

CITY AND COUNTY.

BRIEF MENTIONS.

Oregon Kidney Cure. Van Horn, the piano tuner, is in town. A knife and scissors grinder is in the land. Oregon Kidney Tea cures all kidney troubles. Pinafore. See advertisement in another column. E. H. & L. Co. No. 1 meets next Monday evening. Bill Brannan's auction will take place at his farm to-day. Try Osburn & Belshaw's 5-cent cigar. They are the best. The store of Mr. A. V. Peters is receiving a coat of paint. No preaching in the M. E. Church of this city to-morrow. Andy Titus has opened up his barber shop on Ninth street. Oregon Kidney Tea is the best known remedy for kidney troubles. Mrs. C. E. Burgess, of Richardson precinct, broke her arm last week. Titus & Lambert, the new tinner, make a specialty of well driving. Three passengers went to the Foley Springs on the regular stage Thursday. Recorder Shaw has fined several persons this week for violating the city laws. More wood has been hauled to town this summer than ever before known. The wood work on the new depot building will be completed early next week. County Court convenes Monday morning; Commissioners' Court Wednesday morning. Joe Woolley, formerly of this place, is at present following the carpenter trade at Burns, Oregon. Farmers are hereby notified that the St. Charles Hotel will serve first-class meals for 25 cents. Superintendent Brant of the O. & C. R. R. says there will be no reduction of the force on the road. All lady members of the Methodist Church are requested to meet at the M. E. Church on Tuesday, September 8th, at 2 P. M. John Lee, of Indiana, has been appointed superintendent of the Forest Grove industrial school in Oregon, vice W. F. Coffin, removed. The Overland Monthly for September is on our table. It is a good magazine and should receive a hearty support from the people of the Pacific Coast. Mr. A. V. Peters shipped five car loads of oats to San Francisco last Wednesday. He is paying 25 cents per bushel, sacked and delivered at the depot. A lot of Chinamen were taken to Camp Creek last Wednesday to pick hops for Mr. James Campbell. Only a feeble reminder of the throng that came last year. Mr. L. N. Roney and Mr. E. C. Lake, who fell from a scaffold on the University building and sustained severe cuts and bruises there from, are now able to be around and have about recovered. One of the largest stocks of boots and shoes ever brought to Eugene has just arrived at Matlock's. They were bought direct from the manufacturers in the East and will be sold on very reasonable terms. It is reported on pretty good authority that placer mines have been discovered on upper Fall creek, about sixty miles from here, and that men are making \$4 or \$5 a day panning out the precious metal. At Matlock's a very fine line of ladies' shoes of the celebrated H. D. Holbrook make, direct from the Eastern manufacturer. The ladies of Lane county would do well to call at Mr. Matlock's store and examine these goods. Judge E. J. Dawns, who has been appointed Judge of Alaska, and whose appointment has been the subject of so many newspaper articles, sailed from Portland for Alaska last Tuesday. He will probably make a splendid officer. The wheat crop is short and the hop crop is large, but worth nothing. On this account Osburn & Belshaw have concluded to sell a hit cigar for 5 cents. Remember the saving of 5 cents on a small article is quite an inducement these hard times. Mr. B. D. Paine has returned from the mountains. The score when he left was: Paine, 4 deer; Watts, 4 deer; Yoran, 1 deer; Cleaver, 1 deer; and Watts and Yoran, 1 bear, and Dr. Eberly 0. The rest of the party expect to return to Eugene to-day. Mr. H. C. Humphrey returned to Eugene from Albany Wednesday afternoon, where he had been instructing Messrs. Cusick & Cowan in the banking business. He says they have one of the finest fitted up rooms of the kind in the interior. J. R. A. Allen, formerly of Cottage Grove, was recently arrested in Prineville and taken before the U. S. Court at Portland on a charge of false swearing in regard to the entering up of claims of land occupied by him near the city where he was arrested. Some one attempted to gain an entrance to Osburn & Belshaw's grocery store by way of the skylight, last Tuesday night about 10:30 o'clock. He was detected by a boarder in Baker's Hotel, who shouted for the night-watchman, thus unknowingly aiding the thief in making good his escape. Of the 2332 Presidential postmasters in the United States, changes have been made in 487 cases since the adjournment of the Senate. A list of nominations of these offices is now being made at the Postoffice Department, to receive the signature of the President and be transmitted to the Senate upon the beginning of the next session. There will be a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lane County Agricultural Society at Rhinehart's Hall in Eugene City on Saturday, Sept. 12th, at 10 A. M. All the directors are requested to be present, and all interested are invited to attend the last meeting before the fair. J. S. CHURCHILL, Sec. Probably nothing better illustrates the abundance of money in the Eastern financial centers and the credit of the Government than the fact that last Thursday, in New York City, U. S. bonds drawing 3 per cent interest were sold at 1.03. That is to say, a man would have to pay \$103,250 for \$100,000 that was drawing 3 per cent per annum. The wonder is increased at the mention of the fact that these bonds could be called in to-morrow if the Government so willed it.

