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JOHN C. CHURCH.

Fell From the Top of the New Electric Light Station to Instant Death.

An Old Respected Citizen.

Daily Guard, August 3.

At the east end of Eighth street about 1 o'clock today one of Eugene's old and highly respected citizens lost his life. Work on the new building of the Eugene Electric Light Company has been pushed along rapidly as every effort has been made to operate the new plant at once.

Hon John C Church was one of the company and has been laboring diligently also. The last day or two he has been assisting the workmen by painting, and at 1 o'clock went on the roof up the east side to paint there. But a short time after he ascended the roof a rapid scraping on the roof was heard, and before the workingmen could get to the other side he had slipped to the edge of the roof, and fallen 20 feet to the ground, alighting on his back. A few convulsive gasps and he was gone. The life that so long had been an honor to the community would henceforth be but a memory.

It had all happened so suddenly that it is hardly known just how the affair happened. Mr Church was on the roof alone, and it is evident he slipped and was unable to regain his footing, although the roof was not steep and the sleets used by the carpenters who nailed the shingles were still on. A younger and more active man could have undoubtedly caught himself in time. The workmen on the building had been averse to having Mr Church go on the roof to work, but in his hurry to have the building completed he considered not that danger lurked there. Dr Brown the first physician to arrive on the scene, pronounced him dead. The news spread rapidly and in a few moments a large number of citizens were on the ground. The remains were taken at once to Day & Henderson's undertaking parlors to be prepared for interment. From here they will be removed to his late home, where they will lie in state until the funeral occurs.

On examination it was found that his neck was broken, also the left arm between the wrist and elbow.

(John C Church was born in Genessee county, New York, June 22, 1834, but was educated in Seneca county, Ohio. In 1852 he crossed the plains to California, but returned to the Eastern states after a residence of six years. He then enlisted in the Second Regiment, Iowa Cavalry, and during his four years service was mostly orderly sergeant of Co. C., being promoted afterwards to a second lieutenancy, but for which he did not receive his commission. After a short stay in Iowa, he removed to Lacon county, Missouri, and there resided until 1872, when he came to Oregon, and to Lane county.

In the fall of that year he embarked in the hardware business with J F Robinson, with whom he has been associated constantly to the time of his death. In 1888 the firm of Robinson & Church sold to Starr, Griffin & Brown, which in turn was succeeded by the Griffin Hardware Co. Since that time, Messrs Church and Robinson have been associated in the electric light business. Deceased was at one time president of the Eugene Loan & Savings bank, but owing to other business interests resigned the same, and was succeeded by W E Brown, the present president.

Deceased has filled several public offices with great credit to all concerned. He was in 1880 appointed county judge of Lane county, by Governor Moody, to fill the unexpired term of Judge C W Fitch, deceased. In 1879 he was elected a member of the common council of Eugene. Elected again in 1884, he succeeded himself in 1886, making at all times a judicious conscientious officer, bringing to the public the experience of years as a successful business man.

Mr Church was a member of the blue lodge, A F & A M, R A M, and commandery. He also was a member of Spencer Butte lodge and Wimahala encampment, I O O F, the A O U W and G A R.

The sad blow falls with severity upon a loving wife and four children, Wirt, Earl, Ermine and Curtis, besides the entire population, for he was well known, loved and respected and few men have made more sincere and lasting friends than he.

Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made, but it will probably occur Thursday.

THE HOP PEST.—Salem Statesman: "In the Aurora district spraying was tried but has practically been given up, as it would require almost constant spraying, says the growers to keep the pest down. The hope of warm sunny weather a little later on when it is needed is the prospect that encourages the growers to think they will harvest a clean crop."

MONDAY, JULY 26.

W W Scott of Creswell, was in Eugene today.

O P Hoff, of Irving, spent Sunday in Eugene.

L G Hulin, of Creswell, was in Eugene today.

Secretary Kincaid went to Salem this morning.

J H Weider and wife are visiting in San Francisco.

Attorney J E Young returned home this afternoon.

P and C S Frank and families are at McKenzie Bridge.

Prof L C Carson returned to Portland this morning.

Wm Durant has returned from Salinas city, California.

Miss Rosalie Friendly returned home this afternoon.

Mel Warner returned from Coos Bay Saturday evening.

A B Seal, of San Francisco, was doing business in Eugene today.

James Hoffman and family will start down from the springs Wednesday.

