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Regular meetings of the city council of Grant's Pass are held in the council rooms in the city hall on the first and third Thursday evenings of each month.

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Meets on the third Monday in April and the fourth Monday in September.

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Probate court meets first Monday of January, April, July and September. County commissioners court meets first Wednesday after the meeting of the county court.

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A number of especially fine Animals and Heads are offered for sale at very reasonable rates. Among the lot are the following:

1 Mounted Elk Head.
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Lv. Portland....	8:30 a.m.	7:00 p.m.
Ar. Grants Pass..	10:48 p.m.	9:30 a.m.
Ar. Ashland....	12:33 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Ar. Sacramento..	5:00 p.m.	4:35 a.m.
Ar. San Francisco	7:45 p.m.	9:30 a.m.
Ar. Ogden.....	5:45 p.m.	11:45 a.m.
Ar. Denver.....	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.
Ar. Kansas City..	7:25 a.m.	7:25 a.m.
Ar. Chicago.....	7:55 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
Ar. Los Angeles..	1:20 p.m.	7.00 a.m.
Ar. El Paso.....	6:00 p.m.	6.00 p.m.
Ar. Fort Worth..	6:30 a.m.	6:30 a.m.
Ar. City of Mexico	9:55 a.m.	9:55 a.m.
Ar. Houston.....	4:00 a.m.	4:00 a.m.
Ar. New Orleans..	6:25 a.m.	6:25 p.m.
Ar. Weshington..	6:42 a.m.	6:42 a.m.
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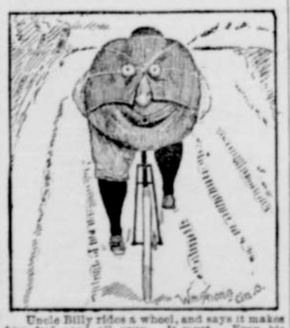

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Local Happenings

M. Clemens, Prescription Druggist.

Where do you get your hair cut? Try Will Mallory.

Bicycle hospital for all repairing at Cramer Bros.

J. S. Myers, recently of McMinnville, is now operating the barber shop of the Hotel Josephine, and expects to remove his family here in a few weeks.

Does your friend have a camera? A flexible, leather covered album would make a spiendid present—$1 and less. A. E. Voorhies has a stock of albums.

A. Brink has retired from the Hotel Layton management and his partner, C. E. Smith, is now the sole conductor of the business, which will be continued in its present popular manner.

Richard Robinson of Wilderville, has purchased the 160 acre ranch of his neighbor, Chas. Klett, who removes to California.

George Calhoun went to Ashland Friday to meet Mrs. Calhoun on her return from San Francisco, where she had been for some time under the doctor's care. She is again enjoying good health.

Get your writing paper by the ream and save money. We offer a ream of note paper, 480 sheets, 2¾ pounds, for 45c. We get the paper in large quantities and can sell cheap; this is not cheap paper but first class goods.—Courier office.

RAMBLERS are fitted with G & J Tires. The best Wheel and the best Tire, price $40.—Hair Riddle Hardware Co.

The Experience social, given by the Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church, was an unqualified success, the net proceeds reaching the sum of $77.90. A pleasant musical program was rendered and cake and coffee were served.

Quite a delegation of Grants Pass citizens went to Roseburg last week to see and hear W. J. Bryan who spoke at that place on Thursday. Among the members were Judge Abe Axtell, Commissioners R. P. George and N. Thoss W. F. Horn, J. O. Booth, J. W. Howard, Fred Cheshire, C. L. and Mrs. Clevenger, Mrs. Ahlf and J. Z. Keyes.

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John Collins, who passed through here on last Wednesday evening's train, in the custody of officers and bound for Seattle, where he is wanted for bank robbery, made a bold and almost successful attempt at liberty while the train was passing through the Cow creek canyon. At Union creek, his guards being asleep, he stopped the train by pulling the bell cord and made his escape unnoticed but was unable to break his shackles and was recaptured soon after his absence was discovered.

