

GEORGE WASHINGTON

It is well to remember George Washington. His name stands for all that is best in American history and tradition. It is a good name and a good history to hold before the American youth. The scenes and associations that cluster around it are eloquent appeals to every boy to be a good man. The story of the cherry tree, whether fact or fable has turned millions of lads into paths of truth and sincerity. The secret prayer at Valley Forge is everywhere and always a vivid and potential appeal to every man, regardless of his belief, to have the deepest respect for the Christian and prayerful side of life. When that man knelt and prayed for his suffering troops, and for the success of the cause of freedom, why, when, and wherefore is prayer not to be cherished and respected? His refusal to be king, his unwavering devotion in war and in peace to his country, his refusal to serve a third time in the presidency—all these and a hundred other noble acts that cluster around his illustrious name and fame give to his career a heroic character such as belongs to no other American. Not a politician, but a patriot; not a partisan, but a pure statesman and Christian soldier, his life is the best, of all the mortal models to be set before children. If they learn him, believe in him, and copy him, they will always be able doubtless, if they go to congress, to occupy their seats without fear of contaminating other members by their presence.

TO BROWNSVILLE NOW.

And Lebanon Too—Independent Telephone Line—Many New Connections.

Corvallis is now in communication by the Independent Telephone with Brownsville, Lebanon, Plainview, Tangent and other points on the east side of the Willamette. Connection was established several days ago, and "talks" with Brownsville, 24 miles distant, are now of regular occurrence. The routing is via farmer's lines connecting with an Independent line built by the local Independent Company to Tangent. An Independent system is being installed in Brownsville under the direction of one of Mr. De Varney's assistants. A switchboard has already arrived at Lebanon for an Independent system that is being inaugurated in that city.

A new line from the eastside was put in connection with the local system Saturday night. It is four miles in length, and accommodates nine subscribers. It runs two miles east, and then turns south two miles to Ed Colwell's place. Frank Francisco, Smith and others are on the line.

Two other new lines expected to enter town soon are a second line from Wells and one from Oakville, Linn County. The contract has already been signed by which the local Independent system is to be built to a connection with the Wells line, which will add fifteen subscribers to the Corvallis system. In the case of Oakville the farmers along the line have held a meeting and perfected arrangements by ordering instruments and material for the line. A new switch board has been installed and is now in operation in the Independent system at Monroe.

With the lines built and building, Corvallis has doubtless the best country connections of any system in the state, if not on the Coast. The county will presently be tapped at every point, and the extensions already reaching into other counties are fast multiplying. A large part of the credit for the condition is due to the energy and ability of W. D. De Varney, who has worked with untiring activity to bring about the conditions that are not only promised but actually materializing.

Mill Feed Prices.

Feed can be had at the following prices at either the Corvallis or Benton flouring mills: Cracked corn per bush, 80 cents or 1.40 per 100 pounds; rolled barley, 1.10 per sack; chop barley 1.05 per sack; bran and shorts at the usual prices.

The Corvallis Flouring Mills.

SAYS IT CAN'T PASS.

Because Congress is Fooling the People—President's Rate Bill.

Editor Times: I predicted that the present congress would enact no law controlling the railway companies. The Townsend bill has passed the house, and going to the senate was promptly referred to that committee of which Senator S. B. Elkins is chairman. Mr. Elkins immediately trotted down to the other end of the avenue and said: "Mr. President, it will be impossible for my committee to report this session. There are some amendments you wish made, and even if we might get it before the senate it must be carefully considered, and will not be quickly passed. It is well this is so, for it is little more than a measure for fooling the people. It is almost certain the bill would not have passed in the house so emphatically, if there had been a good prospect of the senate passing it. The people, the dear people, like to be fooled, or they would not expect a congress governed by railway influence to pass any practical measure of control. The laws already enacted are enough to deceive the public, and with the aid of a railway magnate in his cabinet to make the honest purpose of the president nugatory.

The fact is that there has not yet been any measure passed which is strong enough and practical enough to control the great railways. Not one such measure has gone to the bone and marrow of the matter. The free operation of the law of competition would work the desired control. But the spirit of opposition has practically compelled the railway companies to destroy competition. They will not restore it. Only the government may do this, and the government can do so only by building and operating a trans-continental railway.

