

OLD TREASURE IS UNEARTHED

Box of Idaho Histories Under the Floor of the State House

IS VALUABLE WORK

First Publication Relative to State of Idaho When It Was a Territory.

Boise, Idaho, May 4.—A find of buried treasure from the antiquarian's point of view, was made a day or two ago at the state house.

It is the discovery of a box of the first histories of Idaho ever printed—the report issued in 1884 by James L. Onderdonk, territorial controller.

So far as known, it was the first effort to get up anything like a real history of the state, or territory as it was at that time. The book contains 150 pages written by a studious, careful hand, with facts of rare value on the earlier history of the state. It was near enough to the first gold stampede to be accurate. The work was printed by the A. L. Bancroft company of San Francisco. Some of the books were distributed at the time of their printing, but the work never gained a large circulation, because of its not being put where it could be secured. There are probably but very few copies in the state at the present time.

It has been known that there was a good supply of the books somewhere presumably about the state house and the curious seekers after things strange have looked more than once for them. It was not until the last two days, however, that they were located. Then Engineer Chambers, in carrying out some investigations under the building, back of the boiler room—the basement does not extend under the whole building, but has a bank shelf where one has to crawl to get around under the floor—found a cobwebbed box of books, which he brought to the light.

He went to Treasurer Hastings, custodian of the building, and asked what should be done with the books. Mr. Hastings, who is an antiquarian with an especial leaning toward the historical, had known of the Onderdonk history of the loss of the books, and immediately guessed what the books were, even before seeing them. A copy brought to him showed that his guess had been correct, for the box was filled with the long lost volumes.

The books are to be distributed where they will do the most good. Copies are to be sent to the historical societies of all the western states, for exchange. Copies are to go to the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, and to the historical societies all over the country. They will be offered for exchange with private collectors, who have something of value to offer, and whatever is received in exchange from all sources will go to the Idaho State Historical society. Most of this work will be done by the same society.

Treasurer Hastings is as proud of this find, which is really of great historical value, as any collector could be over the finding a rare gem of antiquity.

LADY ESSEX GOOD MOTORIST

Handles Her Big Auto Cleverly in the Streets of Nice.

Nice, May 4.—Lady Essex, who was Miss Adele Grant of New York, is a most skillful chauffeuse. Here she drove her big motor car along the coratche road every day, negotiating its corkscrew twists and dodging in and out between the electric omnibuses and other vehicles. She is now moving from Nice to London. With her are her two children and her mother, Mrs. Beech Grant.

MISS WAY HAS BEEN ILL

But Will Be Able To Leave About May 15.

Miss Lillie Way, who won the Telegram contest and will go to the Jamestown exposition, has been ill. She overworked herself in making the canvass and has been quite sick. She is now, however, recovering and will be able to make the trip.

Miss Way expects to leave Myrtle Point May 15 and will start from Portland May 20.

A HISTORY OF BINGER HERMANN.

Since the acquittal of Binger Hermann, in fact during all his trial, there has been much interest manifested in the case throughout this locality, owing to the fact that Coos county claims Mr. Hermann as one of her men. While he was not a native of Oregon he began his career in this county.

M. G. Pohl, one of the old settlers who is well informed on the early life of the county, has been a strong defender of Mr. Hermann, and has strongly resented some of the statements which were made about Mr. Hermann in the public press as being misrepresentations of facts.

Mr. Pohl submits a brief history of Mr. Hermann in correction of some of the statements which have been made. The history is as follows:

Binger Herman came to Port Orford in 1859, not 1879. He began teaching school as first teacher in the Coquille river school district No. 1, extending from the mouth of the Coquille river to Hermann's place. He took up the study of law under his father, Dr. Hermann, in 1861. To make a speaker out of him, the old doctor would take up one side of an argument, Binger the reverse. Thus it came about that Binger became a republican in politics, as the old doctor was a democrat. In these debates also Binger learned to control his temper. Many a time he gained advantages over the old gentleman, who then became rather hard on Binger.

At the beginning of the civil war, in consequence of his oratorical training, he raised the first volunteer company in Roseburg, Lincoln making him a captain of the company. He did not follow this company, but began the forming of a second, for which General Grant, who was then president, appointed him receiver of the land office in Roseburg. Not dishonestly, but political changes, forced him from this position.

He it was who during his term as commissioner of the general land office in Washington, reorganized the laws concerning this office, which so far were in a state of chaos.

Verily this man has done more good for Coos and Curry counties than most of the others have done all put together.

MARINE NEWS

LEAVE ON BREAKWATER. Names of Those Who Go to San Francisco From Coos Bay.

