

THE COURIER.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

We invite correspondence from all sections on subjects of local and other interest.

EDITORIAL NOTES AND NEWS.

San Francisco capitalists have organized the Oregon Coal & Navigation Company, to do a general coal, shipping and merchandise business between California and Oregon.

Let's climb to the top of the Coast Range mountains and yell over at Coos and Curry to know how they like annexation by this time.

Rev. J. R. N. Bell has been appointed clerk of the railroad commission and will devote his entire time to his new duties.

W. H. Woodbury has been removed from the Crescent City post-office and D. S. Sartwell appointed in his place.

There is great excitement in Butte county Cal. over the murder of Mrs. Billou and a hired man, by a Chinese employe.

The Klamath Co. Star describes a large and enthusiastic meeting pursuant to announcement of Hon. Robt. McLean, at which time the charges against that gentleman, made during the sitting of the late legislature, were fully ventilated.

Gust Matson and Dan McIntosh, while rowing a small boat in Coos river near Marshfield on the 9th, were "ship wrecked" and had a severe struggle to regain land.

The Rev. J. R. N. Bell has been received into the Presbytery of Oregon, and assigned work in this county under the direction of the Home Missionary Committee.

By this we understand that Bro. Bell has left the M. E. Church South and joined the Presbyterians.

A Washington dispatch says that the inter-state commerce commission has suspended the fourth clause of the law for ninety days on the Detroit, Grand Huron and Milwaukee roads.

The Yreka branch railroad will probably be a success. The distance to Julien, which is probably the route that will be adopted, is 70 miles, grade 72 feet to the mile; cost of road complete, estimated by Mr. Palmer at \$78,000.

The Yreka Union justly expresses surprise that so many editors discuss the stoppage of free passes to them, by the inter-state commerce law and says:

What pass has the average editor ever carried, for which, so far as he has used it, he has not given treble the value received in legitimate advertising?

That's so. The railroad companies allow about one half of the real value of advertising space, and then the editor takes it out in a "pass."

One hundred and forty Chinese employes on the O. P. R. R. struck recently for a dollar a day, refusing to work longer for 80 cents. The company would not accede to their demands and the Chinamen went to the C. & O. extension.

Grants Pass is booming, and why?

Because it is the county seat of a good county and the only town of importance in it; therefore it has no opposition, there being no town nearer to it than thirty miles. Josephine county, though it has been settled a good long time, never began to develop until the construction of the railroad three years ago.

Since then there has been a steady onward march of this county within ten miles of the road. Beyond that distance, though the land is just as good, there is nothing doing and good land lies vacant awaiting the immigrant who will clear the brush from it and make him an enviable home.

In the remote portions nothing is being done in the way of development; no new buildings are going up, no machinery taking motion, and the people are wholly unconscious of the great wealth, health and happiness lying now around them.

They do not know that their lands will double in value within the next three years and possibly within half that time; they do not know that within five year's time not one single acre of good land can be taken up by location within the bounds of Southern Oregon; they do not know that the lands which have encircled and confined us oppressively are at this moment being cut. Our county is to be flooded with a business impetus never seen before, and a flood of immigrants, tourists, travelers and capitalists, almost out of reason.

The climate alone of Southern Oregon will settle up every nook and corner of it and the new comer will get the bench lands, which are the best in all countries. It is an easy matter for a farmer or business man to build up in a new country; he simply comes up with the tide. Thus it is with Grants Pass. It is gradually but surely being carried up by a grand onward swell that will not stop until its force is broken in the distant future beyond our present vision, and a much larger city will mark its present site than any of the readers of this article imagine.

It will not surprise us if we have five thousand people in this busy little burg within five years. If it keeps up its present increase of population it will not miss it much.

"Everywhere in California the village men of the cities, towns and hamlets are anxious to invite the boom to their localities. Everywhere, too, the sort of man colloquially described as the 'Old Stiff' stands in the way. He won't clean up around his premises, he won't pay taxes without growling, he won't consent to an increase of taxes for any purpose, and his sour face and stony hand block the pathway of progress. San Francisco is leniently cursed with the 'Old Stiff.'"

The amount of injury such talk is to a country is incalculable. If every man and woman in the town were to join in together and tell every stranger that came that it had no future, and that the surrounding country was no account and the people a set of villains, as a matter of course nobody would stop long in the place and the prophecy of the "Old Stiff" would eventually come true. It will therefore be seen that the opposition of those whose lives are up side down, must be overcome by those who have confidence enough in their surroundings to push ahead to a state of betterment, and who are generous enough to hold to the hands of their neighbors and help them up too. Come now, get in and rustle.