Prof D W Jarvis, after a short visit in Eugene, went to Portland this forenoon.

Miss Jessie Fellows of Springfield, is making her home with Mr and Mrs J R Ellison.

Attorney Woodcock returned from Foley Springs this morning, much improved in health.

Hon T G Hendricks and wife leave for Foley Springs in the morning to spend a few weeks.

Miss Catherine C Coggswell returned on Saturday evening's stage from a trip to Foley Springs.

Hon Max Pratch, of Ashland, special agent of the U S land office is in the city on official business.

L R Fields, of Portland, superintendent of the S P R R lines in Oregon was in Eugene last evening.

Dr Prentice and wife will leave for their homestead near Creswell tomorrow, to spend a few days.

Miss Jennie Smitson, the subject of the terrible railroad accident at Springfield, is recovering nicely.

Chris Barstch returned to Portland this forenoon. He expects to leave for Clondyke about the 10th.

Mrs Emma Thompson and Miss Sue Dorris returned home from a short trip to Yaquina Bay this afternoon.

Prof McAlister and his father, Dr McAlister, went to Newport this morning as also did Prof Condon and Prof Dunn.

Mrs S H Friendly and children leave on tonight's train for Castle Craig, in California, where they will spend a month.

Judge Robert Eakin and wife, of Union, Oregon, spent Sunday in Eugene visiting relatives and friends. They left for their home on this forenoon's local train.

J H Donald and family, of Baker City, are visiting friends in Eugene, being the guests of David Cherry and wife. Mr Donald for several years at one time was in business in this city.

A horse race was run at the Harris track Saturday afternoon, 300 yards, between Brannon's sorel mare and Cully's horse, the winner to take both animals. Brannon came out victorious and now has two "race" horses.

Cottage Grove Leader: Mr Darwin Bristow's little daughter, Dorothy, fell and broke bones of the forearm, Wednesday. Dr Wall was called and reduced the fracture and the little one is getting along as well as could be expected.

Resolutions Passed.

The following resolutions were adopted by a committee of the Alumni Association appointed by the president:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the great Author of Life to recall from earthly existence the spirit of our beloved fellow-alumnus Prof S E McClure; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That while we realize that he has passed to a higher and better state of being, the alumni none the less mourn the loss of one who was ever active and energetic as an alumni, a true and noble son and brother, a steadfast friend, a conscientious, beloved and able teacher, who was faithful unto death in paying the debt which men of learning owe to science.

RESOLVED, That while we know how little human aid and comfort avail, we yet respectfully extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in this hour of deepest sorrow.

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Alumni Association, that a copy be furnished the family of Professor McClure, a copy to each of the Eugene papers and a copy to the Portland Oregonian.

F. S. DUNN, '92.
President.
E. H. MCALISTER, '90.
J. E. BRONAUGH, '92.

MARRIED.—In Junction, July 27, 1897, by Justice Butler, Mr J M Cock and Mrs Mary Ricks.

A RICH STRIKE.

The Chauncey Dale Mine at Blue River is Rich in Gold.

A Mill Promised.

Daily Guard, August 2

B F Dorris, R M Day and C R Doyle returned last evening from a trip to the Blue River mining district about 45 miles east of Eugene. They bring news of a rich discovery in that district. It is in the old Exchequer mine, now owned by Chauncey Dale, of Portland. He has a tunnel in Gold Hill, sixty-two feet and the rock is rich in gold. Before the gentlemen he gathered up a half pan of the debris made by blasting and panned out over $1 in gold. They also crushed some of the rock and found gold in liberal quantities.

Mr Dale says he has a Portland capitalist backing him, who will soon erect a mill on the ledge.

From the account it seems as if he has a property that will make him rich.

The Blue River Mining Co will soon put a force of men to work on their property. It also prospects well.

Only about twelve men are now prospecting in the district.

If this district was located in frozen Alaska it would be swarming with humanity.

WAGON ROAD.

The gentlemen also went over the proposed extension of the wagon road into the mines. They report that a first class road can be had, and parties have offered to do the work for the small sum of $855. The commissioners court should let the contract at once for this improvement. A petition of a large number of citizens has been secured and filed. On it is a large number of our wealthiest citizens.

Funeral Services.

Daily Guard August 2.

The funeral services of the late Prof S E McClure occurred yesterday forenoon at 10 o'clock, at the family residence, corner of Ninth and Patterson streets. The vocal and instrumental music was superb, which was under the supervision Mr L G Adair.

