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Doctors disagree again. Dr. Hutchinson, United States inspector of the animal industry for Oregon, reported several months ago that some bands of cattle in Eastern Oregon ready for shipment were afflicted with mange, and forbade their exportation from the state. This action was severely denounced at the time by Eastern Oregon stockmen and local newspapers, who maintained that Dr. Hutchinson was mistaken; that he did not give the animals a thorough examination some declaring that he only rode around them and looked at them from a distance; that in fact the cattle had no mange whatever, and that his arbitrary and unjustifiable order would and did result in great injury to the owners of the particular bands and to the stock industry of Oregon in general.

Dr. McLean, the state veterinary surgeon, in the case of one band of cattle near Condon, fully substantiates those representations of the stockmen and the local newspapers, notwithstanding Dr. Hutchinson's report was approved by his immediate superior, Dr. Hickox, of Salt Lake. Dr. McLean declares that this band of cattle, when he examined them two months after Hutchinson did, had no mange whatever; that if they had mange in August when Hutchinson saw them they must have had it in October when McLean made an examination that he made a thorough, scientific examination, as Hutchinson did not; and he confirms the local reports as to the heavy loss to the owner of these cattle in particular and to generally. Later a special inspector has been out from Washington D. C., examining this band of cattle, but his report has not yet been made. If he affirms Hutchinson and Hickox, the stockmen will probably have no redress; if he agrees with McLean the cattle owners' grandchildren may get some reimbursement from Uncle Sam for his loss.

In the face of these conflicting reports we cannot positively declare what the truth is. The stockmen's representations must be taken with some cautions, for they are deeply interested parties. On the other hand their statements are so positive and persistent that they are not to be disregarded. Especially to be considered are the insistent declarations that Dr. Hutchinson made no sufficient or real examination of the animals. If this be true he deserves all the censure that has been bestowed upon him. But what about Hickox? Did he endorse Hutchinson's report without a careful examination? If so the government should make some changes in the personnel of its animal industry service in Oregon. On the other hand if Dr. McLean is wrong the eastern Oregon cattlemen should quit censuring the federal officers and go to work to rid their herds of the disease.

But whatever the facts, it is undisputed that the action of Dr. Hutchinson has resulted in great loss and injury to the stock industry of Oregon. If this action was justifiable and necessary, then the cattlemen must bear the loss and are not entitled to complain; but if they and Mr. McLean are right, the federal officials have done a mischief that they can never repair.—Portland Journal.

An exchange is responsible for the following: A schoolboy was to prepare an essay on the subject of "Ducks," and this is what he wrote: "The duck is a slow, heavyset bird, composed mostly of meat and feathers. He is a mighty poor singer, having a hoarse voice caused by getting so many frogs in his neck. He likes

the water and carries a toy balloon in his stomach to keep from sinking. The duck has only two legs and they are set so far back on his running gear by nature they came pretty near missing his body. Some ducks when they get big have curls on their tails and they are called drakes. Drakes don't have to set or hatch, but just to loaf, go swimming and eat. If I was to be a duck I'd rather be a drake."

The stork disappears and we look into the cradle and behold a male child. After running the gauntlet of measles, mumps and chickenpox, he enters school. At the age of 10 he is a red-headed freckle-faced boy and the terror of the neighborhood. At 12 he is an apprentice in a printing office. At 18 he has acquired two cases of long primer and an army press and is the editor of a country newspaper. At 20 he is married. At 30 he is bald-headed, stoopshouldered and the father of a large family. At 35 he is a corpse in a cheap pine coffin, and as 500 delinquent subscribers file past his bier for the last look they were heard to say: "He was a good fellow, but he couldn't save his money."

The Baker City Herald says that that town has grown beyond the country town stage wherein advertising is looked upon as an act of charity. But the question is more the size of the business man's business capacity than the town's. A merchant of meager talent cannot make advertising pay while an able manager cannot reach his full measure of trade without advertising; and this regardless of the size of the trading point.—Grant County News.

The Town of No Good.

Did you ever hear of the town of No-Good on the banks of the river Slow, where the some-time-or-other scents the air and the soft-go-easy grow? It lies in the valley in What's the use, in the province of Let Her Slide. It's the home of reckless I Don't Care, Where the Give-It-Up abide. The town is as old as the human race, and it grows with the flight of years. It is wrapt in the fog of the idler's dreams. Its streets are paved with disordered schemes and sprinkled with useless tears.—Ex.

SHORTAGE OF WOOL.

