

The Little Plains

Seems to be in the lead in the production of the finest vegetables, largest yields of grain, etc. Rev. C. A. Sims brought in a well filled sack of turnip tops last Saturday and presented to our children that he well filled and certainly fine and even a grain as we have been privileged to see in this or any other country.

We see sometimes almost afraid to want the truth concerning the products of this country. It sounds so good like fiction, from the fact that this country has always been spoken of as a desert, fit only for the grazing of sheep, cattle or horses, but when you see carrots, radishes, turnips, cabbage, and, in fact, any and all kinds of garden produce, and records of all kinds, grown with as much success as they are here, the greatest skeptic cannot help but be convinced that this country is all that is claimed for it and more too. In fact, this is the testimony of all our citizens, who are so well pleased with results already had—and results is what tells the story—that they are not satisfied with what land they already have but are trying to secure more, realizing that the more land they get now the greater the profit made in the hereafter.

A Serious Accident.

Fred Wallace and Frank Shambewa, while going from Antelope to Ladda and coming down the Antelope canyon, about two miles west of Ladda, met with what proved to be a serious accident.

It appears that the wagon struck a large rock on the high side, causing the tongue to strike the wheel horses, who made a sudden lunge, causing the leaders to become excited, and all started to run. About this time Mr. Shambewa fell out. In trying to reach him Mr. Wallace lost his balance and was also thrown off, striking squarely on his forehead, the hind wheel running over his right arm, bruising it severely but not breaking it; also bruising both men severely about the head and body. The horses ran about 150 yards when one of the wheelers fell, causing them to stop. This horse was so badly injured in the back and hind parts that it was deemed best to kill him, which they did. They then procured another horse from Mr. Garrett and came on their way, arriving in this city last Saturday night. Fred's best friends hardly knew him, but we are glad to say that after resting until Monday he was able to proceed homeward much better for the rest taken.

Information for School Teachers.

State of Oregon, Department of Public Instruction, Salem.
Information concerning eighth grade final examinations:

- DATES.**
(A) January 26, 27, 28, 1905.
(B) April 12, 13, 14, 1905.
(C) May 17, 18, 19, 1905.
(D) June 7, 8, 9, 1905.

PROGRAM.
(1) Wednesdays—Arithmetic, spelling, physiology.
(2) Thursdays—Mental arithmetic, reading, writing, civil government.
(3) Fridays—Language, history, geography, notes on exercises.

Questions in the following subjects will be taken from the following sources:

- (a) Geography—state Course of Study; the course (first in Fry's Elements of Geography; map questions in both course and the print of Fry's Elements of Geography.
(b) Spelling—Eighty per cent. from miscellaneous test works in Reed's Word Lessons, and twenty per cent. from manuscripts.
(c) Writing—Vertical specimens of penmanship as indicated in copied matter and from manuscripts.
(d) Reading—From individual selections.
(e) Language—Reed's Graded Lessons in English, an Abecedary.
(f) Civild Government—Chapters 1 to 25, inclusive, and 27 to 4, inclusive, of The American Citizen. Respectfully submitted,
J. H. ACKERMAN,
Supt. Public Instruction.

A Good Example.

Charles Forsberg, who recently moved on to his homestead northeast of town, has been making improvements very rapidly and has bought a team, harness, farming implements and other necessary things for farm use and has also built a comfortable farm residence, and he, together with Mrs. Forsberg, are busily engaged in laying carpets, linoleum and in fact preparing to live through the winter as comfortably as possible. They are both well pleased with the country and expect to make a farm out of their holdings that will be a credit to the community.

Coal Found Near Madras.

While Revs. C. P. Bailey and O. W. Triplett were walking across country a mile or so south of town last week they discovered what appeared to be droppings of coal. They selected a few pieces from the top of the ground, brought them to town and put them in the fire, and were delighted to see them burn. The reverend gentlemen, however, have not yet decided to give up the pulp for the mine, but will doubtless test their find very fully before giving it up.

Grand Masquerade Ball.

Frank Rodman will give a grand, Masquerade Ball on Friday night, December 23, at McFaggart & Bye's hall, Madras. Good music. A fine floor. Able managers. Good supper. Every one invited.

R. H. Parrish, of Hay Creek, was interviewing our business men Saturday.

John P. Swanton was a business visitor the first part of the week.

Charles Robert Bennett raised a fine lot of corn, pumpkins and squash on his place near Haystack last spring.

E. L. Williams, who has a homestead near this city, made this office a pleasant visit the first part of the week.

Ernest V. Duty has sold the south half of Lot 11, Block 20, to Paul Bennett, of Portland, who will go into business here in the near future.

Henry H. Cook, of Haystack, who is an old time settler of that district, was in town the first part of the week making arrangements for offering land owned on his homestead before Geo. P. Sen.

It is not the location of a town particular that makes it a live and progressive town, but it is the people that make it so; and no matter what advantages a town may have it cannot hope to be much unless its citizens combine in a campaign for its development and growth.—News Observer.

LODGE DIRECTORY

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Date of first publication of this notice Nov. 11, 1904.
ED. RUTCHER,
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