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"Let reverence of the law be breathed by every mother to the lisping babe that prattles on her lap: let it be taught in the schools, seminaries and colleges; let it be written in primers, spelling books and almanacs; let it be preached in pulpits and proclaimed from legislative halls and enforced in courts of justice; in short, let it become the political religion of the nation."

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

The COURIER is under obligations this week to R. G. Smith, T. P. Cramer and J. B. Paddock for valuable services rendered.

Italy, following in the line of Germany, England, France and Russia, has asked for a piece of China. That piece will be obtained because China is unable to help itself.

We understand that the Nickel-in-the slot machine has been closed up in Grants Pass, and will run no more in consequence of the late law bearing on this subject.

While General Miles may suffer somewhat from the investigation, there is a certainty that it will hurt not only Alger, whom it ought to hurt, but it will hurt the administration, which it ought not to hurt.

The San Francisco Dailies are cartooning at a lively rate before the act prohibiting cartooning goes into effect. Then they will be compelled to draw in their horns somewhat.

General Otis this week commences a vigorous campaign against the Filipino rebels. He will sweep the island of Luzon from one end to the other, laying waste everything in his army's path if it need be.

More rain and more happiness for the miner and why not for the farmer as well? The fruit buds have not been injured in the least yet, and if not from now on, there will be a good crop of fruit this season.

The Eye is the name by which we must hereafter know the Monitor-Miner. It will take a peep at Jackson county in particular and Southern Oregon in general. We are glad to note the improvement in this paper under its new management.

Our little friend, the Dewey, is raking some of the Southern Oregon papers fore and aft for *stealing* the news from its columns. The editor seemed to think that something of the kind was going on and therefore he set his trap and caught a 'possum *"right away soon"*.

General Gomez seems not to be in favor with the Cuban Assembly. That body has dethroned the old war horse because he refused to cater to its wishes. Gomez is stronger than the Cuban Assembly and he will doubtless have the support of the United States government, morally if not otherwise.

The cold weather in the East the past winter will cause many people to want to leave that section for milder climate. The farmers of Illinois and Iowa certainly enjoy plowing and sowing in their large and level fields, but they cannot enjoy feeding out their crop when the mercury falls to 25 and 40 below. Give us Southern Oregon's mines, her fruits and climate, and if we do not live longer and enjoy better health it is not our fault.

Grand Concert.

Music lovers will be given a chance to hear one of the best concerts ever rendered on the Pacific coast, on Wednesday evening, March 22, at the Opera House. The Bernhard Walther Concert, Co., which has played and sung to large houses in Portland and the Willamette Valley, as well as in other parts of the United States, will be in Grants Pass on March 22nd and give a high grade concert. Herr Walther has played his violin (valued at $11000) before many of the crown heads of Europe. Madame Walther was for two years Mezzo-Soprano soloist with Madame Patti's company. Fraulein Eschelmann is a pianiste worthy to travel with such eminent artists as described above, while Ada J. Cosgrow, America's little favorite, is a large factor in the success of the company, giving serio-comic impersonations, songs, posings and Delsarte. For her was written that popular song "You can't play in my yard" and she now sings a song that may be called the successor to the above. Don't fail to attend this concert, or you'll regret it. Admission is 50c. for reserved seats, and 35c. general admission. For tickets see Cramer Bros. or inquire at the S. P. D. & L. store.

School Election.

The Annual school election took place last Monday afternoon at the city hall and resulted in the selection of R. A. Booth director for three years, James A. Slover director for one year and J. A. Jennings clerk.

Many a Lover

Has turned with disgust from an otherwise lovable girl with an offensive breath. Karl's Clover Root Tea purifies the breath by its action on the bowels etc, as nothing else will. Sold for years on absolute guarantee. Price 25 cents and 50 cents. W. F. Kremer. 2

The Outlook for Josephine County.

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60's these streams were occupied by a thousand or more miners. These two streams have their source in the Siskiyou mountains close to the California line. Along Sucker creek there are some high channels that as yet are untouched. The present operations are confined to a few hydraulic claims. The principal one is near the source of the creek. It is owned by Reed & Co. of Montana and consists of 120 acres of rich gravel lying along the creek. The water supply is one that enables the mine to be worked the whole year.