Communication.

EUGENE CITY, Sept. 3, 1885. I am attempting, by abstract reasoning, to determine, if possible, whether or not the parents of children who are of proper school ages (as determined by the Oregon school laws) are doing their duty to their children, namely, sending them regularly to school. By careful inquiry, I am able to produce the following figures, from which I deduce my result: I understand that the population of this place, according to the last census, is about 1800. We may reasonably say that two-thirds of this number, or 1200, would represent the children from infancy to 21 years of age. Of this number, say 50 per cent, or 600, would represent the boys and girls of proper school ages, all of whom, it ought reasonably to be expected, should be in attendance at school. Eighty-five of this number are in attendance at the University. This leaves a balance of 515—say 500 in round numbers—school children in town. I am informed that at the commencement of our public school here there is an enrollment of about 200. This leaves 300 yet unaccounted for. Later in the season, owing to certain contingencies, I am told, such as farmers being late about gathering their crops and disposing of them, &c., on which account children are necessarily detained at home, the number enrolled at school increases until there is a total enrollment of about 400. Of the 200 who come in later in the season, say 100 of them (which must be a very large allowance) are from town. This leaves a balance of 200 children who, for some reason or other, are not in attendance at school. The question now naturally suggests itself, What is being done for these children? If the parents of these children do not answer this question and act accordingly, their children in after years will answer it for them in a most emphatic but not very creditable manner. This place, I apprehend, is not unlike many others in our land. There are thousands of children in this country that, by rights, ought to be in school who are idly loafing about the streets, being thereby schooled in lawlessness, laziness, vice and crime. In the face of such a state of affairs, can we expect otherwise than to see our courts thronged with criminals, our almshouses filled with paupers, and our streets thronged with precocious individuals of nomadic tenor, who prey continually upon the hospitality of industrious and morally disposed people. Let the children be sent to school and the school tax will be more cheerfully and liberally voted, to build a barrier against ignorance, vice and crime. Societies are organized and supported by charitably disposed people, the object of which is to snatch from the slough of despondency wrecks of beings that have been thus manufactured by neglect. The above deductions are, as I said before, simply abstract. They may be incorrect, but the probability is they are not. In fact, as it may, we would enjoin the parents to educate their children at all hazards. Our public school here is to open on the 14th inst., at which time I shall be pleased to see and gladly welcome all children who will come to school. Your obedient servant, F. E. PATTERSON, Principal.

Father Upchurch Reception.

Last Thursday evening the A. O. U. W. in Eugene tendered the founder of their order, Father Upchurch, a reception at Lane's Hall. On account of the mixing of dates, the crowd was not near so large as it would have been if he had come on the day advertised, last Tuesday evening. Eugene lodge marched to the hall in a body and were escorted to front seats which had been reserved for them. After a piece of music by the string band, Father Upchurch was introduced by the President of the meeting, Mr. F. W. Osburn. He gave a clear and concise account of the founding of the order at Meadville, Pa., in 1863. To show the growth of the order he said there were only 800 members in 1873, while to-day it numbers over 152,000, having gained 12,000 during the past year. He is not an orator, but gives his hearers a regular common-place talk, which is very attractive. Judges Bean and Walton each entertained the audience also for a few minutes in remarkably well written and delivered addresses.

