

**Newspaper Relic
From New
England....**

**IT WAS PUBLISHED WHEN
THIS GOVERNMENT WAS
ONLY NINE YEARS OLD**

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special Correspondence of The Sunday Oregonian.)—Jean Prindle, who has resided in Clackamas County 23 years, and 14 years of this time in Oregon City, possesses a literary relic of antiquarian merit that has come down from Revolutionary days, being a copy of the Connecticut Courant, printed in 1793.

Prindle, before coming to Oregon, lived at Simsbury, Conn., about 12 miles from Hartford. On the farm adjoining that of Prindle's father stood a stone mansion that had been built in Colonial days, and had been owned and occupied during several generations by a family named Mather, descendants of the Mathers known to every American schoolboy in United States History. The last survivor of the family to occupy the old mansion was William Mather, prominent for many years in Connecticut politics. Mather during the years of his activity in political affairs, had accumulated a large collection of secular papers, pamphlets and documents, such as come to the desk of a state official. By a strange coincidence, Mather and his wife both died the same day and were buried in the same grave. Their house was soon vacated, and the care of the premises was intrusted to a friend of Prindle's, who was then a young man. In 1860 Prindle and his friend were exploring the dark attic of the deserted mansion when they casually lit upon a bundle of papers half buried in the dust and tangled in a mesh of cobwebs. Bringing to light the find, the boys soon discovered that they had in their possession documents of more than ordinary value. A division of the find was made, and to Prindle fell, among other valuable papers, a copy of the Hartford Times of 1829 and a copy of the Connecticut Courant.

Following is the heading in full of the Courant:

THE CONNECTICUT COURANT.
Printed at Hartford, by Hudson & Goodwin, Opposite the North Meeting-House.
Vol. xxxiii. Monday, July 9, 1793. No. 1746.
This day published and sold by Hudson & Goodwin; price 3/4 dollars a hundred; 2 dollars for 50; one dollar for 25.

A page of the paper is 20 inches long and 12 inches wide, the printed matter occurring in five columns, so compactly filled as to keep one guessing where one article closes and another begins. The bold headlines that precede the items in a modern newspaper are conspicuously wanting in the Courant.

The paper treats upon Congressional legislation then being enacted and demanded to protect and promote National welfare. It urges the expediency of domestic improvements, and discusses at length our relations with foreign nations, especially with France, to which at that time President Adams was addressing some pointed state papers.

Three columns of one page are devoted to an account of the celebration of Independence day in 1793 by Hartford and other cities. Commenting on the Fourth of July celebration at New Haven, the editor says: "The anniversary of Independence was yesterday celebrated in this city, with demonstrations of joy as I never before witnessed. The day was ushered in with a discharge of cannon and ringing of bells. At 9 o'clock a procession was formed, which consisted of the various military companies of the city, officers of the late Army, attorneys for the state and district, orators of the day, the various officers of the city, county and state. . . . Dr. Dwight gave a sermon and Noah Webster, Esq., gave an oration. On these productions I make no remarks, except that they were received by a very crowded, brilliant and enlightened audience with most unbounded applause." Closing, the report says, "A few, a very few, growling Democrats, and one or two snarling, churlish fellows were now and then seen in some bye corner, viewing the beauty of the scene."

The same issue of the paper briefly chronicles the act of Congress in honoring Washington with the grade of Lieutenant-General. The notice as it appears is as follows:

Appointments:
George Washington,
Of Virginia, Lieutenant-General and Commander-in-Chief of the Armies of the United States of America.

As showing the strained relations between our country and France at this time a letter of John Adams, then President, to 43 petitioners of Washington County, Maryland, who supplicated him to use every honorable artifice of diplomacy to avert a rupture with the French nation, appears in full. The petition reads as follows:

"When you say that the Government of France is congenial to our own, I pray you, gentlemen, to reconsider the subject. The constitution, the administration, the laws, and their interpretation in France are as essentially different from ours as the ancient monarchy. If we may believe travelers returned from that country, or their own committees, the pomp and magnificence, the profusion of expense, the proud usurpation, the domineering inequality at present in that country, as well as the profusion of morals and depravation of manners, exceed all that was ever seen under the old monarchy, and form the most perfect contrast to our own in all those respects. I shall meet with sneerers any honorable creature of that nation, but shall make no more overtures."

