

SOCIETIES

Corvallis Lodge, No. 14, A. F. and A. M., meets on Wednesday evening, on or preceding full moon.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Hyas close iotas at Mattoon's. Toys, all kinds at Mattoon's.

Lebanon, Oregon, intends to invest in a steam fire engine.

The largest assortment of candy in town at Mattoon's.

Old newspapers for sale at this office for 25 cents per 100.

The Salem Mills purchased 13,000 bushels of wheat at Corvallis recently.

Dolls, all sorts, sizes and kinds, at Mattoon's.

Christmas cards, the prettiest in the city at Mattoon's.

The snake river wheat crops foots up 23,000 tons.

Cigars, cigarettes, tobaccos, the best brands at Mattoon's.

Pens, ink, paper, pencils, stationery, at Mattoon's.

Seattle is to have a water power and electric light.

Albums, pocket books, etc. at Mattoon's. Extra heavy plated jewelry at Mattoon's.

Some considerable excitement exists near Baker City, Oregon, growing out of the discovery of a new copper mine. It is the best find of the season.

Soda, sarsaparilla, ginger ale, by the case or bottle at Mattoon's.

There is now 1200 tons of wheat on the platform at Adams, Umatilla county Oregon, awaiting the building of the Walla Walla and Pendleton branch of the O. R. & N. Co.

Those nice fitting patterns for everything worn by man, woman or child can be found at Mattoon's.

Rev. Banks, of Boise City, Idaho, is lecturing. His subject this week is "Beecher and his Work." A good preparation for it would be to read up that celebrated case.

Violins, accordions, musical apparatuses, at Mattoon's.

Cards, dominoes and checkers at Mattoon.

The steamers of the railway company operating on Snake river have been put into winter quarters. They leave about 10,000 tons of grain in the warehouses along the stream.

Legal blanks furnished at this office on short notice at less than San Francisco prices.

Scarlet fever is yet doing its work in Eugene city; as the two little children of B. H. and Henrietta James, one of them three and the other seven years old died of the disease recently.

The cheapest and best hardware, stoves, tinware, plows, wagons and agricultural implements at Woodcock & Baldwin's, Corvallis, Oregon.

The amount of cottonseed produced in United States annually is placed at 170,000,000 bushels, at an average value of \$22,000,000. In its conversion into oil is employed \$10,000,000 capital and 25,000 people.

Parties positively declare they saw old M. Hood smoking on Tuesday evening, says the Da'les Mountaineer. We did not witness the phenomenon, but our informants are perfectly reliable, and state that the vapor could be easily discerned.

At the last meeting of the Town Trustees of Ashland, an ordinance was passed providing for the arrest of vagrants, who will be compelled, upon conviction of vagrancy, to work upon the streets for the improvement of the town.

The first train reached Rock Point last Tuesday about three o'clock P. M., says the Jacksonville Sentinel. Many old residents of that locality were there to greet it, some of them never having seen a train of cars before.

The Lakeview Examiner reports that a human head, partially decomposed, was brought by dogs to the ranch of Capt. Follet at Willow ranch last week. It is supposed to be the head of Shaw, who was mysteriously murdered on the Madeline plains some time since, his body being found with the head missing.

Baltimore, having more than \$20,000,000 invested in oyster picking, and over 30,000 persons engaged in the business, is taking measures to prevent the destruction of the oyster beds in the Chesapeake Bay. It is proposed that the period of rest for oysters shall be lengthened and extend from April 1st till October 1st.

Slow milking of cows never secures the full product. The cow becomes tired of relaxing the under muscles, and after a time resumes the more natural position of contracting them. This makes much stripping necessary, and a slow milker will never have patience to strip a long time. Partial milking soon dries the cow, and greatly reduces her value.

Some one has made a calculation showing that difference in yield of milk of one-sixth of a quart per day should, at the usual price, make a difference of \$10 in the value of a cow, the feed and care being the same. But it should not be forgotten that the value of ordinary cows may be much increased by attention to regular, clean milking, plenty of good water, warmth in winter, general comfort at all times. It is very easy for a careless milker to dry up a cow much more than one-sixth of a quart per day, and this represents more than the interest on \$10 a year.

Astorian Items.

C. Leinenweber is loading 5,000 cases salmon on the Spirit of the Dawn.

The Rowland Hill cleared for Queens-town yesterday with 49,954 bushels wheat worth \$51,200.

The Sarah Bell dropped down to Flavel's dock yesterday to discharge 500 tons of coal.

The Killochan cleared yesterday for Liverpool. She takes 15,031 bbls flour; 10,700 bushels wheat and 4,800 cases salmon. Her cargo is worth \$103,755.

The present buoys will be removed from Sand Island channels this week and spar buoys put in their place. It is doubtful if that channel will be much used hereafter.

The editor of the Seattle Herald has broken down by too much severe work and resigns his position. Mr. Hawley has put a good deal of conscientious work into his paper and his retirement is a matter of regret.

The British bark Scottish Bard, 816, Hamilton, master, arrived in yesterday, 79 days from Brisbane. The Geo. S. Homer, Killochan and Spirit of the Dawn are about loaded, and will probably clear to-morrow.

