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Front Street, Marshfield, Oregon.

Solicits a continuance of the liberal patronage extended in the past. Large improvements are being made and the stock heavily increased. Pure Drugs, Chemicals, Patent Medicines, Perfumery, Trusses, Sponges, Combs, Brushes, Plain and Fancy Candles, Notions and Fancy Goods of all kinds. The best assortment of Picture Frames in the county, all sizes and at all prices, kept in stock or made to order at short notice. Full and complete line of Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Glass and Putty of the purest quality. Painters and Artists' materials of every description constantly on hand. Am arranging to import through New Orleans, direct from Cuba, the finest brands of Havana Cigars and Tobacco. Long acquaintance with leading tobaccoists in New Orleans will enable me to secure the finest goods at the lowest prices. The local trade will be supplied at liberal rates. All goods at wholesale as well as retail. Correspondence from neighboring country solicited. F. A. GOLDEN, Proprietor.

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Furnishing Goods, and a fine line of Dry Goods, Lawns, Prints, Gingham, Silks, Satins, Plushes, Velveteens, etc., etc.

Also a very fine line of Groceries, Crockery, Paints, Oils, etc., such as is generally kept in a first-class general merchandise store. Call and examine our goods.

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HOT AND COLD BATHS

J. W. COX, TONSORIAL ARTIST. Front Street, Marshfield, Ogn.

The Coast Mail.

MARSHFIELD, OREGON: Thursday, August 27, 1885

Dr. O. E. Smith will make a professional visit to the Coquille next Monday, and the people over that way who have dental work to do and want it done by a first-class dentist should make it a point to see Dr. Smith when he comes, for his work speaks for itself and always gives satisfaction.

A very fine assortment of Relief Pictures, worked in silk, at Blanco Drug Store.

Ladies' and gent's shoulder braces, of every variety, for sale cheap at Blanco Drug Store.

The public school at this place will begin a week from next Monday, with Prof. F. A. Golden as principal.

The Arcata left San Francisco for this place Monday afternoon and was due when we went to press last evening.

Capt. A. M. Simpson arrived by the Arago, to spend a few days on the bay. Capt. Bob is expected up next month.

The Curry county race-horse Maplewood is reported sick and unable to attend the fair to be held at Hall's prairie next week.

Next Monday is the day appointed for the meeting of the board of equalization at Empire, and don't you forget it if you want your assessment reduced.

Julius A. Egenhoff has returned from Astoria to the bay, and is now at the forks of Coos river, overhauling the steamer Lulu and putting her in order for service.

Prof. F. A. Golden and wife went to Coquille City last Tuesday, to take part in the teachers' institute in session there, after which they will visit Bandon for a few days.

Every steamer brings to N. P. Hansen of the Exchange saloon fresh supplies of Chicago beer and porter and Boca beer, to fill the increasing demand he has for these favorite beverages, at wholesale and retail.

The forest fires about Port Orford have been hot of late and the destruction of the town was seriously threatened at one time a few days ago. It was with great difficulty that Joe Nay's mill was saved, it having taken fire two or three times.

Parties having real estate to sell, or those wishing to buy, will find it to their interest to interview Crawford & Lockhart, lawyers, who have offices over Sengstacken's drug store. Peruse, in another column, the list of property they now offer for sale.

Dean & Co's mill at this place ceased running last Saturday night. Their mill No. 2, at Aaronville, is now in full and successful operation. The crew from the old mill here, with the exception of C. W. Fletcher, slier, went to the new mill, where D. A. Daily is slier.

The salmon caught in the Coquille at present are fine fish—the regular chook—many of which weigh 50 and 60 pounds each. The same may be said of the run here, but it is light. One night last week Harry Graves' boat took 47, and night before last he took 40 big fish.

Clemmensen & Evanoff of the Bayview brewery are now manufacturing a better article of beer than was ever before made in this place, and this they intend doing henceforth while they remain in the business. Don't take our word for the superiority of their beer, but try it and be fully convinced.

Yesterday Tom Hirst, backed by a bevy of ladies, made another raid on the clam-flats and mussel-banks down the bay and about the light-house. Tom's British blood is hot and he intends to have his share of those shell-fish, or die trying. This time he took a wagon to haul them home, when he may have some to give away.

