

TO BE AMERICANIZED

Wong Chinaman Crossed Ocean Twice And Settled Down in Independence.

New troubles arise for Wong Foo, the eleven year old Chinaman, as the time draws nigh for the cutting off of his queue. Foo is the favorite Chinese cook and while preparing meals he has counted up the cost and figured out the amount of his annual barber bill under the American style. He has consulted Taylor, a knight of the shears and manipulator of the cold iron, and Dee has agreed to cut the hair off free of charge but more declines to do for either money or old acquaintance sake. This is the foundation for the estrangement between Foo and Dee and the little Chinaman has already decided that his erstwhile friend

Maple Grove.

Spring weather. Will Williams picked a handful of tame ripe raspberries from his vines last week.

Edyth Bagley returned to her home at Suver Wednesday, after a week's visit with her uncle, Jap Bagley.

The basket social given here last week brought \$22.75.

Thos. Williams writes he will be home next week.

Claude Lewis and wife are home from their southern Oregon trip.

School will close here and we will take a week's vacation, and resume after the first of the year.

Miss Hattie Turner made Pedee a visit last week.

R. M. Fowle's new house will be completed this week.



Sultan, Polk County Aristocrat

can have none of his quarters he will transfer his patronage to another shop. Wong Wah, an brother of Foo and rather a dandy looking lad arrived from Portland on a visit this week. Foo is incumbent on himself to introduce his brother, as together they visited stores in town. Including the older Chinaman with index finger, accompanied with words: "Him my brudder! You shakly hands wid my brudder," of the formality of introduction complied with according to the ideas of American etiquette. Foo landed in America nearly a year ago and he carried papers showing he had trouble disembarking at Portland. Papers which are signed by Judge Bellinger show that the Mongolian was held up but through his attorneys L. H. Tarp and Judge O'Day a writ of habeas corpus was sued out and the same produced showing he was allowed to set foot on the land of the stars and stripes.

The story put up by Foo through his attorneys was to the effect he was born in Portland but at the age of two years took a trip to China and after spending nearly two years in the Orient returned to his native heath. Foo admits his identity of leaving Portland the same is very indistinct and the ability of losing his identity in years of mixing with millions of Chinese, gives rise to the reflections with the young artist and he sometimes wonders if he is really Foo.

is apt and is trying hard to learn the American language and customs. Though but little over a year in the country he can read and write fairly well. He is anxious to publicity and recently advised one who he thought responsible for having his name appear in the paper: "What for you put my name in paper? I no likey you! I kills you! You sabbv?"

PEDEE.

There will be a Xmas tree at the school house Saturday.

L. Bush has gone to Corvallis on business.

A number from here went to their Xmas goods.

Tree at Montgomery Friday.

Stark has given the street of his hotel through.

up. A good example.

Chas. McKinney took a load of telephone poles to Independence last Wednesday.

Everybody is preparing for Christmas, three or four trees in reach of most all this part of the country.

Chas McKinney drew the clock that was up with baking powders. It will just suit Charles for its alarm runs ten minutes.

Quite a supply of poultry is being shipped to the Portland markets for the holiday trade.

BUENA VISTA

Mr. Fuqua of Parker was a Buena caller Monday.

Byron Nipton and family moved to Portland last week.

Mrs. G. Davidson is visiting her daughter Mrs. Squires in Portland.

Mrs. A. C. Richardson and Mrs. V. B. Goin and daughters were Salem visitors last week.

Mr. White of Corvallis is spending a few days with his daughter Mrs. Mears this week.

Jim Prather and Chester McLain went to Portland as witnesses for W. N. McLaughlin this week.

Revs. Gates and Elayer will assist Rev. Mears in the series of meetings in the M. E. church beginning New Years.

It's time to be thinking of Christmas presents and my line should receive first consideration, as it is very complete, consisting of the latest and most unique novelties on the market. We can please. You will be surprised not only at the beauty, elegance and variety of stock but at the reasonableness of prices. I cordially invite you to look my stock over as I know that you will enjoy seeing the pretty things for Xmas and I will enjoy the privilege of showing you through my store. P. M. Kirkland the druggist.