Prof Thos Condon first spoke, paying the deceased many well deserved compliments.

Then Rev W S Gilbert addressed the people. His remarks were short but eloquently spoken, and were quite appropriate.

The interment took place in the I O O F cemetery, Eugene Lodge A F & A M, of which deceased was a member, conducting the services, Master E O Potter being in charge.

The pall bearers were: Profs John Straub, E H McAlister, F S Dunn D V S Reid, Dr Connell and Mr E K Henderson.

It was probably the most largely attended funeral that ever occured in this city, it being estimated that over 2,500 people attended.

His memory will be kept sacred by our citizens. His loss is sincerely mourned by the people generally.

A Sincere Tribute.

The briefest and best explanation of the marvelous success of the late Professor Edgar McClure, in the class room, is found in a sincere tribute from an old pupil, mine-owner of Kaslo, "Professor McClure," he said, "knew instinctively the difference between the pupil who was naturally a student and the pupil who was not. I had been in his classes only a short time when he discovered that I could not make a brilliant recitation, and he never expected me to do so. He knew that I was not a student, and never could be a student, and yet knew also that because a boy is not a student he is not necessarily a bad boy. In the class room he showed me every consideration; out of the class room he was a companion. I can say without hesitation that he was the best teacher I ever had. I deplore his death, for by his untimely taking-off I lost a personal friend."

USING SOAP.—Stephen Smeed of Walterville, was in Eugene today. He informs us that he is now spraying his hops the third time. The first time he used tobacco, the second quassia chips and whale oil soap, and now he is using common ordinary bar soap, which can be obtained at any grocery store. He says that on experimenting he finds that soap alone kills the vermin just as well as the more expensive preparations, and therefore he will hereafter use it, and thereby save several dollars per acre.

LEFT TODAY.—Saturday's Salem Journal: O H Fay, accompanied by foreman, teamster and other assistants, left today for Douglas county, where he has been awarded the contract for extending the Bohemia-Oakland road from its present terminus to the Music mine in Douglas county. The work is to be completed by October 15, at a cost of $2,900.

TUESDAY, JULY 27

The Eugene Foundry is now crowded with orders.

Hon H B Miller arrived up on the afternoon train.

Dean E C Sanderson arrived home this afternoon.

Miss Mamie Fisk is confined to her home with illness.

Henry Lang, the Portland drummer was in the city today.

Mrs Hugh Thompson went to Goshen this afternoon on a visit.

Hon T G Hendricks and wife went to Foley Springs this morning.

Mrs J E Noland and children, of Creswell, are visiting in Eugene.

Collectors report that yesterday was a fairly good day in their line of business.

Thanks to Alfred Kirkland for several copies of the London Illustrated News.

Walter Jackson, of Junction, was in the city. He now goes on but one crutch.

Miss Ida Neffsinger returned home on the afternoon local from a trip to California.

Frank Alley and family went to Cottage Grove this afternoon to spend a few days.

The mercury at Klondyke reached 97 above this summer and 72 below last winter.

Mrs S H Friendly and children left for Castle Craig resort on last night's overland train.

Miss Lena Stafford started this morning for Halsey where she will visit with the family of an uncle.

Dr Prentice and wife and John Gray and family have gone to their homesteads above Creswell for a few days.

Joe Peplot of Gate Creek was in town today and reports considerable travel on the upper McKenzie Bridge.

Prof E B McElroy returned to Newport on the morning local, where he will be in attendance on the summer school.

Ed and Jno Whitney and Ralph Brumley started yesterday for the upper Santiam country on a hunting trip.

J H McClung and daughter, Miss Margaret, leave tomorrow for an outing of two or three weeks at McKenzie Bridge.

The Clondyke talk is increasing in Eugene. It is quite likely that several of our citizens will leave for Alaska before this time next year.

Mrs Marie Lithgow and daughter started yesterday on a visit to her old home in Pennsylvania. They will be absent about three months.

Albany Democrat: The state teachers association meeting at Newport was undoubtedly a failure so far as attendance is concerned and perhaps generally.

Mrs James Hearvey, who has been visiting her brother J M Stafford, on the Mohawk, and relatives in Eugene, started this morning on her return trip to her Seattle home.

The jury in the case of Louis Hartwig vs Charlotte Hurst, tried before Judge Potter, yesterday, rendered a verdict for plaintiff of $18. The sum of $140 was the amount sued for.

