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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned that we, the undersigned, executors of the last will and testament of Morgan Lillard, deceased, have filed our final settlement as such executors in the county clerk's office for the county of Benton, in the state of Oregon, on the 20th day of January, 1892, and the county judge, W. S. Hufford, has ordered that notice be given in the CORVALLIS GAZETTE of said settlement for four consecutive weeks prior to the 8th day of March, 1892; that the 8th day of March, 1892, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day is appointed by said judge for the hearing of said final settlement, and all persons interested are hereby notified to attend.

By order of the county judge.

CHAS. ALLEN,
HARLO LILLARD,
Dated January 21, 1892. Executors.

SUMMONS.

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

Wm. W. Stovall, plaintiff,
vs.
Lizzie Stovall, defendant.

To Lizzie Stovall, the above-named defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer to the complaint filed agrinst you in the above-entitled suit in said court, on or before the 11 day of April, 1892; that being the first day of the regular term of the circuit court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Benton, and if you fail to appear and answer the said complaint the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint, to-wit: That the bonds of matrimony now existing between you and plaintiff be dissolved, and for costs and disbursements of this suit.

This summons is published in the CORVALLIS GAZETTE by order of Hon. M. L. Pipes, judge of the above entitled court, duly made at chambers on the 28th day of December, 1891.

F. M. JOHNSON, Plaintiff's Att'y.
Dated this 29th day of December, 1891.

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RAW AS BEEF-STEAK

Baby's Fearful Suffering from Skin Disease Covering Entire Body Cured by Cuticura.

My baby was taken very sick when he was three months old, and in a few days began breaking out. We employed both of the home doctors, and they could do nothing for him. Then we sent for the best doctor in Eaton Rapids, Mich., and he doctored him for two weeks, and he got worse all the time; and then I took him to Jackson, to a doctor who attends especially to skin diseases, and then he got worse than ever. Then I told my husband we had better try the CUTICURA REMEDIES any way; did not have any idea they would do any good, but in less than two months from the time we began giving them to him he was entirely well, and not a spot on him. His hair began growing right off, and we thought he would always be bald-headed. There was not a spot on his whole body, face, and head, only his nose and eyes, but what was as raw as beef-steak. So poor there was not anything but bones, and so weak he could raise neither hand nor head.

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NOTICE TO PAY TAXES.

Notice is hereby given that the common council has placed the tax roll in the hands of the city treasurer for the collection of taxes due the city of Corvallis for 1891. The tax roll is at Stock's store. All taxpayers are requerted to call and pay their taxes at as early date as possible.

SAMUEL HITCHENS, Treasurer.

ASSIGNEES' NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed assignee of the estate of T. G. Read, an insolvent debtor, and all persons holding claims against the said T. G. Read are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned at his office in Corvallis, Oregon, duly verified within three months from the date hereof.

W. S. HUFFORD, Assignee.
Dated December 30, 1891.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned that I, the undersigned, have been duly appointed executrix of the last will and testament of Philip Weber, deceased, by the county court of Benton county, Oregon; and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, with the proper vouchers, to me at my home in Corvallis, Benton county, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

MARY WEBER,
Executrix of the last will and testament of Philip Weber, deceased.
Dated January 13, 1892.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned that we, the undersigned, have been duly appointed executors of the last will and testament of James Cooper, deceased, by the county court of Benton county, Oregon; and all persons having claims said estate are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, with the proper vouchers to us at the residence of Thomas H. Cooper, near Corvallis, in Benton county, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

THOS. H. COOPER,
G. W. COOPER,
Executors of the last will and testment of James Cooper, deceased.
Dated December 31, 1891.

CARRIAGE FACTORY NOTES.—Operations will begin at the Corvallis wagon and carriage factory next week. The force of employes will be increased as rapidly as all the necessary appliances of machinery can be put into practical work, so that by another week or more a full force of hands will be engaged. Some skilled workmen from the east are arriving, but Corvallis will furnish all such employes as can be made serviceable to the factory. Mr. B. Puschinsky, from the eastern states, a gentleman who has had large practical experience in the carriage blacksmith department, is now at work fitting up the same department in this factory, of which he will have charge. Wm. Barnhart, also from the east, has arrived, and is putting the finishing work on the gearing department, which will be under his supervision. These gentlemen have both been employed in factories in the east under Mr. Sticker, and he assures us that they are A 1 men, who thoroughly understand their business.

