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Hop Contracts Void.

More than ordinary interest has been taken in the Salem hop case by the growers of Polk county. Now that Judge Burnett has rendered a decision adversely to the ordinary form of hop contracts those growers who have made deliveries at prices ranging from 10 to 12 cents want to go away back and get out of sight. Those who have not yet delivered are feeling jubilant.

The case upon which the decision was rendered was that of A. F. Bockhaus vs. F. W. Buells, the latter being the grower. Blackhaus brought suit to recover the hops and Buells answered, setting up the contract. The reply admitted the contract, and thereupon the defendant, by his attorney, George G. Bingham, moved for a judgment upon the pleadings, contending that the contract, through which plaintiff claimed title, did not entitle him to recover.

In this case the contract provides that the hops are to be "raised and sold" by the defendant and are "to be choice quality, sound condition, bright uniform color, fully matured, free from mold and by damage from vermin, cleanly picked, well dried and cured, and put up in good merchantable order and condition," and "all of said hops to be delivered to said party of the second part, his successors or assigns in entire lot of f. o. b. cars at Silverton, between October 1 and October 30," and "the party of the first part at least 10 days before the day on which he proposes to tender delivery of said hops; but such notice shall not be sent until the entire lot is actually in bales and ready for delivery. And the said party of the first part further agrees that this contract has preference, both as to quality and quantity, over all other contracts made hereafter by persons in relation to said hops." And "if the quality of said hops shall be inferior to hops above called for, the said party shall have the privilege of taking them and reduction shall be made in price equal to the difference in value between such hops

Constipation

Does your head ache? Pain back of your eyes? Bad taste in your mouth? It's your liver! Ayer's Pills are liver pills. They cure constipation, headache, dyspepsia.
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and those above called for," and "any insurance on said hops shall be for the benefit of said second party, and said second party may keep the hops insured for their full value from the time said hops are picked until delivery, at the expense of said first party and deduct the expense of insurance from purchase price above agreed."

The decision is to the effect that the contract is a mortgage and that the grower can discharge it by paying the money advanced to him with interest. The decision applies to those contracts which are in practically the same form as that in controversy in the case decided. There is talk of an appeal to the supreme court.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Highland School Report.

Following is the report of the Highland school for the month ending October 24th:

Whole number of days attendance, 406; whole number of days absent, 14; number of times tardy, 0; average number belonging, 21; average daily attendance, 20 1/2.

Those who were neither absent nor tardy during the month are Myrtle Shafer, Ethel Shafer, Edith Alexander, Gail Alexander, Evert Gentry, Oren Gentry, Ruth Stapleton, Norval Stapleton, Ernest Peterson, Clifton Peterson, Roy Peterson, Owen Peterson and Guy Peterson.

All of the pupils deserve special mention for their deportment during the month, and the interest manifested in their studies is very gratifying to the teacher.

R. W. SWINK.

Bids Wanted.

Sealed bids wanted for the Woodman Hall to be erected at Buena Vista, Ore. Work to commence May 1, 1903 and to be completed in 30 days. Building to be 26x50 feet with 24 feet studding. Plans and specifications can be seen at any time at the Buena Vista Cash store. Bids to be opened Dec. 15. Right reserved to reject any and all bids. Address all communications to W. S. McCLAIN, chairman board of Managers, Buena Vista, Ore.

Falls City.

The Bryan-Lucas Lumber Co. of Falls City have enroute, for their Dry Kiln, a large engine and boiler. When it arrives and is in place they will operate two plainers and 1 sticker. Their flume from the mill is now complete. The total length is 3 1/2 miles. Lumber comes down in 24 minutes.

The Coast Range Lumber Co.

A Large Shipment of
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Bought at lowest Eastern Prices has arrived for
W. L. BICE

I am now in a position to make the *lowest possible prices* for new and up-to-date furniture. I wish to thank the people of Independence and vicinity for their liberal patronage since I have been with you and invite you to call and examine my new line of furniture. Make your home cozy and comfortable while these prices last.
Goods bought right will sell themselves.

A good wool top MATTRESS \$2.25	Three piece BED-ROOM SUITES \$13	Opaque WINDOW SHADES Only 25 Cents
A large assortment at better prices.	And on up	Each. Never before could you buy as good a shade for so small a price.
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The are good for the price	Well made and well finished	They are fine for the money.

No trouble to show goods. Call and look over the line and get prices.
W. L. BICE, Next door to PADDOCK'S.

have their new flume completed and operate dry kiln and plainers in Falls City.

Paul L. Hunter's new confectionery store is a credit to the little city by the falls.

The government is doing considerable blasting in this section. Several large submerged snags were dynamited Saturday. Last year three steamers were sunk by striking snags and it is thought all danger from this source will be avoided by a little work before the boating season commences.

MARRIED.

SMITH—CATHORN—Mr. Judson Smith and Miss Laurie Cathorn, both of Corvallis, were married this (Thursday) morning at 11 o'clock at the Evan Evans place, near Helmick bridge. Rev. Dr. Thompson officiated.

**THEDFORD'S
BLACK-DRAUGHT
THE GREAT
FAMILY MEDICINE**

Thedford's Black-Draught has saved doctors' bills for more than sixty years. For the common family ailments, such as constipation, indigestion, hard colds, bowel complaints, chills and fever, biliousness, headaches and other like complaints no other medicine is necessary. It invigorates and regulates the liver, assists digestion, stimulates action of the kidneys, purifies the blood, and purges the bowels of foul accumulations. It cures liver complaint, indigestion, sour stomach, dizziness, chills, rheumatic pains, sideache, backache, kidney troubles, constipation, diarrhoea, biliousness, piles, hard colds and headache. Every druggist has Thedford's Black-Draught in 25 cent packages and in mammoth size for \$1.00. Never accept a substitute. Insist on having the original made by the Chattanooga Medicine Company.

I believe Thedford's Black-Draught is the best medicine on earth. It is good for any and everything. I have a family of twelve children, and for four years I have kept them on foot and healthy with no doctor but Black-Draught. A. J. GREEN, Newara, La.

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