30th YEAR.

OREGON CITY, ORE., FRIDAY, APR. 18 1913.

THAT BIG TIMBER CRUISE CONTRACT

JUST WHAT THERE IS AND IS NOT TO IT.

AND THE POINTS CRITICIZED

Copy of the Contract on File With County Clerk

Answering several requests of sub-scribers we herewith publish the tim-ber cruising contract which the coun-ty court made with M. G. Nease of the Nease Lumber Co. of Portland, that readers may know just what there is

This agreement, made and entered into this 23rd day of November, 1912, by and between Clackamas County, State of Oregon, hereinafter designated as the party of the first part, and M. G. Nease, of Portland, Oregon hereinafter designated as the party of the second part.

Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the mutual promises and stipulations herein contained and the sums of money agreed to be paid as hereinafter particularly set forth, the party of the second par hereby agrees

that he will: that he will:

I. Make a careful cruise and estimate of the timber upon all surveyed lands in Clackamas County, Oregon, lying outside of the Forest Reserves, lying outside of the Forest Reserves, which shall cruise not less than one million (1,000,000) feet B. M., or not less than one hundred thousand (100,000) lineal feet of piling to each section of land.

2. Make a careful cruise and estimate of the timber upon all patented lands situated within the boundaries of forest reserves in Clackamas

County, Oregon.

3. Make reports upon all lands cruised; said reports to contain a topographic sketch, showing elevation of land above sea level, taken by means of Aneroid Barometers; also showing of Aneroid Barometers; also showing all openings, clearings, burns marshes rivers, lakes, creeks, trails, roads waterfalls, coal, valuable stone, mineral outcroppings and all other topographic features observed by the cruisers. Said reports to include a general description of the character of all land cruised, describing its adaptability for agricultural, grazing adaptability for agricultural, grazing or other purposes, after the timber is removed. Said reports to describe the character of the different varieties of timber, giving the average stump diameter, the average number of six-

Use as a basis in estimating saw timber all trees having not less than a twenty (20) inch stump diameter to a twelve (12) inch top. Use ters: as a basis in estimating piling all trees having a stump diameter ofnot less than twelve (12) inches, nor greater than twenty (20) inches to an eight (8) inch top.

Begin cruising said lands on or before December fifteenth (15th) 19-12, and continue the same subject to weather conditions and make reports to the Assessor of Clackamas County at intervals not exceeding thirty (30) days, and fully complete said cruising on or before July first, 1913.

sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,- the future use of the committee. 000.00) providing for the faithful performance of the terms of this contract; said bond to remain in full force and effect until February first (1st) 1914. Said bond to be filed on or before December thirty first (31st)

In consideration of the party of the second part cruising said lands and reporting on same in the time and in the manner as above set forth, the party of the first part hereby agrees

that it will: 1. Pay to the party of the second part or assigns, in county warrants, drawn on Clackamas County, Oregon, the sum of eight cents (8c) per acre for all lands cruised and reported upon by said party of the second part; their issuance until called or paid.

the party of the second part for lands cruised and reported upon prior to the first day of March, 1913, and make eighty per cent (80 per cent) of the due the party of the second part for lands cruised and reported upon during each preceeding month until the completion of said cruise, and make the final payment of the resigns on or before thirty (30) days the matters it should. after the completion of said cruise. There has been s

It is hereby agreed by both parties of the party of the second part shall be disputed and the owner of the timber so cruised shall desire to have the same re-cruised, and the County Court of Clackamas County shall full publicity in the newspapers of make demand therefor, that both parties to this contract shall select first date it could appear in the weeksome competent cruiser satisfactory to both parties, and the cruiser so selected shall go over and cruise the tract or tracts in dispute, and the cruise of the party shall be taken as the cruise of the party shall be taken as the cruise of the party shall be taken as the cruise of the party shall be taken as the cruise of the party shall be taken as the cruise of the party shall be taken as the cruise of the party shall be taken as the cruise of the party shall be taken as the cruise of the cruiser satisfactory by papers. The following week is the place generally will state Sunday School convention and booster day celebration in Oregon City, when it would be impossible to cruise of the law. City completely state of the law. City completely completel final. If the cruise of the party so have any attention given to this selected as arbitrator varies more meeting, therefore the following than twenty per cent (20 per cent)
above or below the cruise of the party
of the second part, then the compensation of said arbitrator and expense of such cruise of the arbitrator shall

hen the compensation of said arbitrator and expense of such cruise shall be paid by the party demanding

