

FOR JUSTICE' SAKE.

It has been common report in Benton during past days, that Judge Woodward, as county judge, accomplished great things in the reduction of the county debt.

On the fourth page of this paper is to be found figures that disclose the true status of the matter, and show that during his four years of administration, Judge Woodward reduced the debt less than \$17,000.

The article is published, not in any spirit of criticism or hostility to Judge Woodward, whose acts the Times heartily supported and whose hand the Times strengthened as best it could throughout his term.

ANOTHER LATERAL ORDERED.

Is to Serve the Hotel Corvallis, and Occidental Blocks.

At a meeting of the city council Monday night a lateral was ordered constructed through the Hotel Corvallis and Occidental hotel blocks to a connection with the Jefferson street main.

Formerly the lateral was ordered only through the Hotel Corvallis block, to a connection with the old brick sewer on Madison street, but it was found that the end of the lateral when built would be lower than the main and that accordingly there would be no outlet.

NEW DEEDS

United States to Jessie H. Powell 160 acres in Alsea.

G. W. Neathammer and wife to W. S. Alcorn 160 acres in Kings Valley, \$2,000.

Maria Howard et al to Catherine Dennis one and half lots in Monroe, \$200

Charlotte Polly and husband to G. C. Peck 111 acres in Alsea \$1,500.

W. E. Yates and wife to W. J. Kent small tract West of Corvallis, \$400.

Inez C. Philbrick et al to Jackson White et al 380 acres West of Philomath, \$4,000.

Medelia St Germain and husband to Samuel Mills 5 lots in Blk 2 Dixon's addition, \$300.

W. H. Green and wife to W. A. Ross et al 160 acres S. W. of Philomath, \$2,500.

M. F. Thornton and husband to W. Cullums six lots in Blk 6 Avery and Well's addition, \$600.

Frederic Herzig and wife to Josephine Moore 1 lot in Avery and Well's addition, \$3,000.

THEIR WILD RIDE.

With a Driver that Couldn't see--Corvallisites and a Telepathist.

A man so blindfolded that he couldn't see anything, and driving a spirited span of horses at breakneck speed through the streets, four companions in the carriage with him, one or more of whom was thoroughly nervous over the fear of being driven by the blinded driver into the corner of a brick building or running amuck with one of the woodsaws in operation in the neighborhood, and scores of people watching with keen interest the movements of the carriage and its intrepid driver, all this was a thrilling scene on Main street Wednesday afternoon.

The driver named Keller was a telepathist. He has the power of reading some of the thoughts that are in the minds of others. As he drove his rig along, he read in the thoughts of those with him which rein to pull, what direction to go and what obstacle to avoid.

In his wild drive Keller performed a remarkable feat, which served to amaze most of those who saw it. This is what he did. At his request, the big crowd about his carriage named a committee of four citizens to accompany him on his hair-breadth ride.

The committee of four was to go alone in the carriage, taking the key of the postoffice box in which the letter was deposited. The key the committee was to hide anywhere about town, and returning to the hotel were to be joined by Keller who blindfolded was to drive the carriage over the same route, find the key, go to the postoffice and open the box with it, take out the letter, and still blindfolded deliver the letter to the man to whom it was addressed.

Keller did it. Everything in the programme that he promised he performed. His feat, though others of the same character had been done in Corvallis, amazed all who saw it. The committee was County Judge Watters, E. R. Bryson, W. A. Wells and Theo Wellsher. After they had written and mailed the letter, they drove to the postoffice and deposited it in the box of E. Allen. While this was going on, Keller remained with the crowd at the hotel, and was of course ignorant of the name or identity of the man to whom the letter was addressed.

When Keller entered the carriage blindfolded and took the reins for a drive, a deep hush of expectation fell on the crowd. None of those in the carriage touched him, and none spoke a word. His face was overspread with a deep flush and his manner was nervous. A deep, intense tension was apparently upon him. "Think which way to go," he ordered and away the team went. The pace was swift, two swift for the nerves of Wells, who vowed afterward that he wouldn't "take that ride again for \$20."

Rapidly down the street went the team guided only by the blindfolded Keller, who occasionally cautioned his companions to keep their thoughts on the route they were to go. Down Main to the proper corner they went, and then steadily and unerring the team was turned. Thence out to Fourth the blinded man drove, where he quickly turned north. Up the street ahead was a pile of wood where a woodsaw had operated on one side and other obstructions on the other side of the road, leaving barely room for the wheels of the vehicle, that only a

RINGLING BROS.' EXCURSIONS.

