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A. S. PATTERSON, P. M.

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ROOMS OVER GRANGE STORE, first door to the right, up stairs. Formerly office of C. W. Fitch.
Nitrous Oxide Gas for painless extraction of teeth.

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CAN BE FOUND AT HIS OFFICE or residences when not professionally engaged.
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Residence on Eighth street, opposite Presby Church.

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J. S. LUCKEY,
DEALER IN
Clocks, Watches, Chains, Jewelry, etc.
Repairing Promptly Executed.
All Work Warranted.
J. S. LUCKEY.
Elsworth & Co.'s brick, Willamette street.

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Real Estate Agent
Collection Agent,
and Notary Public.
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Bills collected. Records searched and abstracts of title made. All business promptly attended to. Office at the Court House.

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GROCERIES & PROVISIONS
And invite the attention of housekeepers.
T. G. HENDRICKS

LUMBER! LUMBER!
I HAVE ESTABLISHED A
LUMBER YARD
On the corner of Eleventh and Willamette streets, and keeps constantly on hand lumber of all kinds. Seasoned flooring and rustic, fencing and fence posts.
F. R. DUNN.

FARM FOR SALE.
A WELL IMPROVED FARM of three hundred and sixty acres, 100 acres under cultivation; all under fence and the improvements in good order, which we will sell at a bargain, and on the most reasonable terms. Situated five miles south of town, and has a good creek. Apply at this office.
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S. H. FRIENDLY.
LABELL WAGON—I am the sole agent for this celebrated wagon.
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BOOT AND SHOE STORE.

A. HUNT, Proprietor.
Shop on Willamette street, 2nd door north of hardware store, Eugene City, Or.
I will hereafter keep a complete stock of **LADIES' MISSES'—**
—AND—
CHILDREN'S SHOES
Gaiters, Cloth and Kid,
Button Boots,
Slippers, white and black,
Sandals,
From a kid shoe.

MENS & BOYS
FINE AND HEAVY
BOOTS & SHOES
And in fact everything in the BOOT and SHOE line, to which I intend to devote an special attention.

MY GOODS
Wore manufactured to order,
ARE FIRST CLASS
And guaranteed as represented, and will be sold for the lowest prices that a good article can be afforded. **ad 27-781f A. HUNT.**

CRAIN BROS.
DEALERS
—IN—
Clocks,
Watches and
Jewelry.
Musical Instruments, Toys, Notions, etc.
Watches, Clocks, and Jewelry repaired and warranted. Northwest corner of Willamette and Eighth streets.

If you wish to buy your goods cheap, you must go to the store of
LURCH BROS.,
COTTAGE GROVE.
They keep one of the largest stocks of **General Merchandise**
Outside of Portland, and they sell goods cheaper than it can be bought anywhere in the Willamette valley.

NEW IRIAN
CIMBAR MINING COMPANY
OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, OGN.
Incorporated, June, 1878.
Capital Stock, \$100,000.

BEN RUSH,
—THE—
BLACKSMITH,
still at the old stand and is prepared to do kinds of general jobbing, horse-shoeing, rearing, etc. Having secured the services of a experienced hand I will make the repairing of ARM MACHINERY a specialty.
BEN RUSH.

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Takes Photographs, Gems, Cards, Cabinet and Life-Size, style and finish equal to any work done in the State. Prices reasonable.
GALLERY—Willamette street, Eugene City, Oregon, over Mrs. Jackson's Millinery Store. dec 15-6m

F. M. WILKINS,
Successor to SHELTON & WILKINS.
Practical Druggists & Chemists,
UNDERWOOD'S BUILDING.
Next door to the Grange Store, Willamette street, Eugene City Oregon.
Have just opened a full line of fresh
Drugs, Medicines & Chemicals.
Also a fine assortment of
Fancy and Toilet Articles.
ALL KINDS OF
Mixed Paints, Lead, Oil,
Varnish, Brushes,
WINDOW GLASS and PUTTY
Which they will always sell on reasonable terms.
Careful attention given to Physician's Prescriptions.