Boston, Dec.—The close of the Boston wool market for the year 1904 is characterized by a remarkable shortage in the amount of wool on hand. In fact the scarcity of the supply is occasioning traders in this, the chief wool market of the United States, considerable apprehension as to whether serious conditions will be encountered before the arrival of a new clip.

The Boston Commercial Bulletin has just completed its annual canvass of the wool supply of the country. It will say tomorrow that Boston greets 1905 "with a startling situation." It finds that the supply of wool, domestic and foreign on hand unsold here is the smallest carried over in 15 years. The Journal reports that there are, of all kinds of wool, only 29,000,000 pounds on sale in Boston, and that of this small total but 23,500,000 pounds are domestic. Only 42,000,000 pounds of domestic wool is left unsold in the United States, against 112,000,000 last year. The total supply of all kinds in the country is less than 54,000,000 pounds. This is said to be the smallest supply on hand in the United States in a long time.

It should be stated that the mills are heavily stocked and that millions of pounds belonging to them and not for sale still are stored in this country. The Boston wool market remains firm.

Coughs and Colds

All coughs, colds and pulmonary complaints that are curable are quickly cured by One Minute Cough Cure. Clears the phlegm, draws out inflammation and heals and soothes the affected parts, strengthens the lungs, wards off pneumonia. Harmless and pleasant to take. Sold by Burns Druggists.

Alfalfa at Geer & Cummings.

ATTORNEY HALL IS OUSTED

FEDERAL OFFICIAL IS REMOVED BY THE PRESIDENT.

It is Charged District Attorney Has Attempted to Shield Prominent Men in the Land Frauds Cases.

Press dispatches from Washington and Portland, dated last Saturday, say:

The president today directed the removal from office of John H. Hall, United States District Attorney for Oregon. Hall has been the prosecuting officer of the government in the land fraud cases and his removal is made in connection with them.

Attorney General Moody, who announced Mr. Hall's removal declined to say what charges if any had been made against him, but added that the charge was made for the good of the service. Hall was endorsed for reappointment by Senator Mitchell and Representative Hermann.

The conduct of Hall's office has been inquired into by the government, and the reports have been transmitted here. These reports allege that there have been obstructions of justice, that certain prominent men have been shielded, and attempts have been made to prevent certain parties from giving evidence in the land fraud cases.

United States district attorney Hall had no warning from Washington that he was to be removed, and when shown the dispatch was at first angry, condemning several officers of the government in strong terms and declaring his removal to be the act of personal enemies. Later he stated that so far as he knew there were no charges against him and he had no knowledge of what prompted the president to take action. He said he had no fear but that he could convince any fair man that he never had been guilty of any act which would reflect discredit on him as an officer. He said he was much surprised that the president would so condemn an officer whom he had recently appointed for meritorious service without a hearing or giving him a chance to defend himself.

Oliver E. Pugin of Chicago, special assistant attorney of the department of justice, has been sent to Oregon to assist in the prosecution of land fraud cases.

ORGANIZATION PERFECTED.

The meeting of the stock raisers and citizens of northern Grant, for the purpose of opposing outside stock, was held at Hamilton on Friday, December 23, at which there were quite a number of the most prominent sheepmen and cattlemen present.

The resolution stating the object of the association was again endorsed by the meeting, and the organization was perfected by the election of Emil Scharff of Monument, as president, H. Craig of Fox, secretary, and W. W. Austin, of Hamilton, assistant secretary.

President Scharff appointed W. W. Austin, J. H. Austin, J. H. Casaday and Wm. Swick, a committee on constitution and by-laws.

A Living Monument.

If we were to assemble all those who have been cured of heart disease by Dr. Miles' Heart Cure, and who would to-day be in their graves had not Dr. Miles' been successful in perfecting this wonderful heart specific, they would populate a large city.

What a remarkable record—a breathing, thinking, moving monument, composed of human lives,—that for which every other earthly possession is sacrificed.

The Miles Medical Co. receive thousands of letters from these people like the following:

"I feel indebted to the Dr. Miles' Heart Cure for my life. I desire to call the attention of others suffering as I did to this remarkable remedy for the heart. For a long time I had suffered from shortness of breath after any little exertion, palpitation of the heart, and at times terrible pain in the region of the heart, so serious that I feared that I would some time drop dead upon the street. One day I read one of your circulars, and immediately went to my druggist and purchased two bottles of the Heart Cure and took it according to directions. With the result that I am entirely cured. Since then I never, since an opportunity is recommended this remedy to my friends who have been troubled. In fact I am a traveling advertisement for I am widely known in this locality."

J. H. BOYMAN, Manager of Lebanon Democrat, Nashville, Tenn. Dr. Miles' Heart Cure is sold by your druggist, who will guarantee that the first bottle will benefit. If it fails he will refund your money. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

with instructions to report at the next meeting.