The Hotel Josephine has been leased by J. O. Booth to Geo. E. Good, recently of Roseburg, who will take charge May 1. Mr. Good is a former proprietor of the McClallen house at Roseburg, and was previously manager of the Hotel Perkins, at Portland. He has the benefit of many years of experience as a hotel man, and under his management the Josephine will undoubtedly continue in the sunshine of popularity in the future as it has in the past.

Kerby's Bright Prospects.

Reports from Kerby indicate that the valley of the Illinois is fully keeping pace with the rest of Josephine county in the march of progress. A roller flour mill is among the probable enterprises to be installed there during the coming summer, two saw mills are also under consideration, and important public buildings will be constructed. The creamery proposition is one that should be seriously considered by the Illinois valley farmers. They control quite an area of as productive land as can be found in the state and the irrigation facilities are excellent. This valley is rich in all the resources of this section, mineral, agricultural and timber, and must come to the front. Kerby is the center for as promising and varied a mineral field as can be found in this part of the state. In addition to its industrial advantages it is most beautifully and pleasantly located and a more desirable place for a town site than that now occupied by the town of Kerby would be extremely difficult to find. The pleasant climate which is enjoyed by all Southern Oregon seems to culminate at Kerby in the acme of perfection.

IF YOU INTEND

To purchase a monument or any cemetery work before Decoration Day you should order it very soon, to insure getting it in time. JNO. B. PADDOCK.

Marie Corelli's New Story.

Marie Corelli, for the first time in five years, has written a short story for an American magazine. "The Laurels of the Brave" is the title of a bitter, brilliant, timely story which she has just finished for the Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia. It deals with the South African War Charities, and handles without gloves the "Society Department" of the English War Office and the women who, for advertising purposes, are donning khaki.

"The Laurels of the Brave," superbly illustrated by Harrison Fisher, will appear in The Saturday Evening Post of April 14.

Exchange.

Five acres in fruit, good house and barn, for residence property in Grants Pass. Inquire at this office.

A VISIT TO THE CITY OF CANTON.

Continued Description of Fantastic Oriental Scenes, as Written by Charlton Perkins.

Continued from Last Week.

The narrow ways were thronged with tens of thousands of people. Looking along them it seemed almost as if one could walk upon men's heads, so close were they. High and low, rich and poor, all rubbed shoulders. Coolies, naked save for loose drawers rolled high up the thighs, carried, on each end of a six foot stick, water, firewood and burdens of various sorts. When an exceptionally heavy load was to be carried, some four coolies bore it, slung on the middle of a bamboo, two at each end of the pole. Peddlers carried their wares in baskets slung at each end of a stick, or in flat trays hung like an old fashioned pair of scales, with the pole or beam on their shoulders.

Carriers thus bore great loads of fruit, fish, and all sorts of esculents; live rats, cats, and dogs in wicker baskets; fat pigs in wicker cylinders, sometimes with their legs hanging out; and boxes, bales and trays of toys. Through the throng, exalted Chinamen, fan in hand, in silken gowns, and with queues pendent far down the back, made their slow way in dignity.

Here I saw, for the first time, the queue recognized place in the cooleries's shop and find a ready market, not only among those who have a taste for them, but I was told by my guide that rat and dog meat (black dog meat) was eaten by people who have a tendency to baldness, the flesh of these animals being considered an effective hair restorer. Horse flesh was also exposed for sale, and there are even to be found cat restaurants, in the windows of which carcasses are suspended for the purpose of attracting the attention of passers by. Placards are sometimes placed above the door setting forth that the flesh of black dogs and cats can be served upon a moment's notice.