STANDARD PUBLISHING CO.—The Daily Standard is now published by a company, whose incorporators are S. B. Pettigill, Jas. K. Kelly and C. B. Bellinger. The capital stock of the company is \$25,000, divided into shares of \$100 each. Article third is in part as follows: "The enterprise, business, pursuit and occupation in which this corporation proposes to engage is the printing and publishing of one or more newspapers and the doing of a general printing business in the State of Oregon, and to do all things necessary or incidental to said business." We hear that in the near future the paper will appear as a morning paper with full dispatches. We hope that such may be the case, as the Democracy is sadly in need of a first-class paper in that city.

BARN BURNED.—Our correspondent from Smithfield sends us the following concerning the burning of a barn in that neighborhood last Monday night: "The barn of Mr. H. R. Mount was consumed by fire Monday night, with all its contents, among which were 700 bushels of grain, fifteen tons of hay, harness, saddles and farming implements. The loss is quite severe on the gentlemen."

ILLUSTRATIONS.—In the last number of the West Shore, published at Portland, we find the corner stone ceremonies illustrated in splendid style, and an illustration of the new University building as it will appear when completed, and also the old building. The journal is improving steadily and is deserving of the patronage of our people.

LOST.—A gold turquoise scarf-pin, broided with gold, and with a pearl in the center. Finder will please leave the same at this office or return the same to Mr. H. C. Perkins.

JUNCTION NASHY.—We are informed that Mr. Louis Salomon has been appointed postmaster at Junction City, vice C. E. Van Vranken, removed. We congratulate.

DIED.—At the residence of B. F. Siler, in Camp creek precinct, August 27, 1885, Mrs. Jane Hendricks, aged 80 years, 5 months and 23 days.

Real Estate Transactions for August.

B. F. Russell to W. T. Davis, land; consideration, \$200. M. E. Russell to John Watson, land; con, \$200. M. Plaster to C. S. Van Dayne, land; con, \$100. Frank Kirk to M. F. Baker, interest in 443 acres; con, \$283.00. Jas. Kim to Jas. Taylor, land; con, \$935. O. Green to W. H. Smith, lot in Eugene; con, \$145. L. Solomon to W. G. Pickett & Co, lots in Junction; con, \$2200. Silas Cox to L. C. Corryell, 221 acres; con, \$300. O. P. Moffet to L. S. Corryell, 221 acres; con, \$300. T. W. Shelton to Geo. W. Cochran, lots in Eugene; con, \$500. E. A. Inghill to Laura Lakin, lot in Eugene; con, \$40. James Hoffman to Wm. G. Pickett, lots in Junction; con, \$900. Geo. H. Flett and Eugene Wiseman to J. Wiseman, lots in Eugene; con, \$478. John Ross to Robt. L. Barger, 1334 acres; con, \$1200. Robt. L. Barger to Anna Ross, lots in Eugene; con, \$1000. J. H. D. Henderson to Mary Coats, lot in Eugene; con, \$25. John G. Day to Robt. L. Barger, lots in Eugene; con, \$180. S. C. Foster, Jr. to C. W. Washburne, 491.42 acres; con, \$6000. Wm. Shields to James Lunenburg, lots in Cottage Grove; con, \$50. John Stewart to J. W. Stewart, lots in Springfield; con, \$600. B. J. and W. B. Penza to J. W. Stewart, lots in Springfield; con, \$1. W. O. Laird to J. W. Stewart, lots in Springfield; con, \$150. U. S. to W. G. Spencer, patent. U. S. to Howard Maupin, patent. U. S. to W. R. Young, patent. Jas. M. Cook and M. F. Cook to Nancy C. Williams, land; con, \$1200. E. Goodell to J. S. Corryell, land; con, \$500. J. A. Hughes to Geo. L. Gilroy, lots in Crescent; con, \$100. U. S. to E. A. Judkins, patent. U. S. to W. N. Crowler, patent. U. S. to W. H. Luckey, patent. U. S. to John Beason, patent. U. S. to S. W. Wood, patent. U. S. to W. T. Wood, patent. U. S. to S. E. Bristow, patent. U. S. to C. B. Marsters, patent. Enoch Hunt to G. R. Ward, land; con, \$900. J. M. Wilson, per Sheriff, to Enoch Hunt, land; con, \$983.5. A. Simmons, per Sheriff, to A. G. Hovey, 115.21 acres; con, \$2398.03. U. S. to Jessie Hill, patent. U. S. to J. F. Fallock, patent. U. S. to John C. Johnson, patent.

