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SORAPS OF SOUTHERN OREGON AND NORTHERN CALIFORNIA HISTORY.

Rogue River War of 1852-53. Fort Jones Established in 1852. Murder on Galice Creek.

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Kerbyville Items.

Weather cooler. Wheat 90 cts. per bushel. James Hughes will soon open a school.

County Court is in session. Judge T. E. Floyd presiding. Goats to eat, sell at \$1 per head, if you return the pelt to Mr. Nauke.

New Comens.—To G. S. Methewson and wife, a son, a 12 pounder; Alex. White and wife, a daughter, a nine pounder.

Burgour, Jeffreys and McCoy, are expecting the material to arrive soon to "pipe off" the Kinsey claim, on Elin creek.

Messrs. Layton, Bangham, Alcorn and others, left yesterday, for the new placer diggings on Silver creek, 40 miles east of here.

Scene in Justice Court, J. W. Baing presiding: The plaintiff, a woman, the defendant, a man; both near neighbors; born on the "emerald isle"; miners by occupation.

Yesterday, it is said, W. Q. Brown of Althousa, received a pounding from Martin Mackey and his son, the former being accused of writing an insult for the Tidings, in regard to Mackey's chastisement of his daughter some weeks ago.

Items from Williams Creek. Camp Meeting next week; many ministers and a big time expected.

"As pretty as a picture" is what ails nearly every body in this locality except the photographers here.

Quite a number of persons expect to attend the M. E. Church, South, conference, to be held shortly at Roseburg.

Representative Caldwell started a week ago for the legislature, wisely taking a load of furniture along to pay his way.

The Jacksonville school directors have employed one of our Williams creek young ladies (Miss Endora A. Gaffrey) as a teacher in the public school of that place.

Expeditions to the cave are too numerous to mention. The crowd from Jacksonville was joined by parties from Applegate and Williams creek, making in all 19 persons, besides the babies, and all, or nearly all were well pleased with the trip.

It's a little late but some of your readers may take an interest in reading the following list of officers of Williams Creek Lodge, I. O. G. T., for the present term: H. H. Searle, W. C. T. Anabel Jordan, W. V. Chas. Nail, W. T. E. George, P. S. Lolo Laxon, W. T. Cal. Cunningham, W. C. Laura Caldwell, W. M. Chas. McGee, W. D. M. Belle Carr, I. G. P. V. Shoemaker, O. C. Miss E. G. Topping, E. H. S. Miss Eda Shaw, L. H. S.

A word more, Mr. Editor, or Mr. Printer, *entre nous*: My chirography is difficult to decipher, and for that reason I have little right to complain of the blunders of the type, but when it comes to spoiling my best quotations—when "my five household gods are shivered on my hearth"—I'm bound to protest. In my last, the line, "He who has loved not here would learn that love," is injured by the substitution of a different word for *love*. Then this sentence of Preface's: "Beautiful are all the snow-white gems that lie in these mysterious chambers, etc."

Is changed to meaningless nonsense by placing "beautiful" after the word "lie." There were other mistakes, but these are enough to shake the ship of an anchorite."

To look upon the soul as going on from strength to strength, to consider that she is to shine forever with new accessions of glory, and brighten to all eternity; that she will still be adding virtue to virtue and knowledge to knowledge, carries in it something wonderfully agreeable to that ambition which is natural to the mind of man.—Adorson.

meanwhile, the Indians on horseback, some of them mounted on horses belonging to the volunteers, kept up a steady fire, charging and retreating alternately, for the purpose of reloading. In time, however, assistance came and the Indians fled. The volunteers lost no men after they had gained their position on the hill.

The killed in this engagement were Ishem F. Keath, Frank Perry, Asa Colburn, Alfred Douglas, L. Stocking and Win. Neff. The wounded were Lieut. Simeon Ely, Zebulon Sheets, John Alban and James Carrol.

On the 4th day of August, a thrill of alarm was occasioned by the murder of Edward Edwards, a farmer, living about two and a half miles below Phoenix, on the east side of Bear creek. While he was absent, a party of Indians secreted themselves in some underbrush near his house, and on his return at noon, they shot and killed him, and after pillaging his house, fled to the mountains.

After this murder, there were those yet who claimed that it was only the work of a few desperadoes, intent on spoils and was not from any general understanding among the Indians. These suppositions, however, were soon dissipated. On the day following, Aug. 5th, Thos. Wills, of the firm of Wills & Kyle, engaged in the merchandising business in Jacksonville, was shot and mortally wounded just as he was entering that town. This murder was followed on the next day, Aug. 6th, by the murder of two miners on Jackson creek, one mile from Jacksonville, one by the name of Richard Nolan and one whose name is unknown.

In the mean time, the Indians under chief "Saw," were rapidly concentrating in a strong position, north of upper Table Rock, and the country had become

thoroughly alarmed, and several volunteer companies raised to keep the Indians in check until military aid could be procured at Fort Jones, that being the only military post in the country. To this end, messengers were dispatched, who arrived at the post at noon on the 8th, two days after the last murder. Six hours after the arrival of the messengers, Capt. B. R. Alden, 4th U. S. Infantry, with a detachment of twenty men, all his available force, was on the march for the scene of difficulty, where he arrived on the 10th.

The time up to the arrival of Capt. Alden, was occupied in defensive preparations, the volunteers guarding the outskirts of the settlements, and escorting exposed families to places of greater security. Stockades were constructed in various parts of the valley, wherein families were taken for safety.