For a short time this afternoon the water main on Willamette street was shut off on account of a small accident in making connection with the main for the new proposed Christian church building.

Mrs P B Kinsey returned this afternoon, bringing with her Mr and Mrs John Krausse's little daughter, who will remain here during the absence of her parents on a trip East. Miss Maggie went East with them also.

J W Clark and family have returned from an extended visit to Salem, Portland, The Dalles, and Klickitat valley, Washington. They report a pleasant time but say the Willamette valley is above everything as a cereal and fruit producer.

Junction City Times: Judge Potter was here Wednesday and inspected the work on the county road that passes through town recently completed by Mr Millett. He was much pleased with the work and expressed the opinion that the plan of grading the slough instead of bridging would result as an economical investment on the part of the county as well as the city.

CATTLE SHIPMENTS.—C N Thompson, of Chicago, who has his headquarters in Eugene, will ship a train load of cattle from Miller's station to the East about the 6th inst. Jack Davis will go in charge of the same. On the 10th he will ship one or two train loads from Eugene. Some of the cars are already on the switches at the depot for this shipment. A J Pickard will be in charge of the last lot. Soon thereafter train loads will be shipped from two or three Southern Oregon points. The cattle are one, two and three year olds, principally the latter. Many people thought the valley was drained of cattle by the heavy spring shipments and drives, but this does not prove to be the case.

BORN.—At Junction City, August 2, 1897, to Mr and Mrs S L Moorhead, a son. The GUARD congratulates.

HOP PARAGRAPHS.

The Lice Have Ruined Some of the Yards Near Gervais.

Sunday's Salem Statesman: "McKinley Mitchell, of Gervais, was in Salem yesterday having business to transact at the court house. His wife accompanied him. Mr Mitchell is a commission merchant and says the prospect for a good hop crop on French prairie is not very encouraging, owing to the presence of the pesky little hop louse which has taken complete possession of the vine in that vicinity Some yards are completely destroyed. That the market will open at a good price there is little doubt, he says.

"The local hop men are not doing a rushing business at present and no new contracts have been reported this week. The market yesterday was reported below 10 cents for the new crop. The lice are becoming more numerous notwithstanding the active use of the sprayer throughout the yards in the county."

They Are In It Now.

Yesterday's Oregonian: Thomas H Parrott, living on the East side, is a real stickler for the enforcement of the game laws; but it was hardly thought he would furnish evidence to convict his own sons. He recently received a letter from his son "Jiggs" who is at Foley Springs, and who wrote to his father that he and his brother Archie, with others of the party, had killed several deer within 300 yards of their camp, and that game is abundant there. Mr Parrott gave out the information for publication, and yesterday the item fell under the eye of Game Protector McGuire. This is the close season for deer, and, as Protector McGuire has been exerting himself to secure the conviction of others for violating the game laws, he says he cannot consistently overlook his East Side friends. When "Jiggs" and his brother Archie return home from their mountian cruise, both will be interviewed by the game protector, and they may as well bring a haunch or so of venison with them as convincing evidence of their story.

JOHNSTON IN SPOKANE.—C W Johnston, formerly register of the U S land office at Roseburg, who got himself into trouble at New Orleans early this month, by representing himself to be a government official, in an effort to secure railroad transportation, is now at Spokane. He has become very gray, and many of his former acquaintances would hardly recognize him now. It has been understood in Spokane that his removal from office last May was simply due to politics, and some of his political friends have been twitting him that a gold democrat holding office had to go the same as others. The records of the treasury department will likely show the real cause of his removal. From the fact that Johnston is now in Spokane, it is probable he succeeded in getting out of his trouble at New Orleans.

A KLONDYKE LETTER.—Corvallis Times: John Stevens, bridge foreman on the O C & E, is one man who has information from the Clondyke that has not yet reached the public. An old friend of his came down on a recently arrived Alaskan steamer, and from this friend, Mr Stevens has received a letter. The letter states that the writer brought down with him $27,000 in gold dust and that as quick as certain business in Oregon could be arranged he would return to the diggings. Meantime a brother, left in charge of the mine, works twelve men whose wages per day are from $12 to $20 each. The writer has a high opinion of the new diggings, and says that the hard tales of hardships to be endured are sometimes magnified. The lucky miner landed in Clondyke with $100.

