THE ASHLAND TIDINGS

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FRIDAY.....SEPTEMBER 13, 1878

OUR SCHOOL HOUSE.

Now that Ashland has built two fine churches, that any town in Oregon might well be proud of, it is time to begin moving for a new school house. No one, we presume, will contend for a moment, that the need of a school house is not as much felt as even one church building, tosay nothing of two. Because, there were facilities for religious services before either church was built, much superior to those of our public school. Our children are crowded into a small, illy ventilated room, with none of the conviences, comforts or appliances of modern school rooms, as long as there is two feet square to each pupil. When they could no longer be crowded in, the directors were compelled to farm them out at so much a head, to be taught elsewhere. But fortunate, indeed, were those who thus escaped the uniniviting precincts of our so called district school house, for they were sent where they could at least breathe the pure air which na ture has so freely bestowed. There are those among us who contend that the district is not yet able to build a school house. This is so absurd on its face that it would seem an insult on the intelligence of this community to stop to refute it. We might, however, by way of rejoinder, suggest that if the district is not now able to build a school house sufficient to accommodate our children, we certainly would not be in five years more, when, in all probability, the number of the children in the district will be double the present figure. This conclusion is no more absurd than the other.

We have a suggestion to make, which we think, if followed up, would be the means of not only procuring our district a good school house, but hundreds of others throughout the state.

Let a bill be framed, enabling any school district in the State, under the supervision of the county superintendent, to issue bonds to the amount neccessary for building and furnishing their school house. Let ample provisions be made for the payment of the interest thereon. We have no suggestions to make at present as to what particular means would be best for their security, but have no doubt that a law can be framed to meet every requirement. These bonds might be made to run from ten to twenty years, as might be deemed best, and the county authorized to levy a sufficient tax each year, from the citizens of each district, that would avail themselves of this law, to pay interest, and form a sinking fund sufficient to meet these bonds at the date of their maturity. By this means, any district might build a good school house, and pay for it without making it bothersome to any.

Who will second this motion? Let the people of Ashland take this, the initiatory steps in this matter, and put the ball in motion. If we cannot procure a general law, let us ask a special enabling act for our own district.

"AMERICAN YOUNG FOLKS."—It is a pleasure to find among the many publications for children that flood the country with their baneful sensational literature, on the one hand, and extreme sickly sentimental twaddle on the other, to find a publication like the *American Young Folks*, filled to overflowing with rational and edifying matter for our children, of a high moral tone, that can be read without prejudice to any sect or class. We have just received the Sept. number of this valuable paper, and desire again to call attention to its merits. It is published by Hudson and Ewing at Topeka Kas. and contains 16 pages of reading matter at the low price of 50 cents a year.

STRANGE DEATH OF MICHAEL REESE.—A later account of the death of Michael Reese states that after walking five miles to the cemetery to avoid carriage hire, he scaled the cemetery fence to avoid a customary fee to the sexton; that after he had spent some time at the graves of his parents, he scaled the fence again, when he was seized by the sexton. Reese denied that he had been in the cemetery, but as the sexton caught him in act of leaving, he concluded to take him before the Burgomaster, when an angry altercation followed, during which Mr. Reese fell dead.

Preparations are being made, which insure a grand time at the next State Fair.

Narrow Gauge to the Coast.

Articles of incorporation were yesterday, signed for the purpose of building a Narrow Gauge Railroad from this valley to the coast, with the following named gentlemen as incorporators: C. C. Beekman, Alex. Martin, E. D. Foudry, John E. Ross, Jacob Ish, M Hanley, J. M. McCall, R. D. Hume, J. N. T. Miller, John Orth, and N. Langell. The capital stock of the company is $2,000,000, divided into shares of $200 each, and it is proposed to build the road from this place to Ellensburg, at the mouth of Rogue river, a distance of 95 miles. We look upon this as one of the most important moves for Southern Oregon that was ever made. The people of this coast, and indeed of the whole nation, are becoming alive to the importance of narrow gauge roads. The cost of construction has been found not to exceed two thirds the cost of broad gauge on ordinary routes, and when it is to be built over mountains, such as are found between here and Ellensburg, the cost will compare much more favorably. Again it has been found that freight and passengers can be carried much cheaper on them than the broad gauge. That this road, when completed, will pay, there will be no doubt, when we take into consideration the vast resources of Jackson, Josephine and Lake counties. With a rail road to the coast, the whole of Southern Oregon will become one vast wheat field, to say nothing of our wool, beef and other agricultural productions. Besides this we have vast beds of iron, copper, cinnabar, and, were there sufficient incentive to investigate, we have no doubt that an abundance of coal could be found throughout the middle country, as it is found cropping out in almost every section of the country. Just now capitalists are investigating Southern Oregon and we predict that they will not be slow to discover good investment in this new enterprise.

