

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.

Congressman Hermann is enroute for Oregon. The production works in East Portland will be started up about the 1st of May.

The old Mountain Union, published at Union for twenty years, has suspended.

The Yreka Union of the 17th of St. Patrick came out on green paper in commemoration of Ireland's patron saint.

The enterprising people of Jacksonville propose to beautify their cemetery by irrigating the flowers and vines planted therein.

The question of re-locating the county seat of Yamhill county is waxing warm and will continue heated until after election.

Every editor that dies in Southern Oregon or goes out of business receives the same sarcastic adieu from Bro. Nickle. Please change the form.

Remember the next teacher's institute for Southern Oregon will be held at this place during the Summer. We hope our people will be fully alive to the occasion.

The Jacksonville board of trustees have reduced licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors from \$300 to \$200, and for retailing malt liquors from \$200 to \$100, in quantities less than a quart.

There is great alarm in San Francisco over the probabilities that the Inter-State commerce bill will have the effect to raise overland freights. Ocean freights have already advanced 30 per cent.

The Board of Immigration has been continued by private subscriptions with C. B. Carlisle as Secretary. One thing certain Mr. C. is the fast friend to Northern Oregon and we feel glad that he has been retained.

Capt. W. W. Saunders, the murderer of Chas. Campbell, who was found guilty of murder in the first degree in Linn county, has been granted a change of venue to Marion county. The chances are he will be similarly convicted there.

Henry N. Copp, the land and pension lawyer of Washington, has just issued the twelfth edition of his "Settler's Guide." It gives Commissioner Sparks' orders and late decisions and instructions, and full information about the homestead, pre-emption, timber culture, desert land, and other laws. The price of the book is only 25 cents.

In our issue of Sept. 24, 1886, we took occasion to say: The completion of the C. & O. R. R. next year as far as Yreka, will convince the Record man of our meaning when we say that Mr. Gasquet will never build a road through to the Oregon line. We say this because to say anything else would reflect upon his business sagacity.

Asher Marks, J. W. Mullen, D. K. K. Buck, S. C. Flint and Chas. W. Johnson of Roseburg have incorporated the "Oregon Southern Pacific Coast Utah Railway." They propose to build, own and operate a road from Salt Lake City, Utah, to the headwaters of the North Umpqua, thence down that stream to Roseburg, thence down the Umpqua to Elkton, intersecting the Train railroad at Elkton.

The bill annexing Happy Camp, district of Del Norte county to Siskiyou county has been signed by the Governor and is therefore a fixed fact. The completion of the wagon road from Happy Camp to the railroad will complete the picture. Josephine county will lose in some ways by this change and in no way will she gain by it, we regret to say, but we may as well look the inevitable square in the face. Much as the Wimer wagon road has been advocated by a few at Crescent City, long and a strong pull, and a pull altogether over that route

while it was in vogue would doubtless have been the very best thing for all concerned.

The Record seems to think that Del Norte county is almost ruined by the annexation of Happy Camp district to Siskiyou county. This is called a political trick to strengthen the democrats in Siskiyou county, the Times and Union joining in this belief. We do not believe such to be the case. It results from the absorbing influence of the railroad system. For three years we have believed that the completion of the railroad to Yreka would take all the shipping business from Crescent City down as far as and including Happy Camp, and with it, that portion of Del Norte county which is described in the bill to annex.

The newspapers of the State are already falling into line for or against the prohibition amendment; the daily papers generally against. The Oregonian and Statesman both argue against it because, as they claim, prohibition will not prohibit. The Portland world and Democrat and the Times will oppose it on that ground, and because prohibition is not good Democratic doctrine.—[Democratic Times.]

Many of the legislators who voted for the bill to limit the amendment to the people, did so because they were the servants of the people and that in voting to submit it they were but carrying out the true spirit of representatives of an indulgent constituency. These same men, when they go to the polls, will in many instances vote against prohibition.

There is now no doubt but that the O. & C. has been transferred to the Southern Pacific. Southern Oregon would be justified in having a grand jubilee over this good news. The Oregonian says of it:

"The California corporation will want Southern and Middle Oregon filled up with people, and to bring this about may be expected to see the necessity of dealing more liberally with the people than the old management, pressed by need and bankruptcy, has been able to do."

Yes, very truly the "need and bankruptcy" policy of the O. & C. has worked a serious hardship upon us. The company was not in a position to be liberal; they doubtless were as lenient as instructions would permit. At any rate, we should thank our stars that we are freed from the shackles of a defunct railroad which operated without gain to itself or profit to the country.

The consummation of the deal will dispel the doubts which have hung over us so long, effecting every acre of land and every dollar of capital, acting to deter men from investing at all in a country so isolated. But be patient; we are soon to be placed in the front rank, when our climate, fruit, sugar pine lumber and mines will make us the envy of the world.

The Del Norte Record after reviewing the trials of a secluded life, the severity of the winter, &c., winds up by saying: "We have got over our growl and never were in better humor than at present, and hope we are at peace with all the world. Wimer and his wagon road included."

All right, Joe, we're not very mad at you anyway. The first time we meet doubtless we will daub syrup on each other and lick it off.

From the Ashland Tidings: W. H. Atkinson is preparing to set out 3000 more trees on his place in the southern part of town.

Capt. Willard Young, who is engineer in charge of the work at the Cascade locks under Capt. Chas. F. Powell, is a son of Brigham Young, the Mormon prophet.

The infant son of Bobby and Mrs. Eva McGinley, who are well known to the public of Southern Oregon, died on the 6th inst. at Oakland, Cal., aged seven months, two weeks.

Ashland is to have another church. For several years Father Blanchet has been making preparations for the erection of a Catholic church on the fine lot near the north district school house, and he is now about ready to build, as will be seen by his call for proposals for the contract.