The republican leaders may proclaim from the house-tops that they favor control by whatever means. The people see there is no control. They have the ballot box. The hour is almost struck. A party will be placed in power, which freed from corporation influence will control these creatures, and sweep us into government ownership much further than is desirable or necessary. In vain may we look to this congress or to the next one for a solution of the question. The solution must be by the people; the remedy must, and will be applied by them through the ballot box.

F. M. HOPKINS.

Spiritual Manifestations.

Marguerite Foy who comes to the Opera House for three nights, commencing Thursday February 23rd, is conceded to be the greatest mystic marvel of the age.

Her marvelous materialization in the full glare of the footlights have completely baffled scientists everywhere. All of her manifestations are done in the open light and in the full view of every person in the audience, yet no one has ever been able to give a satisfactory solution as to the source of her power. Chairs moving and tables floating and nobody near them. You can see mysterious hands and forms appear and all done on the open stage. You can get the correct spiritual answer to any question you may ask. Miss Foy is assisted by Dr. Geo. W. Payne. Come and be convinced. Prices 25, 35, and 50.

Remember this is the last week for Nolan & Callahan's rennant and rummage sale.

Lost.

Last week on the streets of Corvallis a fox tail from a fur boa. Finder please return to the post-office.

Call for Warrants.

Notice is hereby given that there is money on hand at the county treasurers office to pay all orders endorsed and marked not paid for want of funds up to and including those of Oct 31, 1904. Interest will be stopped on same from this date. Corvallis, Feb 22, 1905.

W. A. Buchanan, Treasurer of Benton Co, Or.

Eggs for Hatching.

Entered 7 birds at Corvallis show and won 3 firsts, 1 second and 3 third prizes. White Rock eggs \$1 for 15. S. C. Rhode Island Reds:—Eggs from 1st pen \$2.50 per 16 " " " " \$1.50 " 15. These are prices packed in special boxes for shipping.

W. A. Bates, Corvallis, Or.

ONE GRAFT.

And How it Grows—State Printing—Some History and Some Figures.

Salem, February 22. The late legislature passed a flat salary law, but it made no new law regarding the fees of the State Printer. Perhaps the legislature is not to blame, since the people of Oregon deliberately voted down a State Printer amendment to the State constitution last June. The fact that the people voted down that amendment passes human understanding. It is told here that the state printing for the late session cost more than \$20,000. I cannot verify the figures, but I do know that the printing cost twice, triple, yea quadruple what it should have cost, and as many times what it would cost for the next session if the people had only voted right last June.

One item alone serves to lay bare the whole story of the state printing graft. Every man who ever holds the office, gets rich. In fact, the state printing office in Oregon has come to be regarded as a sort of charity into which every four or eight years a good fellow who has never had much of this world's goods is trotted and turned out worth anywhere from \$50,000 to \$100,000. It is also regarded by the dominant party in Oregon as a sort of special and private source of supply for campaign funds in State elections. It is known beforehand that the republican candidate for state printer will be elected. It is known moreover that the said candidate is landing into the fattest thing in the way of office on the Pacific Coast. With all this understood, the party chiefs require the coming state printer to put up for campaign purposes, a sum that is said to be princely. Nobody pretends to say how much it is. Some say it is a percentage on the whole terms receipts. Anyhow, it is known that the office is a big source of revenue both to the incumbent and to the republican party.

The printing graft grows prodigiously. A single item of growth explains all. Twenty years ago the calendars of the two Houses cost the state \$360. Robert Johnson of Corvallis was the man who introduced it. Before that time, no House and Senate calendar had been printed. The man who had the contract for it was L. R. Stinson, and he made \$150 out of it, though as stated but \$360 was paid by the State for printing this original calendar. It is estimated, though it is not known, that the calendar at the late session cost not less than \$4,000 or \$5,000. The original calendar that Bob Johnson introduced was ample, complete, perfect. The latest one is no better. The reason that it cost more is because every device known in making charges is availed of, and paid for. It is stated on excellent authority that any job printing office at commercial work and prices would have turned out the calendars for the late session at a cost of not to exceed \$500. This information comes from one of the best printers in Oregon, and one who knows whereof he speaks when he talks about Oregon legislative calendars.

HOW THEY KNOW US.

Back East—Call Oregon "Land of Puter, Hermann and Mitchell."