ALTHOUSE CREEK

And its tributaries formerly yielded as much as a half million a year, but has been worked but little in the past ten years, the land along the creek being held for farming. S. N. Butters and others have lately acquired 300 acres on this creek near Democrat gulch to be worked by hydraulic and dredger. The working involves the construction of a long tunnel and also a break water confining the channel of Althouse creek. The ground that will be worked contains about 160 acres that will give 20 to 25 cents a yard. At the head of Althouse creek is McDonald gulch, from which was taken a million dollars. This heads in one of the highest mountains in the range. Upon the opposite side of the same are the Houston placer mines which are upon a porphyry dike from which has been taken many thousand dollars by sluicing. At present the property is controlled by F. R. Wardle and others, who contemplate erecting a large mill for the pupose of working the porphyry.

In the vicinity of Waldo, ten miles from Kerby are the two largest placer mines in the county. The Simmons & Cameron mine and the Wimer Bros.'s mine adjoin each other and draw their water supply from the same stream. The first named mine covers four or five hundred acres of flat ground and from 10 to 40 feet deep, which is generally worked about 10 months in the year and an annual clean up of from 20 to 40 thousand dollars.

The best ground has not been touched and may require working with a dredger, but as much of it will pay 50 cents per cubic yard, it offers a tempting investment if it could be purchased from its present owners. The ground has never been worked to bed rock, but only to a hard marine wash. There has been no investigation of this latter. The mine of Wimer Brothers is of the same general character and quite as valuable. It has been worked 20 years or more and will be for as long to come. The gravel in both mines carries but little heavy rock and is quite free from clay or cement. The gold is of high quality and not fine, most being saved outside the boxes.

Waldo was an old and rich placer camp. The gulches putting in from the hills surrounding—Caroo, Allen, Scotts and others were equal to the best and been worked as high as water could be obtained. Near here there is a deep gravel claim worked by a company of Chinese, which if equipped by modern machinery, would produce a fortune.

Along the upper Illinois, and Althouse and Sucker creeks, the hills lining the streams have been in many places washed off for placer gold almost to the summits. Often the pay has been found in the soft porphyry, and in some places has been worked down several feet. Much of the gold gives evidence of having been carried but a short distance. Here is an almost virgin field for the quartz prospecter. The main obstacles offered to the work is the timber and the soil, requiring the work to be by panning. On the other side of the range is Indian creek and the Klamath river, both known for years for the great extent of their gold diggings. Hence in this range there must be found millions in quartz mines, as the Klamath carries no gold above the Siskiyou mountains.

On the Lower Illinois near Kerby are the tributaries,

JOSEPHINE AND CANYON

Creeks, on which placer mining has been conducted for many years. The streams flow through narrow canyons and carry heavy gold. On the high channels are several hydraulic mines—the Bybee, Nancke, Stith and many others. Rough and Ready creek which is in the same vicinity carries some gold clear to its source. Here is a rough country but contains numerous quartz veins, none of which have been prospected.

SILVER CREEK

And Briggs creek enter the Illinois in Curry county but flow for the greater length through Josephine county. Silver creek was the scene of a miner's rush about 20 years ago. Some very rich claims were found along the creek bed and the gold was very heavy. There is a long stretch of the upper creek that has not been worked, for the reason that a slide has prevented drainage. During the coming season this will probably be opened.

Philips & Co. have a large hydraulic mine on the lower creek, with an ample water supply working under 300 feet pressure. The channel which is reached this season is supposed to be very rich.

Briggs creek, which heads in the same vicinity is also an old-time placer camp and is at present a scene of hydraulic mining. Among others are the Oak Flat, Bennett and several other mines. Besides these streams there are many smaller of note—Red Dog, Six Mile creek, Howard creek, Soldier creek in same range. On the last named has been opened the largest quartz mine in Southern Oregon. This is the

DENVER CITY

Ledge, owned by the Eureka Mining Company, the chief stock holders of which are James Simpson and A. F. Nelson of Eureka, Cal. The mine was purchased for $25,000, by Mr. Nelson for himself and associates. Since, the company has expended a larger sum in roads and mills. It is now equipped with a 40-ton Mewall mill, with Wilfley tables. A cyanide plant has just been completed. The company owns a group of five claims. The development work consists of a tunnel 250 feet long and the depth is about 120 feet. The ledge in cross-cutting is found to be about fifty feet wide. The most of this is low grade ore, the values being partly free and in an iron sulphate. There is, however a rich chute that will pay from $100 to $1,000 per ton, which has not been sunk upon. The rich ore is free milling, showing some sylvanite. The amount of ore now in the stopes is not short of 150,000 tons. The company is a close corporation and the stock is not on the market.

COPPER MINES

Are now in active demand and Josephine county will in the near future be a copper camp. From Preston's peak in the extreme southern part of the county to the extreme northern boundary and beyond, copper ore is found over a strip of country 20 to 30 miles wide.

