

**ROSEBURG MOSSBACKS.**

Roseburg business men will doubtless feel highly complimented by Monday's Review, which tells them of their lack of public spirit because they did not raise a big fund to make a big blow out by attracting 5000 here on the Fourth, to be held by the business men in the extra sale of their goods, wares and merchandise, hotel bills and saloon charges for those things that would not enrich them, though it might make them feel that they were nabobs.

The business men have fallen into a lethargic state and a general moss-backism is now dominant, is the logic of the Review. We fancy the business men will now arouse themselves, shake off this lack of public spirit, escape the moss off their backs and rush to the Review office and increase the size of their ads, put that tripod straddler on the back and shower ducats into his depleted coffers, and say, "you are all right, Mr. Review," but with a mental reservation, and in a soft voice, add, "why did you not say so before?"

But when we came to look into the secret of this chiding of the business men by this soidisant leader of public sentiment, we find where the Review gets its inspiration. It has an ax to grind. It is the city council it is after. It charges that body with all the imaginary evils which has or may befall the city.

It charges the city council with shutting off the water supply, when in fact, it was the water company itself, that shut off the supply of water, evidently with the intent to starve the people into submission to its exorbitant charges for water for fire purposes. The business men hold the stock of this water company, and if the people had not kicked against the high rates of water supply, and continued those high rates to keep the water company in funds, the business men would have given us a grand celebration last independence day—paid for you see by the people—and we would have had a glorious time, and the Review would have had no occasion to call them mossbacks lacking in public spirit.

Then, too, the contemplated withdrawal of day mail service by the S. P. Company is because the council has "shut off the city water supply." Yes, yes, restore the city water supply and pour \$1000 more a year into the company's pockets, and hereafter the business men who own the water stock will give us a grand celebration on each recurring Fourth of July, ride off on the S. P. cars—paid for by the taxpayers—and thus by a liberal patronage of the S. P. Company induce it to continue the day mail service. That would be a fine state of affairs. With the city water supply shut off, the business men can't ride in the S. P. Company's cars, and as a consequence, the company has in contemplation the withdrawal of day mail service, so says the Review.

Tax payers what will you do about this matter? Will you vote to renew the old contract in order to enable our business men to ride off to Portland, and thus persuade the company to continue day mail service and to induce the business men to give you a grand Fourth of July celebration next year?

**THE COMING CONFLICT.**

The combined opposition to republicanism is concocting a scheme at Chicago to defeat McKinley. Democracy having lost favor with the people through its free trade doctrine voted into power four years ago, will not dare raise that standard now, and if it espouse protection it cannot hope to convince the voters that it is sincere, and, on that ground, could not expect to win votes from the republicans, who are and have been genuine protectionists. Its only hope is in making an issue with the republicans on the doubtful one of free and unlimited coinage of silver as a bid for the populists' vote.

The query is who will get the nomination at Chicago, Bland, Boies, Campbell, or some dark horse of lesser note. Teller stands no show at Chicago. He may, however, at the St. Louis convention, which convenes July 23d. There is a desperate effort of the democratic convention to name a man that the populists at St. Louis will endorse. But will the populists do that? Will they swing into the democratic camp and assist it to power and then have to take a back seat while the patronage is doled out to the old line stayers of the democratic party? Not much. The populists will hardly bite at such insipid bait put out for suckers. They will hardly be so gullible as to furnish the big end of the vote to elect the democratic president and then stand out in the cold for the next four years, chilled to the marrow, and to hang the delusive phantom of hope for the future.

**Women in Office.**

A male grumbler at women in office says "women are all right in their place—at home—but men when they want to do business with officials want to do it with men not with women." They have to be, they say, so reserved and delerential with women. They would rather be less restrained, more free and easy in their business transactions. These objections call to mind the fact that Mrs. F. W. Benson has filled the position of 2d clerk during her husband's term of office, and has done the work as well as any male clerk he could have had, and that is what the taxpayers want. If any old groaty bachelor did not enjoy himself during the few minutes he was in the office while on business with Mrs. Benson in the past it is hoped he may outlive the ordeal and in the future come prepared to meet the lady-like deportment of Mrs. Benson's successor, Miss Leona Shupe, who will no doubt be as courteous and accommodating as was Mrs. Benson. Women should be allowed to make an honest living as well as men. When they have qualifications for any kind of business they ought not to be barred because they

are women to give place to some growling male biped coveting the place.

**BRIEF MENTION.**

From Tuesday's Daily.

J. T. Cooper of Oakland is at the Van Houten.

H. J. Blasing of Portland is at the McClallen.

John Jackson of Canyonville is in town today.

