The Democrat.

Down with the commissions and use less boards.

The advance agent of prosperity is liable not to have a full house.

Protection is needed against burglars. They are all together too promiscuous.

The papers continue to publish the wind contest between Fitzsimmons and Corbett.

A good name is the greatest wealth any one can have. Let the boys contemplate the fact.

An exchange says that during 1896 many people died who never died before. Very sad.

A Bull Frog near Baker City sold a few days ago for $30,000. Perhaps not a high price for a good mine.

It is hard to tell which there will be the most blow about, the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight or tariff revision.

Some of our exchanges which were ful of calamity howling just before election now are begging the people not to calamity howl. The vail is a thin one.

It will not be surprising if there is a deadlock in the senatorial fight, notwithstanding members have promised that the state shall not be disturbed in that way.

Another fool has been heard from: A. L. Dorris, a wealthy farmer living near Union, Indiana, signed a contract by the terms of which he agrees to forfeit $1,000 if he shaves or cuts until Mr Bryan is elected. Men who do such things are not fit for association with intelligent people.

Superintendent Irwin is in favor of a text book on good morals in the public schools. Certainly it is being recognized that a good education consists more than in the development of the brain, and that good citizenship is an important factor in it. The country needs better citizens, and the school is the proper place for starting in the right path.

The Corvallis Gazette talks in the following very interesting manner: The gods help those who help themselves and capital has some attributes of divinity. Capital must be coaxed and not forced. If Corvallis wishes to grow and to attract men of means, her citizens must make more effort towards keeping up the general appearance of the place. Corvallis is delightfully located and used to be a neat and pretty town, but it is growing exceedingly shabby. Old and unpainted sheds, rickety fences and general evidences of decay are observable from every corner. A citizen taking a quiet stroll through the town cannot but feel that the first thought of a stranger would be, "what a shabby old place." Hammer and nails, a little paint, a little whitewash, a little energy, can accomplish wonders. Corvallis wants her share of the emigration that promises to flow Oregonward during the coming year. Desirable people will not care to locate in a place that appears listless and delapidated. Many eastern towns have been improved both as to external appearances and socially, through the instrumentality of development clubs organized for the purpose. There is a good field for such an organization in Corvallis.

First, Retrenchment!

When an honest man finds his expenses largely exceeding his income he begins to retrench.

When an honest government is in the same fix it should adopt the same policy.

Chairman Cannon of the House Committee on appropriations has taken up the first of The World's essential Three R's—Retrenchment. Referring to the continuing deficit and the borrowing of money on bonds, he says:

As long as this situation continues the appropriations and expenditures should be held down rigidly to the smallest aggregate compatible with the efficiency of the public service. No new expenditures ought to be, and in my judgment none will be, authorized that are not absolutely indispensible for the public safety and the preservation of the national honor.

Good! That is common sense, common honesty and—alas!—rather uncommon patriotism.

No new pensions! No new public buildings! No new river and harbor jobs! No new offices or increased salaries! Let the pruning knife, not an inverted Horn of Plenty, be the emblem for congress.—World.

Wheat In Benton County.

The Times says:

Wheat jumped up another cog in the local market yesterday, and now stands at 75 cents, the highest price paid for several seasons. Several of the comparatively few farmers still holding wheat have been waiting for this figure, and have hitherto left orders with the mills to mark their crops sold whenever it was reached. If the present price holds up it is probable that a considerable portion of the cereal still held by farmers will change hands, though some will hold for the further rise or fall in price that is to come. It is understood that the low price of charters, due to the unusually large aggregate of unchartered tonnage arrived and to arrive in Portland and other ports has helped to stiffen the price. Farmers with spring seed wheat for sale are in luck this season. The damage to growing grain by the late cold snap turns out to have been far more extensive than has yet been reported. A farmer in town yesterday declared that in some sections of the country he has visited fifty per cent of the wheat and almost all the oats are frozen out. One field of 150 acres, literally ruined was cited as evidence of the injury wrought. The need for seed to resow such crops, and the fact that inclement weather prevented the sowing of but a small area of fall grain has made a scarcity of spring wheat. Few farmers have such seed to spare, and the paucity makes the price extraordinarily high. A dollar a bushel is mentioned as the price some have had to pay, and $1 25 per bushel is set out as the probable figure that those still unsupplied may have to pay for seed for spring sowing.

