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## "BEAUTIFUL WILLAMETTE"

By Sam L. Simpson, Oregon's Sweet Singer.

From the Cascade's frozen gorges,  
Leaping like a child at play,  
Winding, widening through the valley,  
Bright Willamette glides away.

Onward ever,  
Lovely river,  
Softly calling to the sea;  
Time that scars us,  
Mains and mars us,

Leaves no track or trench on thee.  
Spring's green witchery is weaving  
Braid and border for thy side;  
Grace forever haunts thy journey,  
Beauty dimples on thy tide.

Through the purple gates of morning  
Now thy roseate ripples dance;  
Golden then when day departing,  
On the waters trails his lance.

Waltzing, flashing,  
Tingling, plashing,  
Limpid, volatile and free—  
Always hurried  
To be buried

In the bitter moon-mad sea.  
In thy crystal depths, inverted,  
Swings a picture of the sky,  
Like those wavering hopes of Aiden,  
Dimly in our dreams that lie;

Clouded often, drowned in turmoil,  
Faint and lovely, far away—  
Wreathing sunshine on the morrow,  
Breathing fragrance round today.

Love would wander  
Here and ponder;  
Hither poetry would dream;  
Life's old questions—  
Sad suggestions—

"Whence and whither" throng thy  
stream.

On the roaring waste of ocean  
Soon thy scattered waves shall toss;  
Midst the surge's rhythmic thunder  
Shall thy silver tongues be lost.

Oh! thy glimmering rush of gladness  
Mocks this turbid life of mine,  
Racing to the wild Forever  
Down the sloping path of time.

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they came to Junction City, where he, with Mr. R. W. Pitney, opened the Cascade Drug Store, which promises to be a very successful venture, as both young men are hustlers, and just the sort of business men to put life into the town. Mr. Gillett is very enthusiastic over the bright prospects of Junction City and the surrounding country, and thinks this is the most delightful climate he has ever experienced.

## THE "STROME BOYS."

There is no better example in Lane county of the reward that comes from honesty, industry and economy than that exemplified in the history of the "Strome boys," as they are known among their neighbors and friends. David and Joseph Strome, views of whose residences appear in this paper, together with two other brothers and a sister, came to Lane county in May, 1873, from Warsaw, Coshocton county, Ohio. At that time they were poor boys of about 14 and 16 years of age, but having no contempt for "the day of small things," no unprofitable pride, and realizing that it is the concentration of energy, the unity of purpose and the growing up with the country and circumstances that eventually make small things great, they have by persevering and untiring effort accumulated beautiful homes, lands and personal property sufficient to make them and those dependent upon them comfortable for the balance of their

days. The same and even a better opportunity awaits the homeseeker of today than stared "the Strome boys" in the face when they landed, penniless, in the Willamette Valley in the panicky days of '73.

## R. S. HYLAND.

One of the best known pioneers in Lane county is B. S. Hyland, a view of whose residence appears in these pages. Every man, woman and child



INTERIOR C. F. HURLBURT'S GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORE.

for miles around knows "Burnham," as he is familiarly called, and they all like him. By a life of uprightness and industry, he has accumulated enough of this world's goods to live on Easy street for the balance of his days. He owns 800 acres of fine farming land three miles west of Junction City.

Mr. Hyland was born in New Hampton, Belknap county, New Hampshire, and arrived in Oregon in 1852. In July, 1853, he took up his residence in Lane county, being among the best of the practical farmers of Lane county.

## JOHN S. FERGUSON,

One of the leading farmers and stock dealers of this portion of the Wil-

lamette Valley, was born six miles west of Junction City November 3, 1849. It can be stated without fear of successful contradiction that he was the first white child born in Lane county of which there is any authentic knowledge. He is a large shipper of cattle, hogs, sheep and horses, and at the present writing is in Eastern Oregon attending to the purchase of equine flesh.

