DOUGLAS COUNTY.

A Land of Magnificent Climate and Wonderful Resources.

AN EMPIRE OF AGRICUTURAL MINERAL AND TIMBER WEALTH.

4,900 SQUARE MILES OF TERRITORY IN ITS INFANCY.

Invites a Steady Growth and More Rapid Development.

Douglas county, Oregon, in the fact that its boundaries are principally those made by Nature, is an empire within itself. Separated from the Willamette valley on the north by the Calapooia mountains, bounded on the east by the Cascade range, with the Rogue river and Canyon mountains making its boundaries with Jackson county on the south, and the Coast range and, for a narrow strip, the Pacific ocean forming its western boundaries, Douglas county occupies a unique and an important position upon the map of Oregon. These natural boundaries give it distinctive characteristics peculiar to itself, differing, in more or less degree, in topography, climate, resources and vegetation from the Willamette valley to the north, and the somewhat California-like valley of the Rogue river on the southern boundary, and differing greatly, in conjunction with all western Oregon, with those counties lying east of the Cascade range.

It comprises within its boundaries the water course of the Umpqua river, with its numerous tributary creeks flowing in all directions making it a perfect region in regard to water supply. The basin through which courses the Umpqua is termed the Umpqua valley, but in the term in which valley is synonymous with plain, it cannot be properly so-called, for running from the Cascades on the east and the Coast range on the west are mountain spurs and foot hills, giving in succession plain, table, mountainous and broken country. This irregularity of the country but adds to the variety of the resources of the county, and tend in turn to make it a self supporting empire within and of itself. The bottom land along the water courses, the numerous succession of valleys, the table lands and the foothills being unsurpassed for all the various uses of agriculture, of grain and fruit growing. While the mildness of the winters and the wholesome ranges through the rich pasture land of the hills and the more elevated table lands make it all that can be desired for a stock region; and there remains untold wealth in the forests of pine, fir, cedar and other timber that cover the mountain ranges, not to speak of the vast mineral riches that those mountains must contain.

Thus inclosed within itself, Douglas county comprises an area of 4,900 square miles of territory, equal in extent to the area of the great state of Connecticut, and probably also the equal of that state in resources and undeveloped wealth. At least capable of supporting a population as numerous, in prosperity and happiness. Irregular in shape, Douglas county averages some ninety miles in length from its northern to southern boundary by fifty miles in width. Along the Cascade range of mountains on the eastern boundary comprising whole townships is an illimitable forest of timber, comprising the sugar pine, white pine, varieties of fir, cedar and other valuable timber. With the future development and progress of the county, this timber will be a most valuable source of wealth. The same remarks hold true of the magnificent timber found upon the Coast range to the west. As yet saw mills of limited capacity, have made no impression upon the forests, in simply supplying the local demand.

Along all the streams can be found the fertile valleys, rich in productiveness and of never failing crops Day's creek, Cow creek, Myrtle creek, and the head water of the South Umpqua, all with numerous smaller tributaries flow through the southern section of the county, all of them watering valleys and rich bottom lands, which generally bear the name of the stream. The South Umpqua through this section watering a splendid stock-raising region, but this remark would be invidious, if it were not in turn, used in the description of the entire county. For the climate, soil and general character of the country is alike, and is unsurpassed, owing to the fertile grazing lands and mild winters, and perennial vegetation, for stock purposes. Cattle and sheep thriving through the entire winter with but little or no feeding.

Lying west of Roseburg are the fine agricultural regions of Ten Mile, Camas and Looking Glass valleys, where can be found prosperous settlements. Coles valley and French settlement to the immediate north and northwest are of the same character, while the fine valleys of the Deer creek, Roberts creek and the Mt. Scott settlement are tribuary as regards trade to the east. The northern section of the county, with the fine section surrounding Wilbur and the magnificent territory immediately tributary to Oakland, extends northward through the Yoncolla valley to the thriving town of Drain thence westward to the coast, with the trading points of Elkton and Scottsburg on the Umpqua, and the enterprising town of Gardiner at the head of Umpqua bay as the most westerly point. This is a most interesting section of country comprising the area swept by the main Umpqua, with its large tributaries, Smith river, Elk and Calapooia creeks. The Kellogg bend of the river from Oakland to Elkton passes through a rapidly developing region. This cursory and general review has grown too long and must be closed to give room for description of different localities in particular, and to statistical statements concerning the climate, to which we have but briefly referred in this article, and which probably it may be sufficient here to say, that in common with all Western Oregon, there are but two seasons in fact, the wet and the dry, and of about equal duration. These facts can be found elsewhere in this edition.

ROSEBURG

The county seat of Douglas county, in the midst of a rich agricultural and grazing district, surrounded on all sides by thriving settlements is a prosperous city of 1500 population, and in point of location exceeds in beauty any town in the state. Surrounded by hills on all sides, with the South Umpqua river flowing swiftly to the sea on the western boundary, nothing can surpass the beauty of the town on a joyous spring day when nature has clad the surrounding hills with the verdure of the season. The oak trees that grow thick upon the smaller hills of Southern Oregon are then seen in all their splendor and add to and form one of the chief elements of the landscape. In all the attractions necessary to catch the eye of an artist, and in all the more solid resources to touch the pocket book of the practical man of affairs, nature has dealt most kindly with Douglas county, and nowhere is this remark more true, than in its application to the progressive city of Roseburg.

Roseburg is thus situated at the juncture of Deer creek with the South Umpqua river, and is on the donation claim of Aaron Rose who settled here in 1851, and who is still living in a prime old age in the city which he founded and in which for nearly forty years he has taken the greatest interest. Being the center of a most favored section of country, Roseburg has grown and prospered with the development of its surroundings. Its main dependence has always been upon the farming community, occupying the fertile fields and splendid stock ranges tributary to it. Possessing unlimited water power, it is evident that the future will develop great manufacturing industries, but at the present the water power is only utilized to the extent of running the grist mill of Rose & Flook, on the ourskirts of the corporation. A mill which has lately been improved by the addition of all the latest machinery for the manufacture of the new process of flour.

The city boasts of some of the handsomest business buildings in the state. The fine two story brick stores of S. Marks & Co., Sol Abraham and Caro Bros. being unsurpassed in Oregon, outside of Portland. While the brick block on Jackson street from Washington to Oak street would be an ornament to any city. In this regard Roseburg possesses in the fine large commodious brick building of W. S. Hamilton and the smaller, but neat and attractive brick store of A. C. Marsters & Co. two of the handsomest drug stores in the state; while the barber shop and bath house of Phil DaMotta is known throughout the Pacific coast as the most attractively appointed shop on the slope. The large and finely arranged hardware store of Sheridan Bros. on the corner of Oak and Jackson street is not equalled in Portland, and the jewelry and variety store of J. Jaskulek is worthy of mention. But in respect to such matters as these we call attention to other columns where our business men can speak for themselves.

The court house is at Roseburg and is a substantial brick building, but is becoming inadequate to the wants of the county and will doubtless be enlarged and improved by the addition of a wing and a more modernized roof, as soon as the county's pressing needs for bridges is supplied. The present jail building erected in 1883 is a neat and substantial two story brick building, with the most improved and latest style of iron cells. The upper story is used as the offices of the sheriff and of the county judge and are well lighted and finished rooms.

Roseburg was selected as the county seat of Douglas county in 1859, and in the same year the neighboring town of Winchester, five miles distant on the North Umpqua, was moved over or deserted and its inhabitants joined their fortunes to their more successful rival. In 1872, the O. & C. R. R. made Roseburg its southern terminus on its way from Portland to San Francisco, and for ten years it enjoyed the advantages accruing to the end of a railroad line, doing much business with the counties lying to the south. In 1882 the work on the railroad was recommenced and during the month just passed—December 1887—the last spike, giving Oregon a great trans continental line to the east by way of San Francisco was driven amidst the applause of the two great Pacific coast states. That the facilities thus offered for travel must redound to the interest of all Oregon and more especially of southern Oregon is apparent. Roseburg and Douglas county will receive a greater growth and more rapid development than ever before. The era of prosperity is just dawning.