FRIGHTFUL SHIPWRECKS.

Staunch ships strike and founder, the fierce winds and mountainous waves sweep noble mariners' "hearts of oak" to shipwreck and to death, yet that does not prevent the lubberliest landsman from risking his life on the stormy Atlantic in the role of tourist or commercial traveler. But if he shall reach his destination safely he will scarcely have escaped some of the qualms of sea sickness, unless he takes with him Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, that inimitable specific for nausea. Bad water on long trips are a threat to the voyager, but this may be deprived in a great measure of its disordering effects upon the stomach, bowels and liver by the Bitters. Against the prejudicial effects of malaria, bad diet, fatigue and exposure it is also efficacious. It averts, moreover, rheumatism and kidney complaints. Don't travel on sea or land without it.

EARLY SPRING.—The ground has dried up rapidly since the rains ceased and farmers are again plowing on the higher and dryer lands. An old settler says there will be no very cold weather nor much snow this winter and that we will have an early spring. He bases his predictions on the fact that every time we have had a storm it has turned off warm. The first half of January has passed and there is but little probability of any long spell of cold weather this winter.

$100 REWARD $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly on the blood and mucuous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer one hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for testimonials.

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CORVALLIS CANNERY AND ICE CO.

There will be a public meeting of the stockholders of the Corvallis Cannery and Ice Company at the court house on Tuesday, February 2d, at the hour of 7 o'clock p. m. Business of importance will come before the meeting and all interested in this enterprise are cordially invited to attend.

O. G. HOPKINS, Secretary.

No healthy person need fear any dangerous consequences from an attack of la grippe if properly treated. It is much the same as a severe cold and requires precisely the same treatment. Remain quietly at home and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as directed for a severe cold and a prompt and complete recovery is sure to follow. This remedy also counteracts any tendency of la grippe to result in pneumonia. Among the many thousands who have used it during the epidemics of the past two years we have yet to learn of a single case that has resulted in pneumonia. 50 cent bottles for sale by T. Graham druggist.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

In buying a cough medicine for children," says H. A. Walker, a prominent druggist of Ogden, Utah, "never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it and relief is always sure to follow. I particularly recommend Chamberlain's because I have found it to be safe and reliable. 50 cent bottles for sale by T. Graham Druggist.

A banker at Independennce offered Geo. Strong, a baker, a $50 suit of clothes, if he would get married within a month. Strong immediately wrote to a young lady he had known in the east, proposing, and enclosing a check for $150 for her expenses out here if she accepted him, which she did, arriving a day before the month was up, when the marriage was immediately consummated. There is a business ring to that.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

Notice is hereby given that for the purpose of making an examination of all persons who may offer themselves as candidates for teachers of the schools of this county, the county school superintendent thereof will hold a public examination at the court house in Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, on Wednesday, February 10th, 1892, beginning at the hour of 1 o'clock, p. m.

W. E. YATES.
County School Superintendent, Benton County, Oregon.
Dated this 29th day of January. 1892.

Examine the policy of any other company and notice that if you don't surrender it in six months from date of default it will be void. Then look up the Massachusetts Mutual, and you will see it has a perpetual guarantee of cash and paid up insurance, without any act on your part.

LOCAL NOTES.

Fruits of all kinds at Small & Son's.

Fresh butter at Kline's, at 25 cents per pound.

A. F. Hershner continues to lead in the grocery trade.

C. C. McBride, of Eddyville, was in the city this week.

A large stock of undertakers goods just received at L. Welker & Co's.

See L. P. Miller & Co.'s advertisement in another column. They are reliable.

Ex-Sheriff Hall, of Polk county, spent Tuesday and Wednesday in the city.

A fresh lot of hand made candies at Small & Son's. It is absolutely pure.

Miss Lella Purdy, went to Salem Tuesday where she will spend the week visiting.

Meals served day and night at the Pioneer Restaurant. Eldon Irvin proprietor.

Coffins, caskets and everything in the line of undertaking kept at L. Welker & Co's.

