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Prospective jurors in the criminal cases of the present and previous terms of court are generally asked by the attorneys if they have heard or read anything of the case in hand and are required to give their source of information. Those who "read it in the Courier" are in the majority in a very noticeable degree and the fact is an undeniable indication of the popularity of the Courier, its extensive circulation and, incidentally, its excellence as an advertising medium.

Corvallis comes to the front with a whiskey tragedy, a case where a young man got drunk and full of fight and yearned to kill everybody he saw. After he had shot two men, one of them mortally, he was himself killed. The question now is, how much saloon license will Corvallis have to collect before the dead men are paid for and how much "fun" must saloon habitués have to counterbalance the grief attendant on the tragedy? When the estimated worth of Dunn and Keady is balanced on the city books, how much more must be collected to pay for the trouble of Officer Oshorn, who is lying with a bullet hole through his neck, and the expense of the detention and trial of Keady's companion and accomplice? There is also an interesting problem as to the worth of saloons in a community, in the Chiles and Bennett cases of our own county, to compute the expenses of trials, board of prisoners at \$5 per week, the damages, financial and otherwise, to Patrick, to Dolan, and to the relatives and friends of Chiles and Bennett, compare the sum of these expenses to the revenue, and see how much financial advantage appears to offset the other considerations in regard to the business.

A LITTLE "SNOW STORM"

Score Head Man "Spread" Himself.

The little "snow storm" of Friday morning, which barely covered the ground and melted off immediately, furnished material for a three inch double column score head in the Portland Telegram, with dire prophecies of the destruction of the fruit crop if certain conditions of weather should ensue. The worst feature of the case was that the arrangement of the "alarm" was such that a careless reader would gain the impression that the damage was an actual occurrence instead of being a mere prognostication. If the Telegram follows up this course of recording future possibilities under presumable conditions, it certainly will not lack for matter to fill up its columns, but we would prefer that our calculations should remain unrecorded until they occur.

A SPECIAL ELECTION

To Vote \$1500 Sewer Bonds For The City.

A special election has been called for Thursday, May 12, for the purpose of voting on the proposition of creating a city indebtedness in the sum of \$1500, for the extension of and construction of the city sewer as follows: Commencing at a point on Fourth St. 620 feet northerly from A street, run thence northerly 90 feet, thence easterly through the property of M. Galvin to Fourth St., thence northerly along Fourth St., to Main street, Avenue, which election will be held at 8 o'clock a. m. and continue until 7 o'clock p. m. of said day. The polling places are as follows:

First Ward—Old school house, C street between Third and Fourth.
Second Ward—Court house.
Third Ward—City Hall.
Fourth Ward—B. A. Williams' building, corner Front and Third street.

HAVE A NARROW ESCAPE

While Boating on the River Craft Capsizes.

Vallard Trux and George Baker had rather a narrow escape from drowning in Rogue river on Sunday. They were taking a boat ride near the White rocks and in some manner the craft capsized about 30 feet from the high bank on this side of the river. George swam to the shore, but Vallard clung to the boat which kept turning about and cluding any safe grasp. He was in the cold waters some 15 minutes before he was rescued and was twice under the boat. Otto Walter, who was fishing on the other side of the river, saw the plight of the boys, snatched a chain with which a boat was secured to the bank, went to the rescue and got Vallard safely on board.

Best Cough Medicine for Children.

When you buy a cough medicine for small children you want one in which you can place implicit confidence. You want one that not only relieves, but cures. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy meets all of these conditions. There is nothing so good for the coughs and colds incident to childhood. It is also a certain preventive and cure for croup, and there is no danger whatever from whooping cough when it is given. It has been used in many epidemics of that disease with perfect success. For sale by all druggists.

Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pen from \$2.50 up at Cramer Bros.

DUNHAM GETS \$20,000

Railroad Company Will Probably Carry Case Up.

The greater part of last week was occupied in the retrial of the case of E. A. Dunham vs the Southern Pacific Co. Dunham was run over by an engine here two years ago and lost a leg by the accident, being at the time in the employ of the company as a brakeman. His fall was caused by a broken hand hold on the engine. The case was tried in the October term and Dunham was given a verdict of \$12,000. This verdict was set aside and a new trial granted for the present term. Dunham's case was conducted by Judge Bennett of The Dalles, while W. D. Featon of Portland looked after the company's interests. The interest was greatly increased by the keen ability which both attorneys exhibited in their conduct of the case. The jury retired about 6 o'clock Friday evening and after about three hours deliberation, returned a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$20,000, exceeding by \$8000 the amount granted by the jury in the first trial.

A Tailor Wanted.

