

**MEXICAN POTTERY.**

Primitive Methods of the Skilled Workmen of Durango.

Practically all the pottery used in the Durango section of Mexico, from the finest to the largest flower-pot, is fashioned by hand from Durango clay. There are about twenty such factories in the city, employing from five to fifty men each. The clay used in this industry is obtained from the base of Durango's famous Iron Mountain, one mile north of the city.

The vessels are all fashioned by hand and foot power. The only instrument used is a large wooden wheel, through the axis of which passes a pole about three feet in length, terminating at the other extremity in a small wooden wheel set parallel to the big wheel. The operator sits so that he may turn the large wheel (set horizontally near the floor so that it will move freely) with his foot, which in turn causes the little wheel above, on a level with his chest, to revolve very rapidly. A convenient sized lump of the clay dough is placed upon this little wheel, and as the mass revolves by the impulse of the laborer's foot, he hollows out and fashions the vessel.

The skill and dexterity of these workmen is little short of remarkable. With only the eye to guide, he fashions with astonishing rapidity vessels which do not differ one from the other in either size or shape. A single laborer is able to complete about thirty-six dozen jars of nearly a quart capacity in a day.—Argonaut.

**BULLET AND BIBLE.**

One Tried to Take a Man's Life, While the Other Saved It.

To illustrate the bullet robbing powers of papers, a veteran war correspondent brought for the inspection of some of his journalistic colleagues a pocketbook filled with photographs and papers and a Bible, each of which on separate occasions had been instrumental in saving his life in the course of the Russo-Turkish war.

In one instance he was knocked off his horse by the impact of a bullet and became unconscious, only to find on regaining his senses that the friendly wallet had prevented the bullet entering his body. On the second occasion, at Plevna, the Bible, which he had placed in a side pocket, deflected a heavy piece of shrapnel that threatened to end his existence.

He had kept the wallet intact as a memento of his escape, and one of the journalists who was examining its contents came, by a curious coincidence, upon a letter which he himself had indited to the war correspondent some thirty or forty years ago, the very existence of which he had entirely forgotten.

In the letter he had expressed the hope that his friend would return safe and sound from the seat of war. The words "safe and sound" had been almost cut away by the bullet, which,

but for the providential interposition of the bundle of papers, would probably have ended the war correspondent's life.—Nottingham Guardian.

**FIRST FOREST FIRE.**

Word has come in of the first forest fire of the season which burned over about 60 acres in the neighborhood of Fort Rock early last week. It was a ground fire entirely and did but little damage but it is regarded by the forest officials as a strong indication of the dryness of the season which will make patrol work necessary very soon.

**EX-MAYOR MARRIES.**

The marriage of H. T. McDonald and Miss Marion E. James, both formerly of Bend, occurred at Los Angeles on April 22. The bride was formerly Mrs. Frank Kulp. The groom was a resident here for several years, and at one time was mayor. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald will reside in Los Angeles.

**NEW BOOKS IN LIBRARY.**

The following new books have just been added to the library: Barnabette, Helen R. Martin;

Cap'n Dan's Daughter, Jos. C. Lincoln; Penrod, Booth Tarkington; T. Tembaron, Frances Hodgson Burnett; The Heart of the Desert, Hore Willis; The Woman's Law, Marjorie Thompson; The Passionate Friend, Carolyn Wells; The Intriguer, Harold Hindless; The Fortunate Fourth, Wm. Locke; The Treasure, Kathleen Norris; Mother, Kathleen Norris; Dian of the Green Van, Leona Dalrymple; World's End, Amelle Rivers; Anybody but Anne, Carolyn Wells; Dark Hollow, Anna K. Green; Pidgeon Island, Harold MacGrath; Black is White, Geo. Bar McCutcheon; The Heart of the Night Wind, Virginia E. Roe; Sunshine Jane, Anne Warner; Overland Red.

**PHONE TO WARM SPRINGS.**

Forest Supervisor Merritt returned from the Metolius country Friday. At Allens he conferred with G. L. Hall, superintendent of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation, and details were arranged for the installation of a phone line to be a continuation of the present forestry line to Allinghams on the Metolius to the Agency.

Mr. Merritt also arranged with Superintendent Hall for a co-operative fire patrol during the coming summer.