There were plenty of women and children in this vast crowd we were meeting in the narrow streets, some of the women hobbling painfully along on their tortured and distorted feet, which, from the tight binding, were so shrunken and diseased that their shin bones had become fleshless skeleton supports covered with a wrinkled parchment skin, and their legs seemed to be little better than gnarled and knotted stumps. Occasionally an empty chair was seen in this crowd, or a chair in which sat some mandarin, with awning and delicately fashioned lattice blinds closely drawn, or a man who hawked small wares or sweets for sale and carried in one hand a flat metal plate and a string with a small weight tied to one finger. With each twitch of his finger a clear, musical note rang sharply in the air. Pung! Pung! Pung! sounded his little gong heralding his approach from a long way off. Who knows? Perhaps from this primitive but artistic appliance has in the course of ages been evolved our muffin bell, sweet music in the ears of those setting forth in quest of five o'clock teas. Anon our progress was checked by a funeral procession, which struggled past us, amid a blare of discordant trumpets, beating of gongs, and screeching of stringed instruments, the mourners bearing aloft paper and tinsel dolls, bright streamers, or little trays of food and sticks of incense.

The coolies, who had their queues knotted up, wore, for the most part, a hat shaped like a flat lamp shade about two feet across. A little cup-shaped wicker basket fixed underneath it held this covering over their heads, and it served more as a sun and rain shade for the body than an actual head covering.

Clerks, merchants, and well to-do people carry their queues loose, and were either bareheaded, or covered with a black satin or very fine black wicker skullcap with a coral button on the top.

Every one seemed busy, no one seemed unhappy. Each individual was polite and prepared to make way for another. We kept to the right of the road, a rule strictly adhered to, without which all progress would have been impossible. As I looked across the crowded way, I could see always two long lines of people in single file passing one another, and keeping close to their respective right sides. In places the streets were so narrow that passers by rubbed shoulders. Every one stood aside for the passage of a funeral or a priestly procession, after which the acknowledged order of precedence was first, a chair with a passenger, though even this moved aside to allow a passage to the lowest class laborers staggering beneath a heavy load. A mandarin on foot, or a wealthy merchant with a richly embroidered gown, moved aside to allow the coolie wood carrier to pass uninterrupted. There were no policemen at corners, as we see in large cities at home to regulate traffic; old established custom based on a policy of mutual obligations took the place of a man in blue.

A very noticeable feature to me was the absence of all such animals in the street as other nations use for draft and burden. Cats, pigs and dogs were the only lower animals to be seen, the two former being chiefly in baskets for sale. The Cantonese dog is a most remarkable and picturesque creature of the fox type, and about his size, but shorter in the body. He is a little yellow, prick-eared beast with a bushy tail curled over his back. He lolls about lazily, his open mouth with purple black lips and tongue giving him the appearance of having just finished a feast of ripe mulberries—and of having eaten too much. Nearly every one who was a member of Admiral Dewey's fleet here knows what a Cantonese dog is for the admiral had a very beautiful dog of that type which was his constant companion. I remember quite well while the Monadnock was laying off Caloocan the day the army advanced, the admiral came on board and as his launch came along side, the dog leaped for the side of the ship and fell in the water, when the admiral exclaimed "my dog!" "look out for Dick," as he was about to be crushed between the ship's side and the launch. The quartermaster dropped over the side and pulled him out, whereby he received many words of thanks from the admiral. The admiral then went on the bridge and ordered the ten-inch guns trained upon an old cathedral where there were many insurgents, and as the lieutenant in charge of the turret was taking aim and giving orders to train right and left the admiral gave the order to cease firing, and then he said to the messenger, "take Dick down aft below decks for I am afraid the concussion will injure his hearing."

(To be continued.)

Biographical Sketch of S. F. Cass.

In its issue of Thursday, March 22, 1900 the Sumner (Iowa) Gazette published at the home of the late S. F. Cass, contained quite an extensive sketch of his life. It says in part:

S. F. Cass died at his Sumner home, after an illness of about one week, Sunday, March 11th, at eight o'clock in the morning, aged sixty-six years, one month and eleven days.

For nine weeks before his death he suffered with pneumonia, notwithstanding the fact that he had the services of the best lung specialists of Chicago, besides local physicians from his own city and Waterloo, he fell a victim to that terrible lung complaint.

