

Polk County Observer.

COMING WEST.—There is every reason to believe that emigration will come this way during this year, more than ever known before.

NEARLY \$4000 STOLEN.—A very quiet robbery has taken place in Independence, says the West Side, and until this week we have not been permitted to give particulars.

AN ABSCONDER WANTED.—The United States Express Company are scattering dodgers broadcast containing the description of one S. F. Higgins, an absconder.

FAREWELL PARTY.—One of our little Monmouth friends sends us the following report of a party given by her friend, who is going to live at Tacoma.

NEW PAPER.—Senator Wager of Umatilla, it is said, will start a Democratic daily in Portland.

FEBRUARY 14th.—The Dallas band will give a social dance at the city hall on February 14th.

A NEW CHURCH.—There is talk among the members of the North Methodist Church of building a new house of worship in Dallas.

DIME SOCIABLE.—A pleasant evening was spent at the residence of Dr. Kirkpatrick Tuesday, by the Mite society, who are contributing their mite to the building fund of the M. E. Church North of this place.

Record of Deeds.—Clerk Cook has not had a very extensive number of transfers since Tuesday to record, but we will give a list of those recorded.

Our Business Men.—The following is a complete list of the business of Dallas so far as we have been able to observe.

- J. H. Lawton, lawyer.
F. H. Brown, grocer.
Dallas City Bank.
W. E. Wright, real estate.
A. K. Wilson, druggist.
Gene Hyster, merchant.

O. S. N. S. COLUMN.

Things that we have noticed this time: There are 143 names on roll. That Misses Ewing, Henderson, Day and Allison, and Messrs. Stone and Sherow are absent.

Where did John get his supper Monday evening? Lillian Worth is visiting at Eugene. Mr. T. W. Barr, father of our fellow-student, C. W. Barr, visited with him Sunday.

What's the matter with the cantata? A question we have been asked several times during the past week.

The last number of The West Shore Magazine contains engravings of the public buildings of Oregon, including the capitol, penitentiary, insane asylum, etc.

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HERE AND THEREABOUTS.

February 1st. Business good. Dallas will grow this year.

Our business men report trade good. Many newcomers at City Hotel, Independence.

The county court will be with us next week. The streets have almost been dusty during the past week.

An I. O. O. F. lodge will be organized in Monmouth. Pres. Stanley, of Monmouth, was at home a few hours Thursday.

Mrs. Dunn of this place, was quite sick Wednesday. Dr. Kirkpatrick, was called to see her.

The irrepressible Antonio Brown, the Salem mail carrier, makes his daily trips like clock work.

James Helmeck, one of the heavy taxpayers of Polk county, was here settling with the sheriff Tuesday.

Several emigrants were landed here this week. They are all looking for a home.

The Dallas band give our business men a general serenade Wednesday evening. The music was appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ingalls, and son Willie, are visiting. B. V. Butler and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ingalls have been on an extended health-seeking trip through California and Washington Territory.

Shipping on the upper Willamette is said to be very quiet at present. The O. R. & N. Co's boats are doing nothing, while the O. P. boats are doing about all there is to be done.

Rev. John Osborne has been holding meeting in the Baptist church this week. The ordinance of baptism was administered by him Wednesday to one candidate, in the Lacoree.

A car load of ties was thrown from the track near here Wednesday. Conductor Smith and his train were not delayed but a few minutes, when they went on their way to Airle.

At a quarterly conference of the M. E. Church South, at Dixie, Jan. 23rd and 24th, Rev. J. W. Craig, of Albany, presiding elder, preached to a large and interesting congregation both days.

While in Salem the OBSERVER man had the pleasure to visit the night school, being run by Messrs. Roork, Myers and Wright.

F. S. Barzee has sold his home place in Monmouth, to Judge Ira Butler; consideration \$315.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Campbell favored the OBSERVER office with a pleasant call Thursday.

Supt. Reynolds issued a temporary certificate on Wednesday to C. E. Moore, of Yamhill county, to teach in the Butler district.

James Tatom of Monmouth, and Robert Williams of Airle, made the OBSERVER office a pleasant call on Tuesday.

W. P. Wright, our real estate man is kept busy these days answering letters of inquiry, from eastern people, about our beautiful climate.

Robt. Grant, of Bridgeport, was in Dallas Wednesday, paying his taxes to Sheriff Smith.

The total number of business failures in the United States in the year 1888 were 10,589, an increase of 1,155 over 1877.

The editor of the Eugene Journal, Harison R. Kincaid, is said to have been in the editorial harness in this state on the same paper longer than any other man in it.

Smith Gilliam of near Walla Walla, was in Dallas Thursday. He has been visiting his old time friends for two weeks and will leave for his home the first of the week.

Our grist mill, sash and door factory, foundry and tannery, are all busy. They have good, genial and rustling managers, that while prospering themselves, build up a town.

For the space of 111 years we are to have the figure 9 in our years, and the occultists, who put so much stress on numbers, predict that the condition of mankind will be greatly improved over all past times during this period.