Some desultory work has been done on the lower Illinois and at the head of the stream, and rich ores found, being red oxide, azurite, pyrrhotite, and in fact, every form of ore, in all cases carrying some gold. The work that has been done was at low altitude and the ore found in bunches.

Several veins have been found on Preston's peak at an altitude of about 5,000 feet. California capitalists, Messrs. Philips and Marlett, have secured these claims and are now engaged in prospecting them. If a sufficient body of ore is found, ample capital is ready to open the same, including a rail-road for transportation. The Queen of Bronze copper mines near Waldo have long been known as an extensive copper deposit. The ore is a sulphide of about 20 per cent. The group covers about 200 acres, but have not been developed to any extent. The opening of copper mines in the southern part of the county would mean a branch road from Grants Pass. Such a route passing up Williams creek and crossing onto Sucker creek would pass the limestone caves where could be found a deposit of lime-stone necessary for smelting copper, and so pure it can be slacked in a fire-place. This deposit is inexhaustible. Besides this such a road would open the richest

TIMBER BELT

In Southern Oregon. Along the line could be found enough sugar pine, yellow pine, Port Orford cedar, white pine and chincapin timber, to keep such a road employed for 10 years. All of this timber is at present in great demand, the sugar pine, white pine and Port Orford ceder being found only in Southern Oregon and Northern California. The great demand for it for finishing material makes such a road probable in the near future for the timber alone. With the opening of the copper mines, though, it will be assured.

On Williams creek and Cheney creek are found immense deposits of marble, that on Williams creek being a magnesium and pure white. On Cheney creek there is a mountain of black, and black and white marble of fine quality, and such as is used for finishing buildings.

NICKEL AND COBALT.

In and around Josephine creek is found much nickel and cobalt ores. In the placer mines on Josephine creek is found what the Smithsonian institute has named Josephenite after this county. It contains sixty-five per cent metallic nickel and thirty per cent magnetic iron. It is found in a belt crossing this creek in sufficient quantities that it would pay to work the placer mines for it. Strange to say, there has been no attempt made to locate the source of it.

Around Eight Dollar mountain, nickel and cobalt have been found in the serpentine, but have been avoided on account of the formation. Some of the best nickel mines in New Caledonia have been found in this formation.

PROSPECTING.

Josephine is an inviting field for a prospector who is used to the work of prospecting in a country covered with soil and timber. He can find plenty of new country for lode hunting. At the head of Althouse and Sucker creeks and around Preston's peak in the Siskiyous and in the Rogue River mountains at the head of Silver, Briggs, Galice and Soldier creeks are as good fields as can be found on the coast. Quartz mining requires capital and this has been demonstrated often in Josephine county where the owners of a prospect and small means having erected mills before developing a mine, and failing to realize all their expectations and unable to continue, allow what might prove to be rich mines to lay idle and become abandoned. The mines of this county afford employment to a large number of people who are consumers of the farmers' products, who finds a home market for all he can raise, except

FRUIT

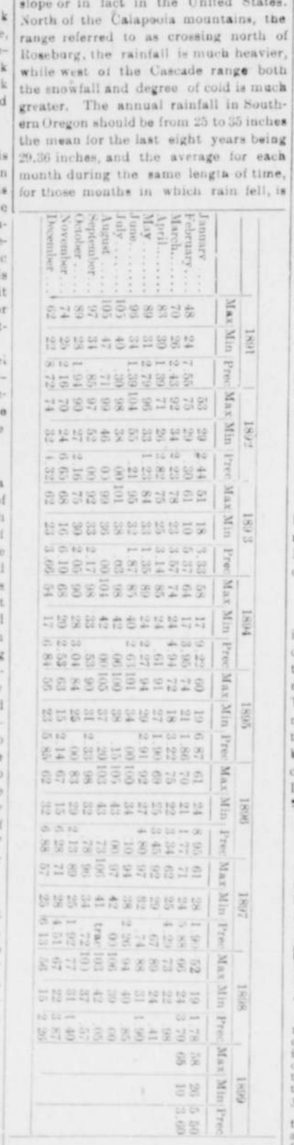
Of which the largest part are the best apples raised on the coast. Last season Grants Pass shipped 70 cars of apples some going to Europe and Asia. They are eagerly sought for by the California fruit companies for their superior shipping and keeping qualities. The industry is yet in its infancy. Along Rogue river, Applegate, and Williams creek are many thousand acres adopted to the purpose. The profitableness has been proven. An orchard below town, 6 years old, paid last year a profit of $100 an acre. The purchasers offered to take the product of this orchard for the next five years. Land suitable for apples, cleared and in cultivation can be had for $25 to $75 per acre. The county probably has 20,000 acres suitable for that purpose.

