

POLK COUNTY TIMES.

COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER.

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AGENCIES FOR THE "TIMES."

G. W. CANNON, Esq., is our authorized Business Agent for Portland and vicinity. THOS. BOYCE, Esq., is our only authorized Business Agent in San Francisco.

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 hope to speak for him the courtesy we have invariably met at the hands of the citizens of Polk.

FEDERAL PROSECUTIONS.

Last week, in the United States District Court for Oregon, at Portland, Dr. W. K. Smith, formerly a resident of Salem, was tried for perjury in giving in a false income return. He gave in to the Assistant Assessor, who required, an income of about seven thousand dollars for the year 1868. This return, the Assessor claimed, was not correct and insisted that the difference in the buying and selling price of some stock which the Doctor had sold during the year should be added to the income. The stock—most of it—had been purchased eight and ten years ago; but the Assessor claimed that the increase in the price of the stock during these several years should all be given in as income during the last year. According to that construction of the internal revenue law by the Federal Assessor, who arrogates to himself judicial prerogatives, Mr. Smith made out a new income return in conformity with Fragar's construction of the law. No sooner is this done than Mr. Smith is arraigned before the Federal Court for perjury in giving in his first return. And now commences an interesting proceeding which it will become the free people of Oregon to consider with the most solemn deliberation. The Federal Court is now thoroughly Radical. The Judge, the Clerk, the Marshal and the Prosecuting Attorney are all Radicals. The Marshal and the Attorney have their offices together. Marshal Young is sent out to summon twenty-four citizens of Oregon to serve as jurors. Heretofore the Marshal of the Federal Court in Oregon was a Democrat. In summoning jurors he selected men of both parties to such an extent that Democrats and Radicals both served on Federal juries. To this fact the Radical Court officers attributed their failure to convict our merchants last Winter of selling sardines without a revenue stamp affixed. But now they have the Marshal, and they propose to pack a jury that will convict. The Prosecuting Attorney has a right to a peremptory challenge of six jurors. The Marshal is enjoined to summon less than six Democrats as jurors out of the twenty-four. He obeys his instructions to the letter. Only three Democrats were summoned by him. These three Democrats were peremptorily challenged off the jury by the Prosecuting Attorney. And so the trial of a Democrat is commenced before the most infamous tribunal ever convened in Oregon, charged with a penitentiary offense, before a jury composed entirely of Republicans. But, thank God, there is still virtue left among our people. Although these Federal office-holders are thoroughly corrupted, there is still some honor left among the members of that party. And so, notwithstanding the efforts of the Court Officers to furnish a packed jury—notwithstanding a most outrageous charge from the Federal Judge, there were six men on that jury who obeyed their oaths rather than their prejudices; and so the jury, failing to agree, was discharged, and the case was postponed, perhaps never to be called up again.

Now while the citizens of Oregon can congratulate themselves that their liberties are still safe in the hands of juries of their countrymen, notwithstanding the efforts of Federal officers to pack them from a certain political party, yet they should see to it that a like infamous proceeding should never be endured. When such proceedings are had the press and the people should both cry out and spare not. These men who have participated in this disgraceful effort to organize a Court for the sole purpose of conviction—the Deadys, the Frazars, the Youngs and the Cartwrights—should receive the unlimited lashings of a free press, and the unrestrained condemnation of a free people.

TO WASHINGTON AND BACK.

