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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1901.
General Nelson A. Miles, in his report says that the abolition of the army cantons was a good measure and has operated beneficially. Gen. Miles' opinion on such subjects is of value.

Message Charles F. Charles, the heroic, is to be rewarded by promotion. If more express messengers and those in like positions had his nerve, high way robbery would be far more hazardous and less lucrative than it is.

Leon Colquhoun, the murderer of McKinley, was electrocuted on Tuesday morning at Auburn, N. Y. He met death with the same sudden, stupid indifference that he has maintained throughout.

Klamath Falls has several cases of the Manila small-pox and is experiencing the annoyance of hysterical reports concerning it. It is too bad that it cannot be called something else than "small-pox" though it is a form of that disease, on account of the panicky effect of the name.

The Ashland saloon cases are set for hearing in the supreme court on Nov. 4, and the decision is awaited with interest. The appeal was taken on the grounds that there was not sufficient authority in Ashland's charter to support the ordinance under which the convictions were made.

Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma are seeking admission to statehood. In point of population, wealth and general importance, they compare favorably with some of the states which have been admitted and, as there seems to be no serious political reason against their admission, it is likely their claims will receive favorable consideration.

A begging scheme which is being worked to a finish is the one in which the unfortunate has printed cards which he proffers with a humble and mournful air to benevolently inclined individuals. Sometimes the cards have little verses printed on them, sometimes a bit of sage wisdom or a scriptural quotation, but they always say, "Please give what you can." This scheme has been so successful that it is being worked daily by those whose claim to crippledness is very slight indeed. We all feel sympathy for the unfortunate but this graft is being worked so perseveringly that it is about worked out.

A lease granting the free use of a lot in the northeast corner of the railroad park, for a mining exhibit, has been received from the railroad company. The company is taking an active interest in the proposed exhibit, believing that it would be of material aid in the development of our county's resources. In matters of this kind, the interests of the railroad company and of the people are identical. Increased development means increased business for the railroad and to build up the districts through which the lines run is, for the company, the most far-sighted and soundest business policy. The Southern Pacific is showing its readiness to help in any way to develop southern Oregon and it is to its interests so to do.

Halloween pranks are growing steadily more and more into disfavor each succeeding year. They are stale. They are not now esteemed funny, but silly and stupid. They have been so overdone and overworked that the public is heartily and sincerely tired of them. In so many instances they pass the bounds of sport and become crime, that the matter becomes serious. An aggregation of irresponsible youths, turned loose with mischief on the brain, cannot tell where to stop. They have not the mental balance that tells them where fun ceases and crime begins. But Halloween pranks are like comic valentines, and there are always some that will indulge in them while a long suffering public endures as patiently as it may.

An ordinance is under consideration by the city council to prohibit the riding of bicycles on sidewalks within the city limits. The passage of this ordinance can not fail to be a more or less serious inconvenience to the many who use bicycles in the winter, when the streets are wet and muddy. For this inconvenience, if they are subjected to it they may thank those of their number who so persistently ignore the rights of pedestrians on sidewalks. The greater number of wheelmen do respect the pedestrians' rights, but a few do not and it is solely on account of those few that the present measure is projected. On the sidewalks, the pedestrian has the first right. If he gets out of the way for a bicycle, it is courtesy on his part and should be so appreciated. The wheelman should always keep in mind a feeling of gratitude that he is permitted to ride upon the sidewalks. Nearly all the cyclists in this regard are young boys. They assume proprietorship and right of way of the whole thoroughfare and drive pedestrians into the gutter with an air of grand impudence that becomes insupportable. If all those who ride bicycles were decent and courteous in their use of the sidewalks, they might use them indefinitely, but all are not and the number is sufficient to bring discredit on the whole fraternity.

Memorial Services.
Bishop Morris will hold a service in memory of the late Rev. Chas. Booth at St. Luke's church, Grants Pass on Sunday morning, Nov. 3, 22nd Sunday after Trinity. There will be morning prayer, sermon and holy communion. Service at 11 o'clock.

Closing Out Prices

.....During November Only.....
We will sell the remainder of our
FURS
at greatly reduced prices to close out the lot.
Now is your time to buy.

Red Star Store.

Front street, oppo Depot,

For Accelerated Development.