An "old salt" who was down the bay the other day looking at the jetty says it presents a sorry aspect since some of the cribs went to sea and others are preparing to go—such an aspect as the frame of a turkey presents after a half-dozen hungry men have been at it. It is to be hoped that the next appropriation will be sufficient to relay the car track, if nothing more.

The black sand business is booming at the mines near Randolph. It is reported that a Boston company, with abundant capital, has purchased and is preparing to open and work the Eagle mine. The gold is there, the only difficulty being in saving it, which obstacle to wealth in that way it is confidently believed has been surmounted by some of the new processes for working black sand, which is now in high demand.

Nels Monson's residence on Johnson creek, near Ten-mile lake, was destroyed by fire on the 14th inst. Monson works at Newport and was not at home at the time. His wife was washing clothes. They have two children—one a babe at the breast and the other a boy between two and three years old. The mother had put the babe to sleep and left it lying on the bed, and the little boy in the house, while she went to an adjacent stream of water to rinse, wring and hang out her clothes. Soon she heard the cries of the boy at the house, when she looked and saw smoke and other indications of fire, whereupon she rushed to the house just in time to save the children, and nothing more, for by the time she got them out and to a place of safety the interior of the house was in flames and the destruction of it and its contents certain. The little boy had obtained a match, ignited it, and set fire to a newspaper, which he threw upon a bed, but fortunately not the one the child was on, and thus the fire originated, as near as can be ascertained by what the boy says.

SOMETHING NEW!

LOTS OF FUN!

The Marshfield Brass Band will give an auction dance at Crawford & Ross' hall next Saturday evening, the 29th inst., and no pains will be spared to render it a pleasant and laughable affair. The ladies will be sold to the highest bidder for a partner during the evening. Fictitious names will be used, so that the gentlemen will not know who they are buying. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the band. Floor managers—H. Huden, H. W. Dunham and T. F. Hall. Anticipation—Capt. H. W. Dunham. Admission—Gentlemen, \$1; ladies free.

The band would be pleased to have as many ladies as can conveniently do so assemble at the hall this (Thursday) evening, at 7 o'clock, to make arrangements for successfully carrying out the programme.

A schooner is at Port Blacklock, Curry county, loading lumber from the Burnham mill.

Miss Sadie Hall's school at Kentuck slough closed on the 14th inst., and Miss Sadie is again at home here.

John Ellerby and family have moved to their ranch at Kentuck slough and Wm. Hall and family have moved into the Ellerby house here.

N. P. Jewett and wife of Gardiner were in Roseburg last week. The Plaindealer says they intended to start last Monday on a year's visit to Maine.

E. H. Miller, late of San Francisco, has succeeded W. F. Shoupe as butcher for Schetter & Co. at their slaughter-house below this place. Miller's family will arrive by the Arcata.

Rev. Father Heinrich of Roseburg arrived on the bay Tuesday evening, from a trip down the coast as far as Pat Hughes' place. He expects to depart for Gardiner to-morrow morning.

Sportmen and those who feel an interest in the proper protection of game are invited to attend a meeting at the Union club room at 7:30 this evening, the object being to organize a sporting club.

The Ladies' Home Missionary society of this place will hold a special meeting at the reading room at 2 o'clock this (Thursday) afternoon, August 27. All members are strictly required to be present.

Mrs. D. J. McLaughlin and her sister, Miss Maggie McKnight, started for Black Diamond, W. T., yesterday morning, by Jarvis, Cornwall & Co's line from Empire. McLaughlin will meet them at Portland.

Valentine Gant of Rowland prairie brought over and sold to Crawford & Ross a few days ago some of the finest mutton sheep that this market has ever had. They were too fat and ranged in weight from 95 to 105 pounds each.

Prof. E. B. McElroy arrived on the bay Tuesday forenoon and went to Coquille City that afternoon, to open the teachers' institute there yesterday. He came alone and expects to start back to-morrow, by way of Empire and Drain.

