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LOCAL NEWS.

Wall paper—new designs, at Barnhart's. Attorney W. E. Yates went over to the bay, Tuesday.

Miss Mabel Cronise has just returned from a visit with Philomath friends.

Mrs. Virginia Espay and daughter, Miss Kate, are now visiting in Tacoma, Wash.

Miss Lelia Tucker went to Portland during the first of the week to accept a position.

Dr. Ainslee, of Portland, has been a guest at the John Smith home during the week.

Work is still progressing on Hotel Corvallis. Several men are kept employed all the time.

Clarence Chipman went over to the coast, Tuesday, for the joint purpose of fishing and recuperating.

Ben Brattain was out from his home at Box, Oregon, during the week and took back a load of supplies for his store.

Mrs. J. Mason went to Portland, Tuesday, in the interest of her millinery business. She will be absent for a week or ten days.

Contractor A. F. Peterson is rushing the work of constructing the Prof. Kniesly cottage on College Hill as rapidly as possible.

Mrs. J. O. Wilson and her sister, Miss Leona Smith, arrived home from the coast, Tuesday, after an outing of ten days or two weeks.

Lou Feagles arrived in Corvallis, Tuesday, from Southern Oregon, where he had been on a prospecting trip. He had been absent about two months.

R. C. Jones and wife of Portland, are visiting relatives in this city. Mrs. Jones was formerly Miss Purdy. Mr. Jones is quite an accomplished violinist.

John Rickard of Corvallis, one of the substantial pioneer citizens of Benton county, was in the city yesterday on his return from Cascadia.—Albany Herald.

There is a breath of orange blossoms in the air in the west part of town, where a neat cottage is being furnished with a braided house-keeping outfit. The groom to be wears a black mustache.

Recorder Vincent was obliged to go to his Kings Valley home during the week to see about having his grain threshed. During his absence Capt. J. W. Crawford was in charge of affairs in the recorder's office.

Mrs. D. Houck is arranging to move to Gold Hill, Southern Oregon, to reside permanently. She will have a carload of household effects and expects to leave today or tomorrow. Her sons, Jessie and Ambrose, are in business at that point.

During the week a fine Dorset buck arrived in this city for R. W. Scott. It was sent to him by his brother, Richard Scott, of Milwaukee, Oregon. The animal is an unusually fine one of its kind and weighs in the neighborhood of 300 pounds.

Harry Clodfelter has had an unusually severe time of it since his return from a trip to Klamath county a couple of weeks ago. He has suffered a most severe attack of tonsillitis and has also been sorely afflicted with rheumatism. He was obliged to have medical assistance. At present, he is improving quite rapidly.

N. E. Watts, of Booneville, Iowa, arrived in Corvallis, Tuesday, for a brief visit. He came west to California and thence north. He seems quite well pleased with what he has seen of our country. He is simply on a tour of inspection. Mr. Watts is an old friend of A. C. White, who came to Benton county and bought property about a year ago.

A gentleman by the name of C. Thompson, who arrived in this city with his family about six months ago, contemplates starting a steam laundry in Corvallis. It is said that he has the machinery ordered and that he hopes to be ready for business within the next thirty days. At any rate, he returned last Tuesday, from a trip to Portland with a view of getting information on the necessary equipment for a business of this nature. This is a good move and it certainly would appear that Corvallis offers as good a field for such a proposition as any place in the state. Hundreds of dollars leave Corvallis annually and go to support the laundries of some other city. "Charity begins at home" and "self-preservation is the first law of Nature," so why not encourage the founding of a laundry at home? Further more, after it is founded patronize it. It is understood that Mr. Thompson has a brother who will be associated with him in the business.

Broadhead dress goods. Two hundred passengers, it is stated, came out from the coast on Wednesday's train.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Simpson spent a couple of days at Beaver creek, this week, camping. Remember our Odds and Ends Sale closes Saturday, August 30th. Nolan & Callahan.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Welsber returned from the coast, Wednesday, after an absence of two weeks.

Attorney E. E. Wilson's new house, west of town, was completed by Newton Adams, the last of the week.

Attorney C. E. Woodson returned from the coast, last Tuesday. He was over there for a week and had an enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Schriber went over to the coast last week with their own conveyance. They will be absent about three weeks.

Robt. Glass, wife and daughter, of Crawfordsville, are the guests of Miss Lillian Glass and her brother, Robert, at their home just south of this city.

H. J. Moore and wife were in Corvallis, Tuesday, looking for a house in which to install their three sons for the winter, the latter to attend O. A. C. A cottage was secured in Job's Addition and the young men will be on hand when school opens.

