Coquille City Herald.

TUESDAY. NOV. 17, 1903.

A suit for $5000 attorneys fees for examining into and insuring the title to 100,000 acres of land in Coos and Douglas counties was placed on trial yesterday before Judge Sears. The plaintiffs are Cecil Barnes and Thomas G. Greene, and the defendants Marshal J. Kinney, of Astoria, and William M. Bray, of Oshkosh, Wis. The land was to be purchased from the Southern Oregon Improvement Company for $600,000, and Bray and Kinney, it is said, expected to dispose of it to parties in Boston for $1,000,000 thus realizing $400,000 profit.

According to evidence given by Mr. Greene, Bray and Kinney obtained an option on the land. They paid $5000 down, and afterwards, at a certain date, were required to deposit $60,000 of which Bray paid $20,000 and Kinney $40,000 and the attorney said Bray told him he had $10,000 in the bank. Whether the complete purchase of the land was ever effected and the sale afterwards made for $1,000,000 has not yet been developed at the trial.—Oregonian.

Canal Treaty Signed.

Washington, Nov. 19—Secretary Hay and M. Philippe Buena Varilla, Ministea or Panama, at 6 o'clock yesterday evening, signed the Hay-Buena Varilla treaty providing for providing for construction of the Panama canal by the United States.

The ceremony occurred secretly in Hay's study. The Panama Minister arrived at Mr. Hay's house promptly at 6 o'clock, having made an appointment with the Secretary for a conference at that hour. He was surprised to find the Secretary had before him the treaty, engrossed in duplicate. The Secretary informed M. Buna Varilla that he was ready to sign the treaty. The minister read the document carafully, and then he and Secretary Hay attached their signatures.

Crew of Three Engines Killed in a Collision.

Louisvill, Nov. 12.—Two heavy freight trains, one of them a double-header, collided in a fog near New Hope, Ky., on the Knoxville division of the Louieville Railroad early today. Engineers Graves, Connor and Sturgis and Firemen Reynolds, Leyden and Leach were killed, Head Breakman R. E. Hume fatally injured and Brakeman Abner Winkler badly hurt.

The trains [illegible] on a reverse curve at the top of an embankment thirty feet high. The three engines were completely demolished and nearly every car of both trains landed at the foot of the hill.

Plea For Statehood.

Washington, Nov. 16.—Governor Brodie, of Arizona, in his annual report to the Secretary of the Interior urges that the Interor Department aid in securing the passage of an enabling act for the admission of Arizonia to statehood. He states, howoever, that the people of the territory would rather forego statehood than accomplish it by union with any other state or part of any other state or territory.

The total population of Arizona is estimated at 155,000. The total taxable wealth aggregates $43,041, and the total territoial indebtedness is placed at $1,064,594.

Colombia Files Protest.

London, Nov. 16.—The Colombian authorities have cabled to London a long protest against the United States' action toward Panama, on which they allege the "main responsibility for the secession of Panama lies with the United States Government, firstly, by tormenting the separatist spirit, of which there seems to be clear evidence; secondly, by hastily acknowledging of the revolted province; and, finally, by preventing the Colombian government from using proper means to repress the rebellion."

Thirty Dead Bodies Consnmed by Fire.

Chicago, Nov. 20.—A disasterous fire occurred on the fifth and sixth floors of the medical and dental department of the Northwest University this morning. The building was formerly the Tremont hotel. A gruesome sight was presented, as 30 bodies were in the dissecting room. The loss will reach $50,000.

The Federal grand jury has true bills against United States Senator Charles H. Dietrich and Postmaster Jacob Fisher, of Hastings, Neb., charging them with conspiracy and bribery in connection with the appointment of Fisher to the position of Postmaster.

Ladies remember that Mrs. Nosler keeps The McCall Patterns price 10, and 15,cts.

EDITOR HERALD: Perhaps it may be interesting to some of your many readers to learn at this late date, the names of those who volunteered almost half a century ago to defend their homes from the then hostile Indians. It is needless to say that but few of the veterans of those days remain to tell of the times that tried the mttal of the hardy pioneers. Please find enclosed the muster roll of Capt. Wm. H. Packwood's company, Coquille Guards, who served in 1855:

W. H. Packwood, Captain,
John J. Hill, 1st Lieutenant,
Jas. G. Malcom, 1st Sgt,
Evan Cunningham, 2nd Sgt,
Chas. W. Wood, 1st Corpl,
Allen W. Devis, 2nd Corpl.

PRIVATES.

Ephriam Catchive,	Wm. Bazley,
Gabriel J Cooper,	Jos. J. Cooper,
Preston Caldwell,	I. Brady,
Felix McCue,	Wm, Cooley,
John B. Dully,	Wm. Duke,
S. Darlington,	John R. Davis,
Abram Huffman,	John A. Harry,
David Hall,	Alex Jones,
W. H. Jackson,	Benj. Jarnigan,
Henry Miller,	L. Oliver,
A. J. Pence,	R. Z. Philips,
Jas. M. Rook,	Wm. Rowland,
Henry G. Saunders,	Chas. Letter,
Wm. L. White,	John S. Soncot.