To add to the demand, a buyer from California was in the county this week, hunting for 16,000 bushels of spring wheat for California farmers. Out of the scarcity more than one farmer wonders where the seed is to come from for his spring seeding.

If you want a good and clean smoke buy cigars made by our Albany cigar factory.

"The Horseless Age."

The incoming of the New Year brings as usual new thoughts, and natural enough comes a retrospect of the past, an inventory of the present, and a new or firmer set purpose for the future.

We have watched the rising and receding lines of industry through these years of adversity, and actuated by duty toward our patrons, we will at this time call attention to one of the most neglected—the horse.

The people have had their ride out on the bicycle, their knee pants and sweaters are hung away in the closets. The California air ship lies out behind a little clump of trees near Oroville with its prow stuck in the mud, the result of its last trial, while the faithful old horse so recently condemned to oblivion, still plods into town with pork, wheat, milk and chickens.

It now looks as though the old friend that has carried man through all the battles for existence and freedom is yet to stay. A great deal has been written of late about the horseless age, and we are sorry to say that some newspapers of influence, have not only given space to such senseless articles but have given vent through the pen to misled brains that might have directed their patrons in lines of prosperity and usefulness, instead of distrust and discontent. These influences, coupled with depreciated values and a reduced earning capacity, has led the people to not only abandon horse-breeding entirely for the last four years, but to destroy and neglect what they had, which is a loss of untold thousands to the country. Horses are selling again at boom prices in the eastern auction rings. John R. Gentry brought $19,500 and an undeveloped 2 year old $4-500 and all classes of work and driving horses comparitively high. The old world is now coming to us for horses and each season brings a large increase of our exportations.

It may easily be seen that with the death rate and no breeding will lead to the greatest horse famine ever seen, and exceedingly high prices will prevail, unless the country can do without them. As it takes six years to produce a horse for usefulness, which will be the year 1903, it is our opinion that breeding must be commenced again soon, that a national calamity may be averted. In corroboration of our opinion we quote the following from the Breeder and Sportsman of California.

"Through the competition of bicycles and trolleys a scarcity of horses has been created in the local market, the effect of which has been, within the past month or so, to largely increase the prices of all draft and work horses. It was not so long that farmers were bringing their horses to the local sale yards and practically giving them away. There was no demand for them and the very best were sold for almost nothing. But now the reaction has set in, and the result is that people in San Francisco in need of work horses can not secure them unless they pay fancy prices, and even then the animals they purchase are not the California product, being shipped here from Oregon and Arizona. The most recent illustration of this was had at the Presidio. The government needed horses for the cavalry service, and in accordance with army regulations Chief Quartermaster Colonel A. S. Kimball advertised for seal proposals for sound well-bred young horses, and incorporated the stipulation that preference would be given to horses bred in California. No response whatever was received from California breeders, and only a few came in from some local dealers. In addition, the prices asked were four times as high as those which accompanied the bids of several years ago, and the government had to abandon the idea of securing California bred horses, and the animals required were purchased in Southern Oregon. The price paid was $133.50 per head. Horses are scarce in Oregon, too, but the abandonment of horse breeding has not been so extensive there as in this state. Colonel Kimball has issued an announcement that twenty-three more horses are required at the Presidio, and it is understood that these, too, will have to be purchased in Oregon, or possibly in Arizona. W.

Some Needed Legislation.

In view of the near approach to the biennial session of the state legislature it is very proper to consider candidly some of the legislation which the state of Oregon needs.

The mortgage tax law should be reenacted. This is being proven as plain a proposition as the nose on a horse's face and needs no props. The boasted advantages to arise from the repeal of the law never materialized. On the contrary Oregon has lost a tax it is as much entitled to as that on a farm or stock of merchandise.

All indebtedness should be taken out from assessment, and a man should pay taxes on what he owns and not on what he owes

The stockholders in a corporation should be made individually responsible for its debts and not merely the unpaid stock as now. The protection of the creditor class demands this.

The rate of interest should be lowered to a figure that will be just to lender and borrower.

The railroad commission, state board of equalization, game warden, attorney general, and a few other useless appendices, should be abolished. And there should be no new commissions.

