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THE O. P. OUTLOOK.

What Mr. Hammond Thinks About the Matter.

A. B. Hammond, of Missoula, Montana, the principal mover in the Oregon Pacific syndicate, is now in Corvallis. The Times of last Monday says:

"Mr. A. B. Hammond, one of the men whose \$100,000 bid for the Oregon Pacific, is now in the safe keeping of Sheriff Osburn, pending the O. P. appeal, arrived in Corvallis by special train from Albany yesterday afternoon, and will remain for a few days familiarizing himself with the conditions of the road. Immediately after his arrival he was closeted for an hour in the general office with lawyers McFadden and Bryson, respondent's attorneys in the appeal case, and it is presumed that the legal aspect of Judge Fullerton's decision confirming the O. P. sale to Bonner & Hammond was the subject under discussion. During the afternoon Mr. Hammond in company with Supt. Clark and Mr. El Stone took a look at the O. P. river steamers. Later in the evening a Times man met him at the Occidental Hotel, and found him willing to discuss O. P. affairs. During his stay he will make several trips over the line checking up the business and in determining its outlook and future prospects for business. He expressed himself as well pleased with the prospect, barring the litigation now pending. As to extensions he said: 'We will build wherever we can get business. We understand that the people of Salem and Eugene are ready to give substantial encouragement to branch lines of the Oregon Pacific, and if we find this to be true, and that the business will justify the outlay, the first branch lines will be built to these places. Of course we are now handicapped by the appeal pending in the supreme court, but it is possible that we may have surveys in the field making estimates on these extensions without waiting for the result of the decision.' As to extending the line to Independence prairie, he thought it very probable that the this extension would be made, as the road was graded most of the way. He would, however, make a personal examination of that section before making definite arrangements to that end. He very much regretted that the confirmation decision had been appealed, and said, 'If the confirmation of the sale had not been appealed, we would now be spending \$75,000 or \$80,000 in improving the road, the saw mills along the line would be running at full blast and things would be lively. This amount we shall spend in placing the road in first-class condition whenever our title to the road is settled. It was a part of our plan to have put lumber along the line of the road into the San Francisco market in competition with the Puget Sound product. This would have involved on our part the construction of warehouse facilities, the finding a market for Cascades lumbermen, the chartering three or four steam schooners to ply regularly in the trade and the gradual development of a good business, both for ourselves and the patrons of our line. We cannot, however spend money in this direction until the decision is handed down by the supreme court.' Mr. Hammond realizes that that business for his road depends upon whether or not the country through which the line passes is in a flourishing condition, and in case the title to the property finally rests in his people every effort will be directed to develop and upbuild.

Among other items he mentioned as likely to enhance the business returns on his investment in the road was the popularity of Newport as a place of summer outing, and no effort would be spared to popularize that resort. Mr. Hammond contradicted the report published in the Portland papers to the effect that Mr. Bonner had severed his connection with the Oregon Pacific and said, 'Mr. Bonner still retains his holdings in the Astoria-Golde road, and I have undertaken the building of that line.' Mr. Hammond further stated that he would have the personal management of the Oregon Pacific, and intended that when the proper time arrived things would be made to hum. In a short time the new company will file new articles of incorporation, and the Oregon Pacific will be given a new name. 'What is the new name to be?' the reporter inquired, but Mr. Hammond was not yet prepared to make it known to the public."

The London Tid Bits gives the following unique account of an experiment in liquor traffic by a clergyman in England. It says: "At Hampton Lucy, Warwickshire, in Shakespeare's country, the Rev. Osbert Mordaunt for eighteen years has conducted the business of the one public-house in the village. Mr. Mordaunt had to face one of two courses when entering into the charge of the parish; either to abolish the public-house altogether, and thus leave the parishioners to procure indifferent or bad drink at the nearest point or through the grocer, or to personally try the experiment of supplying the community with good, wholesome beer at a properly conducted establishment under the charge of a salaried manager, where the sale of intoxicants to those who had already had enough was prohibited. Mr. Mordaunt courageously took the latter course, in spite of the opposition and criticism he could not hope to escape when entering upon such an unusual clerical undertaking. Mr. Mordaunt showed further his excellent common-sense by making the business pay a reasonable amount, the profits being devoted to local charities and works, according to the Scandinavian system. The results have thoroughly justified the experiment. The inhabitants of Hampton Lucy obtain good and reasonably-priced beer. Drunkenness is practically prevented, and the parish is benefitted by the proceeds of the undertaking."

