

For fine stationery go to Hoyt's. Special sale in goats underwear at Hoyt's.

Yes, we have them, stone pots all sizes. Messenger Trading Company, Hillsboro.

Found steel bowed spectacles on Washington St. near Second. This office.

Fishing tackle, Spalding base-ball goods and bicycle sundries at E. L. McCormick's.

Just received a full line of tin and granite ware at Messenger Trading Company Hillsboro.

For Sale—Work horses and four stands of best Claude Robinson, two miles southeast of Hillsboro.

Hon. C. F. Tigard was in Hillsboro on Wednesday attending to several items of business in the Court House.

Hoyt has just received a fine assortment of ladies and gents lace hose. A large assortment of styles and prices.

Fourteen new iron beds just received at E. L. McCormick's furniture store. Various colors and prices. Call and see them.

Wanted—Every one to know that Hoyt has moved into the room next door west of the Delta and that his stock is all new, clear and up to date.

At a benefit sociable for the Heppner fund held at Tigardville last Saturday evening the sum of \$28.85 was realized. The lodges of the village had before raised about \$35.

The Messenger Trading Company have in the show window the biggest fire cracker ever brought to town. It is as big as a six inch joint of stove pipe. If it makes a noise in proportion to size it will be like firing a ten inch canon.

On Monday last Mr. James H. Sewell sold his peacheron stallion Prince Almo to Mr. John Mc Nemer receiving in payment \$500. Mr. McNemer has taken the horse to Tillamook County.

At Beaverton the sum of about \$100 dollars was collected for the Heppner Relief Fund. A part of this came from Scholls and was collected by Mr. Caly who canvassed a day in that neighborhood.

The showers of the past ten days have been unfavorable for cherries. Mr. Linn who has a few trees estimates that he has lost \$100 worth. Others have been served the same way.

The Hillsboro Division of the Lewis and Clark fair will meet at Wehrungs Hall Friday July 10, at three p.m. All members please be present and bring rose slips properly labeled to exchange.—Mrs. S. B. Huston President. 7 8

Mr. J. A. Kremis who has been a resident of Hillsboro for several months has bought farm property in Polk county across the river from Salem. He is about two and half miles from the city. Mr. Kremis moves his family today to his new home.

Mr. C. T. Crow on Monday last received a very unwelcome telegram informing him of the death of his father, in Iowa. Mr. Crow dropped his work and took passage on the evening train for his old home. He hoped to get there before the funeral.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John and Alice (Brown) Miller died at their residence in Portland and was brought out here last Saturday evening for burial. The funeral services were held at two o'clock p.m. Sunday June 28 in Masonic cemetery Hillsboro.

Miss F. M. Anthony, who has lived with her aunt Mrs. W. D. Hare most of the time for the past three years and is well known in Hillsboro society married Mr. J. W. McCormick of Astoria last Saturday. The ceremony was performed in St. Stephens Episcopal Church, Portland.

Mr. Bywer, who formerly lived just southeast of town, but now lives above Mountaindale, was in town last Saturday. He reports that he has another fine healthy boy at his home, which counted with his elder brothers makes six and with the three sisters rounds out a family of nine children.

The Eddy Corporation law is in effect and not well received in some quarters. It is stated that an effort is to be made to annul it. There were three incorporations in Tigard villa, all of small capitalization, the flour mills company, the mutual telephone company and the Tigardville Hall company. The latter will disincorporate but the other two will pay tax and be continued.

Tuesday morning at Ennis' mill in South Tualatin, Mr. John Ennis put his wrench on a nut to tighten the guides while the big circular saw was in motion. The nut could not be moved easily and the wrench slipped off. The sudden release of the strain let Mr. Ennis fingers come in contact with the saw. A part of the end of the right thumb was removed, the first finger at the joint and a slight laceration of the middle finger. Dr. Linklater dressed the wound.

