THE HATCHET.

Entered at the post-office at Forest Grove, Or. as Second-class mail matter.

TERMS TO SUBSCRIBERS.
Postage Free.

One year.....$1 50
Six months.....75
Three months.....40

In Advance.

Established for the dissemination of Washington county news, the elevation of humanity and the money we can make.

Items of general interest gratefully received.

Editor's hobbies and opinions on this page, all the rest facts—impartial and uncolored.

Editor is at home in his sanctum, HATCHET Building, Forest Grove, from 6 a. m. to 10 p. m. of each week day and always glad to talk and be talked to.

ISSUED EVERY WEEK IN THE YEAR ON THURSDAY FROM THE HATCHET PRINTERY.

If you fail to receive your paper it will be a favor if you will notify us at once.

HATCHET PRINTERY PUBLISHERS.

READABLE .. EIGHT
RELIABLE .. PAGES
REPUBLICAN .. WEEKLY

ALASKA.

When Mr. Seward made the bargain for the purchase of Alaska the press of the country called him a very unwise statesman, and his reply was that the greatest work of his life was the purchase of that distant region. Mr. Seward was not in the habit of being careless and visionary and his negotiations with Russia were pursued very carefully. He knew what he was doing, and while the purchase of Alaska covered another transaction, which was a war time measure, yet beyond that the country itself has revealed enough wealth to justify Mr. Seward's claim of wisdom in its purchase. A late letter from Mr. Leasure of Portland, who has been in that country, shows this so plainly that we give it place in this article. He says: Alaska is a wonderful country. She is beyond doubt the greatest gold and silver district in the world, and capital is steadily invading her borders, and in my judgment in five years from now her population will exceed 100,000, to say nothing of the thousands who will have entered the great placer region of the Yukon, in the interior.

The great feature of Alaska's quartz mines is their accessibility to commence. The southeastern portion of her territory is an archipeliago, and most of the lodes are on deep water, where ships can come from any part of the world and unload machinery and stores on the mines, thus avoiding the expense of wagon and railroad transportation, giving this region an advantage over any other mining locality in the world, and making her mines available to limited capital. This great territory is practically unprospected, and it is of recent date that the eyes of capital has been directed toward her. But in the last few years more than 600 stamps have been started in the vicinity of Juneau, which are thumping day and night the year round, and agents of Eastern and foreign capital are there closing contracts for other properties. The whole of Southeastern Alaska is mineral, and rich strikes are daily being made.

At Gravena Island, 250 miles this way from Juneau, wonderfully rich gold and copper ledges have been discovered in the last few months. These lodes lie on deep water and are of such enormous size as to warrant the placing of machinery thereon without the outlay of a single dollar for development work, as nature has already done that. In fact, Gravena island, with an area of 20 square miles, is one vast mineral deposit. Many people have been deceived regarding climate. The truth is the climate is mild all along the coast, and nothing prevents outdoor work the year round. Last winter the lowest the mercury registered at Juneau was zero, and that for a very brief period. This was not as cold as in Portland.

The fishing industry in Alaska is also immense. Halibut, salmon and codfish are caught and packed in large quantities and shipped to all parts of the world.

At last the U. S. government is waking up to the posibilities of the country in other directions and now has decided to send out a properly accredited commissioner who will spend some time there this season and thoroughly investigate all its resources. He will especially study its agricultural possibilities, its timber, its water supply, temperature, the fish and game, and all of the general products of the country. This work done in a careful and through manner will yield enough information to lead many enterprising young people to move there, if there is sufficient inducement, and they will develop it.

In our judgment the secretary of agriculture has done a wise thing in selecting the Hon. Benton Killin of Portland, as U. S. commissioner to make the proposed exploration of resources.

Mr. Killin is a pratical farmer, owning one of the good farmers of Washington county, and has had some good western experience, which is usually more than a college education, and he has that also. He is well recognized in his own state as he is now chairman of the board of regents of the State Agricultural College. He has two commissions covering the field of statistics as well as resources.

The special instructions of Mr. Killin are that he proceed from Sitka to the various points in the territory of Alaska, and then he returns to Portland or Washington, D. C. If necessary, he is to visit the principal places along the coast of Alaska, paying special attention to the vicinity of Sitka, Cook's inlet Kodiak and such other sections as give most promise of agricultural and horticultural production. He is also instructed to consider especially the agricultural conditions of the places visited, noting what has now been done, what has been attempted, what are further extensions of arable soil, etc.

To carry out the work, Mr. Killin is authorized to purchase or rent such supplies and camp equipment, and to secure such assistance as may be necessary to conduct the investigations. Before leaving Alaska, he will sell, to the best advantage, the articles purchased. He is directed to return to Portland or Washington, D. C., not latter than December 1, 1897, and submit a full and complete report of the result and of his inquiries and investigations to the secretary of agriculture. The sum of $750 is allowed for traveling expenses and subsistence.