Emil Scharff, Lawrence Swick and John Jonas were appointed a committee on publication.—Blue Mountain Eagle.

Tonic to the System.

For liver troubles and constipation there is nothing better than DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little Pills. They do not weaken the stomach. Their action

upon the system is mild, pleasant and harmless. Bob Moore, of Lafayette, Ind., says: "No use talking, DeWitt's Little Early Risers do their work. All other pills I have used gripe and make me sick in the stomach and never cures me. DeWitt's Little Early Risers proved to be the long sought relief. They are simply perfect." Persons traveling find Little Early Risers the most reliable remedy to carry with them. Sold by Burns Druggists.

REVISED TABLE OF INFORMATION.

The following table has been compiled after careful and thorough investigation of all records and statistics obtainable and gives actual resources of Harney county, every item of which can be proven:

Table with columns: Item, Number, Car., Wis. lbs. Includes Wool clip annually, Sheep shippers annually, Cattle shipped annually, Horses and mules shipped annually, Merchandise shipped into merchants, Merchandise shipped direct to ranchers, Stock salt and sulphur, Stage freight at 3 cents per pound.

LOCAL HAUL.

Table with columns: Item, Value. Includes Lumber sold annually, feet; Fuel wood sold annually, cords; Fence posts sold annually.

PASSENGERS AND MAIL.

Table with columns: Item, Value. Includes Passengers by stage annually, 600 at \$10; Passengers by private conveyances, 1,300; Mail contracts.

LIVE STOCK.

Table with columns: Item, Value. Includes Number of sheep owned in Harney county, Number of sheep summered in Harney county, Number of cattle owned in Harney county, Tons of hay grown annually in Harney, over, Tons of hay grown annually, in a radius of 30 mile of Burns.

AREA OF LAND IN HARNEY COUNTY.

Table with columns: Item, Value. Includes Area of land, acres; Surveyed; Unsurveyed; Of above amount 556,324 acres are in forest reserve and Carey selections. Appropriated, 1,108,201; Tillable, assessed, 71,101; Non-tillable, assessed, 586,751; Improved, not patented, 102,845; Susceptible to irrigation under U. S. Geological survey of Silver Creek reservoir, 336,000; Carey selections, approved, 9,000; Road Companies Land, 44,000; Appropriated, 95,000; Susceptible to irrigation, 875,000; Tillable bench land above irrigation line, over, 150,000; Amount now covered by Malheur Lake which would be drained and reclaim by holding up water of Silvies River in reservoir, 35,000; Water Facilities—Silvies River, Silver creek, McCoy creek, Blitzen River, and ten smaller streams; Altitude—4,100 feet—same as Salt Lake Valley; Mean Temperature—42; Annual precipitation—12 inches; Minerals—2,200 pounds of borax mined and hauled by team from Denio, Oregon, to Winnemucca, Nevada, daily, being all that is developed to speak of; Crops—Wheat, oats, rye, barley, alfalfa, sugar beets, hops, potatoes and all kinds of hardy fruits and vegetables.

Advertisement for John Gemberling, Jeweler, Optician and Engraver. Fine Watch Repairing A Specialty. Includes an illustration of a pair of eyes.

Advertisement for The Marlin Fire Arms Co. FOR THE MAN AND THE WOMAN WHO KNOW. Includes an illustration of a woman with a rifle.

Large advertisement for The American Farmer journal. FREE! FREE! FREE! To all our Subscribers! THE GREAT AMERICAN FARMER INDIANAPOLIS, IND. The Leading Agricultural Journal of the Nation. Edited by an able Corps of Writers. For the next three months, we offer this paper free with The Times-Herald. Both One Year for \$2.00. This offer is made to all new subscribers, and all old ones who pay up all arrears and r. new between now and April 1, 1905. SAMPLE COPIES FREE.

Advertisement for Red Front Livery, Feed and Sale Stable. BRENTON & BERDUGO, Propts. Main St., Burns, Oregon. Horses receive the best of care from experienced hands. Elegant New Livery trunks. Cuting Parties Accommodated. Horses Bought and Sold.

Advertisement for THE TIMES-HERALD. Gives all the local news. See Premium offer on Page Four. Job Printing.

Advertisement for CITY MEAT MARKET. R. E. YOUNG, Propt. Fresh and Salt Meat Always on hand. CORNED-BEEF, BOLOGNA SAUSAGE, Home Sugar-Cured HAMS, Home Made Lard and Bacon. Includes an illustration of a man with a ham.