P. J. Casterline, a worker in steel-blacksmith—who recently moved from Corvallis to Portland, has been during the past week, advertising the fact that he has found a bath in which he plunges red hot steel to harden. The tool, whatever its shape, comes out hard and tough, so that when ground to an edge will cut iron as readily as seasoned oak is whittled with a tool tempered in the ordinary way. Wonderful stories are related. A Casterline tempered razor may be drawn over an iron spike, edge touching, and then used in shaving without restropping. The hardest steel used in safe-building is readily drilled with his hardened by the new process. At first sight it would appear that Casterline has a fortune in his grasp, but now a man named Z. T. Clark, also of Portland, comes forward to dispute the claim of Casterline, and shows patents No. 571646, date Nov. 17, 1896, for a process of hardening and tempering steel that does what the other claims for his process. It seems that Clark is a poor mechanic and has not been able to promote his invention. Casterline is also in very moderate circumstances, and has been working on his process for several years without an attempt to secure letters patent, but now uses good business judgment and liberally advertises. Clark was hunting for a process for hardening copper said to be known by the ancients. He did not fully succeed, but compounded a bath that it is good for steel. The baths used by these mechanics are not claimed to be identical, but the discovery is probably independent, and may be so different that a patent will issue to Casterline. But if the processes do not infringe the value of each is lessened. Both men affect to believe that they have fallen upon the treatment practiced by the armorers who made the Damascus blades of old, the point of which might be bent and thrust through the hill, and when released would fly back straight as before. There is much of romance in these old stories, and the wonderful qualities of such swords were due as much to the historian as to the smith who fashioned them. There is not a hand-saw on a carpenter's bench, that is, one that he will use, but can be bent till the point touches the handle, and when released will fly back, leaving no kink. It is not well authenticated that the ancients tempered steel better than we do, and it is more than likely that both Clark and Casterline have made discoveries that are original advances in handling steel.

Mr. W. K. Traler who last February bought the A. Finney residence facing on Washington St. between Second and Third, is getting lumber delivered for a barn which he will build. While building he will make some needed repairs to the dwelling which was built over 40 years ago by Mr. Finney. The structure is in a remarkably good state of preservation, but there is one sill that needs replacing and some of the porch floors that are to be renewed.

Hon. H. V. Gates has taken an option on the Mansard roofed dwelling at the southeast corner of Third and Fir streets, now occupied by Mr. T. S. Weathered. The owner is non resident and the deed has been sent to him for execution. Mr. Gates will not occupy the premises for some time, as he desires to make quite extensive repairs after he gets title to premises.

The fine registered peacheron mare belonging to Mrs. Anderson who lives on the Imbrie place just east of town died yesterday morning. The colt is a large strong healthy fellow and an attempt will be made to raise it by bottle. The mare was valued at \$550. Indeed \$500 was offered for her and her mate about two months ago.

John Dennis carries the Hamilton Brown shoes which are universally known for their good qualities. His line is so full and complete that he does not hesitate to announce that he has the finest line, both ladies and gents, that was ever carried in this county.

Mr. Foster, who formerly carried the mail on the Scholls Ferry-Portland route, was informed on Tuesday last by telephone that his son who was at The Dalles had been drowned. No particulars of the drowning were stated. At last advices the body had not been recovered.

The election at Forest Grove on Wednesday last to determine whether or not saloons shall be licensed resulted in no license. The vote was 111 for "license" and 158 for "no license."

John Dennis carries a stock of groceries that is a credit to any city. He is constantly adding to his stock, and on his shelves are not to be found stale goods.

Oscar Kelsey is visiting at his father's, F. M. Kelsey, and will spend the Fourth at the old home-stead.

Chase & Sanborne coffee has no equal. Try it. John Dennis has a carload of it.

Don't fail to try our boneless boiled ham. Messenger Trading Company.

The County Court has secured for use in the Clerk's office a new type-writing machine for doing recording in books. These machines are not so numerous as those others writing on a single sheet of paper, but they are quite as practical and just as economical. The machine at the court house can be used on any of the fat opening record books and in the hands of an expert operator will make a record page of as fine appearance as that of the most skilled pen man. The ink used has a carbon base and hence will not fade.

Last year, the year before, and indeed ever since his thrifty young cherry trees began to bloom, Mr. McCollier, living near Scholls, anticipated the delight of eating cherries in their season. But he was not to eat, because the blue jays, the robins, and a little bird with a seed cracking beak and a reddish head always destroyed the cherries before they were fit for human food. There were cherries enough but too many birds. Mr. McCollier had heard of ten bright tin mesh for protecting fruit. He tried it. He made many wind mills the vanes constructed of bright bits of tin set at an angle best suited to make the thing go. The wheel was 18 inches in diameter and would move with the faintest breath of air. Mounted on a pole so as just to clear the top of the tree it would as it turned, scatter gleams of sunlight all through the branches. At first the birds eyed the thing with suspicion, but soon it was for entertainment while they ate, and they flocked to the trees over which the wheels flashed in rather greater numbers than before. Mr. McCollier got no cherries, is getting none this year and expects none next though Herman his son suggests planting trees along the fence row at the back side of the pasture, hoping to furnish a remote feeding ground where the birds may congregate while the trees trees in the home orchard may have time to mature their fruit.

