to recover his horse and buggy, which were recently stolen.

R. L. Morris has his new residence about completed and will soon be keeping house for himself.

Miss Lela Reed arrived home in time to start school Monday morning.

The Watkins man is in this section on time, waiting on his numerous customers.

Ends Winter's Troubles

To many winter is a season of trouble. The frost-bitten toes and fingers, chapped hands and lips, chilblains, cold sores, red and rough skins prove this. But such troubles fly before Bucklen's Arnica Salve. A trial convinces. Greatest healer of burns, boils, piles, cuts, sores, bruises, eczema and sprains. Only 25c at Huntley Bros. Co., Oregon City, Hubbard, Molalla.

The Courier isn't afraid to print any matter as it sees it.

DODGE

(Continued from last week)

"Yes, I am fixed pretty well, but still of digging and hoeing I've got my fill; I have a chance and think I will exchange my place for Sawyer's mill. Steam does the work the whole year through and from what I can see it is easy to do. You don't have to figure on sunshine and dew like I have here to pull you through; true, most of the work is to keep track of your crew. So I'm going to change my place today for an easier job that I'm sure will pay; and I don't care a rap for what others say." So he took possession and thought he would change the way they had been working; and blew the whistle at break of day. "If they expect such wages from me at daylight they'll start and they'll keep right at it till it gets plum dark; such a crew as that can draw their pay and if they don't like it they need not stay." So all the expert took a sneak and stayed away. "Experts or no experts, I'll run this mill today and show them it's bound to go as I say." So he started her off and things began to go 'round, but in looking it over he thought that he found a saw laying idle, and picked up an inch of his finger off of the ground. He did not say much—it was done so sleek, but he kind o' wondered if the balance would last the rest of the week. "The wages they want is an outrage—three to four dollars a day, and even then they won't promise to stay. Ask them their reasons—they are experts, they say. Experts be boozled I'll show them a different way. On the ranch I hired for a dollar a day just as good men as they seem to be. What you a fireman, hey? Pay you such wages? Not much—on my life! I think I'll give this job to my wife." So he kind 'o looked at the man with a sidelong glance—"It's me to the snaps," and sailed right in. But the steam ran down and the boards got thin. So he rolled up his sleeves and his collar tore wide open, and sweat and swore, and worked as he had never worked before; but steam he could not keep "galore". He noticed a leak way up on top of the boiler; technically known as the "safety pop." "To that blamed thing I'll put a stop." So he tied her down good and fast and found he had learned to keep steam at last. But sad to relate, the last he was seen he was going up in a fog of steam And so his business came to a sudden stop—but such men as staid with him came out on top And the poor wife is in weeds, where once it was clover, and vows she would not sign the deed were it to do over.

Moral. You can't always sometimes tell how easy a job will be for you by watching someone else do it.

P. S. This applies to road supervisors, too.

Dodge being so centrally located, all signs in the zodiac must fail if she stays where she is—in a direct line from east to west from Mt. Hood to the Homer mill and north and south from the summit of the Cascade range to the Pacific ocean.

Where the Locality Does Not Count.

Wherever there are people suffering from kidney and bladder ailments, from backache, rheumatism and urinary irregularities, Foley Kidney Pills will help them. Belvidere, Ill., E. A. Kelly, an ex-engineer, says: "Three years ago my kidneys became so bad that I was compelled to give up my engine and quit. There was a severe aching pain over the hips, followed by an inflammation of the bladder, and always a thick sediment. Foley Kidney Pills made me a sound and well man. I cannot say too much in their praise." Jones Drug Co.

If you are troubled with chronic constipation, the mild and gentle effect of Chamberlain's Tablets makes them especially suited to your case For sale by all dealers.

CLARKS

W. G. Kleinsmith was sowing wheat last Saturday.

Miss Eliza Elmer came home to spend Thanksgiving

Rev Hartler of Portland preached in the German M. E. church at this place on Thanksgiving.

Rudie Mueller spent Thanksgiving with his uncle, Richard Mueller in Highland.

Mr. Bottemiller sowed oats last week.

Garrett Martin is working for Pete Sager in the sawmill.

A "taffy-pull" party was given last Saturday night at the home of W. G Kleinsmith. All present had an enjoyable time. Games were played. These present were Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Kleinsmith, Olga, Eliza and Edna Elmer, Hazel Taliman, Ida and Mary Bottemiller, Laura and Ruby Gard, Irene and Erma Lee, Hazel Ringo, Dora and Elsie Marquardt, Lyda Kleinsmith, Henry Grossmiller, Edward and Otto Beol, Charlie and Arthur Henton, Jay Dix, Buel Robbins, Garrett Martin, Vernon Larkins, Elmer and Willis Kleinsmith, Alva Gard, Willie Johnson, Theodore Sager, Edwin Bottemiller, Rudie Moeller, Archie Cumins, Julius and Albert Schlowes, Walter Kleinsmith.

The Maccabees held a meeting last Saturday

A meeting of the Grange was held at this place Saturday.

Miss Ida Haag is working in Portland.

MOLALLA

The school entertainment last Friday night was adecided success. The county school superintendent and one of his aids were present and spoke of the sweet girls and wise boys of the present day and of the advantages they have for learning which the boys and girls of the past did not have. J. R. Cole contributed his auctioneering talent to selling the beautiful baskets, which netted a snug little sum towards school athletics. The Misses Nora and Ruth Herman responded to encores with musical numbers. The orchestra was composed of Mrs. Ridings, organ; Mr Tom Ridings, violin; Mr Toliver, accordian, and Prof. Willis Dunton, cornet. Would like to men ion the names of all those taking part, but it would require too much space.

