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BREVITIES.

J. L. Nay's passed up last week on his way to San Francisco.

Elwood Carey passed up to Bandon last week with a load for Mr. Miller.

Hon. F. A. Stewart and Jim Lane were up from Port Orford last week goose hunting.

The schooner Sea Foam is due at Port Blacklock to load lumber at Barnham's mill.

We understand Mr. Chris Long will have about five tons and a half of butter this season.

Messrs. Wm. H. Averill, Wm. Cox and E. Good will be the judges of election in this precinct.

J. P. Cox's place has been taken by Jas. N. Young who we are informed moved thereon last week.

The early rains have rendered the roads so bad that S. J. Culver has drawn off his stage and now carries the mail horseback.

Asa Carman of Port Orford, has purchased "Maud" full sister to Maplewood, and, as many say, the best colt Jos. Nay ever raised.

Capt. Jurgensen, one of the owners of the Sea Foam now due at Port Blacklock is at the point looking after the interests of his vessel.

Mrs. W. S. Winsor, of Parkersburg, passed through Denmark last week on her way to Ellensburg to visit her daughter Mrs. Wm. Gauntlett.

Langlois & Nelson have made a general reduction in prices of blacksmithing, particularly in the price of shoeing, which is now \$2.50 instead of \$3, in other words, while as formerly it cost \$6 to have a team shod all round it now only costs \$5.

NEW COMERS.—During last week more new settlers have arrived in this section for a long time past. Among the many we note Mr. John Clausen and family from Owatoma, Minnesota, who is here in quest of a home, and who regards this portion of the county with favor, also James Langhead and wife, from Ashland who will take a place just south of J. P. Cox's place. That immigration is heading this way is now an established fact, and we place ourselves on record with the assertion that ere five years shall elapse, Curry county will be dotted with small farms and contented farmers and be made to blossom as the rose.

NEVER ENDING.—Sol Culver used to be the model farmer in this end of the county. He always contended that the farm was the place to always have plenty to do; in fact, he said he never did a day's work on his place when he could not look around afterwards and see where five days were needed worse than that one. If there were not an irresistible fascination in improving and putting the farm in shape, the task would indeed be irksome, as it is never ending.

CLOSE OF DAIRY SEASON.—The most of our dairymen are preparing to close business for the season. The season has been a prosperous one in the light of the quantity of the product, and prices have been average. The combined output of the four adjoining dairies at this end of the county will be something immense.

CONVALESCENT.—Dr. Downing, of Port Orford was called up last week to attend Mrs. Langlois, of New Lake, who has been suffering for some time with facial neuralgia. We are pleased to note a marked improvement in the lady's condition.

RETURNED.—Mr. Ward of Humboldt, who purchased the Herman place while here last Summer, arrived with his family on the Hume at Port Orford on the 16th.

A BIG POTATO.—Andrew Johnson, of Bandon, had on exhibition last week a Jenny Linn potato, from on his place which weighed seven pounds.

DEATH OF SOLOMON FITZHUGH.

Late last Saturday evening the community was shocked with the intelligence that but an hour before Hon. Solomon Fitzhugh had breathed his last at the residence of his son George Fitzhugh. While he had been in feeble health for some time his sudden death was unlooked for as during the day he had been in attendance at and took an active part in a school meeting, and betrayed no evidence of his approaching dissolution. About 7 o'clock he retired and soon was apparently asleep but Mrs. Rolls, a daughter, observed an irregularity in his breathing, neared the bedside and discovered that the end was drawing nigh. Without recovering consciousness, and with no perceptible tremor or unusual movement the spark of life fled. Yesterday at 3 o'clock the funeral procession followed to the last resting place all that was mortal of Hon. Solomon Fitzhugh. In the next issue of the Recorder will appear a sketch of the long and honorable career of deceased.

OHIO AND WEST VIRGINIA.

Returns from 43 counties in the State of Ohio make it probable that the Republican majority will be about 12,628. Of the 45 counties yet to hear from, 21 gave Republican and 24 gave Democratic majorities in 1883. The Republicans elect Congressmen in the first, second, eighth, ninth, tenth, twelfth, fourteenth, eighteenth, nineteenth and twentieth districts, and the Democrats elect Congressmen in the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, fifteenth and twenty-first districts, with the eleventh, sixteenth and seventeenth still in doubt. The Republican majority will be about 12,000. The Congressmen stand 10 Republicans and 10 Democrats, with the eleventh in doubt.

"DOC" ON THE SCALP LAW.—Doc Wilson writes from Mussel creek as follows: Through decency, for the future I will substitute Denmark for hell; and while I fully acquiesce with Mr. Hudson in relation to a bounty law, would suggest that wild cat and lynx scalps be worth one dollar, and bear and panther scalps five dollars each. In conclusion I would state that the hawks have been playing Denmark with my chickens and pigeons.

