

close juxtaposition and a sulphur spring exists in the mountain near by. No doubt these different streams are forced upward from under different strata of rocks but the unsophisticated beholder finds something to ponder over in this mixture of waters.

YONCALLA Is the home of the Applegates, and especially of Mr. Jesse Applegate, whose name is associated with Oregon history and will be part of whatever history is written. The old gentleman has climbed high up Yoncalla Hill and on a sunny bench has planted out a vineyard of 12,000 vines and is building a home below it, where a spring makes glad the hill side. Around him are groves of majestic oak that may truly be called primeval. His sons occupy the valleys around, and the family of his brother, Charles Applegate occupy other portions of Yoncalla vale. The name is the most beautiful of all our Indian names and the valley deserves no common place designation. The view from the South—as the railroad curves up a rather heavy grade and gives you a look at the valley in bold relief—is indeed beautiful, and romance could well invest it of selfish aims and ends and imagine it to be "The Happy Valley" of all the vales of earth. Leaving the sage of Yoncalla in his hill-side eyrie we climbed to the summit of the mountain, 1640 feet above the valley we had left, and from that summit had a view of other hills and other valleys, spread far and wide, with Spencer's Butte seemingly not far off, and the snow peaks that guard the Willamette valley, visible in the distance.

Snowden Springs are immediately under the shadow of Yoncalla Hill, and it will require only ordinary use of money and good taste to improve the naturally beautiful surroundings so that they will gratify the senses of pleasure seekers and charm away the cares of invalids. The mountain air, faith, and spring water will work wonders, and it is to be hoped that the enterprise of the proprietors will meet with due reward.

The Yoncalla House is close to the railroad and offers a very comfortable home. It is kept by our old time friends, C. F. Yesson and wife, in such an admirable manner as to satisfy the most fastidious taste. We have never, in any hotel in Oregon sat down to better fare than they offered us. At the present time there is room for invalids, and the fall months are the very pleasant in which to enjoy the charms of Yoncalla and test the virtues of its healing waters.

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WILLAMETTE, OREGON, NEW ADVERT.

That California is a wonderful country no one can deny. Aladdin's lamp in the hands of the hero of Arabian story did not produce more wonders and develop more wealth and treasure than has fallen to the lot of many a lucky miner. Even as an agricultural region it produces wonderful results, reaching, as its coast line does, from temperate to semi-tropical climes, with a prolific yield of fruits, cereal, and vegetables to correspond, and vicissitudes that equal in disaster the wonders of its wealth and productiveness, as is shown the present year in blasted crops and starving flocks all through Southern California, where drouth has transformed the most fertile regions into deserts.

But even in these regions where rains frequently fall, that wonderful country has an amazing resource in irrigation, produced sometimes from natural streams and sometimes from artesian wells. But even here we do not hesitate to institute a comparison between California and Oregon; between the land that rivals fable and the plain region where comfortable homes and reliable products welcome the new-comer, without any extreme of mineral wealth or productions of soil to create excitement.

Mr. A. G. Cook, formerly a practicing attorney at Vancouver, W. T., with whom we were well acquainted, found his health seriously impaired by unremitting labor, and three years ago was obliged to seek change both of occupation and climate. He lately returned to visit his old home and we had the pleasure of a long talk with him about California. He has resided in Los Angeles county, in the South, the land of the orange, fig, olive and vine, perhaps the most delightful portion of that great State. Around Los Angeles they use the natural streams for irrigation purposes and have beautiful surroundings and prolific crops as a consequence. His own home is nearer the sea, where, in an extensive reach of rich land, formed from sediment, he has forty acres that equal a large farm in productiveness. An artesian well, less than 100 feet deep, sunk at small expense, raises water six feet above the surface level and affords enough to irrigate the forty acres. He can put his land into barley in the spring, corn in the summer, and raise a crop of potatoes afterwards, all within a twelve-month. Three prolific crops a year. This land is known to yield twelve to fifteen tons of alfalfa per annum. All the semi-tropical fruits produce well there. One

would think that such a land as this would possess the greatest possible attractions, but Mr. Cook assures us that tropical fruits do not equal those of our climate; that he prefers the climate and soil of Oregon, and Oregon society and surroundings. He says the immigration does not stop in California now but comes to Oregon and will continue to come here. It is his own intention to close out his interests there and return as soon as his health, which is greatly improved, is re-established.

We quote these facts to show that tropical luxuriance cannot satisfy the desires of a man raised in a temperate climate, and that Oregon with its reliable productiveness and genial climate has more attractions for those who seek permanent homes than any portion of California. It is true that such a region as we describe exists in Los Angeles county, but it is limited in extent and does not settle up with rapidity, as it possesses disadvantages, with all its capacity for production, that turn those who come from the northern States away.

Mr. Cook gave us another picture that represents more correctly the greater portion of the agricultural region of Southern California. Through the whole San Joaquin valley, three hundred miles in length, which constitutes the great grain producing portion of the Sta e, there is no production the present year except on a narrow strip that has been irrigated. For this three hundred miles the valley, sometimes producing tens of millions bushels of wheat, is as dry and hard and barren as a brick-yard floor. Its farming population are ruined, and even their live stock has perished with famine unless driven away early to distant ranges.