General Notice.
M. R. GEORGE HUMPHREY HAVING placed his business in the hands of the undersigned for collection and settlement, all persons owing him who have not made arrangements for extension of time, are hereby notified to make payment or other satisfactory arrangement without delay.
A. G. HOVEY,
H. C. HUMPHREY

EUGENE CITY
BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

ALEXANDER, J. B.—Justice of the Peace South Eugene Precinct; office at Court House.
ASTOR HOUSE—Chas. Baker, prop. The only first-class hotel in the city—Willamette street, one door north of the post office.
ABRAMS, W. H. & BRO.—Planing mill, sash, door, blind and moulding manufactory, Eighth street, east of mill race. Everything in our line furnished on short notice and reasonable terms.

BOOK STORE—One door south of the Astor House. A full stock of assorted box papers plain and fancy.
BOYD & MILLER—Meat Market—beef, veal, mutton, pork and lamb—Willamette street, between Eighth and Ninth.
CRAIN BROS.—Dealer in Jewelry, Watches, Clocks and Musical Instruments—Willamette street, between Seventh and Eighth.
CALLISON, R. G.—Dealer in groceries, provisions, country produce, canned goods, books, stationery, etc., southwest corner Willamette and 9th Sts.

DORRIS, GEO. B.—Attorney and Counsellor at Law. Office on Willamette street, Eugene City.
DORRIS, B. F.—Dealer in Stoves and Tin ware—Willamette street, between Seventh and Eighth.
DURANT, WM.—Meat Market beef, pork, veal and mutton constantly on hand—Ninth street, between Pearl and High.

ELLSWORTH & CO.—Druggists and dealers in paints, oils, etc.—Willamette street, between Eighth and Ninth.
FRIENDLY, S. H.—Dealer in dry goods, clothing and general merchandise—Willamette street, between Eighth and Ninth.
GUARD OFFICE—Newspaper, book and job printing office, corner Willamette and Seventh streets.

GRANGE STORE—Dealers in general merchandise and produce, corner Eighth and Willamette streets.
GILL, J. P.—Physician, Surgeon and Druggist, Postoffice, Willamette street, between Seventh and Eighth.
HAYS, ROBT.—Wines, Liquors, and Cigars of the best quality kept constantly on hand. The best billiard table in town.
HENDRICKS, T. G.—Dealer in general merchandise—northwest corner Willamette and Ninth streets.

HODES, C.—Keeps on hand fine wines, liquors, cigars and a pool and billiard table—Willamette street, between Eighth and Ninth.
HORN, CHAS. M.—Gunsmith. Rifles and shot-guns, hoes and mangle loaders, for sale. Repairing done in the neatest style and warranted. Shop on 8th street.
KINSEY, J. D.—Sash, blinds and door factory, window and door frames, mouldings, etc., glazing and glass cutting done to order.
LYNCH, A.—Groceries, provisions, fruits, vegetables, etc., Willamette street, first door south of Postoffice.

LUCKEY, J. S.—Watchmaker and Jeweler; keeps a fine stock of goods in his line, Willamette street, in Elsworth's drug store.
MCCLAREN, JAMES—Choice wines, liquors and cigars—Willamette street, between Eighth and Ninth.
MELLER, M.—Brewery—Lager beer on tap and by the keg or barrel, corner of Ninth and Olive streets.

OSBORN & CO.—Dealers in drugs, medicines, chemicals, oils, paints, etc.—Willamette st., opposite St. Charles Hotel.
PATTERSON, A. S.—A fine stock of plain and fancy visiting cards.
PERKINS, H. C.—County Surveyor and Civil Engineer. Residence on Fifth street.
PRESTON, WM.—Dealer in saddlery, harness, carriage trimmings, etc.—Willamette street, between Seventh and Eighth.