Prof. Bauer has had the greatest success in organizing his class in rapid penmanship at Monmouth. He now has all the pupils he can instruct, and reports himself highly pleased with the progress.

F. K. Hubbard of Syracuse, was in Dallas Thursday and called at the OBSERVER office. He is a firm supporter of the paper.

Prigeville Review: It is intimated that there is an organized band of horse thieves located in the northern part of the county, who subsist by taking horses off the range and converting them to their own use.

"This is simply awful," said the mayor of Indianapolis recently, the provocation of which was the appearance before him of a man charged with vagrancy, itself an everyday occurrence; but this vagrant, charged with leading a blind negro from store to store and saloon to saloon and sharing with him the coppers of charity; this white parasite of a blind negro beggar was Harry Guffin—and a few years ago Harry was prosecutor for Marion county, a power at the Indianapolis bar, a young man to whose riper years the governorship or senatorship of the state might have been deemed no improbable contingency.

W. H. Dexter who is stopping at Mr. Hampton's, is seen with a swollen eye, poison oak is the cause.

Riddle & Ray's grubbing machine, we understand, is doing fine

work. It will be a great thing for our farmers if it does prove a success.

Richard Osborne of Cooper Hollow, while chopping wood was in some way caught by a falling tree and severely injured. Dr. Butler was called and found his ankle and three ribs broken.

John Stump we note, is painting his new house.

Business Mention. M. Hayter dentist, Dallas. Go to Henry Patterson for perfume Gene Hayter for cheap goods.

The F. M. A. store has new goods. A fresh supply of groceries at J. D. Irvine's.

Travelers take note that the Enterprise Hotel is the leading house of Dallas. J. M. Campbell has just received a large stock of wall paper.

Spectacles properly focused and accurately fitted at Henry Patterson's. Every pair warranted. No fit, no sale.

The F. M. A. store have as cheap line of general merchandise as can be found anywhere.

Paints, oils, varnishes, etc., at Waterhouses. Henry Patterson has just received a new stock of all the latest novelties in the jewelry line.

To the ladies of Dallas and vicinity:—Those wishing stamping or embroidering done, call on Mrs. M. Hayter, Dallas, Or.

No trouble to show you our goods—Shelly & Vanduyne. The straight up-and-up store-keepers—Shelly and Vanduyne, Independence.

We name for you way down prices on all our general merchandise. Give us a call. Shelly & Vanduyne, Independence.

People who are talked about, are those who go and examine the fine stock of artists material at Busters Independence. He has a full line of Tubes, Academy boards, plaques, frames, brushes, etc.

E. Hayter's is the place to buy all the latest styles of dress goods; fine stock just received. Go to Vaughns, Dallas the leading jeweler.

R. B. Collins, the photographer, is prepared to turn out photographs at Dallas in all its branches as good as in any part of the state.

For fine watch work go to U. M. Grant at H. B. Patterson's. At J. D. Irvine's is the place to get your groceries, Independence.

Attention of those who are taking painting is called to the full line of artistic material at H. R. Pattersons Independence.

The dry goods store F. M. A. will give you a bargain if you will call and see them.

Mrs. La Bausieur, City Bazaar Independence, has made a fine selection of woolen goods, ribbons, buttons, articles for fancy work, remnants of cashmere, prints, handkerchiefs, purses, etc.

Can you imagine any ailment that will make a good natured person so peevish, dissatisfied, ill tempered and cranky as biliousness? There is no reason, whatever, why any one should suffer from Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Torpid Liver and loss of appetite, when Dr. Henley's Dandelion Tonic, which every one knows is a certain cure, can be so easily obtained.

Citation. In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Polk.

There will be a grand ball here on Friday evening Feb. 22nd. Every body invited.

Beautiful sunshine. Joe Tetherow and wife of Crazy Station, were visiting in the city the first of the week.

Senator Hatch's stock bill does not take well with the people of McCoy.

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Clas. Hamlin has been quite sick for the past two weeks, but at present writing is reported as convalescent.

The OBSERVER being a nice and clean sheet is becoming the leading paper of the county with our people.

The elite of the city gathered at the city hall last Friday night and triped the light fantastic until the wee sma' hours.

Revs. Osborne and Bailey will preach here on Saturday and Sunday morning and evening Feb. 6th and 7th. Let every body come out.

Married, at the residence of the brides parents on Thursday Jan. 24th Mr. B. Albricker to Ida Watson.

Dame rumor says that there is soon to be a wedding in town, in which one of our young ladies and a young man not far away are the participants. Boys get your tin cans ready.

The Cleanthens society will wrestle with the following question next Saturday evening, Resolved, "That the county seat should remain at Dallas." Affirmative: J. A. Staats, H. M. Berry and R. L. Williams; negative: C. E. Staats, Ed. Berry and J. Dora Williams.

Mount Whimple. T. F. Gunn of Mo., is visiting his uncle, J. H. Hampton. Willie Olmes, who is sorry to say is still very low. W. H. Dexter who is stopping at Mr. Hampton's, is seen with a swollen eye, poison oak is the cause.

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