In witness whereof Clackamas County, State of Oregon, party of the first part, by its countay judge and county commissioners, comprising and constituting the County Court of and Clackamas county Oregon, have said Clackamas county, Oregon, have hereunto set their hands and seals and have caused the seal of said county to be hereto affixed in duplicate, and M G. Nease, the party of the second part has hereunto set his hand and seal in duplicate the day and year first bove written.

Clackamas County, State of Oreg-

By R. B. BEATIE (Seal) County Judge. By W. H. MATOON (SEAL) Coun-

ty Commissioner. By N. BLAIR (SEAL) County

ommissioner.
M. G. NEASE (SEAL)
Attest W. L. MULVEY, County

The criticisms of this contract are—
That there are but few sections in
Clackamas County but what will
cruise a million feet, and under this section may have the million feet of timber, that it is in many locations valueless, for reasons timber is in bunches too small for a mill, too remote from a railroad, and that owners anyone who who was a timber is in his stock.

"Men pays the railroad fere of any purchaser who shows a duplicate sales slip of a certain amount from any of the stores.

Sheridan people have arranged for market days, where the stores in his stock."

anyone who will remove it.

Judge Beatie stated at the mass meeting that the county court had employed Peter Boyles to check up the cruisers, at a salary of \$175 per month. The criticism is that if Mr. Boyles verifies the cruisers' work he virtually makes a second cruise, and if so why should the county pay thou-sands of dollars to the first cruisers and hundreds to Mr. Boyles? If he does not verify the cruisers work, then his checking is of little value and

which to fix taxation. That in order to have a final de-termination under the contract, where

Notice is hereby given that the diameter, the average number of sixteen (16) feet logs per tree, the percentage of the p person relative to the following mat-thrs: this trick by pulling together. We could make this old town hum.

1. Expense of recent improvements on the Clackamas County Court House.

3. Expense of constructing bridges in Clackamas County.

sureties satisfactory to the County Court of Clackamas Countay, in the which will be reduced to writing for Court of Clackamas Countay, in the

M. J. BROWN R SCHUEBEL S. L. CASTO Mass Meeting Committee. O. D. EBY JNO. W. LODER Live Wire Committee.

It was the judgement of the committee that the above action was the best means to crystalize this matter of investigation and bring it to a head to work on.

Rumors are one thing and facts another, and what the committee wants are facts, evidence, something defin-

There has been no provision made said warrants to draw six per cent. There has been no provision made (6 per cent) interest from the date of for defraying any expense of this investigation, and it will be readily seen

What the above men want is information that can be banked on, further payments to the party of the something men will back up, some-second part or assigns on the fifteen-thing to work on and then they will th (15th) day of each succeeding cal-endar month after March 1913 of public meeting will shape things up of public meeting will shape things up to this end; it will give any man in Clackamas county an opportunity to put anything up to this committee that needs investigating and will close the door to any after charges maining twenty per cent (20 per cent) that the committee was not thorough to the party of the second part or as-

> There has been some complaint made of the delay in getting into this bargain sale.—Estacada Progress. matter.

In explanation this paper would state that the call for the above meeting would be worthless unless given

not be more than twenty per cent (20 per cent) above or below the cruise of the party of the second part and good quality at 80 cents per box. Henry Hettman of Shubel, was in the city Wednesday.

AND KEEP UP WITH OTHER VALLEY TOWNS?

HAVE THEM SKINNED A MILE

But We Won't Get in the Race and Take the Coin

towns are going after trade by trade-bringing ideas—and they are breaking up the Portland drain.

and there buyer and seller meet for their mutual benefit and advantage. Town after town is organizing to keep the farming trade from going to Portland.

Oregon City, so situated that it is in greater danger of losing trade to Portland than any other town in the valley, seems to be asleep as to this drain, and makes no effort to stop it.

