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THURSDAY, Jan. 28, 1901.

If the Southern Pacific railroad keeps up the laudable campaign against their employees frequenting saloons, several of the establishments will go out of business in Roseburg.—Plaindealer.

Carter H. Harrison, mayor of Chicago, has been arrested as a result of the inquiry into the Elgin theater tragedy. The blame attaching to the mayor is an account of non-enforcement of regulations that might have prevented the catastrophe.

The senate committee on Indian affairs has favorably reported Senator Mitchell's bill to ratify the agreement with the Klamath Indians for accession of a portion of their lands, amounting to 621,854 acres, for which the Indians are to be paid \$307,007.

If the painter Cahanel is authority, the most facetiously beautiful woman in Paris is the Duchesse de la Rochefoucauld. The Duchesse was formerly Miss Mattie Mitchell of Oregon. She is an Oregon girl, and this fact fully accounts for the first assertion.

Little has occurred during the week in the Russian-Japan quarrel. The most exciting thing has been a riot in Seoul, the capital city of Korea, when an attack was made on a street car belonging to Americans. American marines quelled the riot. The Koreans are between the two fires and seem to have absorbed the pugnales spirit.

The "mock senate" of the normal school in Ashland should insist on its speakers being more up-to-date. The chief speaker who included Grants Pass as one of the towns where gambling is "holding loose and unbridled riot" is several weeks behind the times and should inform himself more thoroughly on such matters prior to his next speech.

The latest thing in the trust line is a milk trust, formed to control the milk supply of the city of Chicago. The organization is formed under the laws of the state of Maine and has an authorized capital of \$1,000,000. The promoters state that the object of the organization is not to advance the price of milk but to improve the quality of the fluid. All trust milk will be guaranteed free from bacteria and deleterious substances. It will be interesting to observe the future history of this trust to see whether or not the philanthropic idea is permanent or evanescent.

A number of petitions are being circulated in behalf of having certain measures submitted to the people at the June election. A local option law, an equal suffrage amendment and a law for direct primary nominations are among the propositions. It is perfectly proper that all these questions should be submitted to the people and it is perfectly proper for a voter to sign these petitions whether he favors the proposition or not. It is only fair that the people should have an opportunity to express themselves on these matters.

IN THE BOARD OF TRADE

Annual Meeting and Election Held Tuesday Evening.

The annual meeting of the Grants Pass Board of Trade was held on Tuesday evening in the city hall for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. The attendance of the members was not large yet the meeting was a lively one and considerable enthusiasm was manifest during the meeting.

Reports from the retiring president, secretary and treasurer were read, accepted and placed on file. The following matters were brought to the notice of the board; a letter from the Portland Board of Trade advocating a state board, resolutions endorsing the Lewis & Clark exposition and a request for exhibits from Hon. Jefferson Myers. On motion, these were laid on the table for further consideration.

The board then proceeded to the election of officers. R. Thomas, P. H. Harth and Joseph Moss were placed in nomination for president. Mr. Thomas was elected on the second ballot. For vice-president, R. L. Cox and P. H. Harth were nominated. The ballot resulted in the election of Mr. Harth.

For the officers of secretary and treasurer, Fred Menzies and H. L. Gilkey were re-elected. R. L. Cox, Joseph Moss and Arthur Conklin were chosen as members of the executive committee.

THE OLD CHANNEL MINES

Big Galice Property in Steady Operation.

The Old Channel mines of Galice are in steady operation this winter under the management of John H. Harvey, who is working the property under a lease. Considerable work has been done toward getting the mine into better shape for efficient work. One improvement being a long belt rock race which is an advantage in the way of insuring the thorough pulverizing of hard lumps that might otherwise carry gold over the dump. The tailings are dumped into Rocky Gulch.

MINING ON WOLF CREEK

Placer and Quartz Operations of W. C. M. & D. Co.

The Wolf Creek Mining and Development Co. is steadily carrying on operations in both placer and quartz, on their properties on that stream. The creek bed is being worked at different points for a distance of six miles of its course and is yielding high values wherever the bedrock is reached. The gold, like all taken out on this stream, is of very high quality, pure, clean and heavy.

