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On account of poor health, I have decided to close out my business at Grants Pass, consisting of Clothing and Furnishings for men and boys, Hats and Caps, Shoes for men, boys, women and children. All nice, up-to-date goods, selected with view of style, comfort and durability.

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A \$2 hat for \$1.50; a \$3 hat for \$2.50.

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SALE and FEED STABLE

GRANTS PASS, - OREGON
Stock of all kinds, wagons, harness, saddles, etc., sold on commission. Regular auction sale every Saturday afternoon. If you want a prospecting or traveling outfit watch the auction sales. Stock consigned for sale will receive careful attention at low rates.

J. E. KERLEY, Proprietor.
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HOUSE.
E street, next to Josephine Hotel.

Newly furnished complete. Rooms by day or week. Rates reasonable.
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White and Yellow Field Corn.
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Peas, Beans, Onion, Carrot.
Also regular package seeds.

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I have had occasion to use your Black-Draught Stock and Poultry Medicine and am pleased to say that I never used anything for stock that gave half as good satisfaction. I heartily recommend it to all owners of stock.

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Another Permanent Business House for Grants Pass.

As soon as a suitable business location can be secured Mr. H. M. Coss, proprietor of the Coss Piano House, established at Medford May 20th, 1900, and the Coss Piano House established at Ashland October 28th, 1902, will establish a permanent piano store in Grants Pass, where a full line of reliable standard makes of Pianos and Organs will be carried and sold on easy terms to suit purchasers. Will also handle sheet music in large quantities. We have now in stock in our stores in Medford and Ashland the finest stock of Pianos ever on display in Southern Oregon.

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We handle all kinds of Musical Instruments
Leave orders at our stores for Tuning.



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Full assortment of Watches, Clocks, Silverware and Jewelry. A Good Assortment of Bracelets and Heart Bangles.
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CHARGES:
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Copper and Lead, each 1.00
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All business entrusted to me will receive prompt and careful attention.

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THE ACME OF PARLOR GAMES, GOOD FOR SOCIALS AND PARTIES.

More Fun than a box of monkeys.

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MR. CORBETT EULOGIZED

Oregonian's Tribute to Our State's Honored Citizen.

Hon. H. W. Corbett, one of Oregon's most prominent men, died suddenly in Portland on Tuesday of last week. The following tribute of honor and praise appeared in the Morning Oregonian:

"It was Mr. Corbett's fortune to survive all of the immediate contemporaries of his special rank and period, and in a sense to carry forward the era in which he was so conspicuous and so useful a figure. Others, who with him shared the responsibilities of our earlier life, the heat and burden of the pioneer day, have long since gone to their graves. The grass is green where rest the group of men who, in large relations dignified the earlier years of our civil life; and when within a few hours what is mortal of Henry W. Corbett shall be laid with them, the Pioneer Era of Portland will have come to its end.

Summing up, it will scarcely be questioned that the present judgment is, and the future judgment will be, that no man among us has performed so important a part in our active affairs as Mr. Corbett. His earnestness and tenacity were proverbial. In matters of business his judgment, behind which lay a profound insight, was almost unerring. In public spirit he was our foremost of men, as the great work he has performed for Oregon attests. And in acts of public benevolence and private charity, he was foremost always. For promotion of educational projects and support of religious instruction and ministrations he was relied on by our people through his whole life. H. W. Corbett has been chief of the pillars of our temple of growth, prosperity and advancement. Such a life as his sets to work forces whose effects and consequences will be felt through all time in a state like ours, where everything was new and plastic to the touch of the strong and skillful hand."

HERMANN IS NOMINATED

Choice of Eugene Convention After Protracted Contest.

Roger Hermann was nominated for congressman Friday. The convention was in session 9 1/2 hours, and was in tumult most of that time. Early in the convention Hermann hovered within six or seven votes of the 87 required to nominate. Then his rivals went to pieces in the face of stubborn opposition. His rivals succeeded to the mastery of the convention, but they could not agree upon a candidate. For four hours each of them refused to yield. The Hermann managers took heart again about 10 p. m. and reorganized their ranks as they had been early in the convention. Thierup Eddy of Tillamook declared that his delegation of five in order to end a fruitless contest, would support Hermann. Vawter withdrew and left his delegation to go whither they desired, and his people flocked to Hermann. Gatch of Marion and Kelly of Linn united their forces. The union was too long put off, however, and accomplished nothing.