In 1872 Roseburg became an incorporated city, in its march of progress and since then, through the revenue raised by light taxation, never over three mills, and a comprehensive, yet not burdensome, license system has provided a thorough system of street lamps, and greatly improved the condition of its public streets, in both respects doing thorough and good work. A water system for the protection of the business portion of the city against fire, has also been adopted, and it is to be hoped that a more comprehensive system will be inaugurated in the near future to permit the drainage of the city and to supply water for other purposes than the extinguishment of fires.

The citizens of Roseburg are proud of their town and have faith in its future, and all that is needed for its greater advancement and prosperity, is for our people to unite harmoniously in all public undertakings. During the year just passed the school district comprising the city of Roseburg undertook the erection of a handsome two story school house at a cost of $12,000. This structure now nearing completion will be an ornament to the city and bespeaks a good word for the public spiritedness of our citizens.

Roseburg contains the U. S. Land office for the district comprised in Douglas, Coos, Curry, Jackson, Josephine and Lane counties; and also a U. S. Signal service office.

DRAIN

Is a thriving town of 400 population on the O. & C. R. R. thirty-six miles north of Roseburg, and twelve miles south of the Lane county line. The town itself was called into existence by the building of the railroad which reached this point in 1872 and for some three months Drain was the terminus of the road, during which time the town was laid out on sixty acres of land donated to the railroad company by Charles and John C. Drain. Prior to this time we can trace the history of the settlement briefly as follows: Warren N. Goodell in 1847 took up a donation claim of 320 acres, upon part of which is the present townsite, and sold the same in 1858 to Jesse Applegate, who in turn disposed of it to Charles Drain in 1860. Of these three pioneers Messrs. Applegate and Drain are still living, the latter on the donation claim. Mr. Goodell died several years ago in Yoncolla.

As soon as the town was platted, business houses began to be erected, the first store building in fact being erected by J. W. Krewson a short time before the railroad reached the site. This was followed by a store erected by C. E. Tracy and numerous business houses have been erected since, the largest at present being the general merchandise store of Drain & Co., a firm composed of Charles, J. C. and C. D. Drain, which commenced business in 1876 and erected a large, commodious and handsome brick store in 1883. They carry a large stock and do a substantial business.

At Drain is the saw mill of E. C. Palmer with a capacity of 10,000 feet per day, which does a good business. Johnson & Ellensberg own the grist mill which is a paying property. The town likewise boasts of two excellent hotels both prospering. Jos. Cellars carries on an extensive general merchandise store, Ostertag & Co. do a good business in the grocery line, Joe Lyons conducts a paying drug store, Mattoon & Shelley carry on a livery and blacksmith business and run the stage line to Scottsburg. Drs. Kuykendall & Payton are in partnership as physicians and have an extensive practice, J. M. Stark is in the hardware business and the town has a furniture store, jeweler, millinery shop, shoemaker, harness shop, photographer etc. There was a good settlement surrounding the site of Drain before the railroad gave opportunity for the building of the town. Since, however, the farming community keeps pace in development with the town. There are large sections of railroad and government lands northeast, northwest and southwest of Drain, which have but recently been surveyed and are now open to settlement. This land is principally of a broken character but is excellent for timber and grazing purposes, interspersed with some fine farming land, and at some future day, probably not distant, will be thickly settled. A careful estimate gives that for every 160 acres of this land there will be found at least 40 acres of the very richest soil good for cultivation, when properly cleared. To those seeking homes on government land, THE REVIEW calls their attention more especially to this section of Douglas county.

The chief item of interest in Drain, and one which has added much to its prosperity is the Drain Academy, which by the legislature of 1884 was made a State Normal School. Our readers will be pleased to know something of its history. The school district was organized in 1861 by Charles Drain, C. F. Colvin, J. M. Gardiner and S. Ensley who erected a log school house some two and one half miles west of Drain. Mr. Drain himself starting the work with that indomitable energy which has always characterized him, by going to work one morning to clear the land for a school house. School was conducted in the town hall after the laying out of the town until in 1882 the present academy was erected by the subscription of the citizens and placed under the supervision of the Methodist church. The district school is taught six months in the academic department. At the present writing Prof. R. A. Booth is principal of the academic department and Prof. F. W. Benson A. M., is principal of the normal department, Mrs. F. W. Benson is teacher of music and Miss Myrtle Russell has charge of the art department. There were 176 pupils enrolled last year and the number will be larger the present year. Many of these pupils come from the various sections of the county and the school is in high favor in Lane and Coos counties, attracting students from both. A town with a school bringing patrons from abroad is always lively and thriving and the Drain academy in this regard has been a good business investment for the people of Drain, as well as reflecting honor upon the town by its excellence as a school, its principals ranking among the leading educators of Southern Oregon. The academy has a cosy, well lighted art room and several of the students avail themselves of the opportunity to cultivate the talent of drawing and painting. There is also a well-equipped experimental laboratory for the classes in chemistry and natural philosophy. Drain Academy has won an enviable reputation among the educational institutions of the state and is a school that THE REVIEW takes great pleasure in recommending to parents, and a point worthy of note, is the healthful surrounding of the town and the fact that the sale of liquor is prohibited by the city ordinance under authority of the charter. So evil influences are kept away from the students during their sojourn in Drain.

The Golden Star Mining Co. has its office at Drain. This company was organized in November and the ledge is situated some fifty miles from Drain just over the line in Lane county ten miles from the Bohemia district and was discovered in August by B. F. Pearson. The ledge stands at an angle of about 45 degrees and is about sixty feet wide and croppings have been traced for three thousand feet, the gold being plainly visible to the naked eye. Mr. Pearson and his brothers have been searching for this ledge for seven years devoting their time and money to this object. They were convinced that a very rich quartz ledge was in the mountains on account of gold being found in paying quantities for forty miles along the coast fork of the Willamette which has its source near the ledge. This is the same ledge which Wm. Dilliard prospected for from 1866 until his death a few years ago. Mr. Dillard worked the mines along the Umpqua, which also washes this ledge, and was of the same opinion as the Messrs. Pearsons that when found it would be among the finest ledges ever discovered. The specimens of the rock are very rich and there can be no doubt but that these gentlemen have at last struck a mining ledge that will prove equal to any in the Coeur D'Alene region, and it is also certain that the ledge crosses the Umpqua and is as rich in this county. The Messrs. Pearson, are also convinced that the Bohemia district, which attracted so much attention years ago is rich, and that the parties who worked it, never struck the main ledge but were at work on a slide from it. It will be remembered that the Bohemia was closed by an attempt to freeze out some of the stockholders and consequent disagreement. Parties are at present at work on the original claim or near it, under the supervision of Wm. Sibons, one of the original proprietors. The Golden Star Mining Co. has organized with 100,000 shares of stock at one dollar per share, and the rapid development of the mine will be undertaken in the spring.

On Janurary 19th, 1887 the Umpqua River Railroad and Improvement Co. was incorporated with principal office at Drain, the incorporators being John C. Drain, Levi Kent, Jos Cellers, J. E. Payton, J. W. Krewson, W. A. Perkins, Henry Beckley, J. N. Hedden, A. E. Ozouf, J. B. Leeds, W. F. Jewett, A. W. Reed, H. M. Callwell and W Kuykendall. A preliminary survey was made by W. H. Whipple and the following is a brief summary: The route from Drain to Elkton is sixteen and one-half miles, to Scottsburg thirty six and one-quarter miles, to Old Scottsburg, the terminus thirty eight and one-quarter miles. The elevation at Drain above tidewater is 280 feet and at Elkton 100 feet. The roadbed does not reach a point 100 feet above the level of Elk creek or the Umpqua river at any place on the line, and there is no grade of more than one foot to the hundred. There will be but one tunnel, about nine hundred feet long and the estimated cost of a broad guage steel railroad would be $438,960. The company during the present year will attempt to enlist capital in the enterprise and hope to be able to do so. The survey has proven the entire practicability of the route, and its projectors are showing commendable energy in the matter. No survey has, as yet, been made to Gardiner, or to Brandy Bar distant about some seven and one-half miles below Old Scottsburg and to which ocean vessels could come.

OAKLAND.