The present age is really and truly prosaic. Deeds of valor which, centuries ago, would have evoked the song of the bard and the attention of the historian, now are unnoticed, unrecorded and unsung. Long centuries ago Agamemnon raised an army and razed Troy, all on account of a Grecian prostitute, and forthwith a Homer writes himself actually blind in giving the particulars, while millions of people since have wasted untold hours of precious time in reading the wonderful account. Now here, in Oregon, within the present year, a more wonderful adventure has been undertaken and escapes almost entirely unnoticed. Let us briefly tell the story. "Flaxbrake" returns to Oregon to spend the Summer peacefully after his laborious Senatorial duties. No sooner does he land in Portland than Meacham meets him with tears in his eyes, and Simpson with curses between his teeth, all on account of President Grant's appointments of military men to their positions. They tell him if this thing is permitted he will probably lose his re-election as United States Senator on account of their being unable to use Government money to control voters in his favor. This was a patriotic appeal to the Senator that could not be resisted. Accordingly he immediately starts for Washington; and lest he should be lured from the track by some artful Delilahs, he takes his wife all the way with him. This is a trait of self-abnegation worthy of especial notice. He makes the long and wearisome journey. He crosses the Sierra Nevada, the Rocky Mountains, the Mississippi river, and in due time arrives at the White House, where he finds Grant smoking. He tells his story, and through his persuasive eloquence Grant consents to vary his Indian policy sufficient to allow Meacham and Simpson to hold their offices, so that Flaxbrake may stand a small chance of being re-elected U. S. Senator. Who will deny that this is indeed a prosaic age, when an honorable Senator is permitted, from such high and unselfish motives, to make unnoticed a journey of more than five times the distance Agamemnon traversed in order to bring home to a cuckold the frisky Helen.

CORRESPONDENCE.

GRANT'S PASS, JACKSON CO., ORE., August 14th, 1869.

Editor Times:—Can you find a place in the columns of your paper to put in a few lines from "Old Jackson"? I have nothing much, however, upon which to write save the dry weather. Your correspondent has been a resident of Jackson county ever since '52, but never has he seen anything near as dry a season during the whole time as the present. Crops are not turning out much more than half what they are wont to do. Flour has hitherto fallen whenever harvest commenced; but this time it is to the contrary—it has raised from \$2 to \$3 per hundred since threshing commenced. All crops are short save corn and yellow-jackets. The former will suffice to feed us in case of exigency, but the latter we will sell "cheap for cash," or, if necessary, we will pay a few cents to have them taken away.

Many creeks, springs and wells have gone dry; in fact, everything is drying up—even the cows—and in consequence there is a great demand for well diggers. Fruits, in many localities are almost a failure, and not a few trees are dying. But the smoky weather—oh! it is too vast to talk about. Frank, you know what a pretty valley we have; well, now its beauty and grandeur are entirely obscured and monopolized by the smoke. A correspondent said in the Signal last year that he thought Grant was doing the smoking. I think he was wrong, for it is worse now than then, and Grant surely must have all the business now that he can attend to, and yet the smoke comes. Had we not been the recipients of a good rain late last Spring, we would now have to call on Old Ireland for some potatoes, because the drouth and smoky weather combined would make us "hunt our holes." Would that the next Legislature would enact a law inflicting a heavy penalty on every one who caused fire in the mountains. Then, may be, some of those reckless chaps would be more careful what they do.

Now a word to you, Frank. We, out here, are all glad to see you still lugging at the wheel, pushing along the glorious old Democratic wagon. We are glad to see you speaking out the truth boldly and fearlessly. So long as you strive to give us as staunch and lively a sheet as you always have done, you cannot but prosper. So long as

you continue to give us such a paper as the Times, so long are the people bound to patronize your paper. If they fail or neglect thus to do, they certainly do not do their duty.

A few words to the people of Polk. Citizens, do you not need a good paper in your county? Then every one of you subscribe for the Times, because you never can better yourselves. The editor used to edit a paper in Jackson county, and if Frank can't give you a lively sheet the people of Jackson county are mightily fooled—sure as you live. Take your home paper, is the advice of OLD JACKSON.

The Present Wheat Crop.