POST OFFICE—A new stock of standard school books just received at the post office.
RUSH, BEN.—Horse-shoeing and general jobbing blacksmith, Eighth street, between Willamette and Olive.
REAM, J. R.—Undertaker and building contractor, corner Willamette and Seventh streets.
ROSENBLATT & CO.—Dry goods, clothing, groceries and general merchandise, southwest corner Willamette and Eighth streets.

ST. CHARLES HOTEL—Mrs. A. Renfrew, Proprietress. The best Hotel in the city. Corner Willamette and Ninth streets.
SHIELDS, J. C.—Physician and Surgeon—north side Ninth street, first door east of St. Charles Hotel.
STEVENS, MARK—Dealer in tobacco, cigars, nuts, candies, shot, powder, notions, etc.—Willamette street.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES—A large and varied assortment of slates of all sizes, and quantities of slates and slate-books. Three doors north of the express office.
THOMPSON & BEAN—Attorneys-at-Law—Willamette street, between Seventh and Eighth.
WALTON, J. J.—Attorney-at-Law. Office—Willamette street, between Seventh and Eighth.

WITTER, J. T.—Backskin dressing. The highest price paid for deer skins, Eighth st., at Bridge.
UNDERWOOD, J. B.—General brokerage business and agent for the Connecticut Insurance Company of Hartford—Willamette street, between Seventh and Eighth.

ELLSWORTH & CO.,
DRUGGIST,
WILL CONTINUE THE BUSINESS in all its branches at the old stand, offering increased inducements to customers, old and new. As heretofore, the most
Careful attention given to Prescriptions.

NEW MEAT MARKET
On the west side of Willamette Street, between Eighth and Ninth.
Having just opened a new and neat Meat Market, we are prepared to furnish the best
Beef, Veal, Mutton, Pork, etc.,
To our customers, at the lowest market rates. The custom of the public is respectfully solicited.
Meats delivered to any part of the city free charge. **MILLER & MCCORMACK.**

Needed Reforms.
EUGENE CITY, May 6th, 1880.

EDITOR GUARD:—In last week's issue we suggested some thoughts how to stop some of the big leaks in our county taxes. The fact is evident to every fair mind, that the clerks and sheriffs are paid too much according to the labor done, and the only remedy is to establish salaries, pay them according to the labor done like any business man, and require them to collect all fees in civil cases, recording deeds, mortgages, etc., and pay the same into the county treasury. This will save thousands of dollars every year to almost every county in the State. It would not only save thousands of dollars each year to the taxpayers, but it would effectually prevent this great struggle in the different counties in both political parties for the nomination of clerk or sheriff, and would take away the great inducement for corruption to secure these fat offices. The objection is urged by some that if the clerks and sheriffs were given salaries instead of fees they would not perform the labor required of them, but would become lazy, negligent and allow important matters to go undone. That matter could easily be remedied; the law could be made so that any carelessness or negligence on the part of the officer, would work a forfeiture of his office. That would always spur him up to do his duty. But there are plenty of men who would do their duty, just the same as they do now. Let every representative vote for a law that will stop these big leaks in our county taxes and men can be easily found to fill the offices who will faithfully perform all the duties imposed.

