

UP-RIVER DEPARTMENT, ORVIL DODGE, EDITOR. MYRTLE POINT, COOS COUNTY, Oreg. TUESDAY, SEPT. 3, 1889.

LOCAL MATTER.

John Mast received, the other day, a fine carriage for his livery stable.

W. A. Border and lady of Marshfield are visiting friends on the upper river.

Fried chicken at the Lehnherr hotel several mornings last week for breakfast.

Mr. Clinton's "anvil chokes" in his blacksmith shop gives evidence that he has already secured a good patronage.

G. W. Major, Sen. has the frame up for his elegant dwelling. As he is a master mechanic, it is supposed that his edifice will surpass any thing in town.

The elegant front of Mr. Volkmar's hardware store is being pushed forward. The sash for the show windows are in place and the tinner will soon be at his bench in this commodious building.

Hon. J. H. Roberts has been somewhat indisposed for a few days. This has prevented his joining in the celebrations of the navigations of the upper river and other festivities of the season.

The Lehnherr house has been crowded to its fullest capacity during the last week. When Mr. Stemler, the Dora stage driver, came in last Friday it was necessary for Mr. Brown to take the passengers to the Myrtle Point hotel as he had no room for them.

Alexander Stauff, Coos county's ex-clerk visited this place last week. His many friends were glad to have a shake and chat with him. Alex is a Baltimorean and finds many old acquaintances in this section. If we are not mistaken he was a schoolmate of Hon. B. Hermann's.

J. C. Brown is having plans and specifications prepared for a three story building for a grand hotel at Myrtle Point. It will be erected in front of the Lehnherr hotel. And another story will be added to the Myrtle Point hotel. As the travel is increasing these improvements are needed.

J. C. Brown and wife have sold eight lots in their addition to Myrtle Point during the last week. The addition to the town is so located that it will be the prettiest part of the city and there is no doubt but that the lots in that part of our thriving village will sell for double their present price next summer.

It is interesting to notice the many calls for lumber at Edwards & Dalmas' mill. The capacity of the mill is ten thousand feet per day and yet the local demand is such that it is impossible to fill all orders promptly. The obliging proprietors are doing the best they can and will no doubt be able to fill all orders before the rainy season sets in.

Wm. W. Philipps brought to town a bay mare last week that he supposed was the one that was missing from J. C. Brown's pasture but it was not the one. This animal had been running around Philipps' ranch two weeks or more and he has failed to find the owner. He left her with James C. Brown and hopes the owner will call for her soon or she will be advertised further as provided by law.

The alarm of fire may be heard in our city any day; then what? Why all property owners will cuss because there are no ladders or buckets and wonder why he has not thought of this before, and as the fiery element licks up the hard earnings of many industrious individuals he will say: "This shall not happen again;" but he will forget it again and run the same risk over. Now, why not call a meeting and make some arrangement; have a few ladders made and placed in convenient place and buckets handy. Wake up, City Dads, and see what you can do in the matter.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union is well organized at this place and hold their monthly meetings in the Progressive German Baptist church on Thursday afternoon, with the following ladies officers: Mrs. J. L. Lewellen, President, Mrs. C. E. Edwards, Vice President, Mrs. J. H. Roberts, Corresponding Secretary, Miss Augusta Prey, Recording Secretary, and Mrs. C. E. Edwards, Treasurer. They have now thirteen members. This society is composed of persons who are amply able to do much good and we judge that their meetings are very interesting. It is hoped that they will take hold of this work with a vim that will make their influence felt.

Dr. Gussenhover's new sign painted by Rufus Horton is a nice piece of work. The doctor's practice is increasing. Business calls him to Marshfield next Saturday.

John Wagner of the North Carolina settlement has visited town often recently. He claims that their portion of the Coquille valley is the best. John owns a large tract of land.

Dan Giles and son Samuel lost about fifteen thousand brick by the rainfall last Friday night. This is regretted as this enterprise is a benefit to the community and their many friends wish them success.

Plans and specifications are being prepared for a new business house to be erected between James Bark's saloon and Wise & Bender's store. The bill for the material will be handed in at the mill this week. The structure will cover considerable ground.

BOEN.—On the 31st of August to the wife of Chas. Major a son, weight twelve pounds. Perhaps this is the result of Mr. Fox's calling for more hands to work the road as the boy's first residence is taken upon the Middle fork. As soon as Charley gets able we will expect him in town after pick, shovel and a pair of boots for his son.

