

In 1893 the telephone will be public property, and the only restriction upon its use after that date will be simply in the apparatus employed.

A merchant cannot succeed on borrowed money at 20 per cent, and a farmer cannot succeed by paying time prices for goods. The cash system is the only salvation for the farmer.

The young ladies of a Kansas town got together and decided to send their beaux home promptly at ten o'clock. The boys are on a strike and the girls are said to be weakening.

When the farmers take care of their machinery, raise hogs that weigh 300 pounds and fat beef and fine colts they will bid defiance to hard times and live easy and independent.

The big raft that is to float from Puget Sound down to San Francisco will be made of longer logs than was ever put into a raft on Atlantic waters. It will have but 5000 logs, as against the 25,000 in the big Joggins raft of last year, but none will be less than 100 feet long, and the great size of the sticks, it is thought, will bring the amount of the lumber up to the amount of the eastern raft.—Ex.

The details of the prairie fires in Dakota show it to have been the most calamitous and wide spread ever known in the west. The fire licked up everything combustible, and grass, stubble, and wood broke into flame seemingly without coming in contact with the fire. The destruction caused by a cyclone is limited to a narrow track, but the flames, fanned by hurricane, swept whole counties with destructive fury.

According to the Alabama Enquirer a country editor is one who reads newspapers, writes on any subject, sticks type, folds papers and makes up mail, runs errands, saws wood, works in the garden, is blamed for a thousand other things he never thought of, works hard all day, is subject to spring fever, helps people into office who forget all about it afterward, and frequently gets cheated out of his earnings. He puffs up and does more to build up a town than any one else; the miser and fogey are benefited, yet they will not take his paper, but they will borrow it and read it, and cuss the fool of an editor.

Our new found friend, Mr. Mackey, whom we met at Rock Creek, has a claim on the Brighton bush, some fifteen miles above the terminus of the O. P. R. R. He was but too glad of the opportunity to subscribe for THE EXPRESS, and told us that on the previous Sunday he and his pad had walked 17 miles to hear Rev. Sam Miller preach, that he "talked a mighty heap about Jesus Christ who died for sinners." When he got home he told his wife what he had heard, and the good woman said: "Laws sakes, Mike, half the world may be dead and we never heard a tell o' it, for you never take a paper. So my friend Mackey says "its meself that will take your paper."

In the land grants made to the new states it is provided that all school lands shall sell for \$10 per acre. In Oregon school lands have not brought over \$2 and often less. If the lands this state owned had been kept and sold for what they are actually worth, the irreducible school fund would figure up millions where now we have thousands. School lands could have averaged \$10 an acre easily, and there was no need to sell before they would bring that much. Why is it that public interests are trifled with while each individual interest is made the most of? School lands have been bought and sold on speculation, and those who have bought have generally realized \$10 if they cared to sell.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The firm of Coshow & Cable, having by mutual consent dissolved partnership on March 1, 1889, all persons knowing themselves indebted by note or account to said firm are requested to call at the old stand and settle. The business in the future will be carried on under the firm name of Cable & Steward, C. E. Steward having purchased the share formerly owned by O. P. Coshow, Sr.

ROCK CREEK.

DRY GULCH MINING CAMP, April 9, 1889.

EDITOR LEBANON EXPRESS:—

Sitting in a tent at nine o'clock at night on a one leg stool writing for a paper is something new for me, but as I have changed my "system" somewhat and become a prospector in this to be a live mining camp, I will tell you what little news there is to be found here. There are several men working on the Canal Fork mine about five miles from here, and over at Silver City there is a new mining camp, where they are preparing to commence work on the Galena mine, which I understand is very rich. At Quartzville there is only one man to be found, and with our party of four makes up the population of Quartzville mining district No. 3. We reached this place on April 4, and pitched our tent at the mouth of Dry Gulch on H. Kenton's quartz claim, as tired a set of men as ever set foot in this locality. This is my first experience as a prospector and in camping out, and to come down to bacon and beans three times a day has taken all the romance out of this would be millionaire miner. We visited the famous White Bull mine and several more in the same locality, among them Reed, Rhodes & Cos.' mine, and found them to be what they have been represented. But climbing up and down mountains and falling over logs was too great a task for our party in one day, and when we arrived in camp from our day's journey and nothing to eat, found our party in anything but good humor. We have located four mines; the first we called "G B," a gold bearing quartz on Cedar creek. The second we called the Bull of Cedar Creek, as it is a fineable offense for any one to come in here and take up more than one claim without bringing the bovine square to the front. There is the White Bull, Red Bull, and every other kind and color of bulls imaginable among the different quartz claims in this district. H. Kenton has located a fine gold ledge here and is in a quandry whether to call it the Lebanon Express or after a charming widow in Albany. But they say the widows never get left, and you can make sure that in this particular quartz ledge the widow will win. We are all crippled up and invalids. Too many steep mountains and deep gulches is the cause of our many ills, but in due time I think, bacon and beans will declare themselves the victors. For a change last night for supper we changed our system and tried dried apples (stewed) for supper. That was my prescription and I was placed on the retired list. As an epicurean philosopher they say I am a failure. We have not met with any animals that infest the mountains, but we have heard strange noises at night which have caused H. Kenton to imagine they were poking their noses up against the side of the tent where he sleeps. We have great faith in Bob, our watchdog, to drive away all intruders and see that none of us are carried off. The oil is getting low and your humble servant, after a hard day's walk, is too sleepy to inflict upon the compositor any more of this my first.

Too Many Sweetmeats.

Rich food, and lack of exercise, during the winter months, causes the system to become torpid and the blood impure. A dose or two of St. Patrick's Pills will cleanse and invigorate the system, purify the blood and do more good than a dollar bottle of blood purifier. Sold by M. A. Miller.

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[Corrected weekly by C. E. Montague.]
 Flour—Per 50-lb sack, \$1.15; per barrel, \$4.50.
 Bacon—Sides, 15c per lb.
 Butter—Fresh, per 2-lb roll, 40c.
 Eggs—Per dozen, 12c.
 Chickens—Per dozen, \$4.50 to \$5.00.
 Ducks—Per dozen, common, \$4.50 to \$5; Pekin, \$6.
 Geese—Per dozen, \$7.
 Turkeys—Per lb, live weight, 12c.
 Hides—Per lb, dry, 6c; green, 2c to 3c.
 Sheep pelts—According to wool, 15 to 20c.
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Notice of Dissolution.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE co-partnership heretofore existing between Joseph Buhl and Charles Wolz is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Joseph Buhl will continue the business, and will pay all debts legally contracted against the firm of Buhl & Wolz, and collect all outstanding accounts.

JOSEPH BUHL,
 CHARLES WOLZ,
 Lebanon, Or., Feb. 27, 1889.

Thanking the generous public for their liberal patronage to the old firm, I respectfully solicit a continuance of the same, and promise by prompt and fair dealing to satisfy all parties.

JOSEPH BUHL.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

DR. W. C. NEGUS,

Graduate of the Royal College of London, England, also of the Bellevue Medical College.

THE DOCTOR HAS SPENT A LIFETIME OF study and practice, and makes a specialty of chronic disease, removes cancer, scrofulous enlargements, tumors and warts, without pain or the knife. He also makes a specialty of treatment with electricity. Has practiced in the German, French and English hospitals. Calls promptly attended day or night. His motto is "GOOD WILL TO ALL."
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