Silverton, a town of 1200, is without a tailor, and some of the live business men of the place are in search of a man who will fill the bill. Silverton is a good town and they have an excellent location for a good tailor.

Makes a Clean Sweep.

There's nothing like doing a thing thoroughly. Of all the salves you ever heard of, Bucklen's Arnica salve is the best. It sweeps away and cures burns, sores, bruises, cuts, boils, ulcers, skin eruptions and piles. It's only 25c and guaranteed to give satisfaction by National Drug Store and Grants Pass Pharmacy.

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COUNCILMEN DISTURBED

Drunken Man Made Night Hideous at City Jail.

Two noisy drunks were arrested Saturday and confined in the city jail. It was impossible however, to confine their roarings and boisterous songs which echoed and re-echoed throughout the city hall. Monday morning they were sufficiently sobered to appear before the city recorder. One of the men paid a \$10 fine and was released. The other had no \$10 and was returned to his cell. Later in the day he was released on the promise of leaving the city immediately and was given good advice about the temptations that befall the unwary traveler. The advice was taken but it did not stick, for he immediately loaded up again and by the time the city council was interested in important matters, he was brought in and during the remainder of the night he furnished alcoholic selections. Although the doors between the jail and the council rooms were tightly closed, the city fathers were greatly disturbed.

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MINING ON WOLF CREEK

O. M. & D. Co. Will Make Extensive Improvements.

M. B. Bozorth, who is interested in the Southern Oregon Mining & Development Company and the Wolf Creek Mining & Development Company, has just returned from Southern Oregon. He reports matters in a very prosperous condition and says this is an ideal season for the placer miner. The giants are steadily at work with plenty of water and lots of snow left in the hills.

"Indications are excellent for a good, long run and the final cleanup will not be made until about July 1," said he to the Telegram. "I was 12 days on the Jump-off too property and while there prospecting I thoroughly in the channel where we are now plying."

"The gold is mostly of a coarse order and it was almost impossible to take a pan of dirt from any place in the channel that did not yield good values, as high as \$1 per pan being secured in some instances. There are three distinct channels on Bonner Creek. The one now being worked is about 60 feet wide, carrying pay gravel averaging a depth of four feet. We will commence active development work on our quartz claims on Applegate river."

"I inspected the Wolf Creek property while there, and will soon arrange to make extensive improvements in the way of building a new ditch and installing more hydraulic machinery. A few days ago, Messrs. Wilson & Rickard, who are working a claim adjoining our property on Wolf Creek, picked up a \$47 nugget. They are using a self-shooter, and after every discharge of water numerous pieces of coarse gold are picked up from the bedrock."

"There is considerable activity in all sections of the country where I visited, in both placer and quartz, and some good sales are pending. Southern Oregon is surely destined to become one of the greatest mining centers in the entire Northwest."

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GOOD LEDGES STRUCK

Prospecting Around Leland and Tunnel 9.

We are having cool, cloudy weather, with a light sprinkling of rain. It retards gardening, but it is good for grass and other vegetation.

Business is good here; we can hear of a scarcity of money in some other parts of the state, but here in Leland, business is moving quietly along, as we do not indulge in any wild cat speculations. We have had a very mild winter, with very little wind, no deaths and no divorces.

Frank McCracken, with some others took in the Pass last week. Frank is one of our staunch placer miners, being located on Brimstone mountain. He is well pleased with his run this winter as he has a good water right, and his ground is easy to work very few big boulders, and gold dust beginning to come in to pay for supplies. As most of the miners had to bring on long ditches and other extra work, they went on credit.

A good many prospectors are waiting for the weather to clear up so they can go in the hills to prospect; with so many good ledges being struck, the last year, it has stimulated the quartz miners so there will be more men in the mountains this year than ever before. A good deal of attention is being paid to the vicinity of Tunnel 9 as the formation in that vicinity is very bright as several ledges have been found but for want of capital they never have been fully developed. There seems to be a deficiency in the different quartz mills in extracting and saving the gold; the rock in several ledges in this vicinity assays well, but in purchasing a mill and making a run, the mill does not save the gold. That is one reason why so many mills cease to run; if we had a smelter here to treat the ore, then this vicinity would turn out as good ore as Gold Bug or Greenback. If capitalists could only realize the amount of quartz ledges we have in this district, they would not hesitate in erecting a mill suitable to treat our ore, then that would encourage miners to go on with the ledges that have been idle for quite a while. Capital is what is needed to develop this country. We have good rock, good timber, plenty of good water.

Wide Awake.

Provolt Items.

Charles Fields of Provolt, was at Grants Pass Saturday.

John Sparlin of Williams made Grants Pass a visit Friday.