Next to Roseburg, Oakland is the largest town in Douglas county, being situated in the midst of a fine farming and stock raising section of country. It is eighteen miles north of Roseburg on the line of the O. & C. R. R. and is beautifully located, having a very attractive and enterprising appearance. The population is in the neighborhood of 500 and the town is incorporated and has a city government. The chief source of its trade, is the farming community which surrounds it. In this respect, it has the best country tributary to it, of any of the towns in the county, with the single exception of Roseburg. Oakland was founded on its present site with the advent of the railroad in 1872, but the Old Town a mile distant had existed as a trading point from the earliest settlement of Umpqua valley. Oakland has all the lines of business houses usually found in a town of its size, and its business men are generally well satisfied with their surroundings and have faith in the continued prosperity and rapid development of their section. There is still some government and railroad land opened to settlement in the vicinity of Oakland, many new settlers in the past year or two availing themselves of the homestead laws, especially through the section of the Kellogg bend on the route to Elkton a road joining these two towns, some twenty-five miles in length. Of course the time has gone by in Oregon for the finding of vacant land along the main thoroughfares of trade, but there is room in Douglas county along the remoter creek bottoms and in the recesses among the hills for a large farming population on land as yet unappropriated. There is a weekly mail route to Kelloggs from Oakland a distance of twenty miles, and a semi-weekly mail carried on a stage to Looking Glass via Umpqua Ferry.

The farming community surrounding Oakland are most enterprising and progressive and have realized the necessity of variety of productions, while producing and marketing their share of grain, wool and live stock, they especially ship to the Portland market a large supply of poultry and eggs, having the enviable reputation. in this regard, of shipping more of this character of produce than any other station on the O. & C. R. R., and there must be great profit and ready money in this source of income, as these articles generally command a high price in the market of the metropolis. Fruit growing, here, as elsewhere, in Douglas county, is coming into great favor and during the past season great progress has been made in this line, which will be supplemented by the planting of many new orchards the coming season.

The general desire here, as may be said to be the case throughout Douglas county, is for the division of the large farms into smaller ones, and considerable land is on the market for this and other causes, at reasonable rates regarding the fertility of the soil and the general prosperity of the region. To the intending settler, he cannot cast his lot in a more promising section than with the good people of Oakland and vicinity. The town itself, has a general air of prosperity that marks it as a successful trading point. All the avenues of trade are here represented by active, pushing business men.

Oakland is the shipping point for the Douglas county cement mine, which is situated about eight miles northwest of the town. It is controlled by the Portland Cement Company whose principle office is in Portland. This company intend opening the mine thoroughly in the spring and intend to work it on a large scale. There has been thorough tests made of the cement manufactured from it, both by assays and by practical tests, (there being considerable work done with it in the city of Portland) and it is pronounced and decided to be equal to the celebrated Portland Cement of England. The supply of the ore seems in exhaustable and there is no doubt but that this will in the future be one of the most important industries in the state, and probably in the United States, as this is the only ore that has ever been found in the United States so far that will make a first class cement.

The following are the leading business houses of Oakland: General Merchandise, A. F. Brown, E. G. Young & Co. Hardware, Stearns & Chenoweth, Young & Hammitte. Groceries, Chas. Medley. Drug Store, Page & Dimmick. Physicians, E. J. Page, J. C. Shambrook. Boots and Shoes, W. T. Turner. Harness, J. S. Beckley, W. H. Moore. Attorney and Notary Public, C. A. Sehlbrede. Dentists, S. K. Raymond, H. Little. Blacksmiths, Jas. Dearling, J. D. Boon. Hotels, R. Thomas, Jas. McKinnon. Wagon Shop, L. McFarland. Rich cinnabar deposits eight miles east of Oakland partially developed, two mines are now being successfully worked, one by Todd Bros., the other by Jas. Chenoweth.

GARDINER.

Situated at the head of Umpqua Bay, seven miles above the mouth of the river, in the extreme northwest section of the county, is the most prosperous and beautiful town of Gardiner containing some 200 inhabitants. This town presents the most attractive and cleanly appearance of any in Douglas county, a matter in which its inhabitants take much pride. The leading industry of Gardiner is the extensive saw mill business of the Gardiner Milling Co. under the management of W. F. Jewett, a young man of business ability, capital and energy. The mill at this point is among the leading ones of the state and does an extensive business, there being probably 300 families who gain more or less of their support through this enterprise in its various departments. The thriving settlement along Smith river and Camp and Mill creeks mostly engaging in the logging business. The annual output of this mill is in the neighborhood of 13,000,000 feet, with an addition of 4,000,000 lathes. The major part, by far, of this amount is shipped direct to San Pedro, California, to supply the Los Angeles market, an occasional vessel sailing for San Diego or the Sandwich Island. The company have an office at San Pedro and the mill is kept busy filling orders, all its output in fact being disposed of as fast as produced. During the year just past 38 vessels, with an average capacity of nearly 400,000 feet were loaded at this mill. The largest being the W. F. Jewett, partly owned by the company, and operated in its interest having a capacity for 700,000 feet of lumber. This is the largest three mast schooner engaged in the trade on the Pacific coast, and is a new vessel which was built expressly for this trade.

Next in importance to its lumber enterprise, Gardiner ranks its salmon cannery, the property of the Gardiner Packing Co., composed at present of Al. W. Reed and W. F. Jewett, and under the able management of Mr. Reed. During the season just passed, this company employed for nearly three and one half months some 80 fishermen and 45 Chinamen, the latter in the canning department They expended over $15,000 in wages, and the output was 8,500 cases of salmon disposed of to Liverpool parties at $4.70 per case and shipped via San Francisco. There are two canneries at Gardiner, but at present they are consolidated under one management, and only one, therefore, was run during the season just passed. For twelve years, the canning business has been founded at this point and has met with various fortunes, the last three years under Mr. Reed's management it has been very successful, phenomenally so, in 1886, when over 19,000 cases were put up and sold at good figures, and the wages aggregating the round sum of $40,000. Mr. Reed carries on a general merchandise store at Gardiner, in which line, he is also successful. The largest mercantile establishment in Gardiner belongs to the milling company, and is a large and commodious two story frame building carrying a very heavy stock of general merchandise.

As the lands on the streams tributary to the Umpqua in the neighborhood of Gardiner are cleared off, in the sale of logs to the mill, much fertile farming land and magnificent stock ranges are disclosed, and these industries are rapidly increasing. There are no better paying business, than the wealth in the timber forests along these streams, or the raising of stock upon the cleared land. For the past few years, the latter industry is becoming a leading one on Smith river and the beautiful country of Schofield creek.

Smith River and the country it waters for thirty miles above Gardiner is thoroughly known and settled by a prosperous and happy people, but there is, of course, room for many more. From its point of settlement at present it winds for probably seventy miles in a northerly direction, through a region as yet but thinly settled, if at all. Those who are best acquainted with this region claim it to be of the general character of the county, consisting of valley, table land, hills and mountains, rich in all the elements of wealth for timber, grazing and farming land. The uppermost part of this section lies near Drain and would probably in the future be tributary to it as a trading point, but at present Gardiner commands the trade of Smith river and would do so almost to its headquarters.

Sufficient importance has never been awarded the mouth of the Umpqua as a harbor and port of entry. Its merits in this regard need heralding to the world, as, while no braggadocio has been indulged in, in its behalf, it is believed by those capable of judging of being the very best harbor on the coast, and the fact that not one of the thirty-eight vessels engaged in the lumber trade, was forced to lay by, or in any manner delayed in entering or going out during the year just passed speaks volumes in praise of the mouth of the Umpqua. Not a cent has ever been spent in its improvement by the government, but it is safe to say that here can be found a water outlet to the sea sufficient to meet all the demands of the Umpqua and the Willamette valleys.

The great necessity of this section from Drain through Elkton and Scottsburg to Gardiner, is the proposed Umpqua river railroad, concerning which we gave a brief outline in the description of Drain elsewhere in this edition. But it is of no more importance to the region mentioned than it is to all Douglas county, and the entire feasibility of the scheme can be made apparent to any one who will take the trouble to investigate. Allow THE REVIEW to remark right here to any croaking ones, that we believe the Umpqua river railroad a practical route of the utmost importance to all the people of the county and destined to be built in the near future

Among the pleasant acquaintances whom we made or renewed at Gardiner and to whom we are under obligations for favors shown, were the genial Dr. T. C. Mackey, postmaster and health officer, proprietor of the Gardiner drug store, and a physician of acknowledged ability and merit, who attends to the health of the people over a large extent of territory; Messrs. Jewett and McKenzie, of the milling company, who kindly furnished many facts for this edition; the whole-souled Al. Reed, who never saw a Roseburger in Gardiner before unless he was after votes (we were there once) or taxes, and Peter Nelson, the Democratic war horse who has a host of friends wherever known, and Wm. Dewer. J. M. Daley and Albert Perkins, of Smith river, who kindly assisted us in swelling the list of THE REVIEW. In fact we fell in love with Gardiner and its good people.