Every one in and near Ashland interested in orchards and gardens are invited to attend a meeting to be held at McCall & Baum's hall Saturday afternoon, Mar. 26th, to discuss the proposition to try the smudge protection for fruit and berries against frost in case the frost comes.

An attempt was made on the life of the Russian Emperor last Sunday by persons armed with bombs, concealed in all manner of shapes. Only one was thrown and it failed to explode. Many persons have been arrested. The occasion was the anniversary of the death of the last Emperor of all the Russias.—[Plaindealer.]

The anarchists will not be hanged until October.

Gold Hill. Mar. 16, '87. Farmers are busy plowing and sowing.

Spring has opened at last after a long and uncommonly severe winter. Miss Effie Sutton of Ashland is visiting relatives near Gold Hill.

J. B. Thomas, who was hurt by falling off a shed at his place, is improving, we are glad to say. The Philomathean literary society meets every Saturday evening. The Blue Ribbon club meets every two weeks.

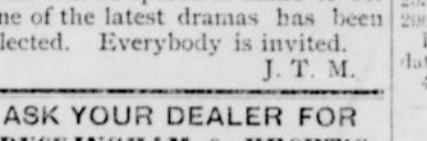
The fruit crops look favorable so far. If there is no more frost this season there will undoubtedly be a large crop of fruit in the valley. B. F. Miller is busy selling fruit trees. The people seem to be waking up to the importance of fruit growing and are planting a great many trees.

Elder S. E. Stearns of this place has just finished burning a large kiln of lime on his place. The lime is to be used in building a Baptist church in Medford.

The owners of the quartz mill have shut down work for the present, owing to the roads being so bad that they cannot haul the quartz. They will probably commence about the first of May.

The entertainment to be given by the Philomathean society will no doubt be a grand success, as no pains will be spared to make it so. One of the latest dramas has been selected. Everybody is invited. J. T. M.

ASK YOUR DEALER FOR BUCKINGHAM & HECHT'S



Boots and Shoes, — They are the — BEST AND CHEAPEST IN THE MARKET. [52-6m]

Executors Notice. In the matter of the estate of William M. ...

Notice of Final Settlement. IN the County Court of the State of Oregon for Josephine County.

Notice of Sale by Common Carrier. NOTICE is hereby given that the Oregon and California Railroad Company, of Portland, Oregon, a common carrier having transported this personal property hereinafter described, from various points in the State of Oregon, to the town of Grants Pass in the State of Oregon, at the request of the owner or lawful possessor thereof, and having safely stored and kept said property, and by virtue thereof having a lien upon the same for its just and reasonable charges, and more than three months having elapsed since said transportation and care has been performed, and no part of said reasonable and just charges having been paid, all persons whom it may concern are hereby notified that said Oregon and California Railroad Company, by its Receiver, will, on the First day of April, 1887, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m., sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, at the warehouse of said Company, in the town of Grants Pass, in the State of Oregon, all and singular said personal property or sufficient thereof to satisfy said lien and charges and the costs and expenses of making said sale. Said property having been shipped, consigned and transported between the points hereinafter named, and being more particularly described as follows:

Lot 1. From Glendale, 1 box maps, marked W. H. Clayton. Lot 2. From East Portland, 1 package belting marked Kull & Balt. Lot 3. From East Portland, 2 barrels and 3 tierces glass ware, marked J. W. Howard & Co. R. HOEHLER, Receiver of the O. & C. R. R. Co. Portland, Oregon March 31, 1887.

NEW 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 Flour, Corn and Oat Meal. Wheat, Barley, Oats, Mill and Chop Feed, Bran, and everything pertaining to a FIRST-CLASS FEED STORE. W. RAZEE & SON, Proprietors.

W. L. BLACKBURN, AGENT AT GRANTS PASS FOR THE BROWNVILLE WOOLLEN MILLS SUITS — Made to Order, at — \$32.50, \$23.50, \$25.00, \$27.50, & \$39.50. Call and See New Styles.

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County Treasurer's Notice. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY TREASURER, Grants Pass, Ore., March 14th, 1887. Notice is hereby given that there are funds in the County Treasury for the redemption of the following County warrants, protested to Dec. 31st, 1884: Numbers 242, 234, 247, 184, 259, 253, 252, 251, 278, 279, 283, 284, 282, 287, 286, 297, 295, 315, 323, 327, 336, 337, 346. Interest on the same will cease on this date. J. W. HOWARD, Treasurer.

SUMMONS. IN the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Josephine. MARY J. ENAPP, Plaintiff, vs. FINLY KNAPP, Defendant.

Grants Pass Variety Store, A. D. HELMS, Prop'r. — Dealer in — Staple and Fancy Groceries Cigars, Tobacco, Nuts and Candies, Fruits, and a superior brand of CANNED GOODS. Main St., opposite R. R. Depot.

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Home Seekers, Attention! FOR SALE. 406 ACRES of fine farm and timber land for \$20 per acre, 8 miles west from Grants Pass on North side of Rogue river. This farm contains 125 acres of rich river bottom land in cultivation, also 50 acres of the same quality easily cleared, the balance is of the finest sugar pine and other timber and pasture land. This is a good mill site; county road runs by the place, good living water running across the place near buildings; also good well; 1 large house, 2 large barns, granary, smoke house and other out buildings; young orchard; garden and bottom land all under fence; very healthy locality. On this farm can be raised the finest of corn, sweet potatoes, melons, tomatoes, peaches, grain, timothy, clover, etc. This would make several good homes, and as the climate and other advantages cannot be equalled in Oregon it would be wise for colonists or others to investigate before buying elsewhere. GEORGE R. GOWAN, Grant's Pass, Or.

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