Andrew Graddon president of the West side and Suburban Electric Railroad Company who has been in the east for the past seven months returned to Portland this week. An engineer is to go over the right of way acquired by the West Side & Suburban Railroad Company within a week and report on the feasibility of the scheme to the Eastern capitalists, who have agreed to accept the company's bonds, providing a satisfactory showing is made. President Graddon states that there will be no trouble on this score, and he expects to begin work within 30 days.

"The right of way for practically the entire distance has been secured," Mr. Graddon said to an Oregonian reporter "that these small tracts of land needed might have to be acquired by condemnation proceedings, but I do not believe that when we make another effort to come to terms there will be any further difficulty. I expect this matter will be settled in a very short time."

"With construction work inaugurated within 30 days' time, we shall be able to run our cars into the Willamette Valley country inside of a year. We expect to be able to make the run of 25 miles within little more than an hour's time, and will put on a schedule and will provide for hourly trips from each terminus. The first car will probably leave each end of the line at six a. m. and the service will continue until 11 p. m."

"We will introduce a new feature in suburban railroading—new so far as the Northwest is concerned. Our cars will be operated on train orders, with agents stationed at the towns en route. In addition, each car will be equipped with a telephone outfit, and at certain stations or sidings each car will be compelled to stop. A small arm run out from the car will be brought into contact with the telephone wires of the company, and the dispatcher will talk to the men in charge of the car. In this manner we will have absolute direction of our cars at all times."

"The overhead trolley system is to be used for the entire distance. The heaviest grade we will have is 4 per cent, encountered in getting out of Portland. Other grades are very light."

"The cars to be used on the line will be of the latest models used in Eastern suburban traffic. Some will be arranged to handle both baggage and passengers, but it is likely a line of express and baggage cars will be put on the line. It is the intention at first to run single coaches, but if the traffic demands it, each car will pull a trailer."

"The country the new line will tap is one of the richest sections of the Willamette Valley. There is a population tributary to our line, outside the City of Portland, of something like 10,000. It is largely agricultural and fruit section, and both the passenger and freight business should be heavy."

"Ultimately the line may be extended beyond the terminus planned at present, but the first work will be

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ROYAL

BAKING POWDER
Absolutely Pure
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to construct the 25 miles of road already projected. A single track is to be laid at present."

DWELLING BURNED.

At eleven o'clock Friday night last William Wall was aroused by a cry of fire. He saw a great light and vaulted out of bed, catching up his pantaloons as he ran. Down stairs he realized that it was his own dwelling that was burning, and that it was necessary to get his wife and child without delay. Mrs. Wall used her spare time with the youngster and got out with only her robe-de-nuit. Mr. Wall and his father, who was sleeping below, found no fire in the parlor and succeeded in getting a parlor organ and some books out, but everything else burned. The fire was quick. The loss figures up \$1250, no insurance.

The origin of the fire is speculation. There had been no fires in the stoves since seven o'clock of the morning of Friday, the family having been away driving with Father Wall and his brother, who were here from London, England. Even on the return at night all went to bed without lighting the lamps. The fire originated in the kitchen part of the house. There is a theory that a burglar either purposely or accidentally furnished the torch. Mr. John Wall's residence on Baseline street was burglarized the night before. The prowler had entered by deftly cutting a pane of glass from the window and with his hand released the bolts that fastened it. He had gone into all the rooms of the house except the sleeping chambers, and had made a thorough search. The sleeping rooms had not been entered because they were fastened on the inside by barrel bolts. In the dining room the floor was strewn with half-burned matches, showing that it had been the place of a minute search. Mr. Wall, uncle of J. M., is touring America and known to be shadowed a part of the way across the continent. It is supposed that this party wanted the money that Mr. Wall is carrying for his traveling expenses. While in Hillsboro he made his home at J. M.'s and was there on the night of the housebreaking. Nothing was taken that night. Friday night the prowler might have mistaken Wm. Wall's father for his uncle and thought that the latter was spending the night with William, wherefore that residence was the scene of his adventures. The match lighting may have been repeated with the result that an accidental fire resulted, or in anger at his lack of success he may have deliberately kindled the fire.