News Epitome.

The Public Schools of Portland are in full blast....It is expected that the Puyallup region W. T, will turn out their usual 600 tons of hops this year....St. Josephs Hospital at Van Couver was totally destroyed by fire on the 1st inst....J. C. Cooper will commence the publication of a temperance paper at McMinnville, soon....A fearful water spout broke on the head of John Day's creek recently, doing much damage, as it swept buildings and fences before the rush of waters....They have not got through selling their grain in Yoncalla valley....A. E. Pomroy, of Deer Island, was crushed by the caving of a well last week....Had it not been for the prompt action of her mother, Ida Barnes of Roseburg, would have perished from flames communicated to her clothing by the breaking of a kerosene lamp. The flames were smothered by means of a blanket....Gen. Joseph Lane, has gone to Salem and his influence will doubtless be kept in the "third house'....A man by the name of Wilson, was recently murdered and his body horribly mutilated in Wallowa valley. Suspicion rests on Joseph Coppman, his son in-law, who, it is supposed mutilated the body to give impression that the Indians killed him. $200, in his possession is supposed to be the motive of the horrible deed....Large numbers of "dead brokes" inhabit Portland at present. Some of them it is supposed, may be honest.

SCHOOL HOUSES.—We desire to call the attention of the Oregon press, to an item in another column, on 'Our School House," or so much of it as suggests a general law, enabling school districts to issue bonds, and provide a sinking fund for the purpose of building school houses. Many districts would avail themselves of a system of this kind, to build on ten or twenty years bonds, that do not desire to vote a tax to be paid all at once, sufficient for the purpose. We would like to hear from our brothers of the press, pro or con, on the subject.

The Other Side.

ALTHOUSE, Sept 21.

I see in your issue of August the 23d, a false publication, the purport of which was that my father, Martin Mackey, beat my sister Mary, inhumanly. My father did not do so without good reason, and he never beat her in the fiendish manner imputed; he just merely whipped her with a small switch. He prohibited her of stopping in a certain house, whose inmates were not well spoken of by many, and of frequenting other houses, that bore a similar repute. She turned a deaf ear to his admonitions for which he punished her. William and James Brown are the authors of the falsehood which appeard in your columns. The latter writes under the assumed name of Judd Berton. If another man had done what my father did, there would be little said about it. These two unprincipled men, who go through the neighborhood in which they live, drunk and yelling at midnight, became indignant with my father, because he would not let my sister stay in the dens where they resort, and to gratify their revengeful feelings, they traduced him in your paper. Now these two men ought to let decent people alone, and respect them, when they have no respect for themselves. WILLIAM MACKEY.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM HENLEY.

HENLEY, CAL Sept. 7th, 1878.

