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Are suffering for want of food, for want of shelter, for the necessities of life. Reports say hundreds will die from starvation and exposure. What a contrast to the

Miners of Southern Oregon!

There are good mines here as well as in the Klondike, and none of the hardships. Everything is plentiful, and every thing is cheap. We quote a few prices:

Bacon, good and fresh, reduced from 12 1/2 to 11c per lb.; Lard 5lb pail 50c; 10 lb pail 90c; Dried prunes, 5c per lb.

Flour . . .

*All the best grades, \$24.00 per 1000, 2nd grade 50c per sack; Mill feed \$1.00 per hundred; 95c by the five hundred or over.

Apple butter, 10lb pail, 80c.
Olive in bulk 10c per pint.
Dill pickles, 10c per quart.
We have just received a lot of fine choice cranberries 12 1/2c per qt.

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THE OLIVER IS A PLOW THAT RUNS EASY

And not only that but it is the most durable and lightest draft of all CHILLED PLOWS. If you need a new plow, don't buy until you have examined the OLIVER.

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Intelligent, Progressive and Correct Methods

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Remember, we carry Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Furnishing Goods, Miners' Supplies,

All grades and kinds of Rubber Boots and Oiled Clothing.

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Board and lodging by the week \$1.50. Accommodations first-class.

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We have added Picture Moldings, Furniture Coverings and Upholstery Materials, Portieres, Children's Carriages Velocipedes, Tricycles, and Express Wagons, Housecleaning and Tacks, Hammocks, Croquet, Folding Camp Furniture, Clothes Bars and Racks, Music Racks and many other small articles. We intend to make our stock the most complete of its kind in Southern Oregon.

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The NEW VARIETY STORE...

Is receiving New Goods Every Day See their line of

Sash Ribbon, Silk, Laces, Etc.

Something New and Pretty in Hems itched Handkerchiefs. Knit and Muslin Underwear. We have a Complete Line.

COME IN AND LOOK THEM OVER. NO TROUBLE TO SHOW GOODS. SOUTH SIXTH STREET.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1897.

THE WEEK'S JOTTINGS.

Shoes repaired at Hackett's. Quince meat at Calhoun Bros. Whole Codfish at Calhoun Bros. C. St. Louis for watch repairing. Lots of fiddle strings at Redfield's. Snowy Butte flour at J. M. Childs. Pheby does developing for kodakers. B. & M. handle Snowy Butte flour. Sweet Potatoes 2c at Calhoun Bros. Try Schilling's Best tea and baking powder. Envelopes printed at the Courier office. Grain sacks for sale at Mash & Pike. Fresh vegetables every day at Bartlett's. Spare ribs and back bones at the City Market. Cheese the best kind, 12 1/2c at Calhoun Bros. Snowy Butte flour at Cornell's. Saffine cakes at the B. & M., something new, try them.

The Cash store for groceries, flour and lead—Mash & Pike. The late train Sunday morning was due to the wreck. If you want a first class bath, you can get it at McGregor Bros. Pauls Ink—absolutely non-spillable; only 10c at National Drug Store. New supply of wall paper at the Grants Pass Furniture & Casket Company. Redfield has a full supply of violin, banjo, guitar and mandolin strings. The best place in town to get your shoes repaired is at Hackett's harness and shoe shop.

No more spilled ink when the bottle is knocked over if you buy Pauls Ink at the National Drug Store. Have your dealer keep Snowy Butte. Just the thing for children, will not evaporate. Pauls' non-spillable Ink at the National Drug Store. If you want fresh fruit for canning leave your order at Bartlett's. There was a horse race Monday afternoon at the Miller race track below town in which Rubber Neck, Philip Fair and Free Coinage were the contestants, Rubber Neck won in 1-54.

If you are going to take a trip East and want it to be a pleasant one, go via the Northern Pacific. Their accommodations are first class in every respect. For rates etc. call on or write E. E. Dunbar, Grant's Pass. No daubing, no corking safe, economical, convenient—Pauls' non-spillable ink; only 10c at National Drug Store. The Opera House meat market is headquarters for the kind of meat you want to get the best. Last Friday the pay car passed through the valley stopping long enough in this city to make the railroad boys happy.