Yesterday morning word was brought into town that a crazy man was wandering around Burns' logging camp a few miles from town. Officer Fox immediately started for the camp where he found the man in the woods, trying to whittle off his toes with a jack-knife. He was brought in town and locked up in the jail. His name is supposed to be Barringer, a recent comer from Josephine county, Oregon. He was brought before Judge Murphy, where Dr's. Robertson and Knox held an examination on him and pronounced him suffering from nervous debility, and was sent to the county hospital.

The young man referred to is the son of James Barager, of Kerbyville precinct. That gentleman was sitting on a jury here at the time news reached him of the sad condition of his son.

Hon. Binger Herman was the recipient of a handsome compliment upon his return to Roseburg a mass meeting in the shape of a mass meeting of the best citizens of that whole hearted town which culminated in a regular shower of warm-hearted speeches in respect to the valuable congressional services of one of Oregon's most faithful servants.

Judge L. R. Webster, while passing upon the indictment of Mr. Gilliam for killing deer in violation of the game law, took occasion to say that violations of that law within this district had gone about far enough.

He said, in substance, "It's about time that it be known that the game law means something. This thing of killing deer out of season and then be excused out of it because the meat was used, or from any other cause, has gone far enough. From this on I shall enforce the law strictly, upon parties who have been convicted of that offense." So look out, Mr. Hide Hunter.

A feature of the cold backward spring was a hailstorm yesterday at Portland. Behavior of the weather is remarkable for Oregon. Vegetation is a full month behind hand. Hitherto strawberries have been ripening by this time; now they are scarcely in bloom. A consequence of the late spring will probably be a high Columbia river. The cold weather is holding back the snow, and when it starts to melt it will all come at once. There is much snow in the mountains, and it is not improbable that the water will be in front street again.—(Oregonian.)

Here in Josephine we have been having rain every week or two which has been disagreeable but has not fallen amiss, as the ground would get very dry if no rain fell from March until September or October.

BRIEF MENTION.

There is an increase of Irish immigration. J. G. Blaine has been very sick but is better.

John Wik was killed at a logging camp in Coos county on the 11th instant.

Governor Penoyer endorses the appointment of Eugene Semple for Governor of Washington Territory.

Chas. E. Hughes, Sheriff of Del Norte Co., Cal., died in San Francisco on the 6th instant, aged 36 years.

The Gold Beach Gazette says the river has been too high during the past week to permit fishing successfully.

Emperor Wilhelm received a regal present, a sword of honor from the King of Portugal, on his 90th birthday, March 22nd.

The President has appointed Eugene Semple of Portland, Governor of Washington Territory. The appointment is a good one.

W. E. Ledgerwood, a Douglas county boy has been appointed clerk of the Washington Territory supreme court, a position worth \$5000 a year.

Recent dispatches go to show the heaviest movement of freights west from New York, via Pacific roads within their history.

Frank S. Wright, Curtis Holcomb, O. D. Butler, Herbert W. Cardwell, W. D. Jeffries and John J. Sedwell have all been authorized by the Willamette Medical University to shoot people with pills.

From Our Friends.

The Rogue River Corrier has commenced Vol. 3, and is prospering, which we are glad to note.—[Lake County Examiner.]

We are pleased to note the fact that the Rogue River Corrier has discarded its patent outside, as well as having entered on its third volume. It is a neat and well written sheet, which is an evidence that its editor is able and efficient and knows how to run a newspaper. Success to you, Brother Chip. May your enterprise prove remunerative and the "Corrier" of usefulness to its many readers.—[Klamath Co. Star.]

Correspondence.

PORTLAND, Or., Apr. 9, '87. W. J. WYMER—DEAR SIR—I take the liberty of mailing you some circulars which I will ask you to give to miners and prospectors in your district who may have mining property to sell, and wish it brought to the notice of investors. All information so obtained will be placed on file, classified and brought to the notice of capital. I have special arrangements and connections, to facilitate the purchase and sale of promising mining properties for which there is an increasing inquiry. Trustworthy information is wanted, claims of apparent merit will be examined without delay.

I take this method of obtaining reliable information of mining properties in your district, believing that it will lead to business and result in great benefit to your local interests. There are undoubtedly many valuable properties in Southern Oregon, and all that is needed is capital to develop them and greatly increase the wealth and development of that section of our State.

