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Fall Underwear

Perhaps you have noticed the chill in the air these crisp mornings and cool evenings—that calls for some warmer underwear. Come to our store and we can fit you out with comfortable wear.

Rubbers and Rubber Boots

Will soon be in demand. We keep a full stock of them. Better come and get a pair before the rains set in and you may prevent a hard cold.

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GRANTS PASS, OREGON.

Local Happenings

Bicycle hospital for all repairing at Cramer Bros.

Wm. Hale Thompson of the Old Channel Mining company, went out to Six Mile Friday.

C. E. Smith and others, of Colorado Springs, have purchased 50 acres of placer ground on Grave creek, of Mills and McCroskey, for \$2000.

J. T. Hartly, of Williams, started for Kansas on Friday, to visit his father, who is seriously ill. He expects to be absent several months.

Geo. B. Archer who operates a placer mine on Grave creek below Leland was in town last week visiting with his family. He returned on Wednesday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Booth returned Thursday from a two months tour to the east. They have been visiting in many places since leaving here, going as far east as Iowa.

The Eureka mine owners have a crew of men at work taking out ore for milling purposes and sinking on the ledge. They have reached a depth of 70 feet and have encouraging prospects in sulphur ore.

If Shiloh's Cough and Consumption cure, which is sold for the small price of 25 cts., 50 cts. and \$1.00, does not cure take the bottle back and we will refund your money. Sold for over fifty years on this guarantee. Price 25 cts. and 50 cts.—W. F. Kremer.

C. A. Snow & Co., Patent Lawyers, opposite the United States Patent Office, Washington D. C., who have actual clients in every city and town of the United States and Canada, report that never before in their 25 years practice has the work of the office been so well up to date. They claim that patents can now be prepared in less than half the time formerly required.

Thomas Leith, who has a farm on Appleton, two miles below the Murphy bridge, made the Courier a visit on Friday, bringing with him a curiosity in the potato line, a sort of composite tuber which weighed six pounds. The valley of the Appleton produces vegetables which are hard to excel. Its cabbages can hold up their heads anywhere, and its potatoes need not hide their eyes.

Woodville Items. (Received too late for last issue.) Rev. Gregory, and daughter Nellie were here from Central Point Sunday. He preached a fine sermon. The people appreciated it very highly and wish for his return.

Mrs. Warner of Rock Point is visiting relatives near here.

A pleasant party assembled at Mr. Wright's Tuesday evening. All report a good time. The event was in honor of the anniversary of Mr. Wright's birthday.

The entertainment is in progress for Thursday evening, Nov. 10th. A fine time anticipated. Prof. G. A. Gregory of Medford is to be here with his gramophone, which will be a feature of the entertainment. After the exercises there will be a basket supper, and social amusement. The admission will be 10 cents, the proceeds to go towards a school library. Let every one help in this good move.

Thanksgiving Dinners. On Tuesday Nov. 28, two days before Thanksgiving the ladies of the Presbyterian church will have on sale at Mr. Bobiens White House Grocery, a large supply of home made pies, cakes and good things for Thanksgiving. Be sure and leave your orders early.

Toledo Weekly Blade. The Toledo Weekly Blade has a large circulation throughout the county and there are, no doubt, a large number of subscribers in Josephine county who wish to continue their subscription. The publishers of the Courier and the Blade offer both for one year for only \$1.25 to all new subscribers or to those who pay up on all arrears to the Courier and year in advance.

Goats are born rustlers, are never sick live on tin cans, oak grub and mist any

A Fond, Silent Companion.

By DENNIS H. STOVALL.
Come while the autumn is golden,
And the leaf hangs dead on the tree,
Sit down with me here, my heart,
And talk of yourself to me.

Tell me your pleasures and pains,
Recite them to me now o'er;
Strange that we've been friends so long,
Yet never have talked before.

Here near the dear old scenes
Where we were sported so oft together,
Where the perfume of lily and rose,
The wind wafts o'er the heather.

So oft amidst the breath of dawn,
While sweet was morning's dew,
We have walked these old fields o'er,
These old scenes, heart, I and you.

We have tramped the old meadow through,
And plucked the wild flower's bloom,
We have breathed the pure breath of God,
And inhaled the sweet perfume.

No twin was ever more fond,
No friends were ever more true,
For golden indeed are the ties
That bind, kind heart, I and you.

But tell me will this ever be,
Will our friendship, heart, ever wane,
Will we always walk hand in hand,
Unmindful of sorrow or pain?