As will be seen by a glance at the advertisement of the coming minstrel show, there has been a change of date. The date has been changed from next Tuesday to next Wednesday. This aggregation of "burnt cork" favorites comes highly recommended and Manager Groves is confident that he is offering a first-class attraction.

H. B. Miller, who was formerly president of the O. A. C. of this city, but who for the past two and a half years has been the United States Consul at Niu Chwang, China, recently returned to Oregon on a visit. It appears from his statements that he does not consider Chinland the most desirable place on earth for a white man to reside.

Last week, H. Heanel, of Monroe, negotiated for a lot and cottage in Jobs addition. The price agreed upon was \$330. It is the intention to purchase it so that Mr. Heanel's son, Otto, may have a place to stay during the school year at O. A. C. Otto's sister, Mrs. A. Schubert, will keep house for him, and they expect to move to town in the course of a month.

The plans for the \$1,400 residence of Mrs. Florence Rosendorf arrived last Wednesday from Minneapolis, Minn. It will be a 7-room dwelling, of most artistic pattern. It is expected that Ed Felton will begin the task of laying the stone foundation next Monday, and as soon as he is done with this work, Adams Bros., who have the contract for the construction of the building, will put a force of men at work.

After spending a vacation of a month at home, Harry Holgate started back to Washington, D. C., Wednesday. Harry holds a good situation in the government census department and has gone back to resume his duties. He goes East over the Union Pacific route. Brady Burnett, who holds a similar position, will start back to Washington in about ten days or two weeks.

Colonel Phillips received a letter, last Tuesday, from his son, Ed, who is now enjoying an outing in Southern Oregon in company with a number of Corvallisites. At the time of writing Ed and party were on the headwaters of the Umpqua and had secured a few deer, so it is an assured thing that they will get home with some jerked venison. The party will likely be absent three weeks yet.

A little after noon last Tuesday, Norm Lilly laid his threshing crew off until the fore part of next week. They had been thrashing six and a half days and had finished harvesting for the following parties: Pun Avery, John Rickard, J. O. Wilson, Walter Smith, Chas. Dennis, R. Glass, Norma Lilly and H. F. Fisher. About twenty acres of vetches were threshed for Mr. Fisher and the yield was something like 330 bushels. The greater part of the grain thrashed was fall wheat and the average was not more than 15 bushels per acre. This is not nearly so good as was expected in some instances. Mr. Lilly will start his machine again next week and will have about a ten-days' run.

William Cress went to Portland, Monday, to attend the wedding of his daughter, Mrs. Gussie D. Heckart, to Mr. M. E. Grousbek, which occurred in that city last Tuesday. The wedding was a quiet one, only the bride's parents and a few other friends being present. The wedding occurred at the residence of the bride and the ceremony was performed by Rev. Pratt, a Presbyterian minister of Portland. Mr. Grousbek is a carpenter by trade, and is reputed to be a splendid mechanic. The bride grew to womanhood in this county and has many friends here who hope for her success in life. Mr. and Mrs. Cress returned home, Wednesday. The latter had been in Portland for about three weeks.

"Haws" \$3 hats are the best. Prof. F. S. Haroun, of Philomath College, was in town yesterday, attending some business.

Geo. B. Keady and Otto F. L. Herse, who have been spending a week's vacation fishing in the Alsea, returned home yesterday.

Dr. Cathey is going to put in his claim to reward for killing a deer, off-hand, at a good distance, and bringing meat to his city friends.

Captain G. A. Robinson and wife arrived home from the coast, Tuesday evening. They were out camping just two week and had a most enjoyable time.

Charley Kirk arrived from Newport, Tuesday, where he has been working at the barber trade for the past month or two. He has accepted a position in Tam Case's barber shop.

Miss Lena McCormick and her sister, Mrs. James McCormick, arrived in this city a few days ago and have taken up their abode. Miss McCormick is one of our school teachers and her sister will keep house for her.

Mrs. Belle Walker, who has visited relatives and friends in this city for the past few months, leave today for her home in New York City. She will be accompanied as far as Portland by her mother, Mrs. B. W. Wilson.

Wednesday morning, W. C. Corbett finished the task of burning his brick kiln. The kiln contains about 225,000 bricks and it required seven and a half days to burn it. As soon as the tiling are dry enough, Mr. Corbett will commence burning them.

The Johnson-Callahan-Rennie party returned home yesterday from a camping out experience on Beaver creek, near Seal Rock. Everything goes to prove that the time passed all too quickly with the party and they are ready to go back again for another 18 days.

United Evangelical church: Services on Saturday at 8 p. m. Prof. D. M. Metzger of Dallas College will preach. He will also occupy the pulpit Sunday morning and evening. Communion service will be held in connection with the morning service. Service at Witham school house at 3 p. m. H. A. Deck, Pastor.