If we could keep the business has If we could keep the business here that our mills and rich farms make this city would be an El Dorado.

and hundreds to Mr. Boyles? If he does not verify the cruisers' work, then his checking is of little value and a needless expense.

That men are employed and have been solicited who have very little if any knowledge of the work to be done. That the work could have been done at a much lower price had the county court let the contract on competitive bids.

That much litigation will follow if the cruise is taken as a basis on which to fix taxation.

That for in large measure, and it seems to us with our strong commercial club, our lively Live Wires, or publicity department, our business men and our newspapers we could frame up some lines that would do more for the city's growth and good than any other line we could work on.

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Can't we do it fellows? Can't we go after some lines that will stop the go after some lines that will stop the south end of the city, has been de-levely work? I had always considered south on the city, has been de-levely work on the city, has been de-levely work? I had always considered work on the city, has been de-levely work? I had always considered would not stay at home a puppy, but he simply would not stay at home and was a city tramp. Friends kept him in food and licenses for several years, but will liting the court is straight. When I was approached about soliciting names for work of the calli the cruise is taken as a basis on growth and good than any other line

we could work on.
Our city does not appear to be on

pose of receiving any information Wires, the business men, the publicity that may be in the possession of any office and the newspapers could turn Isn't it worth the effort?

Lest we Forget

May 2, 1843, at a small trading post, on the banks of the Willamette bridges in Clackamas County.

3. Advisability and expense of cruising the timber of Clackamas County.

4. Any other matter relative to the expenditure of County funds.

All persons with information are invited and urged to attend this meeting and to submit such information.

Thus 1913 marks the seventith anniversary of the Oregon country. The vote taken at the convention was a tie until F. X. Matthieu cast the deciding vote which made Oregon

part of the United States. Mr. Matthieu is living in Portland, and just last week celebrated his ninety-fifth birthday. He is the only sur-vivor of the Champoeg convention.— Woodburn Tribune.

We Should Hurry

It is evident the timber cruisers are not going to wait the outcome of any county probe on the timber cruising ontract. They are sure going to it as if they were afraid it might not last or might be held up.

Saturday last there were a dozen outfits piled up on the sidewalk on 2. Pay to the party of the second part or assigns on or before the fifteenth day of March, 1913 eighty per cent (80 per. cent) of the amount due investigated.

that the committee cannot go to every Main street, of men who had been bired to go out on the cruising job, and one of the men stated that sixty investigated. and they were all going to get on the job and rush it to a finish. The contract calls for the completion of the work by July 1.

A Commercial View of It

Regardless of the outcome of the investigations, one thing is certain, Oregon City merchants and business men are being benefited by those oc-casional squalls as the 500 men who gathered there last Saturday would eave several dollars each there. It is a mighty good advertising scheme if nothing else and will draw more people to their own town than any

Changing

Three saloons have recently been put out of business in Oregon City ecause they were convicted of sell ng to minors, or of other violations of the law. City councils and the people generally will not stand for that sort of thing as they used to.—Woodburn Independent.

City Will Issue \$70.000 Bonds

grange and equity ladies to take an interest and express themselves on the various subjects of farm life.

Bear in mind that this issue of the Courier will be in every detail the work of the ladies, with the exception of the work of the ladies, with the exception of the ladies.

Catching

Oregon City's Civic improvement movement appears to be contagious, and we note in several exchanges that societies have been formed along these lines and good work is being

Recall Talk

Talk of recalling Judge Beatle and Commissioner Blair continues strong-er than ever. It is said that ex-County Judge Llewellen will be the Farmers Equity candidate for county judge and Geo. Oglesby for commissioner-

Did Not Fill Vacancy

J. W. Loder, a member of the county probe committee appointed by the Live Wires, asked that organization to appoint another member to serve in the place of W.S. U'Ren, who was Corvallis, McMinnville, Gresham, Sheridan, Medford and many other towns are going after trade

breaking up the Portiand urant.

Albany's commercial club (through an arrangement with the business an arrangement with the railroad fere of any ment has taken up the matter of the ment has taken up the matter of the proposed new rural route to serve the when it will be established.