Apparently the land fraud shame that has befallen Oregon is thoroughly known in all its ugly details throughout the country. Letters received from distant parts contain references to the scandals. An Omaha business man wrote the other day to a Corvallis correspondent, and this is the way the letter began:

"Omaha, Nebraska, Feb. 13, '05. Dear sir:—Your favor of the 9th, inst, received today is welcome. Coming as it does from the land of Puter, Mitchell and Hermann, it tells us that at least all of the Oregonians are not in the penitentiary. "It arrived in Omaha to find the mercury 25 below zero, but I'll bet you, if it did come from the land of no frosts and no snow, and flowers and blossoms, some of the fellows whom the administration is after do not find Oregon a particularly pleasant place to reside."

The letter is its own comment. With three of Oregon's four members of congress unable to be in their seats because under indictment, how can things be otherwise.

Wood Choppers

Wanted at once. 200 cords of firewood to cut. P. A. Kline.

Branard & Astrmsong wash silk at Moses Bros.

Highest prices paid for chickens & eggs at Moses Bros.

**Spring of 1905
NEW ARRIVALS**

- Plain and Fancy Silks for shirt waist suits
- New Wool Dress goods
- New Wash Dress goods
- New White goods and Dress Trimmings
- New Laces and Embroideries
- New Muslin Underwear
- New Table Linens and Napkins
- New Percales and Gingham
- New Waistings
- New Separate Skirts
- New Neckwear
- Hawes \$3 Hats, Spring Styles
- New Goods Arriving weekly

Nolan & Callahan
LEADING CLOTHIERS.

**Chickens and
Eggs Wanted
Moses Brothes**

ANNOUNCEMENT

We have bought out Millner & Wellsher's New York Racket Store which we expect to enlarge and keep a First Class Establishment—and sell goods at the lowest living prices. We cordially invite you to call and inspect our goods and get our prices.....

Respectfully,
Wellsher & Gray.

WATCH OUR ADS.

WE DO NOT OFTEN CHANGE

Our ad., but our goods change hands every day. Your money exchanged for Value and Quality is the idea.

Big Line Fresh Groceries

Domestic and Imported.

Plain and Fancy Chinaware

A large and varied line.

Orders Filled Promptly and Complete. Visit our Store—we do the rest.

E. B. Horning.

SUMMONS.

In the circuit court of the state of Oregon for Benton county.
George A. Houck, plaintiff, vs. H. M. Donat and Mary Donat, his wife, and Robert W. Black, defendants.
To H. M. Donat and Mary Donat, his wife and Robert W. Black, defendants named:
In the name of the state of Oregon, you and each of you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled suit, now on file with the clerk of the above entitled court, on or before the last day of the time prescribed in the order for publication of this summons, made by the court judge of Benton county, state of Oregon (being the county where the above entitled suit is pending in the circuit court of said county and state), which said order is hereinafter referred to, to-wit: on or before six weeks from the day of the first publication hereof, and you are hereby notified that if you fail so to appear and answer the said complaint as herein required, the plaintiff will apply to the above entitled court for the relief demanded in said complaint, and for a decree of said circuit court declaring the above entitled suit to be due from the defendants, H. M. Donat, Mary Donat and Robert W. Black, to plaintiff, upon said preliminary notes and said mortgage in said complaint described, and said sum of \$3,200 in gold coin of the United States, with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per centum per annum from October 2, 1903, until paid; and further decreeing that \$300 is a reasonable sum to be allowed, and allowing the same, to plaintiff as attorney's fee, in insuring this suit, also decreeing that the plaintiff have a lien on the following described real property:

