

Coquille City Herald.

TUESDAY, DEC. 25, 1883.

More About North Fork.

Ed. HERALD:
Leaving Mr. Hatcher's place we cross to the right bank again, where we behold a very nice body of land containing between 60 and 70 acres of fine, fertile soil, 15 of which are cleared of the timber, and have been cultivated; but, at the present, the place is lying idle, as the owner, Mr. James Rowley, is now living near Linkville, Lake Co. The place was in a good state of cultivation when Mr. R. left, but has quite a rickety, torn down appearance now. The orchard which used to be the finest in this neighborhood, is quite unproductive for the want of cultivation, and many of the trees are dead or dying. The district school house is located within the limits of this place. This is a splendid situation, but is sadly in need of the energy and muscles of some enterprising man.

Just across the river and in sight is the neat little farm of James Killbery, Esq., consisting of about 25 acres of splendid river soil, all of which is in cultivation. "Jim" came here seven or eight years ago, and let me assure you, his place does not look like it did then. Besides having all of his bottom land in cultivation, he has about 10 acres of bench land "slashed" and burnt off, whereon he pastures his horses and cattle. Mr. Killbery gives some attention to horse raising of which he now has a goodly number and one of the number is a very nice stallion of which Jim is duly proud. He has one of the nicest house sites hereabouts and he himself, is building a cosy cottage and we do not know what else is going to take place in the near future, for "Jim" is a "jolly bachelor"—but don't say anything about it, as he takes the HERALD and is a bed-rock democrat "and don't you forget it."

engaged in the logging business, in company with his father and brothers. Mr. Johnson has about 15 or 20 acres of fine river land; and about 8 acres of it are in cultivation.

The remainder of his claim consists of bench and hill land the value of which lies, chiefly, in the fine fir timber with which it is densely covered. Tom has, like most of us, got an almost never-ending task before him, in reclaiming the soil from the wilderness. But he has a cheerful partner in the person of Mrs. Johnson.

Just across the river is a nice little ranch owned by Ben. C. Shull. He has between 30 and 40 acres of very fine soil about 15 of which are in cultivation. Ben runs this in connection with the one we told you of last week, which is situated about a mile above here. J. W. Critser has both places leased for a year, so Ben has nothing to do but take his "ease," and trim his pipe.

A little farther down and on the opposite bank is the farm of John Wood. Jack has been here about eleven years and has about 15 acres in cultivation and has some 50 or 60 acres more of fine level land to be redeemed from the wild state wherein Nature has left it. Mr. Wood, like most pioneers, has had rather a tough time of it, and indeed has had some sad misfortunes but he is undaunted still. He is hewing timbers for a mansion and ere long we may expect to see it assuming proportions as we believe "Uncle Sam" took the contract to construct it.

Patience, kind editor; more next week.

QUILL OF PARADISE.

Josephine County Correspondence.

Ed. HERALD:
It has been a long time since I have wrote for the HERALD, and no doubt you think I have forgotten my promise to furnish you some news items from this part. We are having some cold and frosty weather here. There has

been but very little rain in this country this fall and winter.

Farmers are busy plowing and sowing, but if the freeze holds out much longer, they will have to stop until spring.

Wheat is \$1.00 per bushel, oats 75 cents and everything commands a good price this year. I suppose the O. & C. R. R. causes the rise in produce. If present prices continue after the road is complete, the farmers of this valley will make a good living with less labor than heretofore. The R. R. is finished as far as Rock Point in Jackson county, and passenger trains are running to Grant's Pass.

The grangers of this place are doing a good business and are flourishing. About three years ago they collected the idea of starting a store in their name, as they were tired of paying two prices for everything. We only had \$350 on hand (rather small to start a store) and this amount was paid out for merchandise. Of course outsiders hooted, but nevertheless the little store prospered; more money was brought in; trade increased until there is now about \$8000 in the store.

