

COUNTY NEWS & TOWN GOSSIP

Polk County Official Directory.

Polk county covers an area of about 1,250 square miles. Number of voters, 1,227. Acres of land under cultivation, 93,270. Value of assessable property, \$1,524,518. The Land Office for this District is located at Oregon City—Owen Wade, Register; Henry Warren, Receiver.

COUNTY OFFICERS.—Commissioners, E. C. Dice, R. Tatem; Judge, J. L. Collins; Sheriff, J. W. Smith; Clerk, J. I. Thompson; Assessor, H. Davis; Treasurer, R. M. May; School Superintendent, J. H. Myer; Surveyor, S. T. Bureh; Coroner, C. D. Embree.

TERMS OF COURT.—Circuit Court, R. P. Boise Judge, convenes in Dallas on the 4th Monday in April and 3d Monday in November. County Court convenes on the 1st Monday in each month.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.—T. Pearce, Eola; J. W. Shelley, Independence; J. L. Collins, Dallas; H. N. George, Buena Vista.

POST OFFICE TOWNS.—Bethel, Bridgeport, Buena Vista, Dallas (county seat), Eola, Grand Ronde, Independence, Luckiamute, Lincoln, Lewistown, Monmouth, Rickreall, Salt Creek and Zena.

U. S. MAIL LEAVES DALLAS FOR SALT CREEK, Wednesday and Friday at 7 a. m., returning same days at 6 p. m.; for Independence, each Tuesday morning at 6 a. m.; for Salt Creek, each Tuesday at 1 p. m.; for Lafayette, Monday and Thursday at 3 p. m., returning Wednesday and Saturday at 10 a. m.; for Corvallis, Wednesday and Saturday at 10 a. m., returning Monday and Thursday at 3 p. m.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES IN DALLAS.

Methodist Episcopal Church (South).—B. R. Baxter, pastor. Services the First Sabbath in each month at their Church, southeast corner Washington and Church streets.

M. E. Church.—D. L. Spaulding, pastor. Services at their church, north side of Mill street between Main and Jefferson, as follows: First Sabbath (in each month) in the evening; 2d Sabbath, at 11 o'clock a. m.; 3d Sabbath, in the evening. Regular prayer meeting each Wednesday evening. Sunday School every Sabbath at 9 o'clock a. m.

Baptist Church.—J. W. Osborn, pastor. Services at their Church, corner Court and Jefferson streets, the Third Sabbath in each month.

Christian Church.—F. P. Campbell, pastor. Services at the Baptist Church second Saturday and Sunday in each month.

DALLAS, SATURDAY, DEC. 18, 1869.

WOOD! WOOD!—Persons who promised to pay us in wood for their paper are requested to bring it right away—we want it. Any person wishing to subscribe for the TIMES and pay in wood will please take it this way.

A GOOD WORK.—During the week a subscription has been in circulation for the relief of Mr. Geo. Alexander, who lost his team—his all—in the Rickreall last Saturday. Mr. M. A. Embree circulated the document in Dallas and received \$54 in cash; his son raised \$29 in Dixie, and Mr. (we have forgotten the gentleman's name) \$20 75 in cash—sufficient to purchase the sufferer a substitute for the team he lost. He was also presented with receipts for store accounts which he owed to the amount of \$21 25, making in all \$130. The recipient and his wife, who have not been long in our midst, feel deeply grateful to the community for their kindness to them in their misfortune, and desire us to return their heartfelt thanks for the generosity shown them. We take pleasure in chronicling this evidence of the benevolence and hospitality of the good people of Polk towards strangers who come to tarry among them.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.—All our storekeepers have been laying in a stock of toys and other articles for holiday gifts. Messrs. W. C. Brown & Co., J. H. Lewis, B. F. Nichols, and Geo. Stiles have quite varied assortments. Messrs. Stiles and Nichols have some splendid gifts in the shape of work-boxes, young ladies' companions, reticules, etc., etc., in addition to their stock of children's toys. If you want to help decorate the Christmas tree and elate the hearts of your loved ones call early and secure choice gifts.

IMPORTING HOME PRODUCTS.—We learn that several of our citizens have of late sent to other localities for help to build chimneys and do other mason work from ignorance of the fact that we have a superior workman in that line residing in Dallas. Mr. N. Fales is a practical stone and brick mason, and will at all times be found ready and willing to do all sorts of jobbing in mason work or paper-hanging at the most reasonable rates.

CHRISTMAS EVE FESTIVAL.—Don't forget what a treat the good people of Monmouth have in store for their friends and neighbors on Christmas Eve. Music, vocal and instrumental, tableaux, pantomime, etc., together with an excellent supper, are among the inducements offered to visitors. We are satisfied all who visit them will go home delighted.