The appointment of Mr. Killin is made under an act of congress making appropriations for the department of agriculture to establish experimental stations. He will leave Portland in time to take the steamer at Tacoma for Alaska on June 8, and he will be accompanied by a botanist of the department, named Evans.

Mr. Killin has been a life long democrat, and has always been a strong defender of his honest convinctions, and his selection for this important work by a republican administration, shows that Secretary Wilson was looking for a well qualified man rather than a partisian.

The American Protective Tariff League is sending out some good literature, and that they mean business is well proven. The league proposes to conteract the selfish work that has been done by the Cobden club and put itself squarely on the American side of all questions where our interests are involved. We cheerfully publish the following communication: It is estimated that the Government is losing three million dollars a week in revenue by the delay in the passage of the Tariff bill. The people are losing ten times as much in work on account of the delay. We earnestly ask every one of our readers to immediately write a postal card to our member of the United States Senate at Washington, urging and demanding the immediate passage of a Protective Tariff law and such a law as will give adequate Protection to American labor and American industries. Address your postal card to Hon. Geo. W. McBride U. S. S., Washington, D. C.

Recital.

Prof. Green and his pupils gave a very enjoyable musical recital at the pleasant home of Geo. L. Smith on Monday evening last. The large parlors were well filled with parents and invited guests. The exercises showed commendable progress in the pupils as well as the teaching ability of Prof. Green. He has surely done a good work among the young people of Forest Grove as his pupils prove by their ability. The following is the programme as it was given:

PROGRAMME.

Piano Solo—.....*Lucretia Borgia*
Pearl Walker
Piano Solo—.....
Annie Clayson
Piano Duet—.....*Overture Precosa*
Elda and Leva Walker
Piano Solo—.....*Summer Aloud*
Ora Caples
Piano Solo—.....*Sonatine*
Bertha Leabo
Piano Solo—.....*Rondo Hummel*
Mabel Hinman
Piano Duet, with teacher—.....*Overture Otello*
Myrtle Smith
Piano Duet, with teacher—.....
Ora Beal
Sonata, Piano and Violin—.....*Mozart*
Master Raleigh Walker, violin; Prof. Greene, piano.
Overture, 2 violins and piano.—"Barber of Saville—.....*Rossini*
Pearl Walker, 1st violin; Raleigh Walker, 2nd violin; Charles Walker, Piano.
Cachonca Caprice—.....*Raff.*
Wilma Wagner
Piano Solo, Sonatine—.....
Nida Brisbine
Violin Solo, Scene Sur Le Ballet—.....*De Beriot*
Prof. W. H. Greene, Violin, accompanied by Myrtle Smith, piano

Court House News.

Probate—In re-estate of Alois Hardweiges, deceased; final account filed and set for Tuesday, July 6, 1897.

In re estate of Thomas J. Reed dec'd date of return of citation and hearing of objections be changed to July 6, 1897.

Law Docket—In the matter of the petition of F. E. and S. B. Watters to adopt James Larkin Bowman, a minor. Ordered that the prayer of said petition be granted and that the name of said minor be changed from Lloyd Wendell Watters and that he be declared the lawful heir of said petitioners by adoption.

In re petition of Nelson and Emily Lacourse. Ordered that the prayer of said petion be granted and that Oren Couch, the minor named therein, be decreed to the child of said petitioners by adoption.

Dissolution Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I have withdrawn from the Forest Grove Manufacturing company and from this date have no responsibility whatever with the said company.

ROBERT C. HARTRAMPF.

May 8, 1897. 7-10

Splendid offer.—For our regular price we will furnish you the HATCHET and Chicago Weekly Inter-Ocean both for one year. This offer is to new subscribers as well as to all who renew for a year in advance.

For one dollar, you may buy a bottle of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, which, if taken in time, and according to directions, may save a grest many dollars in doctor's bills, and thus exemplify the truth of the old maxim, "Prevention is better than cure."

The little girls of Boston are reported to be over educated. The story goes that a child was asked in a street car her age, with a view to half fare for children, whereupon the premature little damsel murmured, "If you please conductor I prefer to pay full fare and keep my own statistics."

Mr. Pague's Report on Fruit.

The fruit prospects are difficult to determine. The prune crop is in some sections reported to be full, in other sections it is reported to be small. The prune crop will be small in the majority of orchards, though in a few localities for unexplained reasons, a fair crop will result. Cherries are ripening and they are not a full crop, though some varities of trees are as well filled as they should be. The peach crop now promises to be good; hand pruning in the southern counties has commenced. The apple and pear crops will not as a rule be full. Owing to the variation in reports, it is not possible to particularize where the fruit promises well and where not; but it is certain that, taken as a whole, the prune, cherry, apple and pear crops will be larger than in 1896, but not so large as in 1895.