The office of district attorney should be abolished and county attorneys elected at a salary in keeping with the business.

All justice court cases should be tried in the district where the offense is committed, or in the adjoining district, or if tried by any other justice it should be in the precinct where the offense was committed.

There are fourteen circuit judges in Oregon. While the efficiency of the service should not be impaired it is said to be a fact that the business could be well attended to by eight or nine. The state should be put in districts so as to cover the field with a less number than now.

There should be precinct assessors.

A law should be passed making it possible to amend the charter of a city without the present red tape and expensive proceeding.

A tramp law should be passed of a strict character, making it impossible for one to run the blockade.

A maximum freight law is needed, one that will give the producer some of the returns for his products.

These are some cases of needed legislation that come to our mind. Others no doubt will be suggested to the DEMOCRAT before the convening of the legislature.

It is probable that nearly every law suggested will be fought by the Portland ring, who will take their customary course for defeating them by refusing to support the pet measures of different members unless they consent to the ring dictation. Every honorable member is appealed to to rise above the back-scratching ring methods of past legislatures, which have been the means of putting several bad laws on our books and of defeating many good ones.

Blizzards are raging in the east, not a one in Oregon.

There have been two Methodist presidents. Mr McKinley will be the third.

Several defaulting bank men are doing pretty good work by committing suicide.

It is a rare thing that Salem doesn't get the whole bakery, but we are glad to note that for at least once Albany got a small slice.

The state legislature should pass a law making taxes payable in two installments, for instance on April 1, and Oct. 1 of each year.

The reenactment of the mortgage tax law should be made an issue from the drop of the hammer on the meeting of the state legislature.

The men who go to the legislature next week and allow the Portland ring to run them might as well sell out their political capital once.

In the death of C H Lewis, Portland has lost a worthy citizen take his career al. together. He played an important part in the commercial history of the Northwest.

Notwithstanding the people are wishing that the railroad commission, state board of equalization, &c., should be abolished there are plenty of candidates for the positions offered.

The Man about Town has been hanging around the DEMOCRAT office for a good many years. Now he has a counterpart on the Pendleton E. O., called the Fellow about Town. Shake.

Mr. Bryan lectured to a $1500 house, and some of the papers are referring to it as a financial failure We'd call that a big lecture house. The man who draws $500 on even a New York platform is doing well.

Mayor Hicks, of Silverton, is now in correspondence with persons at Eaton Rapids, Mich., who are desirous of coming to Silverton to start a woolen mill, if a sufficient bonus can be raised by Silverton people. The Eastern company wants enough money to pay freight on the machinery, furnish a site and put up a building. If that is all the company wants, its managers are invited to correspond with The Dalles Commercial Club. The people of The Dalles will offer substantial encouragement to anybody who wants to put up a woolen mill. —The Dalles Times-Mountaineer.

Undoubtedly there will be a great immigration movement into the Pacific Northwest the coming year. This will come from all the Northern states, but especially those of the Mississippi valley, from which section the greatest number of inquiries in regard to land and opportunities for investment are received. During the hard times thousands of families have looked about them carefully to see if there could not be found some portion of our great country to which they might go and better their condition. As a result of their investigations a great number have determined to come to this region as soon as they can make arrangements to do so.—Pacific Northwest.

On The Divide.

Jan. 5, 1897.

The Christmas tree given by the Harris Sunday school was well attended An excellent programme was rendered by the little folks under the direction of Miss Edith Kerns. The two trees were laden with presents.

Clara Philpott who has been spending the winter in Portland is home for a three week's visit.

John Davidson returned to Eugene Saturday to resume his studies at the U. of O.

Maggie Rayburn has been visiting her sister near Junction the past week.

Mrs Kate Springate is slowly recovering from her recent illness.

Ed Carrol visited Eugene this week.

Mr Nichols and family of near Lebanon visited friends here Friday and Saturday.

The Wyatt S S visited the Harris S S last Sunday.

Miss Laura Coleman received word of the serious illness of her sister Miss Rose and went to Salem Saturday.

A surprise party was given Harve Sommerville last Saturday evening. The time was very enjoyably spent in music and games.

Mrs John Grimes gave a dinner to a large number of friends on Thursday and a watch party the same evening. An excellent literary program was rendered during the evening.