RAGS! RAGS!—If you would practice domestic economy read the notice of Mr. G. B. Stiles in today's paper. He offers to buy all your old rags and junk at fair prices. "A penny saved is better than a penny earned," said "Poor Richard."

School Matters at Eola.

Our attention has been directed by several citizens of Eola to the conduct of a class of boys or young men at that place who are a disgrace to civilized society and a reproach to their parents and guardians. It seems that several of these youths verging on manhood attend the district school, and, instead of pursuing their studies and conducting themselves as young gentlemen, have been engaged in writing obscene letters and enclosing obscene prints and depositing them in the desks of the school-girls. As soon as the fact was discovered it was reported to the Directors and an investigation was had, those officials pledging themselves to visit condign punishment on the heads of the offenders, be they who they may. Some of the missives have been secured, and the Directors have taken steps to discover their authors, when no doubt they will receive the punishment they so richly deserve. If the school authorities cannot "hit" on a means to accomplish this, let them forward the names of the culprits to us, and we will publish them as an example to all such vicious young reprobates. We are also informed that these same young fellows—or others of like ilk—are in the habit of disturbing the exercises of the singing class in a disgraceful manner. The best advice we can give in the premises is that the parents of the pupils wear out a few "black snakes" on these social pests, and thus teach them to sing to a different kind of tune. We hope some of the citizens of Eola will keep us posted on these matters, and we will make it our business to teach these public pests a salutary lesson.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE.—The attempt to raise funds enough to make the Christmas Tree a public gift enterprise having failed, the committee appointed on Finance have undertaken to get up a Tree on the old plan—every person who wishes to place Christmas gifts on the Tree to hand them to the committee, who will attend to their proper distribution. The committee consists of Misses Joanna Lyle, Minnie Nichols and Kate Howe, Mrs. J. W. Smith, and Messrs. Geo. Howe and T. F. Hover, with power to add to their number. Persons resident in Dallas must deliver their gifts to the committee at the Court House on Thursday next, so as to afford them time to attend to people from the surrounding country on Friday. Packages handed in after the time specified will not be placed on the Tree, but will be handed to the receiver from the table. Each package must be labeled with the full name of the person for whom it is intended written in a plain hand. The committee will not be responsible for the contents of the packages; but if any person feels aggrieved they can be furnished with the name of the sender. No person will be admitted within the Court room during the coming week except members of the committee and parties who are to participate in the exercises. The distribution will take place on Christmas morning at eleven o'clock—the hall being darkened and artificially illuminated for the occasion. The exercises will commence with music by the choir under the leadership of Mr. F. M. Sebring, followed by a short address by "Santa Claus," then more music, then the distribution, followed by music by the choir, and then adjournment.

GREEN PEAS.—Mr. Henry Byerly brought into our office yesterday several pea vines covered with fruit in every stage of growth from the blossom to well-filled pods. These have grown since the October rains, and are remarkable evidences of the temperate character of our climate. We are promised sufficient green peas for a mess on Christmas Day. Oregon beats the world!

THE COTILLION PARTY, at Mr. Delashmutt's on Salt Creek, it will be remembered, will come off next Friday night, when all who love to trip the measures of the mazy dance may confidently expect to usher in a merry Christmas and enjoy a good time generally. "Salute your partners!"

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.—Messrs. Holbert and Parrish, of the Oregon Candy Factory, have the most extensive assortment of candy and other toys ever brought to or manufactured in Salem, expressly for the holidays. Dealers and others will find it to their interest to call upon them.

CHEEAY.

SALEM, Oreg., Dec. 17, 1869.

Mr. J. I. Thompson Dallas

DEAR SIR Yours of the 9th inst. came duly to hand and contents noticed. We are Sir much surprised that the Court of Polk County should direct you to Make Such a demand on us before they will issue the Ferry License asked for. Now Sir if the Court has seen fit to raise the license to fifty one dollars & a half why do they not say so, instead of saying that when we send \$1.50 more the license will be issued. It makes but little difference to us whether your County gives us a license or not we have a license from this County which is all that the law requires of us, and if the Court of your County does not see fit to give us one from your County please return the funds on deposit there for that purpose. The amount of one dollar & a half we do not care to contend about but we do not like to be black mailed or pay whiskey money for a County Court unless they will State in the license that fifty dollars was received for license and one dollar fifty cents for bonus, black mail, or whiskey money as the case may be. The fact is we do not object to treating the Polk County Court to a dollar & a half worth of the critter but when we do it we want a chance to enjoy it with them hoping to hear from you soon we remain

