

OREGON

About \$6,500 has been subscribed to the stock of the Alden Fruit Drying Company at McMinnville.

Washington county has paid her full share of State tax. Mr. Simmons, her county treasurer, paid the last installment—\$10,034—on the 18th, to the State treasurer at Salem.

The citizens in the vicinity of Cuttingville, Clackamas county, are still of the impression that they can find ore containing silver, and a number have been prospecting in the foothills.

The Farmer says: "Farmers over in the vicinity of Bethel and Spring valley are organizing a wolf scalp club to raise bounty for capture of coyotes who are depredating on sheep flocks."

Two weeks ago the new M. E. Church edifice at Buena Vista was dedicated, and a protracted meeting commenced in the new house, which closed last Sabbath after a very interesting season of revival, during which there were twenty-seven accessions to the church.

Salem, Feb. 18.—The flouring mill owned by Miller & Hendricks, at Wheatland, was totally destroyed by fire last night, together with about 1000 barrels of flour and some wheat. Loss, \$25,000; insured for \$10,000. The fire originated in the engine room.

The Enterprise says: "The executive committee of Clackamas County Board of Immigration met at the sheriff's office, present: John Myers, A. Moltner, John W. Meldrum, and F. O. McCown. On motion, John Myers was elected chairman, and F. O. McCown, secretary. On motion, a committee of two from each precinct was selected to solicit funds to aid the county board to publish information, and furnish the executive committee with a detailed description of the local advantages of Clackamas county."

A BEAUTIFUL BRIDE.

Now Sharp Practice Won the Spools—A Three-Handed Game.

The Salem Statesman tells the following interesting story of two bridegrooms' troubles:

A few days since, a young man hailing from the classic precincts of the Lacrole, applied to the County Clerk of Polk County for a license to marry a young lady, which the accommodating clerk issued. The same day another young man called for a license to marry. The clerk was not in, and his deputy issued the license. The two licenses were issued for the same girl. The first party hastened to the home of his young innamorata, and fixed up in gay attire, they hastened to a minister's residence to have the "knot tied" in regular orthodox style. While the ceremony was being performed party No. 2 came panting into the room his face flushed and his almost broken heart thumping perceptibly. In answer to the question if there were any who objected to the bans, No. 2 yelled out he did, at the same time presenting his license duly issued and signed by the County Clerk. Here was a quandary the man of God couldn't get through his clerical brain, and he stopped, leaving the party unmarried. No. 1 came to this city the next day to consult an attorney. He was in a world of trouble—frustrated in his cherished desire of wedding his lady love the day before, he wanted to appeal to the law—perhaps to place an injunction on his rival, No. 2. While No. 1 was taking legal advice, No. 2 took the much coveted Rose, of Dallas, to another dispenser of connubial ties and was married. When he returned he found that while he had gained his point as to law, his rival had gained his point in matrimony; as possession was nine points in law, No. 1 was welcome to the possession of the point of law he had gained. The tussel for the girl was a vigorous one, and we really feel like condoling No. 1.

We love women—old or young—simply because they are women. Our mothers spank us; our sweethearts spoil our joys by flirting with our rivals; our wives read us a genuine or moderate Caudle lecture, which we usually deserve. Woman has

laughed at our woes when we indulged in the tender passion, ridiculed our hearts with eroding arrows, depleted our pocket-book, disturbed our slumber, spoiled our coffee, ruffled our starched linen bosoms, hung to our arm with her whole precious weight when our corns hurt us most, danced us into perspiration, and caused us to buy lozenges for a cold; but in spite of all these things, we love her. We set her up as an idol and prostrate ourselves before her as before some divinity. We don't care a copper what dry goods cost—she looks so sweet. We will fight for her like a Prussian soldier. Let Mr. Huxley say what he will to derogate from the sex, we shall hang our banner on the outer wall and cry, "Hurrah for the women."—Globe.

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Executor's Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned has filed his final account as Executor of the last will and testament of H. B. Jones, Dec'd in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County, and that THURSDAY after the first Monday in January, A. D. 1875, at 10 o'clock a. m. has been set for the final hearing of said matter.

S. A. HOLFOMB.

Notice of Administrator.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING BEEN appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County Administrator of the estate of G. M. Raymond deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned at the office of Thos. H. Tongue in Hillsboro, Washington county, Oregon, with the proper vouchers within six months from the date hereof.

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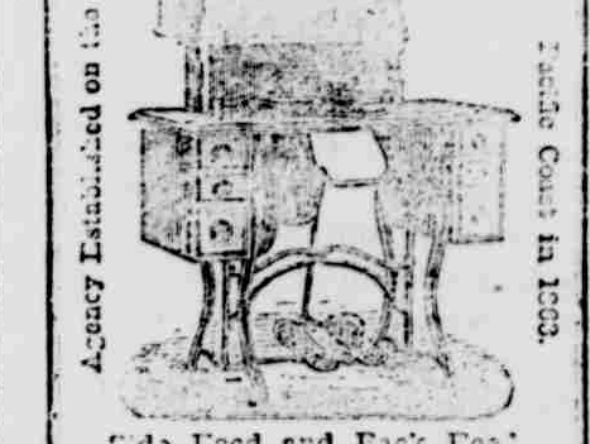
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