Rain would be of benefit to all vegetation, but it is not probable that sufficient rain will fall to be of that benefit which is desired.

Real Estate Transfers.

John E Hedges to S Herrman right of way etc.....	$ 40 00
John Kechler and wife to Anton Pagel n w qr of s e qr sec 1 t 1 n r 2 w cont 39.56 a.....	200 00
Ernest Abbott to Anton Pfanner 50 a in s e qr of sec 9 t 1 n r 4 w.....	50 00
C E Deichman and wife to M Billings lt 5 blk 16 Cornelius (quit claim).....	25 00
Geo H Keep to James Shepherd 20.85 a adjoining Forest Grove.....	12 00 00
Eliza Ann Coley and husb to Henry Marsh 34 a in sec 19 t 2 s r 1 w.....	2 50 00
Lillia Seidler to Sherman W Walker lands in Washington and Tillamook counties	5 00
Emily Billenger to Sherman W Walker 320 a of sec 31 t 3 n r 6 w.....	2 00
Emma Fletcher to Sherman W Walker lands in Washington and Tillamook Co.	5 00
Minerva Mitchell to Sherman W Walker lands in sec 6 and 31 t 3 n r 6 w.....	2 00
The Union Saving & Loan Ass'n to Janie M Miller lts 6 and 7 blk 17 Cornelius..	10 00
State of Oregon to Minnie Mitchell 318.42 a in Washington and Tillamook Co's	398 03
Minnie Mitchell to Sherman W Walker lts 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 and other lands in secs 6 and 31 t 3 n r 6 w.....	2 00
State of Oregon to Lillia Seidler lands in Tillamook and Washington Co's.....	400 00
State of Oregon to Emily Fletcher lands in Tillamook and Washington Co's....	397 96
State of Oregon to Emily Billenger lands in Washington and Tillamook Co's...	400 00
Emily Billenger to Sherman W Walker same as above	2 00
M Billings and wife to Jas M Miller lt 5 blk 16 Cornelius quit claim.....	1 00
Chas F Lord to Richard Kuehue 106 a of Wm Graham and wife d l c t 2 s r 1 w..	8000 00
Camilla A Cole and husb to Jas C Clark und ½ of n e pt blk 2 in original plat of Forest Grove.....	1000 00
Mary A Schatter and husb to Geo L Seward lts 7 and 8 in town of Smockville....	800 00
T C Elston (by sheriff) to Wm Leach sw qr of lot 3 blk 19 in Forest Grove tax deed.	$ 6 86
James T Buxton and wife to Frank Nachbaur 4 a in t 3 n 3 n r 4 w.....	30 00
Emery Wilson et al to C L Large pt lot 4 blk 10 Forest Grove.....	350 00
Phoebe B Woodward to H A Woodford und ½ inst in n ½ of sw qr and n ½ of se qr sec 27 t 2 n r 5 w.....	500 00
Phoebe B Woodford to H A Woodford se qr of sec 28 t 2 n r 5 w.....	1 000 00
E B Catching to George F Naylor 21 a of B H Catching and wife d l c t 1 n r 3 and 4	218 60
Sarah E Patterson to Annie L Patterson 60 a of J S Griffin and wife d l c t 1 n r 2 w...	1 00
Mary S Wrenn and husband to W S Gilbert 106.67 a of sec 36 t 1 s r 2 w.....	1 00
C D Farnham and wife to H McArthur 130 a of Wm Baldra and wife d l c t 1 n r 2 w	600 00
Emma C Thing and husband to Albert W Saxton 35 a tract in t 1 s r 2 w and other lands.....	2400 00
Jesse J Crosley and wife to M E Leach 10 a of J D Steward homestead t 1 s r 4 w.....	600 00
B F Purdy and wife to George Stewart lts 4 an 17 blk 1 Purdy's add to Beaverton...	$65 00
Carl Crow to Nettie M Crow lts 6 and 7 blk 4, Purdy's add to Dilley.....	800 00

Not only acute lung troubles, which may prove fatal in a few days, but old chronic coughs and throat troubles may receive immediate relief and be permanently cured by One Minute Cough Cure.