As you probably noticed in the Oregonian of the 31st of March, there has been formed here a Portland Stock Exchange and Mining Board. For the past two years I have been examining the mining interests of this State, and on my return from the East, called a number of the representative men here together to discuss the feasibility of immediately forming a Stock Board. The result was the formation and immediate organization of such an association. This step, I consider

of the greatest importance to the whole State, as it will attract a great amount of foreign capital here and develop what I believe will prove in time, the greatest resource of our great State. Such a state of affairs not only enriches the mineral districts, but also the agricultural and timber districts by increasing the demand for their products. As chairman of the board, it is my present intention to commence calling stocks about the first of May.

Notice to Bridge Builders.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Sealed Proposals will be received at the County Clerk's office at Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon, until 1 o'clock, P. M., of Monday, May 22nd 1887, at which time bids will be opened for plans, specifications, strain diagrams and bids for building a bridge across Applegate river at a point selected by the County Court, a short distance above what is known as the Custer ford, on said stream, and about seven miles south of Grants Pass, in Josephine County, Oregon. The said bridge to be a "Truss Combination," the main span to be about 143 feet long, with probably 200 feet of trestle approach. Each bidder shall deposit with his bid five per cent. of the amount of such bid, as by law required, which said amount shall be forfeited to the County in case the award is made to him, and he fails, neglects or refuses to execute the same within the time specified in the contract and to file his bond in the manner required by, and to the satisfaction of the County Court. The said County Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Notice For Publication.

U. S. LAND OFFICE. ROSEBURG, Or., April 13, 1887. 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, May 28th, 1887, viz: Thomas B. Houston, Homestead entry No. 6021, for the S E 1/4 Sec 24, Tp 29, S R 6 West, W. M. He claims the following 1/2 sections to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: H. H. Sparling of Williams, Josephine County, Oregon; John Beckner of Applegate, Jackson Co., Or.; James Jordan, and Walter Jordan, of Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon.

County Treasurer's Notice.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY TREASURER. GRANTS PASS, April 18, 1887. Notice is hereby given that there are funds in the County Treasury for the redemption of the following County Warrants, payable to May 1st, 1887: Numbers, 231, 248, 277, 289, 279, 445, 456, 469, 474, 534, 457, 439, 450, 490, 484, 483, 482, 481, 479, 478, 473, 471, 470, 452, 450, 425, 428, 429, 427, 423, 414, 413, 412, 411, 409, 408, 407, 406, 396, 391, 371, 373, 372, 370, 366, 410, 394, 425, 485, 493, 494, 394, 498, 416, 382, 435, 422, 380, 410, 383, 386, 347, 338, 327, 322, 320, 309, 602, 402, 604, 606, 637, 639, 612, 611, 572, 573, 614, 615, 621, 622, 619, 620, 623, 626, 629, 624, 628, 631.

NEW HOTEL.

Cor. 5th and Main Sts. H. SIMPKINS, - Proprietor. WHITE COOKS! This house has just been thoroughly overhauled from basement to attic. Beds nice and clean. The tables are supplied with the best the market affords. TERMS REASONABLE. 4-1-4

Executors Notice.

In the matter of the estate of William Maloney, deceased. NOTICE is hereby given that letters testamentary upon the estate of William Maloney, late of Josephine County, State of Oregon, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, by the County Court of Josephine County, sitting as a Probate Court, bearing date, February 22, 1887. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to settle the same without delay; and all those having claims against said estate, to present the same in monthly verified, at Leland, Josephine County, Oregon, within six months from the first publication of this notice. JAMES MALONEY, Executor. Leland, Or., Feb. 23, 1887. 32-31

TREES! TREES! TREES!

Hammon Bros.' Nurseries. PHENIX, Oregon, and OAKLAND, California.

Our Stock this season Cannot be Excelled on the Coast Neither in Quantity, Quality, Varieties, Size of Trees, nor Health and Vigor of same. Embracing all the Leading Varieties of APPLE, PEAR, PEACH, PLUM, PRUNE, APRICOT, NECTARINE, CHERRIES, ALMONDS, Etc., Etc.

SPECIALTIES. Plums, Prunes, and Apricots on Myrobalan Plum Stock.

P. Barry Pear, the best late shipping variety. Moir Peach, (freestone) will head the list. Kanaday's Cling, the canner's pride. Kolsky's Japan Plum, has no peer. Robo de Sargent Prune, never before offered in Oregon. It is this which, in a dried state, forms the celebrated prune D'Ente, (French Conserva). Berkeley Gooseberry, the most profitable of them all. Langueux, King's, Soft Shell and Paper Shell Almonds. LARGE STOCK SHADE AND ORNAMENTAL TREES. Evergreens, shrubs, roses, clematis and flowering plants, small fruits, grape vines, etc., etc. Before purchasing elsewhere, parties intending to plant trees will find it to their interest to come and see our stock and learn our prices. Catalogues mailed gratis upon application. Address all communications to HAMMON BROS., Phoenix, Jackson county, Oregon. 5114

If You wish to Buy a Good White

Or Colored Shirt, Ask for the STANDARD SHIRT.