Grand display of Salem blankets at Kline's. Patronize home industry and buy a pair.

E. Woodward and family are all sick with the la grippe. The disease continues to increase.

State Superintendent McElroy was in the city the first of the week on a business errand.

The largest stock of crockery, glassware and groceries in Benton county at A. F. Hershner's.

Don't go hungry when you can get a first-class meal at the Pioneer Restaurant for 25 cents.

Orders for coffins or caskets from a distance will be given prompt attention by L. Welker & Co.

Wanted, to rent a small furnished house, or would rent house and buy furnitnre. Address this office.

President B. L. Arnold, of the state agricultural college, is suffering from a severe attack of la grippe.

S. N. Wilkins is having the finishing touches put on his new residence, preparatory to moving in soon.

Insure your life in the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. It has twelve million assets, and is forty years old.

If you want your watches and jewelry repaired take them to L. Bellis, the old pioneer of Corvallis. Good work done.

For best assortment, lowest prices, best grades, and above all, prompt and accommodating delivery; buy of A. F. Hershner.

To-day is the beginning of the Chinese New Year. Fireecrackers and gin will be in order among the Chinese for the next few days.

Mrs. Robert Huston, of Albany, is in the city arranging for the removal of herself and husband to Corvallis during the coming month.

Go to Conn & Underwood's for photographs. First-class work at lowest prices. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Give us a call.

Miss Effie Leasure, who has been visiting with her cousin, Miss Christine Lenger the past few months, returned to her home at Moscow, Idaho, last week.

T. T. Barnhart and family have moved to Elmira, Lane county, where Mr. Barnhart has purchased an interest in a saw mill. Much good luck be their lot.

Mr. Robt. Buchanan is quite sick at his home south of this city with acute bronchitis. The ailment was probably caused by la grippe.

Captain Symons is preparing over 100 large photographs of the government works at Yaquina, Coos bay and elsewhere, to be placed on exhibition at the world's fair in 1893.

The convention of Oregon republican clubs convened at Portland Wednesday, and is harmonizing on preliminary preparations for the next state and national campaigns.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Simpson have moved into the city from Albany, and permanently located in Corvallis. They occupy the residence opposite the Congregational church.

A typo, who appealed to us for a job one day this week, reports Portland as exceedingly dull, and no work to be had. Perhaps the dullness emanated from the typo who swerved work.

The new dome for the state capitol is to be constructed of glass and steel at a cost of not less than $50,000, according to the commissioners' advertisement for bids. It will present an imposing apperance.

Miss Lou Burnett went to Independence Wednesday to assist in taking testimony in a case of law, in place of J. Fred Yates, who was suddenly attacked with sickness. Miss Burnett will do the work well.

Mrs. M. Damewood arrived in this city from Sisson, California, last week, having been summoned to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. C. A. McCullough, who has been seriously ill for some time.

Brenham Van Dusen, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Oregon A. F. & A. M., will visit Corvallis Lodge in an official capacity, at the hall of Corvallis Lodge, Saturday evening, January 30th, at 7:30 p. m.

J. W. Mathena, general agent for the Connecticut Mutual, is again on our streets, and will perhaps remain with us several days this trip. Mr. Mathena is a thorough business man and meets with success wherever he goes.

The semi-annual convention of the Benton county Sunday School Association is announced to meet at Philomath, Thursday evening, February 11, 1892, beginning at 7 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

B. F. Jones, the rustling real estate dealer at Toledo, was transacting business in the city during the week.

Coke Laughead, representing Jones & Barnard's wholesale and retail candy factory, of Salem, was in the city this week. This firm operates the largest, completest and most thoroughly equipped candy factory in the northwest, and they keep constantly on hand the finest qualities and grades of candies to be obtained on the coast.

Tolbert Norton's family are all bedfast, la grippe having paid its respects during the week. Not one of them is able to be up. This is the first instance this season in Corvallis in which an entire family have succumed to the dread disease at once.

A sure sign of the approach of an early spring is the large number of commercial travelers doing business in this city the past week. Judging from the extensive business transacted with them, our local merchants anticipate an unusually large spring trade.