On the ledge which is under development, gang of men have been at work running a tunnel which follows the vein. The appearance of the mine is improving as depth is attained, the ledge now having a width of seven feet and is steadily increasing in size. Work on this vein has lately been temporarily suspended.

Rates Too High.

Waldo, Oregon, Jan. 20, 1901.

Dear Editor:

I wish to call your attention to the extremely high charges which the stage Co. inflicts upon the people now in this position of the county. I am not a "kicker" in its trust sense, but when a company employed by the government in the capacity of public servant seeking the position and contracting to do its work faithfully, takes a contract to do the work for less than the same is worth, and comes along to charge as double what their services are worth for every favor we ask of them, then I think it high time to remonstrate. They are charging 50 cents for 25 cent package errands and even a greater rate. Would it not be a good scheme for some one to put an opposition on the road? Yours, Stage Patron.

A. E. Voorhies Photo Supplies.

THE GALICE CONSOLIDATED

Now Operating on One of the Merrill Bars.

The Galice Consolidated Mines Co. is operating several plants on that stream this winter. One of them is working near the mouth of the creek on what was formerly the Merrill property. This ground was idle for many years on account of a lack of water to work it properly but it has always been recognized as rich and some of the work done on a small scale by gulch water yielded astonishing returns considering the amount of ground sluiced away. With plenty of water the operation of this ground by the present company cannot fail to be exceedingly lucrative. Dan Green is acting as foreman for this operation and his long experience in placer work on this stream makes him a peculiarly efficient man for this position.

Next season it is likely that the company's project for opening the creek at the mouth and sluicing out the entire contents of the creek bed will be consummated.

Rev. Calvin P. B. Martin, L.L.D.

Of Waverly, Tex., writes: "Of a morning, when first arising, I often find a troublesome collection of phlegm, which produces a cough and is very hard to dislodge; but a small quantity of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the trouble is over. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons needing a medicine for throat or lung trouble." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at Slover Drug Co.

I still have some gilt edge timber claims and homesteads.—W. B. Sherman.

A. U. Bannard—Undertaker.

OUR TIMBER INTERESTS

Jeopardized By Apparently Innocent Bill

An apparently innocent bill with the avowed intention of correcting the abuses of the stone and timber act, has been introduced in the U. S. Senate authored by Senator Handrrough of North Dakota. The bill is entitled "A bill to repeal the stone and timber act and commutation laws."

Why Senator Handrrough should take such an active part in the interest of the timber question, representing as he does a state where there is absolutely no timber, is not stated. There is, however, a deep laid scheme apparent to manipulate the law in the interest of the land scripping syndicates. There is at present in the hands of syndicates and contractors by less than half a dozen persons, sufficient scrip to cover about a billion acres of timber lands. This scrip can be placed on lands at any time and wherever vacant land can be found.

If the stone and timber acts is repealed the value of scrip will be greatly increased. One dollar on the acre would mean legislating \$1,000,000,000 into the hands of the syndicate and an increase of \$10 per acre would mean \$10,000,000,000, placed in their pockets by the repeal of this act.

Now is the time to protest against this bill. A few days delay may be fatal to the timber interest. Letters and telegrams of protest should be sent to legislators and the co-operation of surrounding counties and states solicited. It is not a personal motive only that prompts me to take this stand, as I believe that every business man of Grants Pass and of the Pacific coast is equally interested.

W. B. SHERMAN.

VULCAN MILL IS RUNNING

One of the Newer Quartz Mines of Grave Creek.

One of the newer mines of the Grave creek district is the Vulcan, which has been recently fitted up with machinery and is now pulverizing rock in a business like manner. A ten stamp mill has been installed with all appliances necessary for successful operation. The character of the ore taken out assures lucrative mill returns.

The Vulcan is situated on Browning mountain which is a most wonderful district in its mineral bearing qualities. It is situated only a short distance from the Greenback mine and is considered one of the very best properties of that district.

A COMING QUARTZ MINE

Green Bros. Galice Ledge Is Showing up Well.