So far as known Mr. William Wall lost nothing by burglary. There were three gold watches in the house but the remains of these have been found since the fire. Mr. Wall has not got around to building yet, though that will be taken up. His first concern is to get clothes for self, wife and children.

An alarm to the fire department was not sounded for the reason Mr. Wall's house was at the extreme northwest part of the city, beyond

the water supply, hence the uselessness of calling the department when a detached house was burning.

COURT HOUSE. PROBATE.

Est Wm L Curtis, incompetent, ordered that citation issue to heirs and interested parties to appear July 27 and answer petition for license to sell real estate.

Est J Allen Macrum, decd. Final account examined. Ordered that the administrator pay preferred claims in full and other creditors pro rata, that the attorney fee of \$175.00 be allowed and the administrators fee allowed by statute be paid.

Est Asa Williams, decd. Appraisers Robert Hoffman, Fred Watrous and Thurston Buxton.

Est Rosco J Vaughn, minor. Maud Lotts appointed guardian, bond \$100. Appraisers J W Sewell, L A Long and Geo R Bagley.

Est John W Lemmon, decd. Administrator has permission to sell real estate.

Est Ellen Donovan, decd. Final account allowed and property in custody of administrator turned over to the heirs.

Est John D Ledrick. Objections having been filed to the final account the Court finds that there is no authority permitting the administrators to offer a reward for the apprehension of the murderer of the deceased, or for employing extra counsel. Nevertheless since E L Matlock received \$250 for the apprehension of the murderer it is ordered that S. B. Huston be allowed \$150 attorney fee for assisting the prosecution, and that the remainder be distributed pro rata to the heirs.

Est Ed J Haines, decd. Ordered that W B Haines be notified to appear July 6 and show cause why the order approving the final account and order shall not be set aside.

Est Jacob Brugger, decd. Ordered that the clerk be directed to certify all the papers belonging to the administration of the estate to the Circuit Court.

Est Anderson Reynolds, decd. Final account filed and Monday August 3 set for examination.

Est Robt Imbrie, decd. Ordered that the legacies of the will be paid and that the real estate be set off to Ralph Imbrie, T R Imbrie and Frank Imbrie.

Est Ralph Imbrie minor. The said minor being now 21 years old, it is ordered that the guardian be released and that the guardianship be closed of record.

REDUCED EXCURSION RATES To the Seaside and Mountain Resorts for the Summer.

The Southern Pacific Company, has placed on sale at very low rates round trip tickets to the various resorts along its lines, and also, in connection with the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad, to Detroit and the Seaside at Yaquina Bay, latter tickets good for return until October 10th.

Three day tickets to Yaquina Bay, good going Saturdays, returning Mondays, are on sale at greatly reduced rates from all points Eugene and North on both East and West

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Side Lines, enabling people to spend Sunday at the seaside. Very low round trip rates are also made between Portland and same points on the Southern Pacific, good going Saturdays, returning Sunday or Monday, allowing Portland people to spend Sunday in the country and the out of town people to spend the day in Portland. Tickets from Portland to Yaquina Bay good for return via Albany and East Side, or Corvallis and West Side, at option of passenger. Baggage checked through to Newport. A new feature at Newport this year will be an up-to-date kindergarten in charge of an experienced Chicago teacher. A beautifully illustrated booklet describing the seaside resorts on Yaquina Bay has been published by the Southern Pacific and Corvallis & Eastern Railroads, and can be secured from any of their Agents, or by addressing W E Coman, G P A, S P Co., Portland, or Edwin Stone, Manager C & E R R., Albany, Oregon. Yours truly, W E COMAN, Gen Pass Agent,

Jim Dumps' young wife while yet a bride
Some biscuits made with greatest pride.
Jim looked with fear upon the food,
But to a bride one can't be rude.
"Let's eat 'Force' first, dear, 'tis my whim,"
It saved the life of "Sunny Jim."



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All "Sunny Jims" Bew. In our household "Force" is as familiar and welcome as "Sunny Jim," and that's saying a good deal, for we are all "Sunny Jims" now. "R. L. Stone."