IRRIGATION.

Rogue river is now wasting its time rolling to the sea. It is sure to be utilized for irrigation in the near future. Opposite Grants Pass, laying on the south side of the river is about 8,000 acres of what is called granite, but is really a soil from feldspathic porphyry, which in a wet season produces good crops, but the summers of this vicinity are usually too dry, and farming on this land is a failure, except in a few low places where there is a seepage from the hills or an underground current. This has demonstrated that the land with water could be made very productive. The soil is of such a character that under irrigation it decomposes and grows richer. Two years ago an attempt was made to take a ditch out of the river a Gold Hill but has not been prosecuted. This ditch would reach opposite Grants Pass in about 20 miles, and be about 120 feet above the river; the most part of the work could be done by ditching machines. From Grants Pass to the mouth of Applegate the distance would be 10 miles, covering in all about 10,000 acres. The water could be piped across Applegate and used for extensive placer mining along Rogue River. It could also be piped across Rogue river and used to irrigate about 2,000 acres on the north side. In the granite and perhaps 5,000 acres could be covered by the ditch and could be purchased for about 45 per acre. The profit on such land would probably pay for building the main ditch. The laterals would cost additional probably $20,000. The investment would pay better than any could be made outside of a good gold mine, It would furnish homes for at least 200 families who could raise crops which for the most part would find a home market.

THE CLIMATE OF SOUTHERN OREGON.

The idea which prevails in various parts of the country concerning the climatic conditions of Oregon, are often full of error, and in many instances are most amusing. The title of "Webfoot" which clings to all residents of Oregon, has doubtless been given them because of the imagined necessity for their learning the art of swimming in order to move about, and I have also heard of people who believed that the air in Oregon is so constantly full of fogs that lamps have to be kept burning at midday to be able to see well enough to read. The scope of this article is only intended to cover what is known as "Southern Oregon," which title, by the way, is misleading, because what is known as Southern Oregon is in fact simply the southwestern corner of the state exclusive of that portion of said corner which lies west of the Coast range of mountains. The Coast and Cascade ranges of mountains extend, as will be seen by consulting any good map of the state, parallel with the ocean shore line. There will also be seen two ranges connecting the main chains referred to; one crossing about with the southern line of the state and the other just north of Roseburg. The area embraced within these four boundary lines, dotted here and there with lesser peaks and ridges, is what is known all over the Pacific coast as "Southern Oregon" and has a climate peculiarly its own and one which is not duplicated on the Pacific slope or in fact in the United States. North of the Calapooia mountains, the range referred to as crossing north of Roseburg, the rainfall is much heavier, while west of the Cascade range both the snowfall and degree of cold is much greater. The annual rainfall in Southern Oregon should be from 25 to 35 inches the mean for the last eight years being 29.36 inches, and the average for each month during the same length of time, for those months in which rain fell, is



2.80 inches. The rainfall seems to increase and decrease with the altitude of the sun, the most rain falling, however, after the sun has reached its lowest point in the southern sky, December 21, and and commenced his return, and the *least after* he has reached his highest point, June 21, and began his return journey to the south.

I have been a resident of Southern Oregon for 10 years past and have never seen as heavy rain storms here as in the middle West and on the Alantic coast. The air as a rule is very still, and a storm seldom occurs which would be called "driving" which are so well known to residents of windy countries. The snowfall is usually very light, less than six inches having fallen at this station so far this winter, and still less last winter. The temperature is very seldom below 10 degrees ~~below~~ zero and this condition makes possible the famous Southern Oregon fruit, and gives us our mild winter climate. No matter how warm a summer day may have been, the night which follows is *always cool*. This may seem incredible to a person who has never visited the Pacific coast, but it is literally true: a person needing a good supply of blankets both summer and winter and is never compelled to endure with what fortitude he may the long hours of a sultry night. The heat of summer is seldom greater than can be comfortably endured, and usually remains in the vicinity of 100 degrees and then recedes, and this occurs usually but once during the summer and even then the morning and evening of those days are always cool and comfortable. The climate of Southern Oregon is justly famous. Many a poor mortal, suffering untold agonies from that dread complaint asthma has been entirely cured from the affliction the moment they have reached this spot, and that without the aid of any medicine. Persons suffering from rheumatism and various other maladies or complications generally find themselves greatly benefited by residing in this country. The height above sea level is 964 feet, therefore one is never troubled because of a "rare" atmosphere. Throughout the winter warm sunny days are frequent and usually in March the fruit orchards are loaded with bloom and nature begins to take on her coat of green. Taken altogether, places that are more favored by a kind providence are seldom found, and it is with sadness we think of friends in the East, seeking refuge from the piercing cold or the life-taking blizzard and finding none. The only reason why the Pacific slope is not far more densely peopled, is simply because residents of other sections cannot realize the vast difference. The spending of just one winter here, will however fully convince any one. It is far more satisfactory to sit quietly in comfort and safety, and read of blizzards, 30 degrees below zero conditions and so on, than it is to face them in their native haunts. There is room for thousands more of inhabitants on the Pacific coast and they are coming.