The Green Bros. quartz property at Galice is being steadily developed under the management of George Green. The favorable appearance of the property continues in a manner quite gratifying to the owners and the mine gives good indications of becoming one of the large producers of its district. A new vein of evident high value has recently been uncovered by Mr. Green.

There is quite a liveliness in quartz operations in the Galice camp and a number of good properties are being developed.

HARMON-GREEN PLACERS

T. K. Anderson Is Operating Them This Season

The Harmon-Green placer at Galice is being worked this year by T. K. Anderson who is operating the property under a lease. Mr. Anderson is working this season on the west side of the creek, the water for the mine being brought across from the ditch on the opposite side of the stream. The ground is an old channel of great richness. This mine has always been one of the good producers of its district. The ground carries steady and reliable values and the season's cleanup seldom fails to bring to light a number of nuggets of good size. All the gold is of uniform high quality.

A Noted Visitor—McEwen the Great

McEwen the Famous Magician and Hypnotist, who will appear here each week, is considered by the press of this country as being in the very front rank of his class, and his class is a) and gift-edged. His feats of magic are what the name implies—magical, for it does not seem possible that they can be accomplished by any human means. Not many years ago Heller startled the world with his seemingly impossible feats. He established a record as the "Wizard of the World." He amused and interested the courts of Europe, and looking for new worlds to conquer, he wandered the maelstrom of Persia and mystified the rajahs and wise men of India, that land of the occult.

Yet McEwen does all that Heller did, and does it better, and that's much more than space will not permit even an attempt at description. Added to this his mystery of the subtle mystery of hypnotism is complete. Go and see and realize all that he does, and then—tell if you can. "Popular prices"—10, 20, and 30 cents.

McEwen, Prescription Drugist.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Provolt Items.

Miss Gertrude Johns of Williams was at Provolt Thursday. Lua Hansen and brother of Humboldt, were at Provolt Friday. L. W. Smith, the Provolt merchant was at Grants Pass this week. Dr. J. A. Lawman was at Grants Pass the first of the week on business. J. T. Layton, one of Provolt's miners, was at Williams Monday looking after his mining property.

Miss Georgie Stevens, who has been working in Grants Pass for some time, returned home to Williams Tuesday for a two weeks visit. Henry Bekhoff, a prominent young farmer of Provolt, is hauling lumber from the Fowells creek saw mill and intends to build a lot of new fence.

A hop contractor from San Francisco was at Williams and Provolt contracting hops for the coming season. He offers 17 cents. Two raisers contracted their coming crop.

A meeting was called Saturday at the Provolt school house for the purpose of voting a five mill tax to build a new school house and also to vote for a new bridge across Williams creek for the benefit of the scholars.

Lua Loech, the Provolt hop raiser, has been quite busy the past two weeks cutting hop poles for his yard. It will require 3000 new ones to put in place of the old ones that will be hauled off for wood for the hop pickers this year.

Geo. Harriett, the real estate man, was at Provolt Friday and Saturday, looking at the property of L. C. Hyde for a home-keeper at Elk Creek, who wants a home at Provolt, where the winters are good and plenty of irrigating water throughout the summer.

A new mine has been discovered in the Provolt district in the low granite hills by Mr. Berr. The quartz was found in the roots of a pine that was blown up by a wind storm of two months ago. The vein is four inches wide and free gold can be seen in the rock.

Happy Hooligan.

Wilderville Items.

We are having beautiful Sunshine. Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Lindsay made a trip to Grants Pass Monday.

Rev. Mr. Meares preached at Wilderville Sunday to a large congregation. Married—Near Wilderville, January 21, James Louder and Miss Ella Daveler.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Sams have gone to Bonnevillie, Oregon, on account of the serious illness of Mr. Sams' brother, William.

While playing ball at school last Friday, Henry Hocking fell and broke his collar bone. He was taken to Grants Pass for treatment and is now getting along nicely. Zanoni.

Leland Siftings.

The miners are all busy as they have plenty of water. How nice it is to see the wheat and grass growing this time of the year.