I am talking Coquille to everybody and am having pretty good success so far. I have got three families already in the notion of going. I think I can get several more. If I can so arrange things, the little colony will start about the 1st of April next. They are all laborers and will go to seek homes. With sincere wishes for your welfare and happiness, together with the rest of my Coquille friends,

I remain respectfully yours,
ERNST MALTRAVERS.
Williams, Or. Dec. 16, '83.

Torn to Pieces.

Shortly before six o'clock last Friday afternoon, Ah Gee a Chinaman, was killed in Dean & Co's saw mill at this place, while attempting to put the belt on the China crew in the lath mill went under the floor for the above mentioned purpose, and not returning in a reasonable time, some of his countrymen went down to see what kept him. On arriving near the driving shaft, they were horror stricken at the sight before them, and gave the alarm which brought Mr. J. Durand and others to the scene. Ah Gee's head and chest lay on one side of the driving shaft, one arm was wound around the shaft, and the balance of his body was wound around the shaft and broken into fragments by striking against the cross beams, which are within a few feet of the shaft. After his arm was caught by the belt, the body must have been pulled between the belt, cutting it in two and throwing the head and chest on one side of the driving shaft, and scattering the lower portion of him in different directions on the other side. After the discovery, the mill was shut down, and the portions of the body gathered up and taken to the China house, near the stove mill, where ceremonies extraordinary were held by the friends of the deceased. Ah Gee had worked in and around the mill during the last six years, and being considered rather an intelligent fellow was made boss of the Chinamen in the lath mill. He belonged to some secret organization something the same as our Masonic order and the funeral services were conducted by the brothers of the society. On Sunday his remains were buried in the cemetery on the hill, the Chinamen present wearing white and purple rosettes. The funeral procession was headed by the Chinese flag and a Chinaman on horseback rode on each side of the casket, which was hauled in Anderson's wagon. The ceremonies at the grave consisted of invocations and an offering of chicken and pork to Josh, to be lenient with Ah Gee. His effects were also burned at the grave, and his countrymen spared no pains in giving Ah Gee a decent send-off.

Coos Bay News.

Coos Bay Items from the News.

Fred Webber is happy; it's a son.

Mrs. Steinburg, of North slough, was adjudged insane and sent to the asylum last week.

Mr. Lowellyn and family, of Southport, leave to-day for Bellingham bay, via the Coos bay wagon road.

The Arcata brought up a new boiler for the steamer Bertha, which will be in running order in a few days.

Two whales came ashore near the mouth of the Siuslaw, last week. One measured over 60 feet long; the other was much smaller.

H. P. Whitney, our road supervisor, is about to raise the long bridge on Cedar street which connects with the Empire road. Many of the posts are already on the ground, and the work of raising the bridge will be completed by Christmas.

The boiler has been taken out of the steamer Coos, and the hull is now on the ways in the ship yard undergoing repairs. We understand it is Capt. Campbell's intention to cut the hull in two, and make it some twenty feet longer than it is at present.

Mr. A. Machado, of the Coquille, returned from the city on the last steamer. He went below with the intention of disposing of his last season's catch of salmon, but the price offered was not sufficient to induce him to sell all at present. Machado's salmon are highly esteemed by the San Francisco merchants, on account of the careful manner in which they are put up, and he received \$1 per barrel more for what he has already sold than was paid to other parties.

The machinery for the stove mill, being built at this place, arrived on the Arcata, and was moved to the mill in a remarkable short time. On Sunday last, on visiting the building, we found that some of the machinery had already been permanently located.

Capt. D. R. Lane expresses himself as highly encouraged with his coal prospects at Coaledo. He considers his best vein an upper one that he discovered some two years ago, which is nine feet thick and shows seven feet of clean, hard coal, without a fault. A quantity of this coal is being extracted for shipment to San Francisco as a sample of what can be furnished in unlimited quantity after the mine has been properly opened. All persons who pretend to know anything about the outlook at the captain's mines agree that they are good. The only drawback to their immediate development seems to be the difficulty in the way of getting the coal to tide-water, which elsewhere would be looked upon as a mere bagatelle.—Mail.

Items from the Mail.