SCHOOL MEETING.—An adjourned meeting of tax-payers of this district was held at N. C. Lorentzen's Saturday to hear the report of the committee elected at the last meeting to select a site for the school building. The committee's report was accepted. The new site is on E. Dodge's place at or near the corner junction of the places of Messrs. Lorentzen Culver and Jas. Cox.

FINE STOCK.—Mr. P. Hughes is devoting his energies and fine facilities to the breeding of fine cattle. His enterprise and foresight in securing an imported Durham bull are deserving of a rich reward. Curry county will yet take the first place in the matter of cattle as well as that of horses. And she does not lag in the particular of high-bred sheep.

TO BE SOLD.—Capt J. H. Bruce of San Francisco was here last week looking after the wreck of the City of Napa in the interest of the insurance company. He has ordered the sale of the vessel which was to have taken place yesterday.

POLITICAL SPEAKING.—Hon. E. B. Watson of Empire City is announced to address the people at Bandon on the 20th, at Port Orford to-day and at Ellensburg on the 23d. He declines to divide his time with a Democratic speaker.

RETURNED HOME.—Mrs. Kronenburg, who has been spending the Summer with her mother, Grandma Knapp at Port Orford, passed up to her home on the Coquille last week.

COOS COUNTY.

Ducks are plentiful on the bay at present and their flesh is excellent.

The Baptists expect to dedicate their new church at Gardner the third Sunday in next month.

The only news we have from West Virginia is that the Democrats elected their Governor by a majority of 10,000 to 12,000.

Last year the run of silver salmon in the Bay was lighter than the year before and this year it is lighter than it was last year.

On her last trip down, the steamer Coos Bay made the run between this place and San Francisco in 36 hours which is claimed to be the fastest trip on record.—Mail.

It is reported that Capt. Harkins has disposed of his interest in the steamer Coos Bay and that he has accepted a situation as Coast surveyor for the board of underwriters of San Francisco, at a salary of \$250 per month.

Messrs. Zumwalt and Crook have departed with their horses for Curry county. The latter gentlemen must feel some satisfaction in having controlled the winning horse, and the former in becoming the possessor—he having purchased Maplewood.—Herald.

At last advices the O. S. I. Co's steamer Alki was at Callao, about the close of last month, with a broken propeller. This makes the third or fourth time that she has been reported disabled since she started from New York for this place; but she is liable to make the trip, by and by.—Mail.

The Herald in its race report, speaking of the painted horse from the Valley says: Silvertail, the Douglas county horse, which it is claimed was smuggled in, and which could "choke the fastest horse to death with a 40-foot line," would have been so choked with a 100-foot line by the hindmost horse.

ELLENSBURG ITEMS.

The run of salmon is rather light this week.

Some very nice warm weather the passed few days.

Father Heinrich is with us yet, and we find him free to confess that he is not a Blaine man.

The body of Oscar Inberg has not yet been found, and fears are entertained that his body will never be recovered.

The schooner Stranger is laying off the mouth of the river waiting for the tug Pelican to bring her in. She will likely come in on the 18th.

Judge Cooley has disposed of his valuable mining property near this place to Messrs. E. D. Phelps and H. Rickard. Consideration, \$7,500.

Mr. George Hume, brother of R. D. Hume of this place arrived here on the 17th, and we understand that he will spend some time looking over the county.

Mr. J. W. Carey and wife, and Mrs. Emmel of Port Orford, who have been visiting friends at Smith River, passed through town last Friday on their way home.

J. M. Frye, of Oak Flat, was in town this week with a pack train of fourteen animals. He is engaged in packing out his Winter's supplies from the store of the Ellensburg Business Association.

Rev. J. G. Mosher and Rev. Mr. Marsters of the United Brethren Church, are holding a series of meetings for divine worship at different points along the river. They are earnest and faithful workers at their calling.

When we wish to see some one look sick, we just ask a good faithful Republican what he thinks of Blaine's libel suit against the Indianapolis Sentinel. We know it is a little cruel to do this, but it brings about a change of subject so nicely.

PERSISTENT IN MISLEADING.

The Register and Receiver of the Roseburg Land Office say land claimants, when making final proof must appear with their witnesses before the officer named, and at the time and place mentioned in their published notice, and make their proof, and that the impression that such proof or testimony can be taken in any other manner is erroneous.—Ellensburg Gazette.

Now, the Register and Receiver of the Roseburg Land Office say no such thing, and just what has actuated Mr. Sutton to habitually misrepresent the law and the facts with reference to public land matters, can only be a matter of conjecture, but certain it is, however, that he has published many false and misleading statements with respect to the law and practice governing the making of final proofs during the year and a half last passed. And these persistent misrepresentations have had the effect to embarrass and annoy settlers who have not the data at hand to set themselves straight. If it is the purpose of these multiplied falsehoods to force as many settlers as possible to drag their witnesses all the way to Ellensburg—many of them for distances of thirty, forty, and even upward of fifty miles to pay toll to that town it will seem very ignoble one truly.