Are your For or Against?

years ago. The rainy season and sprinkling during the summer put a short life on wood walks, while cethe facts under the 1910 court. Now short life on wood walks, while cement endures forever.

THE LADIES' COURIER

All Kinds of Interest and Curiosity in the Issue of May 2.

There are seventeen kinds of interest in the ladies' edition of the Cour-ier of May 2. The copy is already coming in; the ladies are very much interested in the work and it will be the most interesting sheet ever printed in Oregon City.

and this, perhaps, more than anything else, is why the ladies want to make fully good on this edition of the Courier. They want to show the men they did not make any mistake in giving them the franchise; they propose to show them that they read, think, that they keep posted on state and national matters, and are capable of using

ie ballot. And they want to show the men the woman's idea of what a newspaper should be. They will ask you to judge it not only by what is in it, but by what is LEFT OUT. They are going to print the kind of a paper they think should be printed, and the kind they think should be welcome in the homes.

Which will be reduced to writing for the use of the committee. I think when we are through the editor of the Enterprise will be compelled to crawfish and I could now show him up as not only having a yellow streak but yellow clear through. I may do so later.

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One fellow said the first would have six columns of warmed-up W. C. T. U. notes and one column of protest against the divorce evil; that the inside pages would be new stunts

while the present management has absolutely no line on the material that will go in the woman's edition, but here is the prediction that this wag is as far off in his guess as was Mr. Taft's campaign manager, and that he will read every column and every line of the issue of May 7.

City Will Issue \$70,000 Bonds

A city ordinance now in passage authorizes two bond issues of \$50,000 and \$20,000 to refund city warrants. Morris Bros. of Portland will have the issues. The bonds will be \$1,000 each and payable in 1913.

Health Board Says "Drink" and short the office will simply be turned over to the ladies for this week.

No, it isn't a "Courier benefit." Fifty erent of the gross proceeds of the sent out a public report that ty per cent of the gross proceeds of this edition go to the ladies to be used by them in church and other work. tion of the make-up and press work. Every line will be written by them; the heads will be set, the linotype will

THE ENTERPRISE PROBE COMMENT

AND ROBERT SCHUEBEL'S OPIN-ION FF THE EDITORIAL

Findings will be Based on Facts and Records, not on Prejudice

Eldorado ,Ore., April 12.—I notice that the editor of the Enterprise and others are making various comments as to the motives of the men connected with the mass meeting held at Oregon City April 6th. The editor of the Enterprise seems to have everybody's motive figured out to a dot except mine; also that the committee ap-pointed to investigate had already de-Stafford country from this office, and cided what kind of a report they that it is now but a question of time would make. Now I am perfectly willing to come out in the open and Two referendum petitions have been left at the Courier office for signatures. One is the rejection of the \$175,000 appropriations for building all is done with, if I have wronged are afraid of and it does more to drive

reports about mismanagement on the part of the county court and that by men who had voted for Mr. Beatie, I

for an arbitration cruise after Nease, the contractor, and Boyles the checker, have made their cruise.

That the contract was let to M. J. Nease of the Nease Lumber Co., a cruiser interested in timber interests. That under the contract dead, rotten, and fallen timber may be cruised.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Notice is hereby given that the country. We can find out what the trouble is and we can do a lot to remedy it. It is not serious, but let it run and it spreads bike itch. We have a steady stream of who has for two years past been news editor of the Enterprise, has resign-like itch. We have a steady stream of will go on the Oregonian staff. Mr. Veteor, a New York newspaper man, the position and we understand amount of money the 1910 court had into Portland every day in the week. There is no good reason why they should not trade here.

Give any of the towns of the Willand have him leave.

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I was not at the meeting when it was called to order at 2:00 o'clock. I knew nothing of any resolution com-mittee when I entered the hall sometime later. . was asked to write the resolutions and did so along the lines suggested by the members of the committee. The committee appointed to investigate so far show the disposi-tion to want the truth to come out. tion to want the truth to come out.
They have set the 29th of April for a meeting to be held in the court house to hear any complaint or charge against the court. This is open for all, not spectators, but all who have anything definite to charge anything definite to charge for the standard on the most of the standard on the standard of the have anything definite to charge which will be reduced to writing for the use of the committee. I think

As to my position on the timber trade and competition. cruise the statement I made in my article in the Courier on that matter I made before I knew the terms of the contract except for hearsay, I did not mean the court when I said Doctors Give Little Hope for W. A. the inside pages would be new stunts on crocheting doilies and how to can cherries; the editorial page would be an even break on "Home Influences on the Girl," and "The Evils of Intemperance," and the local page would be confined to items of relatives and friends of the contributors: the legal page would be left out and the last page a medley of kicks and poems.