The following people took passage on the steamer Breakwater yesterday for San Francisco. The vessel carried a full cargo of coal and miscellaneous freight:

E. W. Burette, Mrs. George Moir, Gee Chow, E. J. Michael, T. J. Harviman, Mr. Hickey, S. Weitzer, John Thorndyke, C. A. Keith, Mrs. E. A. Anderson, Mrs. Wold, E. A. Anderson, J. Bagley, F. C. Martland, C. C. Imhoff, C. R. Guedpeck, Mrs. Fairman, C. A. Rathburn, Guy Warner, Mrs. J. M. Byers, Jennie Byers, Mary Byers, Zetta Byers, J. M. Byers, W. W. Haugh, J. H. Woods, George Hartman, Tom Walsh.

MARINE NOTES.

The schooner Advent is loaded with a cargo of lumber at the Simpson mill, North Bend, and will leave in a few days for San Francisco.

The steamer F. A. Kilburn will arrive on the bay this morning, and is billed to leave on her way to Portland today.

TIDE TABLE.

The following table shows the high and low tides at Empire for each day during the coming week:

	High Water.		Low Water.	
	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Sun., 5....	6:47	7:6	8:27	7:4
Mon., 6....	8:07	7:3	9:23	7:7
Tue., 7....	9:22	7:4	10:09	8:1
Wed., 8....	10:24	7:5	10:52	8:4
Thu., 9....	11:17	7:7	11:30	8:6
Fri., 10....	11:17	7:7	11:30	8:6
Sat., 11....	0:06	8:8	12:47	7:5

To find the tide hours at other Coos Bay points, figure as follows: At the bar, -0.43; at North Bend, add 0.40; at Marshfield, add 1.51; at Millington, add 2.15.

Remodeling of New England Kitchen does not interfere with the regular Sunday dinners. It

MARKETS

Retail.

Quotations are as follows:
Flour—Per sack, \$1.10 to \$1.50.
Potatoes—Per lb., 2 1/4 to 2 1/2 c.
Cabbage—Per lb., 5 to 6 c.
Cauliflower—Per head, 10 and 15 c.
Honey—Per box, 20; 3 for 50 c.
Onions—Per lb., 4c to 5c.
Butter—Creamery, 40c; dairy, 35c.
Boiled oler, per quart, 30c.
Carrots—Per lb., 3c.
Turnips—Per bunch, 5c.
Beets—Per lb., 3c.
Asparagus—1 1/2 lbs for 25c.
Rhubarb—3 lbs for 25c.

Fish.

Crabs—\$1 per dozen.
Steelhead salmon—Per lb., 8, 9 and 10c.
Mounders—Per lb., 5c.
Herring—Per 2-gallon bucket, 50c.
Cleaned clams—Per quart, 20c.
Empire Clams—Per bucket, 50c.
Salmon (salt)—Per lb., 6c.

Fruits and Nuts.

Apples—Per lb., 10c.
Coconuts—Each, 10c.
Walnuts—Per lb., 25c.
Almonds—Per lb., 20c to 25c.
Lemons—Per dozen, 30c to 35c.
Bananas—Per dozen, 35c.
Oranges—Perdozen, 30 to 60c, according to size.

Fresh Meats.

Sirloin steak—Per lb., 12 1/2 to 15c.
Boiling—Per lb., 5c to 8c.
Veal—Stew, per lb., 8c; cutlets, 10c to 12 1/2 c.
Porterhouse steak—Per lb., 12 1/2 c to 15c.
Round steak—Per lb., 10c.
Chuck steak—Per lb., 10c.
Prime rib roast—Per lb., 12 1/2 c.
Mutton—Roasts, per lb., 12 1/2 c to 15c; chops, 12 1/2 c to 15c; stew, 10c.
Pork—Per pound, 12 1/2 to 15c.
Lard—5-lbs., 75c; 10 lbs., \$1.50.
Pickled pig's feet—Per lb., 10c.
Bacon—Per lb., 16 to 25c.
Namburger steak—Per lb., 10c.
Sausage—Per lb., 10c.
Bologna—Per lb., 10c; 3 for 25c.

Brains—Per lb., 15c; 2 for 25c.
Pickled pork—Per lb., 12 1/2 c.
Corned beef—Per lb., 7c.
Wienerwurst—Per lb., 12 1/2 c.
Lamb's tongues—6 for 25c.
Butter—Per 24 ounce square, 55c.
Country eggs—Per dozen, 25c.
Hens—Dressed, 22c lb.
Chickens—Frys, dressed, 25c lb.
Dried Fruits.
Raisins—London layers, per lb., 30c to 35c; seeded, per 12-oz. pkg., 12 1/2 c; 18-oz. pkg., 15c.
Currants—Clean, per 12-oz. pkg., 12 1/2 c; 16-oz. pkg., 15c.
Citron—Per lb., 35c.
Orange peel—per lb., 25c.
Lemon peel—Per lb., 25c.

LOCAL WHOLESALE MARKET.

Following is a list of wholesale prices as seen on the local market:
Oat and wheat hay.....\$20 to \$20
Chickens, spring.....15 1/4 c
Ducks.....50c to 75c
Geese.....\$1.00
Hens.....15c
Sheep.....\$3.00 to \$5.00
Veal calves.....\$2.75
Beef, steers.....\$2.50
Beef, cows.....\$2.00

OUTSIDE MARKETS.