**Ranchers**

Call at Bend Grocery for an empty egg case free. We pay 90c trade for extra large spuds. Berry Cane Sugar \$5.20 per 100. Just east of the Depot. Mail orders a specialty.

**NOTICE TO ODD FELLOWS.**

Initiatory degree work will be held at the next meeting. All visiting brothers are invited to attend.

**COMMISSIONER IS SUPPORTED**

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Mr. Bayley is a candidate for re-election.

**Return Present Officers.**

"There is little doubt but that the present county officers, who are up for re-election, will be returned to office on their records."—Sisters Herald.

**Redmond Favors Bayley.**

"We believe him to be the man for the place. He is the only Republican candidate from the west side. He is a man that cannot be bluffed. He understands the duties of the office, without question is the best road builder the county has ever had, and has had much experience along this line. If the west side of the county fails to support Mr. Bayley we are likely to find ourselves without a representative on the county board, and it seems that this would be a deplorable condition of affairs. As this part of the county is developing very rapidly it deserves and needs a representative."—Redmond Hub.

"There are a number of reasons why Mr. Bayley should receive your support.

"First—We think him to be the man for the place.

"Second—We know that he will give us good representation.

"Third—He is a man of his word and cannot be bluffed.

"Fourth—He is the only Republican candidate for county commissioner from the west side of the county, and if he is defeated we do not have representation in the county court house.

"At the present time nearly every office holder is an east side man, and if the west side fails to be represented it will be our own fault, so it is up to us to vote for Mr. Bayley."—Redmond Commercial Club.

**MORE AID FOR LOCAL FARMERS**

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ious problems at the college, and information from the U. S. Department of Agriculture and some of the results of my own fourteen years of study and experience in this line of work.

"I shall try to obtain at once 4 or five 'co-operators' in each community who will use from one to five acres of his land and undertake to demonstrate the value of soil preparation, seed selection and crop cultivation as we think best with some crop which we think will pay. We will handle these plots to make them yield a maximum crop if possible and study and note the results with all the interested farmers of that

community. I shall expect to visit my 'co-operators' regularly and assist them and all of the farmers of the county in every way possible; this work always subject to direction by the State Leader, Prof. H. T. French, of the O. A. C. at Corvallis.

**POTATO SEED SELECTION**

Agriculturist Wishes Co-operators in Every Neighborhood.

As the first step in helping the farmers of Crook county, Agriculturist Lovett has sent out the following communication regarding seed potatoes:

"There is always a sale for the good smooth, sound and well shaped potato. It is hard to get a good price for the potato that is rough and full of eyes and knots. And, the lot of mixed smooth, rough, bruised and diseased potatoes is hard to sell at any price.

"If we plant only the smooth, well shaped potato of size and shape that we wish to raise, our chances for obtaining that same kind of potato, as a crop are good. If we plant small or large or rough potatoes, our chances for obtaining a crop of good marketable potatoes are poor. In order to raise a uniform marketable crop of potatoes, we must plant that kind of seed and that kind only. We will obtain some poor and unmarketable potatoes from the best seed and will obtain some good, market-

able potatoes from the poorer seed, maybe, but the man who will carefully select his seed will be amply rewarded for his trouble.

"I should like very much to obtain the names of two or more farmers in each neighborhood in this county who will co-operate with me in demonstrating these facts to the satisfaction of themselves and their neighbors. I should like to co-operate with them in the selection of the best seed from their seed potatoes, and the planting of his seed in the best possible manner separate from the remainder of the crop in order that we may study and compare the results obtained from this different seed.

"We will undertake similar work with other crops which we grow and I shall visit the different neighborhoods as soon as possible. I may always be reached by addressing me at Redmond, and am at your service along any line where I may be of assistance to the farmers of Crook county."—A. E. LOVETT, County Agriculturist.

**Most Children's Diseases Start With A Cold.**

Restlessness—feverishness—an inflamed throat and spasmodic cough is starting in. Give Foley's Honey and Tar promptly. It helps the children so very much, and Mrs. Shipps, Raymondville, Mo., says: "I got fine results from it and it is a great medicine for whooping cough." Patterson Drug Co.



Bank the balance. The difference between Ford cost and heavy car cost is "velvet" for the prudent buyer. He knows the Ford not only saves him dollars but serves him best. It's a better car sold at a lower price.

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