On Friday evening a meeting was held at the parlors of the First National bank for the purpose of making a concerted action toward the more extensive advertisement of Josephine county's many resources and advantages. The meeting was attended by 15 or 16 of the representative business men and prominent citizens of Grants Pass, J. O. Booth, president of the Mining and Commercial club, was called to the chair and R. W. Clark was chosen secretary. The object of the meeting was stated by R. L. Coe. He strongly advocated the establishment of a permanent mining exhibit in a suitable building to be situated on the corner of the railroad park nearest the depot. The railroad officials had offered the use of the ground rent free for the purpose and were taking an active interest in the proposed movement.

Judge Axtell made a telling speech, saying that the future of this county was largely dependent on the mines. He mentioned the fact that the assessment rolls of the county showed an increase of about \$80,000 over last year, mostly in mines and mining property.

The several ways of advertising and the different methods of placing money to advantage in this line were discussed at some length. No definite action was taken beyond the appointment of a committee to investigate the best means of procedure. R. L. Coe, H. L. Gilkey and W. M. Hair constitute the committee.

Oliver Chilled Plover at Cramer Bros.

Lost the Drill.

There is a temporary suspension in the drilling work at the plant of the Southern Oregon Oil Co. on the Alford place, caused through a loss of the drilling tools which occurred Friday night at a depth of 1012 feet, says the Tidings. "Grapping irons were sent for to San Francisco with which to fish for the lost tools. They arrived Saturday night and since then the work of 'fishing' has been industriously plied by Manager R. M. Foster and his crew. Yesterday the drill was successfully grappled and brought up for a distance of over 400 feet but the purchase of the grapping hook did not seem to be deep enough for the tool again got away, and went to the bottom. This work of grapping tools and having to fish for them is one of the aggravating features of drilling for oil on this coast, where the depth of wells is usually greater than elsewhere; and is one of those incidents that the wisest and best of precautions cannot successfully guard against at all times. At worst it will only serve to delay the work. The management are in expectation of recovering the lost tools at any moment, when the good work of drilling will be resumed with all the energy that has characterized the work heretofore.

Sir Darling, 1012 Howard St. Port Huron, Mich., writes: "I have tried many pills and laxatives but DeWitt's Little Early Risers are far the best pills I have ever used." They never gripe. Dr. W. F. Kremer.

mental. We hope the "Night Hawk" will expand its idea so as to give us something logical.

We understand Mr. Scharington has struck a rich ledge on Greenback mountain. It is a well established ledge with good width and assays well. He has had a good offer for it but prefers to erect a mill and work it himself.

W. H. Hampton has his placer mine fitted up in good shape for the winter's run. He employs a large number of men, in fact, Stringtown is built and maintained on his placer mine. The town has two hotels, two general merchandise stores, one feed stable and quite a number of dwelling houses, also one "Dewdrop" or sample room and two blacksmith shops.

Merlin Notes.

Dr. Leslie of Grants Pass, preached at the church Friday and Sunday evenings. Mr. Edward Bland was seen on our streets last Wednesday.

Mrs. Jane Taylor is having a new residence built near the school house.

Mr. Stephen Abell has been confined to his bed for the past week with rheumatism, but we are glad to announce that he is improving.

Mr. Powers left Sunday morning for Wolf Creek to get another lot of his house hold goods.

Mrs. Cooper was in our city Sunday. Miss Esther Cox, daughter of Mrs. Cooper has been visiting at home a few days, but returned Sunday to re-enter school.

Mr. McConnell informed me that he had changed the date of the entertainment given by the Merlin school. It will be given on the evening of Nov. 16 instead of Nov. 8, 1901. Don't forget the change, "Dick," you and "Bob," come to the entertainment and buy a box, and then you will be sure of a partner for the evening.—MERLIN NIGHT HAWK.

Merlin Notes From Trix.
Prof. McConnell spent Saturday fishing on Rogue river.

Rev. Rosser of the South Methodist church of Grants Pass will preach on Friday night, Nov. 1st. All come.

A local teacher's institute will be held at Merlin Nov. 16th.

The date of the basket supper has been changed from November 8 to November 16. The proceeds are to go toward a bell for the schoolhouse. Every one invited.

Mrs. W. C. Fry has returned from a year's visit in the East.

Miss Mattie and Oscar Guild visited Grants Pass on Sunday.

Born—Near Hugo, October 23, 1901, to Mr. and Mrs. Pierson Jones, a daughter.

Mrs. Carrie Brookman has moved to Merlin to tend the children to school.

Dryden Items.

