

CORRESPONDENTS' NEWS.

BY OUR REGULAR CONTRIBUTORS.

TSLTCOOS.

Here's our hand with a welcome home. Senator Alley. [Thanks. Ed.]

Messrs. Wilkes and Brown went up to Head o' Tide last week in quest of more fruit trees.

March came in like a lamb and we are very much afraid the rest of the proverb may come true.

Neighbor Goude has gone out to the valley hoping to make a "speck" working at his trade.

Everybody is anxious to see it stop raining, that they may get their peas and onions planted.

J. W. Brewster came in from the valley last week. He is pegging away striving to subdue wild Nature on his fine ranch on the south side of the lake. He offers forty days' work on Mr. David's saw-mill subscription. Mr. David has now nearly the amount requested subscribed, and he will begin preparation at once to put in a saw-mill on Tsiltcoos lake. Some have understood the mill is to be built on Whoahink lake, but Mr. David assures us that it is a mistake.

GAIL MAKER.

TO THE CITIZENS OF OREGON:

The Oregon World's Fair Commission has been legally organized. Its officers, superintendents, assistants, and agents have been chosen, and they are now actively engaged in the preparation of an exhibit of the rich and varied resources of Oregon, to be placed before the eyes of the world in the several department buildings of the Columbian Exposition at Chicago. As the World's Exposition opens shortly, time should be lost if we would be properly represented. Our State has been allotted ample spaces in the several department buildings, and which it hopes to occupy with honor to the State. And to make the labors of this Commission the more successful, which will add not only to the credit of the State, but to her every citizen, the free co-operation of her each and every resident is earnestly solicited.

To this end, therefore, all persons who have prepared individual exhibits, all societies, organizations, or associations of any kind whatever that have prepared exhibits of any kind for the coming Exposition, are urged to at once place themselves in communication with the heads of the several departments, as organized by this Commission. You may be able to judge to which department your exhibit belongs by reading what follows: This Commission desires to send to Chicago those things which will in any manner give a true representation of any of Oregon's resources, or add in any way to the attractiveness of the spaces allotted to Oregon in any of the Exposition buildings.

The Oregon exhibit will be collected and displayed under the following headings:

The department of agriculture, forestry and forest products, and live stock, W. F. Matlock, superintendent. The department of horticulture, including floriculture and viticulture, Dr. J. R. Cardwell, supt. The department of mines, mining, and metallurgy, C. W. Ayers, supt. The department of fishing and fishing apparatus, manufactures, electrical and mechanical inventions, Geo. T. Myers, supt. The department of woman's work, comprising the fine arts, household economy, and products thereof, Mrs. M. Payton, supt. until July 1, 1893, and Mrs. E. W. Allen, supt. from July 1, 1893. The department of education, including educational exhibits, literary, special, general, music, etc., E. B. McElroy, supt. The department of civil government, including

state and county, Geo. W. McBride, superintendent.

Persons wishing to make exhibits in any of the departments enumerated, will please communicate with the superintendents of the departments in which they wish to make entries.

C. B. IRVINE, Secretary.

AN EXCELLENT FARM.

About seven miles up the Siuslaw river from Florence, and situated on the bottom lands of the river, is one of the best farms in Lane county. For grain or pasture land it is unexcelled, and the best proof that it produces the finest varieties of fruit, is that there is growing a large orchard consisting of the choicest kinds of fruit-trees now in bearing. This farm will be sold as a whole or in ten, five or one acre tracts to suit purchasers. Write to O. F. Kennedy, Florence, Oregon, for particulars and prices.

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A fine farm of 160 acres situated on the Lakes South from Florence. This ranch is mostly alder and vine maple bottom land, having nearly a mile lake frontage. Ten acres under cultivation and 5 more slashed; a good orchard just come into bearing; 5 rooms in a frame house that is ceiled and papered; good out-buildings, and stock of all kinds will be sold with the place at reasonable prices if desired. Price of farm, \$2000; one half cash and reasonable time given for balance. Apply for further particulars at this office.

The American Farmer. a 16-page journal will be sent free to all the subscribers of *The West* who pay one year's subscription in advance. This liberal offer applies alike to all old as well as new patrons. Remember it costs you only two dollars for two papers. Sample copies can be seen at this office.

Notice.

U. S. Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, March 13, 1893. Complaint having been entered at this Office by Joseph A. Strowbridge, Jr. against Robert B. Criswell for abandoning his Homestead Entry No. 6791, dated October 2, 1891, upon the lots Nos. 2, 3 and 4 of section 34, township 15 south, range 12 west, in Lane county, Oregon, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this Office on the 9th day of May, 1893, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment. Sufficient evidence having been filed to show that personal service could not be made it is hereby ordered that service be made by publication according to law.

JOHN H. SHUPE, Register,
A. M. CRAWFORD, Receiver.

A STORY ABOUT THE PANSY.

A pretty fable about the pansy is current among French and German children. The flower has five petals and five sepals. In most pansies, especially of the earlier and less highly developed varieties, two of the petals are plain in color and three are gay. The two plain petals have a single sepal, two of the gay petals have a sepal each, and the third, which is the largest of all, has two sepals. The fable is that the pansy represents a family, consisting of husband, wife and four daughters, two of the latter being step-children of the wife, with only one chair; the two small gay petals are the daughters with a chair each, and the large gay petal is the wife, with two chairs. To find the father one must strip away the petals until the stamens and pistils are bare. They have a fanciful resemblance to an old man with a flannel wrap about his neck, his shoulders upraised and his feet in a bathtub. The story is probably of French origin, because the French call the pansy the stepmother.

AN HISTORICAL MEDLEY.

The piano was invented by Cristofall in the year 1711.

Covered carriages were first used in England in the year 1580.

The circular saw was invented by Bentham, an Englishman, in the year 1790.

The prohibition of cigarette smoking among employes is among the cholera precautions adopted by the New York stock exchange.

At Aix-la-Chapelle there is a newspaper museum founded by Oscar von Forekenbeck, which contains files of specimens of more than 17,000 different newspapers.

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