Sealed Bids Asked

Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned till 12 M December 20th 1904 for one hundred (100) cords of grub oak wood not less than two inches in diameter also for forty (40) cords of good body fir said wood to be delivered corded in basement of Normal building not later than September 1 1905. Rights reserved to reject any and all bids.

J. B. V. Butler, Sec. Regents

Remarkable Cure

"I was much afflicted with eczema," writes Ed C. Nud, Leawville, Sedgewick Co., Kan., going about on crutches and suffering a deal of pain. I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment which relieved me. It is the greatest liniment I ever used; have recommended it in a number of persons all express themselves as being benefited by it. I now walk without crutches and am free from the great deal of light labor on the farm. See No. and \$1.00 at A. S. Lockett.

Advertisement for Adler Clothing Store featuring a man in a long coat and hat. Text includes 'Peerless Clothing Store', 'ADLER CLOTHING PERFECT IN EVERY DETAIL', and 'Middle of Block MAIN ST. Independence.'

A Message From the Leading Real Estate Men of the Blue Ribbon County Of Oregon.

Independence, Ore., Dec. 23, '04. To the Homeseeker and Investor: If you are looking for a place to locate come West to Oregon. It is a state of golden opportunity. Polk county is the Blue Ribbon county of Oregon and Independence is its commercial and financial center.

Are you looking for an investment? One that will clear money for you. If so I refer you to the following. I have about 2000 acres of excellent land. Part hill and part valley bottom land for sale at about \$30 per acre. This consists of several farms. This land is a stock and dairying proposition. Plenty of range for 1000 head of stock. Plenty of farm land to keep the stock during the winter months. Plenty of barns to store the same. In fact the farms are what you want if you have the money to handle a large proposition. For particulars address me privately.

The above is for the big investor. Now for the man with a small capital to invest. I have property to interest you. I have land to sell at from \$15 per acre to \$300 per acre in tracts of from 15 acres to 600 acres. They are good buys for the man of small means. If you are interested write me or call at my office where you can learn of the good buys in Polk county. On this land you may raise hops, goats, sheep, dairy stock, hay, grain or vegetables. Fine river bottom land, excellent prairie land, and good but cheap hill land I have for sale and all near the best markets.

Independence is a city of great possibilities and natural resources. If you are looking for a place to invest or to enter into business remember you can not do better than locate in the commercial key to the Blue Ribbon county of Oregon, to the hop metropolis of the world.

When you shall come remember that HURLEY & TAYLOR OF INDEPENDENCE

are the men you want to see. Write that in your memoranda book. Tell your friends to write it there. Then you and your friends write them. They will answer you.

Hurley & Taylor The Real Estate Men of Independence, Ore.

For particulars regarding Independence or Polk Co., write the Independence Improvement League, C. A. Hurley, Secretary.

EVERYBODY'S COLUMN For Sale, Rent, Wanted or similar notices three lines in this column, 25 cents; one month 75 cents.



Mrs. Stump and Angora Kid

A clay pigeon shoot will be given by the Buena Vista Gun Club on M. N. Prather's place one mile south of Buena Vista, Saturday. Mrs. William Ford and daughter Nellie have returned from a visit in Washington. Hon. I. L. Patterson, collector of customs for the port of Portland, visited his father's folks here the middle of the week.

FOR SALE—Cheap a good saddle horse, weight about 1050 pounds. Enquire of S. E. Stapleton, Parker R. F. D.

FOR SALE—Buff Orpington eggs. Send your order to E. E. Yarnell, Independence.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Polk County Land Company will be held at Independence, Or., in the Independence Nat. Bank building at 10 o'clock A. M. on Saturday, December 31st, A. D. 1904, for the purpose of electing officers and such other business as may properly come before said meeting. D. W. SEARS, Secty. Dated Nov. 11th, 1904.

Clearance Sale of MILLINERY

We will dispose of our Pattern Hats at greatly reduced prices. Trimmed Hats that were \$6.00, \$7.00 and \$8.00 can now be had for \$5.00.

Good assortment of Tailored Hats marked less than cost.

MISS PEARL SQUIRE

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