No one in ordinary health need become bald or gray, if he will follow sensible treatment. We advise cleanliness of the scalp and the use of Hall's Hair Renewer.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

In the Circuit Court of the state of Oregon for the county of Washington, P. L. Willis, agent, plaintiff, vs. Portland Pressed Brick Company, J. H. Smith, E. T. Johnson and John Robertson, defendants. By virtue of an execution and order of sale, to me directed, issued on the 17th day of May, 1897, out of the above named court, in the above entitled cause, upon a decree rendered by said court on the 24th day of November, 1896, in favor of said plaintiff and against said defendants for the sum of $13,203.82 besides interest, attorney's fees, costs and disbursements, and foreclosing a mortgage lien on the land hereinafter described, I have duly levied upon the following described land, lying in the county of Washington in the state of Oregon, bounded by beginning at a point 24.80 chains south of the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of section 32 t 2 s r 1 west of Willamette meridian, said point being the northeast corner of the land owned by said Portland Pressed Brick Company on May 2, 1892, and running thence south about 15.20 chains to the southeast corner of said quarter section; thence west 17.75 chains to the southwest corner of the said land owned by the said Portland Pressed Brick Company on May 2, 1892; thence north 1.50 chains; thence north 68 degrees west 2.50 chains; thence northwesterly on a direct line toward the southeast corner of block No. 3, of the town of Smockville, as the same appears on the plat of said town, as recorded in the records of deeds of said Washington county, to the limit of the railway passing through said quarter section; thence along said railway, north 47 degrees 45 minutes east to a point which is north 42 degrees 15 minutes west from the place of beginning; thence south 42 degrees 15 minutes east to the place of beginning; being all of the land belonging to said Portland Pressed Brick Company, in said Washington county, on May 2, 1892. Now, in pursuance of said decree, execution and order of sale, I will, on the 28th day of June, 1897, at the hour of eleven o'clock, a. m., at the county court house door, in said county of Washington, sell the above described land at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, to apply in or toward the payment of said decree, interest, attorney's fees, costs and disbursements and the accruing expenses on said execution and order of sale.

W. D. BRADFORD,
9-13 Sheriff of Washington County, Oregon.

900 DROPS
CASTORIA
A Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of
INFANTS CHILDREN
Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral.
NOT NARCOTIC.
Recipe of Old Dr SAMUEL PITCHER
Pumpkin Seed - Alx Senna - Rochelle Salts - Anise Seed - Peppermint - Bi Carbonate Soda - Worm Seed - Clarified Sugar - Wintergreen Flavor.
A perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP.
Fac Simile Signature of
Chas. H. Fletcher.
NEW YORK.
At 6 months old
35 DOSES—35 CENTS
EXACT COPY OF WRAPPER.

SEE THAT THE FAC-SIMILE SIGNATURE —OF— Chas. H. Fletcher. IS ON THE WRAPPER OF EVERY BOTTLE OF CASTORIA

Castoria is put up in one-size bottles only. It is not sold in bulk. Don't allow anyone to sell you anything else on the plea or promise that it is "just as good" and "will answer every purpose." See that you get C-A-S-T-O-R-I-A.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. is on every wrapper.

Hatchet and Weekly Chicago Inter Ocean, $1.

$1.00 —THE— $1.00
WEEKLY INTER OCEAN.
The Greatest Republican Paper of the West.
IT is the most *stalwart and unswerving Republican Weekly* published today and can always be relied upon for fair and honest reports of all political affairs.
The Weekly Inter Ocean Supplies All of the News and the Best of Current Literature.
It is Morally Clean, and as a Family Paper is Without a Peer.
Its Literary Columns are equal to those of the best magazines.
Its Youth's Department is the finest of its kind.
It brings to the family the News of the Entire World and gives the best and ablest discussions of all questions of the day. The Inter Ocean gives twelve pages of reading matter each week and being published in Chicago is better adapted to the needs of the people west of the Alleghany Mountains than any other paper.
$1.00 PRICE ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR $1.00
The Daily and Sunday Editions of The Inter Ocean are the best of their kind....
Price of Daily by mail.....$4.00 per year
Price of Sunday by mail.....$2.00 per year
Daily and Sunday by mail.....$6.00 per year
Address THE INTER OCEAN, Chicago.

Hatchet and Chicago Weekly Inter Ocean $1.

Buy a Farm, Buy a Lot. Buy a House and Lot
MONEY TO LOAN
OR ANY OTHER KIND OF
REAL ESTATE
OF THE
FOREST GROVE LAND CO.
We have many bargains and now is the time to invest. Write for Price List.
FOREST GROVE, OREGON

Our Special Clubbing Offer

WASHINGTON COUNTY HATCHET and . . .

San Francisco Examiner...	regular price,	$3.00	both for	$2.00
Thrice-a-Week World.....	" "	2.50	" "	1.65
Chicago Inter-Ocean.....	" "	2.50	" "	1.50
Springfield Republican....	" "	2.50	" "	2.00
Louisville Courier Journal..	" "	2.50	" "	1.75
Atlanta Constitution.....	" "	2.50	" "	1.75
Silver Knight.....	" "	2.50	" "	1.75
Vick's Floral Monthly.....	" "	2.00	" "	1.50
Womankind, a magazine...	" "	2.00	" "	1.50
Cosmopolitan, " ...	" "	2.50	" "	2.00
International Magazine....	" "	2.50	" "	1.85

This offer applies to new subscribers or old ones paying one year in advance.

Renew Your Subscription.