The usual services at the Presbyterian church next Sabbath morning and evening; preaching by Dr. Thompson. Sabbath school and Bible classes at 10 a. m. Christian Endeavor at 6:15 p. m. Service of praise at 7:15 p. m. A cordial welcome to all.

One of our neatest and newsiest exchanges is the Newport Times. Its interests seem to be especially centered in the bay country, the development of which it earnestly urges; but it is also an instrument for the good of all Benton county. It deserves success and will not be disappointed.

C. B. Horning's horse, while crossing the Southern Pacific railroad the other day, caught its foot between a rail and the planking, and in endeavoring to relieve the foot, pulled a portion of the hoof off, thus disabling the animal for life. It was an unfortunate circumstance, and Charley sustains quite a loss.

The Massachusetts insurance law is the best in the United States. Every company in that state is compelled to give you a guarantee against loss after two payments of cash or paid up insurance, without any condition and at any time. The Massachusetts Mutual pays you annual cash dividends, or they will increase the insurance.

There will be services in the Evangelical church on Sunday evening, February 7th, conducted by the pastor, D. V. Poling; also on February 14th. Rev. C. C. Poling, P. E. of the district, will preach on the latter date, and hold quarterly services for the last time in this conference year. To these services all are welcome.

Tuesday Minium Zerious, a gypsy woman, was arraigned in the police court for peddling fancy articles in the city limits without license. On refusing to pay a fine of $10, she was lodged in the city jail, where she remained over night. On Wednesday she was given her liberty on a promise that she would leave the city at once.

There are now at the reform school thirty-one erring youths—and the school has been opened less than three months, says the Statesman. As yet only a few counties have representation among the boys, and it is safe to say there are bad boys in every county of the state. This school will be a growing institution and the growth during the next few months cannot fail to be large.

The Albany and Salem papers are having a dispute as to which place is the distributing center to various points in the state for all freights over the Oregon Pacific railroad by way of Yaquina. The Journal claims that Salem is the distributing point and the Democrat makes the claim for Albany. The truth of the matter is that Corvallis is the distributing center for all freights over the Oregon Pacific except that waybilled for the southern part of the state.

QUITE KORRECT.—All traveling men say that Corvallis has the brightest future and the best improvements of any town in the Willamette valley.—GAZETTE. That's just the way they talk about Albany, and we'll wager some of them even do it at Salem and Eugene when they are there. The truth is, Corvallis, Salem, Eugene and Albany are all in the swim, but keep your optics on the R. R. center.—Democrat. True; but don't neglect to recognize our wonderful manufacturing developments the past year, our unrivaled educational facilities and unquestioned commerical advantages, besides a slow, steady and sure growth that leaves no doubt about the future greatness of Corvallis. Yes, these upper Willamette valley towns are destined to rank among the cities of the Pacific coast.

A PECULIAR CASE.—A gentleman from Lost Valley called at the sheriff's office Monday to see about his taxes. He says he has paid taxes on 320 acres of land for the past twenty-five years, supposing that he owned that amount, but recently received an abstract of title to the land, and found he had only 219 acres. He now wants the county to refund the amount of excess taxes he has paid for the past twenty-five years. There is a man west of Irving who has been paying taxes every year on 600 acres of land and recently discovered that he had only 480 acres.—Guard.

DIED.

MULKEY—At Rosalie, Wash., January 13, 1892, Fanny, twelve-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Mulkey.

The sorrowing parents are relatives of Mrs. Jas. A. Cauthorn, of Corvallis, and formerly resided in this city, where friends sympathize with them in their affliction.

ELDER.—On Tuesday night, Jan. 26th, 1892, at Onsatta, Benton county, Oregon, Mrs. Rowena Elder, daughter of Hon. Allen Parker, of consumption, aged about 28 years.

She leaves one child and many relatives and friends to mourn her death.

YAQUINA ITEMS.

MR. EDITOR:—We feel, in this community, as if a cloud was lifted from over our heads since the railroad matters have been adjusted. We wish it success, for on it depends our own success—the railroad being the great builder up of this part of the country.