While the present management has absolutely no line on the material that will go in the woman's edition, but here is the prediction that this wag is as far off in his guess as was Mr. Taft's campaign manager, and that he will read every column and every line of the issue of May 7. brought forth as far as can be, if the court is innocent of any wrong or mismanagement in the future, the provide will be seen to the court is innocent of any wrong and the hospital that the people would believe the verdict. Sealed communications are already coming in and again the ladies want to extend a general invitation to all the ladies of Clackamas county to help with material to make this issue a paper men will be compelled to admit is good.

Particularly they ask the farmers' wives and girls of the farm to contribute to this issue. They want the grange and equity ladies to take an interest and express themselves on the various subjects of farm life.

Bear in mind that this issue of the sealer of the court is innocent of any wrong or mismanagement in the future, the people will be more ready to the will soon be taken to his home at Concord.

Mr. Shewman has friends, worlds of them in this city and vicinity and the Courier office is obsided by the will soon be taken to his home at Concord.

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Mr. J. W. Roots, I understand that he olive

R. SCHUEBEL.

self.

ing plant "was working perfectly when the samples were taken, and no danger could arise from drinking the water therefrom."

This was in answer to a request through the city council to determine whether or not the water was safe for the children in the public schools

to drink:. And then we note under date of Ap-ril 15 that the school directors have ordered signs to be put over the fau-cets in the several schools, warning the pupils against drinking the water, and that all the fountains have been

UNFAIR AND YELLOW ACTION
And the question arises why this action was taken following the analysis of the water by the state board of health and its recommendation of same as safe?

Perhaps the school directors have

private means of knowing the water is NOT safe nor fit to drink.

And if they want any more infor-mation along this line we would in-vite them to come to the Courier office and see a glass of water drawn from a faucet in hourly use in a private residence in this city.

We would like to have them look at

this concoction and determine if they think it would be safe to have a dog Twice during a forenoon the fau-cets on Third street gave out this filthy mess, not in one house, but in several, and any man who has exam-

ined it would prefer sewer water to show my hand as I have nothing to be ashamed of so far. I may have but it certainly has the rest.

gotten mixed up in a bad mess and It is to be hoped that this matter

away newcomers than a thousand smallpex signs. When we once get a system abso lutely pure water we will have one as set we are shy on now—we will have the one thing needed to go with a boom for Oregon City—a boom that

nothing but dangerous water is hold-And when we get this quality of water you can bet your life we will have less sickness in this city— for you can bet your life again that typhoid isn't all that drinking sewer wa-

HOW THEY SKIN US Editor Farnsley Leaves the Enternothing as to the oucome. If the court is straight they need fear A Little Local Illustration of Trust nothing as to the oucome. Made Methods Made Methods

Here is a little story that shows you the moves in the trust game.

It's the same old story, and the same old game, but this time it is olayed right here at home, and it may impress you.

H. C. Clyde runs a grocery store at Clarkayas Heights into outside the law watched it develop for eight have watched it develop for eight

And because of these economies he concluded he could sell flour at \$1.30

The milling company told him the a pile of lumber, and the gang at the alling price on that brand of flour mine is now felling trees for the lum-

selling price on that brand of flour was \$1.40 at all stores and that he have must fix that price on it.
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him to get under it or get flour some-where else. Mr. Clyde told them he would sell the flour at the constitutional price, because he HAD to, but that he

would make every purchaser of a sack a present of a dime. That was Clyde's constitution. It was a little one, but so big the miliing company will not dare try to stop

It's these things that make the day worker raw. He hasn't any associ tion or trust standing guard over his wage scale. No combination steps in and tells the man who hires him he ap and to shall pay HIM a certain price. No trust forbids the other fellow to take Editor Courier:—

the price on the most of the standard ar-

Time to smile and swear.

