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BUSINESS NOTICE.

We have made arrangements with L. Vineyard, Esq., to act as Collecting and General Business Agent for the TIMES until further notice. This will afford us more time to devote to the contents of the paper, which will doubtless prove as satisfactory to our patrons as our self. Mr. Vineyard will make the tour of the county on business connected with the TIMES as soon as the weather will permit. We bespeak for him the courtesy we have invariably met at the hands of the citizens of Polk.

PROGRESSING.—Our readers will be pleased to learn that the West Side railroad company have about eighty men employed on their line, and that the work is progressing finely. It is expected that the road will be completed (all out laying the rails) to Hillsboro within five weeks.

REMOVAL.—The office of the TIMES has been removed from the corner of Oak and Main streets to the block opposite the Court House, on Main street, two doors south of the Post Office; this will account for the appearance of a half sheet this week. Our readers will lose nothing, however, by the change. We are now in the business center of the town, and our facilities for obtaining news of a local character will thereby be multiplied, besides being more convenient for parties calling on business and subscribers who receive their papers at the office.

"J. T. O."—A communication appeared in the Salem Press during our absence from home from the pen of the sorehead who signs himself as above. Had we been at home at the time we might have been silly enough to "go after him" impulsively; but sober thought satisfied us that what he craves is notoriety—no matter at what cost. What he says about us is not half as annoying as a flea-bite; while the falsehoods he utters about Hon. Ben. Hayden are too palpable to need refutation. J. T. O.'s bad-naming reflects on no one as ill as on himself.

CONSOLIDATION.—During our trip to Portland we heard some talk to the effect that negotiations were pending to consolidate the East and West Side Railroad Companies. This is as it should be. As it is more than probable there will not be more than one trunk line south of Eugene at least within the present century, the two branch lines extending thence northward would undoubtedly prove a greater success in the hands of one company than if there were conflicting interests. We anxiously await further developments.

NEW BOOKS, SERIALS, ETC.—Copies of the following have been received at this office during the past week:

The Illustrated Annual of Phrenology and Physiology, by S. R. Wells, editor of the Phrenological Journal, New York. Price 25 cents. A very interesting pamphlet.

The American Exchange and Review, Philadelphia. Fowler & Moon. Published monthly at \$3 00 per annum, or 25 cents per copy. A miscellany of useful knowledge and general literature especially devoted to finance, mining and metallurgy, insurance, railways and transportation, manufactures, patents, trade, commerce, art, physics, social and economic science, etc.

De Witt's Sixpenny Series of Choice Music—for voice and piano. New York: R. M. De Witt. We have received Nos. 13 to 16 inclusive. Being no musician ourselves we are unable to pronounce any individual judgment of the merits of this series; but experts to whom we have submitted the numbers received pronounced highly in their favor. This, in connection with the fact that the songs already published have become universally popular throughout the Eastern States—being sung, hummed or whistled by everybody able to make a "noise" in parlors, streets, railroad cars and steamboats—is sufficient guarantee of their merits. Six cents per number, each containing one complete piece of music.

The Illustrated San Francisco News White & Bauer, San Francisco, Agents. This is a very excellent 16 page illustrated paper of the same size as Harper's and Lelies' Illustrated weeklies. The designs and engravings are all original and graphic, although not quite as finely finished as some of the original character and of a high order of ability—much higher than most of the Eastern pictorials. It deserves and will no doubt meet with abundant success. \$10 per annum, 25 cents per copy.

HOME INTELLIGENCE.

DALLAS LYCEUM.—We wish to jog the memories of the literary geists about town to the effect that next Friday evening is the time to which the meetings of the Lyceum were adjourned in April last. The evenings are growing perceptibly longer and no better means of passing one—at least—each week can be found than in the cultivation of their reasoning faculties and literary tastes. Last Spring we surgesed the propriety of conducting the debates of this society on the "moot legislature" plan, instead of the old style of debate, giving our reasons for such opinion. We hope the Lyceum will take the suggestion into consideration at an early time. We believe the question under discussion at the time of last adjournment was, "Resolved, That woman should be granted the right of suffrage," and the subject was continued over until the next meeting. Let there be a full turn out at the Academy next Friday evening.