Philadelphia, June 23, 1793.

The paper abounds in current news upon topics that have come down to the present day as matters of our Nation's history. Such a specimen of newspaper lore would prove a valuable acquisition to some historical society or to the collection of an antiquarian.

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Handsome, well-made Dresser, best Golden Oak finish; large square plate glass. Regular \$12.50 Dressers for only \$10.00

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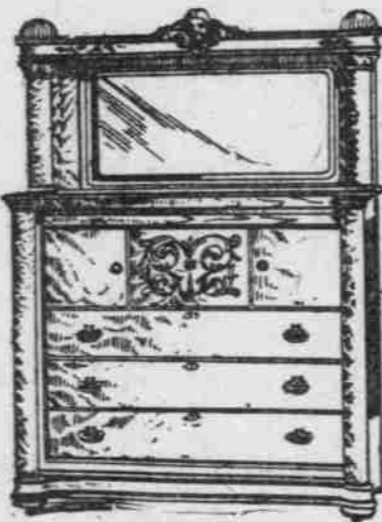
A pretty Dresser like cut. Golden Oak, White Maple or Mahogany finish, full swell front, large oval glass. A swell effect throughout and a genuine good article. Regular value \$29. Here during September \$21.00

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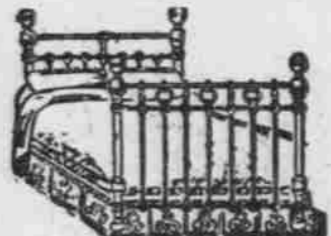
\$60
Folding Bed
\$40

Finest Quartered Oak, large golden flaked, hand polished, with large French beveled glass. Worth \$60. Here during September sale for only \$40.00

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\$50.00 Brass Bed \$35.00



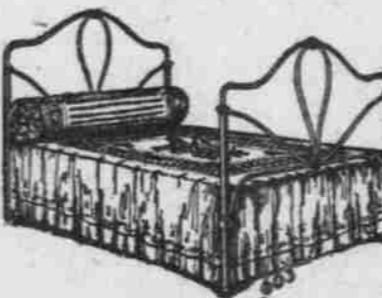
Handsome Brass Bed, extra heavy pillars and posts. Gold lacquered. A regular \$50.00 Bed for \$35.00

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\$18.00 Iron Bed \$12.00

Handsome Iron Bed like cut, beautiful brass work in two and three colored combinations. Regular \$18 Bed for \$12.00

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A selection of Axminsters that cannot be equaled in the city, regular \$1.80 quality, sold as a bargain at \$1.60. Our price \$1.50. We have them in Oriental and floral effects, two-toned. A home with one of these Carpets will be it. There are none better. Our price... \$1.50



\$35 Folding Bed
\$20.00

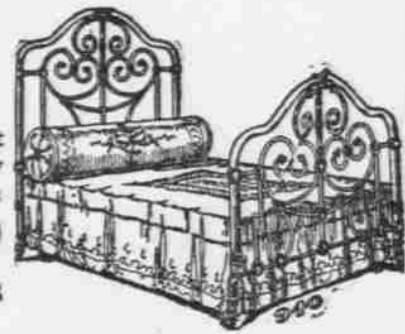
A swell Folding Bed, Golden Oak, Dresser effect; a handsome article, and worthy of a place in any home. Worth \$35. During our September sale \$20.00

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\$4.00 Iron Bed
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Handsome Iron Bed like cut in several colors. Heavy angle head and foot. Worth \$4. During our September sale \$3.50

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\$10.00 Iron Bed
\$8.50

Just like cut. Heavy brass knots and rails, head and foot straight. Regular \$10.00 Bed. Here during September sale \$8.50

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