

A clean-up last week of 35 tons of second-grade ore, taken from the Ashland mine and worked at the Hicks quartz mill at Ashland, yielded \$427.

Reaser & Turnham, at their quartz mine in Jump-off-Joe, are erecting an arastra with a 40-foot overshot wheel. As they have a good water supply, they can probably run all summer.

Joseph Pollock is hauling ore from his mine on Jump-off-Joe to his arastra. The ore is high grade, averaging \$25 to the ton in pure gold, besides carrying quite a percentage of sulphurets, which he does not save.

A quartz ledge, similar in many respects to the celebrated "Yank," ranging from 90 to 80 feet in width and assaying from \$8 to \$13 in gold and 300 to 800 ounces in silver per ton, has been discovered in the Galice creek mining district. If half of this report be true this will surely prove to be a great ledge.

During the past week an immense find has been made within a stone's throw of Grants Pass. It is a quartz ledge eight feet in width and so enormously rich that a chunk of the ore the size of a teacup, pounded up with a hammer, yielded almost a teaspoonful of gold. The discoverer is an old prospector and has been for three years in search of the ledge, of the existence of which, by signs well-known to the craft, he has long felt satisfied.—Oregon Mining Journal.

The arctic explorer, Fridof Nansen, it is claimed, has found the north pole. Now we presume there will be no more expeditions fitted out to search for this long sought for spot. We hope Mr. Nansen has taken possession of this pole in the name of the king of Norway and has planted the flag of his country there amid eternal frost and snow in honor of his country, and that Norway will set a watchman there to guard that pole flag and shoot down any walrus that shall assay to walk around it.

Col. B. F. Alley, proprietor and editor of the West, published at Florence, Lane county, has shaken Florence dirt off his feet. He has pronounced his valedictory and gone, he knows not where, but his paper sleeps the sleep that knows no waking. Brother Alley leaves Florence with a dismal wail. He thinks it will require 20 years to secure a safe harbor for her shipping. That is too long for Alley to wait for his breakfast. He is no Rip Van Winkle. For today he works, not for the morrow.

We have in the present dead-lock in the Legislature of Kentucky, overstrong reason why United States senators should be elected by the people. In that state for sixty days the legislature has been trying to elect a senator. Such a condition of things could not, of course, have arisen in any state under a law requiring the election of senators by the people. 'Tis well known that the election of senators by a legislature is a cause of needless delay, bribery and corruption, which could not exist had the people the choice of electing senators by popular vote at one general election.

The PLAINDEALER believes in free schools, free speech and a free press. Give us these and we will have a free people. The PLAINDEALER out of a spirit of fairness, has thrown its columns open to those with whom we differ, believing that a free discussion of questions will always subserve good purposes. Our motto is hear all sides, then decide. The PLAINDEALER while republican in politics, is still broadminded enough to listen to all other sides of any question presented for consideration. The PLAINDEALER wears no bosses' collars. It is not afraid to speak its sentiments. It believes in letting in the light from whatever source it may come.

Now that the winter rains are about over, we may expect the roads will soon be in a condition to permit travel again. Soon again the local road labor will be warned out to work on the roads. This local labor will probably not more than put the roads in tolerable fair condition for summer and fall travel, and when the rains come again the old, old story of mud, mud, mud will be told. Why not repair a portion of the road permanently—give it a good coat of gravel? That would be more durable—would last for years. Then next year extend the permanent grading and graveling. Thus in a few years we would have good roads and a smaller amount of labor would keep them so. Our people must do something to secure good roads if they would wish to retain a respectable name for being in any degree public spirited, or enjoy any comfort when moving about from place to place. Good roads were the pride and glory of the ancient Romans and the Peruvians of South America. Samples of which remain good after the lapse of centuries.

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Seeing is believing, so walk into the Square Deal Store and see the fine display of fashionable spring goods daily arriving. Pricing goods is also the best way to learn where to buy cheapest. Call on Wollenberg & Abraham and price goods and you will then come to the conclusion that the Square Deal Store is the place to make your purchases. Wollenberg & Abraham have received and are continually receiving a fine stock of new spring goods, which they are selling at new prices. These are the times when we want to talk new goods to you, and we feel assured that the ladies in particular will go into raptures when they see our fine stock of spring dress goods and learn their prices. Gentlemen will also bear in mind that the Square Deal Store will fit them out to perfection.
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BRIEF MENTION.

From Tuesday's Daily.
Geo. Cutsforth of Riddle is in town today.
Jas. Davis of Oakland is at the McClallen.
G. W. Short of Wilbur was in town yesterday.
E. V. Dingman of Portland is at the McClallen.
G. W. Staley of Yoncalla is at the Van Houten.
Phil G. Rice of Myrtle Creek is at the Van Houten.
Geo. Strong of Myrtle Creek is at the Van Houten.
W. W. Bretherton of Portland is stopping at the McClallen.
H. B. C. Lewiston of Portland is a guest at the Van Houten.
Henry Hagey, P. A. Wilson and W. W. Coleman are registered at the McClallen.

Jas. Sheffield sold one of his fine mares a day or so ago for \$100. A couple of years ago the same animal could have been sold for \$200 or \$250.