Another important matter directly connected with the people needs legislation, and that is the assessment of property and collection of taxes. The present law in many instances is unequitable and unjust; besides the machinery of law, so to speak, is not what it ought to be. At present an assessor is elected in each county at each election, and he is required to make an assessment of all the property in his county. To do that it requires from six to seven months, and he is necessarily compelled to travel from four to six thousand miles to perform the labor. Any one must see that he cannot perform the labor required but imperfectly. It is almost impossible for him to become perfectly acquainted in every part of the county, so that he can make a fair and equal assessment of the property, especially in the country. His work is so vast to be done in a limited time it must of necessity, be crude, imperfect and unequal. And then the valuation of all the property in the county is left to the judgment of one man, who is unacquainted with the actual value of very much of the property, and cannot be acquainted with the circumstances of each man as he should. There is another serious objection to our present system of assessing property, and that is this: by the assessments made now, some counties do not pay their fair proportion of the state taxes. The county assessors are instructed when they commence the assessment by the county courts of some counties to put the land down low, and the Court will add a few more mills for county purposes, and thereby the State will be wronged out of thousands of dollars, and the county that has been assessed as it should will pay more than its fair proportion of State taxes. For instance, the assessor in Marion county is instructed to assess the good wheat land in that county for \$10 and \$15 per acre, when the land is actually worth \$30 and \$40 per acre, and the assessor of Lane county being uninstructed assesses the same kind of land in this county at \$20 and \$25 per acre; by that measure Lane county is made to pay very nearly double its proportion of the state taxes. And there is no power to prevent it. This is unequal, unfair and ought to be amended by all means.

There is another evil or leak in the collection of taxes. After the assessment roll is turned over to the sheriff for collecting he has until April 1st, when he is required to return a delinquent list, and then so long as he

is so pleased to let them go uncollected, and some times he is pleased to let them go for a year, especially when an election is at hand, and he is a candidate. Now the Sheriff cannot be all over these large counties and watch every man and hence a great many transient or loose men, and some who should pay tax slip out of the county and do not pay a cent of taxes. The counties lose hundreds and thousands of dollars this way; and not only lose the amount of taxes, but they are compelled to pay the State taxes on these delinquents who slip away in various ways without paying a cent. This is a big leak and ought to be stopped.

And how shall these evils be remedied? We answer by amending the law on assessment, collection of taxes, and instead of having one man to make the assessment, and one man to collect the taxes, let the county court of each county appoint a good, competent man in each voting precinct in the county to assess all the property in the precinct; and also appoint a good and competent man in each precinct to collect the tax in the precinct. Let the law be made so that the precinct assessors are required to meet annually on the first Monday in March, to equalize the valuation of all personal property, cattle, horses, sheep, etc., and receive from the county clerk blanks for making the assessment rolls; when equalized the precinct assessor to make and return to the county clerk the assessment of their precinct by the first Monday in June, and require the clerk to make a copy of the same and return the assessment rolls to the precinct collector by the first Monday in September. The precinct collector before receiving the assessment roll should be required to give a good and sufficient bond, to be approved by the county judge, to pay the taxes over to the county treasurer promptly, as collected. The law should require the precinct collector to collect and pay over all the taxes collectable by the first Monday in November, and at the same time return his delinquent list. The county court at its session in November should be authorized to issue a warrant to the precinct collectors requiring them to collect all delinquent taxes in their precinct by law and sale of property, and make a full return of the same by the first Monday in January. The taxes by this plan can all be collected and paid into the county treasury by the first Monday in January, at a less expense than they are now, and the counties would save hundreds and thousands of dollars in delinquent taxes that are lost now. A precinct assessor would be a better judge of the value of the land in his precinct than a county assessor, and would know more men's business than the county assessor and hence be better qualified to make the assessment. The precinct collector would watch every man in his precinct and none would escape paying taxes.

But Mr. Editor, this article is getting too long, and I must beg your indulgence in the next week's issue to finish this important subject, and touch up another equally important to the people.
A Hundred Years a Democrat.
N. Y. Post.
Aaron McKenny, who died recently in Maine at the age of one hundred and two years, was a most remarkable example of vigorous health and conservatism. He was able to take care of himself to the very last. Up to a few weeks before his death he shaved himself and chopped his own wood. He knocked down a man who had suggested the appointing of a guardian for him, which brought on his first lawsuit wherein he acted as his own counsel, earnestly defending himself. He had never been out of the town of Saco save on one occasion, when he followed a horse-thief into New Hampshire and caught him. He had never been on a railroad train, and had never sent or received a telegraphic despatch. He had never tasted liquor, except at some patriotic celebration like the 4th of July, which he always observed, and he had never taken medicine until he had passed one hundred years. Although a life-long Democrat, he had never been a candidate for any office, and once, when appointed by the Governor a justice of the peace, had promptly refused to serve.