Capt. W. H. Harris, Congressman Hermann and Mr. Howard drove out over the Middle fork road last week. They claim that there is being excellent work done and add that they believe it will be one of the best roads in the state. Oregon's Representative is much pleased to see these inter-nal improvements going on in this county.

Mr. Loggie, the superintendent of the mill at Empire City, and Engineer McMullen visited Salmon Mountain last week. They took in all the claims being prospected in that district and think that the prospect is good; but they state that there has not been sufficient work done to warrant any uncommon excitement at present. The judgement of these practical and intelligent men should be a guide to govern other persons who are looking that way.

A visit to the fair grounds at Arago last Sunday convinced us that the excitement of the season had already commenced. At two o'clock two sleek and pretty horses were brought out for a match race. About fifty or sixty persons gathered at the grand stand to witness the trial of speed between "Bunch Grass" and "Saddle Horse." After considerable maneuvering for a start at the third effort they ran six hundred yards coming out ever as declared by the judges. We saw a few nickels put up and we think there were several visits made at Andrew Jackson's refreshment stand over the race. After this trial of speed and bottom all repaired to the skating rink where trials of speed and bottoms was taken up again and the conclusion was that the latter stood the hardest trial. We counted fourteen on rollers at one time. Some were adapted at the business while others seemed to fall down as often as possible. The track is said to be in good condition and about twenty horses are in training. Every thing looks cosy and neat about the grounds and it is understood that the board of directors will make a success of the fair in 1889. Every thing will be done to advance the interest in agriculture and stockraising the first or commencement days after which will be trials of speed on the square of course.

There has been much criticism over the "jockeying" in the races in former years at this place, and we have noticed that this was done principally by those who lost. The winners were satisfied. Now, there is an easy way to avoid losing money on horse racing or any other game of chance, that is, don't bet. Then no one can swindle you in the matter. But let every farmer put forth his best effort to make the exhibition attractive and give a tone of dignity to the proceedings; then the S. W. O. agricultural fair will be a success. The grounds and their surrounding are all that could be wished for, and there is but one drawback—that is in the difficulty in getting to the place. The citizens in that vicinity certainly do not appreciate the benefit of having these meetings in their locality or they would open up one good road leading to the place. In going from Norway to Arago a distance of not over one and a-half miles there are nine gates to be opened and shut besides the road winds around in every conceivable direction. As if to get upon the roughest grounds possible. There's no reason why every citizen in that neighborhood should not take pride in opening a good road to this favored spot.

The last day of August was a day of great importance to the people of Myrtle Point and vicinity from the fact that the dredging and lifting logs and drift from the bed of the river had so improved the channel that the steamer Ceres, drawing five feet of water, came to the city, landing at that time without difficulty, when the tide was only about half in. It was announced the day before by Capt. Leneve that he would bring the Little Annie to the Point on the 31st inst., and the citizens concluded to celebrate the occasion, and give the captain and his steamer a reception. Congressman Hermann, Mr. Loggie and Engineer McMullen and your reporter stepped into Cass Hermann's carriage about six o'clock and was driven down to Norway to meet the vessel for the purpose of having the pleasure of sailing up the South fork, a thing that had never been done at this time of the year. In the past it was a difficult task to row a skiff from the forks up to the point before VonPegert and Mr. Hutchinson and their crew by direction of congress commenced their work. When our party arrived at Norway we found that the Ceres had passed up, and that the Annie could not come. At this we all felt that we would be disappointed, as the Ceres drew so much more water than the former vessel that it would be out of the question to navigate this difficult channel. Our driver immediately turned his spirited horses up to the road and we overtook the steamer at the forks where she was waiting for the tide. Capt. Leneve sent his boat ashore and soon placed our party on deck. Congressman Hermann seemed very anxious about the success of the undertaking and inquired of Capt. Leneve, if he thought he could take the boat up. The reply was "I will go to Myrtle Point landing in a few minutes." Johnny Snyder soon set the propeller in motion and the staunch little craft was moving upriver. Sore enough it was but a few minutes before the whistle sent forth its warning notes that she was coming, upon which the mill of Edwards & Dalmas answered by long and renewed whistling and was repeatedly acknowledged by the Ceres. The sun had disappeared over the western hills, and twilight in all its quiet beauty, was upon us. The silvery half moon had already advanced to the western horizon.