Wood cutters are flocking here as T. J. Mackin gives the largest price for wood cutting.

We had about two inches of snow, but it soon disappeared. We have had no wind this winter. At present the weather is nice and warm.

The Vulcan mine has resumed work, having their machinery fixed up. We understand one of the company sold his interest to his partners.

Mr. Barton, from Mr. Ruben Eckert came up to sell his nuggets that he mined on that creek. He had a nice lot of them. That creek carries big gold.

There is more activity in prospecting for quartz than ever before. We understand Rube Jones has sold his quartz mine on Whiskey creek for a big price. That mine was known to be a very rich mine.

Newell Dyarst is working his ledge on Grave creek. The ledge is small but rich. He took out quite a lot of gold from a pocket. Dr. Williams has also a ledge near the same place that promises to be good.

We can hear heavy blasting in the placer mines. The banks are very hard and deep, so the owners think best to put in giant powder and tear down the banks, and wash away all loose gravel, then more blasting.

Ed Dixon and George Trimball from the Pass made Baskedell ranch a call one day this week. They were in need of irrigating air and that kind of air can always be found in the vicinity of the south end of Tunnel 9.

We expect to see a new school teacher here shortly. Our marriageable young men say the last school teacher got away when her term of school expired, but that must not happen again, when so many likely young men are here.

Wide Awake.

Hugo Items.

Literary every Saturday night. Mrs. Sanders returned home Monday.

Wood chopping is the enterprise of the neighborhood.

Mr. Coombs and men are at Hugo repairing the track with new rails.

Hugo is improving fast. We have a store and it is doing a good business.

Mr. Wrett, the socialist organizer, organized a club at Hugo with 14 members.

There will be a mask ball at Mr. Waters' February 22. Come all and make a part.

Next Friday evening there will be a Roosevelt League organized at Hugo; everybody invited.

Clark Triplett has a fine stump puller. He can pull a two foot oak stump out with two horses.

Mr. Chapin and wife are residing in Mr. M. W. Parry's house at Hugo. Mr. Erickson and family moved back.

Our school is in session. Miss Day of Grants Pass is our teacher and is well liked by all. The children are enjoying school.

The dance at Mr. John Willate's was very nice and we all enjoyed ourselves. The lunch was good. Quite a crowd considering the night.

Mr. Haven of Merrill was in Hugo last week.

WAS INJURED BY FALL

Maud Merritt Files Claim For Damages to Tacoma.

Miss Maud Merritt of Ballard, Wash., a teacher in the public schools, who was badly injured several weeks ago in Tacoma, while attending a teachers' meeting, has filed a claim against the city of Tacoma for \$8,000 for injuries received. Miss Merritt fell on a defective sidewalk, one of the blocks of concrete composing the pavement turned under her feet. She is still confined to her home as a result of the accident, and in the event of the claim not being allowed, will bring suit against the city for that amount.

Miss Merritt was a former teacher in this county.

James M Payne—Deceased.

James M. Payne was born in Jackson county, Missouri, October 22, 1827, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Duncan, near Kirby, Oregon, December 30th, 1900, aged 73 years, 2 months and 9 days. He was a venerable and honored citizen, and has resided in this state since 1870. He has ever manifested a deep and active interest in public progress and improvement. In 1849 he crossed the plains with an ox team to California, where he resided until 1851. Returning to his old home in Missouri, he was united in marriage, May 30, 1852 to Sarah J. D. Gardner, who died August 27, 1863. Again in 1864 he was united in marriage to Rebecca Gardner. In 1870 he moved to Jackson county, Oregon where he lived until 1875, moving from there to Josephine county where he resided at the time of his death.

He was the father of 12 children, six of whom are now living. He was a kind and loving husband and affectionate father. He was converted at the age of 20 and united with the Baptist church, where he has ever been an active and true christian. Since living at Althouse, Oregon, he has worshipped with the people of the M. E. church, where he was an honored trustee, and from which place a beautiful memorial service was held in his memory January 24, 1901.

I can attend to your timber business to your satisfaction.—W. B. Sherman.