The final vote was: Hermann 95; Gatch 72; Kelly 9. The total number of votes cast was 176, three more than were in the convention, but the opponents of Hermann saw that they could accomplish nothing by demanding another ballot, and on motion of Kay of Marion, Hermann was declared the unanimous choice of the convention. Speedmaking by Hermann and his rivals showed that the outcome of the fight had not left wide brackets, and that all elements of the party would work for the election of the party's nominee.

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At 11:30 o'clock the last vote of the 24th and final ballot was counted and Hermann was nominated. Josephine's seven votes were sold for Hermann throughout the convention. The Jackson county delegation was faithful to Vawter until he withdrew, when it joined the Hermann line-up.

Population of Oregon.
From Jan. 1, 1902, to March 31, 1903, a period of 15 months—the population of Oregon has increased more than 44,000. Unquestionably the immigration during that period has been larger than in any of the 15 months in the history of the state, and the heavy tide is just setting in. Figures from all sections of the state obtained by correspondents of the Oregonian, tell the story without exaggeration.

Oregon in June, 1900, had a population of 413,396. Natural increase is about 2 1/2 per cent a year. Adding the immigration in the 19 months from June 1900, to January 1, 1902, which was probably not less than 10,000, it may be safely set down that Oregon's population today exceeds 500,000.

Typewriter ribbons for all machines for sale at the Courier office.

SIMMONS-CAMERON MINE

Good Work of Elevator Installed by Manager Logan.

The well known Simmons-Cameron mine of the Waldo district, one of the largest hydraulic placers in Southern Oregon, has had this season the most profitable run in many years. J. T. Logan, the manager, has initiated a number of improvements since he took charge of the property, the most notable being a hydraulic elevator which was installed last year. This season, largely through the aid of this appliance, the mine has made the best run for many years past, in fact, as much ground has been worked this season as was worked in the three seasons preceding, and at less cost of operation, as with the new contrivance, only about half as many men are necessary that were required by the old method. This mine has a water supply which is almost unlimited and the efficiency of the elevator is emphasized by this circumstance.

A GOLD SAVING MACHINE

Works on Rocker Principle and Catches Finest Gold.

A new gold saving apparatus, says the Journal, was exhibited in Yreka this week, the invention of a pioneer, Mr. Rockefeller, a relative of the noted millionaire, John D. The machine works on the rocker principle, being as large and something like a low wagon box, set on rockers. At one end is a section 4 feet square, with perforated sheet iron, under which is a light frame work moving back and forward. The fine gravel with gold runs out of a spout at the side. At the lower end of the box is another section of perforated iron, with blanket underneath, through which the water passes out dropping on a water wheel to run the machine. Two inches of water is claimed to be power enough through the box for running the overshot wheel in making the rocking motion by means of a crank attachment. The apparatus was viewed by many of our citizens, and may be a good thing to work up tailings at end of sluices and quartz mills dumps. It is called a gold vanner, and has been patented.

RELICS OF ANCIENT AGE

Mortars of Pre-Historic Time Found in Wimer Bros. Mine.

Wimer Bros., in their mine near Waldo, have unearthed and secured, at various times, a number of mortars which are beyond question relics of a pre-historic race. They are found in the old gravel of an ancient channel, 50 or 60 feet below the surface, firmly embedded in a cemented gravel near the bedrock. This stratum of gravel, which is six or eight feet in depth, is clearly a much older deposit than that which lies above it.

The mortars are made of hard granite and iron stone. There is no similar rock in the formations of the immediate vicinity, though both varieties of stone are found plentifully on Rough-and-Ready creek, some two miles away. Some of the mortars were probably used for grinding food, while others seem to have been used as quartz mortars. They are of different sizes and shapes but the handiwork of man is very evident in their construction. Their age, as indicated by the formation in which they are found, is so great as to be beyond imagination or computation by the ordinary mind. Since the time that the gravel was deposited in these old channels, the whole face of nature has been changed. The channels are absolutely independent of the present topography of the country. They run across ridges and jump across canyons ignoring entirely the present conditions. Since they were placed, the country has been upheaved and rent apart until it must bear no resemblance whatever to its former appearance. The period prior to these eruptions and convulsions is far distant from the realm of history or tradition and goes back into the aeons of ages ago, so remote that its age is almost beyond all conjecture, and the finding of the undeniable handiwork of man in the deposits of this age is a matter to command the interest of geologists and antiquarians.