Special excursion rates on all lines of travel have been arranged for by the management of Ringling Brothers' World's Greatest Shows, and those who wish to go to Albany where this great circus exhibits Thursday, Aug. 27th can do so at very little expense.

Instead of stopping, however, at Simpson's rear door, Keller drove on. Two blocks he went, and then pausing, he declared that he was wrong. "Think how to get back," he ordered, and with a dexterous turn of the reins, he deftly turned the carriage round, drove swiftly to Simpson's and there with two members of the committee, alighted. Under his directions, one of them took him by the wrist where the pulse beat is felt, and in a moment he dashed in through the door to the store, lifted the latch and passed through another door, went straight to the desk, and there lifted the weight and took the hidden postoffice key.

"Think of the way we are to go to find the man," he ordered, and in a run he led his men out of the postoffice. "Shall we take the carriage or walk?" he asked and "Let's walk" was the reply. "All right" he said, and off they went, Keller leading the way at a swift pace.

In front of his store was E. Allen. He was the man to whom the letter that Keller carried was addressed. Through the crowd and along the pavement the blindfolded telepathist hurried with his companions. Straight into Mr. Allen he walked. "This is the man," he said, handing Allen the letter. A more remarkable display of the mysterious science of telepathy, or thought telegraphing was never seen in town, and the crowd by many friendly expressions, testified to the fact.

Keller is also a hypnotist. He is giving entertainments nightly at the opera house, in which people are brought under his hypnotic control, and were made to go through all manner of evolutions. Two youths were made to milk an imaginary cow at one performance. One held the tail while the other essayed to do the milking. The cow seemed to be unruly and the movements the boys went through were decidedly amusing. At another time a number of the hypnotized, astride of chairs went through the evolutions of a bicycle race, pedaling with a vigor that sent the audience into convulsions of merriment.

GOOD NEWS FOR THEM.

Alseans Whose Title to Their Homes Was Disputed by Railroad.

Good news has come to a number of homesteaders over in the Alsea country. Lands in that country on which they filed homesteads a dozen years and more ago, have been in jeopardy. Six or eight years ago the O&C railroad company set up a claim to the lands as being a part of their grant, and entered into contest. All these years the cases have been pending in the various land offices, and in the mean-time the homesteaders have been full of uncertainty as to whether or not they were to retain title to their homes.

The lands are located in the Lobster and Five Rivers country and a dozen families or more are involved. A few days ago notice was received in Alsea that the United States Commissioner of Public Lands has rendered a decision denying the railroads claim, and restoring the homesteaders in their rights.

Found.

An unclaimed bicycle has come into the possession of the chief of police. The loser can recover the wheel by proving property and paying for this notice.

Buy your harvesting outfit from Nolan & Callahan. Big stock to select from.

Popular Sunday Excursions.

In order to meet the wants of the traveling public and give practically daily service to the beach during the summer season, the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad will run an excursion train from Albany and Corvallis and all points west to Newport every Sunday, leaving Albany at 7 a. m. and Corvallis at 7:30 a. m., returning leave Newport at 5:30 p. m. Three day and season tickets will be good going and returning on these trains. This should prove popular with the traveling public and a liberal patronage will be the best appreciation.

FOR SALE.

One horse, harness and buggy. Inquire of E. Walden.

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Sewer Notice.

Corvallis Oregon, August 13 1903. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have been appointed viewers by the Common Council of the City of Corvallis to estimate the proportionate share of the cost of a sewer to be constructed by the City of Corvallis, under and by virtue of Ordinance No. 132 through the middle of the alleys of Block 2, County Addition and Block 18, original Town of Corvallis, to be assessed to the several owners of the property benefited thereby.

Fast Train Service.

Commencing Monday, July 6th, the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Company will resume its summer special seaside schedule, and train leaving Union depot at 8 a. m., daily will run through direct without transfer at Astoria to all Clatsop beach points, arriving at Astoria at 11:30 a. m., Gearhart Park at 12:20 p. m., and Seaside at 12:30 p. m., making direct connection at Warrenton for Flavel.

