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RAILROAD NURSERY. Prunes and Plums made a Specialty. 200,000 FRUIT TREES For Sale This Season.

CONSISTING OF Apple, Pear, Quince, Plum, Prune, Peach, Cherry, Grape vines, Currant, Blackberries, Raspberries (eight varieties), Strawberries, Chestnut, Mulberry, Black and White Walnut, Hickory, Sugar Maple, Honey Locust, Lombardy Poplar, Mountain Ash, Weeping Willow, Snowballs and Lilacs, Honeysuckles and Ivy, Evergreens.

Now I call special attention to the Amsden June Peach, Fifteen days earlier than any other peach known. I have only about 200 yearling trees of this peach.

I also have a few trees of the Mount Vernon Pear. This Pear is one of the most valuable new Fall Pears in cultivation.

Oregon Champion Gooseberry. This berry is worth all other gooseberries for profit. It is a large berry, and the most prolific bearer ever known.

Red Warrington Gooseberry. This is the largest of all gooseberries, and is a blood red, very ornamental, and an excellent berry.

Peach Seedlings. Free hundred, \$1 per thousand, \$20. Price Lists sent free to any address.

Plum and Prune Trees on Peach Roots. I claim that the Peach root is superior to Plum roots for grafting peaches and plums on.

Testimony in favor of the Peach Root. H. W. PRETTYMAN, Dear Sir: Your note in regard to Plum trees on Peach roots is at hand.

Agents for my Nursery. D. J. Maloney, Portland; Woolsey & Co., Gervais; J. Michael, Wheatland; Mrs. E. A. Judd, Eugene; W. W. Whipple, Cottage Grove; S. Berry, McMinnville.

H. W. PRETTYMAN, Proprietor of Railroad Nursery, EAST PORTLAND, OR.

INDEPENDENT LINE Willamette Steamers. City of Salem AND Ohio.

FREIGHT TARIFF. AFTER JANUARY 1st, 1877, THE FOLLOWING will be the rates charged by this Company:

Table with 2 columns: Route and Rate. Includes Portland to Salem, Portland to Albany, Portland to Corvallis, Portland to Harrisburg.

To the People of the Willamette Valley: We have introduced on our river the style of steamboat by which your produce can be transported to Market at all seasons of the year.

U. R. SCOTT & CO. Portland, Dec 28, 1876.

RAILROAD LANDS. Liberal Terms! LOW PRICES! LONG TIME! LOW INTEREST!

THE OREGON & CALIFORNIA RAILROAD CO. offer their Lands for sale upon the following liberal terms: One tenth of the price in cash, interest on the balance at the rate of seven per cent, one year after sale.

THE CLIMATE OF OREGON.

The love of life, the desire for health and passion for wealth, are three of the strongest laws that operate in the breast of the human family. Wherever life can be most prolonged, health best secured, and wealth most easily acquired, there the tide of emigration and population is as sure to flow as the needle points to the North Pole.

The atmosphere of Oregon is pure and cheerful, warm and balmy; life is longer, health is better and more enjoyable, when the ordinary laws of such a climate, than in any State in the Union, or in any country in Europe.

The people of Oregon are not burned up four months in summer and frozen or snowed in six months in winter, nor millions of property swept away in a night by overwhelming floods and devastating hurricanes, as they frequently are in the Eastern and Western States of the Union.

In Southern and Eastern Oregon, embracing twelve counties of the State, there are nine months of spring summer and fall weather that are not surpassed anywhere for all that is desirable for a delightful and healthy climate, and scarcely any disease, except that brought by invalids who come from other States to be cured by the life-giving power of a climate not surpassed on the globe, to benefit by the healing power of the warm and mineral baths of Southern Oregon, and to inhale in the delightful fruits that excel in such variety, quantity and quality.

The State is protected on the west by the Coast range from the strong gales of the Pacific ocean, and on the east from snow storms and cold winters by the Cascade Range. The trade winds of the Pacific, from the northwest, keep the summer months of Oregon sufficiently cool to impart vigor and energy to body and mind.

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Careful observation and minute investigation by competent persons, private and official, establish beyond successful contradiction that Oregon is distinguished for the largest number of children to a family and the fewest number of deaths to the population of any State in the Union.