The writer was personally acquainted with Cnpt. Packwood, also with Sergeant Evan Cunningham, in fact we were comrades when "crossing the plains" with ox teams in 1853, at a time when six months or more was required to make the trip. Mr. Cunningham located his donation claim on the present site of Coquille City, and the creek that wanders through your village on its way to the "old ocean," was named for him. He died many years ago. He was a mam in every sense of the word.

If the inclosed is accepted, and you desire it. I will at some future time send you the muster roll of Capt. Wm. H. Harris' company C, Coos Bay Volunteers.

SAMUEL HANDSAKER, I. W. V.

31 Killed in an Awful Calamity.

Peoria, Ill., Nov. 20.—An awful accident occurred late yesterday between Mackinaw and Tremont, Ill, on the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis railroad. A work train running 40 miles an hour crashed into a freight coming at nearley the same speed. Thirty-one men were killed and 15 injured. The engines were completely demolished and car wreckage was piled 30 feet high upon them, when the two engines came together the sound of the collision could be heard for a mile around.

The cause of the frightful calamity is alleged to be due to disobedience of orders on the part of Conductor J. W. Jude of the freight train. It fs said he received orders at Urbana to lay over at Mackinaw until the work train passed. He did not stop, but passed Mackinaw at a high rate of speed. George Becker of the work train had orders to meet the freight at Mackinaw and being late was running at great speed to make up time.

In a deep cut both engineers saw the approaching disaster. Their engines were rounding a curve in the cut and when 50 yards apart each observed the other engine. The engine crews jumped and so saved thier lives.

TERRIBLE DISTRUCTION

The dead are mostly those of the working crew and so terrible the destruction that many of the recovered bodies are so mangled that they are unrecognizable.

The collision was witnessed by Russell Noonan, who stood on a ledge over-looking the cut. He at once ran to a nearby house and summoned help by telephone from Tremont.

An hour afterward a special relief train arrived at the scene. The cabooses of both trains were utilized as hospitals, and the dead were laid on an embankment beside the track. Out of 25 men comprising the work crew only four remain alive.

Thanksgiving Services.

Union Thanksgiving services will be held on Thursday at 10:30 a. m. Rev. J. J. Handsaker will preach. The choral union has prepared special music for the occasion. The following committee on charity and benevolence has been appointed: M. E, Mrs. C. H. Butler; Disciples of Christ, Mrs. W. R. Hungate; Presbyterian, Mrs. A. Nicols; M. E. South, Miss Edith Hayter. This committee will receive contributions from all charitably disposed, and will look after the needy and distressed in our community during the coming winter. The ministers of the various churches ask for contributions of money and supplies. Store keepers can notify any member of the committee. Let us all come to the Thanksgiving service, and let us all show our gratitude to God for his goodness, by helping our less fortunate fellowmen.

ADOLPH HABERLY,
Sec. Ministerial Union.

A Liberal Offer.

The undersigned will give a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Livr Tablets to any one wanting a reliable remedy for disorders of the stomach, biliousness or constipation. This is a new remedy and a good one. Sold by R. S. Knowlton

Donald McIntosh is no More.

Couty Commissioner Donald McIntosh, who has been seriously ill for some weeks, passed away at his home across the bay at a quarter after three yesterday afternoon, and will be buried tomorrow, funeral services being held at the M. E. Church in this city under the auspices of the Masonic order, of which he was a member. His death had been expected for some time, but it comes as a heavy loss to this community, of which he was one of the most honered members. The Mail hopes to give an adequate sketch of his life in the next issue. —Mail.

Christian Church Notes.

S. B. Hollenbeak, a former pastor of the church, now of Fairview was a Sunday visitor.

The pastor will preach at Bridge the 29th. He expects to preach in Coquille again Dec. 6.

Anti-Cigarette petitions to the national legislature were circulated and largely signed at the morning and evening services Sunday.

The Wednesday evening prayer-meeting will be devoted to reminiscences of the early history of the church and to plans for its future.

Marshfield Sun.

George Farrin moved his resturant last week into the Hotel Garfield building.

Mrs. W. S. Chandler has returned from a visit with relatives in Portland.

Jos. Gribler, of Astoria, organizer for the order of Eagles, is in this city where he will establish a branch, haying already secured sixty pledges for membership.

H. Lockhart is now sole proprietor of the Sengstacken store, having purchased the property yesterday from Receiver R. J. Coke and Mr. Lockhart will continue the business as before, and contemplate many new and important improvements.

North Bend Citizen.

There will be a young Peoples Christian Endeavoe Society organized at the church next Sunday night.

A cargo of wool is expected on the steamer Empire for the woolen mills. They will be ready to start up as soon as wool, dyes, etc., arrive

Capt. A. M. Simpson, who has been on the Bay for the past ten days looking after the interests of the Simpson Lumber Co., of which he is president, left Sunday morning for Portland and other northern points on the Alliance.

FOR SALE—A first-class No.5 hydrollic ram with 250 feet of pipe Inquire of W. S. Holcomb Coquille city.

$1200 will buy a 160-acre stock ranch with lots of outlying range. Eight miles from Coquille.

J. J. STANLEY.

The steamer, J. Warren, will make regular trips between Gravel Ford and Myrtle Point on Wed- of each week. I will not be responsible for by-freight after it is put off the boat.

CAPT. J. M. BRIGHT.

Cranberries at Kanematz's.