Mr. Cass was born in Prescott county, Canada, January 31st, 1839. In 1860 he came with his parents to Wisconsin, where one year later he was married to Miss Martha Wilcox, a native of New York. They had six children, four of whom are living, J. F., L. S., E. L. and C. D.; of the other two boys, one died at the age of three months and the other at four and one-half years. About 1864 he left for Ogdensburg, New York, to attend Bryant and Stratton's Commercial college. Previous to this time he had lived on a farm and had secured only a common school education. He graduated from the commercial school in 1864 and afterwards taught in the college for one term. In 1865 he severed his connections with the business college and after a short visit with his parents in Wisconsin, came to Iowa and settled in Sumner township, buying five acres of land on the southeast of section nine, four and one-half miles northwest of Sumner. Here Mr. Cass started his store on his land and soon had started a prosperous little town. This town was called Cassville and had already gained considerable importance in 1875. In this year it was decided to move Cassville to Sumner in the hopes of a railroad being built to that town. Accordingly the winter of 1875-6 saw all Cassville on runners. Mr. Cass moved seven buildings, one of which was drawn by a team of forty horses with a yoke of oxen attached to the rear for a pullback in going down hill. So closely interwoven is the history of S. F. Cass and Sumner that it is almost impossible to give the one without including the other. For a number of years past Mr. Cass spent part of his time in Oregon where he had large interests. January 1st, 1881, he established the Bank of Sumner and was president of it up to his death. He has also been president of First National Bank of Grants Pass, Oregon. From an almost penniless young man, by shrewdness, but above all by hard work, he carried forward enterprise after enterprise and at the time of his death, he had amassed a comfortable fortune. Besides the Bank of Sumner, with a capital of $200,000, he had large interests in the Bank of Tripoli, and also in the First National Bank of Grants Pass, Oregon. He had large real-estate interests in Bremer and surrounding counties, Wisconsin, and Oregon, and a number of elegant and valuable business blocks in Sumner.

The funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon, March 14th, 1900, at the opera house in this city. Never before in the history of Sumner, was and perhaps never again will be, such a large concourse of people gathered together on so solemn an occasion. Standing room was all taken two hours before the service began. The streets were lined with people for blocks in every direction, who had come from miles around the surrounding country and neighboring towns, to pay there last tribute of respect to their former friend and neighbor.

The lavish display of flowers contributed was something wonderful to behold. The casket was fairly hidden with the choicest collection of cut flowers, rich and rare, and by far the the most costly and most artistically arranged of any ever seen in our city.

Real Estate Transfers.

(Recorded since April. 2.)

Chas. Klett to R. M. Robinson, W½ of SW¼ of sec. 8 and E½ of SE¼ of sec. 7, tp 37 south, range 6 west, consideration.....$1500

Davis Brower to Lucelia Brower, 50 feet from south side lot 2, block C, Johnathan Bourne, Jr's first addition to Grants Pass, consideration.....5

Davis Brower to Lucelia Brower, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, block 7, Grants Pass, consideration.....5

D. L. Browning to R. L. Sabin, lot 50x105 feet in block 2, Millers addition to Grants Pass, consideration.....1

Washington Letter

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, April 2, 1900.

It is regarded as so certain that the senate will pass the Porto Rico bill tomorrow, when the vote will be taken, that public interest is already transferred to the house, where the result is not so certain. The free traders are making some pretty stiff claims as to their ability to strike out the tariff clause of the bill and insert one providing for free trade in the house, but investigation shows that those claims have no better foundation than the talk of a few members who voted for the original tariff bill and then became frightened by public criticism. There is no faltering on the part of the leaders of the majority in the house, and the chances are that they will be able to keep the grumblers in line for the bill. The majority of the house is always susceptible to administration influence, and the whole influence of the administration is being thrown in favor of the Porto Rican bill. Speaker Henderson is also lending a hand and he says the bill will become a law before the end of the present week.

