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THURSDAY, MAY 2, 1901.

Henry Meldrum, of Oregon City, was appointed surveyor-general of Oregon on Saturday by President McKinley. The appointment was made on recommendation of Senator Mitchell.

The proposal to stock any of our trout streams with bass, pickerel and other eastern fish should be strenuously opposed. Where this has been tried it has meant the practical extinction of trout and salmon. For both edible and game qualities, salmon and trout have no superiors and few equals in the piscatorial world and a stream well stocked with them has variety enough. Salmon and trout are of the aristocracy of fishes and our sportsmen should see that no protegee looking foreigners are brought here to hamper their existence in the waters of this state.

The Cubans are now on the point of organizing their own government. Many doubt the ability of this people to govern themselves with any degree of credit and whether or not they have this ability is a matter which will soon be demonstrated. The United States, in accordance with promise made, can not do less than allow them to try. There is a large party in Cuba favoring annexation to the United States and this party comprises the more cultured portion of the people. The United States will exercise a guardianship over the new republic and they will be denied the felicity of governing themselves in accordance with the accepted method of Spanish American countries, which calls for a revolution at least biennially.

Our climatic advantages are emphasized from time to time by the reports of protegee climatic conditions in other places. The following dispatch from Haywards, Neb., under date of April 27, is its own commentary: For the last three days the sand hills of this section of the state have been a seething sea of fire. About noon Thursday, lightning set fire to the range in several places. The ranchmen have been unable thus far to check the flames. A district of about 100 miles in length and from 10 to 40 miles in width has been totally swept of hay and the dry prairie grass that for a month to come would have served as the only food for cattle. It is impossible to estimate the damage that has been done. Many ranchmen have no feed left for their cattle, and it is thought that a heavy loss of stock will be the consequence.

Next Monday is the date of our most important municipal event, the annual city election. In the present contest, the interest is centered exclusively in the election of mayor. No other issue is evident. Under the present charter the mayor is given more power than before and the influence he is able to exercise in city governmental affairs is increased. The office is one of greater importance and responsibility than ever before. Spoken in plain words, the issues of the election are these: Kinney and anti-Kinney, and so the factions are divided. The principles that Mr. Kinney stands on are good government and compliance with the law and his record during the past year of his incumbency as mayor has proven him a firm supporter of his principles. No one, not even a saloon man, has a right to oppose the enforcement of the law and if such procedure hurts him it is his own fault, for being in a wrong position. While Mr. Kinney has decided opinions of his own and is firm in his policy, he has shown himself to be fair minded in consideration of all questions. His firmness in administration has won him both opposition and support, but no one can deny that this quality is very necessary in a mayor. He is a strong, able and vigorous man and one who believes in clean principles and good government. His efforts as mayor have been in this direction and he should be continued in office.



Look Ahead, Girls.

If young girls would look ahead they would sometimes save them from serious collision with the men they marry. It is that ignorance is almost a crime. The young husband cannot understand it when the wife changes to a peevish, nervous, querulous woman. And the young wife does not understand it herself. She only knows that she is very miserable.

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THE COMING CONTEST.
A Communicated Opinion in Regard to the Pending Election.
The issue of this election is not political. It is not whether or no we shall favor the water company or the sewerage system, but resolves itself merely into this: Who shall hold the reins of city government for the next twelve months? Last year our good citizens worked nobly, with the result that they won the mayor by a good majority much to the surprise of the other side. This year the fight will be a harder one not only because the new charter grants more power to the mayor but because the whisky men are determined to win. They have been planning this election for months. The intoxication and bribery on the night of the ward and city primaries was evidence enough that the treat was on, and staggering men and boys upon our streets every evening all go to show, alas, that election is near. The law breakers, for what else can you call those who do not keep the law, have put up the best man they could find who would favor their interests, but citizens and voters you can see that the man who is everybody's friend is a friend of the law breaker too, and becomes in their hands as wax to be molded as they please. The mayor can do little himself but with four good councilmen which you have the power

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E. C. Dixon

to elect on the 6th of next month there would be a wonderful clearing up of Grants Pass. The whisky men can give their time and money to the furtherance of their candid test. "Brosse they expect to get it back," you say. Is it anything you to have a decent town in which to live and bring up your boys? Can you not see that every dollar spent for gambling and liquor now, would go into the tills of the business houses for food and clothing if those temptations were removed and instead they of young men "wasting their substance in vicious living," you would see good strong men of business, an honor to your town. Now the facts are these, good men who have the best interests of the town at heart, have consented to have their names used as candidates for office. What will you do about it? Will you let them fight their way alone or will you stand shoulder to shoulder with them and see them safely through? Inform the stranger how things are, talk election with your neighbors and friends, pull the "golden fleeces" from your eyes which the prospect of a few paltry fines has placed there, and look at things as they are. If law-abiding, law-abiding citizens of this town would make a determined effort they would come out victorious. Think of those things. Consider that the whole matter rests with you. You are responsible. For the sake of your town, your business and your families, do your duty.