SCOTTSBURG.

A village on the Umpqua boasts of two hotels, a general merchandise store, a tannery, and other business houses. The tannery is a good paying property employing two hands and having an annual output of from $5,000 to $6,000, securing most of its hides from Gardiner and from the surrounding country. Its products commands the very highest price in the San Francisco market. Scottsburg ships annually principally through the mercantile establishment of Hedden & Son in the neighborhood of 40,000 pounds of wool and between 300 and 400 tons of grain, wheat and oats, by way of Gardiner to the San Francisco market. Some 20,000 pounds of hops are raised and exported every year from the extensive hop farm of H. Lamphere, three miles from Scottsburg and has proven a paying business. The country around Scottsburg is adapted to all the various uses of the farmer, the stockraiser and the lumberman. The Loon lake region eleven miles distant contains government land that is equal to any for farming and stock. The people express great confidence in the practicability of the trail connection with Drain. At present Scottsburg enjoys mail facilities only by tri-weekly steamer to Gardiner, twenty miles distant conducted by the successful and genial Captain Cornwall and a tri weekly stage to Drain, thirty-six miles east, run by Messrs. Mattoon & Shelly, two as agreeable and enterprising gentlemen as one could meet. But the people desire to hear the whistle of the locomotive and urge in common with all northern Douglas the necessity of a rail route to the coast.

ELKTON.

Almost midway between Drain and Scottsburg on the stage road and on Elk creek just above its junction with the Umpqua is the prospering village of Elkton. Here Henry Beckly conducts a general merchandise business, a grist mill and a saw mill, supplying in these essentials the settlements for miles around. The town also boasts a good hotel, which is the dinner station for the stage line. Elkton also lifts her voice in behalf of the Umpqua river railroad, which would open and greatly develop all the available resources of this section.

COLES VALLEY.

As the observing traveler passes through Douglas county and feasts his eyes on the romantic and picturesque valleys and coves that he nestled in among the ranges of hills that intersect every part of it, he finds none more pleasing to look upon than Coles Valley. If he has a taste for picturesque scenery and beautiful landscape views he can feast his eyes as nowhere else; should he be of a commercial turn and see no beauty in anything except that which will yield dollars and cents he cannot but be pleased with the fertility of the soil which needs but little cultivation to yield large returns.

Coles Valley was named in honor of Dr. James Cole, one of the first settlers in the early fifties, and who at the present writing lives near there enjoying quietly the last days of a well ordered life. With a few exceptions all the first settlers that were not of the speculative land shark order, are living on the farms they first occupied when they cast their lots in the wild west. That all of them are well satisfied goes without saying for it would be impossible to buy land in their locality for less than twice as much as would be asked for it in any other part of the county. Grain and stock raising have been the chief industries up to the present time, but now fruit growing is gaining favor and several large orchards are being put out with more to follow in the near future. Two mail routes pass through the valley one from Millwod to Roseburg and the other from Oakland to Looking Glass. Mr. Shambrook keeps a general store and Post office at Umpqua Ferry where there is a blacksmith shop and hotel. Clark & Baker are proprietors of a saw and plaining mill where the Post office of Millwood is, and near there C. A. Briggs has a saw and shingle mill.

The Coast Range mountains shelter this valley on the north and west and from its canyons hundreds of running springs afford water for the inhabitants and their stock. We call the attention of the lovers of the beautiful to the mountain scenery that may be enjoyed in the valley and neighborhood. Directly north and across the Umpqua river from the valley stands alone a large butte familiarly called "Old Tyee" a name that needs no explanation to any old pioneer. In the Chinook language it means "chief" and was given to this mountain on account of its being so much higher than any of the surrounding peaks. A trip to the summit of Tyee is considered the proper thing for a treat to visitors and is generally well appreciated. It stands 2900 feet above the valley and from its summit can be seen Mt. Pitt in Jackson county in the south, Mt. Thielson, Old Baldy and Diamond peak of the Cascade range in the east and the Three Sisters and Mt. Jefferson in the north. Some have, after considerable straining of eyesight and stretching of immagination, thought they could see Mt. Hood in the dim and misty distance. It is beyond doubt however that a view can be had from its summit of over one hundred miles. From Tyee the surrounding country of Coles valley, Garden Bottom, Calapooia and Camas Swale looks like a large well-ordered garden and the various streams winding through them look like irrigating ditches. The ascent is not difficult as a wagon can be driven more than half way to the summit.

WILBUR

Is a trading point situated on the O. & C. R. R. half-way between Roseburg and Oakland. This is the seat of the Umpqua Academy an educational institution of recognized merit. A general merchandise store doing a good business, and a hotel and one or two other business houses, all prospering are conducted in Wilbur. The resources of the county immediately surrounding Wilbur are good, and are of the general character of the county. Here, as elsewhere, is plenty of room for a large population and the building of a thriving town at Wilbur.

YONCOLLA,

Is situated a few miles south of Drain, on the railroad in the rich Yoncolla valley, at which point is a general merchandise store and a hotel. This is a shipping point for a good section of country, and is one of the oldest settled valleys in the Umpqua. The land is rich and fertile and the people are consequently prosperous.

RICE HILL,

A few miles of Oakland is a railway shipping point for the settlement around and about it.

COMSTOCKS,

Is the last station on the O. & C. R. in the northern end of the county, and was named for J. J. Comstock, whose saw mill was formerly at this point.

DILLARDS

Is a railroad shipping point for a good section of territory, ten miles south of Roseburg, and contains a general merchandise store, and a hotel. There is splendid bottom land in great quantity in the immediate vicinity, well adapted to fruit culture, hop raising and all needs of the agriculturists. A nursery is here being set out, which will prove one of the paying investments of Douglas county.

GLENDALE.

Situated almost on the southern boundary of Douglas county fifty miles from Roseburg, is the most thriving of the railroad towns that sprung into existence with the extention of the O. & C. R. R. in 1883. Here is a large saw mill, the property of Sol. Abraham of Roseburg, and an inexhaustible supply of timber in the immediate neighborhood. The railroad has a round house here and a crew of section men. There are two general merchandise stores both doing a good paying business, one owned by Mr. Abraham and in charge of J. W. Singletary and the other conducted by its proprietor W. E. Dean. Mrs. Clarke, formerly of Roseburg is the proprietress of the hotel and does a good business. The outlook for the future of Glendale is promising, there being considerable farming land tributary to it which is being rapidly developed since the advent of the railroad. There are also many placer mining claims along the numerous mountain creeks, which are worked, in a primitive manner and which yield fair returns and speak much for the mineral richness of this section. Glendale's location, in a small canyon surrounded by lofty and heavily timbered mountains, gives the traveler but an inadequate idea of the farming country back of it, and which will guarantee its future prosperity. Here, as elsewhere in Douglas county, is being agitated the advantages of fruit growing, which will doubtless be the leading industry of the county in a few years.

RIDDLE.

In the heart of the famous Cow creek valley, on the O. & C. R. R. some thirty miles south of Roseburg is the trading point for a good territory of country. At this point is the store of G. W. Riddle doing a good business, and a hotel conducted by Mr. Nichols. Near Riddle is situated the nickel mine under the management of Will Q. Brown, which it is safe to say will prove a most valuable property, a large quantity of the ore having been recently sent to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania for reduction. If a successful method of reducing the ore is discovered this will be one of the best paying mining properties on the coast. The land surrounding Riddle is adapted to agriculture, stock-raising and the cultivation of fruit, the latter promising to be one of the great industries of Douglas [illegible] future.

CANYONVILLE

Is situated twenty-seven miles south of Roseburg, and six miles from Riddle the nearest railroad point. It is a town of much historical interest and was a station of importance on the old California and Oregon stage route before the advent of the railroad. The land surrounding Canyonville is very rich and productive, yielding bountiful returns in wheat, oats, barley and corn, and also well adapted to fruit raising and the cultivation of vegetables. The lofty mountains surrounding Canyonville have often been prospected and no doubt are rich in mineral deposits. Near the town are two grist mills of good capacity and a saw mill capable of furnishing all the lumber needed in the vicinity. Wollenberg Bros., and Wm. Manning carry on extensive mercantile establishments at this point and command the trade of a large section of country. There are also hotels, blacksmith shops, wagon shops and other business houses in Canyonville which is the central point of a large area of country.