The manner of finding these mortars precludes any possibility of mistake as to where they occur. The top, some 40 or 50 feet in depth, was pried off, down to the old cement gravel near the bedrock, and in this cement the mortars are found solidly embedded and are filled with the same material, so hard and solid that it has to be picked out very patiently and carefully to avoid breaking the relic.

Glendale City Election.
Glendale had a city election on Monday last week and elected the following officers:
Mayor—D. N. Fish.
Councilmen—D. N. Snyder and Dr. F. H. Bowersox.
Recorder—R. K. Montgomery (re-elected).
Treasurer—H. G. Sonnenmann.
Marshal—Nelson Jones.

NEW CAVES ON DEER CREEK

Important Discovery Made Last Week by Two Boys.

A new series of limestone caves were discovered last week on Deer Creek by Roy Bunyon and Guy Weatherly, while hunting in that locality. The caves are situated on the mountain lying between Deer creek and Chaney creek and are in all likelihood an extension of and connected with the Chaney creek caves. The boys were out hunting and by chance discovered the entrance which was connected by a thick growth of manzanita and chinquapin brush. On discovering that the passage was the entrance to a cave, they returned to their camp for candles and made an exploration of the interior. They penetrated into the mountains about 150 feet but were afraid to venture too far as they had no string or wire to insure their safe return to the surface. As far as they went and still continuing, it was a labyrinth of chambers and passage ways with openings extending high above or deep down into the mountain. There is a strong current of air in the caves, making it difficult to keep a candle lighted and indicating the existence of another opening.

PLAINTIFFS NON-SUITED

End of Suit to Recover Money Found in Tin Can.

The suit brought by the Danielson boys to recover from Roberts & O'Neil, the sum of \$7000, the alleged amount of a find of gold made by the plaintiffs upon the farm premises of the defendants several years ago which came up in circuit court at Jacksonville Tuesday afternoon when the defendants were granted a non-suit and the case dismissed as against them. The evidence on behalf of the plaintiffs had all been submitted when the attorneys for the defendants made the motion for a non-suit which Judge Hanna sustained.

The principal ground upon which the case was non-suited was that the plaintiffs failed to prove that the property in question had been lost. The evidence of the witness stand was practically identical and was to the effect that at the time of their discovery of the money they were about 10 or 15 years of age. They had been employed by the defendant Roberts to clean out the latter's chicken house and while they were a chicken house they found several sacks about the size of ordinary tobacco sacks. Upon being opened one sack was found full of \$20 gold pieces and another of \$5 pieces. They reported the discovery to the defendants and the latter immediately took possession of the can and its contents at the same time telling the boys to go on with their work and took the property into the house closing the door after them. Afterwards the defendant D. Roberts called the boys up to the fence saying to them: "You are honest boys; here is a nickel apiece for you; don't say anything about this and the Lord will bless you." Some weeks after this occurrence the boys were each given a suit of clothes and again cautioned not to say anything about the coin. —Ashland Tidings.

DEMOCRATS NAME REAMES

Nominated on First Ballot at Albany Convention.

A. E. Reames of Jackson county, was nominated for congressman on the first ballot by the democratic convention of the first Oregon district, Saturday morning. The other candidates were J. A. Jeffrey, of Marion; W. Kelser, of Marion, and William Galloway of Clackamas.

Chairman Sam White opened the convention with a long speech for harmony. Of the 108 delegates, 106 were present, with but few proxies, thus indicating the enthusiasm prevalent among the Democrats over the district.

J. M. Wall, of Washington, demanded the two-minute limit on nomination speeches, and with this restriction, L. M. Travis, of Lane, named Reames, who was seconded by Miller, of Linn, and H. L. Williams of Jackson. D'Arcy, of Marion, named Jeffrey, receiving no second.

J. B. Ottwell, of Jackson; Oscar Hayter, of Polk, and F. S. Harding, of Yamhill, acted as tellers. Only one ballot was necessary. Reames received 67, Jeffrey 32, Kelser 5 and William Galloway 1 vote. Neither Kelser nor Galloway had been nominated. Jeffrey moved that the nomination be made unanimous.