And tell me will you ever die,
And desert me and leave me alone,
Will you from me ever part,
And leave me a wandering drone?

Will you leave me as strange as you came,
While I am asleep and alone,
Will you leave me so lonely unknown,
For your far away home unknown.

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And talk of yourself to me.

The Sutors.

Cecil Rhodes is amusing himself during his enforced stay in besieged Kimberley by laying out new avenues. Should the Boers take the place they will probably lay out, not avenues, but Rhodes—S. F. Bulletin.

Venezuela will probably enjoy peace within her borders until the paint wears off her new president. When they weary of the toy, a revolution will be in order.—Yamhill County Reporter.

Aguaquito will probably be surprised to see the thousands of United States soldiers proceeding to business, notwithstanding the elections being held and the impending meeting of congress. It will mix up his ideas of our government more than they have been mixed before.—Oregon Statesman.

It is certainly a very crude way of enforcing the law to the "drunks" and other law breakers to the wheel of the fire engine for safe keeping. In the old "shack" where that piece of city furniture is domiciled, a jail suitable for the wants of the city can be erected at a moderate cost. Will not the city council take this matter up for their consideration at an early date?—Borns Items.

It is said President McKinley will make the Chinese question a feature of his forthcoming message. The administration will not accept the European proposition for the partition of China, each power, including the United States, to hold a certain "sphere of influence," but will insist upon the broad open door policy. President McKinley is again right on a great question, for the trade relations with the Orient mean much to this country.—Albany Herald.

Business activity in this valley is fully abreast of anything of recent years, and much ahead of anything for the past six or seven years. Money can now be had at from six to eight per cent, according to the amount wanted and the length of time for which it is loaned. Farmers and business men who have been paying a high rate of interest are now enabled to renew their loans at a reduced rate of interest, provided they are not in a position to pay them in full.—Lebanon Criticism.

Germany has had quite a crop of small labor strikes this year. According to a report just received by the Department of State from the U. S. Consul General at Frankfurt, during the first six months of

1899, there were 574 strikes in Germany, covering almost every line of industry. As a rule these strikes are insignificant, as may be judged by the 207 strikes in the building trade, affecting 579 establishments and 27,945 employees.

In an interesting address on the Alaskan boundary question, Hon. John W. Foster, one of the High Joint Anglo-American Commission, and Ex-Secretary of State, made it plain that this government occupies an impregnable position, based upon official documents of both the British and Russian Governments; also that the Canadian proposition to arbitrate, had a string tied to it in the shape of a proviso that the umpire should be a European. Mr. Foster told, probably for the first time, that the American Commissioners offered to accept the plan of settlement drawn by Secretary Olney and Sir Julian Pauncefote in 1897, which he said marked the most advanced stage yet attained for the settlement of the international questions not susceptible of adjustment by diplomatic negotiation. The plan was to submit all territorial questions to a tribunal of three judges of the highest standing in each country, and to require the vote of 5 out of 6 to make a binding decision. So anxious were the American Commissioners to have this plan adopted, that they agreed to accept a vote of 4 out of the 6, as final, but the proposition was rejected by the British Commissioners.

According to a well-informed diplomat, the triple control of the Samoan Islands by the United States, Great Britain and Germany, which has not been satisfactory to anybody, is likely to be terminated soon by the withdrawal of Germany which is to receive other island territory from Great Britain for doing so, the occupation of the island of Titulia, where the U. S. coaling station on Pago Pago harbor is being situated at large expense, by this Government, and the remainder of the group by Great Britain, which will grant the U. S. certain commercial privileges thereon.

The Committee appointed by the National Educational Association at its last annual meeting, has been in Washington, investigating the various schemes for the establishment of a national university under government control. The committee composed of presidents and prominent members of the faculties of established universities and colleges did not take kindly to any of the proposed schemes, and adopted a series of resolutions against them all, taking the ground that the Federal government should aid and encourage educational institutions, but should not control them, although it might be wise for the government to maintain, through the department of State, a school for consuls, analogous to those at West Point and Annapolis, and like those schools, leading to a life career in the government service.

Those who believe that politics should not be allowed to figure in such business as the erection of public buildings, are pleased at the decision of Secretary Gage, against the protest of such prominent politicians as Senators Platt and Depew, to stand by the report of the Committee of architects, which was in favor of constructing the new custom house, in New York city, from plans made by Mr. Cass Gilbert, a Chicago architect.