The auction dance to be given by the Marshfield brass band next Saturday night should be liberally patronized, for it cannot be otherwise than agreeable; and, in addition to this, the band boys need and are justly entitled to financial aid in meeting their necessary expenses, as they have been very clever in volunteering their services on many occasions when there was no pay at all. In fact, the band has never been paid anything worth mentioning since its organization, and every man who is able to do so should contribute a dollar for the benefit of the boys next Saturday evening.

When Siglin returned from the last legislature he talked on the streets and industriously gave it out that he, as senator of Coos and Curry, held all the federal offices in his pocket, from the light-house down to postoffices—including custom-houses and all such. Sig. gave the aspirants to understand that all they needed to march into any position was the official indorsement of the "senator from Coos and Curry, who came within three votes of being elected United States senator." Some of the faithful unwashed immediately sold all that they had and prepared to go, one to his custom-house and another to his postoffice, and a few to consularships in foreign countries. Sig. promised (for he is an expert in that art), and the devoted applicants sat down to wait for commissions they felt certain would come. Well, they don't come. It now turns out that the "leading democrat" of Oregon don't stand well with the president; that the leadership of the democratic party is "imbecile"; that the great need of the party is good leaders—and it is possible that the applications adorned with the signature of that great man, the "senator from Coos and Curry, who came within three votes of being elected United States senator," will go into the presidential wastebasket. In fact, it now becomes apparent that Sig. don't own any offices; that he hasn't any to spare; but needs them all himself—and it now appears that the democratic party wants new leaders; the old ones are played out with this administration, and the custom-houses, and light-houses, and post-offices are pining for democratic incumbents, and the would-be incumbents are pining for the respective salaries thereof; but they can't get in. It is not our fight, however. If you want to know what a powerful man with the administration Sig. is, go and hear him talk; in his sad bereavement the "senator from Coos and Curry, who came within three votes of being elected United States senator," has our sympathy.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Another Good School Closes.

To the Editor of the COAST MAIL:

The term of public school at Lewa slough taught by Miss Alice Buch closed on the 13th inst. I had the pleasure of listening to the closing exercises, which marked with credit the promptitude of a well-trained school. The entertainment consisted of declamations, dialogues, songs, etc., all well rendered and highly appreciated by a crowded house. After numerous recitations by the school, Frank S. Bunch was called upon for a declamation, when he came forward and recited "Betsy and I are Out" in such a facetious manner as to bring a prolonged applause that made the old school house tremble. Next came the star of the drama—a song—"Somebody's Waiting"—by Miss Birdie Nosler, a bright little girl, who came upon the stage with flowing ringlets and sang with such fairy sweetness that all were filled with the most pathetic enthusiasm. Following this came a dialogue by Masters Strang and Bunch, which was the best thing of the kind that I ever heard. Then Abe Nosler was called upon and declaimed "The Closing Year," which closed the exercises of one of the best-taught schools in the county. It is not my intention to extol any one with an unprepared applause unless they have earned it; but undoubtedly Miss Bunch deserves great credit for the efficient manner in which she has discharged her duty, and if there be any who would fain oppose me I will submit my assertion to the immemorial decision of the directors, who highly recommend Miss Bunch as one of the best teachers of her class in the county. Her first accomplishment is in teaching energy and self-reliance—two of the most potent arbiters of education—and to succeed with these unclassified branches she sets the example herself, many times walking alone from Coquille City, a distance of eight miles, through the mountains, to begin her school at nine. If many other teachers in Coos county would adopt the method of teaching self-reliance in school to a greater extent than they do I believe that it would soon be adopted as an indispensable auxiliary to the educational system. Something must be wrong when it requires half a lifetime for children to obtain a common-school education.

SPECTATOR.

A Great and Good Work.

We have been shown by the authorized agent for this county, who is now here canvassing, the prospectus of Gen. U. S. Grant's "Personal Memoirs," which are touchingly dedicated by him to the American soldiers and sailors. This work will be published in two volumes, written by Gen. Grant himself, in his terse, straightforward, original and forcible style; so free from verbiage or ostentation; so loyal to the truth; in short, so like the old hero himself, that it will be hailed as a boon, by young and old, and we predict for it a sale and popularity unparalleled by any work ever written by an American. Every man, and especially every young man, should add these superb volumes to his library, for this will be a standard work for all time.