Mr. Ed McClun and family, of Waldo, passed through Dryden the latter part of last week on their way to the Willamette valley.

Mr. F. Wilson, of Coos county, made us a visit Thursday. His was a business visit but we are not informed of its nature.

Superintendent of Schools Lincoln Savage was doing official business on the creek Monday. After making the Dryden and Cemetery schools a pleasant visit each, he departed for Ketchikan, Coos again Mr. Savage. You and your good methods of teaching are welcome always.

Rev. W. Smith, of Althouse, was looking after sons on Deer creek Tuesday. Mr. Smith is a genial fellow to meet.

If you will allow us a few more lines of your valuable space we would wish to thank "Eddie" of the Observer force, for the many good things he had to say of Toothless Ann in his gatherings. We are prone to think that he meant them as recommendations but he has written his sentences in such incongruous groups of vocabulary that they come near approaching incogitativity or a bagatelle. However, we guess it would be proper for us to scribe the lack of comprehension to our own illiteracy. His propensity toward describing the functions of the brain which, if destroyed, lead to alienation of mind, is in itself very amusing when so intelligently set forth. His information regarding the operations of the cerebellum and the pons must have been obtained from anatomizing the brain of one of those ancient Saucrons who in times immemorial had habits with the shining sands of Pebble beach. Eddie you are all right mentally but you should be more careful as to how you refer to your "pia-mater" and "convolutions." You might unknowingly inform your friends that you are troubled with indigestion (?) Also remember that senile decay of gray matter comes in old age (not when so young as we) and always in the cerebrum when relative to mental aberrations. If you choose to go on using such big words, come down off your dictionary. Eddie also tries to make it appear that he is nocturnal, while his wandering escapades at the eleventh hour of night are due to somnambulism, and not on account of his desire to venture out after dark. Regarding our bear-seeing proclivities, we will say that bear is only one of the animals we have hallucinatory visions of. We promise to do better after becoming eliminated.

Real Estate Transfers.

(For week ending Oct. 26.)
Wm. P. Dumban to Victor Jr., Gold Mining company, \$8 1/2, at Sec. 32, T. 33 S., R. 5 W., consideration..... \$ 1
Mary and S. P. Crawford to Co-operative Investment Co. (seller's sale), lots 7 and 8, blk 17, Railroad addition, to Grants Pass, consideration..... \$ 500
John M. Coffee to Rose W. Baird, undivided by interest in ditch and water right in Sec. 14, T. 38 S., R. 5 W., consideration..... 150
Homer White to W. M. Carter, N. 1/2 of SE 1/4 and SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Sec. 8, T. 33 S., R. 5 W., Cont..... 500
J. T. Gilmore to J. O. Turner, lots 2, 6, 7 and N 1/2 of S, blk 2 Kerby, Cont..... 2,300
J. T. Hair to Joseph Moss, (administrators' sale) lot 4, blk 8, Grants Pass, Cont..... 100
Joseph Moss to Chas. Burkhalter, lot 4, blk 8, Grants Pass, Cont..... 200
Y. Y. Dean to Wm. Faber, lots 1

and six 100 feet from east side lot 2, blk 49, Grants Pass, Cont. 12,000
N. Gates to Dora M. Gates, NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 and lot 2 of Sec. 32, T. 39 S., R. 7 W., Cont..... 500

Henry Braddon, Harris, N. C., says: "I took medicine 20 years for asthma but one bottle of One Minute Cough Cure did me more good than any thing else during that time. Best Cough Cure. Dr. Kremer."

Meje and Snider.