The southwest quarter and the west half of the southeast quarter of section 5, township 15 south, range 5 west; also beginning at the southeast corner of section 5, township 15 south, range 5 west, and thence south to the county line between Benton and Lane counties in the state of Oregon, thence east along said county line to a point due south of the southeast corner of said section 5, thence north to the said southeast corner of the said section 5, and thence west to the southwest corner of the section 5, and thence north along the south line of said section 5 to the place of beginning, excepting from last described tract a certain tract of land containing about 10 acres deeded by George A. Houck and wife to Charles Clem by deed dated April 8, 1898, and recorded in Book 12 of Oregon records, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining, for the full amount of said \$3,200 and interest as above, with \$200 attorney's fees, and the costs, disbursements and expenses of this suit, and the sale of said real property, that the above described real property be sold in the manner provided by law for the foreclosure of real estate mortgages, for gold coin of the United States of America, in and to the county of Benton, Oregon, and that the proceeds derived from such sale be applied, by the party making such sale, as follows, to-wit: First, to the payment of the costs and expenses of said sale; second, to the costs and disbursements of this suit; third, to the payment to plaintiff of the sum of \$300 as a reasonable attorney's fee herein; fourth, to the amount found due in said decree upon said notes and said mortgage—that is, the sum of \$3,200, together with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per centum per annum from October 2, 1903; and, lastly, if any remainder there be, to the defendants, H. M. Donat, Mary Donat, Robert W. Black, as their interests may appear; that all of the defendants be forever barred and foreclosed of all right, title and interest of, in and to said real property, and of all equity of redemption therein, except only the statutory right of redemption; and for such other, further and different rule, order or relief as to the court may seem proper and equitable in the premises.

This summons is published in the Corvallis Times once a week for six successive and consecutive weeks, beginning with the issue of February 11, 1905, and ending with the issue of March 25, 1905, under and in pursuance of the directions contained in an order made by the Hon. Virgil E. Watters, county judge of Benton county, Oregon, dated February 10, 1905. Date of the first publication hereof is February 11, 1905.
E. E. WILSON,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

SUMMONS.

In the circuit court of the state of Oregon for Benton county.
Richard Graham, plaintiff, vs. Jane Hogue, Clarinda Norcross, Amelia Hill, Frank Dryden, Ella Johnson, Minnie Hill, Clara Woods, Priscilla Doran, Myrtle Worman, Edward W. Hogue, Emma Becker, C. C. Hogue, Ida F. Irving, Charles P. Hogue, Mary Powers, Clara D. Monteith, Sarah L. Hogue, Chester Hogue, Harry W. Hogue, Maud McCann, Flora Rentz, Charles D. Monteith, Margaret Monteith, Ima Story and Mary A. Story, defendants.
To Jane Hogue, Clarinda Norcross, Amelia Hill, Frank Dryden, Ella Johnson, Minnie Hill, Clara Woods, Priscilla Doran, Mary A. Story, Myrtle Worman, Edward W. Hogue, C. C. Hogue, Ida F. Irving, Charles P. Hogue, Mary Powers, Clara D. Monteith, Sarah L. Hogue, Chester Hogue, Harry W. Hogue, Maud McCann, Flora Rentz, Charles D. Monteith, Margaret Monteith, Ima Story and Mary A. Story, the above named defendants:

In the name of the state of Oregon, you and each of you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled suit, in the office of the clerk of said court, on or before the 25th day of March, 1905, said day being the last day of the time prescribed in the order of publication of this summons, made by the county judge of Benton county, Oregon (which said order is hereinafter referred to), to-wit: on or before six weeks from the day of first publication hereof; and you are hereby notified that if you fail so to appear and answer the said complaint as herein required, for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the above entitled court for the relief demanded in his said complaint, namely, for a decree determining all conflicting and adverse claims, interests and estates in and to all the following described lands, to-wit:

Beginning at the southeast corner of donation land claim No. 77 of Thomas G. Hogue, in township 13 south, range 5 west, Willamette meridian, in Benton county, Oregon, and running thence north along the east line of said claim 24.82 chains to the south line of a tract of land sold by James P. Hogue to William H. and Charles F. Alexander on the 15th day of March, 1869, by deed recorded in Book "H" page 312, Benton county, Oregon, deed records (Hogue creek being the said south line), thence westerly following the meanderings of said Hogue creek to the southwest corner of said tract of land, said point being the intersection of Hogue creek with the north line of the L of the said donation land claim, thence west to the west boundary line of said claim No. 77, thence south to the southwest corner of said claim, thence east 40 chains to the place of beginning, containing 145.25 acres of land, more or less, in Benton county, state of Oregon; that defendants have no claim, interest or estate in the above described land, and that the title thereto is good and valid; and that the defendants be forever barred and enjoined from asserting any claim whatever in and to said premises adverse to plaintiff, and for general relief and costs and disbursements of said suit.

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Attorney for Plaintiff.

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