Harry Macey, of Coburg, visited his parents last Saturday.

On Tuesday evening of last week a large crowd of neighbors and friends met at John Sommervilles. After several hours in social chat and merry making, Mrs Sommerville brought out a lunch that sustained her former reputation in culinary skill.

Mrs Stelmacher returned Saturday from Albany.

Miss Edith Kerns has returned and resumed duties in the school room after spending the week of holidays with her parents in Eugene.

Winfield Allingham returned to his school at Lebanon Saturday.

Mr McGrath is at home again having spent several weeks enlarging and remodeling a house for Mr Nichols on his farm near Lebanon.

Rev Sperry, of Brownsville, is to preach at the Harris school house the third Sabbath at 3 P. M.

Willie Grimes and sister returned to Eugene yesterday.

A large portion of the fall sown oats in this vicinity was badly injured if not killed by the cold snap in November.

S. S.

Oakville.

The holidays are over and all the Johnnies are in their places again after a weeks vacation.

Mr. H. C. Jackson of Tangent made a hurried visit to this place last week, R. G. Junkin went home with him and spent his vacation.

Mr. Hammer of Albany called on us yesterday, he is looking after those boys who forgot to pay their taxes in 1894.

Mr. J. W. Barton helped A. Y. Smith to get up his winter wood yesterday.

We acknowledge a pleasant call from Miss Fay Banks, daughter of our friend Louis Banks, D. D. Miss Banks is attending school here.

Mr J. C. Brown passed by on his way to prayer meeting, he waived his hand as he passed. Call again Joe, we can listen to your talk if you don't talk "politics."

We are patiently awaiting the meeting of the legislature for we hope to have something done for the benefit of the farmers and laborers, but we fear that a great part of the forty days will be spent in electing a senator and we have made our guess on who will get there, but hope we will be deceived.

What is the matter with Young America? Too much Christmas perhaps.

LITTLE ROSS BUD.

MISFITS.

Both houses of congress reassembled yesterday with John H. Mitchell 3300 miles away.

A good of deal house-breaking is going on in Salem. Wait until the legislature meets and the house breakers wont be in it.

In the recent election in San Francisco the total cost of voting was $3 a head. Mighty high that, indicating wholesale robbery in the voting system.

March 17 has been set for the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight. It would be a great relief to the public if the men could be put in cold storage until that date.

There will be fifty-three Fridays this year. Right here we would like to state very emphatically that it doesn't signify anything at all. There were fifty-three Thursdays last year and it was bad enough.

Physicians are said to be running every thing into appendicitis. In Chicago a few days ago, Ex-Congressman Cutler was operated upon for a sure case of appendicitis, and it transpired that he had no appendix at all.

East Salem has a literary society, which in a few days will try a young man for breach of promise. Gov. Fletcher and Frank Davey are among the shining lights.

Senator Perkins of California refused to leave his post of duty in Washington to go to California to fight for reelection. He thought the Pacific coast needed him there more than here.

The state legislature will meet one week from tomorrow, and will be run principally by Joe Simon and his ring, which will mean that much needed legislation will be in jeopardy. Two years ago the same ring practically defeated several important measures and probably will this year.

The recorder's report shows that the expenditures of Albany for 1896 were $565.89 more than the receipts. Another hitch should be taken in 1897 so as to bring the expenses below the receipts. A city should live within its income, but it is pleasing to note that Albany has been coming closer to it than most any city in Oregon. Salem for instance run about $17,000 behind last year.

The disappearance of Jas Eglin at Corvallis, is undoubtedly a bad affair. There is enough in sight to indicate rotten work by some one, who, it is to be hoped the public ascertains in time for the meting out of justice. The circumstances are complicated, but it looks as if prompt and careful work should place the crime where it belongs.

The Salem Statesman which before election was going to have prosperity begin at once has now postponed it until March 4. We will all rejoice if it comes then; but handling this prosperity question requires good judgment, whereas the Statesman treats it in just about the language it does the railroad from that city to Astoria.

