Growth and Advancement.

Rich Lands and Pine Timber - The Trade which will Flow Into Albany from Eastern Oregon.

Albany and country adja ent, includmg both Linn and Marion counties as well as Benton county, is concerned, has been the extension of the Orecon Pacific railroad eastward from followed with more substantial imthis city. When Messrs Hunt and Bennett ceased work upon their contracts and the futher extension seemed to be indefinitely postponed, a spirit of unrest and uncertainty overshadowed the undertaking, and materially affected business operations. A few miles of track had been laid and the Santiam river bridged, but not enough had been completed to make any material business transactions from its operation, and none were attempted during the interim of the suspension of work

When the financial difficulties had been surmounted by the railroad comcany, and active building operations again resumed, by the letting of contracts for construction and the energetic pushing of work by the contractors, business at once became active and firm and the future outlook more hopeful and pleasing.

the road on leaving Albany passes through one of the most tertile and well cultivated portions of the Willamette valley. Crossing the Santiam river and Thomas creek, it passes through the alluvial bottom and prairie lands lying in the forks of the North and South Santiam, one of the oldest settled, and most wealthy portions of Linn county. The thriving little city of Scio is left to the east of the road about two miles, but will probably be eventually connected by a side track, as it is already an important patron of the road and commands a large trade. Munkers is the station adjacent to Scio, and was really the only station doing any traffic before this season's extension was commenced, although the track

and productive lands and are capab e mountain sides along the preferred t the level prairie.

difficulty was finally overcome and to the wealth and importance of the above the Oregon Pacific drawbridge

the North Santiam commences. At

a point about a mile south of Meha-

tertile and beautiful Fox valley,

another station has been established

and christened Lyonsville. A fine

wagon road bridge crosses the river

at Mehama, and this station is des-

tined to become an important ship-

ping point for both sides of the river,

and quite a town has already sprung

into existence. Indeed quite an

amount of business was transacted

this year in the matter of shipping

hops, the rich, fertile lands of Fox

ailey being especially rdapted to hop growing, many large yards already being in operation, producing bountiful crops this year. John P.

Schmeer, of Albany, purchased the bulk of the crop of the valley, ship-

ping the hops from Lyonsville,

on the well constructed and settled road bed, the track was rapidly laid through Fox valley and at its

upper end the road sways into the timber along the North Santiam,

crossing that stream some four or five

miles below the picturesquely handsome little easis in the timber known

as King's Prairie, whose highly fertile lands is entirely occupied by fine

ments, and on the Marion county side the station of Mills City has

been established, taking its name from the immense saw-mill that has

been erected here to operate upon the magnificent timber that grows upon the mountain slopes, bordering

the river from here on to the summit.

Quite extensive and tertile bottom

lands are found along the river and

farms and productive hop fields. A substantial and handsome bridge has been built across the North Santram, resting upon natural rock abut-

postoffice in Line county. This fact has sometimes caused Gatesville to be speken of as Rock Creek, leading to be speken of as Rock Cre to a misconception, as the creek by e vent consummated, and the magnifithat name is several miles below, on cent timber-regions of the Santiam An Important Factor in Albany's the Linn county side and not even sending its finest lumber in the world into the vast various of the Santiam crossed by the railroad. Two and a into the vast regions of the inland half miles above Don Smith's J. B. empire that are destitute of forests H. Stewart and family have made and will give a ready market for all themselves a comfortable home, and of the lumber that can be produced; THE ROLLE IP THE SANTIAM. a mile and a half further up J. S. also in the same localities will be Meyers is improving a claim, his found a market for the magnificent house being a halt mile or more be- fruit of the Villamette valley, thus yond the old Minto cabin on the fostering and building up two very Minto pass trail. Several Albany important industries of the state and men have gone into the mountains contributing much to the prosperity above Meyer's place, and homestead- and business interests of Aloany. ed and purchased timber and fruit One of the most important enterprises lands, and have commenced improv- son is through a country that will be during the past year, as far as the city of ing the same. The accompanying productive of resources for the emillustration gives some idea of the quality of the timber and something like the character of the buildings mense, the agricultural capabilities contemplated for the present, to be are not inconsiderable, and in the provements in the future.



This extension of the road this sealumbering facilities, which are im-

opinion of close observers the region is especially adapted to fruit culture. belt. In fact much can be looked for show windows. as the results of the extension of the

The new store building of S. E. Young, on the corner of First and Broadalbin streets, which has been completed during the year and is now occupied by Mr. Young's entire stock of general merchandise, perhaps one of the most elegantly arranged stores in Oregon.

His Mammoth New Store Completed

During the Present Year.

The building was planned by Messrs, Williams & Smith, the well known architects of Portland, and was built by Mr. I. F. Conn, of this c ty, at a cost of about \$12,000. It has a frontage of 48 feet on First street and 102 feet on Broadalbin street. On either side of the broad First street entrance are two im-Then, too, undoubtedly in the near mense plate glass show windows, future large discoveries of valuable occupying the full front of the store. mineral deposits will be made as it The Broadalbin street entrance is lies directly in the mineral bearing also provided with large plate glass

The interior of the store is a Oregon Pacific, and its completion is model of elegance and convenience, earnestly desired, as the building of having been planned and built exthe road promises to add materially pressly for adaptability to the busito the trade of Albany, and when it | ness by which it is occupied. The



ON THE UPPER SANTIAM.