SAD MISFORTUNE.—Mr. W. E. Clark, informs us that Mr. Craven, who resides near Eola, had just harvested his crop and on Thursday last set fire to a big pile of straw and debris near his house. Soon after a heavy shower of rain fell which subdued the fire and, as Mr. Craven supposed, extinguished it, when he went into the house. On coming out a short time afterwards he discovered that the straw pile had rekindled and communicated the fire to the stacks of grain that stood near by. He made every effort to check the fiery monster but to no purpose, and the stacks of grain were burned to the ground, thus destroying the whole of the fruits of a year of hard labor in a few minutes. We deeply sympathize with Mr. Craven in his misfortune.

DEDICATION.—Last Sunday the new edifice of the M. E. Church South, corner of Church and Washington streets, was dedicated. The services were conducted by Rev. B. R. Baxter, assisted by Revs. Kelsay, of Corvallis, B. F. Burch, of Independence, and A. E. Sears, of Dallas. It was expected that Bishop Marvin would have officiated, but owing to severe illness he was unable to attend. Rev. Mr. Baxter preached a very eloquent and impressive sermon, as is acknowledged by all of the immense concourse of people in attendance. Of the building itself we are unable to give details; suffice it to say that it is comfortable and sufficiently commodious to answer the wants of the community for the present.

ANOTHER INVENTION.—Mr. John Nippon showed us yesterday a model of a trap for the capture of mice, rats and other vermin. It is a very ingenious contrivance, and the rodent kingdom may well tremble at the prospect in store for them when this trap becomes generally appreciated. It works with a spring and is wound up like a clock, and is capable of placing in duration six or six rods before it requires re-winding. A patent will soon be applied for.

SPLENDID SHOWER.—After a long season of promise the welcome rain came at last on Wednesday in the shape of a tremendous shower—the heaviest ever experienced in Oregon in the memory of the oldest inhabitant. It was not of long duration, but was of sufficient volume to fill the streets with pools and puddles. We have not learned that it did any serious damage to any of our farmers, although considerable grain is uncut and much standing out.

GRADUATES.—Mr. H. Sullivan, who has been a pupil of Prof. James for about a year past in the art of penmanship, has completed his course, creditably, and on Saturday next at 2 o'clock P. M. the Prof. will award him his well merited diploma as a passed graduate at the Academy, on which occasion Sullivan will undergo a thorough examination in public. Citizens generally are cordially invited to attend.

TRYING ANOTHER PLAN.—We learn that the company of gentlemen mentioned by our Independence correspondent as engaged in surveying for a practicable water power for that thriving little town, have, since their survey up the Willamette, instituted another survey to determine whether they can get water from the Luckiamute cheaper than from the river.

TATTLERS.

Oh! could there in this world be found Some little spot of happy ground, Where village pleasures might go round Without the village tattling.

How doubly blest that spot would be, Where all might dwell in liberty, Free from the bitter misery Of gossip's endless prattling!

Enigma No. 3.

I am composed of twenty-one letters. My 11, 12, 5, 19, is something we should try to save. My 2, 3, 4, is a conjunction. My 7, 8, 14, 21, is something we all have. My 12, 18, 20, is what we burn in our lamps. My 16, 12, 8, 19, we use nearly every day. My 13, 5, 9, generally vote. My 1, 18, 9, 15, is what grapes grow on. My 6, 12, 5, 16, is a pronoun. My 3, 18, 8, 20, is used by druggists every day. My whole is the name of a respectable business firm in Independence. Answer next week. Answer to enigma last week—"E. Y. Hall." JOHN THAXUS, Independence, Aug. 25, 1869.

From Independence.

August 21, 1869.

EDITOR TIMES:—According to promise, I will try and give you all the news from our thriving little village. I have none of much importance except that wheat is still coming in—some storing, some selling—price sixty cents per bushel.

Some gentlemen have been surveying for several days to find a course with sufficient fall to bring a part of the Willamette through our town to run machinery—flouring mill, etc. They report favorably. They tap the river a short distance below Buena Vista, and propose to put the race through for ten thousand dollars—a distance of five or six miles. If the company is formed (and I think it will be) it will be good for all the surrounding country; and the farmers above here, who have to drive their stock to the river every day for water, should take a great interest in this matter.