The mildest of the winter months of Oregon will be seen when it is known that the mean temperature of New York city is 31°; Albany, N. Y., 28° 83; while at Astoria, the mouth of the Columbia, it is 42° 43; and at Corvallis, the centre of the Willamette Valley, it is 39° 28. It is the evenness of temperature during the whole year that constitutes one of the many charms of Oregon, and goes so far to make it the healthiest State in the Union.

Weather Report for 1876.

Table with 12 columns: Month, Max. Temp., Min. Temp., Rainfall, etc. for 1876.

N. B.—The foggy days noticed in this table refer to those days when the entire day was foggy, obscuring the sky. And the rainy days include those days on which both rain and snow fell in the same day.

To Ladies. MRS. DR. CRAIG is now prepared to receive patients at her office, in Salem.

It is proposed to connect Shoalwater bay with the Columbia river by a canal 24,554 feet long, with guard locks at each end, and to dredge a channel 1,000 feet long, 100 feet wide, and 11 feet deep at ordinary high water.

BOUND OVER.—Bureau, one of the fellows who was arrested for selling liquor on the camp-ground here last June, was bound over at Portland last week to appear before the U. S. Grand Jury at its next convention, on the charge of selling intoxicating liquors without the necessary license.

LETTER FROM LUCKY QUEEN.

EDITOR STATESMAN: Having noticed an article in the Daily Evening Standard, of the 8th inst., reflecting upon the Lucky Queen quartz mine, and the good faith of the company operating the same, I desire to make a few statements through your columns in answer thereto.

The party, one Geo. W. Lindly, states that we commenced operations in an old defined mine, two miles west of Canyonville; that while there we procured specimens of great richness from elsewhere, and exhibiting them to the world, proclaimed them to be part of the hidden treasure of the fabulously rich vein on which we were working; that after continued and desperate attempts to deceive the public as to the richness of our ore, we gave up in despair and moved to fields more remote from the eye of the traveling public, and made our future base of operations on Jump Off Joe.

This monstrous deception is claimed by Mr. Lindly to have been practiced from May, 1875, to June, 1876. I cannot remain silent in view of such and other statements, without pronouncing them false and without any foundation of truth. To prove the utter falsity of the statements—the company, it is well known, did not organize until January of 1876, as shown by the papers on file at the office of the Secretary of State.

The statement made with regard to our present mode of operations, I will answer in a few words: The ledge was never tunneled as Mr. Lindly alleges, until we commenced upon it, but a surface cut was worked across the top of the ledge, as can be seen in many places over the mountains, where no pretensions were ever made to mine for quartz; this surface cut is the "old abandoned mine" which Mr. Lindly dwells upon.

The ledge is 500 feet below, in which we have tunneled 128 feet in solid rock, passing four seams of quartz. No. 1, is 18 inches; No. 2, is 12 inches; No. 3, is six inches and No. 4, was five feet and six inches in width. I have run a side drift southwest, 118 feet, and northeast 80 feet; air shaft 70 feet to surface and whize, 80 feet in depth, which will connect with the lower level, now in 175 feet, where we are working the same quartz, which is of an average width of three feet, with well defined walls, four feet apart, containing good gold and silver bearing rock, and everything indicating a good and permanent ledge, and for the work on which we feel confident we will be amply rewarded.

The color of the rock has changed from a rose to a white and blue quartz, but its value remains the same, and is not entirely barren of gold, as Mr. Lindly asserts. I feel confident that any one feeling interested or curious to know the facts connected with the true history and the present character of the ledge will be fully satisfied after an examination of the same, and any assistance that I can give to further this I will take pleasure in giving at any time, or to any person. To the prediction which Mr. Lindly has made as to the future of the ledge, I feel will neither advance or diminish its true value, or change its character in the least; nor will any impartial person, knowing his Lindly very limited experience in matters pertaining to quartz—which is confined to a few months' work—or his character, or general reputation for truth and veracity, will be in any way influenced by his statement. The charges made by this man, on being refused when applying for work, has evidently prompted him in making the false statements contained in the letter under his signature but which was written by one James F. Garley. We could not steal the Canyonville Toll Road from parties, which are interested in the Lucky Queen Mining Company. You will oblige me by publishing this letter in your Daily and Weekly Oregon papers please copy.

Grant and the Darien Canal.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The Tribune's Washington special speaking of the Herald's story that Grant would become President of the Nicaragua canal project says: Grant says it has always been a rule of his not to undertake anything unless he feels he possesses ability to make a success of it and that in this case he had no such feeling whatever. What engineering knowledge he acquired at the Military Academy, he has forgotten in the midst of more important and immediate duties.