Beginning Saturday July 11, and every Saturday thereafter the popular Portland-Seaside Flyer will leave the Union Depot at 2:30 p. m., arriving at Astoria at 5:40 p. m., Gearhart Park at 6:40 p. m., and Seaside at 6:50 p. m., making direct connection at Warrenton for Flavel.

In connection with this improved service, round trip season excursion tickets between Portland and all Clatsop and North Beach points are sold at \$4 for round trip and Saturday special round trip tickets between same points good for return passage Sunday at \$2.50 for the round trip.

Special Season commutation tickets good for five round trips from Portland to all Clatsop and North Beach points sold for \$15. Beach excursion tickets issued by O. R. & N. and Vancouver Transportation Co will be honored on trains of this company in either direction between Portland and Astoria. Additional information will be gladly furnished on application to J. C. Mayo, G. P. & A. Astoria, Ore., or B. L. Lewis, Comm'l auditor 248 Alder st. Portland, Ore.

Write for the novel and catchy Seaside pamphlet just issued telling about summer girls, seascapes and sunsets at Seaside.

Notice of Final Settlement.

In the Matter of the Estate of GEORGE W. COLLINS, deceased. Notice is hereby given that we, James H. Collins and William D. Collins, as executors of the last will and testament of George W. Collins, deceased, have filed our final account as such executors with the clerk of the county court of Benton county, state of Oregon, and the said court has fixed Tuesday the 8th day of September, 1903, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon of said day as the time, and the county court room in the court house in Corvallis, Oregon, as the place for hearing any and all objections to the said account, and for settlement thereof.

Remnant and Odds And Ends Sale.

A quantity of Remnants has accumulated during our late Sale which will be sold regardless of cost. There are Remnants of Dress Goods, Silks, Satins, White Goods, Table Linens, Towelings, Outing Flannels, Muslins, Shirtings, Percales, Gingham, Ribbons, Laces, Embroideries, Etc. Also broken lines and odd lots of Men's and Children's Shoes, Summer Underwear, Men's and Boys' Suits, Summer Skirts, Wrappers, Summer Corsets, Etc.

Our New Fall Stock is now arriving.

Nolan & Callahan. We sell GILBERT'S CELEBRATED Dress Linings.

FOOD

FOR

Old and Young.

Garolina Rice Flakes.

WHOLESOME NUTRITIOUS SUSTAINING

PREPARED IN A MINUTE.

Don't Forget that We Sell Applegate Creamery Butter.

HODES' GROCERY.

Times Office for Job Printing.

Reduced Excursion Rates.

The Southern Pacific Company has placed on sale at very low rates round-trip tickets to the various resorts along its lines, and also, in connection with the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad, to Detroit and the seaside at Yaquina Bay, latter tickets good for return until October 10th.

Three day tickets to Yaquina Bay good going Saturdays Mondays are now on sale at greatly reduced rates from all points Eugene and north on both East and Westside lines, enabling people to spend Sunday at the seaside. Very low round trip rates are also made between Portland and the same points on the Southern Pacific, good going Saturdays, returning Sunday or Monday allowing Portland people to spend Sunday in the country, and the out of town people to have the day in Portland.

Tickets from Portland to Yaquina Bay, good for return via Albany and Eastside, or Corvallis and Westside, at option of passenger. Baggage checked through to Newport. A new feature at Newport this year will be an up-to-date kindergarten in charge on an experienced Chicago teacher.

A beautifully illustrated booklet describing the seaside resorts on Yaquina Bay has been published by the Southern Pacific and Corvallis & Eastern and can be secured from their agents, or by addressing W. E. Coman, G. P. A., S. P. Co. Portland, or Edwin Stone, Manager C. & E. R. R. Co, Albany, Or.

Manure to give away at the Brick Stable.

Dainty Breakfast Goods,

As well as Choicest Delicacies for lunch and dinner, can always be found at our store. We handle only first-class goods and can guarantee quality. Everything offered for sale here is strictly fresh and just as represented. We carry a large stock of selected Family and Fancy Groceries, and are sole agents for

Chase & Sanborn High Grade Coffees.

P. M. Zierolf.

For Sale.

Thirty two inch Pitts separator and a horse power, to be had for \$100. Call on or address,

R. C. Kiger, Corvallis.

Buy your harvesting outfits at Nolan & Callahan's.