There is a rumor afloat (and I guess it is not without foundation) that last year the warehouse men received and receipted for wheat to be delivered when called for, with the privilege of buying the same provided they paid the highest market price—just as they are doing this year. After this arrangement was made and the wheat was in the warehouse (the story goes) they shipped quantities of said wheat to the mills without an order from any of the persons storing. And when the owner of the wheat concluded the price was as high as it would get, they brought their receipt and sold at the market price, and perhaps at the same time did not have a grain in the warehouse, it having gone to the mills long since, and been floured, sacked and perhaps eat up. Some attribute the low price last year to this mode of procedure. I accuse no man or set of men with it, but my information is from a good and unquestionable source. If such business has been and is being transacted again, let it be immediately looked into by the owners of the wheat and stopped, and the perpetrators exposed. If warehouse-men are mean enough to combine with mill and capitalist interests of the country against the honest clock-hoppers, I say, the devil take them and their warehouses too. So all hands alert, and let's see whether they are doing the fair thing with us or not. It won't hurt them to be watched, and it may do us considerable good. A river never can overflow if the water runs out as fast as it runs in. And if warehouse-men ship our wheat off as fast as we haul it in, it is my opinion it will not get to a dollar this year. Let no arrangement or bargain by farmers be made but to simply store and await the raise, and watch your wheat that it stays in the warehouse, and I'll bet a biscuit it comes to a dollar inside of two months.

WHEAT.

FAIR OAKS, Polk Co., Aug. 28th.

McMINVILLE, Aug. 30, 1869.

Editor Times:—Not much here to write about. Farmers and those who have grain to sell are at their wits' end how to get the highest market prices. One day last week wheat was up to 75 cents per bushel, when many took a notion to sell, and had proceeded so far as to be in town and on their way to unload teams, at about 2 o'clock p. m., when tumble went prices down to 65 cents. Some think it was a ruse in buyers to make farmers sell quick at 75 cents.

The Courier is sold. It is going to be edited by Mr. McPherson of Salem and is to be a Williams organ. "I call thee Peter, and upon this rock I build my church. The gates of hell shall not prevail against it." We shall see what we shall see. Yours, ANIMO.

NEW PAPERS.—We have received the first number of the Willamette Valley Mercury, published at Corvallis by J. H. Upton. It is the same size as the Times, but the type is somewhat larger. It presents a fair typographical appearance but its contents are better. Of course it is strictly Democratic. We wish our friend Upton abundant success in his new field.

We have also received a copy (No. 6) of the Western Star, published at Steilacoom, W. T., by Mr. J. L. Allison. It is Democratic in politics and evinces ability in both editorial and mechanical departments. We welcome it, and wish it the best of success.

GOOD NEWS.—We learn that Democratic Journalism in Oregon will no longer be disgraced by the miserable abortion heretofore known as the Lafayette Courier. The material has been purchased by McPherson—or rather, Geo. H. Williams, in whose interest it will be conducted. This is a great relief to the Democracy of the Valley, who have long winced under the stigma of being accused of any affinity with the mandarin ravings of the crack-brained Gen. J. W. Jasper. Tamhill is the crack-brain of the Democracy.

COMPLIMENTARY.—Hon. Jno. Minto favored us this week with a complimentary ticket, admitting us to all the privileges of the Fair grounds during the approaching State Fair, accompanied by a very courteous note. No preventing Providence we expect to be in attendance, and hope to see this annual meeting surpass all its predecessors. It will commence Monday, October 11th, and continue during the balance of the week.

PROGRESSING.—Nearly every issue of the Portland dailies gives assurance of the steady progress of the work on the West Side Railroad. Excelsior!

MONMOUTH ACADEMY.—The Portland dailies speak of the passage through that city of Prof. F. F. Campbell, en route for Monmouth, in this county, where he has been engaged to act principal of the Christian Academy located at that place. Prof. Campbell is a graduate of Bethany College, Virginia, and has been engaged in teaching over twenty years. For the last two years he has filled the position of Superintendent of Public Instruction for the Territory of Montana, which office he resigned to come to Oregon and assume control of the Monmouth Academy. The Professor is a preacher of the gospel in the Christian Church, and will devote such time as he can spare from his academic duties to the ministry.