JNO. B. PADDOCK,
Vol. Obs.

Market Prices.

For the benefit of the many inquirers we give below some of the prevailing prices of groceries, of farm and orchard products. Prices vary in Grants Pass just as in other places but these given are a fair average.

Wheat, per bu	$ .60
Corn, " "	.50
Oats, " "	.45
Barley, " "	.45
Rye, " "	.75
Hay, Alfalfa, per ton	8.00 to 15.00
Hay, Clover, " "	8.00 to 15.00
Hay, Grain, " "	9.00 to 16.00
Potatoes, per bu	45 to .50
Cabbage, per lb	01½
Turnips, " "	01
Onions, " "	.02
Beans, " "	.02
Apples, green, per box	50c to .75
Peaches, green, " "	25c to .60
Pears, per box	.75
Prunes, per pound	.01
Fruit, dried, all kinds, per lb	3c to 15
Berries, per gal	20c to .50
Flour, per 50 lb sack	85c to 1.10
Bacon, per pound	9c to .14
Eggs, per dozen	10c to .35
Butter, per roll	40c to .55
Sugar, per 100 lbs	6.00 to 7.00
Coffee, per lb	10c to .35
Rice, per lb	5c to .09
Cheese, per lb	12½c to .16
Rolled Oats, per lb	4c to .05
Corn meal, per lb	03

Catarrh Cannot be Cured

with local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props., Toledo, O.
Sold by all druggists, price 75c.
Hall's family pills are the best.

Horrible agony is caused by Piles, Burns and Skin Diseases. These are immediately relieved and quickly cured by De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. Beware of worthless imitations.—W. F. Kremer.

Never Box Nor Pull the Ears.

The reason a blow on the ear may do irreparable injury is that the air, being driven suddenly and violently against the drum of the ear might rupture the membrane and cause incurable deafness. The ears should never be pulled nor meddled with in any way, except to wash them in the gentlest manner, the orifice being cleaned with a fold of the washcloth rolled into a little cone.—March Ladies' Home Journal.

"Knowledge is power." There is one kind of knowledge that is power and prestige in the hands of a woman. It is the knowledge of her own nature, her own physical make-up and the home-treatment of diseases peculiar to her sex. There is a great book that teaches all this. It is Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser. Over 1,000,000 American homes contain copies of this work. It used to cost $1.50; now it is free. For a paper covered copy send 21 one-cent stamps, *to cover mailing only*, to the World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.; French cloth binding, 31 stamps.

This great book tells all about a medicine that is an unfailing cure for all weakness and disease of the delicate organs distinctly feminine. That medicine is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. During the past thirty years many thousands of women have used it with marvelous results. It imparts health, vigor, virility, strength and elasticity to the organs that bear the burdens of maternity. It fits for wifehood and motherhood. Taken during the period of gestation, it makes the coming of baby easy and almost painless. It completely banishes the pain and misery that are the result of a woman's neglecting her womanly health. An honest medicine dealer will give you what you ask for, and not try to persuade you to take some inferior substitute for the little added profit he may make thereon.

Mrs. Jas. Schaffner, of Freemansburg, Northampton Co., Pa., writes: "It is with pleasure that I write to let you know the great good I have received from your medicines and the kind self-treatment at home. I was troubled with female weakness, had pains in my back all the time, sometimes so severe that I could not lie in bed at night. I tried different doctors but they could not help me. Then my husband got Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser, and induced me to try Dr. Pierce's medicines. After taking six bottles of the 'Favorite Prescription' I feel like a new woman."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation. Constipation is the cause of many diseases. Cure the cause and you cure the disease. One "Pellet" is a gentle laxative, and two a mild cathartic. Druggists sell them, and nothing is "just as good."