The dray team of Floyd Lane kicked up "high jinks" Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Lane was in the S. P. depot building and the team concluded to engage in athletics while he was absent, so they started pell-mell away from the depot. They did not go far until they struck a tree in front of the Henry Robinson home. The stop was so sudden that the tongue of the wagon was broken, the wagon seat broken off and the harness badly torn to pieces. One of the horses was also somewhat bruised and scratched. Aside from this, no damage was done.

After an absence of thirteen years, Orville Carter returned to Corvallis, Wednesday, to visit his mother, Mrs. Elmira Carter, and many old-time friends. Orville Carter was born in Corvallis somewhere near forty years ago and grew to manhood in this city. He was accompanied by his old home by his little daughter. Mr. Carter is at present deputy county treasurer at Everett, Washington, and is getting along fairly well. He has many friends in this city and notwithstanding his long absence he is able to call them by name on sight. He is here on his vacation and is not positive how long he can remain.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Webb will appear in the Opera House tonight, in illustrated songs. The entertainment will consist of singing, moving pictures, etc. These sweet singers were here a couple of years ago and on every hand one hears a favorable endorsement of their work. They will sing "Break the News to Mother," and the song will be illustrated by 12 highly colored slides. The price of tickets is so trifling considering the merit of this entertainment that you cannot afford to miss this opportunity. At the Opera House tonight, Aug. 22, and tickets for adults will be 25 cents; children, 15 cents. There will be no seats reserved.

Manager Robt. Johnson, of the Benton County Prune Co's. big orchard north of Corvallis about six miles, does not take a particle of stock in the report that there will be about 60 per cent of a crop of prunes throughout the Willamette Valley this year. Mr. Johnson gives it as his opinion that 20 per cent will be a safer estimate, and he is doubtful if it will go that. He admits that in certain localities along the foothills there is going to be some fair yields of prunes, but he says that in many orchards in the valley the yield will not be to exceed 10 per cent of what it was last year. Last year the big orchard yielded 25,000 bushels of dried prunes for shipment, but Mr. Johnson says that he will be satisfied if his company is enabled to ship 2,000 bushels this year.

A BIG DEAL.

The Oregon-Pacific Colonization Company Purchases Thousands of Acres in Benton and Lincoln.

A deal of considerable importance and interest to the people of Benton county was consummated in Albany, last Wednesday, when the entire holdings of the Coast Land & Live Stock Company and the Oregon Agricultural Company, comprising about 25,000 acres in Benton county, and 35,000 acres in Lincoln county, passed to the Oregon-Pacific Colonization Company, a Minnesota corporation.

The consideration is not stated, but is understood to approximate \$150,000. The new owners propose to sell a good share of the land to eastern stock and dairymen, and to fill it up as rapidly as possible, while they will improve and stock the balance themselves.

This tract of land has long been known locally as one of the best stock-raising sections in Oregon, the hills, which were burned over many years ago, producing the very best of cattle feed in great profusion. One of our best known stockmen, who for years has purchased stock in the country tributary to Corvallis, tells us that the cattle of this section are fat earlier in the spring and later in the winter than those of the Willamette Valley.

We understand that many sheep and goats will be placed on the tract, and we predict, beyond the question of a doubt, great success for the enterprise. We shall also be glad to welcome every newcomer. The present purchasers are to be congratulated upon being able to secure this tract of land, which would certainly have been settled with people long ago but for the fact that for many years the lands have been tied up in estates and on the market.

The company will open offices in Portland, in charge of Mr. S. F. Cook, its vice-president. George H. Selover, of Minneapolis, Minn., is president of the corporation. Both gentlemen were in this city yesterday, and are exceedingly pleased to meet and have an air of sincerity about them that inspires confidence at once. Mr. Selover took yesterday's afternoon train for the bay, where his family is enjoying an outing, and Mr. Cook returned to Portland.

John Wiles.

At 1:30 a. m. yesterday, the death of John Wiles occurred at the home of his son, Walter T. Wiles, in this city. For the past year or two the old gentleman had been in ill health and his death was caused by a complication of diseases.

John Wiles was a director of the First National Bank of Corvallis, and was a prominent farmer of Benton county. He was a most successful business man, and it can truthfully be stated that through all his dealings with his fellowmen he never deviated from the path of honesty and uprightness. In consequence thereof, he had not an enemy in the world.