We have passed midsummer—the period when febrile, choleraic and epidemic diseases most prevail—and still the general health of the citizens has been, and is still, good.

Yours, in haste, JOHN THAXUS.

IMPROVEMENT.—Mr. Sam. Stiles' new cottage residence on Church street is completed as far as its construction is concerned, the balance of the work will be performed by the painters and upholsterers. This is doubtless the best finished and most substantial residence in Dallas, and it reflects credit alike on the owner and builder. By the first of next month it will be about ready for occupancy. This cottage will add materially to the appearance of the south-western portion of the town, and it would be well if our citizens, who contemplate erecting dwellings in town would follow the example of Mr. Stiles, and put up buildings that will last a little longer than a year or two. Substantial buildings will always fetch something near their value, while common "shells" cannot find a purchaser at any price.

ANOTHER SCIENTIFIC IMPROVEMENT.—Mr. Stoker, engineer of Cox's saw mill, yesterday showed us an improved circular saw tooth of his invention. This tooth has been practically tested for a long time at the mill where Mr. S. operates, and he feels confident it will meet with the general approval of mill men everywhere. A patent has been applied for.

SALES OF REAL ESTATE.—Mr. C. S. Tomlinson has sold his farm in this county nearly opposite Salem, to Mr. David McCulley, for \$32 50 per acre, cash down. Also, Mr. Elias Roblins, of this county, has sold his farm on the river, one mile above Salem, to Mr. G. G. Gibson, for \$28 50 per acre, cash down.

GOING DOWN.—The wharf boat of the P. T. Co. at Buena Vista lately sank—the result of its dilapidated condition. As no boats traverse the river at present above Salem, it is doubtful whether anything will be done by the company until the river rises.

THANKS.—Mr. Newman yesterday brought to our office two asuscious watermelons as we ever indulged in. They were not very large but their flavor was excellent. He keeps a supply of the grateful fruit constantly on hand at his market.

WHEATLAND.—The new steam flouring mill at this place is expected to be in running order in a couple of weeks.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Mr. Clark, the Salem stage driver, informs us that Mr. Hardy, one of the engineers at the saw-mill near the ferry in Salem, met with his death yesterday morning about ten o'clock under the following circumstances: It appears that Mr. Hardy was in the act of putting the belt on the wheel of the pump, for which purpose he had to stand on a narrow space between the pump and the main driving wheel, and while doing so the shaft of the latter struck him in the back, when he fell over backwards between the main shaft and driving wheel, between which he was literally torn to pieces. He continued breathing for about fifteen minutes after he was extricated from the machinery but did not recover consciousness. Mr. Hardy is spoken of as an exemplary and promising young man about twenty-two years of age. His body was taken charge of by the Odd Fellows' fraternity and to-day removed for interment to Buena Vista, he having been a member of the Lodge at that place.

SARKASTICAL.—A notorious male flirt having at last married, his bride said: "Now, my dear, I hope you will quit your trifling, foolish ways." "My dear," said he, "my marriage shall be my last folly." Just imagine her feelings.

SPECIAL TERM OF COURT.—It is stated that the citizens of Yamhill county have petitioned Judge Boise to hold a special term of the Circuit Court in that county for the trial of the Claib Morris murderers.

COM. RECEIVED.—We have received a communication from W. S. P., Salem but owing to its length and the short time we have to get up this issue, its publication is unavoidably postponed for one week.

NEW WARE.—We learn that Mr. Way, of Eola, in this county, has invented a new kind of pottery ware. Specimens of the same will be exhibited at the approaching State Fair.

OREGON NEWS.

A pleasure party, including our old friends Hon. J. D. Fay and sister, David Linn, Esq., and family and several others, have recently visited that grand natural curiosity, Crater Lake, or Lake Majesty as some call it, and succeeded in reaching the island in its bosom which has every evidence of being the crater of an extinct volcano. They are probably the first human beings that ever planted foot on this weird island.

