

FRUIT IN OREGON.

Forty years ago fruit trees were planted in Oregon. Some of the old orchards still exist. During the period of the gold-hunting rush to California, and before California produced fruit crops, Oregon fruits sold in San Francisco at prices which at this day seems fabulous. As the golden apples of the Hesperides were the apples of Oregon in the San Francisco market. The extravagance of that period has its many surviving unhappy testimonies in the living pioneers. Gold was as dross. It came with little labor. It went without concern. Men bred to laborious toil and accustomed to small wages, dug out ounces of the precious dust by day, and lavishly squandered it at night. It was as the flow of the Pactolian stream, and many of the kind of Midas, with asses' ears, with other characteristics never bred in the ass, delved in the mines for months, and then, in a few weeks of extravagance and debauch in San Francisco, let go the gold that would have enriched them had they half-way hoarded it. Extravagance was the rule and economy the exception. In this condition of things, the fruit of Oregon was the luxury which commanded the highest prices. An Oregon apple was worth its weight in gold dust. The fruit producers of the Oregon of that period forced their trees to over-bearing. Every apple tree was to them as the goose which laid the golden eggs was to her possessor; and to quicker enrich themselves they killed their orchards. They did not cut down their trees, but they neglected proper care of them. A fruit-bearing tree needs the care of experienced cultivation, and the yearly attention to its conditions, which good parents bestow upon their offspring. The nursery of the orchardist is the apt appellation, borrowed from the nursery of the happy household, in which children are trained to become good and virtuous in ripened years of manhood and womanhood. The cultivation of the tree is the assurance of the fruit, the promise of its longer life of profitable production. The days of gold-finding with little labor have passed. Likewise has the period of extravagant prices for fruit. Red-rock has long since been struck in both. But the prospect for continuous and lasting profit in fruit is better assured now than it has ever been. There is more remuneration in the acre planted in fruit trees than in the acre devoted to any other purpose. But the care of the orchard, the attention of the producer to every tree in the orchard, is all the time an essential quality from the planting, through the few years of what may be called the infancy and adolescence of the tree, until its bearing period, and thence on to the age when it can bear no more. In the nursery, watch that the young tree shall be shapely, and well-proportioned in its tender limbs and sprouting branches, with straight trunk, and guarded against creepers and pests, which are parasites to sap its vigor, and enemies to destroy its fruit-bearing vitality. Every year of its growth more vigilantly guard against these. This vigilance is the life of the tree. The gnarled and crooked trunk denotes disease. Cut that tree down, dig out its roots, and plant in its place another without defects. There is contagion in trees as there is with animal creation, with men and animals. The tree of straight trunk and good proportions, well cared for, will yield its certain product and handsome profit longer than the generation of its planter, and the annual crop will be of a quality which will give its species a name and preference in the market at commanding prices. Orchards enhance the value of the land. No soil can yield a yearly return to exceed the fair interest of one hundred dollars per acre,

planted in wheat or barley, oats or corn, or hay or vegetables. The acre planted in trees, of apples and prunes, of cherries and plums, of peaches and pears, will yield its owner the interest of five hundred dollars per annum, and even double this in frequent years. The orchard is the most profitable use to which land can be devoted. And it is easier to care for an acre in orchard than forty acres in cereals, in meadow or in vegetables. Yet uncaring care is required, to keep the trees shapely and in good condition, to prune and trim against improper growth, to guard them from the insectivorous pests which eat out their life and spoil the fruit. Don't shoot the birds which feed upon the fruit. They are fonder of the bugs they find than of the fruit, and are the police of the trees, incessant in their guardianship and vigilance. The codlin-moth or scale bug will more damage the tree than the blue jay or robin. In the hardy fruits Oregon beats the world. There is always, and always there will be, an illimitable market for these fruits. The home market, the ready markets east, now so easily reached by rail, besides the markets of Europe, are open to the fruits of Oregon in fresh condition, and she has the whole world as a market for her dried and canned fruits. Orchards will become the greater wealth of the soil of Oregon, and she will rank superior in this wealth.—Portland Daily News.

For years I have had the reputation of being a fool; not like Tennyson's "Dagonette," but an Oregonian—webfooted fool, you see. Now, I thought, as every one else did, until a recent investigation has opened my eyes to the fact, that no two people have got sense alike.