Coroner's Inquest.

The following is the testimony and verdict at the coroner's inquest of David Boggs, held last Tuesday: Dr. Sharples testified: I find that death resulted from hanging by the neck. The neck is broken. B. F. Houston testified: The deceased came to my house Sunday last about 1 P. M. and remained till 3. He then went away, and said he was going to work for Mr. Ware. I saw him no more until found.

We, the jury empaneled to inquire into the death of the body now before us, find that his name is David Boggs, and that he came to his death by hanging by his own hand. J. F. MULKY, J. M. STAFFORD, W. R. WARE, SANDFORD SKINNER, A. WILSON, F. M. JACKSON.

We learn that there was not a scratch on the body. He had evidently changed his pants and put on a pair of overalls. The pants were found in his cabin and had blood upon them. After the inquest the body was turned over to the relatives, who gave it a Christian burial.

Fatal Railroad Accident.

The excursion train that went from Corvallis to the Bay on Saturday met with a deplorable accident on its return on Monday near the Summit House. Part of the excursionists and train officials went to dinner in the Summit Hotel and in their absence an engineer, lately come upon the road, cut the engine loose and went up the grade to water up. In backing down to connect with the train he lost control of the engine and it backed into the train at half speed with full force. Mrs. Lakin, of this city was sitting on a seat with her little girl on her lap in the foremost car. The concussion threw her forward and forced the little girl out of her lap down between the cars, striking her head on the rail. She only lived a few moments after the accident. A Mr. Irvine, of Independence, was knocked senseless, having a gash cut in his forehead but he soon rallied. One or two ladies were somewhat bruised but not seriously injured. The accident was a deplorable one and changed the excursionists from levity to tears. To behold a mother's agony, her little girl torn from her arms and hurled to death without a minute's warning. The remains were brought here Tuesday and buried with appropriate funeral ceremonies.

THE GAME LAWS.—Last Tuesday, September 1st, was the first day of the open season when the beasts of the field and fowls of the air may be hunted without fear of an avenging law. In Oregon the close season for pheasants and grouse expired a month ago; now the hunter may kill geese, ducks and quail, or any other bird that suits his fancy, excepting the Mongolian pheasant, which the law yet makes sacred because of their scarcity. It is also a crime to trap quail in either Oregon or Washington the whole year through. The close season has ended in the territory as far as hunting is concerned, but Mongolian pheasants and quail are protected alike there and in Oregon.

TO BUILD THE C. & O. R. R.—It is stated on very good authority that orders have been issued by the Central Pacific Railroad Company to engineers and bridge builders to proceed with the immediate extension of the California & Oregon Railroad to a connection with the Oregon & California Railroad. The gap is about 125 miles. Some sections of the road are estimated to cost over \$100,000 a mile to construct. It is further stated that the Central Pacific has been induced to complete this road in order to recover at least the Portland and Northwest trade, which California lost through the opening of the Northern Pacific.

MARRIED.—In this city, September 3, 1885, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. U. S. Thompson to Miss R. Haines. The GARD's compliments are extended.

MARRIED.—At the residence of C. M. Driscoll, near Springfield, August 27, 1885, by A. S. Hamilton, J. P., Mr. Henry Kissinger to Hannah E. Gardner, both of this county.

FARM SOLD.—Mr. Ashley O. Stevens has sold his 100-acre farm to Mr. I. E. Stevens. Price paid, \$7,200.