The democrats having no congressional committee, it was decided to remedy this by selecting one for the First District, to act with State Chairman White and State Secretary Montgomery during the campaign. After the June election this committee will select its own chairman. This congressional committee is composed as follows:

Benton, B. E. Irvine; Clackamas, C. N. Wall; Coos, A. S. Sherwood; Curry, C. S. Marston; Douglas, W. S. Hamilton; Jackson, J. A. Whitman; Josephine, W. J. Wimer; Klamath, Geo. T. Baldwin; Lake, W. J. Moore; Lane, J. D. Matlock; Lincoln, J. F. Stewart; Marion, D. Vaughn; Polk, D. W. Sears; Tillamook, C. W. Talmadge; Washington, John M. Wall; Yamhill, F. S. Harding.

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I have seen my sister take off her only petticoat, and sell it to buy a piece of bread for supper. I have known her to walk a mile after ten at night, and sell a basket of empty whiskey bottles for a piece of coal, when the frost was keen and never a bit of fire in the grate. And once when I had been down with low fever, and was crying from weakness and want of food, she jumped up suddenly, kissed me, laid me to rest for a little while, and went out. She came back in an hour, and brought me some white bread and a small bunch of grapes.

STORE NEWS

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HOUSEFURNISHER

New Furniture, New Couches, New Bed Lounges,
New Carpets, New Medallion Art Squares.

Bear in mind we carry the Highest Grade Ingrain Carpets made in the United States. We can prove and demonstrate it to the most critical. This assertion is backed by the best Mills in the United States.

CALL AND SEE THE NEW GOODS.

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New Crockery—Vitrified Hotel China, Patent Welter edge, almost unbreakable; full line just received.
New Glass ware—Heavy Fine Goods 4 piece sets 50c.
Every Lady who makes a Cash purchase of \$1.00 or more this week receives a beautiful Easter Vase free. These are not cheap shoddy goods but actually worth from 30 to 50c each and is given as a Souvenir of your visit to the most progressive House Furnishing Store in Southern Oregon.

Furniture Lace Curtains Mattresses Cots Linoleums Matings Mirrors	Thomas' Cash Store	Picture Mouldings Graniteware Tinsware Glassware Lamps Cutlery Woodenware
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W. C. T. U. Column

For 20 years past the nation's drink bill has been greater than the value of all the gold and silver it has produced. It has spent more in poison than it has produced in precious metals.

A Drunkard's Home.

I was born at Halesowen, in the Black Country. My father was a chain maker, and I worked with him from the earliest time I can remember until the day of his death. He was an ignorant man, violent in temper, and given to drink.

Every Saturday he would come home half mad, and would thrash me without mercy. Sometimes he would thrash my sister, also. But he never neglected me, and I was glad to get into the coal-hole or any other place of refuge when I heard his step.

Many a time my sister crept upstairs to the garret to console me after he had whaled me all over with the buckle-end of his strap. She used to sit on my bed, and take me in her arms and cry over me and if she could find a crust of bread or a cold potato she would bring it to me, pressing me to eat it, while she whispered such words of hope as her simple heart could prompt.

We had no mother. She died in childhood, and I only knew of her from my sister's telling. My sister described her as a little, frail woman, silent, and submissive to my father, though his evil ways and evil passions rendered her very unhappy. Only once did my mother resent his violence, and then not on her own account.

It was one Sunday night while my sister was still a child. My mother, who was very religious, sat at the table reading her Bible, when my father came home in one of his most fiendish humors, and cursing her for a canting hypocrite, threw the Bible into the fire, and struck her in the face with his fist.

My sister, seeing this, ran between them, screaming with terror, and tried to push my father away. Mad with drink, he seized the child by the hair, and lifted his heavy hand to strike her, when my mother sprang up, snatched a knife from the table, and laid his cheek open from eyebrow to lip.

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Towns Are Advertising.

Assistant General Passenger Agent W. E. Cowan, of the Southern Pacific, has received advanced copies of the new illustrated folders from Grants Pass and Eugene. Each of these towns have planned for 50,000 copies of the books to be placed in the hands of the advertising department of the Harriman lines for distribution in the East. The Eugene pamphlet was gotten out by the Real Estate Exchange of that place and the one for Grant's Pass by the Board of Trade.

Mr. Cowan expects to have the first part of the edition ready to ship East in a short time, as it is now only a question of time before they will be received from the printers. Besides these two places Ashland, Roseburg, Albany, Salem and McMinnville have each issued a very large edition to advertise their sections, and Corvallis, Independence and Hillsboro have assured that their pamphlets will be forthcoming soon.—Telegram April 9th.

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