

THE COURIER.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

We invite correspondence from all sections on subjects of local and other interest. With each letter the name and address of the sender is required, especially if sent for publication.

EDITORIAL NOTES AND NEWS.

The Portland News proposes to consolidate the three cities of Portland, East Portland and Albina, which that paper claims will give the new city 30,000 inhabitants.

If that little paper in Josephine could be crushed out so that a mean trick perpetrated down there could not be published to the world, what a field for villainy that would be.

Six American citizens have been arrested in Southern Russia for preaching in an orthodox assembly of Russians. Mr. Lothrop, the U. S. Minister at St. Petersburg, has been endeavoring to induce the authorities to release the prisoners, but so far has been unsuccessful.

On last Friday while looking over some papers, county clerk Chandler found the lost indictment in the Lewis case, so that the presumptions in that matter were unfounded. This injured Mr. Lewis' case somewhat, for it was supposed the indictment had been purposely lost to aid him. We were somewhat disappointed in the verdict of the jury in this case, but still we believe it was composed of our very best citizens, and we believe they all acted from good motives, but in view of the policy laid down by which we are to be governed in our relations with each other, a little thing like knocking a man down with an ax ought never to be noticed.

The recent census of the Crow Indian tribe show that they number less than 2,700. The census taken ten years ago showed that the tribe numbered 3,500. This rapid decrease is continuing; a gentleman intimately acquainted with these Indians for the past fifteen years, states that the tribe is decreasing from eight to ten per cent. annually. In the largest camp of the tribe, that of Plentycous, the deaths exceed the births three to one. And this band is less affected with venereal disease than any other on the Crow reservation. If this thinning out of these Indians continues, the problem of civilizing them and reducing their reservation will solve itself in the next fifteen years.

A great many have asked us how a newspaper could be stopped when a subscriber did not want it, adding that they had repeatedly settled for the Denigative Times and ordered the proprietor to stop sending the paper, but that it continued to come. To-day a gentleman asked these questions again. We know of poor people in this country upon whom the unprincipled editor of that paper forces it to their detriment, and not knowing how to get rid of it they suffer the imposition to go on. The plan being to start the paper to them and force it upon them for two or three months, then they cannot get rid of it without settling up, which they are not able to do. To all such, we would say that if you take a paper out of the office you must pay for it, but if you refuse to take it out of the office, the Postmaster must, by law, notify the publisher that the paper lies dead in the office, and the publisher cannot force collection if he continues to send it.

The late of Shasta City in California, by being left to one side by the railroad, and having the county seat removed from that place to Redding, should serve as a lesson to the people of Jacksonville. Property in this place is sure to decrease in value in its present condition, and if the business men of this place ever expect to hold the trade, or even a part of it, they formerly held, they should build a branch railway from this place to connect with some point on the O. & C. R. R., for, as we have said before if this matter is to be let go unnoticed, there will not be enough business in the course of five or six years to keep up half of the stores that are now here, and will eventually follow in the same footsteps as Shasta City. (Sentinel.)

Jacksville is a rich and a beautiful city, surrounded by extended resources, and can, if it so elects, build a railroad without feeling it. Hence ought to do so.

Linn county pays \$5 bounty for each one caught.

JOSEPHINE IS SAVED.

It seems to go very hard with the Times editor and a few, yes a very few more men of his narrow mindedness to be forced to admit that Josephine county is on the very eve of an individuality free and independent of his kind in Jackson county. For a great many years we paid tribute to them, were virtually owned by them, bowed at their shrine, and otherwise acknowledged ourselves the abject tools of our masters. Those days we were on the verge of dissolution and it was a mere accident that we did not go to pieces as a county and annex to that county as these people hoped we would have to do. But at the nick of time things changed. The railroad extended into and through our county. Our timber, our mines and our fruit lands, climate &c., attracted a new and progressive class of people who went to work with confidence in our future, and our enemies had to see the scale change, and the battle so stealthily fought was lost, and today, dear reader, we are a free and independent people. We belong to no ring, clan nor corporation. We have our mines, our fruit lands, timber and climate as we always did, and in addition we have one of the most beautiful, prosperous and busy little capitals on the Northwest coast. Our schools have made rapid progress, we have no political rings, our government is pure, we have plenty to eat and wear, and ought to be happy. Only three years ago we had nothing of which we could boast, aside from the gifts of nature. We had no churches, our schools were not progressing, nor were our people, and we went to our sister county for everything; she got all we made, and she expected to annex us and we expected to be annexed by her. But that day has passed, and while a large majority of her people are glad that we are progressing and more proud of us on account of our nerve, a few men led by narrow mindedness are nearly sick to see it.