EDITOR TIDINGS:—It has been quite awhile since Cottonwood was "written up," and this I suppose for the palpable reason, that it has been for some time on the decline. As it is never a pleasant duty to record the decay of a great city, the patriotic pen of the local historian, has remained inactive, waiting in the language of one of Mr. Dicken's characters, "for something to turn up." The time was, when Cottonwood was a flourishing mining camp. Rich claims were the rule, and poor ones the exceptions, but at this time, the wealth derived from mining here, is very much like that which the "toper" receives from his bottle—only imaginary. The moneyless individual who shall come to these diggings with the expectation of striking a "bonanza," a sure panacea for his "tattered gown" and empty stomach, will find the bubble of his high-flown ambition suddenly burst under him, and let him down to the "bed rock" of starvation and want. To the general depression in the mineral line, there are two noted exceptions. Mr. Sam Clary owns a claim about two miles from town, which, for the last three or four years, has paid very well. It is remarkable not more, for its richness, than its location, being situated upon, and occupying the side of a precipitous hill or bluff, and extending considerably above the gulch. If Sam is not rich, he has the reputation of being so. He is the incognite, unostentatious "nabob" of our community; puts on no style, drinks but little whiskey, pays but little attention to the ladies, (although he is a bachelor) "has no foot for dancing," but if there is any business to be done, 'he's right there—oh." Some of his friends think he will some day emerge from his "wigwam on the mountain," to occupy a spacious palace in the valley, where, like that wealthy chap who "worried" poor Lazarus so, he can "array himself in fine linen" and load his table with all the nick-nacks and delicacies that the season affords. But if he should attempt to play the role, he will not be Sam any longer.

Another claim worth mentioning is that of Johnson & Hilt, and worked by Mr. W. H. Smith. Mr. Smith is a little man, but compresses a good deal of energy within a small campass. In Western phraseology, he is a "wrestler," and if there is pay in anything he gets hold of, he is very apt to find it. He has, so far, realized very good compensation for the money and labor bestowed upon the enterprise, and the outlook for the future is encouraging.

The impression is, that there are other claims in this section undiscovered, but they will probably remain hidden until some vernal son from the east, shall stumble on them.

The agricultural interest of our immediate vicinity, is represented by Messrs. Deal, Faltz, Smith, Shattuck, Brickhouse and others; all of whom have just had their crops threshed and garnered. Some of them have been much disappointed with their crops, the yield falling greatly below their expectations. Still, we have no grave apprehensions that there will be any scarcity of "grub" in our midst this coming year.

I have placed Mr. Fultz among the farmers, but with more propriety he should be called the "blackberry man." Mr. Fultz excels as a stock-raiser and fruit-raiser. But the main feature of his business for the last two months, has been the "blackberry patch." This occupies a very small area, (not more than an acre, I would suppose), but is the source of a very neat income. It has yielded this season in the neighborhood of one thousand gallons of berries, for the most of which a ready market has been found at four bits per gallon. So, if you want blackberries, or blackberry pies, Mr. Editor, "just step this way if you please."

I am sorry to say that the health of our town has not been good of late. There has been considerable sickness of one kind and an other in our midst. Several have had the "shakes' pretty badly. The family of Mr. George Deal in particular, has been troubled very much with ague, but the epidemic, I think, is abating somewhat now. Mr. Wm. Micklewait, an old citizen of the place, has been very sick for more than a week, his malady being something like the dropsy. Dr. Ream has been to see him three times, and represents him now as improving with a good prospect of his recovery. Perhaps I ought not to omit mentioning in this connection, that one or two young men of this place, have recently been stricken with a heart disease of a serious nature. They are often seen moping about the streets with their heads hung down, and their hands applied to the left side, thereby indicating the location of the disease. Their critical condition excites much anxiety on the part of their friends, but it is thought the disease may be broken up. Whatever may be the result, one thing is certain, the young ladies of the town are responsible for their condition Cottonwood can boast of having quite a bevy of fine looking young ladies. Aside from their beauty, which after all, is a very unsubstantial, transitory thing, they possess the additional good qualities of modesty, intelligence and domestic usefulness. Hence, you needn't be surprised to hear of Hyman lighting his torch in our midst soon, and two or three couples taking a trip to Niagara or Yreka, or perhaps to Oregon. However, if anything of so novel and serious a nature occurs soon, I will apprise you of it. More anon.

IKE'S BROTHER.

Lake View Items.

Sept. 4th, 1878.

The County Clerk's office is being fitted up in good style.

The Land Office building is nearly completed, the lower part of which is to be a store room. The hall overhead is now occupied as a lodge room by the Masonic Fraternity of this place.

Mr. Jones' new hotel, and also the Odd Fellow's building will soon be finished. The latter has recently been purchased of Messrs. Reynolds & Pendleton, and will shortly be in readiness for lodge purposes.