Another ship load of coolies is reported by the river below Portland. The Burnt River ditch has been completed as far as Camp Creek, the waters of which stream are now turned into it. The Nicholson pavement is being extended several blocks south on Front street, Portland.

A party of four gentlemen from Jacksonville who were out on a hunting excursion in the Siskiyou mountains, killed in nine days twenty-three deer and one elk. The wife of Hon. R. B. Cochran, of Lane county, departed this life on the 8th inst. Her loss will be deeply deplored.

Last week while the M. E. Church at Salem was being lighted for evening service narrowly escaped being consumed, from the falling of a chandelier containing half a dozen lighted lamps. Fortunately the flames were subdued before much damage was done. Wheat is selling at Eugene for 50 cents per bushel. The average price on the river below is 60 cents and 45 for oats.

A school for Chinese has been opened at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association of Portland. The statement that the Indians in the Klamath country were making threatening demonstrations is contradicted by Col. Otis, commanding at the Fort. Building stone is being brought up the river from a quarry on the river opposite Astoria, for the Government buildings at Portland.

Capt. Crandall of the Oregonian, is rusticating at the Dalles. Several distinguished persons have actually gone from Portland overland to California, (perhaps they got a permit from the O. S. N. Co.) and they write back that they are well pleased. Send on the rest of your distinguished strangers, we want them all to take a look.

The Herald says there are a lot of urchins in Portland in training for the Penitentiary. Portland has had an elopement. Mr. Married Man went fishing, Mrs. Married Woman didn't; neither did she remain at home; but she ran off with another fellow—youngeer than her husband, and whom she criminally loved.

A man named George Newman was accidentally killed in Portland last week by being struck on the head by a falling beam while in the act of raising it on to a new building.

Hay is plentiful in Portland at \$10 to \$12 per ton.

The State Agricultural Society are sinking an artesian well on their grounds near Salem.

A fellow in Portland has been imprisoned for whipping his wife. The Unionist says that a lodge of Rebecca degree was instituted in Salem on last Saturday evening, A. L. Stinson being installing officer: The new lodge takes the name of "Rebecca Degree Lodge No. 1, I. O. O. F." The officers elect are: A. L. Stinson, N. G.; Mrs. J. Q. Wilson, V. G.; Mrs. E. I. Corner, Secretary; Mrs. Sarah Riely, Treas.; Mrs. R. W. Sayers, Con.; L. M. Wade, W.; I. W. Miller, I. G.; James Duffoy, O. G.

The Great World Circus, under management of the renowned John Wilson, the most thorough circus manager ever on this coast, performed last week at Jacksonville and is now en route for this valley. This circus will perform throughout the State until the State Fair, where they will perform during its continuance. Prominent among the superior attractions offered by this company, are four large sized lions. That inimitable world renowned Jester, Harry Jackson, is the clown. This Circus throughout California, sustains a creditable reputation, and will doubtless do well here.

The Immigration Aid Society have completed their organization at Portland, with Hon. E. D. Shattuck as President and Messrs. Loryea, Ainsworth and W. S. Ladd, as Trustees.

Mr. Cheadle, a merchant of Albany, is offering seventy cents, in goods, for wheat for the next ten weeks.

The Albany Collegiate Institute will open, under the charge of Rev. Edward R. Gray and Rev. Samuel R. Irvine, on Monday, Oct. 18, 1869. A camp meeting of the Cumberland Presbyterian church will be held on Mary's river, about twelve miles above Corvallis, commencing September 10th. Two men, named Kelley and John Smith, alias Brigham Young, were lodged in jail Sunday night—arrested, one at Oregon City, and the other at Albany, by Mr. M. H. Bell, Marshal of Corvallis, who took them up to Corvallis on Monday. They are charged with stealing a gold watch and chain, about the time of the fire.

A man by the name of James Parker, doing business at Sublimity was arrested and brought before the United States Court, last week, for neglecting to place a two cent stamp on a receipt, and pleading guilty was fined \$50. The Unionist says: Two Indian convicts named John and Tommy, were pardoned out of the State Penitentiary by Governor Woods, on the certificate of the attending physician, Dr. Carpenter, which recites that the convicts are so diseased as to endanger the health of the other prisoners.