Mining Notes.
W. H. Dana was in town Tuesday from the Copper Mountain mine.
H. S. Reed went to Starley creek last week to examine some mineral property.
S. E. Danonov, foreman of the Wabla copper mine, visited Grants Pass last week.
Wm. Hage spent a few days in town during the past week from the Hollyster mine in the Williams district.
Frank McCain, of San Francisco, returned on Thursday morning to San Francisco after a visit to Kirby district and examining mineral properties there.
Wm. Brewster of New York, one of the owners of the Victor Junior, has been here for some time past visiting his property. With Superintendent C. W. Thomson, he made a visit to the Applegate district last week to examine mineral properties.
G. H. Wilkes and W. D. White arrived here last week from Florence, Colo., and left on Thursday for Silver creek. They are friends of F. V. Metz, who with others is developing a large body of placer ground known as the Silver creek basin, with a view to opening it for operation.
Jack Hunter and Wm. Black, miners of Briggs creek, have been working during the past winter, on ground leased from Mr. Barr near the headwaters of that stream and have secured the most encouraging results from their cleanup. The mine has a good hydraulic equipment and excellent water right.
J. D. F. Stevenson, of Kirby, a well-known miner, and former packer of that section, left on Friday morning for San Francisco. He may continue his journey to the South Sea Islands with W. D. O'Brien and others to look for mineral. Mr. Stevenson was formerly proprietor of the pack train operating between Selma and Oak Flat and Soldier creek.
Dan Green, the Galien creek hydraulic operator, bought in a goodly sack of dust last week from the Harman Green placer in that district and has been spending the week in town, visiting with his family and friends. The water supply at this mine is of long continuous coming from the left hand fork of Galien creek and there will be a good flow for perhaps two months yet. The ground worked during the past winter has yielded richly.

Wilderville Items.
Mr. John Brown made a business trip to Grants Pass last Monday.
Prof. McConnell, made the town of Medina a visit last Saturday.
Mr. Ramsey, one of the copper miners of this vicinity spent Sunday in Grants Pass.
Mrs. H. D. Jones and Mrs. Geo. Lewis, of Wilderville, took a pleasant drive to Grants Pass last Saturday.
Mrs. W. H. Taylor, after a long illness died last Saturday. Mrs. Taylor was born in Ohio, and was 72 years of age.
Mr. and Mrs. Bush, are enjoying a visit from their daughter, of Arizona, who arrived here on last Sunday evening.
Mr. F. L. Wright, of Grants Pass, having traveled in the western part of the county in interest of monuments.
Mr. Hulman, of Smith River, Calif., put up at the Wilderville hotel last Thursday. He has been in this vicinity for several days prospecting for copper.
Mr. C. F. Lovelace, Geo. Booth, King McLean and James Hocking, have been at work this week repairing the lower Applegate bridge, the work being in charge of Mr. Lovelace.
Mr. Geo. Booth, the road supervisor, has several men at work on the road this week.
Special discounts on Japanese novelties at Adams' Bazaar Friday and Saturday.

Hugo Items.
Mrs. A. Chapin has moved to Kinneyville.
Mr. Peterson has purchased Harry Trippl's farm and is planting potatoes, corn and garden.
Charles Trippl was a passenger on Sunday's lunch bound train for Alameda to visit his mother.
The Hugo writer has been too busy to write, but "more rain, more rest," especially such a good rain as this.
The mail route to Winona has been changed from two to three times a week, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
Our school is progressing daily and pupils learning fast. Miss Martin, our teacher, passed the school examination with credit to herself and honor to her pupils.
Mr. Hedgie's mill is running. The lumber is first-class and the boarding house too. All the farmers have planted extra large gardens to supply it this summer. Hugo is daily improving.
Our library society is closed it definitely, subject to the call of the president.
M. H. H.