R. R. PROBABILITIES.

The probabilities now are, that the C. & O. R. R. will make its winter terminus at Butteville, 25 miles south of Yreka. About 4,500 Chinamen are working on the road to this point. The Journal thinks the connection with the O. & C. will be made next summer; that paper believes also that the Central will own the O. C. very soon. From a gentleman just up from San Francisco, who is posted, we learn that when connection is made, through trains will leave San Francisco and Portland at 8 p. m. every day, the object being to travel through the mountainous portion of the road in day time. This will give southern Oregon and northern California day trains. Local and freight trains will also run so that we may reasonably calculate that three or four trains will pass every twenty four hours. Grants Pass would be greatly benefited by day trains in stead of coming and going in the night.

Our strictures concerning the Bybee case we want it distinctly understood, were intended to effect the principle involved and underlying such rottenness in any court. As we said before, we will not discuss the guilt or innocence of the accused in this connection, but we know that influencing our juries in any way whatsoever to detract from the honest verdict, means the annihilation of justice to the extent that life and liberty will be rendered uncertain in our land. When that comes to be a fact, then down goes valuations. Property now valued at \$500 in that event would not be worth \$500 and could not be sold at all. We have not said that the jury men sub out in this case, but it is generally believed that some of them, at least, were influenced by outside pressure to vote as they did. When by their action they place life and liberty in jeopardy, it matters little what agent mislead them, the injury to the country remains the same. While all the people may not endorse every word the Coroner contains, they most assuredly know that it belongs to no ring, clique, nor clan. We speak plain and without ambush, and when we know we're right, we would just as soon hit our target on the bald spot as not. Before we get through with some of the enemies to progress, law and order, we expect to hit them where we will either get wool or hide, we care not which.

An attempt was made to burn Linkville recently. Sachs saturated with coal oil were thrown into several buildings, but were discovered in time.

CORRECTION.

In our article bearing upon the action of the late grand jury, after saying that that body stood six to one for resubmittal of the Bybee case, we went on to say that "a change altogether too marked came over four of them." We intended to say three instead of four, as one man on the grand jury was opposed to indictment from the start, so we were informed, therefore no change came over his mind.

CRIME IN OREGON.

Rewards Offered for the Capture of Three Murderers.

SALEM, (Or.) Nov. 11.—Fred Winkelman, the Baker City murderer who was so severely burned in jail, and who, after receiving a life sentence in the penitentiary, was adjudged insane, died at the asylum this morning. Governor Moody, in view of repressing crime and securing the conviction of parties transgressing the law, has issued a proclamation offering a reward, subject to the approval of the Legislature, of \$500 each, to be paid upon the conviction of any one not yet apprehended and convicted of the murder of either Thomas Kenaley, murdered in Portland, or D. J. Corker, in Yamhill county.

Why did the Governor not include in this message a similar reward for the murderer of Thomas T. Bybee and Wm. Nagle, than which no blacker crimes were ever committed in this or any other State.

Ex-President Arthur Dead.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—Ex-President Chester A. Arthur died at his home in this city at 5 o'clock this morning. The news of his sudden death came as a great surprise. Notwithstanding the alarming rumors as to his health during the summer months, it was supposed an improvement in his condition was noted during his stay in New London, Conn., and the apparent confidence expressed by friends who remained close to him created the impression that his health had been radically improved, giving him promise of a renewed lease of life. His disease was one affecting his kidneys, and those near him had no faith in his recovery; but his sudden demise was not spoken of. He began to sink shortly after midnight, and at 3 o'clock it was known that death was approaching. He passed away without apparent pain.

Oregon & Transcontinental.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—The Philadelphia Press says: "It is no longer a secret that the Northern Pacific stock belonging to the Oregon & Transcontinental is a constant menace to any bull movement in Northern Pacific. It is believed some stock has been peddled out, and it is known that a whole load will be thrown over by Transcontinental as soon as possible. It is stated that Transcontinental and Navigation stock will be taken by the Union Pacific syndicate when the Northern Pacific stock is sold, and Oregon & Transcontinental will go into liquidation and wind up all its affairs. Such a course would antagonize the Northern Pacific, and cause a contest for traffic to the North Pacific Coast. It is said on the best authority that the Navigation Company did not earn the 6 1/2 per cent. dividend declared this year. If this is right, the Union Pacific guarantee of 6 per cent. will not be worth the paper it is written on."

Serious Blizzard.

CHICAGO, Nov. 23.—Dakota specialists indicate the second blizzard of the season which started in early yesterday morning. Portland reports twelve inches of snow and drifting badly. At Jamestown the passenger trains are on time, but the freight trains have been abandoned. Aberdeen reports the Ellendale, Ipswich trains as snow bound. The supply of coal in the region is nearly exhausted. A serious blizzard prevails generally throughout Montana, Northern Dakota and Minnesota.