STATE NEWS.

Polk county will be canvassed by the greenback candidates for the legislature.
A steam engine for work on Tillamook rock, is being fitted for use at Astoria.
Freight on the upper Willamette, from Independence to Portland has dropped to \$1 50 per ton.
In Josephine county the miners are all busy and expect to do well. The crops look well and promise an excellent yield.
Josephine county correspondence: A majority of the people seem to favor annexation to Jackson county, which is being agitated.
Albany Democrat: Wheat looks splendid in every part of the county, and the average farmer now has his countenance wreathed in smiles over his flattering prospects for a big crop.

A. J. Donaldson was assaulted with a cleaver by a Chinaman at Astoria a few days ago without provocation, and would have been killed had he not seen the coming stroke in time to ward it off. As it was his hand was severely cut.
Among the men lost on the bar this week were Richard Jones, Chas. Harvey, one called Gus and two unknown. One or two fishermen that have been reported drowned, came in. A great many boats took refuge in Chinook river from the storm.

In response to the proposition of the O. R. R. Co. to extend its road from Dallas to King's valley if a subsidy of \$10,000 be given, the people of that locality held a meeting on Wednesday last and raised one-third of the required amount. It is thought that the entire sum can be raised.
Mr. Reid, president of the O. R. R. Co. proposed to the people of Brownsville, a few days ago, to have the locomotive whistling in their streets by the 15th day of October, for the sum of \$10,000. He also stated that Brownsville would be the terminus until next spring, and probably for a year. This created a great deal of enthusiasm among the people of Brownsville, and a committee, going to work immediately got all subscribed but \$1,500 in one day.

Independence Riverside: We are glad to be able to state that the people of Independence and vicinity have now made up the sum of \$10,000 for the benefit of Polk county in the event that the county seat be removed to Independence. Nine thousand dollars of this money is now ready in cash and will be deposited with Ladd & Tilton before our next issue; and a deed to a tract of land within the limits of our town, consisting of eight lots and worth \$1000 to \$1500, will be secured to the county for the location of public buildings.

The Grant Party in Mexico.

City of Mexico Cor. N. Y. Sun.
The Mexican Government has exerted in a hundred other ways to amuse and honor Grant and to show their respect for the American people. Unfortunately Gen. Grant is not endowed with pleasant manners, or with that saunter in mode which goes so far to please people and to make the recipient of so many honors appear thankful. It seems impossible for either the General or the members of his suite to refrain from making insulting remarks and hurting the feelings of people who are doing their best to entertain them. An instance of this reckless disregard of the feelings of others occurred at the little review which was given in the ex-President's honor. Several Mexicans, who were riding on horseback, approached the General's carriage, probably from motives of curiosity to see the "conqueror of Richmond." Young Grant, without a reasonable cause, exclaimed loud enough to be heard by several bystanders, "If those people were in the States we would soon have them in the guard house." Half an hour later this speech was repeated in every club and cafe in the city, and as may be imagined, with most uncompensated strictures.
Gen. Sheridan committed a similar stupidity upon the night of the arrival. The Committee who had charge of the reception had placed a telegraphic instrument in the smoking room of the house prepared for Gen. Grant, so that he could telegraph privately whenever he wished. The members of the Committee were anxious to send a message to New York or Chicago signed by Grant and merely announcing his safe arrival. "Sheridan," said Grant, "they want me to sign a telegram; what shall I do?"
"Oh, tell them to go to h—!" was the reply. One of the Committee, who stood beside Grant when this speech was made, spoke English as well as Grant or Sheridan.

D. S. Baker and other capitalists have sent agents into Spokane to buy great tracts of land.