Deo Jr.
V. M. Woodworth will stand Deo Jr. at Lister & Calvert's stables on Fridays and Saturdays of each week during the season of 1901. Terms for insurance, \$10.00 each for two, \$8 each for three or more.
Deo Jr. is a magnificent black draught stallion, seven-eighths Norman, weight 1450 pounds. He is of clean, symmetrical build and a perfect specimen of the highest order of draught horses. Horse raisers should not fail to inspect his claims for excellence before applying elsewhere.

LOYAL LITTLE AMERICAN.
Youthful Traveler's Enthusiasm Upon His Return from a Trip to Europe.
A teacher who spent her vacation abroad tells the following story: One of her fellow passengers on the steamer that brought her home was a little boy about ten years old. As the steamer approached New York the child grew exultantly happy and every little while he would say: "We're all home now." He talked of the various objects they passed as though he were really quite at home. Finally the teacher said: "Do you live in New York?" "No," answered he. "I live in St. Paul, Minn."

Belgian Hares.
Get a fine strain of Belgian Hares and send your table with delicious meat at 3 cents per pound. Boats poultry. This Southern Oregon Ramratty Association at Golden now offers these bargains.
McKinley's Party.
Following is the personnel of the president's party which will pass through here on the evening of May 21: President and Mrs. McKinley, Miss Harber, Secretary Hay, Mrs. Hay, Postmaster-general Smith, Mrs. Smith, Secretary Long, who will join the party en route; Mrs. Long, Secretary Hitchcock, Miss Hitchcock, Secretary Wilson, Rear-Admiral George Melville, Secretary Cortelyou, Mrs. Cortelyou, Assistant Secretary Barnes, Dr. P. M. Rixley, Mrs. Rixley, Harry Scott, of the Union Iron Works, San Francisco; Lawrence I. Scott, Charles A. Moore, Mrs. Moore, M. A. Duggan, J. Knutschmidt, fourth vice president of the Southern Pacific, L. S. Brown, general agent of the Southern Railway, six newspaper men, three representatives of three illustrated magazines, and several White House stenographers and attaches.

EXPEDITION TO LABRADOR.
Scientists Arranging for Study of Geography, Geology, Botany, Zoology, Mineralogy, Etc.
A geological and geographical expedition to Labrador, Iceland and Greenland is being planned at Boston for the coming summer. Last summer five Harvard men went to Labrador, with Dr. R. A. Daly, of the university museum, department of geology and geography. This year's expedition, which is also under Dr. Daly's auspices, is to be much larger and more elaborate. As planned at present, the expedition will have a large steamer and take 60 men. If that number can be found who wish to go. In this party it is hoped to have students of geography, geology, botany, zoology, mineralogy and all branches of natural history. The expedition is not limited to Americans, but men of all nationalities are asked to go. A doctor will attend the men.
Explanatory lectures will be given on the regions visited from time to time by the leader of the expedition. Labrador will be investigated again. The expedition will start June 23 and return on September 23.
Labrador will not be the limit of the expedition. The men will go north to examine the ice fields, glaciers and fjords of Iceland and the glaciers of West Greenland. A hunting party is to be landed on the west coast of Greenland and in Labrador for a short time.
EACH LAMP A SMALL SUN.
Nicola Tesla, the Electrician, Perfects His Remarkable "Daylight Illumination."
Nicola Tesla has at last perfected his new system of electric lighting—daylight illumination. It may be called—and he hopes to have it soon introduced into general use. Under a full head of electricity the lamp has the color of ice in the sun. There are neither wires nor carbon filaments to break or burn out. The lamp is made of a glass tube, bent in rectangular form. Each lamp has about 20 feet of the white glowing tubes. Into this square coil of hollow glass of the diameter of one's finger electricity is sent quivering from Tesla's oscillator. Tesla's oscillator, which he believes is the key for solving the most important electrical problems of the day, causes electrical vibrations of inconceivable speed. These vibrations turn the atoms of the gases in the tubes into, as it were, little comets, which shoot through the inclosed space with tremendous rapidity, leaving trains of light behind. This sudden starting and stopping of the current produces continuous light, neither of the incandescent nor of the arc light character, but purely solar. In other words, each lamp is a little sun.