Cottage Grove Items.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.] September 3, 1885. Mr. J. E. Fenton and wife of Eugene were in town last week. Mr. Wellington Duak, of Spencer precinct, was in town Saturday. Two law suits in town last week, one Friday and the other Saturday. Mr. Welch, the "action boss" moved into his new residence last week. Grain has been coming in quite lively from the Stuslaw valley this week. A. H. Spare and J. E. Kennedy started for Bohemia the first of the week. Hop picking is in progress at the yard of Mr. John Walker six miles below here. Mr. Ike and Miss Esther Damswood came home from Buena Vista last week. Mrs. O. P. and Miss Estelle Adams were visiting in the vicinity of Pleasant Hill last week. Mrs. Martin, mother of Mr. Nat Martin, left here Monday for her home in New Tacoma, W. T. Mr. Perry Sherwood and family, of Sheering, Douglas county, are visiting friends at this place. There is quite an excitement in this vicinity over the gold prospects of Bohemia and other localities. Hon. G. B. Dorris and Mr. Frank Stewart were in town Friday. Warm days with cool nights of late. Twenty-five or thirty of the fun-loving people of this place attended the "Harvest dance" at House's mill last Friday night. Dr. Osborne's team became frightened Friday evening and ran at a lively gallop for awhile throwing Mr. O. out and bruising him considerably. We are again called upon to record the death of one of our citizens. Mr. Thos. Gough who resided a few miles west of this place was taken suddenly ill Tuesday with inflammation of the bowels from which he died Wednesday about twelve o'clock. The remains were interred in the Masonic and Odd Fellows' cemetery at this place to-day. FRUIT.

Trent Items.

SMOXY, smoky, smoky. The buzz of the thresher is heard no more. Mr. B. Kettleidge is lying quite ill with typhoid fever. Mr. H. S. Tilton and family will move to their mountain home soon. Miss Stella Rowland of Eugene will teach the Fall term of school at this place. Mrs. Emma Griswold and Miss Stella Rowland are visiting relatives and friends at this place, also at Pleasant Hill. The party consisting of W. H. McCall, Wm. Miller, J. R. Miller, B. Kettleidge, Lee Rutledge and Jeff Davis returned last Thursday from Kitzon's Springs. They report having had a good time, but all they have to boast of is the killing of one deer. Rumor has it that a certain school teacher and a fair belle of Pleasant Hill signify their intention of emigrating to the city of matrimony in the near future. We extend our congratulations in advance. To the unfortunate (?) we extend our sympathy. M.

Jasper Items.

JANES, Sept. 1. Mr. D. Sylvester killed a large rattlesnake last Sunday. It measured about 31 feet long and had thirteen rattles and a button. Most of the people of this place are getting ready to pick hops. We are glad to hear of so many hop men intending picking, as it will make better times generally.

HONEY.

SENSIBLE.—We take the following from the Portland Daily Telegram: The question of keeping the Willamette river open to light draught navigation as far as Eugene City, 184 miles from its mouth, is one of great importance to the people of the valley. Railroads can never quite supply the place of water courses in inland commerce, and to surrender these last to shoals and snags is opening a wide door for the benefit of corporations and closing an important avenue by which a syndicate of farmers and traders could be enabled, when necessary, to relieve themselves of oppressive transportation rates. The only work now being done on this long waterway, beset with snags and numerous shoals, is that by the old snag boat. As in times past, this craft is rendering good service, but auxiliary work, in the way of dredging, etc., is greatly needed, and indeed, must be had in the near future, or the bottom of the river will appear in many places where, ten or fifteen years ago, light draught boats made ordinary easy ascent.

THE OREGON PACIFIC.—The Portland News has it from good authority that the Oregon Pacific Railroad Company will soon begin work on the extension east toward Boise City, Idaho, where connection will be made with the Chicago and Northwestern. It is said that the Mount Jefferson or Minto pass has been selected as the route through the Cascades. The route will be from Corvallis easterly along the Willamette to Albany, crosses the South Santiam south of the mouth of Thomas creek, and crosses near North Scio to the North Santiam. A man well known in railroad circles said he had definite knowledge that work would be begun within a month and ventured the prophecy that Boise City would be reached by next Spring, and by June 15, 1886, trains would be running direct from the East to Yaquina City.