MYRTLE CREEK.

Has been a trading point ever since 1856, but was laid off into town lots by John Hall in 1865 and began to take on the proportions of a town. A beautiful grove of myrtles near the town, gives the name to the creek and village, the latter being situated in a beautiful valley some five miles in length. Near the town also is the Missouri bottom, so named from the state of its early settlers, and which is the most fertile region of Douglas county, the soil being a rich sandy loam from deposits of the South Umpqua river.

Myrtle Creek and the country surrounding it has taken the lead in the fruit culture, the quantity of prunes produced to the tree and acre being marvelous, large tracts of lands averaging their proprietors net incomes of $150 to $300 per acre annually from this source. It is this evidence the success of the prune industry that has stimulated the zeal of agriculturists in the interest of fruit growing throughout all Douglas county, so much so, that the nurseries of the state could not meet the demands made upon them for trees—especially of the numerous varieties of prunes. During the year, THE REVIEW expects to devote much space to fruit culture, as it believes it has been demonstrated beyond doubt that the climate and soil of Douglas county, and the rapidly extending markets thrown open by new lines of railroad, will make the fruit output of Douglas county one of its richest sources of income. Mineral deposits of gold, silver and other metals are found along all the creeks and mountain gulches in the southern part of the county from Myrtle Creek, to the county boundary, and prospectors and miners are constantly plying their vocation.

Myrtle Creek is situated on the O. & C. R. R. eighteen miles south of Roseburg, possesses two general stores, a blacksmith shop, hotel, grist mill of latest improved machinery and good capacity, and other business houses. Also unlimited water power, a rich and prosperous settlement surrounding it, is in the lead in the production of fruit, and is one of the very best points in the country. A few acres of land here properly cultivated in the growing of prunes, as has been demonstrated, is equal as a source of profit to a large farm in grain. The stock resources of Myrtle Creek, the production of wool and grain are still its leading industries, and in these regards it compares favorably with any section of Oregon.

LOOKING GLASS,

An important valley lying 8 miles west of Roseburg, on the Coos Bay wagon road. Here is a general merchandise store, hotel and other business houses. This is one of the largest of the valleys composing the Umpqua system and is well watered by Looking Glass creek and its tributaries. The valley was settled under the donation laws in the early fifties, many of the old pioneers still being on the farms they secured at that date.

Throughout Looking Glass valley, and Ten Mile, Olalla and Camas districts can be found indications of coal. This valuable deposit, in fact, will most probably in the future be one of the leading industries of the section named, but at present the undeveloped resources demand but a limited supply.

TEN MILE AND CAMAS VALLEY

Lying south of Looking Glass and southwest of Roseburg are the splendid valleys and agricultural and stock regions of Ten Mile and Camas Valley, comprising some of the very best land in the county.

MT. SCOTT

Precinct lies some twenty miles northeast of Roseburg and supports a thriving farming settlement, and its resources are as yet in their infancy.

OTHER POINTS.

There are other points of interest in Douglas county, besides those mentioned in this article, but the review of the county and of its resources was undertaken too late to give adequate time to thorough work, and the present article can only be taken as the ground work, as stated elsewhere, of more faithful labor by THE REVIEW in this direction in the future. The points not mentioned in detail, however, are generally the sections of country immediately surrounding and tributary to the larger trading points fully described, and which it goes without saying, must be rich, fertile and progressive to support in prosperity the towns. Such, for instance, are the splendid regions of Deer creek, of Roberts creek and French settlement all immediately tributary to Roseburg; and Green valley, Elk Head and English settlement in the neighborhood of Oakland. It is no slight task to review in detail a section of country as large as the state of Connecticut, a vast empire, in fact, of varied resources and enterprises but the work, such as it is, we submit to the readers of THE REVIEW.

Fruit Culture

Douglas county has long been noted for the production of grain and as a stock region, and it has also been an established fact that as a fruit section it could not be surpassed. But the lack of market for the latter has proven a serious drawback to orchardists, and many orchards have been totally neglected, but with the advent of the railroad, the extension of the transcontinental lines, and the development of the mining regions of Idaho and Montana an extensive market is being rapidly developed for the fruit of all Oregon, and as a consequence, the importance of this source of revenue has constantly increased.

Several persons along the rich sandy bottoms of the river adjacent Roseburg have gone extensively into the cultivation of the smaller fruits, the luscious strawberries, black berries and raspberries, and find a ready sale for the same in Portland, being the first Oregon berries in that market. Mr. Thomas Farquar of this city has succeeded in growing on the island near town, a lasge and constantly increasing quantity of peaches, exceeding in lusciousness and size those of California; while the prune industry has proven a source of great profit to the entire southern end of the county and will doubtless yield as well in other sections. There has been a general movement of agriculturalists towards diversified crops and the present outlook indicates that the fruit culture will take a most important rank in Douglas county, in the immediate future.

W. G. Woodward is developing an extensive marble and lime quarry ten miles east of Roseburg. The samples of marble are beautiful and of various colors. He will enlist capital in the enterprise as the supply is inexhaustible or develop the ledge himself.

LEADING FIRMS.

INTERESTING FACTS CONCERNING ROSEBURG'S ENTERPRISING BUSINESS MEN.

S. MARKS & CO.

In their handsome and imposing two story brick building on the leading trade corner of Roseburg, is one of the leading and solid firms of Oregon, and is the oldest general merchandise store in Roseburg. This business was founded in the fifties by its present proprietors Samuel and Ashea Marks and has grown and prospered with the town and county. They carry one of the largest and best selected stocks of general merchandise replete in every department, besides being large dealers in grain and wool, and having large and varied interests throughout Southern Douglas This firm has a well established business and have a regular trade among the old settlers, as well as attracting new customers by fair and liberal dealing.

MOORE & EVANS,

Grocers, stationers, and dealers in agricultural implements. This firm founded by W. N. Moore in 1885, with whom entered in partnership in 1887, Samuel Evans, is rapidly becoming one of the most substantial business houses in the county. The young men comprising the firm are of Douglas county birth and are of the kind of which the county is justly proud They carry a large stock of groceries and stationery and during the season pay especial attention to the sale of agricultural implements, being agents for the well-known Portland house, Knapp, Burrell & Co. During the past year the trade of this firm more than doubled the trade of 1886 and they enter the New Year of 1888 determined to maintain their lead as the people's grocers. Their stock is fresh and only of the standard goods, which are sold at the most reasonable rates. They can be found at the post office store on Jackson street.

SHERIDAN BROS.

Hardware dealers on the corner of Jackson and Oak streets have the handsomest brick store of the character in the state, and carry a large and complete stock of Hardware, Stoves, Tinware, Guns, Pistols and Agricultural Implements, making specialties of Superior stoves and ranges, "Lansing" wagons, "White" sewing machines, "Champion" mowers, reapers and binders, "Bryan" steel and chilled plows, and Winchester rifles and shot guns. They have a large trade all over Southern Oregon in consequence of being large dealers and buying directly at the factories enabling them to sell at the very lowest prices. The firm consists of Thomas R. and John P. Sheridan, two of Roseburg's most prosperous and enterprising business men.

HARRY McCLALLEN,

Dealer in Cigars, Tobacco, Confectionery, Notions and Fancy articles is the proprietor of the popular Red Front establishment on the corner of Jackson and Washington streets. Mr. McClallen is a young man of fine business abilities, is energetic and obliging and is becoming one of Douglas counties solid men. He carries a large and well selected stock and does a constantly increasing business in his line. His establishment is the popular headquarters for the social intercourse of our citizens, so do not fail to drop in to see him when in town.

H. C. STANTON

Carries a large and well selected stock of General Merchandise in his commodious brick store on Jackson street, making a specialty of Groceries and Stationery, while having in stock an assortment of Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots and Shoes, and all articles found in a general merchandise store. Mr. Stanton has been in business for a number of years, and his motto has always been how low he could sell his goods, not how much profit could he make, and his business in consequence has grown in importance with the years. Mr. Stanton will be found an obliging gentleman to deal with, as well as a business man of the strictest integrity.