Its Delicacy of Flavor

And the efficacy of its action have rendered the famous liquid fruit remedy Syrup of Figs immensely popular. It cleanses and tones up the clogged and feverish system, and dispels Headaches, Colds and Fevers. Sample bottles free, and large bottles for sale by Henry Sengstacken, at his drug stores in Marshfield and Empire City.

In acknowledging and publishing a contribution from Dr. J. Hodson of South Coos river, the Prairie Farmer further says on the subject of cotton-battling canning: "It is supposed by many that fermentation and decay are chiefly if not solely caused by vegetable or animal life. We know, for example, that yeast fermentation is caused by plant growth. Favorable conditions of warmth and moisture are secured, when a very little yeast is introduced, and it grows and spreads through the whole mass. Yeast is a plant, as much as is moss. It is thought that the fermentation and decay of fruit are caused by the entrance of bacteria from the air, which is, so to speak, full of animal life, too small to be seen except with the most powerful microscope. It is thought that these enter fruits and vegetables after their vitality is destroyed and rapidly multiply; that cooking fruits kills animals already in them, and that sealing them tightly excludes any others from entering from the air. Hence the idea that by covering the fruit closely with simple cotton batting, the animalcule or bacteria will not be able to penetrate through its closely interlaced fibers. Some experiments seem to prove this theory."

Velvet grass grows to a height of 8 feet 4 inches at Uncle Jim Oliver's ranch on South Coos river, some samples of which we have on file in our sanctum. Ranchers differ in opinion as to the merits of this grass, some denouncing it as worthless, but if Uncle Jim's cattle feed and fatten on it it must be good, for his herds look as well as any in the county.

Major M. Tower of Empire has received a letter from C. M. Leland, father of Chas. E. Leland, in honor of whom the G. A. R. post at Empire was named. The old gentleman is very grateful for the compliment to his son; seeks information in regard to the post and what it needs and expresses a desire to do something substantial for it.

Peter Overholter lately sold his place near Myrtle Point to Thos. Wilson, late of Humboldt county, Cal., and Overholter and his wife and daughter Emma left by the last Coos Bay, their destination being Los Angeles county, Cal.

About Relinquishments to Public Land.

In view of the fact that many persons send in defective relinquishments of their claims to government lands, often necessitating a return for correction, W. F. Benjamin, register of the Roseburg land office, furnishes the following form for relinquishments:

[Name of place], Coos county, Or., [Month, day and year.] I hereby relinquish to the United States all my right, title and claim in and to the land described in receipt No. —, issued at the Roseburg land office (month, day and year), being for (here describe the land by legal subdivisions, of section No. —, of township No. —, south, of range No. —, west, of the Willamette meridian. [Witnesses.] [Signature of claimant.] Acknowledged before me this — day of —, 188—. [Seal.] Notary Public.

This relinquishment should be indorsed on the back of the receipt which the claimant obtained from the Roseburg land office, when practicable, in which case a description of the land can be omitted and the words "being for lands herein described" substituted therefor.

Coquille Items.

[Condensed from the Herald.]

Clark Miller and a cousin have fallen heir to \$40,000, by the death of a grandfather. Good, if true.

Rosa's roads and logways at his mill near Bandon were destroyed by fire last week and the mill came near going the same way.

Wm. Lyons has purchased Dr. Angell's dwelling at Coquille City and the doctor intends taking his family to San Francisco.

Miss Mollie, Lehman, whose school at Sumner closed last week, is making arrangements to begin a private school at Coquille City.

A reported change is contemplated in the Coos bay wagon road. It is to run from Fairview to Coquille City, and from there to Uter City.

The town election at Coquille City last Friday resulted as follows: W. Sinclair, recorder; Jas. Cartwright, marshal, and C. W. Olive, A. G. Aiken, Allen Collier, R. E. Buck and C. Andrews, town trustees.

The bridge across the north fork of the Coquille river at Mast's place has been completed and is pronounced a good and substantial structure, and so is that built lately by J. B. Fox, a few miles further down, on the same stream.