The Maggie Ross, under the efficient supervision of Capt. J. J. Winant, begins to look like a new ship. Her deck house and bulwarks are up and her smoke stack reefed "fore and aft." This may not be a nautical term, but the crew on a canal boat on the Delaware and Rariton always used it when passing under a bridge, when your correspondent was chief engineer on the tow path and hammered the mules on the sore spots to get up steam. I never met Garfield in those days, although he was in the same scientific pursuit, moreover, I have never been elected president yet, and have about concluded not to run, as he had such bad luck.

The Kate & Ann did not get away last week. There being two of her they might have disagreed.

The bay saw mills are not running any overtime at present, but they expect to make the fir fly when spring comes.

Capt. Ennos, of the Algerine corsair Mascot, had a race with The Benton, Capt. Logan, and came out ahead. By the way, "captains" are nearly as thick as clams here, or as colonels in old Virginia. It's always best for a stranger to salute a Bayite as captain, and if he happens to be an admiral or commodore they don't feel much hurt, but lay it to one's ignorance.

Capt. Ennos is fitting up the Mascot for a cruise against Chile. He expects to get one of the large fifteen-inch smooth bores in her forward turret and with a double-barreled buck gun aft, it will be "How are you, Santiago?" Mr. Coquille Bill has promised one of his open-faced canoes as a troop ship. Jack K. goes as chief of mariners, but wishes to stop off at Los Gatos, Calif., a week.

Some of the old ganders hereabouts are disgusted with that feather-headed owner of the San Francisco Examiner, as their flat jack traps have been on a stretch for three months for an orange orchard, and they did not receive a scale. As Salms remarks, "Blessed are they who expect nothing, for they shall not be disappointed." They now say it is nothing but a contounded democratic lottery and should be squelched.

Two of our oystermen, Messrs. King and Roddy, say that they have sold to Mr. Toner, of Wells Fargo, about thirty sacks of oysters per month since the season commenced, for points in the valley. I reckon you folks like oysters. Oysters are also shipped to San Francisco every trip of the steamer. This shows how some of us make a living, and if all else fails we can keep fat on oysters and clam chowder, and that is no slouch of a mess to tie to.

If there is any smut on this paper, blame my French chef, as he left for Vanderbilts this morning and I am forced to cook a canvas back while scribbling. OBEDIAH.

PHILOMATH ITEMS.

The farmers in the surrounding country have begun putting in their spring grain.

We notice that since the Oregon Pacific has changed hands it has made a change in the depot here. We think they ought to have a new one.

On Sunday morning about 11 o'clock an unusual amount of smoke was seen rising from the Keezel chapel, and an examination was made by some of the nearest residents and it was found that the building was on fire. They rang the bell in a manner becoming the occasion, and it was but a short time until all the people in town were there to see the building change into a volume of smoke and fire, but too late to do much good, as water was scarce and the fire had gained too much headway before it was discovered. The furniture and most of the windows were saved. It seems that the chapel has been quite unfortunate from the beginning. Prof. Keezel, for whom it was named, lost his life by an injury which he received while building it. It was valued at about $1,500 and was insured for $800. The school will continue its work in Mrs. Keezel's residence until a new one is erected.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. gave an entertainment in the college chapel Sunday evening.

The whooping cough is visiting this part of the country again. It has been the guest of Mr. W. E. Allen's family for the past week or two. CAELEBS.

NAPTHA LAUNCH FOR YAQUINA.—During a recent visit to the Sound Captain Symons bought at Tacoma, a naptha launch, twenty feet in length, for the use of the assistant engineer at Yaquina bay, says the Albany Herald. Work is going on there on both the north and south jetties, and the assistant engineer is kept constantly on the move, and will have plenty of use for such a launch. It will be sent over by rail in a few days, and will go through to Albany on a Northern Pacific car, and thence over the Oregon Pacific to Yaquina.

BENTON'S TAX-ROLL.—The following tax levy has been made on the Benton county assessment roll by the state board of equalization: State purposes, 4 23-35 mills; university, 1-7 mill; Oregon National Guards, 1-5 mill; school purposes, 5 mills; indigent soldier and sailor tax, 1-10 mill; county purposes, 9 5-10 mills, making a total tax levy for all purposes of 19 6-10 mills. This is a margin higher than last year's levy, which was placed at 18.84 mills, but the present "flush" of good times will offset the burden to the taxpayers.