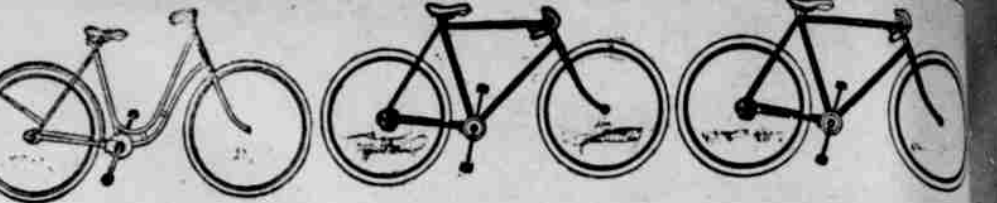
Big game is still found in this county. For instance panthers are quite plentiful in the Silver creek territory, though rarely seen. A big member of this tribe has been recently making his home in the vicinity of the falls and every few days his track is seen where he has walked up or down the trail in the night, and his thrilling tones have more than once waked the nocturnal echoes of that portion of the creek. He is a sagacious brute and will not be bluffed into climbing a tree without due cause. Hitherto, he has not been molested and has been allowed to glide around beneath the live oaks and creep and crouch among the rocks in peace and safety, but some of these days the local nimrods will put "Meje" and "Snider" on his trail and his career will end. "Meje" is a noble hound, but not a lean hound. He is big, wide chested and grand. He has big, honest brown eyes, flowing ears, a nose that reaches into the infinite beyond and a voice like the tramp of doom. He is a veteran of the chase and has been looked through and through the vitals by a wounded buck, yet recovered. "Snider" is a reddish brown mongrel. He is half hound, though he doesn't look it. His ears perk up at the base and his nose has an upward tilt. The only striking thing about his appearance is the air of alert pugnacity which starts out from every feature. Every one who looks in "Snider's" face knows that he is game to the finish, yet he is, withal, a good tempered dog, well meaning and orderly. By sheer merit, he has placed himself in the lead among the "varmint" dogs of his district and the owners of promising pups like to have them hunt with "Snider" for their education.

When "Meje" and "Snider" camp together on that panther's trail, there will be sport royal.

It has been a rare October. No two years, seasons, months, are alike in Oregon. Every year, and most months, have their surprises. Even taking into consideration extended periods of cloudy, damp weather, the year presents an agreeable variety, though not such great contrast as in eastern states. "To him who, in the love of Nature, holds communion, with her visible forms, she speaks a various language," and there is a charm in any sort of weather, as there is in any kind of landscape. Even a rainy day has its changes, its varying moods.

We seldom see an October in this particular locality so bright and dry and summer-like as this has been. It has been exceedingly enjoyable for most people but the belated autumnal mists are welcome. The farmers and stockmen need them. Prosperity isn't built altogether on sunshine. So we shall not have any reason to complain if the rest of October and the greater part of November furnish a contrast to the past few weeks. It is not a wise and philosophic person who complains about the weather anyway, since nobody can change it.—Telegram.

Brownies—St. A. E. Voorhies.



Cuts of Bicycles

Just to call your attention to the fact that I have Cut the Price of Bicycles,
\$60.00 Bicycle for \$35.00. \$35.00 for \$25.00. \$25.00 for \$20.00.

PADDOCK'S BICYCLE DEN

EAST OF DEPOT.

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Pine Needles Wanted

By the Oregon Pine Needle Fiber Co., at the old school building.



\$1.50. Warranted all Solid Leather.

R. L. COE & CO.

THE BIG STORE.

SEWER NOTICE

City of Grants Pass,
In the matter of the construction of lateral sewer in the City of Grants Pass, extending from the main sewer Fifth street, at the intersection thereof with the line of the alley in block 2, thence westerly along the alley through blocks 23, 24 and 25, to and terminating at the East line of Second street in the City.
Public notice is hereby given, that the 17th day of October, 1901, the State Committee of the Common Council of said City filed in my office, their proposed sewer, they have obtained and determined that the following described real estate situated in the Original Town of Grants Pass, is hereby benefited by such sewer, to-wit:
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 in block 23.
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 in block 24.
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 in block 25.
And that the extent and portion of such benefit upon each of the abovesaid lots, (compared with all other property to be benefited) is the sum of twelve dollars and fifty cents.
Dated this Nineteenth day of October, 1901. R. L. Dan, Auditor and Police Judge, of the City of Grants Pass.
The old reliable—The Weekly Oregonian.

THE SUGAR PINE STORE

We will show you the best line of
.....NEW FALL DRESS GOODS IN ALL NEW FABRICS.....

Remember, we have the latest invention for sponging dress goods, which we have been to considerable expense to get from the East for the benefit of our lady customers.

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WILL NOT SPOT NOR SHRINK.
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Buy Your Dress Goods of Us and have them Properly Sponged

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Fur Boas and Collarets, New French Flannel Waist Patterns, New Waist Patterns in Black and Fancy Silks, Black, White and Cream Allovers, Laces and Galoon Trimmings, Flannel and Taffeta Ribbons, Ladies' Handkerchiefs from 5c to 1.50.