Secretary Root says the written instructions to the new Philippine commission, the members of which will sail from San Francisco for Manila on the 15th inst., will not be made public at present. Doubtless the really important instructions to the commission were given verbally and will not be made public at all until they have been carried out. At least, that is the opinion of those who usually know what is going on.

It had never been suspected that the venerable Senator Pettus, the oldest man in the Senate, was a humorist and wit, until he made a dry, humorous speech satirizing the legal advice given the senate by a doctor. Senator Gallinger, of New Hampshire, and mercilessly ridiculing the position taken on the Porto Rican question by the orator, Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, who took occasion, while making a speech in favor of free trade with Porto Rico, to state his intention to vote for a bill providing a tariff. It was the most amusing half hour the senate has had during the present session. Senator Gallinger laughed as heartily over that portion of the speech of Senator Pettus, referring to him as anybody did, but Senator Beveridge, who was not present, is a much younger man, the youngest in the senate, and consequently more sensitive and he may take a notion to resent being held up to ridicule, even in as good-natured a manner as it was done by Senator Pettus.

The house doesn't believe that this government should reimburse the British cable company for expenses incurred in in repairing the cable to Manila, which was cut by Dewey, and refused to pass appropriating money for that purpose. As a matter of fact, instead of being injured by Dewey's act, the British cable company has made many thousands of dollars, paid by this government as cable tolls on account of the American occupation of Manila.

This is the way the Kentucky mixup strikes a well-known Kentuckian, Mr. C. B. Earley, of Louisville, now in Washington: "The trouble in Kentucky will be a nuisance for a long time to come. It will show in all the political movements leading up to the fall elections. There will not be a district or county convention which will be free of it. There will be street fights and convention rows, which the newspapers will report as riots. There will be shooting scrapes which will be called insurrections. In fact, it will be bad and disgraceful until the people of the state get sick and tired of it all. To tell the truth, they are tired of it now. But there is no way of ending the trouble. Like an epidemic, it must run its course."

Senators are disposed to poke fun at the charge of Speaker Henderson that there are cowards in the senate. For instance, Senator Depew said of it: "The speaker has not hurt my feelings by declaring that there are cowards in the senate. No, he hasn't hurt my feelings a bit, even though I do not concede that there are cowards in the senate, but he does sort of wrench my sensibilities when he intimates that the cowardice he speaks of in the senate, is due to the trusts. As for myself, Mr. Speaker Henderson is hereby informed that I am not a bit afraid of the trusts. No, sir ree! The trusts can't frighten me. I know too much about them. I am a director in seventy two companies that are on terms of intimacy with the octopus. Yes, sir-ree, I am!"

Secretary Gage has made a verbal recommendation to the president that a special message be sent to congress, suggesting legislation for a material reduction in the internal revenue war taxes. Figures given by Secretary Gage show that the surplus of revenue over expenditures for the current fiscal year already exceeds $53,000,000 and is likely to be largely added to during the last quarter. Mr. Gage thinks the war taxes could be safely cut in half, and the president has the matter under consideration.

The Scissors.

Grants Pass is one of the liveliest towns in Oregon. That city has just voted $75,000 in bonds for a sewer system, water works and electric light plants.—Eugene Register.

It was only a few years ago that it was said that log rafts could not be towed coastwise. Now a company on Puget Sound is preparing to tow rafts to Japan—Del Norte Record.

In round numbers, 50,000 men are expected to go to Cape Nome this spring, at an expense of $500 each. How much of this $25,000,000 so expended will find its way back from an arctic sea beach?—Oregon City Enterprise.

An Idaho tramp who was injured on a railroad car while stealing a ride, has brought suit for damages, alleging negligence on the part of the employes of the company because, although they knew where he was and that he ought to be put off, they did not put him off.—Jefferson Review.

Chicago democrats talk of dropping the proposed "Dewey Day" celebration, in view of the admiral's political announcement. It has not generally been considered that the desire to run for office was such a high crime in this particular section of America.—S. F. Bulletin.