Resolutions of Respect.

Golden Rule Lodge, No. 78, I. O. O. F. Grants Pass, Jan. 23, 1901.

Whereas: He, the Creator of all good has deemed it best to take from our midst our beloved Brother, C. E. Huffstader, who departed this life on the 13th day of January, 1901, be it therefore

Resolved, That we, the brothers of this lodge, view with profound sorrow, the death of our beloved brother, C. E. Huffstader and we sincerely mourn the loss thereby sustained.

Resolved, That we hereby tender to the family and friend of our deceased brother and fraternal sympathy.

Resolved, That our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days and these resolutions be recorded and published in the Courier and a copy thereof sent to the family of the deceased brother.

T. Y. Dean, Com. Jos. Moss, Ike M. Davis, Committee.

Resolutions of Respect.

Ema Rebekah Lodge, No. 49, I. O. O. F. Grants Pass, Oregon.

Whereas: He, the Creator of all good, has deemed it best to take from our midst our beloved sister, Emily M. Smith, who departed this life on the 24 day of January, 1901, be it therefore

Resolved: That we, the members of Ema Rebekah Lodge, No. 49, I. O. O. F. view with profound sorrow, the death of our beloved sister and we sincerely mourn the loss thereby sustained.

Resolved, That we hereby tender to the family and friends of our deceased sister our fraternal sympathy.

Resolved, That our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days and these resolutions be recorded and published in the Courier and a copy thereof be sent to the family of the deceased sister.

Jennie Danison, T. Y. Dean, Marion Souders, Committee.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that I, Robert J. Fleming, president of the Williamsburg Mining Company, a corporation organized under the law of the state of Oregon, do hereby call a special meeting of the stockholders of said corporation, to be held at Grants Pass, Oregon, on the 12th day of February, 1901, at 1 o'clock, p. m. for the purpose of electing a board of directors of said corporation and for the transaction of such other business as may legally come before said meeting.

R. J. FLEMING, President.

THE GREAT WALL STREET GAME

PANIC is a "take off"—A mimic Stock Exchange—Full of delicious excitement, "flurries," "corners," failures and fortunes—Fun and noise from start to finish.

Panic is played with a deck of sixty-five cards representing eight different kinds of stocks and "securities" with eight cards each, and an extra card known as the "Panic." The game may be played by from three to eight persons known as "Traders."

RETAIL PRICE 40 CENTS. Also "FLING" and "PIR" 50c at Clemens' SELLS DRUGS Orange Front, opp. Opera House

NEW STYLES

WINTER HATS.

We have a large assortment of pretty, graceful and stylish hats in the latest patterns and materials, which we are selling at greatly reduced prices.

While we are closing out our entire stock of goods at cost we intend to keep our Millinery the best and latest until everything is sold.

We will be pleased to have every one call and see our stock.

Mrs. J. A. Rehkop South Sixth street, Grants Pass.

Agent for New Idea Patterns, 10c. When sent by mail 11c.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Seven Million boxes sold in past 12 months.

This signature, E. W. Brown

AN IMPORTANT NOTICE. We don't intend to carry over one dollar's worth of the following winter goods if the power of price cutting will get rid of them: Ladies' Misses and Children's Coats and Jackets. Ladies' Opera Shawls, Square Shawls, Scarfs. Ladies' and Children's Golf Gloves. Ladies' Flannel Gowns. Ladies' Dressing Sacks. Ladies' Furs. In fact all small and broken lots will be closed out at a great reduction. Nothing but Strictly High Grade Goods. No old, shelf-worn and out-of-style goods at our store. We simply don't want the goods—rather have the money. Yours for good goods at popular prices. E. C. DIXON, SHOES AND FURNISHING GOODS.

OATMEAL IS CONDEMNED

Scotch Physician Says Children Starve on it.