Along each bank, high above us, a towering fringe of evergreen boughs were leaning over us. On each bank groups of anxious citizens were gathered watching the result of the experiment. Soon the town bridge is in sight and it was thronged with the village and country people who had come to welcome the steamer and Oregon's congressman who had been instrumental in bringing about this grand result. In the center of the bridge was stationed the Myrtle Point brass band and as the shrill notes of the joyous whistles floated away fine strains of music pealed forth and waving of handkerchiefs with joyous shouts, all combined, formed an exhibition of enthusiasm that will long be remembered. As soon as the boat landed she was loaded with the citizens and band. Capt. Leneve ordered the lines cast off and turning around made a run down the river a short distance while sweet strains of music went pealing through the air. Skillfully Capt. Leneve turned his craft up stream again and we were soon landed at the Point again. After refreshments old and young gathered at Wise & Bender's spacious hall and passed the evening in "tripping the light fantastic." A more pleasant social party was never had in our city. Our citizens were joined in their hilarity by several young ladies from Coquille City and later in the evening Isom Clinton came up with several other prominent young men of that place; so that five to six sets were engaged in the "mazy whirl" until "the wee sma' hours."

Congressman Hermann seemed highly gratified to see that the hard work he, with Oregon's senators, had done in Washington to secure the appropriation to improve the Coquille river, turn out with such grand results. The upper Coquille is acknowledged to be the heart of the agricultural part of Coos county. Farmers here produce grain now by the thousands of bushels and if the river steamers can load at Myrtle Point it saves twice handling the grain which is so expensive that margins are so low that it does not pay to raise grain because the merchants cannot pay as much and then pay for handling it comes from the pockets of the farmers. So it is with goods that the merchant sells to the farmer. Every extra expense of carting or shipping the goods is paid for by the consumer, as the merchant is obliged to mark his wares up in order to make his profit necessary to carry on his business. So we see that the opening up of the channel of our river is an event that interests every settler on the upper river and if any one should carelessly or wilfully deposit any drift, stumps or fall trees into the river he should be dealt with severely as the law provides. Capt. Leneve and Johnny Snyder, the engineer, have shown they are skillful navigators and deserve praise and honor for the successful work of the 31st day of August.

Having a little leisure we dropped into E. Bender's counting room where Hon. B. Hermann attends to his business while sojourning here. We found Oregon's congressman very busy answering some of the numerous letters that are laid upon his table daily by the Postmaster. The Mail had just arrived and as it was piled up before Mr. Hermann's desk, he exclaimed: "What shall I do; thirty letters yesterday unanswered and still they come." While he was examining the first letter, a pioneer of the Coquille came in and stated that his place was mortgaged and that his creditors were about to crowd him. His home was an "heirloom" had been handed down to him by his father and another. He had worked hard but as it was incumbered when this beautiful farm became his in part, he had not been able to redeem it and he was afraid he was going to swamp. Mr. Hermann listened attentively, and after learning all the particulars, he remarked in his positive way: "You shall not swamp, sir; I know how I can help you out and I shall do so." We noticed the relief depicted upon the countenance of the farmer, as these words fell from the lips of his benefactor, and he finally exclaimed: "Oh! if you only do this, Mr. Hermann, you will have my lasting friendship." "You may sleep some to-night for I will do it," was the answer. Soon another young man came in. He had taken a homestead; lived upon it five years; made extensive improvements, and proved up a year ago, and now comes the astonishing news from the general land office at Washington that his proof was not sufficient. Anxiety beamed out in every feature of this industrious grainger's face as he related the circumstances to his bearer, but how soon his countenance brightened up when the way out of his difficulty was pointed out, and he retired looking like a new man. There was an other waiting who had a mail contract and he wished the congressman to visit the department in Washington when he returned to that city and straighten out some of his difficulties with the government. This is only a glimpse of the routine of business that is being done by Mr. Hermann daily.

Our town was graced with the presence of quite a number of Coos county's school teachers last week. The examination for certificates at the academy building must have been rigid and interesting, as gentlemen and ladies who attended seemed very much absorbed in the exercises. Superintendent Bunch has gotten up a great interest in the education of the young, and we believe he is the right man in the right place. Thursday evening the compulsory school law was discussed by the teachers in Wise & Bender hall. Many good ideas were advanced and the audience seemed much interested. Some recitations by Frank Bunch and a song added to the exercises of the evening. The discussion brought the facts from reading the new law that every child between the age of 8 years and 18 shall be sent to school twelve weeks each year or the parents or guardian of such shall pay a fine of not less than five dollars or more than \$50 unless the child is taught at home or is physically incapacitated to attend school. And it is made the duty of the clerks and directors to enforce the law, yet we know of some such officials who violate this law by keeping their own children out of school. This matter should be understood by every family and thus they may save themselves much trouble.

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