Liverpool, May 4.—May wheat, 6s 7 1/4 d.
New York, May 4.—Lead, \$6 @ \$6.10; copper, \$24.25 @ \$25.25; silver, 65 1/4 c.
Chicago, May 4.—May wheat opened 81 1/2 c, closed 81 3/4 c; July wheat opened 83 3/4 c @ 84 1/4 c, closed 83 3/4 c @ 84 c; barley, 72 @ 74 1/2 c; flax, \$1.14; Northwestern, \$1.23 1/2.
San Francisco, May 4.—Wheat, \$1.32 1/2 @ \$1.37 1/2.
Portland, May 4.—Wheat—Club, 78c; blue stem, 80c; red, 76c; valley, 75c.

ROLLER IS USED.

The new road roller, which was given a thorough tryout on Broadway yesterday, created quite a lot of interest. A large crowd of men, women and children were present to watch the operations of the roller. One

would have thought to see the crowd that a circus had come to the city and was unloading its cars on Broadway. The roller did nice work, and all interested seemed to be well pleased with what they saw. Another trial will be given the machine Monday.

THE END IS NOT YET

We Are Still Selling Mill Ends at Half Prices

No Half-Hearted Business About This Sale

18c Unbleached Toweling 9c.

All linen, and 16 inches wide. Is of medium heavy grade and worth fully 18c. About 100 yards remains for tomorrow's selling, at only, yard..... **9c**

50c Colored Damask 27c.

Many Coos County housewives have bought liberally of this table damask. Many others will do so during the coming week. If you delay many days, this opportunity for an economical buy will be gone. 50c value for only, yard..... **27c**

LACES AND RIBBONS

At the Mill End Sale this week there will be some of the biggest bargains in laces and ribbons ever given by any store in the country. Come prepared to invest some money, and we assure you of as good an investment as though you put it into Coos Bay real estate. And that we consider one of the best investments on earth.

\$2.50 Summer Waists \$1.47

There is still a complete assortment of these dainty waists, notwithstanding the large number we have sold. Fine lawn, handsomely trimmed with lace and embroidery, latest styles, short and long sleeves, made to sell for \$2.50, your choice at the Mill End, only..... **\$1.47**

Corsets Only 39c. WORTH \$1

J. & S. Corsets, regular 75c and \$1 values, all sizes and the newest models. Manufacturer's surplus stock. While they last, only..... **39c**

This is the beginning of the second week. Delays are dangerous. You can't afford to be one of the laggards. Don't be too late.

If you could see the throngs which attend this sale,—see how much they buy, and how little they pay,—you'd appreciate fully that this is a most unusual event.

Why? What attracts them? What are the inducements which have crowded this store for the past week?

Simply a rarity of offerings, and a richness of values. This is truly a big sale,—big assortments,—big values,—big attendance,—big with promises fulfilled.

But, the biggest and best of it is, the substantial savings, the unprecedented price economies which attend every purchase. For instance note these items for this week:

\$3.50 Ladies' Oxfords \$2.15

Dozens of our patrons have been fitted out in these oxfords in the last three days, and many, realizing the unusual saving, have taken several pairs. Come in and be fitted this week, while the range of styles and lasts is complete. Pair, only..... **\$2.15**

TAILORED SKIRTS

Values Up to \$12.50 Only \$4.45.

Fine tailored skirts. Newest styles and shades. Materials are mohairs in black and colors, panamas and novelty plaids. Values run as high as \$12.50. Never before were such really big savings offered in high class tailored skirts. Choice of entire lot, only..... **\$4.45**

A.W. MYERS & CO.

COOS BAY'S GREATEST STORE.

NORTH BEND, OREGON

MEN'S SHIRTS

Values Up to \$1 for 43c.

The way these shirts sold the last three days demonstrates their saving. Former prices range as high as \$1 and not a garment in the lot is worth less than 65c. For this week's selling, the stock has been replenished, sizes which were sold out have again been added, and if you make your selections early you will have no difficulty in being suited. Each, only..... **39c**

Overalls 19c.

Although dozens of these have sold in the three days of the sale there still remains a full range of sizes. Both waist and bib overalls are among the lot, and they are known as the Armour brand, which usually retails for 75c. The Mill End price is..... **19c**

Men's \$2.65 Corduroy Pants \$1.47

An item that has caused special interest in the Men's section is the Men's Corduroy pants at \$1.47 per pair. The sizes run from 33 to 42 waist measure and assorted lengths. Pair,..... **\$1.47**

25c Men's Fancy Hosiery 12c.

A quantity of these fancy hose have gone out since the sale began. If you have not already laid in your supply of these be sure to do so this week. Pair..... **12c**

Children's Dresses \$2.25 VALUES 85c

Here's another of the countless savings that await you at the powerful Mill End sale. Children's good school dresses, sizes 4 to 14 years, former prices ran as high as \$2.25, your choice at the Mill End Sale, each..... **85c**