The Roseburg Express is quite jubilant over the Cole's Valley steam saw mill recently built and put into operation. The mill is easy of access from every part of the country, and its proprietors fill entire bills for building at \$12 per thousand; cedar is sold at from \$15 to \$25 per thousand, according to quality.

At the May term of the Circuit Court of Douglas county, an action was brought by ex Sheriff Howe against the county, to recover \$1,000 for constructive mileage—Judge Kelsay presiding. His honor recently read a decision in favor of the county and against the plaintiff for the costs of the suit; but the case will probably go up to the Supreme Court.

At the residence of Ann Gay, eight miles South of Eugene city, on Sunday August 15th, Mrs. Mary M. Gay, wife of Evans S. Gay, aged 20 years and 7 months, died.

The Albany Register says: We heard a rumor that a whole family by the name of Vanatty, living somewhere on Big Muddy, had been poisoned, resulting in the death of one child, and leaving the rest of the family in a critical situation.

Notice of Final Settlement.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF POLK County, State of Oregon, in the matter of the estate of Geo. W. Riggs, deceased. G. B. Riggs administrator of said estate having filed his final account in said Court praying a final settlement of the same, and that he be discharged from further liability as such adm'r. Therefore, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in said estate, that the said application will be heard and determined at the Court House in Dallas, on Monday the 6th day of September, A. D. 1869.

J. L. COLLINS, Co. Judge. August 7th, 1869. 15-4w

Administrator's Notice.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of Polk county, Oregon, Administrator of the estate of Freeman Smith, Jr., deceased. All persons having claims against said estate will present the same to him at his residence in Buena Vista, in said county, and all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment. W. H. SMITH, Administrator. Dallas, August 7th, 1869. 15-4w

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A speedy cure for pain—no family should be without it.—Montreal Transcript.

Nothing has yet surpassed the Pain Killer, which is the most valuable family medicine now in use.—Tenn. Organ.

It has real merit; as a means of removing pain, no medicine has acquired a reputation equal to Perry Davis' Pain Killer.—Newport (Ky.) Daily News.

It is really a valuable medicine—it is used by many physicians.—Boston Traveller.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.



TO BUILDERS, ETC.

THE CONTRACT FOR BUILDING A New Bridge at Independence will be let to the lowest bidder between 12 o'clock m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on the 13th day of September next. Plans and specifications can be seen at Dallas, at the office of the County Judge. 18 1d R. GINGLES, Sup't.

Sheriff's Sale.

BY virtue of an Execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Polk county, to me directed, in favor of S. H. Way and against Wm. H. Beck, I have this 11th day of August, A. D. 1869, levied on Lots No. 5 and 6 in Block No. 3 north of Main street and No. 3 east of Meridian street in the town of Buena Vista, Polk county, State of Oregon, the property of said Wm. H. Beck on Saturday the 18th day of September, 1869, at the hour of one o'clock A. M. I will sell the same or so much thereof as shall be necessary, to satisfy said execution of \$125 15-100 and cost, at public auction to the highest bidder, in United States gold coin, in front of the Court House door, in Dallas, Polk county, Ogn. J. W. SMITH, Sheriff of Polk county, Oregon. 16w4

NOTICE.

TO SOLOMON WOOD, MRS. MARY PRATHER, ELMER WOOD (by J. Applegate, guardian), heirs of Alonzo Wood, deceased, late of Polk county, Oregon, and all persons interested in the Estate of said deceased, notice is hereby given that application will be made to the County Court for Polk county, State of Oregon, on the first Monday in September, 1869, by Mahala Wood, widow of said deceased to assign and set off her dower in the following described premises, to-wit: The W. 1/2 of the donation land claim of Alonzo Wood and wife, No. 1648 claim 79, in Township 8 S. of R. 4 W. of the Willamette meridian of which said Alonzo Wood was issued a fee simple during his coverture with Applicant. By order of said Court. J. L. COLLINS, Co. Judge. Applegate & McCain, Attys. for Applicant. August 7th, 1869. 16w3

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