Under act of June 9th, 1880, the evidence of the witness may be taken before any officer authorized to administer oaths; even before a Justice of the Peace by that officer securing a certificate of his official status, under the seal of the County Court, to accompany such proof.

If Mr. Sutton is really ignorant of the existence of said law, he will do his readers and the public a distinguished favor to enlighten himself before he volunteers any more information for settlers. It has been the practice in pre-emption cases ever since the enactment of the statute above referred to, for the witnesses on behalf of settlers to go before a Notary Public and subscribe to their testimony; and some homestead proofs have been made in the same way by the claimant making affidavit before the Judge or Clerk disclosing the cause for his witnesses not appearing before that officer in person, but, under a ruling of the department, we believe the witnesses of a homestead claimant must now appear in person.

COMPARATIVE STEALINGS.

Clerk of the Senate McPherson and another coon, by name Coon, at Washington City, having sent forth some lying "facts and figures" relating to comparative losses to the General Government under different Administrations, and some the wilfully blind or recklessly untruthful Blaine papers of Oregon being disposed to make the most of the false and misleading showing, we have at some expense procured a compilation from the Government records of totals of thefts and "irregularities" (as the Republican bosses designate thefts) and present the exhibit this week on the fourth page of the Recorder. It will be seen that a very few years of Republican rule give us deficits which equal the whole seventy years of Democratic Administration.

VENISON.—Last week Jimmy Olsen took down his Winchester and started on a tour over the hills adjoining Denmark after deer. He had been gone but a short time when the crack of his rifle reverberated through the woods and sounded the death knell of a fine five-point buck elk. This office gratefully acknowledges the receipt of a "back strap."

RETURNED.—Mr. Miller and wife of Humboldt county Cal., passed through Denmark last week en route for the Coquille where he purchased a place while in this section last Summer.

THE LATEST NEWS.

Sargent is an aspirant for Senatorial honors in California.

Judge Thayer took his seat on the Supreme Bench on the 6th.

An area of 4,321,980 acres is under illegal fencing in Texas and New Mexico.

There 200,000 bushels of grain stored in the warehouses at Derry, Polk county.

The Supreme Court of the United States convened in Washington on the 14th with 1025 cases docketed.

The patients in the Oregon Insane Asylum are about equal in number to the convicts in the State Penitentiary.

Frank Pearson, miller, of Walla, was caught by a belt, thrown around a shaft, and every bone in his broken on the 12th.

The university at Kreff, Russia, has been closed by the authorities and 168 students, suspected of nihilism, arrested.

The taxable property of Multnomah county as assessed, aggregates \$19,273,305. An indebtedness of \$5,815,291 is returned.

The French and Chinese have had a battle at Kep in which the latter were defeated after a stubborn fight and with great loss.

Chinese children are excluded from the public schools of California, yet the Chinese taxpayers in San Francisco alone pay \$160,000 in school tax.

General John B. Murray, one of the originators of Decoration Day, died of apoplexy on the 12th, while receiving a banner for the Plumed Knight at Seneca Falls, N. Y.

Portland merchants are greatly dissatisfied with the policy of the Northern Pacific, charging that the company has steadily discriminated against Portland. They threaten to transfer their business to the Oregon Short Line.

OUR CLUB LIST.—On another page will be found a list of newspapers with which we have effected clubbing arrangements. The purpose of this "pooling of issues" is to enable new and old Recorder subscribers to secure a great variety of reading matter at a comparatively small outlay of funds. For instance, the yearly price of this paper is \$2.50, and with it, free, we give the subscriber a choice between the Chicago Weekly News and the Northwestern Farmer and Dairyman. For an advance on our regular rates of 25 cents, that is \$2.75, we give the subscriber a choice between the San Francisco Weekly Call (regular price \$1.50) and the Missouri Republican. Remember this offer is extended to new and old subscribers who pay in advance. Send for sample copies.

LOTS OF CIDER.—Mr. J. Neil, of Port Orford, brought down from the Coquille last week a load of cider for L. Knapp of Port Orford. Mr. Neil while reaching for the brake coming down the hill just north of here fell from the seat striking his head on the front of the wagon and was severely bruised.

A CHANGE WANTED.—A petition praying for the relocation of the line between this school district and the one across the creek is in circulation. By this change Messrs. Jos. Cox, D. E. Stitt and S. T. Malehorn will be put in the other district.

DIED.

At the home of his son, near Denmark, Saturday evening, October 18, 1884, Hon. Solomon Fitzhugh, aged 81 years.

MARRIED.

At the residence of Henry Clarno, near Ellensburg, October 11, 1884, by Deios Woodruff, J. P., Edward Miller and Miss Susie Forgy.