Schilling's Best

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sold only in

Packages

Friendly to Levi.

DEAR EDITOR: It seems Levi Rosenbaum has evoked a discussion from at least three of your correspondents, reference to laziness and lethargy among our girls. Levi doubtless had in mind the serious side of matrimony. In his mind's eye he probably saw eight or ten white headed little Rosenbaums flitting around the cabin, at times lining up and looking like a ladder with one end of it but little the highest, and it made him cautious. Especially may he be alarmed if he imagined the mother (his wife) a "hiker" and addicted to the too common habit of letting eggs and vegetables rot at home and she buy what she wants at the stores and owe for it.

Levi is unduly excited about the garments which he thinks will need to be mended. In this I think myself he is not up-to-date, for it has been discovered by a good many of the rising generation that the holes will wear longer than the patches.

Being a German myself, I can easily see how Levi divides the family of 15. He lines them up, the boys on one side and girls on the other, seven on a side or 14 in all. He does not count himself, he calculates that the girl who marries him will do that.

Your "Woman's Rights" correspondent at Wolf Creek forgot to add to his article that it is decidedly disgraceful for a girl to work. That is all his effusion lacked of being complete. It seems to me true, the oft repeated assertion that our girls will work only to get a few clothes, quitting as soon as they get them. One gentleman says in his vicinity they will only work $6 worth.

It is a fact also that entirely too many of our young folks read very little. Girls, it is not good form to take a piece of bread between your two fingers and sop out your plates, nor is it etiquette to peep through holes and cracks at visitors, by reading you will learn this.

Real pride is one thing and self constituted greatness quite another. I would rather eat saur kraut that belonged to me and was paid for than to live on angel food and owe for it, and so would any other good wife.

I would advise Levi that if he goes courting and finds that the daughters do not help their mother the way they should, and there is a good servant girl about such as one often sees, I would marry the servant girl.

MRS. FOX ARABIAS.

What is Shiloh?

A grand old remedy for Coughs, Colds and consumption: used through the world for half a century, has cured innumerable cases of incipient consumption and relieved many in advanced stages. If you are not satisfied with results, we will refund your money. Price 25 cts., 50 cts. and $1.—W. F. Kremer. 3

Tunnel 9 Items.

August Lorenz spent Sunday in Grants Pass.

Eugene Goff was the guest of his brothers here Sunday.

You are never out of the sound of the carpenter's saw and hammer here.

Peter Puezer so long a resident of this place has gone to housekeeping for himself.

Geo. Trimble doesn't go to Grants Pass as often as he used to.

Allie Osborn of Wolf creek visited her parents here Sunday.

Chas. Taylor of Grants Pass passed through on Sunday's northbound overland.

Mrs. Triplett has gone to Saginaw to visit her daughter.

Mrs. W. C. Henry has gone to San Francisco for medical treatment.

At the school-meeting they elected the following officers: W. C. Henry, director and G. Crockett, clerk.

Misses Ella and Jessie Center of Roseburg are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Osborn of this place.

Notice; Levi Rosenbaum, mabbe you don't petter loaf roundt here mit your garten truck ven you haint gout some peasness, then go pehint our faces and talk in front of our backs, aint it. Eh?

TUFFY.

Wolf Creek Murmurs.

Business increasing.

G. W. Kearns is in from the Vindicator.

Mr. McGuire took a trip down to the Pass Saturday.

There was a dance in Wolf creek, Saturday night. We all went and had a good time.

Mr. Williams of Dillard is here for a few days working on the flume.

R. A. Booth spedt a couple of days here last week.

Mrs. Spurbeck arrived here from Klamath, Calif. one day last week.

The railroad officials passed here on a tour of inspection last week,

We had quite an exciting runaway last Wednesday but fortunately no one was seriously injured.

Mrs. Hattie Speer, who has spent several months here has returned to her home in Junction City.

Fannie Osborn visited her sister here last week.

Guess Wolf creek is going to have a laundry; one of our young men put up a clothes line last Monday.

Mrs. Snowgoose made a flying trip to Tunnel 6 and return.

We are in sore need of some kind of an ordinance here to force the man that drinks the whiskey to pay for it; Credit Biz. don't pay.

Wolf creek is coming to the front, in everything. A big wood yard where they load eight to 15 cars of wood a day, a new saw-mill which will be in operation soon, and not only that but we expect to lead Josephine county in the pugilistic world.

MINER.

Quartz location notices printed on cloth at the COURIER office.

Williams Items.

Sunshine, wind, hail, snow, rain, sleet and sunshine all in the month of March.