The merits of oatmeal as a food are being seriously challenged in Great Britain. An eminent Scotch physician is quoted as saying on this subject: "Rickets is enormously on the increase in England, especially among the poorer classes, who, misled as to the value of oatmeal as a food, give it to their children for breakfast, and so fill them up with starchy and insufficiently nourishing food, instead of more easily digested things, such as bread, meat, and milk, a less quantity of which would supply far more nutriment. People who feed their children on oatmeal are literally starving them. Oatmeal is one of the greatest blessings the medical profession has ever known. It fills their stomachs and it increases their incomes. What the effect of its increased popularity will be on the National physique, though, I am afraid to think."

And an English physician of standing says on the same subject: "When a man comes to me suffering from indigestion, I say: 'Do you eat oatmeal?' In answer to the 'yes,' which I anticipate, I reply 'Drop it.' If people would eat more meat and less oatmeal like porridge, they would be all the stronger. We would have fewer hospital-looking people among the ranks of our young men and women."—Greener and Conny Merchant.

A Big Centrifugal Pump.

A powerful centrifugal pump with other machinery, the property of the Smoker Creek Mining Co., was recently here last week and has been packed out to the company's property on that stream. This company has been installing a considerable amount of machinery during the season. Such a pump has long been one of the gold-producing streams of Southern Oregon ever since the early discovery of gold and it has large areas of placer ground yet to be worked.

It seems to be a general idea among the people that the valuable government timber lands are all saved. Such is not the case, as I can show you. There are very heavily timbered quarter sections close to town and also to the railroad. Good roads leading to them. My location fee is \$125 for either homestead or timber claim.—W. B. Sherman.

Destruction of a Home

A fire occurred Tuesday evening on a street just east of Eighth, in the residence occupied by J. W. Gray and J. A. Shaffer. Mr. Shaffer had built a fire in the stove of the front room, and then went to a neighbor's. He filled his stove quite full of wood, and probably put in too large a percentage of pine sticks. No one was in the room at the time and the fire soon developed heat enough to ignite the roof from the stove pipe. The roof was all in a blaze before the fire was discovered. The fire company responded to the alarm but on examining the loss with the hydrant on Sixth street it was found to be too short to reach the home. Nothing could be done toward saving the building, but the effects of Mr. Gray, who lived down stairs, were nearly all carried out and saved. Mr. Shaffer with his family occupied the second floor and his household goods were nearly all lost. The house will be rebuilt immediately.

If you can get 2,000,000 feet more in your claim of 100 acres by calling on me before leaving, your time would be well spent. My location fee is \$125 for either homestead or timber claim.—W. B. Sherman.

McEwen, Prescription Drugist.

Good Second-Hand Organ for Sale at Half Price at the Eilers' Piano House

Rotermund's Drug Store, Masonic Temple, Grants Pass, Ore.

COMING EVENTS.

Feb. 1-6, one week, The Great Mel-Ewen, opera house. Feb. 22, Monday—Dance given by Degree of Honor at Muste hall. Feb. 30 Friday—Musical Recital by Miss Ethel Palmer at opera house, auspices Woman's club. The needlework department of the Woman's Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Kendall Monday, February 1st, at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Irene Fry, Supt.

If you intend taking a timber claim or homestead, first let me show you some claims and then before filing, go and see what others will show you. I want you to get all the timber and in the best location that you can for your money.—W. B. Sherman. Underwear for Ladies and Children at Wade's at right prices. New goods coming.

Are You Going to Build

Remember the Kilsbain machine will make it cheaper, stronger than any ready made. Weave in your old barbed wire in one at top and bottom. Turn small chickens, making high, ball strong and so. Sample of work can be seen at Sunnyside ranch. OTTO J. KNIPP

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WANTED—Man to cut contract. Apply E. L. Cox

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WANTED—By experienced wife, a mine boarding house. Apply Courier Office.

TRUSTWORTHY lady or person to manage business in the and adjoining territory of solid financial standing. Straight cash salary and paid each Monday headquarters. Expense advanced; position permanent. Dress Manager, 605 Masonic Temple, Chicago.

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ENGINE—3/4 H. P. Lazer Engine, brought from Eugene, Y. Never used, and is a bargain for cash or terms. E. L. Cox.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—rent—rooming best location in city. Apply office.

FOR SALE