Geo. Bristol of Aurora, Ill., is visiting his son, C. H., at Edenhower.

W. L. Henderson and wife of Colon, Neb., are guests at the McClallen.

D. Comstock and wife of Deer Creek are guests at the Van Houten today.

M. B. Marcellus and Mrs. Marcellus of Oakland are stopping at the Van Houten.

Rattlesnakes are more numerous this year in many parts of Grant county than they have been for years.

Mrs. Sidney Catching now of Portland but long a resident of Douglas county and for some time of Roseburg, is in the city visiting friends and relatives for awhile.

The Salvation Army gave a representation of the "Ten Virgins," to the citizens of Corvallis, Wednesday evening. It was a novel and interesting spectacle to most of the audience.

Master Clifford Benson, who has been having an outing at Portland for the last three weeks returned home Monday morning on the overland. He has wonderful tales to tell of city life to his chums now.

Yesterday Mrs. John Freeman, accompanied by her two daughters, Misses Minnie and Ella and Miss M. Sifton, drove to the Nineteen Mile House on the old Coos Bay road to enjoy a week of camp life.

John Case and James Pool, who were released from a Portland prison Monday, by order of Judge Bellinger, are in the city today. The court's opinion of the case may be found elsewhere. It is pretty tough on Case and Pool to be confined in jail for a year, before it is discovered there is no evidence against them that will "hold water."

John B. Miller, who went up on Rock creek, June 6, on a prospecting tour, after 20 days' work with a rocker, secured \$250 in gold dust from a placer claim which he located. The gold of Rock creek, a stream tributary to the Coquille river, is very coarse and heavy, and there is undoubtedly some fine placer grounds in that section not yet located.

It is of no little importance to the prospectors of Southern Oregon that, according to a recent decision of the United States Supreme Court, the opinion being delivered by Justice White, a qualified locator may validly make at least two separate locations, adjacent if he likes, upon the same vein in his own name, and by analogy, two separate placer locations on the same creek or bar.

A club of prominent women in Brooklyn have agreed that after the first Monday in October next they will wear skirts clearing the ground by at least 3 inches, except on occasions demanding full dress. The club is also pledged to a rainy day dress in which the skirt reaches the knee, and is worn in connection with bloomers or knickerbockers, leggings or boots, and a light water-proof. This appears to be a conservative and sensible movement, and will be started, it is said, by 150 well-known professional and society women.

From Wednesday's Daily.

David Hershberg of Scio is in the city.

L. N. Roney of Eugene is in the city today.

Jas. Batty of Oakland is in the city today.

M. S. Cobb of Dillard is at the McClallen.

A. H. Buell of Looking Glass is in the city today.

J. A. Jacobson of Spokane is at the McClallen.

D. McBeth of Abelen, Kan., is at the Van Houten.

G. W. Lance and wife of Riddle are at the Van Houten.

Ed. J. Dever of St. Louis is registered at the McClallen.

W. B. Jenkins of St. Louis is stopping at the McClallen.

T. W. Harvey of Myrtle Creek is registered at the McClallen.

Mrs. Vina Bergfeld of The Dalles is a guest at the McClallen.

Mrs. H. G. Brown of Elkton is stopping at the Van Houten.

T. J. Jackson of Canyonville is registered at the Central.

The Johnson colored Minstrel troupe is registered at the Van Houten.

D. W. Stearns and wife of Oakland are guests at the Van Houten.

Geo. W. Staley of Yoncalla is in town on business before the county court.

J. S. Garner and E. E. Weekly of Happy Valley are registered at the Van Houten.

John Jackson, Sr., of Canyonville, called upon us yesterday evening on business.

Peter Nelson, the democratic wheel horse of Gardiner is registered at the McClallen.

Hay is beginning to come in, ranging from \$5 to \$5.50 per ton, according to quality and class.

Dr. DuGas has removed from his late residence to Mill street, opposite the electric power house.

The new county school superintendent says he has had several applications from schoolmarms to teach.

N. LaRaut of Wilbur was in the city this morning but returned before noon as farming business is urgent.

John Long of Coles Valley was in the

city yesterday, on his way to South Ten Mile to build a chimney for Fred Fisher, whose house burned down last winter.

Hon. D. W. Stearns came up from Oakland yesterday and is the guest of his son, Judge A. F. Stearns, of this city.