The latest report of a coal find comes from the place of Mr. A. A. Anderson, on the north side of the Nehalem, near Riverside, three miles from the railroad line in Sec. 32, T. 6, N. R. 5, W. The find is a good one, the vein being ten feet thick.

While repairing the ship DeLing Ware at Tacoma recently, the carpenters came across a six-pound cannon ball firmly imbedded in the wood. The ball was fired into the vessel as she was leaving Galveston harbor, with a cargo of cotton, during the war of the rebellion.

It was stated in the Astorian some time ago that the Queen was about to be withdrawn from the present route and ply between San Francisco and the Sound. It is now the opinion that the change will take place about New Years. This will put the Columbia traffic on the old footing.

At the O. R. & N. dock the usual bustle prevails, steamers and barges hourly arriving and departing. The Ice King is taking on 50,000 cases salmon; the Sarah Bell is discharging coal; the Spirit of the Dawn is finishing cargo with 5,000 cases salmon for Liverpool; the Imperial is still awaiting wheat to finish.

The Hen Business.

A pen and ink wrestler has untied a book and let it loose upon the patient people, which book bears the title "How to make \$500 a Year from Twelve Hens." We tried this getting rich out of the hen business last year, and while it looks nice and pretty in gilt letters on blue binding, to save \$500 a year from twelve hens our experience was different. We secured, last spring, a collection of six lady hens and a male companion, and domiciled them in an extensive hen pasture in the rear of our premises.

We figured it all out that with six eggs a day, and occasional vacations which would be paid for in chickens, we would soon have money enough to go to Europe or run for office. Early in the season, the brown Leghorn troops fought nobly, and we began to look around with the idea of getting a safe to put our egg money in. Just at this juncture corn stepped up to \$1 a bushel, and our hens ceased laying and turned all their attention to their appetite.

During the interim (interim is a word that we found in the office when we bought it), one of our hens had succeeded in presenting to the world a dozen little brown balls, which imagination told us would make excellent chicken pies along in December. Imagination lied to us, however, for in less than four weeks every one of the little brown darlings had been referred to the interior department of a confounded skunk, and there was seven weeks lost time to be charged up to that hen's profit and loss account. We forbear telling of our midnight ramble in the dewy mazes of our garden, clad in modesty and a night shirt, with a revolver filled with 32-100 cartridges and a heart filled with animosity toward that skunk. We draw a curtain over that scene.

When fall came, and after we had bought eggs to feed ourselves and corn to feed our hens for awhile, we retired from the hen business, and we have made up our minds that it takes something more than a book and a dozen of hens to make \$500 a year. Of course there are hen artists who can play the game for all it is worth, and make it pay; but for a greenhorn to think that twenty-four hens are worth a cool thousand a year to him, is folly. If you could make hens lay every day, and bring chickens up on a bottle in some secluded corner where skunks could not get at them, it would pay for novices to establish hen dairies. As it is, however, we novices had better save our money from buying such books as the one described, to buy eggs with, and let those who understand egg harvesting do the work. There is too much responsibility; too much getting up nights too shoot skunks, and too few eggs in the business, to offer inducements to amateurs.—Marathon Independent.

Land Slide.

A large land slide happened last Sunday morning 2 1/2 miles south of town, says the Roseburg Plaiudealer, at what is called Sheridan's cut, which completely buried the railroad, and so effectually did it block up the road, that it took a large force of men from Sunday morning until Monday night without cessation to remove the debris. Monday morning they had a temporary track laid by the side of the slide, so that the passenger train could pass. The freight train could not pass south Monday but remained and assisted the workmen in hauling off the earth and rock. But on Tuesday it made its regular trip going as far as Glendale and return, from which point an extra engine took the freight to Grant's Pass. In this manner no time was lost after Tuesday. This slide occurred at a place where every thing was thought safe; but Oregon hills are very deceptive, it seems.

The Curculio Mastered.

For many years past the curculio has been an almost unconquerable enemy of the fruit grower, and not a few have cut down their fruit trees as cumberers of the ground, not receiving any returns from them. A writer says: "I have remaining a few nice trees, left standing for ornament and shade, and year after year these trees have bloomed and set full, but in spite of every effort, until the present season, not a quart of fruit was received. While the trees were in full bloom last spring my wife determined to try an experiment upon one of them, which she did, and it resulted more favorably than could have been expected. Early every morning, while the tree was in full bloom, corn meal was strewn over the ground beneath the branches, and the whole flock from the poultry yard at once set to work to gather up the particles of grain. The ground was thoroughly scratched over, and meal, insects, and everything to the fowls edible gathered up. Later in the season a brood of chicks was cooped beneath the tree, and the operation of sowing meal continued. This operation was not omitted for a day from the time of the putting forth of the trees until the plums were beyond the reach of the little pests. Now for the result; this tree, and this alone, was loaded with fruit, to the perfect amazement of all who saw it. It was literally covered with fruit as perfect as could be desired. So heavily were the limbs laden that props had to be used all around the tree. I really believe there were more and better plums upon this tree than in all the township, and I am disposed to say, all of the county. Not a plum matured on any other tree on my premises, and all are of the same variety as the one saved."