Bert Bigelow of Williams is very busy this week hauling potatoes to Grants Pass.

Clarence Wintrost of Thompson Creek made a flying trip to Grants Pass Saturday.

Mrs. White of Missouri Flat left for Grants Pass Tuesday where she will work through the summer.

Anna Vinson and Mrs. M. Beck were at Provolt visiting relatives. They returned to Grants Pass the same day.

We have learned of late that Miss Flossy Rexford of Applegate has been very ill with la grippe. She is now improving nicely.

The Provolt Ditch Co. have just completed cleaning their big ditch which is 1 1/2 miles long. They were engaged some 40 days in the work.

J. T. Layton of Provolt has started to placer mining for the season. There are five men at work picking rock which will be kept up till September or October.

Clinton Cook, the new hop grower of Applegate, was at Provolt Tuesday on business and to announce the arrival of the hop sets which he had ordered some three weeks ago.

The sawmills of this vicinity are all getting ready to start the wheels of the machinery rolling. The Powell's creek mill has lots of logs ready, and will start up in a few weeks.

We are sorry to learn that Miss George Stevens of Grants Pass is very ill at present with the typhoid fever. Miss Stevens' home is at Williams, where she will soon be removed.

There will be a grand First of May dance given at the hall of O. E. Rose at Bridge Point, Applegate which, will be largely attended. Everybody invited and a good time guaranteed. The dance will be on Friday, May 6, 1904.

Hay is on the boom at the present time at Provolt and Applegate. There has been a number of buyers here in the past week looking for hay. The Provolt hay farm sold, during the last week, 23 tons at \$15 per ton. They have a nice lot to dispose of.

The Golden Eagle quartz mine is still moving on very rapidly. They have just completed 300 feet and have 200 feet more to finish before tipping the shaft which they are running for.

They have also found a small vein of ore in the face of the tunnel, but not of paying quality by any means. They have faith in finding something good yet. We hope they will.

This spring is different from any ever seen by the old settlers of Southern Oregon, who have been here for the past 60 years. On April 28 there was a very hard shower of snow, which was followed on the 21st by a light frost which killed the early corn and beans that were up and also the tomatoes that were in the houses in boxes, but very little fruit was damaged.

Your correspondent has been traveling for the past week up and down the Applegate river taking in all the views and looking at the improvements that have been made the past four months, which are very pleasing to see. The farmers have been clearing the fertile soil, that has been lying idle for the past years, and over-run with brush and heavy timber. There are three new ditches which have been dug in the last five years which cover several hundred acres of this fertile soil which is being cleared up and put in alfalfa and other grass.

The Applegate valley is noted for its vast quantity of water. The Applegate river is 90 miles in length,

which is fed by the Siskiyou and Grayback mountains, where the snow lays and can be seen the year round. There is also the Williams creek valley which is noted for cattle raising and mining. This valley is six miles in width and 16 miles in length, which has the finest soil that can be produced in Southern Oregon, and this is also a beautiful place. Provolt is like the valley of Eden with its meadows are green and the sun is shining brightly and the flocks in the meadows begin to sing and the flowers on the hillside are in bloom. You can stand on the highest points of Provolt and gaze over the valley and see the beautiful farms.

Woodville Items.

W. V. Jones made a business trip to Medford Tuesday.

L. N. Stevens went to Ashland to visit friend, last Tuesday.

C. Moore returned to good pasture in the Woodville hotel a few days ago.

E. E. Bagley visited friends and transacted business in Ashland during the week.

Rev. W. S. Smith, of Oakland, preached last Sabbath in Wimer and organized a Sabbath school.

Mr. Martin of Footh Creek was in town today and reports good work being done by the dredging machine.

Prof. T. R. Townsend, Rev. R. Tread and R. L. Tread were in Grants Pass last Saturday on a business trip.

Rev. W. S. Smith of Oakland, the Presbyterian Sabbath school missionary, paid his respects to old friends in Woodville Friday.

Rev. R. Tread, preached in Phoenix last Sabbath as the Presbyterian group Woodville and Phoenix together for the present time.

Dr. Parker was in town a few days ago attending to the wants of one of our esteemed neighbors, Mrs. Randall.

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Bids Wanted

Bids are invited by the Monumental Mines Company for hauling 150 tons of machinery, more or less, from Crescent City to the Monumental Mines, a distance of 36 miles. The first of this machinery will arrive at Crescent City within the next 30 days, the balance of it following immediately thereafter.

Address communications to L. B. Jamison, Supt., Monumental Mines Co., Shelly Creek, Del Norte Co., Cal.

HEALTH IS YOUTH.

Disease and Sickness Bring Old Age.