...Short Sidehead Stories...

TERSELY-TOLD TALES OF THE WEEK'S DOINGS.

Sold Large Farm.—Last Saturday J. J. Cooke, a local real estate dealer, made the sale of the Michael Bower farm of 98 acres, three miles east of Canby, to R. W. Clark, a recent arrival from Montana. The consideration was $8,000. The Bower farm is one of the best improved farms in the county. The movement of real estate in Clackamas county is fairly good this fall. A great many transactions are being made and the considerations are generally good.

What's the Matter With Clackamas?—At the recent county teachers' institute that was held in this city, Superintendent Zinser was able to announce that a teacher who recently returned from the St. Louis exposition had reported to him that she was told by the superintendent of the educational department there that the exhibit from the State of Oregon was as good as anything at the Fair while the collection from Clackamas county compared very favorably with that of any other individual county exhibit.

Tried to Take the Town.—Soaked with more or less liquor, two young tillers of the soil from the interior of the county, made an unsuccessful effort to take the city Sunday afternoon. To make themselves appear more dangerous than they really were, the two bullies had dressed themselves as cow-boys. Mounting their horses, they rode at a dangerous speed up and down Main street until they were given chase by the officers and some indignant citizens and made a hasty exit from the city via Seventh street, shouting at the top of their voices and calling the police officers and every pedestrian they passed, all sorts of vile names. A quiet investigation was made this week for the purpose of determining the names and places of residence of the young disturbers who may be assured of an interesting time when they next visit this city.

The Soldiers Were Routed.—If those Vancouver infantrymen, who went through the motions of playing baseball at Canemah park last Sunday afternoon, are no more familiar and competent in military manouvers than they are with the National game, their route in an actual engagement on the battlefield would be decidedly more complete than was that of the Russians on the Yalu river. They played miserable ball and scored their only run on an error in the ninth inning. Sellwood has a formidable team that plays good ball, its team work being above the average of an amateur organization. The batteries were: Sellwood; Higgins, Bailey and Lumley; Vancouver—Sullivan and Faulkner, Hartong; Umpire, Northrup. The Vancouver team was accompanied to this city by the Nineteenth Infantry band which proved by far the most entertaining feature of the afternoon's program. The baseball game resulted in a score of 9 to 1 in favor of the Sellwood team.

Injured in a Runaway.—Henry Spurm, a prominent farmer residing near New Era, was injured in a runaway last Friday afternoon. He was thrown from his wagon and sustained a dislocated shoulder blade. He was brought to Oregon City for treatment.

Installed the Bell.—The people of the Oak Grove school district last Sunday installed at their new school house the new bell that was recently purchased for the structure. The bell was in place in time to be rung for the regular church services of the day.

Good Contract Price.—A hop contract covering 11,000 pounds of this year's product, and for which 25 cents per pound is to be paid, was filed here a few days ao. The growers are Sam and Wong Joe and M. Shafer, of Willamette Falls and the buyers are Seavey and Metzler. This is the highest contract price that has been recorded in this county this year.

Placed on a Pension.—David H. Close, a pioneer employe of the Southern Pacific Company's, has been placed on a pension of $12 per month by the railroad company for faithful services. Mr. Close for a long term of years watched the Clackamas river railroad bridge for the company and last winter had the misfortune to be run over by a freight train as a result of which he lost a leg.

Received State Papers.—The State Board of Education recently issued certificates as the result of the examination that was held during the month of August. Among those successfully passing the examination were a number of Clackamas county young people, as follows: State Certificates—James E. Mitts, Aurora; Emma B. Kleinsmith, Clarkes; State Life Diploma—Annie J. Young, Milwaukie.

Used Profane Language.—Last Thursday night six young West Oregon City lads were arrested for using profane language in the vicinity of the Southern Pacific passenger depot in the presence of ladies. As a lesson they were taken to the city jail in which they were lodged for two hours, when Mayor Dimick was summoned by the night officers. Arrived at the jail the Mayor reprimanded the boys severely for their conduct and after obliging each lad to deposit $3.00 cash bail, the hearing of the charge against the young culprits was set for the next day. As a result of the trials of the cases which were not concluded until Saturday, F. F. Hoskins, E. Shannon and Wm. Lawrence, whose real name is Wm. Jordan, were fined, while the charges were dismissed as against Geo. Walters, G. and A. Andre. When taken into custody, the boys had in their possession a flask of whiskey which they testified was purchased by one of their number, aged 19 years, at the Hub saloon.