Silver Excitement.

CALDWELL, Kan., Nov. 23.—A company of soldiers have been ordered to this place from Fort Reno to keep prospectors out of the Indian Territory. The greatest excitement prevails. Thousands of claims have been staked out in the Territory below Caldwell, where silver is believed to exist in large quantities.

Another Railroad Project.

The Yaguina Bay newspapers say that the impression prevails outside that upon the completion of the narrow gauge to Portland the line will be made a standard gauge, and will either connect with the Oregon Pacific near the summit of the coast range or it will be extended to Yaguina Bay. Some of our people are confident that it is a western terminus will be at Newport. Anyhow, to prove a paying road, it must get to the bay, either by connecting at some point with the Oregon Pacific or by pushing it's own line through to wide water.

LADIES: While and healthy worth preserving. If you wish to see and know more, call on Mrs. L. E. L. at 1000 Broadway.

Fight With a Buck.

The Appeal's Meham correspondence writes as follows: "Albert Woodside had a tussle with a fine five-point buck not long since. Mr. Woodside shot and crippled the animal and his dog caught it but was not able to handle it. Mr. W. hurried to the scene but as soon as the deer saw him it made a rush at him. Mr. W. fired but his aim was not good and failed to bring the deer down. Before he could shoot again the buck struck him on the breast felling him to the ground. He caught the animal by the horns and drew his knife and proceeded to carve his buckskin. While engaged, Mr. W.'s trusty hound flew to his master's rescue, and grabbed the deer by the ear tearing that member completely off, but the deer shook the dog off and again turned his attention to Mr. W. Had not help arrived, the hunter would have been killed. When Woodside's companions arrived, they found him unconscious lying in a little branch with a savage buck standing over him. A well-directed shot killed the deer, the wounded man was revived, but says he don't want another tussle with a buck."

Petrified Oranges.

Last Tuesday Mr. J. L. Stewart, of Carlton, was in town and showed us a curiosity in the shape of petrified oranges. Mr. S. is having a well dug on his farm, and when down about forty-seven feet, discovered pieces of trees petrified, and near the tree was found several oranges, from the size of a marble to a full sized orange. The large orange is very perfect, has the marks of a rough orange peeling. Mr. S. has a man working for him who has worked a great deal in an orange country, and says that they are perfect oranges. [Lafayette Register.]

WANTED.

20 WAGONS, BUGGIES and Hacks to Paint. For Price, apply to 34-29 JOSEPH A. FREASURE.

NOTICE.

ALL those who know themselves indebted to J. W. Howard & Co., either by Note or account, will please settle the same before the First day of January next or we will be compelled to force a settlement. J. W. HOWARD & CO. Nov. 15, 1893. 344d

Turkey and Beef Shooting Match ON CHRISTMAS DAY.

There will be a Turkey and Beef shooting-match at Grants Pass on Dec. 25th, 1893, (Christmas day) under the management of BUSCH BROS. 344d

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Flour, Grain, and Feed Store,

Front St., adjoining Courier Office, GRANTS PASS, OREGON.

We have opened a First-Class Flour and Feed Store in the building formerly occupied as a saddle and harness shop, where we will keep constantly on hand and for sale the best brands of

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GEORGE R. GOWAN, Grant's Pass, Or.

Administrator's Sale of Real Property.

IN THE COUNTY COURT of Josephine, sitting in Probate.

IN THE MATTER of the Estate of Thomas A. Beach, deceased.

In pursuance of an order of the County Court, made the 18th day of October, 1893, the undersigned, Administrator of the estate of Thomas A. Beach, deceased, will offer for sale at the highest bidder for cash in gold coin of the United States, on the

17th Day of December, 1893,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the dwelling house on said property, all the right, title and interest of the said Thomas A. Beach at the date of her decease, to the following real property, to-wit:

The undivided one half in the South-west 1/4 of the South-west 1/4 of Section 4, and the South-east 1/4 of Section 5, in Township 40, South Range, 7 West, Josephine County, Oregon.

GEO. W. HANSEN, Administrator of said Estate. Josephine County, Nov. 12, 1893. 344d

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, RECORDED, Or., Oct. 20, 1893.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Judge or Clerk of the county court of Josephine county, Oregon, at Grants Pass, Oregon, on Saturday, November 27, 1893, viz: Horace H. Nichols, Homestead entry No. 3308, for the S. E. 1/4 Sec. 24, T. 39 N., R. 6 W., W. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: John W. Lee, of Grant's Pass, Daniel Matthews, A. H. Thurston, Horace H. Nichols, of Wolf Creek, Josephine county, Oregon.

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