

THE ASHLAND TIDINGS.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 1878

THE LAKE COUNTRY.

It is becoming more and more evident every year, to those who properly weigh the subject, that the stock business can be depended upon as a sure and permanent industry in the vast regions lying east of the Cascade Mountains. Already San Francisco, with her vast and constantly increasing population, is beginning to depend upon us for a considerable portion of her beef, and Nevada is also a permanent customer. The shipment of cattle eastward by rail, is getting to be extensively practiced, and the purchase of large bands in Eastern Oregon and Washington, to be driven to Colorado and thence eastward, is doubtless only the beginning of an industry to be extensively followed in the future. These things give an assurance of a permanent and profitable business in the beef line, and are great sources of encouragement to the log cabin men of South Eastern Oregon. The Lake Basin is also coming to the front as a farming country, and we confidently expect, before many years, to see thousands of acres of sage brush lands, which we regarded as little else than desert in the early days, made, through judicious cultivation, to yield fine crops of grain. A vast acreage of marsh lands about the lakes, will doubtless be reclaimed in a few years, and be found well suited to cultivation, particularly for meadow purposes. In short, the outlook is extremely auspicious for the Lake Country, and the time is not far distant when it will contain a large and prosperous population, and be regarded as one of the most valuable portions of our much favored state.

QUICKSILVER IN SOUTHERN OREGON.

Dr. S. G. Clarke, of No. 16, Creighton St. Cleveland, Ohio, sends us the following, which he says he clipped from the Scientific Mining Press, published at San Francisco:

We learn from J. M. Sutton, an old Oregon pioneer, that quicksilver is being developed in the Rogue River valley, Jackson county. The first shipment of metal, consisting of 50 flasks, was made to this city last week, and was sold for 44 cents for shipment to China. Mr. Sutton brought us an item concerning the mine, from the ASHLAND TRIBUNE, which we append, premising, however, that cinnabar ore which works 57 per cent. is rather rare, and they must not expect to find very much of that class of ore. Three or four per cent. ore is pretty good, and some considerably lower than that has been worked a profit. The item referred to is as follows:

The Emeline mine is situated on the south slope of the Siskiyou, about four miles south of the State line, and consequently is in Siskiyou county Cal. It is on a branch of Beaver creek, an affluent of the Klamath, and is about 35 miles from Jacksonville and perhaps 25 from Yreka. About 15 miles from Jacksonville the wagon road terminates, and only a horse trail extends from that point to the mines. The route is not a rough one, however, and a good wagon road could be made the entire distance at a moderate expense. The regular daily yield of this mine, with the retort now in use, is about 200 lbs. The ore is immensely rich, having yielded large operations began, although the process of retorting has been quite imperfect, 57 per cent. of pure quicksilver. This is better, we are informed, than the average yield of the New Almaden mine, in California. A single piece of ore, weighing 11 pounds, yielded 9 1/2 pounds of pure quicksilver, and the probabilities are that there vast quantities of ore in the lead quite as rich. The mine seems of immense extent, and there is no estimating its value.

Dr. Clark informs us that he has an improved furnace for the reduction of cinnabar which he is anxious to introduce into this country. He claims for it that it can be put in operation at much less expense than the retort in use here, that the workmen while operating it are entirely free from noxious vapors, that it requires much less fuel, and that it will produce five times as much quicksilver in the same length of time, as the present style of furnace. Dr. C. proposes to forward drawings and furnish particular information to persons desiring to learn more of his machinery.

THE MALHEUR AGENCY.

Maj. W. V. Rinehart, U. S. Indian Agent at Malheur, in a report to his department, which appears in the Christian Messenger, gives quite an entertaining account of the operations there in the interest of the redskins. He reports the whole number of Indians on hand this winter at 561, while last winter the aggregate was 742. He says: "Various causes have combined to reduce the number of Indians at this Agency, chief among which is the defection of Chief Winnemucca's band, growing out of a superstitious feud between them and Chief Otiz. Another cause of the falling off in numbers, is the enforcement of the law in relation to issues of supplies. Of the 125 of Tanwadah's band, who are now absent, a few are in the vicinity of Harney Lake and the balance are at Camp Harney and Camp Bidwell. The increase in Chief Egan's band is owing to the bringing in by Special Agent Turner, of 70 Indians from Weiser river, in Idaho." The Major does not seem to consider these Oregon Arabs yet fit to become church members, but thinks that "persistent and long continued effort will be required to bring them up to a standard of civilization adapted to the introduction of the Christian religion. Their reformation can only be wrought out in the culture of their children. Our efforts at religious training have not yet yielded abundant fruit, yet it is to be hoped they may prove 'bread cast upon the waters.'"