cultivatable hillside abound along the is pushed across the mountains next main front portion of the store is A short distance beyond Munkers valley nearly up to Sardine creek, season to tap the great stock raising divided into two departments, and the road crosses the Narrow Gauge seven or eight miles above Don agricultural and wool growing countries of the dry goods and of easy cultivation, by some being principally barned timber, but back from the river tracts of fine growing Above Bates a few miles a difficult timber are found, and the lumbering rock cut and hill occupied the time of business will constitute one of the the construction parties, and delayed chief and most important enterprises the track laying some time; but this of the region and add very materially

the winding course of the grade up state, for lumber is fast becoming a as shown in the illustration in their large furnaces. The store is prothe country.

found anywhere, but the continuus roar of

der, being used in the grading operations on the road, has resulted, this season, in driving the deer further ma, at the foot of the exceedingly back and making them shy, and more difficult to capture.

line, still being in the prairie. A Smith's. From there nearly to try of Eastern Oregon, this increase ladies' dress goods department on few miles farther on is the new sta- Britonbush the river is almost in a in the trade will be still more mark- one side, and an immense boot and tion of Bates, opposite Stayton in Marion country, where the extension proportion of the railroad grade is proportion of the railroad grade is proportion of the railroad grade is is finally made, which promises now ing goods on the other side. The commenced. Beyond this the prairie rock excavation, making, however, a to be at no distant time, the full adbegins to become narrower, and the solid and fine road bed that will need foot hills appear, but they are fertile very little future repairing. The THE RED CROWS MILLS. The Business of These Well Known Flouring Mills.

scarce article adv. in another column, is the justly and will be celebrated Red Crown Mills. The more and enterprising proprietors, Messrs. more so as the Isom & Lanning, are doing a steadily pleasure. torest areas increasing business. During the year beame deplet | they have made several shipments of ed. This re- flour direct across the Pacific, and the Santiam of Albany's energe ic citizens who is dow leer ranges always among the foremost in pro- goods, etc. swidespread moting measures for the advancethroughout ment of the city's interests.

These mills, which are convenientindeed the ly located for chipment by river or apper mountrail, and they enjoy an extensive tain regions business. The flour is made by the are the natu- most approved process and their ral home of enterprise and fair dealing has been the deer, and such that the brand of the "Red the finest Crown" Mills is well known throughfield for hunt out the entire Northwest.

STEWART & SOX.

A Hardware Establishment Which Does Credit to Albany.

The hardware establisment Messre. Stewart & Sox, which is located on the corner of First and Ferry streets, is one which deserves special mention. This firm has two large rooms filled with wagons, agri. The indomitable energy that has cultural and farm implements as well



SANTIAM MOUNTAIN SCLNE.

several farms having substantial im-provements are found above Mills The next station established and already reached by the track is Gatesville, or as it has been known for several years, Don Smith's, and in railroad parliauce, at the front, headquarters, for it was here the supply extension of over 60 miles east from grass seeds from Minneapolis, Winn., houses for the railroad work were Albany, will not cease until the sum- cheaper than ever known before. erected. Acress the river from here, mit is crossed, the grazing lands of Blacksmith's supplies, iron, steel, coal, which is spanned by a substantial Eastern Oregon are spanned, and the lete., wagon and carriage maker wagen read bridge resting upon the connection with an eastern line is stock, woodcutter's tools, positively finest natural rock abutments to be consummated and another trans-con- the best saws and axes in the state, found in the universe, is Reck Creek timental line established with its Iron harrows cheaper and better than

overcome difficulties almost insur- as a mammoth stock of general hardmountable, in the construction of the ware, time entlery, etc. They also line from Yaquina Bay to its present | carry northern grown garden and

are so arranged that every inch of space is utilized.

The office is supplied with speaking tubes communicating with all parts of the store, both upstairs Situated on the Willamette river and down. From the basement the building will be heated by two vided with a substantial elevator. by which goods can be taken to the second story or the basement, at

On the second floor is a large and complete stocked carpet room, a ladies' toilet room, and the region abounds supply a wide trade throughout the mainder is given over to surplus in game and Northwest. Mr. Laming, the rust- stock and the immense line of the frome of ling business man of the firm, is one cloaks, wall-paper, curtains, winshades, house furnishing

The store is lighted by means of three of N. H. Allen's large, electric are lights, and is provided with every modern improvement. Mr. Young, during the many years that he has been engaged in business in Albany, has gained and maintained public favor by keeping a stock large enough to supply any want, and by making a specialty of selecting such goods as will give satisfaction both in quality and prices, and with the increased facilities afforded in his elegant new quarters, he will be better than ever prepared to serve the public.

SECOND HAND GOODS.

Market Offered for Articles Heretofore Considered Worthless.

Among the business enterprises of Albany is one which must not be omitted. It is the pioneer second hand store of L. Gottlieb. He buys and sells second hand goods of all kinds, including everything from a clothespin to an upright piano, and by so doing offers a market for a class of articles heretofore considered of little value. He offers rare bargains in all kinds of second hand goods, which can only be fully appreciated by thee public by visiting his sales-room, opposite G. W. Smith's stove and tinware establishment.

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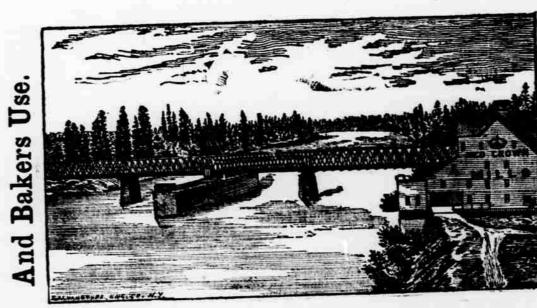
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