D. T. PRITCHARD

Practical Watchmaker and Jeweler, on Jackson street, near Oak, has been engaged in business in this city about a year. He came well recommended as a practical workman in his line from Eugene City, where he has formerly been in business, and THE REVIEW takes great pleasure in recommending him to those desiring work in his line. He likewise carries a well-selected stock of Watches, Jewelry, Clocks, etc., which he sells at the very lowest rates. We are pleased to note that his trade has constantly increased with his sojourn among us and that his establishment will be one of our prosperous business houses. Give Mr. Pritchard a call.

M. JOSEPHSON

In the large brick store on the southeast corner of Jackson and Washington streets carries an immense stock of General Merchandise and does a correspondingly large business. Mr. Josephson has been in business in Roseburg for eleven years and was the merchant who inaugurated low prices, and in this regard of large sales and small profits he has maintained the lead ever since. His stock is complete in every department and when in need of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Clothing or any other articles, call on Roseburg's leading merchant—M. Josephson.

W. S. HAMILTON

Conducts a leading Drug business in the large and handsome brick structure on Jackson street opposite the post office, and which extends through the block to Main street. This is the largest retail establishment of the kind in the state, outside of Portland and rivals any of the drug stores of the metropolis. Mr. Hamilton is a young man, having purchased a few years since, the business of his father, Dr. S. Hamilton, and is recognized as a man of the very best business ability and is one of the best posted men in his line on the Pacific coast. He carries a complete line of Drugs, Medicines, Stationery, etc., and gives especial attention to the filling of prescriptions. Also agent of the Western Union Telegraph Co.

C. W. PARKS & CO.

In their own substantial brick building in the handsome block on Jackson street carry on a large grocery business, their delivery wagon being constantly employed in taking orders to all parts of the city. Their stock is kept constantly fresh and replenished and they seek to please by giving the very best goods for the least money. Country produce is a specialty with this firm, and can always be found at their store when in the market. For fair dealing, standard quality and low prices, give Parks & Co. a call.

H. PARRY.

Roseburg's popular and enterprising Merchant Tailor has now been a resident of the city for four years, during which time by close application to business, and the fact that he is a thorough master of his trade he has built up a trade that is a pride to our town. Notwithstanding the fact that Mr. Parry devotes his entire attention to his work himself he is obliged to employ one and sometimes two assistants, his business having grown to such proportions. His work is of the very best quality and he never fails to give satisfaction, so much so that former Roseburgers now residing elsewhere leave their measure with him.

PHIL DaMOTTA,

The geniel proprietor of the handsome barber shop and bath rooms in the large brick next door south of Hamilton's drug store, stands at the head of his profession, and is known throughout the Pacific coast for his skill. Mr. DaMotta has been a resident of Roseburg for many years and has prospered with its growth, and his shop has always been a pride and ornament to our city. As stated in the general description of Roseburg published elsewhere, it rivals in its appointments and furniture any shop on the coast. Of course, Mr. DaMotta commands a large patronage and commercial travelers always make it a point to call and see him.

CARO BROS.

Carry on a General Merchandise business in the fine two-story brick building on the southeast corner of Jackson and Washington streets. and are determined to control their share of the trade by low prices and standard goods. The firm is composed of Simon and Isadore Caro, active and energetic business men. Their stock is replete in all its departments and it would be a safe plan not to buy elsewhere before giving them a call, as they can suit you in quality and price. Remember the place on the corner north of the post office.

M. B. HOWELL,

A thorough and practical business man, a native of New York, has cast his lot in Roseburg the last few years, and two years ago established on his own property one block south of the depot, an extensive lumber yard, and now commands a good and growing trade. He can always be found at his place of business and carries a good stock of all kinds of Lumber, Doors, Sash, Fruit Boxes, Wood, Coal, Lime, Feed and Flour, and transacts a general commission business. Mr. Howell is an active and enterprising gentleman, and when needing anything in his line, do not fail to give him a call.

DR. C. A. BONHAM,

Has a handsome dental office up stairs in Marks brick building and is the leading dentist of Douglas county. Dr. Bonham has been located in Roseburg a year, during which time by the excellence of his work and the reasonableness of his charges he has established a paying business. Teeth extracted without pain, when desired, filling neatly done and artificial teeth furnished to give satisfaction at very low rates. When in need of dental work remember Dr. Bonham.

SOL. ABRAHAM.

For thirty years, Mr. Abraham has been a merchant in various sections of Douglas county, and is probably the most enterprising business man in this section, having interests co-extensive with the boundaries of the county of which he is a pioneer. His elegant stone front two story brick store situated on one of the best corners in Roseburg, rivals any in Oregon. At the present writing, Mr. Abraham is conducting the greatest clearance and reduction sale ever inaugurated by a merchant in Southern Oregon, his trade during the last few months having been phenominal, notwithstanding the dulness of the season and the cry of hard times.

BARKER & WILLIS.

In a fine brick building on Jackson street carry the largest and most complete stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries in the city. This is an enterprising firm fully abreast of the times and being large dealers and buying for cost, they are enabled to sell their goods at the very lowest prices, and consequently enjoy a large trade and their store is recognized as one of the well established business houses of Roseburg. The proprietors are agreeable and obliging gentlemen with whom it is a pleasure to deal. While doing an extensive and increasing trade in the city, delivering goods to any part of it free of charge, they have a solid and growing country trade, unsurpassed by any house of the kind in the county. Give them a call.

J. JASKULEK,

This enterprising gentleman, whose fine jewelry and watchmaking establishment on Jackson street is an ornament to the city, has during the past year made extensive enlargement in his business house and in the lines of goods he carries, having added to his complete lines of Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware, Spectacles, Cigars and General Bargain Counter, a large stock of General Hardware consisting of Stoves, Tinware, Nails, etc. Also a well selected stock of Crockery, Glassware and Lamps. In fact, Mr. Jaskulek carries one of the largest stocks of general merchandise, not including dry goods and groceries in the city, which he sells at Bargain prices. Watches and jewelry skillfully repaired.

THE McCLALLEN HOUSE.

Roseburg's popular hotel under the management of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. McClallen, is the best conducted hotel in Southern Oregon, being universally patronized by commercial travelers, and is in great favor among our home people, boasting of a large number of our townspeople as regular boarders. The entire culinary department is under the charge of Mrs. McClallen who is unrivalled in the management of such work. Mr. McClallen has already made arrangements, secured material and intends to erect a large and handsome addition to the present building in the spring, which fact alone testifies to the great popularity of the house and to the enterprise of its proprietor.

THE DEPOT HOTEL.

Conducted by Smith Bailey is a popular hotel near the Depot, and is managed in first class style. Mrs. Bailey ably assists in the management. This house is a great resort for the traveling public and its nearness to the depot especially accommodates those wishing to take trains.

W. B. ROHRER & CO.

Leading Butchers, on Jackson street, south of Washington at McGregor's old stand, do a good business in supplying the market in everything in their line. Meats delivered to all parts of the city. This firm has been established in this city for two years and commands a constantly increasing trade.

L. LANGENBERG

In his own brick building on Jackson street carries on a large boot and shoe business also notions and cigars. Mr. Langenberg does custom work and gives especial attention to repairing. A resident of the city for a number of years he has built up an extensive business in his line by industry and enterprise. Give him a call.

J. H. O'MALLEY,

Proprietor of the Roseburg marble works is a most skillful workman in his line, and is an artistic worker in marble. Proper respect for the dead, the marking of their burial spot by enduring stone is one of the most lovable traits in human character. Mr. O'Malley makes a specialty of cemetery work, and there is no occasion to send out of the county for any work in the marble line when so good a workman lives in our midst. Mr. O'Malley has his place of business on Washington street near the corner of Main, in the block formerly occupied by Floed & Co. as a ware house, and would be pleased to show samples of his work at any time. Keep your money at home and patronize home industry is a good motto at any time, more especially so when by so doing, you patronize a worthy and competent workman.