For a Good Pair of Overalls, Ask for the Boss of the Road and take no others. To be had of all first class dealers. [49-3m]

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. [444]

SHERER & JUDSON,

DEALERS IN Hard-ware, Stoves and Tin-ware. 6th St., between Main and H, Grants Pass, Or. Have the Largest and most Complete Stock in their line in Southern Oregon, which they will sell AS LOW AS THE LOWEST. AGENTS FOR THE CELEBRATED

Studebaker Farm Wagons, Hacks, Buggies. J. I. Case, and Canton Clipper Riding and Walking Plows.

The World Renowned BISSELL

Chilled Plows, ACME HARROWS, VICTOR WIND MILLS, Autocrat Wood Force Pumps, And all goods handled by STAVAR & WALKER, Including the EMPIRE MOWERS, REAPERS and BINDERS. HYDRAULIC PIPE and GIANTS. Furnished on short notice. We cordially invite all to examine our goods and prices before purchasing.

NEW STORE! NEW GOODS!!

NEW PRICES! 6TH AND H STREETS, GRANTS PASS, OREGON. With a Large Assortment of BOOTS and SHOES, DRY GOODS, And everything to be found in a First-Class store, which I will sell VERY LOW FOR CASH, OR MARKETABLE PRODUCE. Call and see me before purchasing elsewhere. L. VANCE. 351

LIVINGSTONE VANCE

Bees leave to inform the public that he is now nicely located on the corner of 6TH AND H STREETS, GRANTS PASS, OREGON. With a Large Assortment of BOOTS and SHOES, DRY GOODS, And everything to be found in a First-Class store, which I will sell VERY LOW FOR CASH, OR MARKETABLE PRODUCE. Call and see me before purchasing elsewhere. L. VANCE. 351

THOSE WHO WANT GOOD

Machinery,

CHEAP, will do well to call upon J. W. HOWARD.

AGENT FOR D. M. OSBORNE & CO. [3-12]

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.

Administrator's Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of Alex. B. Anderson, late of Josephine County, Oregon, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, by the County Court of Josephine County, bearing date April 13, 1887. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance, within six months from this date, at my residence in Alhambra precinct. LAWRENCE LEONARD. [4-13-87]

NEW FURNITURE STORE!

A. J. SEDGE, Main St., (bet. 4th and 5th) Grants Pass. Has just opened a New FURNITURE STORE

Where will be kept on hand and for sale all kinds of Furniture, Bedding, Picture Frames, Bracls, etc., etc. Door-Frames, Windows, Frames, Brackets, Etc., made to order. Special attention given to

UNDERTAKING.

Repairing and all kinds of work in my line neatly and promptly executed. — ALSO —

Manufacturer's

AGENT for the

RACINE WIND MILL!

The Best Mill made. A share of public patronage is respectfully solicited, and satisfaction guaranteed. 26-14

Home Seekers, Attention!

FOR SALE.

406 Acres of fine farm and timber land for \$25 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. In 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 fire 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 farms, 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. 25-6m]

Flouring Mill and Farm FOR SALE

Situated on Murphy Creek, Josephine county, Oregon, eight miles south of Grants Pass, a first-class FLOURING MILL, with fine water running across good work and has a good pasture. The FARM contains 250 acres of land; 50 acres in clover, and over 100 acres under cultivation; also good Orchard, good House and Barns and bottom land. Fine situation for a dairy farm. Can irrigate almost any part of the plant. For further particulars call or address LEWIS STRONG, Murphy, Oregon.

PEOPLE'S MEAT MARKET.

Cor. of Front and 4th Sts., Grant's Pass, - - Oregon. THE PEOPLE'S MEAT MARKET is now open and prepared to supply customers with the choicest cuts of BEEF, MUTTON, PORK, All kinds of SAUSAGES. A share of the public patronage respectfully solicited. BUNCH BROS., Proprietors. 4-811

City Market.

J. H. AHLF - - - Proprietor. MAIN STREET, - - GRANTS PASS.

Fresh and Salted Beef, Pork, MUTTON,

PORK-SAUSAGE, AND BOLOGNA. Bacon and Lard. ALWAYS ON HAND. Meat Delivered any place in Town FREE OF CHARGE. A Share of the Public Patronage Solicited.