

Pioneer Mayor of Portland, Hale and Hearty

George Collier Robbins Is Leading a Retired Life at San Diego, California

GEORGE Collier Robbins, pioneer of 1852, the subject of this sketch, is of typically American stock. His paternal ancestors were among the earliest...



George Collier Robbins, Mayor of Portland.

Francisco, and next to Tucker, of San Francisco, had the largest business of the kind upon the Coast. General Joseph Hooker once referred to Mr. Robbins as the "Tiffany of Oregon."

Genial and generous, he had many friends, and soon became prominent enough to be elected Mayor of the town. This was in April, 1852. In this capacity he had the honor of entertaining Lady Franklin, widow of Sir John Franklin, of the north coast where she went in search of alleged relics of her husband's unfortunate expedition.

and but a small part of the money was ever sent back. This spelled ruin for Mr. Robbins and many others. He struggled on with his business for a year or two and was then obliged to give it up. Undaunted, however, he started out afresh, this time for Idaho, where he opened and placed upon the market the "Pioneer Mine," the most celebrated mine in Idaho at that time.

When the "White Pine" excitement broke out in Nevada, in 1859, it found Mr. Robbins there. "White Pine" did not last, and in returning he stopped at Eureka, where there were silver and lead ores which he knew how to smelt. The old Missouri experience here stood him in good stead. He piled up an adobe furnace, burnt charcoal, and demonstrated that the work could be economically done in this region.

He is now living a retired life at San Diego, Cal., at the ripe old age of 54, where every one knows and loves and reveres the tall white-bearded old gentleman. Though at the age of 54, his mental faculties are perfect. Those who have the pleasure of his intimate acquaintance are surprised at his wonderful memory for names and dates.

The writer remembers two maps shown him by Mr. Robbins, one drawn by the Government Engineer, and the other by McClellan, U. S. Engineers. These are the names of persons who since then have become famous. The other map is that of the Eastern Oregon and British Columbia territory, with most of the names spelled wrong, that is, according to the present mode of spelling, and the sketches upon it are quite different from the accurately made maps of recent years, but, nevertheless, more interesting, if only to show the matter of incorrectness.

It is a nice thing to remember these old pioneers and be able to say that one has heard their talk; and among those who are most interesting are the gentlemen whose names are on the map, and whose names have been so lightly sketched in the foregoing.

Table of Grand Central Station Time Card with columns for Southern Pacific, Northern Pacific, and Oregon Railroad & Navigation Co. listing various routes and times.

Table of Classified Ad. Rates with columns for (For Cash Advertising), (For Advertising), and (For Advertising) listing rates for different types of ads.

Table of Daily Meteorological Report for Portland, Oct. 19, 1907, listing temperature, wind, and other weather conditions.

Table of Pacific Coast Weather with columns for Station, Wind, and other weather data for various locations along the coast.

MANY PATRONS IN PORTLAND FOR GET-RICH-QUICK SCHEMES

Agents for Oil and Mining Stock Find Plenty of Customers in Sections Where Money is Plentiful. "H"AVE you noticed the number of takers, mining stock, shares, get-rich-quick articles, and other members of the sure-thing gang...

DAILY CITY STATISTICS

Births. BARRY-To the wife of James Barry, 401 Pacific, October 15, a son. MOWREY-To the wife of Charles E. Mowrey, 212 Broadway, a daughter.

subdivision St. John Heights. 700 Harvey and S. A. Northrup to Charles W. Keller, lot 2, block 66, Halsted Chase and Josephine, 1,800 Harvey and S. A. Northrup, lot 1, block 66, Halsted Chase and Josephine, 1,800 Cannon to O. R. & N. Co., lots 4 and 5, block 55, Peninsula, add. 200 D. L. Riley to O. M. Jacobson, lots 12 and 14, block 4, Portland, 223 Norma G. Seaman to W. C. Nicholas, lots 1 and 2, block 1, in part in lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Deaths. BARRY-To the wife of James Barry, 401 Pacific, October 15, a son. MOWREY-To the wife of Charles E. Mowrey, 212 Broadway, a daughter. SCHLEGEL-To the wife of Charles August Schlegel, 84 Gibbs, October 15, a son.

Deaths. WILLIAM TALLMAN-One-story frame dwelling, East Twentieth, between Killingsworth and Surman, \$300. GEORGE EVANS-One-story frame dwelling, East Twentieth, near Powell Valley Road, \$1500. GEORGE ROSS-One-story frame dwelling, East Twentieth, between Russell and Stephens, \$1000.

NEW TODAY. S. L. N. Gilman Realty Co. Auction Sales BY J. T. WILSON AUCTIONEER Monday, Wednesday, Friday At Salesrooms, 208 First St. AT 10 A. M.

Public Auction PARCEL NO. 1. Commencing at the southwest corner of lot No. 2, block "M," Taber Heights, thence north 50 feet, thence north 50 feet to place of beginning, 60x100 ft. Duplicate directly north of above, 60x100 feet.

Tabor Heights MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M. On terms of 25 per cent down, bal. 12 and 15 months. For particulars inquire of the Auctioneer, or at Real Estate Firm, 208 First St., Portland, Ore.

Portland Auction Co's FURNITURE AUCTION SALES TUESDAY, 10 A. M. THURSDAY, 10 A. M. FRIDAY, AT 2 P. M. GENUINE MAHOAGANY AND GOLD-LEAF PATTERNS, FURNITURE, ELEGANT AXMINSTER RUGS, ETC.

ON THURSDAY NEXT We shall have another clean lot of household furniture, carpets, rugs, etc. for sale at our Auction Rooms, 208 First St., Wednesday, 10 o'clock (Thursday).

S. L. N. Gilman Auctioneer Gilman Auction and Commission Co. 411 Washington Street. SALES THIS WEEK -OF- Household Furniture TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, EACH DAY AT 10 A. M.

FOR RENT Quarter Block, Known as the Haseltine Bld. On Second and Pine streets. Four stories and basement. By Brooke & Kiernan 91 Third Street.

Geo. D. Schalk Main 232, A. 2332. 264 Stark St. 50x100, with new two-story building. Income \$100 per month. It will pay 15 per cent net on the money invested.

Two \$25,000 Lots Washington St. For \$40,000 N. B. Taylor 513 Chamber of Commerce. HANFORD & BLACKWELL CIVIL ENGINEERS. A GOOD BUY in South Portland TWO 5 Room Cottages STRICTLY MODERN F. B. HOLBROOK CO. 250 Stark Street.

Portland Heights Snap The finest quarter on the Heights for sale at a sacrifice, one block from car. L. 207, Oregonian. HARRY B. PERKS MEMBER A. I. M. E. CONSULTING MINING ENGINEER Reports on mines in any part of the country. 206, 217, 208 COUCH BLDG.