The Manufactures' Association of the Northwest is taking active steps toward a complete canvass of the state in behalf behalf of the patronage of home industry. At a meeting of the executive committee, held yesterday, the initial step was taken in the selection of Mr. George A. Cooper to be the assistant to the secretary. The selection is a good one, and Mr. Cooper will enter upon his duties at once. He will make a canvass from store to store and from house to house, as part of the plan adopted, when all persons visited will be asked to sign a pledge to patronize home manufactures, as follows: "I hereby pledge myself, price and quality permitting, to give the preference to articles of Northwestern manufacture or production in everything I purchase or use; and will endeavor to induce others to do likewise, an thus assist in home industry."—Oregonian.

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TELEGRAPHIC.

In The Senate

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The senate today passed the house bill abolishing the death penalty in a large number of cases. The measure is in the line of the recent state laws abolishing capital punishment, and applies the same principle to federal offenses, although the change is not extended to a total abolition of the death penalty. The present laws, which have come down from colonial times, have a sanguinary aspect, and prescribe death for offenses of various characters. The bill passed today reduces the offenses to five, viz: Treason, rape, murder, and two offenses applicable to the army and navy.

What Wool Men Want.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—After being in session much of the day and evening, the National Woolgrowers' Association agreed upon the form of a bill to be presented to the ways and means committee. Its features are embraced in the memorial of the farmers' national congress, adopted at its session at its Indianapolis in November, and agreed on in this city in December last. In brief it asks congress to impose on merino wool and wools from the mutton breed of sheep, unwashed, 12 cents a pound; on other wools, 8 cents a pound; double duty on all washed, and treble if scoured

Another Scheme

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Representative Harrison, of Alabama, a member of the committee on Pacific railroads, contemplates offering a substitute for the Powers' bill when the vote is taken in the house, which will provide for a committee to represent the government's interests and arrange any settlement with the Pacific roads which it deems practicable, subject to the approval of the president.

Weyler Satisfied

MADRID, Jan. 5.—The correspondent at Havana of the Imparcial, of this city, cables that he has had an interview with Captain-General Weyler, in which the general expressed surprise at the newspaper campaign in Spain against him. General Weyler did not deny the existence of abuses, but said that his conscience was clear, and that at the proper time he would show what he had done.

Again

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 5.—George C Perkins was declared nominee of the joint republican caucus tonight; 23 senators and 36 assemblymen went into the caucus and Perkins received 59 votes and the proxy of Sims, making a vote of 60. Perkins needs but one vote to elect, and that is said to be sure

A Long Fly Stopped.

PETALUMA, Cal., Jan. 5.—Yesterday some boys, while hunting, shot a pigeon on a tree, and the bird dropped with a broken wing. A message tied to the bird's wing proved that it came from Walla Walla, Wash., four days ago. The note was addressed to Messrs. Carlisle & Son, San Francisco

A Big Storm.

ST. PAUL, Jan 4.—A blizzard has been raging throughout the Northwest yesterday and today, and as a result train service is considerably crippled. In a number of towns business was about suspended. Devils Lake reported no trains for 26 hours, and Grand Forks makes a similar report adding that the schools are closed and wires down to the west of there.

In South Dakota there was more snow and the storm was more severe. Huron reports drifts 15 feet high, and the storm still raging.

Money's Trip

HAVANA, Jan. 4.—Senator elect Money, of Mississippi, member of the house committee on foreign affairs, was missing from Hotel Inglaterra today. It is believed, however, he went to Matanzas, where two American newspaper men have also located.

La Lucha today publishes an editorial referring to the reported disappearance and the many stories spread in regard to his absence.

Death of C H Lewis

PORTLAND, Jan. 4.—C H Lewis, the best known of Portland's merchants, passed peacefully away at 2:47 this morning, after an illness of two days, from paralysis. He was surrounded by his family at his death, but was unconscious to the last.

Mr Lewis was stricken with paralysis Saturday afternoon while on his way to business.

A N Y Murder

NEW YORK, Jan 4.—James Duffy, the Boston pugilist, who collapsed at the conclusion of a 10-round boxing match with George Justice at the Broadway Athletic Club, Saturday night, died today without having regained consciousness. The deputy coroner, who performed the autopsy upon the body of Duffy, reported that death was the result of cerebral hemorrhage, caused by a blow. Manager O'Rourke, Boxer Justice and Referee Roche were held on a charge of assault in $2000 bail.