Professor Camp, county school superintendent, will hold a public examination of teachers at this place on Thursday, Jan. 3, 1884.

At this time this market being its main supply of from the Coquille, at 40 cents per dozen, delivered here, where they sell at 50 cents.

Chas. S. Day, late of Soudou, who recently started for home of his parents in New York, became insane soon after leaving San Francisco. J. W. Ross, was on the train, took charge of Day till he reached Omaha, where he was consigned to the asylum, since which time nothing has been heard from him.

The maskers should remember that Mrs. Moore of theinson house will serve midnight supper on New Year's night.

Good Books.

Mr. E. C. Whitted, of Echant-ed prairie, is canvassing this river for some excellent books, among which are the following: Deeds of Daring by Both Blue and Gray—an illustrated work of acknowledged merit by the able writer, Kelsey; Professional Thieves and Detective—one of the most interesting and absorbing works ever written—by Allen Pinkerton; Pictorial History of the United States by Alex. H. Stephens, embracing an account of American Indians; the discoveries and explorations of the Spaniards, English, and French; the Indian wars; the struggle of the Revolution; the Mexican war; the history of the Great Civil war; the Centennial of American Independence; and events down to the present time.

Mr. Whitted, who is well known, being one of the framers of the constitution of Oregon, is an excellent old gentleman and deserves your patronage. These books he has are good and you need good, new, interesting books for yourself and children.

Coquille City.
Few towns has the natural advantages that have the town whose name heads this article. It is situated in the very heart of a vast amount of farming land of a quality unsurpassed anywhere.

In addition to this, it is situated at the junction of the leading roads in the county, and in a convenient place for mills and factories. It is situated on tidewater, where all ocean vessels that we can reasonably expect will ever come over the bar at the mouth of our river can come at any time.

In the way of enterprising people we could wish our lot better, but that they are behind those of other towns in this state, we doubt if it could be proven. The class of houses they are building, shows that they have come to stay, and all they lack, now, is a disposition to erect a fine residence and man-

Editor HERALD:
The school at this place is making fine progress; there is no better school in the state. The present term commenced on the 26th of November, with Prof. John E. Day as principal. Anyone wishing to go to school can do no better than to come here.

Wilbur is a nice place; the society is good, and there is not a fear that their boys will be given to drink.

L. W.
Wilbur, Or. Dec. 15, 1883.

At a stated communication of Coquille City lodge No. 68, A. F. and A. M., held Saturday evening, Dec. 8, 1883, the following officers were duly elected and installed by P. M., Chas. Olive, assisted by P. M. Wm. Morris, for the ensuing Masonic year: John Goodman W. M.; Price Robison Sr. W.; George McEwan Jr. W.; S. L. Leneve Treas.; Thos. Willard Secty.; Chas. Olive Tyler; J. L. Roy Sr. D.; J. A. Collier Jr. D.; B. T. Sharp, Chaplin.

The Truckee finished her cargo Saturday and left this place Sunday at noon. It is thought that she and the S. Danielson will go to sea to-day.

Mr. Russell, of the United States geological survey, who has spent the season in California mountains near Mono lake, says that the lava there is the result of recent volcanic outburst. His studies on the old beaches led him to the conviction that there have been two ice ages over the world, and that the second, dating back to the advent of man on the earth, was the most severe and most protracted. He adds that the signs of glaciers are as fresh as though left yesterday. He has found living glaciers in the Sierras back of Mono lake, not far from the Yosemite valley. They are about a mile long and many feet deep.

JNO. A. GRAY,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
MADEIRA OREGON.

J. P. EASTER, M. D.
Physico-Medical and Eclectic Physician and Surgeon. Office at residence half mile north of Coquille City v2n19f.

A BARGAIN!

We have the selling of a half section of land, half bench and half bottom land, near Coquille City. It would make a half dozen good little ranches, or a good dairy and stock ranch. The price is \$20 per acre.

NOTICE:
All persons indebted to me, are hereby requested to call and make settlement by the first of January, 1884. Fail not, as I must have my books settled up.

W. H. Carothers,
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