Make Every Edge Out.

It is bad policy for a farmer to cultivate only one crop. If that fails he has lost a year's work; but if he cultivates several crops some of them are always sure to succeed, and some will command a remunerative price. A farmer about to commence, looks over the fields, and finding that butter always commands a good price, buys a few cows, and then to prevent the slops from the dairy being wasted, he buys some hogs. Poultry pays, and one hundred hens and cocks are bought. When he buys his horses he sees that it is better (instead of geldings that are deteriorating as they grow older) to invest in fine large mares that will produce him a foal worth, say as a yearling, \$100 every year, in addition to doing the work on the farm. If the mares are large they will easily do this. There is always a demand for large horses and mules for draft purposes, and they sell readily. Every farmer should try to make everything pay a profit—make "every edge out."—Rural Californian.

Stir the Soil.

That is what weeds are for, to induce the farmer to stir the soil and cultivate the crops. If we can't use the hoe, use the plow and cultivator to keep the surface of the soil loose and mellow.

It is a question worth considering how much hoeing and cultivating, or rather how little, would be given to crops were it not for the presence of weeds. The farmer is apt to say, "The corn or potato field is getting very weedy and must be cultivated," but one rarely says, "the soil must be stirred."

An English gardener says he does not agree with those who say that one good weeding is worth two hoeings. He says: "Never weed a crop in which a hoe can be used, not so much for the sake of destroying weeds, which must be the case if the hoeing be well done, as for increasing the porosity of the soil, to allow the air and water to penetrate freely through it. Oftentimes there is more benefit derived from crops by keeping them well hoed than there is from the manure applied. Weeds or no weeds, I keep stirring the soil, well knowing from practice the very beneficial effect it has."—Western Agriculturist.

Coloring Butter.

"A farmer's Wife" recommends her way of coloring butter, which does not at all injure but adds to the flavor of the butter. It is simply using the juice of the orange carrot as follows: "For about three gallons of cream take six or more good-sized carrots, wash them and grate them on a coarse grater; when grated pour on boiling water, which will extract the color. Put the cream in the churn; strain the carrot juice through coarse mu lin into the cream and churn. Should the cream be warm enough, the carrot juice must cool before using. Aside from the coloring the carrots give the butter a sweet taste, similar to grass butter. This receipt is as plain as to make a cup of tea, and is equal to any so-called gilt edged butter that was ever made in the absence of pasturage."

From this it will be seen that there is no excuse for making the poor butter in winter that we can see so much of. The only expense is a few carrots at a churning, and a few minutes of labor, which are over-come a half score of times by the increased price of the butter sold.

Never put the hands into butter. There is no excuse for so doing, and every sense of cleanliness forbids it. Even if the hands are clean, still as butter absorbs any and every impurity with which it comes in contact, excessive perspiration of the hands or any humor of the blood might be imparted to the butter. A wooden ladle should be used to lift the butter from the churn and turn it over while being washed.

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Sorghum.

Mr H. C. Perkins left says the Eugene Guard, one day this week, several stalks of sorghum, measuring over ten feet high, which he raised on his farm near this city. We hope to hear of many acres of sorghum being planted, and also of a manufactory being established in this city to warrant our farmers in raising the same. Here is a chance for some of our local capitalists engaging in a business that will pay a handsome profit, besides benefitting the people of the county.

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In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Benton County.

In the matter of the Estate of John W. Wilkinson Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed her account for final settlement of the affairs of said estate, and that said Court has fixed Monday, the 7th day of January, 1884, at 10 A. M. at the Court House in Corvallis, said County and State, as the time and place for hearing and determining objections to said account.

LAURA A. MOORE, Administratrix of the estate of John W. Wilkinson Deceased.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given to all persons that the undersigned David L. Keyes, administrator of the estate of Alexander Keyes, deceased, has filed his final account with said Court in the County Court of Benton County, Oregon, and said Court has appointed Saturday, the 13th day of January, 1884, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day for the hearing of objections to said account, and the final settlement of the same.

This 7th day of December, 1883.

DAVID L. KEYES, Admin'sr of the estate of A. K. O. Deceased.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Benton.

Sarah A. Terwilliger Plaintiff. } Sued for Divorce.

Paul Terwilliger Defendant.

To Paul Terwilliger the above named defendant, In the name of the State of Oregon you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint of said plaintiff in the above entitled suit, and to file in the office of the clerk of said court, on or before the 4th day of the next regular term of said court, to be held in said county on the 4th Monday in March 1884, and you are hereby notified that if you fail to answer said complaint as herein required the Plaintiff will take a decree against you dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between you and said Plaintiff, on the ground of her desertion for the period of three years prior to the commencement of this suit. Also that she is returned to her maiden name, Sarah A. Nobles, and for such other relief as may be just and equitable and costs awarded thereon.

This summons is published by order of Hon. R. S. Bean, judge of said Court, which said order bears date Nov. 22, 1883.

F. M. JOHNSON, Atty. for Plff. 20-50-w7

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