Two men may have feet alike; they may have toes and corns alike; they may have appetites, and tastes alike; they may drink whiskey or chew tobacco alike; they may swear and scold their wives after the same pattern, but I will just bet you they ain't got sense alike. In my time I have seen 46 noses that were exactly alike. If they had been cut off the people and placed on a table, no one in the world could have told Jones' nose from Smith's, but mark you, many two of those forty-six people had the same kind of sense. One had horse sense, one hog sense, another goose sense, and so on clear through to the end of the gang. And it is no use to claim that a man has no sense, until we see his pockets turned inside out for he may have ten, fifteen, or even twenty-five therein.

An ornament now fashionable among the ladies in this city is the dagger—not a toy, but the genuine death-dealing instrument, less its sharp edge. It is either worn attached to a belt, cowboy fashion, or suspended to a necklace, the latter being the most popular style. "These ornaments are popular in the East" said a hardware dealer to a News reporter yesterday, "and are just taking hold here. We have had quite a demand for them the past two weeks."—Portland News.

Eight Boys Lost. San Francisco, Sept. 27.—Eight small boys, 11 between eight and twelve years old, boarded a small and leaky scow at Cousin's dry dock last evening and soon drifted far out into the stream. A strong ebb tide carried the boat seaward and it was lost to sight in the darkness before the alarm was given. Parties started out immediately and were searching most of the night, but no trace of the boys was found, and it is feared that they are lost.

Goldenson is to be tried again for the murder of little Mamie Kelly, by a Sacramento court. Just why he is not meeting hasty deserts the public are anxious to know. But then he has money the court's want, and he will not be allowed to hang for some time yet.

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Myrtle Point Items. Weather beautiful. Harvesting grain crops about over. The buzzing of the threshing machines can be heard in all directions through the country. Mr. Ed Gallier spent a short time in our town on returning to his home in Coquille City, after having spent a week or two in the Floras creek country with his brother Steve.

Mr. W. P. Mast, our worthy commissioner, brought to our town from his beautiful farm, on the North fork, some fine onions. They, on an average, weighed 23 pounds and measured twenty inches in diameter. Two were weighed and measured, which were the above weight and measure, each.

Times are lively in our little town. Everybody coming for his winter's supplies, and the farmers bringing their grain and other produce to market. Mr. Russell Dement, last week, met with a great loss by losing quite a lot of valuable property by fire, which burned two barns, one house, and a valuable horse. This was on his upper stock ranch Taylor Dement had a good horse burned in the same fire.

The last rain has done much good in the way of starting the young grass to grow.

The crops in this part are all good and those already threshed have turned out excellently.

Threshing is nearly done for this season.

Lizzie, one of the twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Hermann, died October 1st, '87, and was laid away to her last resting place on Saturday. A large number of friends gathered at the funeral. Rev. Wm. Pullen preached the funeral sermon, which was very appropriate, and effecting. She was a nice and kind little girl, of eight years. This was on the South fork of the Coquille.

Mr. John Fish has opened up a shoemaker shop here, and he is turning out first-class work. He is a good workman. Give him your patronage.

Myrtle Point Observer.

Coquille City Grammar School. Candidates for admission are required to be able to read in the Fourth reader. The higher studies are not obligatory but optional. Every pupil will be urged to pursue such studies only that his or her ability will warrant. Terms of tuition Five Dollars per Quarter. One price only. Time is to be reckoned from the day that the pupil is admitted. No rebate for absence, except in case of protracted illness or withdrawal.

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M. L. Williams, who has the ranch on Smith river, known as the "Fox" ranch was in town Thursday and informed us that the wild animals were so destructive to his garden and orchard that he would not realize half a crop. Rabbits, deer and coon seemed to be living off his vegetables, while the deer had entirely destroyed many small fruit trees, besides damaging larger ones by biting off limbs. Two large panthers visited his place the other night, and it is presumed that to finish up the destruction they wanted to eat up the family. At any rate Mr. Williams hunted the shelter of his house at a double-quick pace.—Del Norte Record.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, September 12, 1887.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Judge or Clerk of the county court of Coos county, Or., at Fairview City, Or., on Friday, November 4th, 1887, viz: Wm. P. Erod, homestead entry No. 4294 for the lots 1 and 2 and S. 1/2 of N. E. 1/4, Sec. 8, T. 27, S. R. 11 West, W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said lands, viz: John L. Baker, Geo. W. Norris, Thos. C. Norris, Edmund A. Anderson, of Marshfield, Or. Chas. W. Johnston, Register. sep23

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