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From the Seattle Tribune we learn that ten coal ships sailed thence for San Francisco in January, carrying in the aggregate 10,091 tons of coal. During January of last year the quantity shipped was 5,440 tons.

BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—The Times Washington special says: The President and cabinet after full discussion have decided to officially recognize the Packard Government in Louisiana as soon as the Presidential count is completed.

Bishop Wilmer, of New Orleans, called on President Grant to-day to represent the absolute necessity of recognizing the Nicholls government to preserve peace and restore prosperity to Louisiana.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—A number of Southern members of Congress, together with representative men from the South, will call on the President to-morrow and request him to take no action on the gubernatorial questions in Louisiana and South Carolina, but to leave it to the determination of his successor.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Petitions receiving numerous and influential signatures are circulating here, approving the bill pending in Congress appropriating \$50,000 for the execution of the plan of Captain Howgate for the location of a colony in the Arctic regions, that they may be successfully explored and the north pole be discovered.

The World's Washington special says: A meeting of the citizens of Washington will probably be called this week to make arrangements for the inauguration of the new President on the 5th of March.

Gov. Grover's Denial.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17.—Following dispatch just received:

TO AGENT ASSOCIATED PRESS: I desire to state through your columns that I have never sent to Gov. Grover any telegrams signed "Cassidy" or "Governor," and I denounce all such pretended telegrams as base fabrications as far as I am concerned.

FOREIGN.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—An English physician with Mukhtar Pasha's army in Trebinje writes respecting the army, that it is in a dreadful state on account of insufficiency of hospital accommodation.

A dispatch to the Standard from Vienna says the Serbian diplomatic agent there has intimated that the czar, on the 24th instant, will order the mobilization of six more army corps.

VIENNA, Feb. 14.—Advices from St. Petersburg, Kishinev and Berlin indicate a decided tendency in the direction of war.

RICHMOND, Feb. 15.—The Russian army here and ready to move against the Turks, number 120,000 infantry, 8,500 cavalry and 125 guns, two corps at Odessa, which would make a total of the army of advance, 150,000 infantry, 12,000 cavalry and 750 guns.

BRUSSELS, Feb. 15.—Serbia's appeal for advice from Russia remains unanswered. It is surmised that the Serbians have been abandoned by Russia, as the price of Austria's acquiescence or assistance in Russia's policy, because if Serbia is quieted, a great cause of rancor among the Slavians in Hungary would be removed.

European Grain Market.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—Leading grain circulars say the markets were firmer this week for both foreign wheat and dry qualities of British wheat. Some markets quote an improved value and better consumptive demand.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 16.—Breadstuff's firmer. Corn 2s for old mixed Western; flour, 2s 6d @ 2s 6d; for Western wheat 10s 7d @ 10s 9d; for Western California club, 10s @ 10s 10d for red Western spring.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 15.—There was a sensation in the Supreme Court this morning when the case of Foster vs. Weeks & Masick was called. The plaintiff, Mrs. Jennette B. Foster, came forward and stated her intention of representing herself before the tribunal.

The Eugene City Guard, in speaking of Angora goats, says: Mr. E. Rhea, who bought a number of Angora goats from Mr. Landrum last summer, is well satisfied with his investment.

Selling Liquor to Minors.

For the benefit of the public generally we publish the following law, enacted by the last Legislature and approved October 17, 1876:

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, that section 1, title 1, of chapter 28, general laws of Oregon, being section 684, chapter 8, of criminal code, as published in 1874, by authority of Legislative Assembly, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 683. That if any person shall sell, give, or cause to be sold or given, any intoxicating liquor to any minor in this State, without first obtaining the consent of such minor's parents or guardian, in writing; or if any keeper of any saloon, bar-room, or other venter of spirituous or intoxicating liquors, within this State, shall harbor or permit or suffer any minor to loiter or remain in or about such saloon, bar-room, or other place where such spirituous or intoxicating liquors are sold or kept for sale, or to engage in any game of cards, billiards, begatelle, or any other game, in such saloon, bar-room or place aforesaid, either for amusement or otherwise, such persons shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding six months, or by both, at the discretion of the court, and shall also forfeit any license such person may have to sell spirituous or intoxicating liquors in less than one quart, or to keep such saloon, bar-room, or other place for the sale of such liquor. A justice court shall have jurisdiction of the cases herein defined.