Truly yours Salem Steam Ferry Company pr J. W. Smith, Agt

The above coarse-haired epistle was received by the County Clerk in answer to a civil one written by him in relation to the license of the Salem Ferry. This "Salem Steam Ferry Company, J. W. Smith, agent," we are informed, is running without a license from this county, or has forfeited its license; and we understand that it has been violating the law, since last August, in many respects. This "Salem Steam Ferry Company, J. W. Smith, agent," has been taking the money of the people of Polk county without any right to do so, until it has grown so insolent that it insults the people, the courts, and the officers of the county, and bids defiance to them and to the laws. It is intimated that the Prosecuting Attorney will soon be requested to pay his addresses to the "Salem Steam Ferry Company, J. W. Smith, agent." And for the libelous content of the Court contained in the above letter, addressed to it through its clerk, "J. W. Smith, agent," the latter need not be at all surprised if within less than a month he should receive a visit from J. W. Smith, Sheriff. It is, perhaps, about time the managers of that intolerable nuisance, the "Salem Steam Ferry, J. W. Smith, agent," were brought to their senses. The Commissioners will be likely to attend to "J. W. Smith, agent," at their next meeting.

BOOKS! BOOKS!—Our readers who desire to send their orders to a reliable firm should address Hunter & Co., Hindsdale, N. H. For ten years this house has led in the mail book trade. They have no equals in prompt attention to orders. They often receive from six to seven hundred letters daily, and load down the mails with books, etc., sent to their customers. If you desire to deal with a "fair and square" concern, who will do just as they agree every time, be sure to avoid the city swindlers, and address for Catalogue, etc., etc., HUNTER & CO., Publishers, Hindsdale, N. H.

REMOVING.—Dr. Jessup has been called to the Professor's chair in the Medical College made vacant by the decease of Dr. Lingo, and will leave Dallas for Salem about the 1st of January, to assume the duties of his new position at the commencement of the next term. Dr. Jessup has established quite a lucrative practice in this community and won a host of personal friends who sincerely regret his departure from our midst.

DEPARTED.—Mr. R. B. Hall, of Buena Vista, in this county, departed this life at the family residence, on Sunday last, full of years and full of honors. He was one of the earliest settlers of Oregon, having come to this country in 1846, and was 77 years old at the time of his death. His funeral took place on Tuesday last and was one of the largest ever seen in that part of the country.

GRAT CRY BUT LITTLE WOOL.—One of our citizens send Ezra Scoville this week for the sum of one "bit"—12 1/2 cents—and recovered judgment for the amount, with costs of suit—about \$20, besides lawyers' fees. This is cutting the nose off to spite the face, with a vengeance.

REMEMBER the turkey shooting at the Bank Exchange next Friday and Saturday.

Turkey Shooting

ALL PERSONS DESIRING TO PRODUCE A Nice Fat Turkey for a Christmas Dinner will find it to their interest to call at the Bank Exchange, in Dallas, as the undersigned will, on that day, have a Shooting Match for turkeys, where all participants will have a chance to procure a choice one. For particulars inquire at the "Bank Exchange." WM. F. CLINGMAN.

GRIND COTILLION PARTY!

ON Christmas Eve, 1869, At the residence of Mr. Ed. L. Delashmutt, On Salt Creek.

COMMITTEE OF INVITATION: J. Fryer, Bethel, F. R. Stuart, Dallas, S. Pettigoh, Yamhill, David Sears, Salt Creek FLOOR MANAGERS: Wm. Ridgeway, J. J. Morris, T. L. Glaze, M. Stoker.

Tickets, - - - - - Three Dollars

PASTURAGE.

GOOD PASTURAGE WILL BE FURNISHED to any persons who may desire to Winter stock. Apply to the undersigned at the Scoville Farm, three miles north of Dallas. S. W. SMITH.

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Where they will not refuse to take your Grain because it is spoiled.

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WILL BUY YOUR GOOD AND YOUR Damaged Wheat, also Spoiled Oats, for which they will pay All Trade, All Cash, or Half Cash and Half Goods. They have just received their New Stock of

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Which they will sell as cheap as anybody, for Cash or Any Kind of Produce, Food, or Fuel. GIVE US A CALL. MITCHELL & ROSENDORFF, Independence, Oct. 1, 1869.

Seed Barley For Sale.

WE HAVE FOR SALE, at our WAREHOUSE in Independence, 500 bushels of No. 1 Seed Barley, which we will sell for Cash or in exchange for good Wheat or Oats. 20-41 MITCHELL & ROSENDORFF.

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BUY THE ONLY GENUINE IMPROVED OROIDE GOLD WATCHES! MANUFACTURED BY THE OROIDE WATCH CO.

THEY ARE ALL THE BEST MAKE. Hunting Cases, finely chased; look and wear like fine gold, and are equal in appearance to the best gold watches usually costing \$150. Full Assorted Levers, Gents' and Ladies' sizes, at \$15 each.