The Northern Pacific Co. runs tourist sleepers on all passenger trains out of Portland. These cars are pleasant and comfortable and you would enjoy riding in them. When you are ready to go call on or write E. E. Dunbar at Grant's Pass for rates, etc. Try the Cash store for groceries, flour, feed, hay and grain, they will meet all needs—Mash & Pike, proprietors. Shiloh's Consumption Cure cures where others fail. It is the leading cough cure, and no home should be without it. Pleasant to take and goes right to the spot. Sold by The National Drug Store.

All are cordially invited to a Halloween Social to be given Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Thomson on Eighth street. A short program will be rendered after which Halloween games will be the order of the evening. Admission ten cents. Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets move the bowels gently, relieve the Cough, cure the feverish condition and headache, making it the best and quickest remedy for Coughs, Colds and La Grippe. Cures in one day. "No cure, no pay." Price 25 cents. For sale by M. Clemens.

A Word From Mr. Smith. EDITOR COURIER.—In the last issue of the Observer appears an editorial, in which the city police judge is reported as seeking to excuse the imposing of a nominal fine for violation of a city ordinance on a plea of ignorance of the law. Mr. Chausse seems to be badly misinformed, for there is only one little item of law that I was ignorant of, and having now become cognizant of that one point, I am fully posted upon law, and I ought to be, for the police court library in the city hall is composed of a copy each of the session laws of 1893, the city charter, a calendar and an ordinance book, and with these facilities at my command, I do not think it just right for the editor of a leading newspaper of the state to misrepresent my legal ability to his many readers. Tom Smith, City Police Judge.

Dedicator's Services. Archbishop Gross dedicated the Catholic church of this place last Sunday. After the dedication ceremonies, he delivered, so we are advised, a splendid lecture on the fulfillment of the prophecies of the Bible, the church was filled to its utmost capacity. At night he preached a very able sermon on the doctrine of the Catholic church. Bishop Gross is a scholarly, fair minded man and an able speaker.

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He Fought Indians.

Rev. Thomas M. Ramsdell, of Yaquina bay, an early pioneer of Oregon, spent one day last week in Salem, attending the exercises of Pioneer Day at the state fair, where he renewed old acquaintances, and made new friends among the younger Oregonians. Rev. Ramsdell came to Oregon from the East in 1844, and was a member of Captain Bennett's company of Oregon rangers, the first American military organization in the Pacific Northwest.

Rev. Ramsdell served with his company in those early days protecting the settlers from the depredations of the Indians, and many are the stories of his experience he tells, when in a reminiscence mood. A representative of the Statesman met the old veteran and drew from him a brief story of the battle with Indians, on Battle creek, six miles south of Salem, of which conflict he is a survivor.

A band of Walla Walla Indians had come down into the Willamette valley, and were making matters very unpleasant for the isolated settlers. They had strayed up the Willamette river, and while in the country south of Salem, killed a number of cattle belonging to Hon. Jesse Looney, the Marion county pioneer, whose sons are now living in the Jefferson neighborhood, and are highly respected citizens of Marion county. Mr. Looney demanded payment from the Indians for the cattle they had killed, but received no satisfaction. He then reported the matter to Lieut. A. A. Robinson, who, in the absence of Capt. Bennett, was in command of the company of rangers. Lieut. Robinson promptly gathered together a number of his men and started out to find the Indians, then encamped on the little creek, now known as Battle creek.

When the rangers approached the Indian camp the bucks gathered to meet them, with sullen looks. Lieut. Robinson drew up his men in a double line, and, approaching, demanded the prompt payment of the amount of money claimed by Mr. Looney for the stock he had lost. The Indians refused to pay, ordered his men to surround the red cattle thieves, and this caused the latter to stampede for the brush.

At this moment some one fired a gun and in the twinkling of an eye a battle royal was on between the two forces. The Indians were thoroughly routed, and fled, many of them carrying away serious wounds, while several of the rangers were ready to consult surgeons when the fight had ended.