IN CRITICAL CONDITION

May Head Portland Normal

T. J Gary superintendent of schools DOCTORS DISAGREE

of this county, has had the flattering offer of the presidency of a normal school to be opened in Portland soon.

Mr. Gary is considering the offer.

> Some fine apples, medium size, 80 cents a box at the Hub Grocery, 7th and Center streets.

HERE NEXT WEEK

No. 46

TWO DAYS' STREET FAIR WILL DRAW BIG CROWDS

CITY WILL GAILY DECORATE

Perhaps the school directors have Parades, Bands, Stock Shows and all Kinds of Entertainment

> Next week we will have two holi-days in Oregon City—Friday and Sat-urday, and if the weather only holds fine this occassion will be a good op-portunity to take a county census.

The booster day and street fair promises to be a splendid success, both in the way of a big attendance and in the splendid entertainment.

The city will be gaily decorated. There will be two bands. There will be fine parades, exhibitions, and ev-

erything to entertain, instruct, edu-cate and amuse. Take the two days off and come to Oregon City next week. A hundred years hence you will never know the difference, and you will live nearer to ne hundred years for the two day's

Each year this event has grown bigger and more successful, and this year it was decided to add another day to the fair. If the second day proves a success, it will become permanent, and the managers have full confidence that it will.

Come early and stay late. There will be something doing all the time.

WORKING AT OGLE

was Started at the Cyanide plant and Road Work It hardly seems possible that out in the mountains a few miles, at Ogle mine, there are three feet of snow and

that men are working in snow to their hips, for the new cyanide plant, fell-ing trees for lumber and making a road to Elkhorn. The summers are short at Ogle

H. C. Clyde runs a grocery store at Clackamas Heights, just outside the city.

He doesn't have big rent to pay, does not hire \$18-per-week clerks nor does he run a delivery wagon.

And that is his business.

And because of these economies he

ber. The mine has its own sawmill. And by the way, now is a pretty good time to take a chance on Ogle mine, now when the money is needed for the work of development and the price of stock is low. When they get to taking gold out you won't be able to buy any.

Once stock in the Independence mine in Colorado sold for a few cents a share, but later on Stratton shut it down because he had eleven million dollars and didn't know what to do

phone stock was traded tickets in New York state.

And once upon a time Bell Tele-

for meal

HAVE WAITED 70 YEARS Now it is Time for the People to Rise up and Take Action

with any more.

Seventy-two years ago in the political campaign of 1840 tariffs and taxes were the themes of conversation price on the most of the standard articles of necessity today. They for bid competition. They fix the price the dealer shall pay and the price he shall sell at.

And yet we have a great big joke of a federal law that says there shall not be combinations in restraint of trade and competition.

Trade and competition.

See Were all among most of the men. And every among most of the men. And every the same agitation. Politicians were profuse with promises, but such promises invariably fell still-born upon the people. And today our prayers go up that we be robbed no more.

We thought we gained something

We thought we gained something through the initiative and referendum of the people. But men have abused the trust confided to them and today I wonder if the people have gained really half as much as appears on the process. the surface A taste of liberty and justice is at all times sweet and the small tastes

we have had from time to time but spur us on for more. And to legislate for the future becomes the question of the day. Some men are advocating the abolition of both the national congress and the state legislatures, and substi-

tuting a more direct expression of the peoples' will in all that pertains to lawmaking matters. Such propositions sound well and certainly not out of reach of the average American mind today.

Reresentative Gill's suggestion that we adopt precinct legislation is not without merit. In such a move the national con-gress should lead the way by dividing the whole of our vast territory into just fifteen election districts, having care that each district contains an equal number of people as nearly as practicable as it can be. And each district to send one member to a national council to meet at Washington City, there to frame national laws to be submitted to the people through ref-

And I would suggest that the states adopt the same plan of district divis-ion, only I would confine the division of a state to nine districts, yet each district to send one member to meet in council at Salem, there to frame state laws to be submitted to the peo-ple either for adoption or rejection through referendum.

One prophet said "I saw Ephraim

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