TO DEVELOP POPULATION.
Wisconsin Legislature Plans to Offer Premiums to Mothers of Large Families.
Preak legislation has broken out again in the Wisconsin legislature in the form of two sensational bills relating to matrimony. One is a bill to encourage the development of population by the state giving a premium to the mothers of large families. Mothers of a family of six children are to receive ten dollars annually; mothers of seven 12; mothers of eight, 15; mothers of nine, 20; mothers of ten, 25; mothers of 11, 30, and mothers of 12 or more, 35.
The other is a bill providing a special tax of ten dollars annually upon all unmarried men over 20 years of age. The bills have not yet been introduced, but will shortly be presented to the legislature by Assemblyman Christian Baran, of Oshkosh.
Mr. Sarau does not claim to be the author of the bills, and it is said that both of them were drafted by members of the Woman's club of Osh-

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A. L. FORCE, Keeper.

GREAT Closing Out Sale OF THE Coss Piano House By. C. F. Shepherd.

HAVING received a car load of Pianos and Organs at Ashland and having been appointed by the Eilers Piano House to take and close out the consigned stock of Pianos and Organs of H. M. Coss Piano House, of Medford, Oregon, in the shortest possible time, we have decided to dispose of them in the next ten days and if not sold in that time they will be shipped to other territory. They must be sold and at the prices offered, you cannot afford to lose this opportunity, if you intend to purchase within 18 months.
After this special sale at Medford, a similar sale will be instituted at Grants Pass. We have in stock several very fine Kimball Pianos in Mahogany, quarter sawed oak and hardsawed cases, the Welock, United Makers, Marshall Pianos and one second hand Cornish, and about one dozen Kimball and Burdette Organs in oak and walnut cases, also several second-hand instruments.

Besides the above makes and my regular line of Chickering and Crown Pianos I am now the sole agent for the following Pianos: Whelock, Jacob Doll and Stuyvesant, and the Newman Bros. and Crown Organs.
Piano and Organ Instruction Books, Stools and Seafs for Sale.
Address or call at Medford store, or address at Ashland, Ore., Box 170.
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ANNOUNCEMENT
To all people interested in HEALTH FOODS.
We offer something in the way of a treat, also instructive in the ways of health. Come in this week and try it.
Fresh California Strawberries
Sweeter and more inviting to the taste every day.
Prices on Tin and Granite Ware very low. Milk Pans, the heavy kind, but the prices are as cheap as the cheaper kinds.
Men's Furnishings—an extra high value in work shirts—50c.
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He thought as a sage, though he felt as a man—Bentley.
Though authority be a stubborn bear, it is often led by the nose with gold—Shakespeare.
Young men think old men fools; but old men know young men are fools—George Chapman.
The diseases of the mind are more destructive and in greater number than those of the body—Cicero.
Of the animals which fly in the air, walk on the ground, or swim in the sea, the most foolish is man—Boileau.
My living in Yorkshire was so far out of the way that it was actually 12 miles from a lemon—Sydney Smith.
Those passionate persons who carry their hearts in their mouths are rather to be pitied than feared. Their threatenings serve no other purpose than to forearm him that is threatened—Fuller.

OF INTEREST TO LABOR.
The servant girls of Watertown, N. Y., have formed a union and will demand a work day of 12 hours a day and four and five dollars a week.
A reduction of the hours of labor from twelve to eight hours per day for employees employed in all Kansas City breweries has been effected.
A furniture firm of San Francisco has recently voluntarily reduced the hours of labor from nine to eight hours, and at the same time granted an advance in wages from \$2.75 to \$3 a day.
The men employed in the Muren coal mines, near Belleville, Ill., quit work because they claim the mines are not properly fed, and for this reason they are unable to draw the loads expected of them.

ASSESSMENT NOTICE.
Gopher Gold Mining Company. Location of principal place of business, San Francisco, California. Location of works, Josephine county, Oregon.
Notice is hereby given, that at a meeting of the Board of Directors, held on the 20th day of April, 1901, an assessment (No. 1) of two (2) cents per share was levied upon the capital stock of the corporation, payable immediately in United States Gold Coin, to the Secretary, at the office of the Company 620 Market street, San Francisco, California. Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 29th day of May, 1901 will be delinquent, and advertised for sale at public auction; and unless payment is made before, will be sold on Monday the 17th day of June, 1901 to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale. By order of the Board of Directors. T. R. DEAN Jr., Secretary.
Office 620 Market Street, San Francisco, California.