THE CHIEF ON HIS TRAVELS.

We cannot refrain from making the following extract from a very characteristic letter lately received from Hon. W. R. Danbar, G. W. C. T.: "I have been to Dixie in Polk Co. Went in a shower, and through the mud and on the Dallas stage, until just below Bala (the ancient city of Polk) when the thorough brake broke—snapped clear in two. Then we got off, waded to the fence, shouldered two rails (the driver and I) and returned to the middle of the road. Our rail we used as a 'pry' and the other as a thorough-brace, and, after tying it fast with the halter ropes, away we went again at the rapid rate of almost a quarter of a mile an hour, and, just before the curtains of light came down to shut out the light of the Willamette sun, we were fully ten miles from Salem and only six hours on the road. At this point, I bade the driver good bye, and, summoning my muscular powers into full play, I leaped off the stage onto terra firma (cull illahoe) in the door-yard of Col Nesmith, and, after supper, under guidance of his twenty-one-year old son, Jim, made my way (through the same shower) to the Grange hall, where I organized Eagle Lodge, I. O. G. T., with a masculine membership of 23—the pelting rains at the time drenching the pebbly valley of the old time La Creole, forbidding the coming out of the ladies of the neighborhood. It is a good lodge and I bespeak for it prosperity, and believe it will yet be instrumental in bringing into its ranks some of the tender ones, that its comfortable hall may yet be cheered by the smiles of some of the mothers, wives, daughters, sisters—yea, sweet hearts of the neighborhood.

The next morning, the clouds had lifted; the sun shone out and our shadows were plainly seen, as we wandered the hills across. The white-winged mosquito was abroad, seeking his daily blood. All nature seemed to be glad and we were beginning to feel that spring might be here probably in about six weeks. If it does, may the roads be dryer and we be there to see. Could we believe it?—and yet methinks I long ago heard that once in the shadowy past—years ago—the roads in Polk were better than now."

We doubt whether the harness of a Worthy Chief Templar was ever worn by a more faithful and energetic champion of the Temperance cause, than is W. R. Danbar, and we feel very sure the popular order to which he belongs could not do better than to continue him in the service as long as he can be prevailed upon to serve. He informs us that he will visit Southern Oregon in April or May.

Chewaucan.

The beautiful valley of the Chewaucan is one of the most valuable portions of the Lake country. Its advantages as a stock country have long been known, and there is no doubt but that its fertile soil will yet be extensively utilized for agricultural purposes. The Caswauca river, which rises in the high mountains to the southward, is a beautiful stream, and many of the soldier boys, who used to follow the foot-prints of Old Panina's braves through the sage lauds, remember what a relief it was to them to rest upon its grassy banks, and how they used to enjoy fishing in its waters. The stream, where it enters the valley near its western extremity, has fall sufficient to drive a vast amount of machinery. The place is a beautiful one, too, with its green meadows and cottonwood groves, and seems destined, by its many advantages, to become the principal centre of trade for that portion of the Lake country. The extensive marsh, which occupies the principal part of the valley, was doubtless at one time a lake, but it has been gradually filled with sediment carried down by the little river, until it now only has the semblance of a lake during the high water of the spring time. Nature is gradually converting it into a meadow, by the growth of turf and the annual decay of rank flags and tules, and we believe that, before many years, the principal part of it will be as valuable for hay purposes as are its grassy borders.

JOHN SMITH.

The Ashland TIDINGS claims to have a letter from John Smith. This shows how perfectly reckless editors sometimes become. We called on John Smith, at his home in this city, and he tells us he never wrote any letter to the Ashland TIDINGS nor to any other paper. Bro. Applegate would be ashamed if we were you!—Democrat.

John wrote us the letter from Sprague River in his own peculiar chirpaphy, and we would now be inclined to doubt his being in Albany, were it not for Bro. Brown's reputation for truth and veracity. But the most surprising thing of all is that our old friend John would deny placing those Arkansas hieroglyphics over his old familiar sign-manual, on the letter he sent us for the TIDINGS. However, John is about as ubiquitous as one arm Brown, and is always turning up at unexpected times and places and doing a vast variety of unexpected things; sometimes swearing like a trooper on Sprague River, then pursuing all kinds of avocations along down the country, and then astonishing the people by an effort to administer spiritual consolation to the redskins on the Warm Springs Reservation.

GENERAL NEWS.

(Continued from Oregonian and C. O. Dispatches.)