S. B. HENDRICKS

Has formed a partnership with THE REVIEW Real Estate Company, and has assumed the management of a real estate business, with headquarters in THE REVIEW office. An extended advertisement of the new firm can be found elsewhere in this issue. Parties desiring to sell property, or wishing to buy lands should not fail to place their business in the hands of this firm. A large quantity of farming land and city property has already been listed by the company, and Mr. Hendricks, who is a live, active business man will take pleasure in showing the same to intending purchasers.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The railroad commissioners went south Tuesday morning to examine the wreck.

Bird Houston went to Junction this week to visit his parents.

It snowed last Monday to the depth of about eight inches. The ground is still covered.

Rev. J. M. Carle has put down a new sidewalk and repainted his residence. These are handsome improvements.

Prof Rigler, of the Portland schools who, was fined $25 for whipping a pupil, was entirely exonerated by the school board.

The Portland Telegram published Governor Pennoyer's speech at the railroad celebration an hour or two before it was delivered. Enterprise that.

Our old friend M. Wilkins has been appointed by Dr. Lane steward at the Asylum vice Mr. Irwin resigned. Hurrah for Mat, he is one of the best boys in Oregon anyway.

Episcopal services next Sunday, morning and evening. Morning at 1 a. m. and evening at 7 p. m. Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. There will be a reception at the rectory on Thursday evening from 8 to 10:30 p. m. All are cordially invited.

Prof. G. J. Orr, LL D., State School Commissioner of Georgia, died in Atlanta on the 12th inst. He was a man of spotless character and an officer of great learning and efficiency. Hon. J. S. Hook, of Augusta, has been appointed by the Governor to fill the unexpired term.

FINE HORSE.—R. B. Dixon rode to town last Saturday the finest horse in Douglas county. The horse is 4 years old, weighs 1600 lbs. and the fastest walker in the county to his weight.

ONE PHOTOGRAPH FREE OF CHARGE.—The pioneers of Douglas county are invited during this month to Graves gallery in Roseburg for the purpose of having a negative taken for which they will receive one cabinet size photograph of the same. Do not delay on account of cloudy weather, all we ask is good day light, at this time of the year, from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. Come when your health is in the best condition this is more essential than the weather.

The second quarterly meeting for the Roseburg charge of the M. E. church will be held in this city the 14th and 15th inst. Preaching the first day (Saturday) at 2 P. M., after which the quarterly conference will be held and in the evening of the same day at 7 o'clock another preaching service. Lovefeast on Sunday at 10 and preaching at 11 A. M., at the close of which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered. Services at the usual hour on Sunday evening. The presiding elder Rev. S. P. Wilson will be in attendance and have charge of all these services. A collection will be taken at the close of the Sunday morning service to meet the claim of the Elder. It is hoped that all members of the quarterly conference will be present but in cases where this is not possible a written report will be expected.

D. T. SUMMERVILLE, pastor.

How often do we hear of the sudden and fatal termination of a case of croup, when a young life might have been saved by the prompt use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Ayer's Almanac for the new year is out. Get one.

SIGNAL SERVICE, U. S. ARMY.

Office of The Observer.

ROSEBURG Oregon. Jan. 2, 1888.

The following table gives the annual meteorological summary of this station for the year 1887. Latitude 43° 13' longitude [illegible] elevation above sea level 523 feet.

1887 Months	Barometer Mean	Temperature Mean	Temperature Max	Temperature Min	Temperature Mean max.	Temperature Mean min.	Temperature Mean for 9 yrs	Relative Humidity Mean	Cloudiness Mean (in tenths)	Precipitation (in inches & hundredths) Total Amt.	Precipitation Average monthly for 9 years.	Wind (Miles) Total mov'mt	Wind Maximum veloc. & dir.	Wind prev dir.	Number of Days Clear	Number of Days Fair	Number of Days Cloudy	Number of Days Rain fall	Number of Days Thunder Storms.
January	29.620	43.4	58.1	23.2	49.2	37.6	40.1	84.5	7.9	8.64	6.45	3080	24 S	S	2	9	20	25	0
February	29.437	33.6	70.0	7.0	41.7	26.8	41.9	93.5	7.0	6.24	4.70	2255	18 W	W	1	18	9	19	0
March	29.589	49.6	81.0	28.6	61.9	39.6	47.6	72.1	6.4	2.38	3.34	2726	33 S	NW	5	12	14	12	0
April	29.540	50.3	77.6	27.5	60.8	41.0	50.8	67.6	6.5	3.79	3.10	3256	20 SW	W	3	16	11	14	0
May	29.493	57.2	102.	31.7	70.2	45.4	56.1	65.0	4.9	1.53	1.79	3444	21 S	N	8	15	8	13	1
June	29.494	60.2	97.1	38.6	73.3	45.7	61.1	60.3	4.1	0.80	0.96	3363	16 NW	NW	14	10	6	7	0
July	29.509	66.1	93.1	39.6	81.6	49.0	65.9	60.2	1.2	0.07	0.49	5606	18 NW	NW	25	6	0	1	0
August	29.430	64.7	89.0	45.1	78.5	51.3	65.5	65.6	1.6	0.08	0.29	3144	22 NW	NW	23	8	0	2	1
September	29.466	61.5	95.1	36.3	77.2	45.1	60.8	60.2	2.9	0.51	0.80	2285	24 S&N	W	18	7	5	6	1
October	29.613	53.7	82.0	26.5	68.4	40.4	51.3	71.2	3.1	1.13	2.68	1900	20 SW	W	17	11	3	5	0
November	29.540	45.5	69.1	20.0	54.5	36.4	43.7	82.9	6.1	3.19	3.79	1525	24 SE	W	6	14	10	9	0
December	29.557	43.1	58.0	26.3	48.7	35.7	42.1	84.3	7.9	8.89	6.43	2783	30 SW	S	0	12	19	22	0
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WEATHER REPORT.

ROSEBURG, OR. Month of December, 1887.

Mean Actual Barometer	29.957
Highest Barometer	30.02
Lowest Barometer	28.70
Monthly Range of Barometer	1.32
Mean Temperature	43.1
Highest Temperature	58.0
Lowest Temperature	26.3
Monthly Range Temperature	31.7
Greatest Daily Range of Temp.	20.3
Least Daily Range of Temp	7.5
Mean Daily Range of Temp	13.0
Mean Daily Dew-point	38.2
Mean Daily Relative Humidity	84.3
Prevailing Dir. of Wind	South.
Total Movement of Wind Miles	2783
Highest Veloc. Wind & Dir. 30 Miles	S W.
Total Precipitation	8.89
No. of days Which Rain or Snow Fell	22.
No. of Foggy Days	0.
" " Clear "	0.
" " Fair "	12.
" " Cloudy "	19.
Dates of Solar Halos	10, 14.
Dates of Lunar Halos	1, 27.
Dates of Frosts { Light	1st, 13th.
Dates of Frosts { Killing	14, 19, 21.
Dates of Thunderstorms	0

B. S. PAGUE,
Observer,
Signal Corps U. S. A.

Read the Death Roll.

Which the bills of mortality of any large city may be fitly designated, and you will find that renal and vesical maladies, that is to say, those that effect the kidneys or bladder, have a remarkable prominence—we had almost said—preponderance. Bright's disease and diabetes in the chronic stage are rarely cured, and gravel, catarrh of the bladder and enuresis, slay many. Yet at the outset, when the trouble merely amounts to inactivity of the organs involved, the danger may be nullified by that pleasant renal tonic and diuretic, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which imparts the requisite amount of tone to the organs without over exciting them, and the use of which is convenient, and involves no elaborate preparation. Dyspepsia, a usual concomitant of renal complaints, and debility, which they invariably produce, are remedied by it. So also are constipation, malarial, rheumatic and nervous ailments.

Our Wealthy Men.

Much has been said in newspapers of men who have made large fortunes in comparatively a few years in various business industries. Many of these articles are written by correspondents of prominent newspapers, and copied into others of lesser note. Correspondents generally are seldom men of business qualifications and wrongfully picture these men and their business as a thing of accident; this is not the case with those we have met. We find that where men have made large fortunes by their own business talent and industry they chose with sagacity and forethought such businesses as would lead to success when handled with business judgment. No man has been brought before the public as an example of success, both in wealth and magnitude of his business (outside of stock and railroad men) more prominently than than Dr. G. G. Green of Woodbury, N. J. He is at the head of many large business industries, and yet comparatively a young man. When the fact that August Flower, for dyspepsia and liver complaint and Boschee's German Syrup, for cough and lung troubles, has grown to a wonderful sale in all parts of the world, it proves that it was not an accident or spontaneous strike as wealth. His medicines are recognized as valuable and established remedies and the business has grown gradually and permanently during the last eighteen years on account not alone of Dr. Green's abilities as a business man or his "good luck," but on the actual merits of the two preparations.—Copied from the N. Y. Weekly Sun, of Dec. 22, 1886.