Look over our line of Outing Flannels, Fancy Dressing Saque and Wrapper Flannels, Muslin Sheeting, Comforters and Blankets, Warners Rust Proof Corsets in straight front, girdles and medium waists. Fine White Cotton Bats, 6c a roll. Remember, we have those White Lily Bats—one roll makes a quilt—90 cents. All our Standard Prints, 5c per yard for 10 days. Six 200-yard spools of Best Thread for 25 cts. A select line of Men's and Ladies' Shoes and Underwear, combined with a first class Grocery. No matter what you want, your chances are better for finding it all at lower price, quality considered.

The Sugar Pine Store
H. C. KINNEY. H. L. TRUAX.

Tax Collection Law.

The following is a synopsis of the law regulating tax collections heretofore.

Taxes paid on or before the third of March 15th succeeding the date of the levy will be allowed a rebate of three per cent, provided that the rolls reach the sheriff prior to that date.
Taxes paid between the 15th and 31st, both dates inclusive, will not be allowed any rebate, but neither will any penalty of interest be added thereto.
Taxes become delinquent after the first Monday in April and there will be added immediately thereto a penalty of ten per cent and also interest at the rate of twelve per cent per annum in addition to the penalty.
If one-half of the taxes are paid on or before the first Monday in April, then the payment of the remainder may be deferred until the first Monday in October; but if not then paid it shall become delinquent and subject to a penalty of ten per cent and interest at the rate of twelve per cent per annum from the first Monday of the preceding April.
On all personal property taxes the law compels the sheriff to make levy and collect the same after April 1st, unless one-half thereof shall have been paid on or before the first Monday in April.
The law compels the sheriff to sell all lands on which taxes have not been paid and provides that tax sales shall be made not later than March 1st of the year succeeding that in which the levy shall have been made.
Property will be sold to the persons bidding the lowest rate of interest, and certificates will be issued therefor, and deeds given to the property three years after such sale, unless the property shall have been sooner redeemed.
The water company is putting in a new four inch pipe on I street.

Headache

kills, not necessarily suddenly, but SURELY. It preys upon the intellectual powers more than we realize. It consumes the vitality faster than nature can replenish it, and we cannot tell just what moment a temporary or complete aberration of the mind will result. Headache and pain should be promptly removed—but properly. Many pain cures are more harmful than the pain. Beware. If you would be safe, take

Dr. Miles' Pain Pills.

"As a result of neuralgia I lost the sight of my right eye, and the pain I have suffered is indescribable, being obliged to take opiates almost continually. A friend gave me one of Dr. Miles' Pain Pills and it promptly relieved me. I then purchased a box and now my trouble is gone. They have also cured my daughter of nervous headache, and I heartily recommend them to others."—W. J. COLBY, Bloomington, Texas.
Sold by Druggists, 25 Doses, 50c. Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

Adventure with a Panther.

The report is current that Misses Anna Caton and Myrtle Love had a narrow escape from a panther at the Judge Hanna place near the Meadows, in Jackson county.

The girls were engaged in washing clothes at the creek, a short distance from the house, when one of them happened to see a large panther crouched in the brush within four yards of them. The big beast was crouched close upon the ground, waving his tail to and fro, his glaring eyes fixed upon the two girls, ready to make the fatal spring. Miss Caton, whose attention was first attracted by the panther, dashed an armful of clothes into the face of the panther and the two women ran screaming to the house. The panther, baffled and taken unawares at so unexpected a repulse, skulked away into the woods.

At this same place, about a year ago, two panthers attempted to carry off the little babe of Mrs. Louis Bolles, but they were foiled in their attempt by the mother of the child, she driving away the beasts with a shotgun. The beasts evidently have their lair somewhere in the canyons of the Meadows district.

A Squaw Man's Love.

W. A. Fraser, who, because of his virile language and fine word painting, has been called the American Kipling, contributes to the November Delineator the best story that has yet come from his pen. It is called "The Off-coming of Nichemons," and it tells how a "squaw man" is called back to his desire for culture by some cultured neighbors only to have his aspirations quenched by a rebuff. The remarkable strength of the story is increased by excellent illustrations. Kodaks at The Courier office.

What's Your Face Worth?

Sometimes a fortune, but never, if you have a sallow complexion, a jaundiced look, moist patches and blotches on the skin, all signs of Liver Trouble. Dr. King's New Life Pills give you Skin, Rosy Cheeks, Rich Complexion. Only 25 cents at Dr. Kramer's Drug Store.

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a clever maker with an
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Result: The most beautiful and
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