Mining Locations. (Recorded since Nov. 6.) W. D. O'Brien, 20 acres placer ground "Miller," in Jump-off-Joe mining district.

C. E. Ranous, quartz claim, "Jack Pine," in Wolf Creek mining district.

Mrs. Dora J. Ranous, quartz claim, "Short End," in Wolf Creek mining district.

Jesse Todd, quartz claim "Telephone" in Wolf Creek mining district.

M. J. Lee, quartz claim, "Olga" in Mt. Reuben mining district.

H. S. Woodcock, et al to Erasmus Wilson, et al, 100 acres placer mining ground on Illinois river, consideration recorded. \$10

Maurice Brown to Herman Luethe, placer claim, "Last Chance," in Altoona mining district, consideration recorded. 200

Rosse C. Kinney, et al, to the Big

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ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

Yank Mining and Milling company, quartz claim "Waco" in Galice mining district. With other considerations. 1
E. E. Mattison to Big Yank Mining and Milling company, quartz claim "Big Horn" in Galice mining district. With other considerations. 1
J. M. Mattison to Big Yank Mining and Milling company, quartz claim "Homestead," in Galice mining district. With other considerations. 100
C. W. Thompson to Victor Junior Gold Mining company, quartz claim "Serpentine" in Grange Creek mining district, consideration. 100
Frank Duff to Edward Friday, quartz claim, "Richmond" in Galice mining district, consideration. 300

Real Estate Transfers. (Recorded since Nov. 6.)
William and Jennie Lister to Emma Groom, lot 5, block 74, Grants Pass, Oregon, consideration. 1
John G. and Theresa Schmidt to Elizabeth Pike, lot 6, block 45, Grants Pass, Oregon, consideration. 500
Mattie W. and J. S. Moore to O. P. Harvey, lots 5 and 6, block 14, Grants Pass, Oregon, consideration. 100
J. A. and Edith Rehkopf to Joseph Black, undivided half interest in 8 1/2 of lots 7, 8, and 9, block 67, Grants Pass, Oregon, consideration. 100
C. and Ella Vroman to Ernest Vroman, SW 1/4 of sec. 12, tp. 35 south, range 8 west consideration. 500
O. and C. R. B. Co. to F. P. King, SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of sec. 5 tp. 40 south, range 7 west consideration. 25
W. L. Chittenden and J. G. Wright to Wm. Ault, lots 3 and 4, block 9, Miller's addition to Grants Pass, Oregon, consideration. 250
H. B. Miller to J. A. Rehkopf, 8 1/2 of lots 7, 8, and 9, block 67, Grants Pass, Oregon, consideration. 500
Henry Black to James Ferral, lots 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, block 3, Merrin, Oregon, consideration. 120

Preached To One.
Rev. Robert McLean preached an early morning sermon a few days ago. His congregation was one lone burglar. The minister is pastor of the Third Presbyterian church on East Ninth street. He had occasion to visit the church early in the morning and found a man in the study.

The stranger was a young man about 20. He had been sleeping using some coverlets taken from a trunk which he had broken open. The minister looked at the burglar and the burglar looked at the minister.

"Come here to sleep" was the brief explanation given by the night of the jimmy to questions asked by the minister.

A set of tools, which looked very much like a burglar's kit, was on a chair close at hand and there was evidence of the study having been ransacked. The minister grasped a stout stick and went on a tour of investigation. He asked the unwelcome guest to proceed him and entered the basement. He did not discover anything of value having been stolen.

The minister cleared his throat and began a sermon. The burglar looked contrite and penitent. The minister dwelt eloquently upon the hardship of a life of crime and the burglar was visibly impressed. Then with a parting word of admonishment the minister told the burglar he could go. The latter did not wait for any second invitation, nor did he forget to take along his kit of tools which he may need in gaining an honest livelihood.

After the congregation had departed, the minister investigated further and found that the burglar had disposed of a small secretary by breaking open the drawer. Then he wondered in his own mind if he had done wrong in turning loose the strange guest who came without his bidding and went with his blessing.—Telegram—Nov. 11.

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Solid White Metal, 25c. per set of 6. Table Spoons, 50c. set

Home Soldering Outfit, all complete, 20c.
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Roast Pans.

Of heavy Sheet Iron, with ventilator, these Pans are double and are 13x19x9 in. all complete for 95c.
Waffle Irons, just in.

China Ware.

For Thanksgiving, the handsomest Dinner ware in Southern Oregon, the style, finish and price, will make you a customer. Handsome Blue & Red to go with it.

Door Mats.

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