DIED.

PAGE.—Lilly Page eldest daughter of Dr. E J Page, died at Oakland on Tuesday evening after a lingering illness of a disease of a Diphtheric character. For several days, the child had been between life and death, but not withstanding the most patient care and skillful treatment, the dread disease could not be thrown off, and the Angel of Death claimed her for his own. A bright, lovely and attractive child, a general favorite, Lily will be mourned by all, and sympathy of the entire community goes out to the afflicted ones, without measure.

VAN BUREN.—In this city on Friday evening last, Albert Van Buren, son of Mrs. Alice Van Buren died at the family residence, aged 16 years, of that dread disease Diphtheria. On Saturday morning Emma Van Buren, sister of Albert, departed this life aged 9 years, from the same terrible scourge, Death always terrible, is most so, when it invades a happy home, and ruthlessly lays its hands upon the children, the pride and joy of a mother's heart. In such moments the divine command of the Man of Sorrows, "Suffer little children to come unto me" is the only consolation, and its richness and fullness can only appeal to a Christian's heart, and with time, assuage the grief of broken hearts.

THE COUNTY PRESS.

We neglected any mention of the county press in the leading article of this issue, but will supply the omission now. The Plaindealer published by Buick & Benjamin, at Roseburg, is the oldest paper in the county, being in its sixteenth year. It [illegible] in politics, but a fair opponent, [illegible] prising journal.

The Drain Echo, at the thriving town of Drain, is a lusty echo of the material progress of that section, indeed. It is two years old, has shown grit, loyalty and enterprise and a credit to Douglas county. Its Roseburg correspondent furnishes weekly splendid summary of news from the county seat.

The Umpqua Herald, at Oakland, founded a few months since by Fisher Bros., is the latest candidate for public favor. It is a bright, newsy sheet and Mr. Charles [illegible] the manager, shows considerable newspaper talent. He is a rustler and is bound to succeed.

THE REVIEW, the largest journal in Douglas county, noted for its modesty, will allow this issue to speak for itself.

"I was troubled with an eruption on my face, which was a source of constant annoyance when I wish to appear in company. After using ten bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the humor entirely disappeared."—Mary M Wood, 40 Adams st., Lowell, Mass.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I have given my son David E. Noah his time and I will not be responsible for any debts or obligations he may contract, nor will I claim any of his wages.

G. W. NOAH.

Dated Dec. 23, 1887.

We notice in The Bancroft Compy's Christmas Circular, that "The Pioneers Offering" a book of poems by H. H. Wood Roseburg Oregon is offered for sale as a [illegible] and rare work. Price quoted at $3.[illegible] valuable collection of the "Divine Afflatus" meets at last after twenty years public recognition of merit and fame. So [illegible] ward who happens to be a [illegible] Roseburg now he has got fame [illegible] him cannot be accused in a d[illegible] as "Auri sacre fame."—[illegible] gold.)

Astonishing Success.

It is the duty of every person who has Boschee's German Syrup to let its wonderful qualities be known to their friends in curing Consumption, severe Coughs, Croup, Asthma, Pneumonia, and in fact all throat and lung diseases. No person can take it without immediate relief. Three doses will relieve any case, and we consider it the duty of all Druggists to recommend it to the poor dying consumptive, at least try one bottle, as 80,000 dozen bottles were sold last year, and no one case where it failed was reported. Such a medicine as the German Syrup cannot be too widely known. Ask your druggist about it. Sample bottles to try, sold at 10 cents. Regular size, 75 cents. Sold by all Druggists and Dealers, in the United States and Canada.

Cure for Piles.

Piles are frequently preceded by a sense of weight in the back, loins and lower part of the abdomen, causing the patient to suppose he has affection of the kidneys or neighboring organs. At times, symptoms of indigestion are present, flatulency, uneasiness of the stomach, etc. A moisture, like perspiration, producing a very disagreeable itching, after getting warm, is a common attendant. Blind, Bleeding and Itching Piles yield at once to the application of Dr. Bosanko's Pile remedy, which acts directly upon the parts effected, absorbing the tumors, allaying the intense itching, and effecting a permanent cure. Price 50 cents. Address, The Dr. Bosanko Medicine Co., Piqua, O. Sold by Dr. S. Hamilton.

Just What They All Say.

Hon. D. D. Haynie of Salem, Ills. says he uses Dr. Bosanko's Cough and Lung Syrup in his family with the most satisfactory results, in all cases of Coughs, Colds and Croup, and recommendsit in particular for the little ones. Sample bottle 5 cents at W. S. Hamiltons.

Liver Pills.

Use Dr. Gunn's Improved Liver Pills for Sallow Complexion, Pimples on the face and Biliousness. Never sickens or gripes. Only one for a dose. Samples free at [illegible]ltons.

An End to Bone Scraping.

Edward Shepard, of H[illegible] Having received so much [illegible] Electric Bitters, I feel it my duty to let suffering humanity know it. I have had a running sore on my leg for eight years; my doctors told me I would have to have the bone scraped or leg amputated. I used instead, three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and my leg is now sound and well."

Electric Bitters are sold at 50 cents a bottle and Bucklen's Arnica Salve at 25cents per box by Marster's & Co.

Good Results in Every Case.

D. A. Bradford, wholesale paper dealer of Chattanooga, Tenn., writes that he was seriously afflicted with a severe cold that settled on his lungs: had tried many remedies without benefit. Being induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, did so and was entirely cured by use of a few bottles. Since which time he has used it in his family for all Coughs and Colds with best results. This is the experience of thousands whose lives have been saved by this Wonderful Discovery Trial Bottles free at A. C. Marsters & Co's. Drug Store.

What real Merit Will Do.

The unprecedented sale of Boschee's German Syrup within a few years, has astonished the world. It is without doubt the safest and best remedy ever discovered for the speedy and effectual cure of Coughs, Colds and the severest Lung troubles. It acts on an entirely different principle from the usual prescriptions given by Physicians, as it does not dry up a cough and leave the disease [illegible] the system, but on the contrary removes the cause of the trouble, heals the parts [illegible] and leaves them in a purely healthy c[illegible] A bottle kept in the house for use [illegible] diseases make their appearance, [illegible] doctor's bills and a long spell of serio[illegible] A trial will convince you of these fac[illegible] positively sold by all druggists and general dealers in the land. Price, 75 cts., large bottles.

Shiloh's Locals.

"HACKMETACK" a lasting and fragrant perfume. Price 25 and 50 cents. Sold by S. Hamilton.

SHILOH'S CURE will immediately relieve Croup, Whooping Cough and [illegible] For sale by W. S. Hamilton.

A NASAL INJECTOR free with [illegible] Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy. Pri[illegible] For sale by W. S. Hamilton.

SHILOHS CATARRH REMEDY—A [illegible] cure for Catarrh, Diptheria, and [illegible] Mouth. Sold by W. S. Hamilton.

WHY WILL YOU cough when Shiloh's Cure will give immediate relief. Price 10cts., 50 cts., and $1. For sale by W. S. Hamilton.

FOR DYSPEPSIA and Liver Complaint, you have a printed guarantee on every bottle of Shiloh's Vitalizer. It never fails to cure. Sold by W. S. Hamilton.

THE REV. GEO. H. THAYER, of Bourbon, Ind., says. "Both myself and wife owe our lives to SHILOH'S CONSUMPTION CURE. Sold by W. S. Hamilton.

ARE YOU MADE miserable by Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness, Loss of Appetite, Yellow Skin? Shiloh's Vitalizer is a positive cure. Sold by W. S. Hamilton.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is recommended by eminent physicians, on both sides of the Atlantic, as the most reliable remedy for colds, coughs, and all pulmonary disorders. Inquire of your druggist for Ayer's Almanac.

There will be services at the Presbyterian church on next Sabbath, morning and evening. All are cordially invited to attend.

The usual s[illegible] Church next S[illegible] evening by the pas[illegible]

FREE TO F.A.M. [illegible]