H. R. Burke of San Francisco, special agent and adjuster of several insurance companies, was in the city yesterday.

L. G. Matthews of Deer Creek is in the city today. He reports the crops are suffering for rain in his neighborhood.

Mrs. V. H. Lyons of Marshfield is stopping at the Van Houten. She came on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Rose Arrington, who has been quite ill for several weeks.

The county court has received even bids for the construction of the bridge across Cow creek at Glendale. The court will now have an opportunity to give us a cheap deer bridge or a dear cheap bridge as the bids cover quite a range of costs.

Schiller Hermann and family of Myrtle Point, are visiting relatives and friends in this city. They were accompanied by Mrs. Henry Mason, mother of Mrs. Hermann who has been visiting with them for several months and who is now on her way to her home in Boston.

Curtis Hermann, a young man about 21 years of age, son of Cass Hermann of Eckley, Curry county, met with a fatal accident on the 5th instant, near Myrtle Point. He was returning home on horseback from the celebration, when the saddle girth broke and frightened his horse and young Hermann was thrown to the ground, his head striking against a tree. He never regained consciousness and died yesterday from the effects of his wounds.

Every day people are gaining more and more confidence in advertising, and more and more of them are turning to the advertising columns of the daily newspapers for information. The business men who fail to appreciate this fact are likely to one of these days find themselves so far behind the times that they will never catch up. Newspaper advertising keeps the enterprising merchant at the head of the business procession.—Pottsville Pa. Chronicle.

There must be some green people in Eugene, judging from the following from the (Guard): Saturday one Ralph Winkley succeeded in passing a Confederate five-dollar bill in payment for a glass of beer at the Boreas saloon, receiving \$4.95 in good money in change. The trick was discovered soon after and the officers notified and Winkley was placed under arrest. He claimed that one Henry Miller, had given him the bill and told him to pass it if he could. Miller was immediately placed under arrest.

**A Celebrated Case.**

James W. Pool and John Case are now free again after an incarceration of one year and two days. This case is one of the most remarkable ones in the annals of crime. They were indicted by a United States grand jury for robbing the United States mails, July 1, 1895. They were tried and convicted before Judge Bellinger of the United States district court, one of the ablest jurists of this state. They were ably defended by W. W. Carlisle of this city and Albert Abraham of Portland, who have persistently contended for the acquittal of their clients; and now that they have succeeded, it is "a feather in their cap" that they will hold as a rich trophy for their indefatigable efforts against the postal service, the Wells Fargo Express Company, the Southern Pacific Railroad Company and half a dozen private detectives as well as the Pinkertons.

These men, Pool and Case, are men without money and no means to remunerate their attorneys, working without the hope of reward except that of defending innocent men against such odds.

Judge Bellinger, before whom this case was heard, seeing the inefficiency of the evidence presented has set aside the verdict and turned these men free. Their attorneys no doubt feel not a little chagrined at their failure, after their combined efforts to send innocent men to prison in order to secure \$3000 reward had the final conviction of those men been secured. These men feel, and justly so, that they owe their counsel an everlasting debt of gratitude for their liberation.

**Life Saving Crew.**

The following encomium is paid the life-savers at the mouth of the Columbia, by an Astoria exchange:

"The Fort Stevens life-saving crew have been pretty active during the past few days and have saved many poor fellows from watery graves. Their skill, bravery and daring is not excelled by any life-saving crew in the world. In less than a week they have rescued from the breakers eight men and saved four boats and nets. Last Friday they went twice to the relief of drowning fishermen and succeeded in saving four of them who had no possible way of escaping death and going over the bar. This was a hard tussle with the heavy seas, but the boys knew no such word as fail, and finally succeeded in saving two boats. Saturday they saved a boat and two men and yesterday a boat and two men. This is a splendid showing of skill and bravery and is an evidence that the Fort Stevens crew is well worth their hire."

In the vicinity of Boquet, Westmoreland Co., Pa., almost any one can tell you how to cure a lame back or stiff neck. They slampen a piece of flannel with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bind it on the affected parts and in one or two days the trouble has disappeared. This same treatment will promptly cure a pain in the side or chest. Mr. E. M. Frye, a prominent merchant of Boquet, speaks very highly of Pain Balm, and his recommendations have had much to do with making it popular there. For sale by A. C. Marsters.

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**NOTICE.**  
Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern that I have appointed D. W. Stearns of Clatsop precinct Deputy Inspector of Stock for said precinct; postoffice address, Oakland; also A. J. Chapman of Wilbur, and Hershberg of Roseburg, to act during my absence, and others will be called as parties interested make their desire known to me.  
Roseburg, May 4th, 1897.

THOS. SMITH,  
Inspector of Stock for Douglas county, Or.

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