SPECTATOR.

D. C. Krantz's house, barn and other buildings, at his place near Dora, were destroyed by fire on the 19th inst. A stubble field took fire from a burning stump, then the fences, and next the buildings. Mrs. Annie Krantz was at home at the time and saved a few things, but nearly everything went in the flames. At the sale at Hall's prairie last week of privileges for stands at the fair to begin next Tuesday that for beer, cigars and tobacco was awarded to McCrae & Topper at \$41; soda-water, candy and nuts to John Leneve at \$21; restaurant to John Snyder at \$5; swing to Leneve & Bunch at \$40; ice-cream to E. P. Buckley at \$5; photograph gallery and fruits to Jas. L. Bush at \$10.50; shooting gallery to Geo. McEwan at \$5; lemonade, cider and made to F. P. Norton at \$2.50.

The following entries have been made for the races at the fair next week: First day (Tuesday)—stallion match—Sammy Tilden, by Jas. Aiken; Billy, by John Berry; Gray Dan, of Douglas county, by James McKenney. Three-year-olds—Sammy, Jr., by Jas. Aiken; Comet, by J. L. Kronenberg; Doctor, by John Berry. Second day (half-mile and repeat)—Stella, by J. L. Kronenberg; Clamdrigger, by W. H. Noble; Grace, by H. Gramby. Third day (trotting)—Mary Aiken, of Douglas county, by H. O. Waters; Tom, by Geo. Flanagan; Kit, by J. D. Garfield. Two-year-olds—Champion, by John Berry; Captain, by A. L. Buell; Bobolink, by Dan Giles; Selim, by W. H. Noble.

Passengers by Steamer.

Arrivals by the Arago, August 21: A E Campbell, J F Wilzern, J D Klopstock, Ben Barker, Robt Glitt, I Lando and Mrs Sarah Dodge.

Departures by the Arago, August 23: Mrs David Morse, Jr.

Departures by the Coos Bay, August 23: Mrs M T Chester and children, Mrs Jas E Mortimer, Ed Bamsted, Peter Overholter and wife and Miss Emma Overholter.

Religious Services.

Rev. C. A. Wooley of Eugene City will hold Presbyterian services at Norway next Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Morris will hold Episcopal services at Port Orford next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., and on Sunday week, September 6, he will hold services at Ellensburg at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

To Whom It May Concern.

H. P. WHITNEY will be on the bay about August 3, 1885, to remain for a short time, to settle up his unsettled business. All persons owing Whitney money on notes now due or on book account, are requested to make immediate payment to

Jy23td E. O'CONNELL.

An expert sent from San Francisco to investigate the matter has reported favorably upon the completion of the new mill that Crawford & Wilbur are building at a site at Pat Hughes' place on Sixes river, near Port Orford, and it is now probable that the work will proceed without further unnecessary delay.

At Grant's station, Wasco county, last Thursday, Chas. Harper was about to perish in a well from the effects of bad air, when John Hall went to Harper's rescue and died in saving Harper, who came from the well alive, but dangerously ill.

The Next Fair at Hall's Prairie.

The second annual fair of the South-west Oregon Agricultural society will be held at the fair grounds at Hall's prairie, this county, beginning September 1 and ending September 4 next. Following is the programme:

First Day—Running match for stallions, single dash of one mile; prize, \$150 (three shares of the society's stock and \$75 in coin); entrance, \$15; two-thirds to the first horse and one-third to the second. Running match for three-year-olds, single dash of five-eighths of a mile; prize, \$75 (one share of stock and \$50); entrance, \$7.50; stock and \$25 to first horse and \$25 to second horse.

Second Day—Running match, half mile and repeat, best two in three, open for all horses; prize, \$100 (two shares of stock and \$50); entrance, \$20; one share of stock and \$45 to first horse and one share of stock and \$25 to second horse. Base ball match; champion bat to best nine in Coos, Curry or Douglas county. Annual address, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Third Day—Trotting match, a mile and repeat, best two in three, open for all horses; prize, \$150 (three shares of stock and \$75); entrance, \$15; two-thirds to first horse and one-third to second horse. Running match for two-year-olds, single dash of three-eighths of a mile; prize, \$45; entrance, \$4.50; two-thirds to first horse and one-third to second.