Up In Idaho

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 4.—Frank Steunenberg and other state officers were sworn in shortly before noon, without ceremony of any kind. Both branches of the legislature met at noon and were organized by the democrats and silver republicans. The latter votad solidly for the democratic nominees. The populists, who fused with the democrats in the election, do not get a place. A H Alford, of Lewiston, is speaker.

A Popular Route

BALTIMORE, Jan. 4.—Richard Cornelius, cashier, and for 42 years connected with the National Farmers' and Planters' bank, of which Enoch Pratt was president up to the time of his death, was discovered to be short in his accounts about $60,000 today. About 10 o'clock Mr Cornelius was notified of the discovery, and left the bank. At 1:15 this afternoon his dead body was found in the duck pond at Druid Pill Park. He committed suicide by drowning.

Rebels Defeated.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The Standard's Madrid dispatch reports further details from the Philippine islands of the disastrous defeat of the rebels. According to the advices, at the battle of Bulucan, General Rios commanded the Spaniards. The rebels numbered 3000, and were entrenched on the Cacaron heights. The Spaniards attacked the trenches with the bayonet and captured a cartridge factory in addition to guns, etc. During the pursuit, the dispatch continues, the rebels often pretend to be dead, and afterward sprang up and attacked the Spaniards in the rear. At one place, the Spaniards, suspecting the insurgents had hidden in the bushes, set fire to them, and 200 perished in the flames.

High Water.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—From all parts of the West, reports of damage by flood and storm during the last 24 hours are coming in Illinois, heavy rain has fallen, streams are flooded, making the roads impassible and damaging winter wheat. Joliet is threatened with one of the worst floods in its history. Families are moving out of their houses, and lowlands are flooded. Water is sweeping through the lumber yards, and the Rock island track is submerged in the vicinity of Lacon. Wheat has been damaged badly.

Back in Havana

HAVANA, Jan. 3.—General Weyler is back in Havana. He left camp at Bayate at 6 o'clock this morning, arriving with an escort of cavalry at Artemisa at 12 o'clock, and at Mariel at 3 o'clock. He immediately left there on the cruiser Legazpi, arriving in Havana at 8 o'clock this evening. He was accompanied by Chief-of Staff Escribano and his son, Fernando Weyler, who is one of his aids.

From the Commodore.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 3.—A Commercial Tribune special from Jacksonville, Fla., says:

Seventeen men accounted for out of 28 on the Cuban filibuster Commodore is the record here tonight, with a slight chance of seven more being yet alive. Five men came ashore at Daytona this noon—Captain Murphy, Stephen Crane, the novelist, the cook, and two sailors. One of the latter, William Higgins, of Rhode Island, died soon after reaching land.

Monthly Coinage Statement

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The monthly coinage statement issued by the mint bureau shows the total coinage at the mints of the United States during December, 1896, to have been $7,017,419, as follows:

Gold	$4,363,165
Silver	2,551,968
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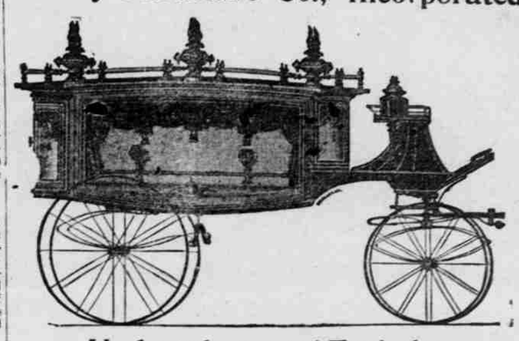

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Notice for Publication

LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, OR. Dec. 8th, 1896.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Oregon City, Oregon, on January 25th, 1897, viz: Christian Neubold; Pre D S 7974 for the S ½ of N E ¼, Lots 1 and 2 Sec 3, T 10 S R 4 E. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz: C I Henkle, B T George, Gilbert Knutson, C S Gates, all of Niagara, Oregon.

ROBERT A. MILLER, Register.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned executrix of the last will and testament of Nancy Biggers, deceased, has filed in the county court of Linn county, Oregon, her final account as such executrix and that said court has fixed Saturday, the 9th day of January, 1896, at the hour of 9 o'clock a m at the court house in Albany, Oregon, for hearing objections to said account if any, and the settlement of the same.