He was born in Surrey county, North Carolina, August 17, 1822, where he lived until 8 years old. At this time his parents moved to Henry county, Indiana, at which place he remained until 1843, when he went to Andrew county, Mo. In 1847, he left this place and crossed the plains to the Pacific Coast, driving an ox team on the route for Frank Wrightman. He was in the mines in California in 1848-49. He came to Oregon later, and June 6, 1851, was married in Benton county to Miss Martha Ann Hughtart. His wife died November 11, 1895. Since coming to this county, Mr. Wiles has always resided on his homestead, near Wells Station.

The funeral will occur at the Baptist church, of which he was a member, at 2 p. m., today, and the services will be conducted by Rev. Mark Noble. Interment will be made in Locke cemetery. John Wiles was survived by Mrs. W. A. Wiles, Walter T. Wiles, Edward W. Wiles and Mrs. J. F. Yates, all of this city, and Mrs. Thomas Kirkpatrick, of San Francisco. Thus another of our sturdy pioneers has been gathered to his Father.

Tam Case's Hogs.

Tam Case is one of our barbers. He has engaged in many speculations for the quick accumulation of money, but the easiest money he ever made was in hogs. As Tam recently related his experience, the tale is substantially as follows:

Some years ago Tam asked Clum Read if he had any hogs for sale, and the latter replied that he had six little Berkshires about a month and a half old. Clum said he would cheerfully accept 25 cents apiece for them.

This was within the bounds of reason and also within Tam's means, and the latter bought the pigs.

Mr. Read delivered the pigs late one evening and Tam did not chance to have any feed for them. Now, Tam is always equal to an emergency. After scratching his head for a period, he remembered that a few days before a local groceryman had given him a barrel of moth-eaten dried apples. The apples were pretty dry and Tam concluded that he had better soak them a little before feeding them to the pigs. This he did and the little Berkshires ate a large quantity of them with evident relish. The following morning, Tam

was aghast to see that his six-weeks-old pigs gave every evidence of being full-grown hogs. The dried apples had completely metamorphized them. Whilst Tam was ruminating on what to him was a newly discovered law of Nature, a gentleman chanced by, and seeing the hogs, with their hides as tight as drums, became intimated with them and bought them on the spot. The price paid was \$1.25 per head. Tam was afraid that the weight of the pigs would give them away, so he told the purchaser that as the latter was an old man he had better allow him (Tam) to lift the greater share of each pig into the wagon. This was readily agreed to and the gentleman drove away with his porkers.

A few days later, the man who bought the hogs met Tam and complained of the change in the pigs. Tam reminded him that it was the change of residence that had wrought such havoc in the appearance of the pigs, and incidentally mentioned the fact that if you moved a laying hen from her home she immediately ceased to lay. In this manner the man was quieted, but it took three years to get the pigs as large as they were the morning Tam sold them.

Body not Recovered.

Notwithstanding the fact that every effort has been put forth to recover the body of James Moore, who was drowned in the Willamette river near Harrisburg last Saturday afternoon, the search proved a fruitless one.

There were seven men in the party with Mr. Moore at the time of the sad accident, but they were unable to render assistance in time. From the time the drowning occurred until Tuesday evening searching parties were on the river all the time. On Sunday, seven boat loads of men were busy all day dragging the river. Owing to the fact that the current in the river where Mr. Moore was drowned is very swift for a distance of two miles, the task of dragging for the body was no light one.

George and William Moore, brothers of the drowned man, were among the searchers, but gave up Tuesday evening and came home. George says that they did everything possible in the way of dragging the river and they also used a large quantity of powder, but without success. George and others will go up to the scene of the drowning next Saturday to await the arrival of the ninth day from the accident, as it is said a drowned man will come to the surface on this day, and it is hoped that such may prove true in this instance.

The men employed on the log drive have resumed their labors, but they will continue to keep a sharp lookout of the body.

Just as Represented.

Perhaps J. M. Cameron's business is second to none in this city. The best stock that money can buy is used in all work turned out by him. Just a day or so ago he received a consignment of buggy robes, and it is safe to say that they are the finest ever brought to this city. A recent purchaser of harness writes Mr. Cameron from Newport, under date of August 19, 1902, and says:

Dear Sir: The harness to you to hand. Well pleased with them and I consider them just as you represented them to be. Thanking you kindly for your prompt attention and favor, I remain, Yours respectfully, A. A. McCleary.

Sweeney Alvido Minstrels.

The above first-class minstrels owing to mix-up in date, have been compelled to change their date with Manager Groves at his Opera House. Instead of Tuesday, August 26, the date will be Wednesday, August 27.

Reserved seats now on sale at usual place. Prices, 25, 35, and 50 cents.

Additional Local.

Mr. Smith, brother of D. M. Smith of this city, is here from Kansas for a visit with the latter.

Prof. J. H. Ackerman, superintendent of public instruction, passed out from the bay yesterday.

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