Reports predict that 1900 will be the great year in the Northwest for immigration. Reports from the registers of the land office and from the land agents of the various railways tell a story of unprecedented demand for land and a rapidly swelling tide of immigration. The Great Northern railway estimates that immigration will be 50 per cent larger than in 1899, when it was 60 per cent larger than the preceding year. Thousands of these immigrants will find their way into the valleys and hillsides of Oregon, which invite them to happy and prosperous homes, under genial skies and one of the finest climates the earth has to offer the home seeker.—Ashland Tidings.

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We're closing out some short lengths in mattings and carpets. Maybe there is something you can use. Better take advantage of this sale. Here are a few away below actual value.

Mattings.

We cannot cut these special lengths at these prices.

1 piece of	8 yards,	actually worth	25c,	to close		18c	per yard
1 "	6½ "	"	20c,	"		16c	" "
1 "	2½ "	"	25c,	"		18c	" "
1 "	6 "	"	35c.	"		23c	" "
1 "	4 "	"	25c,	"		18c	" "
1 "	8¾ "	"	35c,	"		25c	" "
1 "	3¾ "	"	25c,	"		18c	" "
1 "	4 "	"	16c,	"		10c	" "

Carpets.

We cannot cut these special lengths at these prices.

1 piece of	[illegible] yards,	actually worth	45c,	to close		32c	per yard
1 "	12½ "	"	90c,	"		65c	" "
1 "	8½ "	"	70c,	"		59c	" "
1 "	8½ "	"	60c,	"		53c	" "
1 "	6⅔ "	"	80c,	"		65c	" "
1 "	4½ "	"	80c,	"		59c	" "
1 "	8¾ "	"	$1.00,	"		[illegible]	" "
1 "	6 "	"	$1.00,	"		[illegible]	" "

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Census for Farmers.

To build up a great office like the Census Office in fifteen months from absolutely nothing to an efficient machine, employing about three thousand men in Washington and about fifty thousand elsewhere in the country, is a difficult task, and entire success is out of the question. The office naturally compares itself with the stage of preparation attained at the same period ten years ago and tried by the test, it has gained several months on its predecessor. One of the problems before it is how to put in the time thus secured in such a way as most to benefit the Census.

In the Agricultural Division the need of time for preliminary work is perhaps as great as anywhere in the Census Office. Farmers, as a class, do not keep their accounts as well as manufacturers, and the returns from farmers may occasionally include serious errors which a trained eye will at once detect. Hence the farm schedules must be examined and such errors corrected before the tables can be made up from them with safety. If a farmer reports that his land sown to wheat was ten acres and the yield four thousand bushels, it is clear that an average yield of four hundred bushels to the acre is incredible, and must be rejected or corrected in accordance with the probabilities. Sometimes the truth can be made out by an expert from comparison with entries in other parts of the schedules; sometimes correspondence must be opened to settle the doubt. All this ranks under the general head of verifying the schedules.

To get the limits of probability for this purpose for each country in the United States, that is, the maximum and minimum yield and the maximum and minimum price which may be accepted without verification, is the object of an extensive correspondence now being carried on by the Agricultural Division under the direction of Mr. L. G. Powers, Chief Statistician in charge of that division. These simple schedules have been prepared and printed on different colored paper in order that they may be readily distinguished one from another. One of them covers ordinary garden vegetables, a second covers fruits, and the third the great staple field crops. These schedules are being mailed to prominent farmers all over the country and in many instances returns have already been received.

If the farming public will continue to cooperate with the heartiness already displayed, this effort will result in a more trustworthy census of farms than has ever been taken. Farmers, as a class, are less able to cooperate than the representatives of any other great industry. Hence the Census Office can do more for them than it can for centralized lines of business, which can and do make their own investigations, and it will do its best to present a full and accurate photograph of this leading occupation. The Director of the Census urges every one interested to aid the work.