TO MEXICO.—The S. F. Olympic of July 31, states it has received a pleasant call from Mr J H Weider, of Eugene, Oregon. Mr Weider starts for Mexico in a few days, where he will join Major Weed, and together they will take rovers' commissions to penetrate all parts of the land of the Montezumas that can be reached on a wheel. No particular route has been mapped, and no stated time of absence agreed on. The kodak will be used as the demands of the inhabitants will warrant, and as there are few perambulating picture-takers in that country it is expected many shekels will be gathered from the dons and senoritas of sun-kissed Mexico.

FLORENCE PERSONALS.—The West: Master Gregory Ziegler of Eugene, is in this city, visiting his cousin, Ralph Knotts..........The Misses Davis of Eugene, are visiting with Miss Stebbins at Point Terrace..........J M Shelly of the Eugene Mill and Elevator Co, arrived in Florence the 24th.

DROPPING BADLY.—We are informed that Italian prunes are dropping quite badly, and that growers would like to have some cooler weather to prevent this. A large amount of the Lane county Italian prunes will be shipped East fresh.

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is SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR—don't forget to [illegible]. The Liver gets sluggish during the Winter, like all nature, and the system becomes choked up by the [illegible], which brings on Malaria, [illegible] and Rheumatism. You want to wake up your Liver now, [illegible] SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR to do it. It also regulates the Liver—keeps it properly at work, [illegible] will be free from poison and [illegible] invigorated.

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J. H. Zeilin & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

BREACH OF PROMISE.

John B Coleman Sued For $10,00 by Sarah E. Pierce.

Daily Guard, August 3

In the clerk's office this afternoon a complaint was filed of a sensational nature. Sarah E Pierce has instituted suit against John B Coleman for breach of marriage promise. She asks the modest sum of $10,000 and costs. She claims he agreed on the 25th of March to marry her on April 5, and that he refused, and she wants the amount for wounded affections.

We believe the case figured in the circuit court once before.

G W Kinsey is attorney for the plaintiff.

Wheeling Item.

The pretty little city of Eugene, Oregon, is said to be, proportionally, the most enthusiastic wheel section of the coast. A road club recently formed there has a roll of 300 names, and Hon E O Potter, the county judge, is president. The streets of the town are smooth and even, and the adjacent county roads ideal wheeling paths. Like the measles, when one member is taken with the bicycle fever, it attacks the whole family. They do not believe in community property, and each owns his or her own wheel. The family of M S Barker, with a membership of six, possesses six machines. A profitable place for salesmen.

Daily Guard, August 3

KILLED.—A dispatch was received here last evening by Mr Houser, of Alpha postoffice, but who has been working in Eugene about six weeks, that his son, Sandford Houser, aged 24 years, had been killed that day in a railroad wreck, at Blue Canyon, Cal. The young man was a brakeman on the train, we learn. The body will arrive here for interment in a few days.

The body will arrive here on Saturday morning's overland train.

The father Henry Houser has gone to Alpha to bring his family here. It will take him four days to make the trip.

LATER.

A later dispatch says young Houser was standing on top of a box car as it entered a snow shed and was knocked off and instantly killed. There was no wreck.

Daily Guard, August 3

BOUND OVER.—James H Harri who was given a preliminary hearing before Justice Wintermeier, yesterday afternoon, on the charge of embezzlement from the firm of the Columbia Implement Company, was held to await the action of the next Lane county grand jury, in the sum of two hundred dollars. He gave the required bonds, with Wm Renshaw and D E Rice as sureties. The amount claimed to have been embezzled is about $300. Mr Harris stated to a GUARD reporter that he merely was holding the $100 belonging to the company until they settled with him, claiming that they owed him for wages a balance of $121.75. He says he is perfectly willing to have the grand jury fully investigate the entire matter.

HOP NEWS.—The N Y Journal and Bulletin of July 27th is latest New York advice to hand. It says: "Even with the present outlook for the 1897 crop, so many things may happen that dealers hesitate to contract for fall or winter delivery, at 14 to 15 cents the risk would be fair but buyers will not bid over 11 cents. The German crop promises well and will be the principal competition against Oregon. The German's put up a crop for all there is in it as to quality."

MORE PHEASANTS. — An Albany man shipped twenty-five Chinese pheasants to Jim Hill, the railroad magnate, on Thursday. The birds will be liberated on the Hill homestead in New Hampshire.