The hills and valleys of Oregon shine in bright contrast with California, as with any other spot of earth. We venture the assertion that no other area on the face of the earth offers the same solid advantages and inducements that we possess in the valleys of the Cascades and Coast ranges. Eastern Oregon has equal advantages in many respects, though not yet favored with transportation facilities to make the whole of that wide region available.

much. It is a wonderful country, much like California in climate and resource of an agricultural nature. To that region of vast and productive prairies many have lately taken their way and it will soon become an important section of the nation—more so than ever before. A friend shows us a letter from a relative living there who has been twice in Oregon and writes that he intends coming here once more—this Fall—to stay. He says Oregon is equally favorable with Texas as a stock country, and our productiveness is far more reliable, while our climate is immensely superior to that of Texas. He wants to disseminate information there concerning Oregon, for he represents that many there would come here if they really understood all our circumstances.

We frequently receive letters requesting information, which we hesitate to give. We do not wish to give highly colored descriptions to induce immigration which will result in disappointment. When we say that this is a good country, and averages well, we say it all.

It certainly has many advantages that are permanent and reliable. Its soil is lasting, and production is unflinching. Our climate is healthful in the main, and our social structure is fair and improving. Salem much resembles a New England or New York town of 6,000 inhabitants with good schools and a dozen churches.

The great advantage of our State is that it "averages well;" neither in climate, soil, productiveness or healthfulness are we subject to great vicissitudes. There are no storms here that spread destruction. There are no extremes of heat and cold. Summer is now over and there have not been many days—perhaps a week in all—that were inconveniently warm, and we consider 90° of heat rather uncomfortable. There have been but few days, indeed, that the thermometer has stood over 80° in the shade. Harvesters have had cool weather and many cloudy days. Our nights are always cool and sleep delightful, for one always needs one or more blankets of a Summer night. At the same time our Winters are temperate—little snow or ice, and frequently none of any consequence, so that stock require little feed. We know of a sheep raiser, in the foot-hills of the mountains, who has never fed his sheep in Winter because they prefer browse. When there was snow on the ground, one Winter, he got his sheep up and fed them hay,

which they smelled of and then started up the mountain to browse.

The most we can say of Oregon is that we have a country that averages well. Those who want an earthly paradise had better go to Texas or Southern California before they come here.

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Citation.

In the County of the State of Oregon for the County of Marion, in the matter of the Estate of M. F. Waller, deceased. To Elepha Waller, C. H. Hall, Mary R. Hall C. C. Stratton, J. K. Stratton, O. A. Waud, E. J. Waud, T. L. O. Waller, and George Tibbets, guardians of M. F. Waller, and all unknown heirs of M. F. Waller deceased.

IN the name of the State of Oregon: You and each of you are hereby cited and required to appear before the above named court, at the Court House in Salem, in said Marion county, at eleven o'clock a. m., on the sixth day of October, 1877, then and there to show cause, if any exist, why an order should not be made by said Court, authorizing J. A. Stratton, the administrator thereof, to sell the real estate of said decedent, for the payment of the charges, expenses of administration, and claims against said estate, as petitioned for by said administrator. Said real estate is bounded and described as follows, to wit: A part of location claim No. 46, Notification No. 77, in T. 3 S. R. 3 W. of Willamette meridian, bounded by beginning on the south line of the county road, leading easterly from the east end of State street, in Salem, Marion county, Oregon, at a point S. 70 deg. 30 min. E. 12.50 chains from where the south line of said county road intersects the West boundary of the Donation Land Claim of A. F. Waller and Elepha Waller his wife, and running thence S. 19 deg. 30 min. W. 35 chains, more or less, to intersect a line east and west line of said claim into two equal parts; thence east 12.25 chains, more or less to intersect the eastern boundary line of a certain tract of land located by A. F. Waller and Elepha Waller his wife, to Isabel B. Waller, by deed dated the 20th day of January, 1860, and recorded in Marion county records, Book of Deeds, volume No. 4, on page 321; thence N. 19 deg. 30 min. E. along said last mentioned line, about 30.50 chains to the south line of said county road, thence N. 70 deg. 30 min. W. along the south line of said county road to the place of beginning, and all situate in Marion county, Oregon. This citation is published in the WILLAMETTE FARMER, by order of the said court, made September 25th, 1877.

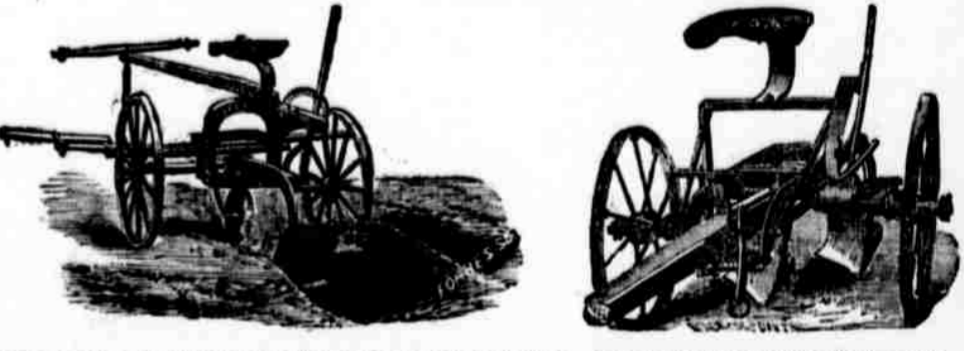
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