John S. Ferguson is the son of John B. Ferguson, than whom no greater pioneer in the true sense of the word ever stepped on Oregon soil, and he is said to have driven an ox team farther than any man in the world. This veritable pioneer of Lane county was born in Richland

county, Ohio, June 29, 1825, but when a year old he was taken to Adams county, Illinois, by his parent, with whom he once more removed in 1842 to Andrew county, Missouri, where he engaged in farming until 1847. He then crossed the plains to Oregon, arriving in November and joining his brother in what is now Washington county. There he passed the winter. In September, 1848, he came to Lane county and

## J. H. MILLER,

Junction City's esteemed Mayor, came to this city 10 years ago last fall from near Neosho Falls, Kan. He immediately embarked in the livery business, and has been constantly engaged in this line from that time until the present writing. In the winter of 1890 he was appointed a member of the Board of Councilmen, which office he was re-elected to each succeeding year until 1896, when he held the position of Street Commissioner and supervised the work of graveling the streets of the city. In November, 1899, Mr. Miller was chosen as the Chief Executive. His term will expire next fall. He is also Constable for the South Junction Precinct. In business matters, Mr. Miller enjoys the confidence of his fellow men, and he is exceedingly popular among his home people.

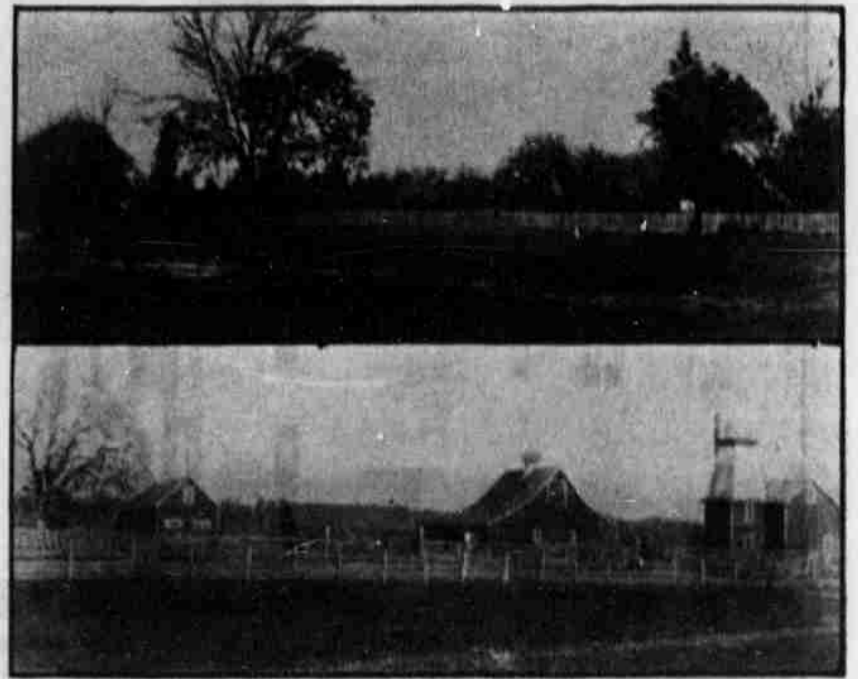
## G. F. SKIPWORTH

Was born in the State of Louisiana in 1873. The following year his parents emigrated to Oregon, settling at Independence, and finally located at Lebanon, Linn county. So that, according to the above statement, Mr. Skipworth might practically be called a native son. After completing his school days, he read law under his brother, Attorney E. R. Skipworth, of Eugene, for a term of three years,

and in 1895 he was admitted to the bar.

Mr. Skipworth was married in February, 1898, to Miss Grace Umphrey, of Lebanon, whose parents were pioneer parents at the same month they took up their residence in Junction City

of good health is a good set of teeth. The moment that the teeth fail to do their share towards preparing food properly for digestion, that moment they should be renewed. There is no one in the Willamette Valley ana better qualified to do this work than



G. C. MILLETT'S RESIDENCE AND OUTBUILDINGS.

and he began the practice of his profession.

Mr. Skipworth has a remunerative practice, and enjoys the confidence of the community. In all matters of a social, religious and educational nature he takes a prominent part. He is Master Workman of Junction City Lodge, A. O. U. W., is an Odd Fellow and belongs to the Degree of Honor. At the November election of last year he was elected to the office of Councilman, and in March last was elected a member of the School Board.

## J. M. COOK

Is a native son of Oregon, and was born within a mile of Junction City. A great portion of his life was

Dr. C. R. Holt, who can be found Friday and Saturday of each week in his office in the Junction City Hotel. Dr. Holt is a graduate of the Ohio College of Dental Surgery, of Cincinnati, Ohio, in the Class of '85. He is a Woodman of the World and belongs to the A. O. U. W.