D R N BLACKBURN Atty for Ex'rix. M J HANRAHAN, Executrix etc.

Notice.

LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY OR December 28th, 1896.

Notice is hereby given that the approved fractional plat of Township 13 South, Range 8 East has been received from the surveyor general of Oregon, and on February 8th 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., of said date, said plat will be filed in this office, and the land therein embraced will be subject to entry on and after said date.

WM GALLOWAY Receiver. ROBERT A MILLER, Register.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the county court of Linn county, Oregon, administrator of the estate of Thomas Holt, deceased, late of Linn county, Or. All persons having claims against the estate of said deceased are hereby notified to present the same, with the proper vouchers, to me at my residence in Jefferson, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated this 30th of Dec, 1896.

ELKINS & CANNON, Attys for Admr. GRANT HOLT, Administrator.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

I have this day filed in the County Court of Linn county my final account as administrator de bonis non of the estate of James Knox deceased and the judge of said court has appointed the 5th day of Jan. 1897 for hearing objections to said account and the settlement ther

Dated Dec 3rd, 1896.

G. B. HAIGHT, Administrator of James Knox, deceased.

Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, OR, Dec. 23, 1896.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the county clerk of Linn county at Albany, Oregon, on February 5th, 1897, viz: Mrs Abiezi Olden; H E 11032 for the E ½ of S W ¼ and W ½ of S E ¼ of Sec 23, Tp 10 S R 6 E. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz: L C Ives, A T Ives, V G Danforth, Mrs A M Tillotson, all of Detroit, Oregon.

ROBERT A MILLER, Register.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have been duly appointed by the Hon county court of Linn county, Oregon, executors of the last will and testament of Herman Arnold, deceased, late of said county, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to the said undersigned at Albany, Oregon, properly verified within six months from the date hereof.

Dated at Albany, Oregon, this 9th day of December, 1896.

CONRADINA ARNOLD, ROBERT ARNOLD, Executrs.
WHITNEY & NEWPORT, Attys for Exs.

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the county court of Linn county, Oregon, administrator with the will annexed of the estate of John Nelson, deceased, late of Linn county, Or. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same with the proper vouchers to me at Albany, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

ELKINS & CANNON, Attys for Admr. SAMUEL E YOUNG, Administrator with the will annexed

Albany, Oregon, Oct 6, 1896.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that P Y Duncan has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of A D Knox, late of Linn county, Oregon, deceased, by the county court of Linn county, Oregon, and that he has duly qualified as such, all persons having claims against said estates are hereby notified to present the same to me with the proper vouchers under oath at the office of W R Bilyeu in Albany, Oregon within six months from the date hereof

Dated this 11th day of December, 1896.

P Y DUNCAN, Administrator.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County court of Linn county, Oregon, administrator of the estate of Joseph C Myers, deceased, late of said county, and he has duly qualified as such and all persons having claims against said estate are here by requested to present the same to me at Albany, Oregon, properly verified as by law provided, within six months from this date.

Dated at Albany, Oregon, this 16th day of December, 1896.

D W MYERS, Administrator
WHITNEY & NEWPORT, Attys for Admr.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as administrator of the estate of J F Price, deceased, has filed his final account in said estate with the county clerk of Linn county, Oregon, and the county court has fixed Monday, the 25th day of January, 1897, at the hour of 1 o'clock p m, of said day for the final hearing of said account and the settlement of said estate. Any and all persons having any objections to the same are hereby notified to be present at said time and present the same.

J A PERRY Admr.
WEATHERFORD & WYATT, Attys for Admr.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I have been duly appointed by the county court of Linn county, Oregon, administrator, with the will annexed of the estate of John Nelson, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate of said deceased are hereby notified to present the same duly verified to me at my residence near Shedd, Linn county, Oregon, or to my attorney, Geo W Wright, at his law office in Albany, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

GEO W WRIGHT, Atty for Admr
Dated Jan 5, 1897.

MARY NELSON, Admr with the will annexed of the estate of John Nelson deceased.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Sugar Pine Mill & Fixture Co. will be held at their office in Albany, Oregon on Tuesday, January 12th. 1897, at 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing five directors, and to transact any other business which may properly come before the meeting.

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