TO "JACK DOWNING."—We are sorry to acknowledge that we have done the correspondent who signs himself as above an involuntary injustice. The letter enclosing his contribution doubtless came to hand in due time, but until the present week it remained unopened in a pocket of a coat we have not used for some time. On discovering it a day or two ago our chagrin was great to find that a worthy contributor had been unintentionally ignored. In justice to ourselves as well as "Jack Downing," whose lines will appear in our next issue.

PANTHER KILLED.—Bill Cook and Charley Kennedy started out to hunt deer last Monday, and while out in the mountains a few miles back of town suddenly came upon a large panther in his lair. Kennedy fired, but the shot took no effect. Bill Cook then took out his navy revolver and blazed away, killing the panther in his tracks. They brought in the "critter's" jaws as trophies, and from their size the boys must have rid this mundane sphere of a huge old "varmint."

THE HARVEST.—"Johnathans," our able special correspondent at Independence, furnishes us with the following statement of the amount of grain now on hand in store at that thriving village: Wheat, 27,706 bushels; oats, 869 bushels; barley, 509 bushels.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

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It will Chloera cure—source of southern climes,
For victim dies who takes it betimes.

Keep Pain Killer—a true friend by your side,
It will cure Cough or Cold, or Colic beside;
Look out to apply it for Bruise or for Sprain,
Let it once be tried—it'll be used again;
Every word I am telling you, Reader, is true,
Remember that Pain Killer is *good* for you.

The Pain Killer is sold by all Druggists and Dealers in Family Medicines.
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VANDUYN & SOMMERVILLE,
Independence, Sept. 3, 1869.

To Whom it May Concern.

MY WIFE, RHODA CONNOR, HAVING left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, notice is hereby given that I will not be responsible for any debts she may contract in my name. JOHN CONNOR.

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The entire house has been newly finished and furnished throughout in the most complete and comfortable manner.
Baggage taken to and from the house free of charge.

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The Largest Stock and the Oldest Furniture House in Portland.

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JORNER SALMON AND FIRST STREETS,
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Plans and specifications can be seen at Dallas, at the office of the County Judge.
18-td R. GINGLES, Sup't.

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CANDY MANUFACTORY

COMMERCIAL STREET,

SALEM - - - - - OREGON.

THIS ESTABLISHMENT HAVING BEEN removed recently to spacious premises above, the proprietors beg to inform the merchants of this valley that we are now prepared to offer greater inducements to purchase goods in our line from us than ever before, having on hand a very large stock of
Candies, Cigars,
Nuts of all kinds,
Chewing Gum, etc., etc.

We shall be prepared to offer to our customers for the Holidays a very large assortment of toys, etc., etc.

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R. DOTY,

WISHES TO INFORM THE PUBLIC that he keeps constantly on hand a large assortment of

GENERAL MERCHANDISE,

Specially adapted to the wants of the community, embracing

Dry Goods,
Groceries,
Queensware,
Hardware,
Boots & Shoes,
Hats & Caps,
Etc., Etc., Etc.

Call, and judge for yourselves.

G. B. STILES'

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Main Street, Opposite Court House,

New Store! New Goods!

I AM NOW PREPARED TO OFFER A large assortment of choice

PROVISIONS,
GROCERIES,
WOODEN WARE,
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CIGARS,
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Also, a
General Assortment of Tin-ware,

I design to keep only the CHOICEST and BEST articles and sell them at a Small Profit For Cash.

MY MOTTO.—Quick sales and small profits.
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Call and See Me.
Don't Forget the Chickamlin.

J. H. LEWIS.

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 the 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 \$123 15-100 and costs, 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.

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NEW GOODS!

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All of which we will exchange for Wool, Wheat, Bacon, Butter, Eggs.

Flaxseed or washed Cotton Rags.

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W. C. BROWN & CO.,
Dallas, Polk county, April 30, 1869.

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PERFUMERIES OF ALL KINDS,

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