Chirina & Bosco gave an entertainment here last evening to a crowded hall. The affair ended very pleasantly—after the usual order, "a social dance."

Dan'l Gaby and family, from Ashland, arrived here yesterday.

Hon. B. F. Dowell, on his way from San Francisco home, made us a short call.

A farmer brought to town this week, a 40 inch watermelon, a production of this valley. Corn, beans, potatoes, cabbage, cucumbers, peas, etc., as well as different varieties of cereals, are successfully cultivated here.

Judge Tenbrook has removed to his farm again, leaving the hotel in charge of Messrs. Campbell & Delanay.

Rev. Mr. Henderson, of Pine creek, held divine services at the school house, last Sunday.

Rev. E. H Roney, of a surveying party from Eugene City, Oregon, died here on the 1st inst. The remains were interred in the new cemetery, north of town, the following day.

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Kerbyville Items.

Our correspondent E. J. from Kerbyville, under date of Sept. 6th, sends us the following items:

Lively times in Kerby—Mackey and son were arrested and put under $250 bond, each, for battering W. Q. Brown.

The man who stole our ex sheriff's horses was brought back yesterday, and lodged in jail.

The hydraulic pipe and giant, for the Kenny mine, arrived at Crescent City last week.

Our friend, Geo. Howard, is over here looking after mining interests. He reports the corn crop good.

A very pleasant party occurred at Waldo on the 28th ult. Wm. is a good hearted fellow—he furnishes peanuts and crackers.

Miss Josie Holton is visiting friends on Applegate, and our town is lonely without her.

D. Holton is driving stage for Dick Ish.

The citizens of our county are hard up for petitions, when they have to procure the names of Good Templars to petition for a saloon.

E. J.

Another Highwayman Killed

Last Saturday morning, about 3 o'clock, says the YREKA JOURNAL, the Scott valley stage, going south, was stopped by three robbers within eighty rods from the summit of Scott mountain, near the Trinity county line, the robbers having evidently waited until the moon had gone down. It was very dark at the time, the person ordering the driver, Charley Williams, to stop, coming close up to him, with his pistol cocked and pointed at his breast. Charley asked him to hold his pistol one side, as he did not wish to make any resistance, and the robber then dropped his pistol, facing a little towards the back part of body of the stage. Johnny Reynolds, the messenger inside the stage, saw every movement, by the aid of the bright side lights of the stage, while the robber was unable to see anything in the stage behind the lights. Johnny, as soon as he robber took his pistol off of the driver, blazed away with his heavily loaded breech loading shot gun, the contents striking the robber, just below the neck, the full charge of 12 fire-shooter pistol bullets passing swiftly through his body. The firing started the team on a run, when the other two robbers, who must have been at least fifty feet distant, commenced firing, and shot four times. The driver had the team well in hand, and thought it had run the blockade, until one of the wheel horses, the best one of the team, fell, having been shot a little back of the shoulder, pretty well up towards the back. Had the bullet and buckshot struck the horse a little lower down, he would have dropped when shot. The driver, messenger and single passenger concluded that it would be best to camp until daylight, as they were not well provided with arms to have an equal show, the robbers having every advantage to lay in wait in the dark as they should come along. They did not attempt to go back to see if the man was dead, because there was nothing to gain, and if the dead robber had a brother in the party, they would be risking their own lives as a sacrifice to such person, who could not be observed in the dark. At daylight, the driver knew from the quantity of blood on the wheels and body of the stage, that the robber was certainly dead, and word having been sent to Callahans, Justice Denny had the body taken to Callahan's Ranch and buried.

SEALED PROPOSALS.—Rev. J. H. Rourk, U. S. Indian Agent at Klamath Agency, informs us that sealed proposals for furnishing stock cattle and beef on foot, for the use of the Reservation, will be received at Linkville P. O., until 12 o'clock M., Saturday, Sept. 21, 1878. Particular instructions as to requirements of bidders will be found at the Post offices at Linkville, Ashland, Jacksonville and Rock Point.

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