At a banquet in Liverpool, on Thursday night, Sir Stafford Northcote, Chancellor of the Exchequer, made the following very friendly allusion to the American Presidential question: "Nobody can witness without sympathy and a certain amount of admiration the conduct of the great mass of the American people under the difficulties presented by the Presidential question. We believe they have a constitution which they are able satisfactorily and honestly to work out for themselves, and I think it is not so difficult as we cannot help feeling that they are endeavoring by honest exertions to find a constitutional solution. The matter must come to an end shortly. The settlement I hope will be very beneficial to the commercial condition of the United States, and therefore also to that of England. I am happy to think that good feeling exists between England and the United States."

The Dallas Itemizer gives the following account of a bold robbery perpetrated in Polk county: Last Wednesday night about seven o'clock, while between Moonshot and Independence, Wm. Baker was stopped by highwaymen, knocked down, gagged and tied and robbed of \$85 in greenbacks. He was bound to a tree and left, where he remained for several hours before he could work himself loose. He finally got loose about 1 o'clock. Mr. L. W. Robertson, of Independence, Mr. Baker's brother-in-law, offers \$100 reward for the arrest and conviction of the guilty parties. This was the most daring robbery that has been committed in this county for many a day, and should the parties be found, should be punished to the extent of the law. Mr. Baker was just married last week, and will no doubt feel the loss sustained.

THE DEATH OF THE 'HOPPER.—Reports from all parts of the state are to the effect that nearly all of the eggs deposited by grasshoppers had hatched during the recent warm weather, and that the storms and cold weather of last week was the means of destroying the young 'hoppers. The reports are so well substantiated as to leave little doubt that we will be relieved of much of the trouble anticipated from these pests next spring. We have talked with men from all parts of Saline and from adjoining counties, who assured us that they had personally investigated the condition of the egg deposits in their localities, and they had found that in most cases the eggs, backs and legs of young grasshoppers had formed, but life was apparently extinct. The indications are that this section will be comparatively free of the 'hoppers in the spring.—Saline (Kansas) Journal.

The Virginia City (Nev.) Enterprise relates the following anecdote of the late Senator Nye: "Nye went to Secretary Stanton once to make a petition for some dead soldier's orphans. It was in the darkest days of the war. Stanton said, 'I have not time, Mr. Nye, to see to what you want.' 'Suppose you take time, Mr. Secretary,' said Nye. 'You are unreasonable, Mr. Nye, in pressing such a thing at this time,' said Stanton. 'Permit me to say that you are the unreasonable man,' answered Nye. 'If you were not a United States Senator I should say you were very impertinent,' said Stanton, haughtily. 'If you were not a Secretary of War I should be tempted to say you are making a fool of yourself,' replied the old Gray Eagle, with eyes blazing. Stanton looked at him a moment, and then softening, said: 'Maybe I am, Jim—who knows?—come inside, and tell me all about it.' 'Now, Ned, my boy, you are growing sensible,' said Nye, and the business was quickly arranged."

For the rich with few children it may do to buy a shoe without tips, but to those who are blessed with many children and little money it is ruinous to buy any other than SILVER TIPPED SHOES. Also try Wire Quilted Soles.

Bronchitis. From John Flagg, Esq., of Bennington, N. H.

"Three years since I was very much reduced with a dreadful cough, which resulted in Bronchitis, affecting me so severely as to render it difficult to speak in an audible voice. To this was added severe night sweats, and I was fearful of going into a decline. After recurring to various remedies, to no purpose, I made use of DR. WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY, a few bottles of which fully restored me to health. Since that time I have had several severe attacks of cough, but I always keep it by me, and should not know how to do without it." Sold by all druggists.

The Peruvian Syrup. Vitalizes and enriches the blood, tones up the system, builds up the broken-down, cures Dyspepsia, Liver Complaints, Dropsy, Chronic Diarrhoea, Hells, Nervous Affection, Chills and Fevers, Humors, Loss of Constitutional Vigor, Diseases of the Kidneys and Bladder, Female Complaints, and all diseases originating in a bad state of the Blood, or accompanied by Debility or a low state of the System. CAUTION!—Beware you got the PERUVIAN SYRUP. One dollar and two dollars a bottle Prepared by SETH W. FOWLE & SONS, 86 Harrison Ave., Boston. Sold by druggists generally.