Read the Argonaut.—Among the notable features of the Argonaut for September 12th will be "The Miscalculation of Wells," an intensely amusing story by E. G. Mirrielles; "Midnight in Venice," by Geraldine Bonner, who continues to write of the charms of that Italian city; "The English Dreyfus," a letter from London telling of one of the most remarkable cases on record; a review of and extracts from, "Emile Zola," a biography of that great French writer by Ernest A. Vizetelly; and a criticism of Kyrle Bellew in "Raffles" at the Columbia Theatre, by Josephine Hart Phelps.

General Crop Summary.—The past week was dry, with temperature slightly below the seasonal average. A light shower occurred in the lower portion of the Willamette valley an in the Northern coast counties Thursday, but the amount was insufficient to do any good. Threshing is about completed, except in the Grand Ronde valley. The yields in Western Oregon continue light, while in the Columbia river valley they are excellent. Hop picking is progressing rapidly and will be completed in about a week or ten days; the yield continues below the average, but the quality is good. Some fall plowing has been done in the Willamette valley, and several fields of fall grain have ben sown. In the Columbia River valley work on summer fallow is progressing nicely. Corn continues in a fairly god condition, and some cutting, mostly for feeding purposes, has been done in Southern Oregon. Pastures are very dry and afford very little feed for stock. Apples continue to drop, but there is sufficient fruit still on the tres to insure abundant yields. Prunes are ripening and drying will commence next week; the yield will be below the average. Peaches and blackberries are plentiful. Potatoes are doing poorly, and a light crop is indicated.

Lawyer—Turkey—German Farmer.—There was enacted on the West Side in the vicinity of Willamette Falls last Sunday a tragedy in which three characters participated. The reported villian in the case was a well-known Oregon City lawyer, who, if he never had any doubts before, now seriously questions the sufficiency of circumstancial evidence. Some time Sunday morning a careless hunter shot and killed a turkey belonging to a German farmer residing near Willamette Falls. Some of the Oregon City attorney's friends knew that he had been out driving in the Willamette Falls neighborhood during the day of the reported shooting and concluded that it would be a good joke to circulate the report that the jovial legal advisor, was responsible for the demise of the pride of the German's Thanksgiving herd. It was a matter of but a short time until the rumor reached the ears of the irate farmer and then there threatened to be something doing. The farmer desired to cause the arrest of the lawyer and in fact was only dissuaded in his course by a personal visit from the attorney who took solemn oath before the turkey fancier that the only living animal that he shot at during the day in question was a gray squirrel. This defense of the charge satisfied the German who agreed to dismiss the matter so far as the lawyer was concerned.

Chas. Y. Draper Dead.

Charles Y. Draper, for the last twenty years a resident of this city, died suddenly at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, September 14, 1904, at the family home on Eleventh street. While Mr. Draper had been a sufferer from kidney trouble for years, the end came suddenly and unexpectedly.

The deceased was born in Texas 45 years ago, coming to Oregon with his parents about twenty years ago. They located at Oregon City, where Mr. Draper held a continuous residence. He is survived by a wife and six children. Other surviving relatives are his mother, Mrs. M. F. Draper; two sisters, Misses Lulu and Martha; two brothers, J. W. Draper, the land office attorney, and Harry E. Draper, of the Huntley Brothers Company.

Funeral services were conducted at St. John's Catholic church at 9 o'clock Thursday morning, Rev. Hildebrand officiating. Interment was had at the Catholic cemetery.

STATE NEWS.

A curiosity at the court house is a piece of chittem bark. It stands about 5 feet high and 50 inches in circumfrance and assumes its natural shape just as when upon the parent tree. It was obtained by girdling the tree at the top and bottom, slitting it at the side and with a stick forcing it from the tree. It was sent over here from the Alsea country for Mr. French for the Lewis & Clark exhibit. It is said that there is a chittem tree at the head of Rock Creek that measures four feet in diameter.—Corvallis Times.