Mrs. Antone Rose spent several days in your city last week.

There is talk of another saw-mill to be put up here or on Applegate by Fields and Layton. We wish the gent'emen success in their new enterprise.

Miss Daisy Stites left last Saturday for Applegate, where she has accepted the position as teacher of the Bridge Point school.

Walter Dyke will teach the spring term of school in district No. 16.

Postmaster A. B. Crossman and H. J. Story of Portland, looked after mining interests in this section last week.

There is some talk of having Rev. Gilman Parker here for a short time in the next month.

Rev. E. W. Cross, pastor of the First Methodist church of Williams, is holding a series of meetings at the Provolt school house.

Mr. Antone Rose made a business trip to Jacksonville Saturday.

Mrs. Wm Loomis visited relatives in Applegate last week.

Mrs. R. Bigelow is reported quite ill.

Mrs. Norwood of Portland is visiting her husband of this place. Mr. Norwood is looking after a company's mines.

Additional Locals.

Bernhard Walther Concert Co., March 22nd.

What a bull dog with the Wizard Oil Company. He never lets go.

Take your blacksmithing to Trimble & Bacher for first-class work.

For a first-class meal, go to the City Hotel; B. A. Williams, proprietor.

A 4x4 Camera holding 12 glass plates or 36 films for $5. See Voorhies about it.

The Wizard Oil Company every night at the opera house this week, Jerry, the funny little man is there.

Bicycle hospital for all repairing at Cramer Bros.

House renting and Real Estate a specialty N. P. Dodge, COURIER office.

It will cost you but 15 cents to hear the Wizard Oil Company at the opera house. A lively performance every night.

See the Quartz Improved Location notices at the COURIER office.

The smallest things may exert the greatest influence. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are unequaled for overcoming constipation and liver troubles. Small pill, best pill, safe pill.—W. F. Kremer.

Ada J. Cosgrow will make you laugh. Hear her with Bernhard Walther Concert Co., March 22nd.

CAMERAS Vives, Premos, See Voorhies.

Look at the Annual Statement of the "Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company" for '98. It saved to policy holders over 51 per cent of its total income during the year. During the forty years covered by the operation of the Company, the interest earnings on the invested assets have been sufficient to pay all the expenses of conducting the business, and leave a margin of profit to policy holders of nearly $23,000,000. This is a remarkably good showing for policy holders. No American Company has paid as good dividends in the last twenty five years.—N. P. Dodge, Loca Agent.

To-Night and To-Morrow Night.

And each day and night during this week you can get at any druggists Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, acknowledged to be the most successful remedy ever sold for Coughs, Croup, Bronchitis, Asthma and Consumption. Get a bottle to-day and keep it always in the house, so you can check your cold at once. Price 25c. and 50c.

Buddha's tooth, presented by the people of Burmah to the Maligawa temple at Kandy, Ceylon, has been seized by the custom house officers. The relic is inclosed in a jeweled case worth 150,000 rupees. The Colombo custom house demanded 100,000 rupees as duty, but cut this down to 7,000 rupees. The Burmese do not wish to pay any duty and have appealed to the secretary of state for relief.

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The pleasant method and beneficial effects of the well known remedy, SYRUP OF FIGS, manufactured by the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO., illustrate the value of obtaining the liquid laxative principles of plants known to be medicinally laxative and presenting them in the form most refreshing to the taste and acceptable to the system. It is the one perfect strengthening laxative, cleansing the system effectually, dispelling colds, headaches and fevers gently yet promptly and enabling one to overcome habitual constipation permanently. Its perfect freedom from every objectionable quality and substance, and its acting on the kidneys, liver and bowels, without weakening or irritating them, make it the ideal laxative.

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REAL ESTATE.

For information regarding the bargains in real estate listed below, call on or address N. P. Dodge, COURIER office, Grants Pass, Oregon.

1 ACRE red land, a four room house, lath and plaster finish, 80 fruit trees, mostly apples. Peaches, grapes and small fruits, good well, everything in good shape around the place. Just out of the city.—$600.

2 ACRES just north of town. Good frame house, land in good cultivation. About one-half in fruit. A bargain.—$400.

5 ACRES fine, dark land, one half mile from bridge, south of town. This is new land and excellent for fruit and grain.

$800 Lot 50x100 feet, 6 room house, good hard finish, located in best of city, less than 5 minutes' walk to churches, school or post office.

$1500 Here is a very desirable residence in north edge of city. Lot 50x100 feet, set out to fruit and berries. 7 room house, brick cellar, barn and all necessary out buildings.