Harney county sheepmen will drive a great many bands of their sheep to the railroad before shearing, and thus save freight money on the wool.

J. T. Cooper, who was in the city Monday, came to Oregon in 1849. He was a participant in the organization of the republican party in Douglas County.

W. T. Gardner of the Portland boys and girls home made us a call today. He says he can furnish boys or girls to suitable persons able and willing to properly care for them.

There was a jailbreak at Moro, Sherman county, Thursday night. Three prisoners escaped, one of whom was Pat Homan, who was arrested last winter at The Dalles for stealing horses.

Today is St. Patrick's day, and several of our citizens were seen with saintly colors upon their persons to indicate their nationality and the deep feelings of sympathy for the "auld sod," from which their ancestral stock emigrated, and to which they turn their thoughts with filial affection on St. Patrick's birthday.

The fact that the present jury is made up mostly of young men who have had but little or no experience as jurors, is a matter of comment. This is remarkable, showing that the drawing of jurymen may result thus, and shows also one of the peculiar freaks of chance. Such a combination of "boy jurors" may never occur again in the next half century, if ever.

Rev. G. W. Black, minister of the Baptist church of this city, is conducting a series of religious meetings at Wilbur. Mr. Black is a zealous preacher, forcible in argument and a bold and fearless denouncer of sin in, as well as out of his church. He is broad minded enough to perceive truths presented by those who may differ theologically with him and generous enough to accord honesty of purpose to those of an adverse opinion.

James Gresham of Brooklyn, a cousin of the late secretary of state and inventor of considerable note, has invented a boat that will, it is said, when completed cross the Atlantic in eight hours or less, traveling through the water at the rate of seven miles a minute. It travels under water principally and is propelled by electricity. When it comes to a practical test of the new boat it may prove to be a typical "flying machine," but the inventor is confident "it's a go" and says his application for a patent in the United States has been accepted.

Rich, richer, richest. The specimens of rich ore brought in from the Laugh & Singleton, and the Flint, Rice & Shupe mines east of this city are increasing in richness. The auriferous ore is decidedly rich, surpassing the rich quartz from California's celebrated mines. These gentlemen are beginning to regard themselves as millionaires or soon to become such. They have undoubtedly "struck it rich," and look to the future with bright anticipations of being able to bid defiance to financial misfortunes or the depressions of business under a democratic administration.

A lady, unknown to our reporter, was seen skimming along the streets today in bloomers, on her wheel, as gracefully as a drawing room belle with silken train of long skirts. It is needless to say a thousand eyes were turned upon her, while many admiring remarks were indulged in by both ladies and gentlemen. Her dress was neat and becoming, plain and unpretentious, and well suited to the free use of her limbs in propelling herself along the streets. Just as she passed a corner out of sight a gentleman came into view on his wheel with his pants tied close around his ankle to avoid impeding his motion or entanglement in the wheel. He too, acted sensibly but not more so than the lady cyclist.

A Valuable Prescription.
Editor Morrison of Worthington, Ind., "Sun," writes: "You have a valuable prescription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for Constipation and Sick Headache, and as a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Annie Stehle, 2625 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat, nor digest food, had a backache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Price 50 cents and \$1.00. Get a Bottle at A. C. Marsters' Drug Store.

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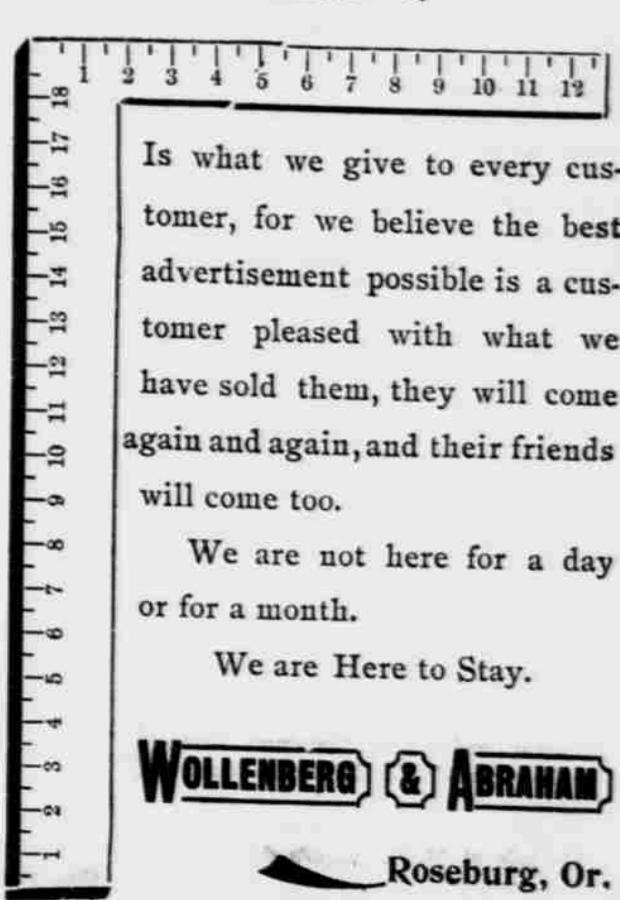


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