LARCENY IN A DWELLING.—Sheriff Campbell yesterday brought Harry Clark from Halsey where he had been arrested Thursday. It would seem that the young man being punished, called at the residence of Mr. J. O. Beebe Wednesday evening and asked for a bed and was granted the same. The next morning, during the temporary absence of the members of the family, he showed his ingratitude by stealing a revolver from a bureau, and then made his escape to Halsey. He will be tried before Justice Henderson to-day. The offense is a penitentiary crime.

SPECIAL.—From this date, August 25th, until further notice I will saw wood at the usual price and furnish my own fuel. I claim to saw wood cheaper and better than any person in Lane county, and invite parties to visit my machine, and be convinced. Orders left at H. F. Dorris' tin shop will receive prompt attention. W. M. MOORE.

NOTICE.—Mr. B. H. James having retired from business and being desirous of settling up, requests all those indebted by note or account to immediately call and make a settlement. He can be found at his office in the Court House, ready to receipt for all debts due him.

FARMERS TAKE NOTICE.—A good dinner can had at Baker's hotel for 25 cents.

Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Hays are in Eugene visiting. J. J. Constock shows no signs of improvement. Senator Hoult, of Albany, was in town Wednesday. Mr. Wm. Osburn returned to his home at Portland last Monday. Mr. Elmer Gray has come to Oregon City to work on the fish ladder. Mr. Geo. S. Kincaid has returned from a trip to Eastern Oregon. Mr. Lee Heatherly, of Colfax, W. T., is visiting friends in Eugene. A. Stinit is now engaged in the real estate business at Junction City. Hon. H. H. Gilroy and family went to Salem last Wednesday on a visit. Mr. P. N. Bonnett will make a business trip east of the mountains soon. Mr. A. D. Bowen, representing Palmer & Rey, gave us a pleasant call last Wednesday. Uncle Johnny Brown has been quite sick for a few days. We hope for his early recovery. Mr. Wyatt returned from a trip to Boise City, Idaho Territory last Thursday afternoon. We acknowledge the receipt of a visit from Mr. J. T. Gregg, traveling agent for J. C. Ayer & Co. Mr. C. C. Cherry, of the Albany iron works was in town yesterday. He reports business good in his line. Mrs. Geo. B. Dorris, accompanied by her daughters, returned home from Jacksonville yesterday morning. Messrs. Frank Bucknell and D. E. Rice have returned from the Blue River mines. They did not strike a fortune. Ed McClanahan, was quite sick a couple of days the first of the week. He is now again able to attend to his business. Messrs. Gabe Chrisman and wife and T. G. Hendricks and wife have returned from Yaquina Bay. They report having had a pleasant trip. Mr. John Diamond and Mr. Matt Spores and wife will leave on a visit to the Eastern States next Monday. We wish them a pleasant trip. Messrs. S. H. Friendly and Harry Washburn returned home from San Francisco last Monday. They have each been receiving large consignments of goods during the week. Rev. W. G. Simpson left for his new home at Ashland last Thursday. His family will follow him in a few days. Rev. Fairchild, the new minister will arrive here about the middle of next week. Uncle Vinty McClure last Sunday attained the age of 70 years. He was on the upper McKenzie at the time on a hunting trip. Monday morning he celebrated his birthday by killing a very large buck deer. Mr. F. M. Thayer, of the Portland News, spent last Sunday in Eugene. We acknowledge a pleasant call. A son-in-law accompanied him, who is thinking somewhat of establishing a hardware store in this city. Hon. Chas. Miller, of Jefferson, was in Eugene last Wednesday. During his stay he rented the old Faris house on Olive street, which will be used by his two daughters and a son, who intend attending the University this winter. Mr. St. John Skinner, accompanied by his family, left for Rosalia, W. T., last Monday. They will stay in that section this Fall and Winter, and then will permanently locate in the Big Bend country. Luck go with them, is our hearty wish. Grand Master Workman Dorris accompanied Father Upchurch to Roseburg last Wednesday, returning Thursday. He went to Salem with the old gentleman yesterday, where he intended making an address to the Salem Workmen.