## W. M. TRIPP.

Everybody has heard of the village blacksmith, who "looked the whole world in the face, for he owed not any man." Well, we've got him right here in Junction City, and his name is W. M. Tripp. Like the gentleman of the same calling, whom Longfellow immortalized in song,

Week in, week out, from morn till night,

You can hear his bellows blow;

You can hear him swing his heavy sledge,

With measured beat and slow.

W. M. Tripp is Noble Grand of Oasis Lodge, No. 41, I. O. O. F., and well he deserves the honor.

## PROF. HARRY HUNTER

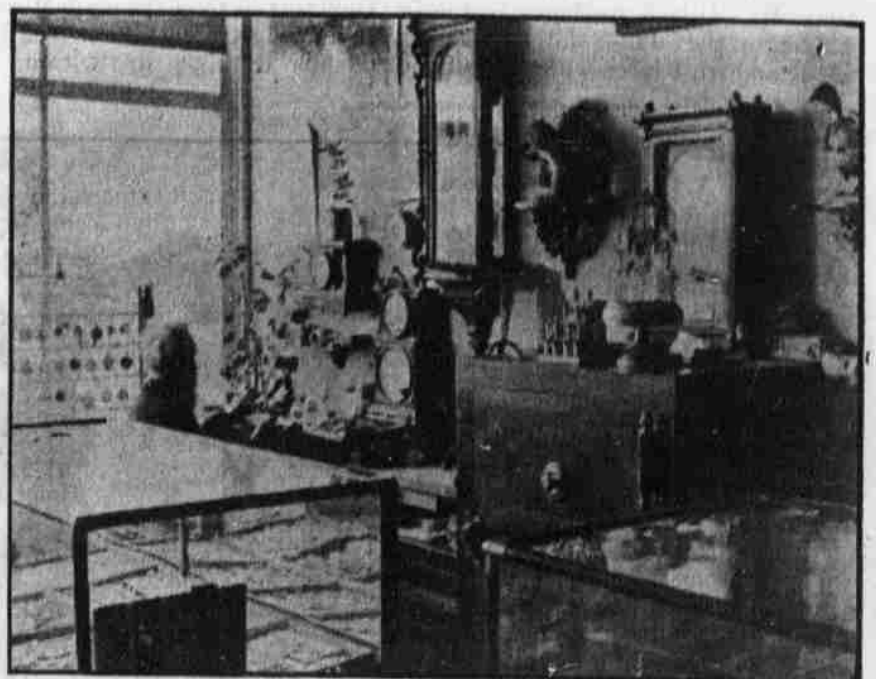
Is a native son of the Golden West. He attended college at Mt. Angel in 1890-91, and graduated from the State Normal School at Monmouth in the Class of '97, having a life diploma. His first school was at Fox Valley, Linn county, in 1893-94. The past school year, which has just closed, he taught the River View school, about three and one-half miles southeast of Junction City, with credit to himself and profit to his pupils. During the term he originated a plan to raise money to purchase a library for the school, which was highly successful. In nothing does Mr. Hunter take more pleasure and interest than in lodge matters. He belongs to the Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Rathbone Sisters, Rebekahs and Maccabees. Prof. Hunter bids fair to become one of the leading educators of the State.

## THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS' BANK.

Early in 1893 a few of the most enterprising citizens of Junction City, realizing that they were at a decided disadvantage when financial transactions had to be taken into consideration, determined to organize a banking house. The doors of this institution were opened for business on the 1st day of May, 1893, with the following officers and Board of Directors, all of whom are filling the same positions at the present writing: J. A. Bushnell, president; George W. Pickett, vice president; W. C. Washburne, cashier; Board of Directors — J. A. Bushnell, C. W. Washburne, George W. Pickett, J. P. Millhorn and T. A. Millhorn. Since its establishment, the bank has carried out the object for which it was

## DR. C. R. HOLT.

To enjoy life one must have good health, and one of the prime requisites



INTERIOR OF F. W. A. CRAIN'S JEWELRY STORE.



INTERIOR VIEW OF CASCADE DRUG STORE.