The schooner Robert and Minnie was wrecked on the beach near the mouth of the Siuslaw last Sunday night. She was trying to get into the Siuslaw for a load of lumber for the San Francisco market. This schooner about four years ago enjoyed an international reputation as being the one which carried the arms and munitions of war to the noted Itata during the Chilean rebellion. The U. S. cruiser Charlestown chased the Itata clear to South America before she finally overhauled her. The Robert and Minnie, the cause of all the trouble was arrested but was finally released without any action being taken.

Quite a novel sight is that of "A" troop at the garrison during drill. The horses in this troop at the word "down" drop on their knees and from this position stretch broadside on the ground. The riders spring out of the saddle and assume a position in readiness to fire. The animals in this prostrated position form a defense or breastwork for the soldiers. First Lieut. Irwin of the troop deserves the credit for the training of the animals.—Walla Walla Statesman.

The Arago creamery started up last week with 2,700 pounds of milk, while last year they only had 2,000 pounds on 3rd day of April. Mr. Max, a Swiss gentleman, has charge, and the company is well pleased with his beginning.

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Elk City Items.

The weather clerk is doing a big business just now.

D. B. Ramsdell caught 117 fine trout yesterday.

The pling is all in place for the bridge, and with a few days of fair weather the bridge will be complete.

A good many strangers are visiting this part just now, some are looking for land, others for rock while others keep their business to themselves.

Arthur Rochester is visiting friends here for a few days.

Mrs. R. A. Abbey came home from Corvallis Saturday evening where she has been visiting for the past week.

Rescoe Mays was in town yesterday.

The masons in this vicinity gathered at the hall Saturday night. They think of organizing a lodge at Elk City.

Dr. F. M. Carter has planted an acre in prunes. Doc has eight or ten acres in fruit trees now.

John Simpson has rented a dwelling at Elk City and will move over soon to spend the summer with us. We welcome him back.

JACK.

April 3, 1895.

Siletz Items.

(Too late for last week.)

April brought in still heavier rain storms. We hope it will go out milder.

The case, in the justice court, of Larkey Logan vs. Mrs. George Harris, for recovery of money, was decided in favor of plaintiff.

Inspector McCormack is here with us for a few days. We are always glad to see him around because he is working to the interest of the Indians, and we know he will do some good for us or the people of this reservation.

The 1st inst. was Indian court, issue and pay day, but being no work the court was postponed till next Monday.

E. W. Carson went out toward the Valley for a few days. We hope he will have good luck.

W. C. S.

The man who toasts that he works with his head instead of with his hands is perfectly reminded that the woodpecker does the same and is the biggest kind of a bore.

Farms For Sale.

I have two good farms for sale near Elk City. The first is a good farm of 12 acres, joining the town has good house, barn, and outbuildings; good orchard and plenty of all kinds of fruit; good farm and meadow land. Also a good ledge of sandstone on the place.

Also 80 acres 1/2 mile from Elk City, house, barn, etc., good orchard, and a good piece of land. These places will be sold at bed rock prices and on good terms. Must sell out on account of old age. Enquire of

J. H. BEVINS,
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160 acre ranch on Beaver creek; good house, barn and outbuildings; this farm has lots of meadow land and is an ideal dairy farm. Price \$1,200, and worth double the money.

159 acre ranch on Big Elk five miles above Elk City; some plowed and 7 acres slashed and in timothy; house, good barn 40x48; on county road, school within 1/2 mile. A good stock ranch. Price \$1,400 on good terms.

120 acre ranch five miles from Toledo; frame house and barn, about 40 acres under fence, orchard and small fruit. A splendid tract of land with a good body of creek bottom. Price \$500 cash.

Two lots in Prior Scott's addition to Highland; one corner and one inside. Price for the two, \$500 all cash.

Two lots in Stanton's addition, Toledo, well located and close to school house. Price \$75.

A well selected stock of merchandise to trade for a good ranch on Yaquina Bay; must have some tide or bottom land and be well located. A good trade will be given for the right kind of a ranch.

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