A list will be sent out some time between now and the 20th inst. by the order of the county court containing the names of all Benton county tax payers together with an estimate of their taxable property. The purpose is to facilitate the work of the Board of Equalization and to reduce as much as possible the "kicking" when it comes to paying taxes. By this method no one will be able to hide behind the excuse that he did not know what his assessment was or that other men were favored and he was not. All will have an opportunity to make any kind of comparisons they choose and if dissatisfied, may appear promptly before the Board of Equalization and have the matter adjusted. It is presumed also that this method will have the tendency to correct abuses in tax-dodging by showing publicly just what each considers himself worth. The list will contain about 2200 names and the cost of printing together with all necessary explanations, mailing, etc., will aggregate two and a half cents per line.—Corvallis Gazette.

An attempt was made to burglarize S. O. Miller & Son's hardware store shortly after 1 o'clock Thursday morning. There were two of them, and they first made an unsuccessful attempt to force the front door open, but found that securely fastened. The noise woke up a man who has been sleeping in the rear part of the store, but as everything became quiet again, he was about to drop off into sleep when he heard footsteps approaching the windows facing Krell's new saloon. A ladder was carefully placed against the wall and the dark form of a man outside appeared at the window. After examining the catches and finding them closed, the burglar proceeded to bore a hole in the sash at the lower left hand corner, scarcely making any noise. He then commenced to break off pieces of glass and would soon had an opening large enough to enter. In the meantime the man inside jumped up, grabbed a 38-calibre revolver and was standing prepared to shot. It was very dark and when the glass began to fall he thought the thug was already going to crawl in, and, taking the best possible aim fired. The thug standing guard immediately took to his heels. The other jumped or fell rather heavily on the board walk and had quite a time getting by the boxes and beer kegs piled up in the narrow alley. Just as the latter passed the alley between Giesy's drug store and the hardware store another shot was fired by the man inside who leaned out through a window. Both thugs ran in the direction of the railroad track.—Aurora Borealis.

James M. Thomas went to his cranberry marsh on the North slough today where he will superintend the picking of his crop of cranberries, consisting of three acres. This marsh is not very large, but it of the best quality. He has taken considerable pains to get the marsh in the best of condition, and it will yield a good crop of berries, under favorable circumstances. He expects to ship his berries to Portland and San Francisco, after selling all he can to the local trade. He pays 75 cents a bushel for picking the berries, and expects to gather at least 300 bushels from his three-acre marsh. The price of berries now is from $3 to $7 per bushel in SanFrancisco. It is surprising that so few people are cultivating cranberries as do on Coos bay. There is considerable good cranberry land in the county and it only waits the proper handling by men who know the berry. This industry should be given more attention and be developed to the fullest extent of the valuable marsh land. It is a known fact that under proper cultivation the Coos bay cranberry is equal to the finest Cape Cod and Bell cranberry, in size and very much superior in point of color and flavor. The Coos bay cranberry is at no disadvantage in any market compared to Eastern berries. J. N. Nay is foreman over the pickers and thoroughly understands the handling of berries.—Evening Post, (North Bend.)

According to a Salem paper the Greek laborers, who are employed to the number of one hundred on the railroad between Chemawa and Brooks, are affecting the country similar to a swarm of grasshoppers. Not only is it alleged that they have stolen fruit and vegetables by night but that they go armed into neighboring orchards by day and secure what they wish, feeling, it is said, that their numbers and formidable appearance will prevent the farmers from making an attack upon them. In some orchards they have not left an apple or other fruit for the owner.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth of LaGrande, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Piles, it is the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25cts. Sold by Howell & Jones, Druggists.

Public Auction.

Mr. George Clark, of Logan, will sell at Public Auction, on Saturday, September 24, all his personal property, consisting of farm implements, live stock, etc.

W. W. H. SAMSON, Auc.

Estray Notice.

The following described stock left my farm near Aurora, Oregon: 50 mutton sheep and lambs, branded with red paint in form of a bar circle. Any information leading to their recovery will be liberally rewarded. W. W. IRVIN.

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