The Post-Master General decided that a bid submitted by J. B. Price, a citizen of the State of Missouri, could not be regarded as invalid on the ground that his wife is one of the sureties thereon, as she is possessed of sufficient property in her own right.

Bismarck letters from March of the 20th ult., say: Miles was organizing an expedition of 500 men, besides the 150 recruits, to go into the Indian country. Sitting Bull is now on the other side.

Constantinople March 5.—Layard, the British Minister, gave a soiree to-night in honor of Gen. Grant.

London, March 5.—A special from Lloyd's from Galatz says the work of removing the obstructions in the Danube will begin to-morrow. We expect navigation to be open in two weeks.

Elmira, New York, Mar. 5.—Greenbacks elected Granville D. Parsons mayor to-day, by a majority of 421 over Jackson Richardson, a rival candidate. They also carried five of the seven aldermen.

Washington, March 5.—It may be stated that our Government will extend a formal recognition to the Government of Diaz at an early date. Diaz will make no pledge or stipulation, but extensive correspondence has developed an earnest desire on his part for friendly relations and for avoiding all cause of complaint.

Constantinople, March 6.—The Porte is stated to have sanctioned the stay of Russian troops at San Stefano, as long as the British fleet remains in the sea of Marmora.

London, March 6th.—Lord Beaconsfield is said to be strongly opposed to the annexation of Egypt.

Chicago, March 7.—The National Dairy Association is holding a convention here, with delegates representing 17 states and territories. There are delegates from Nevada, California, Utah and Oregon, and great enthusiasm is evinced.

Philadelphia, March 6.—Superintendent Pollock of the Mint will issue to-morrow 250,000 new silver dollars, now being coined at that institution.

London, March 8.—A special from Tiflis says an American missionary from Persia states that the plague has broken out at Peshda and other cities.

San Francisco, March 8.—Heavy snow storm east of Cheyenne last night and storming still heavier to-night. All the wires are down east of that point.

London, March 8.—A Berlin dispatch states that Germany has accepted the proposition for a congress on Thursday at Vienna. Austria, Russia, Turkey and Italy have also accepted. It is certain that the congress will meet, whether France and England will accept or not.

STATE NEWS.

(Continued from State Exchanges.)

A man named Adolph Browner was drowned in Beaton's lake Saturday. He was a logger and it seems accidentally stepped off a log and was drowned before assistance reached him.—Jike.

James Croly, of Jefferson, a native of Dundee, Scotland, aged about 38 years was found dead in a saw mill where he had been carpentering, on March 1st. The coroner's jury decided that he came to his death by "apoplexy, or some natural cause."

A fire recently occurred at Camp Harney which completely destroyed the quarters of Capt. Bennett and Lieut. Widright. Loss, about \$400. The soldiers rendered timely assistance and succeeded in saving most of the effects of the officers.

The Douglas INDEPENDENT says a letter received from D. A. Leveaux of Canyonville brings encouraging news from middle creek mines. Work is progressing rapidly, and in ground sluicing gold is frequently seen with the naked eye.

The Jacksonville TIMES says: Charley Howard returned Wednesday iron surveying a mining claim to Geo. Ross and others. This grave belt is situated at the mouth of Jump of Joe creek, and is proposed to run a ditch, the length of which is estimated to be seven miles.

The Grant Co. TIMES give an account of the manner in which one O'Shany lately escaped from the county jail of Grant. He was evidently quite a genius. By means of a wooden wrench he took the bars of the iron bar which fastened the door of his cell, substituting wooden ones which he painted black to represent the original ones. Making a key of a carriage shell he unlocked his shackles. He then removed a bar from the main jail window and escaped through a 17 inch aperture into the outside world. He has been recaptured.

A half-breed from the mountains came in town one day last week, and was surprised at the cordiality with which he was greeted by our citizens—many of whom went far out of their way to shake hands with him. His wonder ceased when he was informed that they were candidates for office.—WESTERN STAR.

The STATESMAN learns that a man named Frank Rice, living between Starrsburg and Brownsville, committed suicide by shooting himself on Tuesday morning of last week. It is thought he committed the act because he was apprehensive that he was taking the consumption.

William Spencer, who was sent from Wasco Co., to the penitentiary for the crime of perjury has been pardoned by Governor Chandler, on the petition of numerous citizens of Wasco, and the recommendation of the judge, Prosecuting Attorney and jury, before whom he was tried.

At a fire in Salem on Wednesday night, three ladies—Mrs. Breyman, Mrs. Minto and her sister—were in a small Gardner hand engine, which happened to be near, and put out the fire before the engine companies arrived. The Salem boys call them the "fire-ladies."—TELEGRAM.

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