

ASHLAND TIDINGS.

FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 1887

THE BRIDE OF THE MOUNTAINS.

A PARODY. (BEAUTIFUL VENUE.)

Dear Mountain Wife—them of my song,

"What men's hearts melt to thy regions be-

long,"

When sweet recollections cling to my heart,

When fading in distance thy beauties depart,

"Oh, poetry" dwells in thy glens, and thy

"Where winds gently sigh, as the sweet

"Willow faints,"

"I have known many homes," with always

thine, and each "new departure" has been to

ward the West.

Of old—of "Bride of the Sea,"

The bride of the Mountains, thy valley

shall be bright as glancing from mountains

of snow.

White roses are blooming in valleys below,

Where perfumes of blossoms are borne on the

breath.

Fair promises of fruits that will burden the

tree,

"I have known many homes," hereafter for

me, With "Bride of the Mountains" my dwelling

shall be.

Fair Mountain Bride—clouds veil thy face,

While mountains unfold thee in loving

embrace,

A rainbow of promise illumines thy brow,

Beauteous never broken, thy crown of

blushes of morning in glory reveal.

The charms which the shadows of night

could conceal,

"I have known many homes," but here I

will rest,

The bride of the Mountains is perfectly

blest.

Home of my choice—cozy retreat,

From torments of winter, and tropical heat,

Where hazards no more can slide in

breath,

Not exulting can revel in harvest of death,

The air is all mid-day, breeze caressing,

All nature is lovely, life is blissful here,

My home in the valley at times it shall be

A hill among the mountains, so wild, and so

free.

Even a bride, smiles through her tears,

And sometimes our valley quite dimly ap-

pears,

When snows of the mountains intrude on the

plain.

Oh, seems half-drown'd in a deluge of

rain.

But even the storms are deem'd no in-

trusion,

For they bring flowers and fruits, in pro-

fusion.

"I have known many homes," no desert

for me,

My home—among the rainbows and sunshine

shall be.

Beautiful bride—pohed for the night,

Thy pulses still thro' "teeth thy mantle

of snow,"

And on the snow, with its chilliest hours,

Thy side, but never cease to be known

to me, The pines and myrtle, still bloom with-

out fear,

And blossoms of almonds, till spring-time

is near.

"I have known many homes," but bid them

adieu,

Dear bride of the mountains, my home is

with you.

Arms of grapes—fruits of the vine,

That might tempt on the banks of the

River,

Howe'er of rare beauty, where roses may

fade—

Like-day stars, or bluish of a rose;

The breeze through the pines, in soft whis-

pers reveal,

Ward thoughts, which the lips will never

forget.

And toward and wand'ring, wherever I

roam,

Dear bride of the mountains, still welcome

my home.

Evergreen hills; mountains sublime!

With breezes that rival fair Italy's clime,

Where beautiful birds in the regions of

sky

Soar with the coming of the languidly

spring,

When evening has silenced their nest-

ling songs,

The clear mountain streams their music

prolong,

"I have known many homes," but yield to

the spell,

The bride of the mountains has woven it

GARDEN SPOT OF OREGON.

William Farmer, Dec. 3, 1886.

There is no denying the fact that

the garden spot of the Western Valley

lies south of the Willamette; it is a

region blessed with warmer suns and

less excessive winters. The valley has

great attractions and has an extent

far greater than other valleys contain,

it is limited in its production by its

northern aspect, and occasionally the

winter rains come down with a vehemence

that is uncomfortable. The Southern

valleys—especially that of Rogue River

are the best of the kind in the West.

There are some classes who do not want

to do this, and who are bound to have

it, they still it. We want no more

plantations of men living by their

hands. We need parties to manufac-

ture various articles. Here is a rare

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CLASSES NEEDED IN JACKSON COUNTY.

We need men with large capital

and liberal ideas, who can see beyond to-

day, and who are willing to invest in the

country, who will make investments which

will be profitable to the community, and

who will be able to see the future of the

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