Personal.

THE PULLMAN PALACES.—It has been but a short time since the Pullman palace cars were introduced on the Oregon & California railroad but they have become very popular. Although a great many people still prefer to save their small fare, and ride in the old fashioned coach, yet the traveler who wants to combine pleasure and comfort with his business invariably rents his seat in the Pullman parlor for the day, and his section in the sleeper at night. The cars on this road are the finest running on any western road, and one of them, the Albany, was awarded the premium at the late New Orleans fair. The principal source of pleasure in riding in a Pullman is in the distance from the engine, which precludes getting the eyes full of smoke as in the forward cars, and the smoothness with which it passes over the rails, with hardly a jar or jolt. The upholstering has much to do with the ease in riding there too, as every corner is heavily cushioned. The rates are low, being but twenty-five cents extra for Pullman privileges, between Portland and Albany, Portland to Eugene \$1, to Roseburg \$1.50, and to Ashland from Portland \$3.50. The rate from Roseburg to Ashland for sleeper is \$2.00.

OREGON CITY FISH LADDER.—Several days since brief mention was made in these columns of the commencement of the work of building the fish ladder at Oregon City. The contract for building this fish ladder was let to the San Francisco Bridge Co, to complete the structure for \$9,400. The contract was executed on the 7th day of August, and the work is to be completed within eighty days after the execution of the contract. The work was begun by the company last Tuesday and the work no doubt will be completed on time, unless something not within control of the company stops the work and prevents them from pushing the matter forward. About thirty men are engaged for the work, and this force will soon be increased probably to fifty.

PLACERS.—Mr. B. F. Finn was in town last Thursday and showed us some gold he had obtained with a pan from some mines on which he has just discovered on Blue river, about forty miles from here. The mine is about one mile from the regular traveled road. He has taken up a claim of twenty acres and will immediately put in sluices. The gold averaged three ounces to the pan. Mr. Finn thinks he has a fortune, and we hope he has. He says there are about 100 acres of nearly level land above his claim.

RUAWAY.—Some boys hitched up a horse to the light wagon of Mr. W. H. Abrams last Saturday when the animal became unmanageable and ran up Eighth street from near Campbell's factory and over nearly all the western portion of town. The vehicle was broken up badly.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—The Baptist church is being thoroughly cleaned, kalsomined and repainted. On this account there will be neither preaching nor Sunday school next Sunday.

TREASURE LEDGE.—This ledge, located in the Blue River District, is being opened by its owners. It is the general belief that they have a good mine.

REDUCTION.—Farmers and others are hereby notified that meals will be served at the St. Charles Hotel hereafter for 25 cents.

Brevities.