174½ Acres, 3 miles from Grants Pass, over 700 trees bearing winter apples; 150 acres of this farm is the best river bottom, and in the midst of the best apple belt in the country. Winter apples are proving the most profitable crop for the fruit raiser. Here is a chance to make a very profitable investment. There is a good 8 room, hard finish house, barn, a smaller house, good well, also permanent running water in the yard. This property is offered for sale on account of old age and growing infirmity of the owner.

15 Acres of red land lying with west exposure, five acres in cultivation. This land is one mile from Grants Pass, on rising ground and almost perfectly protected from frost, will make a fine orchard.

ONE of the best residence locations in the city, two story, new and modern built house, 8 rooms, hard finish, a good well and necessary outbuildings, two acres of land, at a good elevation above the level of the town. Owing to change of business to another state, owner will sell at less than cost. Enquire of us.

10 acres on river bank, south of town. Five acres in fruit. Small house and out-buildings, with good well.

12 acres one mile south of town, suitable for orchard or grain.

$500 will buy 80 acres five miles from town. About 20 acres clear and balance in timber. 12 or 15 acres fenced with new board fence. Three or four acres in fruit bearing. General variety of fruit. Land lays facing the south. Just the place for fruit culture. A 5-room house small barn and good well. Come in and let us tell you more about it.

$500 20 acres two miles north of town. Small house. Several acres of rich black bottom. Plenty of woodland. Will make a nice little ranch for fruit and grain.

$600 Thirty acres near town. Both red and dark soil. This land lays well sheltered, and is well adapted to fruit raising.

$2000 Twenty acres, mostly in orchard, and bearing fruit. Good house and out buildings. This is already in profitable fruit bearing. Young trees and choice varieties of apples.

$2000 Seven and one-half acres of land within city limits. Two story, ten-room house, nearly new. Good out buildings. Nearly all of the land is in fruit bearing, consisting of choice varieties of apples, pears, peaches, nectarines, prunes, quinces, etc. Also a good variety of small fruits. A deep well of excellent water. This is one of the finest, if not the best locations in town. Overlooking broad fields and rugged mountains. Offered for sale on account of poor health of owner.

$250 will buy a neat 4-room house, with good cold storage room, wood-shed, barn, hen house, and all necessary out-buildings. Lot 100x165, well fenced with division fence, making good stock or hen yard separate from yard enclosing house. 25-foot well of fine water, with pump; well walled up and covered. This property is offered for less than half its cost, on account of breaking up of family, who desire to go to California.

$1200 Five acres near town. Good two story house, lath and plaster finish. Nearly new. This soil is dark loam and has a general assortment of fruit, from apples and pears down to strawberries, and selected from the best varieties. A good well and necessary outbuildings. Making a very pleasant home and within 10 minutes' walk of the P. O.

$800 Four acres in orchard; small house and outbuildings. These trees are in good bearing, and adjoining city.

$25 and up will buy fine building lots within the city. We have the land, you have the money. Come in and let us talk the matter over.

2 acres in north part of city; two-story house of 7 rooms; lath and plaster finish; good well with pump in kitchen; about 2 acres in a general variety of fruit, one-half of which is winter apples. Will be sold on easy terms.

A lot 100 feet square with small house, located in heart of city. Good residence or business location.

DAIRY RANCH.—We have for sale within 8 miles of this city, one of the best dairy ranches in Oregon, which we offer for sale at a bargain to any one who has money to put into a business of this kind.

BEST RESIDENCE LOCATION in this city—you will say so yourself when you see it. Can be bought for half its real value. A bargain rarely offered. Inquire of Price & Voorhies.

400 ACRES on Applegate, a fine grass farm, 200 acres in cultivation each year. Entire farm can be covered with ditch taken from the Applegate. This farm could be made very profitable by an up-to-date farmer. Worth $50 an acre, can be bought for half that amount.

40 ACRES not far from Kerby, 15 acres in cultivation, fair house, out buildings, good range, living water, will make an excellent home for an industrious family. Ask for the price of Price & Voorhies.

$700 1½ ACRE north of railroad, a very pretty and pleasantly located 7 room, hard finish cottage. Five minutes' walk from post office. This is in the best resident part of the city.

On Every Bottle

Of Shiloh's Consumption Cure is this guarantee: "All we ask of you is to use two-thirds of the contents of this bottle faithfully, then if you can say you are not benefited return the bottle to your Druggist and he may refund the price paid." Price 25 cts., 50 cts. and $1.—W. F. Kremer. 9

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