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No money is required in advance. We send by Express any where within the United States, payable to agent on delivery, with the privilege to open and examine before paid for, and if not satisfactory returned, by paying the Express charges. Goods will be sent by mail as Registered Packages, prepaid, by sending cash in advance.

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Also, Elegant Oroide Gold Chains, of latest and most costly styles, for Ladies and Gentlemen, from 10 to 40 inches long, at \$2, \$4, \$6 and \$8 each, sent with watches at lowest wholesale prices. State kind and size of watch required, and to avoid gross errors order only from THE OROIDE WATCH CO. 28-13 148 Fulton St., New York.

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DOES WORK OF EVERY DESCRIPTION in his line, in the most substantial manner, at short notice.

TERMS REASONABLE. Give me a call and try my work. 20-41 J. HEDGES.

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Riggs & Campbell

HAVE CONSTANTLY ON HAND a large variety of Doors and Sashes, of all the common sizes, and of the best workmanship, at their Sash and Door Factory, which they offer for sale as cheap as can be purchased elsewhere.

They are also prepared to fill all special orders for work in their line promptly, cheaply and accurately. Give us a trial, and you will be satisfied. 2 RIGGS & CAMPBELL.

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WINES, LIQUORS, PORTER, ALE Bitters, Cigars, Candies, Oysters, and Sardines will be served to gentlemen on the outside of the counter, by a gentleman who has an eye "bit" on the inside. So come along, boys! make no delay, and we will soon hear what you have to say. W. F. CLINGMAN.

ALL SORTS OF GOODS SOLD FOR Cash or Marketable Produce at J. H. LEWIS'S.

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JENNINGS LODGE No. 9 F & A. M., Dallas, holds its regular communications on the Saturday preceding the Full Moon in each month, unless the moon falls on Saturday—then on that day, at one o'clock. Also, on the second Friday in each month at 7 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of improvement of the Craft in Masonry, and for such other work as the Master may from time to time order. All Brethren in good standing are invited to attend. By order of the W. M.

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JAMES & HOVER, PROPRIETORS.

THIS HOUSE HAS RECENTLY BEEN refitted, repainted and rearranged, and it is now open for the accommodation of the traveling public, whose patronage is respectfully solicited.

The TABLE will at all times be found well provided with every delicacy of the season as well as the substantial, and our guests may rest assured of courteous and prompt attend ance.

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Having recently added to our establishment a complete new set of machinery, we are enabled to offer BETTER INDUCEMENTS to Merchants than ever before. A call is respectfully solicited, and satisfaction guaranteed.

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Now that the railroad is open, we propose to give the residents of Oregon the opportunity of getting single genuine Waltham Watches at Lowest New York Wholesale Prices!

We sell more Waltham Watches than any other establishment in the country, either wholesale or retail; we send great numbers to every section of the country by Mail and Express, carefully packed and in perfect running order. Our plan is this: You want a watch, and see our advertisement; now, we want you first to write to us for our Descriptive and Illustrated Price List; we will send it, post-paid, by return mail. It explains all the different kinds, tells the weight and quality of the cases, with prices of each; you then make a selection of the kind you prefer, and send us your order. We will then send you the watch by Express, with the bill to collect on delivery. We give instructions by the Express Company to allow you to open the package and examine the Watch; if it suits, you can pay, and take it; if not, you are under no obligation to receive it, and if it is taken, and afterward does not prove satisfactory, we will exchange it, or

REFUND THE MONEY.

As an indication of the Prices, we will quote one Watch from our list. The P. S. BARTLETT, Lever Movement, with Extra Jewels, Chronometer Balance, Patent Drawn, Patent Draw Clips, and all the other late improvements, in a Solid Coin Silver Case, \$28 in Greenbacks, or about \$20 in Coin.

All the other kinds, both gold and silver, in the same proportion. Do not order a Watch till you have sent for a Price List, as it contains a great deal of information regarding these watches that will enable you to make an intelligent selection. Don't forget, when you write, to state that you saw this advertisement in the Polk County Times, and you need not put in stamps for return postage. Address in full,

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We refer, by permission, to Messrs. Wells, Fargo & Co., N. Y. and San Francisco. I. W. Raymond, Esq., T. R. Butler, Esq., B. C. Howard, Esq., San Francisco. W. S. Hobart, Esq., Virginia City, Nevada.

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80 ACRES OF EXCELLENT LAND IN Linn county, 9 miles from Albany and 5 miles from Corvallis. All under fence, good house, young orchard, fifty acres in cultivation, improvements all new. Address, "TIMES," Dallas, Oregon.

To Whom it May Concern.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL not in any way to credit my wife, Nancy C. Simpson, as I will not be responsible in any way for any debts she may contract. R. W. SIMPSON, of Polk Co. 29 Nov. 11, 1869.

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