The Indians never paid for the stock, but they were thoroughly frightened, and left the valley immediately, returning to the Walla Walla country. Of the men who participated in that conflict, only two remain alive, both awaiting their time with patience when they will pass away from the scenes of their early trials and actions—Rev. Thos. M. Ramsdell, of Yaquina, and Norris K. Doty of Jefferson.

This battle, which lasted only a short time, had the effect of giving the Indians a wholesome respect for the Oregon rangers, and gave that body a reputation far beyond the confines of this state—Salem Statesman.

School Notes.

Is music one of the lost arts? Character building is considered first in the schools of our town. Department takes its proper place in estimating "passing" average. The school is fuller than it has ever been at this season of the year in the history of Grants Pass—509 enrolled. Some of the lower rooms are adorned with beautiful house plants. Text-book work is not the only work of these rooms. The teachers are combining elementary science with the work in geography which is proving of much interest to the pupils. The Literary Society held its second meeting last Friday. The exercises were quite an improvement over those of the first meeting. The new method adopted by the high school of studying at home and reciting at school seems a success, the pupils have better lessons and are consequently doing better work in general.

Gallice Creek Items. Thos. Mead, representing the Mining Journal, visited in this week. Great progress is being made on the Rich gulch bed rock flume since the storm began. Considerable snow has already fallen on the higher range of mountains west of here. Briggs and Silver creeks seem to be attracting attention, both in quartz and placer propositions. The present heavy rain storm is considered a sure sign of plenty of water for mining purposes through the winter. The freight train muddle on the S. P. has caused a bacon famine here, in fact it has been difficult to get provisions of all kinds regularly. Messrs. Price, Fox and Spangler are working property on the right bank of Gallice. Their only complaint is that old Sol fails to cheer them, they being hemmed in by lofty mountains.

The Portland company that undertook to open the coal mines well down the river has not been heard from for some time. One of the contractors has his steamer hard fast on a bar, considerable valuable property was lost in a barge that went adrift while being towed from Portland. Some people are luckier than others in prospecting as well as in other lines. For the past 20 or 30 years prospectors have passed over a quartz ledge recently discovered. Your correspondent who is an expert mule driver, has worn out shoe leather on and stumbled over rich croppings for the past year.

A visit to the Copemist revealed the fact that his owner is a rascal. It's a but a short time since he came into possession of the property, yet he has a large house about completed and the ditch is being rapidly dug. The mine consists of rich deposits of gravel, one channel above another, altogether about five, and the ditch under construction will furnish water for all.

A quartz ledge that is apparently rich in gold was found last week near and west of the Bolt ledge. O. R. Swearingen, superintendent of the Bolt mine, purchased a half interest in the new discovery and pronounces it high grade ore. The ledge had been traveled over for years, the trail to the Bolt strata crossing it, and what was supposed to be flat quartz proved to be croppings of a ledge that may turn out thousands. Pix.

Merlin Happenings. Tom Bilderback left for California last Monday. Beautiful sunshine again after several rainy days. Mrs. G. W. Barnett spent Saturday in Grants Pass. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hayes spent Saturday and Sunday in Grants Pass. C. Hedling and family have moved back on their old place at Merlin. Chas. Sexton and son were seen on our streets the first of the week. Rev. Pace of Grants Pass, preached at the school house Sunday at two P. M. School opened one week ago last Monday with between fifty and sixty pupils in attendance. Wm. Crow has moved his family into our midst for the purpose of sending his children to school this winter.

Dr. Flanagan of Grants Pass was on the north bound freight, one day last week enroute for Medford on a professional visit. George Matthews and family were passengers on the Sunday evening train for Salem where they intend making their future home. Mrs. Edward Gordon went to Cottage Grove Sunday evening where her husband is in the employ of the Booth Kelly mill for the winter. George Simkins came up on the Saturday evening train and went out to spend Sunday with his family who live a few miles west of Merlin. Monday's west bound passenger train was about ten hours late on account of transferring over the wrecked freight train somewhere below Roseburg. W. W. Benson, our former townsman but now a resident of Grants Pass, attended the S. P. D. & L. Co.'s store here during the absence of Chas. Stites one day last week.

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