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HEPPNER, MORROW COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1898. NO. 708

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF HEPPNER. Transact a General Banking Business. EXCHANGE ON ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

LIBERTY MARKET THE OLD SHOP. Is the place to go to get your pig pork and lard chops, steaks and roasts.

NEW NAME! Wm. Gordon has re-named his stand—the old Jones livery stable—The Central.

A. Abrahamsick Merchant Tailor. Pioneer Tailor of Heppner. His work first-class and satisfactory.

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MANILA CORRESPONDENCE A Well-Written Letter From an Oregon Volunteer.

OREGON BOYS THE PRIDE OF THE ARMY Aguinaldo Not so Bad as Fainted by Newspaper Correspondents—Americanization of the Business Houses.

MANILA, Philippine Islands, Oct. 23, 1898. EDITOR TIDINGS:—Nothing much of importance has transpired since my last advices from Manila.

Admiral Dewey has promptly gathered up all of Aguinaldo's navy. An ultimatum has been given him and if not accepted by the 25th his lines will be forcibly pushed back to the extreme limits of Urcel Sam's domain.

The general health of the command is above average. Following is a statement of the hospital patients at this date from this regiment: In hospital, 52; in quarters, 74.

Beats the Klondike. Mr. A. C. Thomas, of Marysville, Tex., has found a more valuable discovery than has yet been made in the Klondike.

The weather here at present is delightful, and it is "late in the fall," the months corresponding to our winter, being the pleasantest of the year.

PLANS OF FLOUR COMBINED

They Will Control All American Spring Wheat Mills. CLEVELAND, Dec. 9.—In an interview here today (Monday) B. Stearns of the Atlas flour mills of Milwaukee stated that he expected the big flour combination would be in operation shortly.

W. O. MINOR'S SHORT HORN CATTLE.

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COYOTE DRIVES.

GARFIELD, Wash., Dec. 11.—A big coyote drive was made in this neighborhood today, resulting in the death of six coyotes. The drive was organized by Jesse Gilliam, a prominent farmer.

MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE.

DALLAS, Or., Dec. 11.—Today at 10 o'clock the jury in the Mager case brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree. This was a surprise to everybody, even to the prosecution.

HOW IT HURTS!

Rheumatism, with its sharp twinges, aches and pains. Do you know the cause? Acid in the blood has accumulated in your joints.

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Live stock is the basis of wealth of all agricultural countries, and the fact that Heppner is the principal shipping point and situated in the heart of one of the very best grazing and stock growing sections of the whole country, explains the remark so often and so truthfully made, "that Heppner has more money and is the best business town of its size in the Northwest."

In the early settling of this country the growth of nutritious bunch-grass was so rank that the herds fed upon it the year round and were fat enough for beef at any time without other feed; and when driven to market they sold for so much a head, and the 900 pound steer counted one, and brought as much as one that weighed 1,500, and the one whose back would split a rain drop brought as many dollars as the one with a back like a dinner table.

Mr. Minor being a close observer soon caught on to these points when they commenced weighing their beef, noticing that the good grade Short Horn steers invariably outweighed the scrub, even though he might look no larger. No sooner had he arrived at this conclusion than he determined to establish a breeding farm and stock it with a herd of as good pure bred Short Horns as money could buy, with which he and his neighbors might improve their stock of range cattle.

Few of us appreciate what it is actually worth in dollars and cents to this county to have a man of means and capital into such an enterprise, making it possible and convenient for every cattle grower to secure at nominal cost, pure blood with which to improve their herds.

Mr. Minor's first purchases were mostly from the herd of Mr. Maris of this place, whose herd added much to its already enviable reputation by winning the champion prize at the late Washington state fair in competition with all best breeds. Not only defeating the noted Ladd herd of Short Horns, but also the finest herd of Herefords in the Northwest.

He also bought several head of the best of Mr. Ladd's herd, and two years ago imported the grand show cow Roan Lady, and the fine young bull, Gov. Clough, that now heads his herd. Gov. Clough is a calf from the great cow, Lou Ann Second of Broward, that is considered to be one of the most valuable cows in the country, and was never defeated in the show ring but once.

Mr. Minor paid a substantial compliment to the herd of Mr. Maris by purchasing, at a good price, three heifers out of his noted show herd, pronouncing them better than he could buy in the East. The heifers are all of the noted Maszarka tribe or family, being Gay Maszarka 11th, Gay Maszarka 13th and Gay Maszarka 14th, two roans and one red, and as handsome a trio as you ever see.

The sire and dams of all of them were imported from the East by Mr. Maris and are as good blood as can be had. The sire, Conqueror 111,377, is the only son of the great imported Gay Monarch on the coast. Gay Monarch is considered by the best authorities to be the most valuable show and breeding bull in the United States or Canada, he had three of his daughters winning the grand champion herd prize over all best breeds at the Columbian exposition, the greatest cattle show the world has ever seen.

Mr. Minor is now negotiating for the purchase of the best young bull to be found in the East, carrying out his motto that "the best is none too good for Oregon and his herd."

It is to be regretted that Mr. Maris has decided to leave Heppner and sell all his fine herd of cattle, as they have been the means of much improvement in the cattle industry here, and it is to be hoped that they will mostly remain in the county. It is not, however, through any lack of interest or faith in the business that causes him to make this change, but circumstances are such that he deems it necessary for him to do so.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure cures where others fail. It is the leading Cough Cure, and no home should be without it. Pleasant to take and goes right to the spot. Sold by Coover & Warren.