Molalla people have got together, from the Adams corner to the public scales, and are building a new 8-foot sidewalk that is a sample show of what organized effort will do What if this public spirit force should be adopted in "unloosing land" around and about the old place for a townsite? Why we could scarcely realize it was the corner cross roads that was in the push.

The young light-stepping generation gave Carry Herman's garage a foot warming last Saturday night.

A stock of goods is being placed in the new store of the glass front.

J. R. Cole and W. W. Everhart purchased some registered Cotswold sheep from the Reed farm

A Des Moines man had an attack of muscular rheumatism in his shoulder. A friend advised him to go to Hot Springs. That meant an expense of $150 or more. He sought for a quicker and cheaper way to cure it and found it in Chamberlain's Liniment Three days after the first application of this liniment he was well. For sale by all dealers

With the Coming of Middle Age

There is a letting down in the physical forces often shown in annoying and painful kidney and bladder ailments and urinary irregularities. Foley Kidney Pills are a splendid regulating and strengthening medicine at such a time. Try them. Jones Drug Co.

GLAD TIDINGS

A. B. Hibbard, living on the Skiller farm, killed and dressed thirty Turkeys a few days ago, which he shipped direct to Portland, realizing a fair price, as they were in prime condition

Charles Skiller came over from his farm on Butte creek and has been plowing on the farm he owns here in Glad Tidings, known as the Mart Leable place

Charles Barnett, a harness maker by trade, has returned from the state of Washington to his twenty acre tract, and is making considerable improvement, among other things building an addition to his house which answers as a workshop and wood house, being really attractive in appearance.

Charlie Fricker has done much improving on his place the past year. A person, unless he be very industrious, will wonder how one man could accomplish so much, and the work all done in a neat and workmanlike manner

Frank Erickson, having bought ten acres of land of his father-in-law, Ole Rue, has built a house and moved his family in on December 1. Marquam's loss is our gain, as Frank is a skillful workman, among other things being a good chimney builder, carpenter and painter, a good neighbor wherever he lives and a man liked by all

From present indications, I would judge that Ellis Ridings will be our road supervisor the coming year. If not, then why not? The writer believes he will do the square thing by all, so what more could be asked?

The basket social at Marquam, Thanksgiving eve, given by the Ladies' Aid proved an enjoyable affair, as all who attended speak in the highest terms of the nice well-cooked food, the good coffee and the sociability shown those who came from a distance.

Ed Jackson is grubbing and clearing land, and it won't be long until he will have it done, then what a difference in appearance since a few short years ago.

C. A. Beugli has returned from Giger Bros' sawmill, where he has been working the past two months at carpenter work.

Answer It Honestly

Are the Statements of Oregon City Citizens Not More Reliable than Those of Utter Strangers?

This is a vital question.

It is fraught with interest to Oregon City.

It permits of only one answer.

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An Oregon City citizen speaks here,

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Joseph McDermott, Washington St., Oregon City, Ore., says: "I was in bad shape with kidney and bladder complaint My back was so lame and stiff that I could hardly get about and it was all I could do to dress myself. The kidney secretions were scant and the passages too frequent. After taking the contents of a few boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills, I was restored to good health and during the past two years, I have had no cause for complaint."

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You will find that druggists everywhere speak well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. They know from long experience in the sale of it that in cases of coughs and colds it can always be depended upon, and that it is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

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CLACKAMAS

Mr. Lawrence, who owns an interest in the greenhouse, has purchased the Hokum place near the Grange hall, and expects to move in soon. The Lawrences are desirable citizens and we are glad to have them in our town. Mr. Guthrie and his mother and sister who have been occupying the house, are looking for another location.

Mr. Riley has sold his place below the railroad track here for $7000 and is seeking for a good investment.

The two churches held a union Thanksgiving service here Thursday morning in the Congregational church. Rev. H Spiess of the Methodist church preached the sermon. Last year the meeting was held at the Methodist church and Rev. Jones of the Congregational church delivered the sermon.

Miss Crow, sister of the principal of the school here, is still on the sick list.

A young lady graduate of the Gillespie School of Expression, Portland, spoke at the Congregational church last Friday evening. Those who attended report a splendid evening and recommend her as a fine elocutionist.

The Junior League of Clackamas will give a bazaar at the Grange hall next Saturday evening, December 9. The sale will begin at three o'clock and will last during the evening. The Epworth Laegue will have charge of the refreshments, which will be for sale during the evening, beginning at 5 o'clock. A fine time is expected.

An Alarm at Night

That strikes terror to the entire household is the loud, hoarse and metallic cough of croup. No mistaking it, and fortunate then the lucky parents who keep Foley's Honey and Tar Compound on hand. H. W. Casselman, Canton, N. Y., says: "It is worth its weight in gold. Our little children are troubled with croup and hoarseness, and all we give them is Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. I always have a bottle of it in the house." Jones Drug Co.

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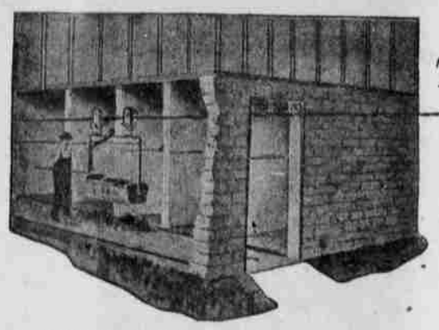

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