Fourth Day—Running match, a mile and repeat, best two in three, open for all horses; prize, \$150 (three shares of stock and \$75); entrance, \$15; two-thirds to first horse and one-third to second. Ladies' riding match, two suitable premiums. Grand review, at 10 a. m.

To conclude with a grand ball at night.

The races are open to all horses owned in Coos, Curry and Douglas counties prior to July 1, 1885. In all races there must be not less than three horses entered and two to start. All entries must be made with the secretary at Hall's prairie and entries paid on or before the 30th of August, 1885. The track will be free to all other races during the fair, when not in use by the society. Races run under rules of the Pacific Blood Horse association.

PREMIUMS FOR EXHIBITS.

A silver or plated goblet or other article will be given for the first premium and a diploma for the second for the following exhibits: Best draft stallion; best stallion for all work; best mare; best suckling foal; best thoroughbred bull; best graded bull; best milch cow; best two-year-old heifer; best yearling heifer; best calf; best pen of sheep; best sow and piglets; best trio of chickens; best display of vegetables; best display of fruits; best display of grain; best display of flower plants; best display of hardware and agricultural implements; best display of groceries and provisions; best display of minerals and ores; best display in taxidermy—stuffed animals, etc.; best display of butter; best display of cheese; best display of honey; best specimens of penmanship for children under 15 years; five first and five second premiums for ladies' needle and other handwork; same for girls under 15 years of age.

Any exhibit not mentioned will receive attention and suitable premiums. All exhibits for the pavilion, except perishable articles, must be on the fair grounds on or before August 29, 1885. All stock and perishable articles must be on exhibition before noon of the first day of the fair. Exhibits for the pavilion, when not accompanied by the exhibitor, should be addressed to the reception committee, with a list of articles sent.

Reception Committee for Pavilion—J. Henry Schroeder, Thos. Drane and O. Nelson.

Reception Committee for Stock, etc.—W. H. Harris, Geo. Norris and W. H. S. Hyde.

Tickets—Season, \$1.50; day, 50c.; children, 10c. to 15 years, half-price; under 10, free.

JAMES AIKEN, President.

J. H. SCHROEDER, Secretary, pro tem.

Letters patent have been issued to John W. Dudley, engineer at the Portland water works, for a new and useful improvement in piston-rod packing. He claims a packing for piston-rods, valve stems, etc., comprising split metal rings having inclined meeting faces, causing their lateral expansion under pressure, and placed around the piston-rod or valve stem, and a fibrous or equivalent elastic packing placed outside the packing rings. The metal rings are of brass or suitable metal, which, while maintaining a tight joint, at the same time allow the necessary lateral play, thus preventing undue wear. The packing has been in use at the water company's works for the past year and has proved a great success. Where the packing used to be worn out every ten weeks, this style has lasted a year. This packing is also in use on board the steamer Lurline. The invention is regarded very favorably by engineers, and it is thought Dudley has a bonanza in it.

The North Coos river picnic of the United Friends came off last Sunday, as advertised. The Marshfield brass band was in attendance and discoursed sweet music during the trip. Mr. Matt Stora placed the hospitalities of his farm at the disposal of the party, and all participants speak of the occasion as having been very pleasant.

Jos. Spencer, 78 years old, of Smith river, Douglas county, has been taken to the state insane asylum.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived.

Aug 30—Str Arago, Holt, 48 hours from San Francisco, with passengers and freight, to Fred Schetter, agent.

Aug 24—Tug Fearless, Hill, from the Umpqua, to North Bend.

Schr Coquille, Hansen, from San Francisco, to North Bend.

Aug 25—Schr Gotama, Nelson, from San Francisco, to North Bend.

Sailed.

Aug 22—Tug Fearless, Hill, for the Umpqua.

Aug 23—Str Coos Bay, Lawless, San Francisco.

Str Arago, Holt, San Francisco.

Schr Emma Uter, Allen, San Francisco.