Cool mornings. See summaries in another column. The county jail is as empty as an editor's pocket book. The Bean hunting party thus far have only killed one deer. Mr. Leo Gearhart and wife have returned home from Corvalla. The Western Union Telegraph Co's repairing car was here last Wednesday. Only about one hop yard in ten will be picked in Lane county. A social dance was given at Rhinehart's Hall last Thursday evening. We acknowledge the receipt of some fine peaches from Miss Lulu Dodson. University will begin its session for the coming year one week from Monday. Do not ask Recorder Shaw anything about the safe robbery in Wasburg's law office. Hop pickers are busy at work on Mr. Carman's hop yard. The price paid is 30 cents per box. The brick work on the new University building will not be completed until next Thursday. The new residence of Rev. E. P. Henderson has received its finishing coat of paint and looks noble. The GUARD extra, containing an account of the Mohawk tragedy, was much sought after last Tuesday. The remains of the late D. W. Church were laid away to rest last Tuesday afternoon in the Masonic cemetery. Assessor P. J. McPherson left for the Lower Stuslaw country last Wednesday to take the assessment of that section. Mr. Elias Williams left at this office this week a bunch of oats that measured over seven feet in height. They were very heavy. Indian Jim was arrested one day this week for drunkenness. Wednesday he was fined \$10 which he liquidated and was discharged. The Jewish New Year, 5646, begins Wednesday, September 9th. We wish our Hebrew friends, in advance, "A Happy New Year." We acknowledge the receipt of a complimentary ticket to the Lane County Fair to be held in Eugene, September 30th, October 1st, 2d and 3d. Last Wednesday Mr. V. S. McClure found a roll of blankets while traveling down the McKenzie road. The owner can have the same by calling on him and describing the property. The express office will be moved into the postoffice building to-day or Monday. Now if the telegraph office could be moved from off the butte to the same room it would be a great convenience to the public. A reduction of one cent per pound on the freight rate on hops from the Pacific coast to eastern points has been made by all transcontinental roads. The old rate was three cents. The new rate goes into effect September 2. E. T. Gunn, late editor of the Olympia Transcript, who was buried last Wednesday, wrote an account of the pioneer printers and newspaper men of this northwest coast a short time ago. The closing line was "They all died poor." The penalty for trapping quail, grouse or pheasants is by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$300, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than five days nor more than three months, or both such imprisonment and fine. It is said that J. M. Hodson has bargained for the Ellsworth property, occupied by Geo. B. Dorris and R. M. Robinson at the rate of \$1700; also that S. M. Yordan, has purchased the Rosenblatt property adjoining, used as a shoemaker shop, for \$1500. Mr. Isaac Zunwald left at this office last Tuesday afternoon a branch about four feet long, from a plum tree that contained an innumerable quantity of plums. We tried to count them, but we soon gave it up as there were too many of them. We never saw anything like it. We have received from Sterling Hill photographer at Eugene City, copies of several remarkably fine photographic views of the summits of the mountains known as the Three Sisters. The ascent of these peaks as described in a recent article by T. C. Judkins, published in the Sunday Oregonian. The photographs were by Mr. Hill fully support Mr. Judkins' fine description.—Oregonian.

The longest respite on record has been granted by the governor of Delaware, in the case of Lewis F. List, who was sentenced to death for a murder committed in Wilmington. The law prohibits the governor from commuting a death sentence, so he overcame the legal prohibition by respiting List until May 20, 1940—over fifty-four years. He is now in his twenty-fifth year.

Dissolution of Partnership. Notice is hereby given that the copartnership heretofore existing between Garrison & Fenton, contractors and builders, has been dissolved by mutual consent. S. GARRISON, W. H. FENTON.

EUGENE CITY, September 5, 1885. Notice. I will have for sale, about September 10, 1885, 12,000 split cedar fence posts, at my mill in Coburg. The price will be 86 per hundred. COBURG, Aug. 22, 1885. JAR. C. GOODALE.

MRS. CHURCH'S CONDITION.—Mrs. Church, one of the victims of the tragedy at Mohawk, yesterday (Friday) morning was in an improved condition. She is now able to speak when asked any question, but is still in a dazed condition. She has not yet had anything to say about the affair, as the doctor has given strict orders not to speak of it in her presence, as it might excite her, and thereby injure her chances of recovery. Dr. Sharples, her attending physician has some hope for her recovery.

RATHER COOL.—It is said that Boggs, who committed the terrible murder on Mohawk last Sunday, was in Coburg the following morning and there purchased the rope to hang himself with, and also settled a debt of several dollars. Therefore, he must have committed suicide sometime last Monday.

CONTRACT LET.—Mr. O. Beckwith has let the contract for his new residence on the corner of Oak and Fifth streets to Messrs. Edmundson and Angel for the sum of \$727. They have already commenced work on the same.

DIED.—Near Springfield, Oregon, August 29, 1885, of malignant diphtheria, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McPherson, aged 8 years. No more cases are reported. The family have the sympathies of the neighborhood.

NO MATRIMONY.—The Finamore troupe will not give a matinee performance as intended. The only performances will be on Friday and Saturday evenings, September 18th and 19th.

NOTICE.—Dr. J. C. Gray wants those indebted to him to call and settle their accounts by October 1st without fail.