

BROWNSVILLE.

Charles Younger on Monday departed for Albany.
F. F. Croft returned from Albany on Thursday last.
Cherries are ripe and on the market selling at 50c per gallon.
Many of our citizens attended the picnic at Halsey on June 1st.

J. M. Meyer, J. P. Gallenath and J. M. Waters on Monday visited Albany.

Rev. Charles Sperry on Sunday last filled his regular appointment at Halsey.

H. W. Goddard, of Portland, has been appointed agent of the Oregonian railway.

Gideon Ford, of Joseph, Walla-wa valley, Oregon, is visiting Brownsville friends.

The first train of the week carrying mail, arrived in Brownsville on Friday, the 31st ult.

For homes, town or suburban, consult the bulletin board of C. C. Shaw & Sons, real estate agents.

The large quantity of wool daily coming into town is purchased by the Eagle Woolen Mill Co.

Dr. L. W. Starr, of Albany, was in town during the past week, attending to professional business.

Dr. Via and family, who arrived in town on Tuesday will, in the future, make their home in Brownsville.

The parish farm, situated north of town, was sold to Marion Powell on Saturday last in consideration of \$1500.

L. D. Boyer has received and is satisfactorily filling the position of secretary of the Eagle Woolen Mills company.

Back for the foundation of the new \$5000 school house is being hauled; also timbers for the frame of the building.

This year's "wood chip" has been in progress during the week. Buyers are offering 15c but producers are holding for 25c.

Rev. J. B. Kikpatrick on Sunday last held regular Sabbath services at the C. P. Church, to a large and appreciative attendance.

George Cross, proprietor of the Waterloo Springs Hotel, was in town during the week. He reports the soda water cool and refreshing.

G. C. Blakely and wife departed for their home at The Dalles, on Monday morning. On Tuesday William Blakely left for Pendleton.

J. B. Hoener, principal of the Roseburg academy, accompanied by his wife, paid old time friends a visit during the past week.

During the past week Coshow & Son, real estate dealers, in consideration of \$7500 sold to L. D. Boyer the town residence of C. Younger.

R. Michaels, who for the past term has filled the position of assistant teacher at the State Normal college at Weston, is paying home friends a visit.

Hon. W. Carey Johnson has accepted the invitation to deliver an oration at Brownsville on the occasion of the Pioneer's gathering and the 50th of July celebration.

The "warrens" have commenced work at the wool house of the Eagle Woolen Mills company, and as soon as sufficient wool has been graded, general operations will be resumed.

On account of some misunderstanding, the press for the paper about to be printed in Brownsville did not arrive as per agreement, but is on the way and will shortly put in an appearance.

Owing to the discontinuation of the trains on the O. R., the attendance at the school picnic at Chburg was limited. Many who contemplated being present were unable "to connect."

The stock sale which took place at the farm of Thomas Kay, one mile north of Brownsville, was largely attended. The bidding was spirited, and in most instances cattle brought fair prices.

A. J. Garland, late of Wilbur, Or., has been secured as principal for the new Brownsville academy. Mrs. Garland will fill the position of assistant teacher.

Married, at Albany, June 6, 1899, E. Betts and Nina Archibald, both of Brownsville. At the conclusion of the ceremony the wedded couple left for Olympia, W. T., at which place they will reside.

"O for a mail," so say the matrimonial belated maids of this community, who for years past have enjoyed single blessedness, and also the general Brownsville public, since the decidedly "rocky" and disconnected time made on the O. R.

Many two and four horse teams passed through town on Saturday last, drawing wagons loaded with happy "Grangers" on their way to attend the dedication of the new Grange hall at Sand Ridge. Judging from the number who went from this locality, the attendance must have been large.

Regular Sabbath services were held at the Baptist church on Sunday last, Rev. A. Le Roy officiating. During the past week the edifice has received an addition of a beautiful colored transept, with appropriate inscription, also fresh paint, the double doors having been handsomely grained and polished.

A. J. Adams, Capt. Von Hagan, W. A. Acock and Donald Melroe on Monday returned from the McKenzie river mines. They report a lively camp, good prospects and increased activity in mining interests. The tunnel on the Pioneer claim at a distance of 10 feet has entered a ledge of pay rock, exceeding in richness any previous prospect, a number of claims have been bonded by San Francisco experts, and will be thoroughly developed this summer.

The health of the general Brownsville public was never better than at the present time. There is little or no sickness in this section, a situation of affairs that to the reading and thinking people must be a matter of great rejoicing, when compared with the lamentable condition of that afflicted community, who in the state of Pennsylvania, mourn the sudden demise of fifteen thousand loved ones, who in an incredible short space of time were swept from home and friends to find a watery grave. With a genial climate, good crops, and freedom from disastrous storms, this, the Willamette valley, is truly the Italy of America, and happy should be the man whose lot is cast in this section.

T. S. P.

A Delaware county, Pa., mechanic returned to his home the other day after an absence of a year. His wife had received no word from him and didn't know but what he was dead. The first words he said to her were: "Is dinner ready?"

MONMOUTH.

There has been a great many of the old students arrived to be in attendance to the commencement exercise.

The first of the exercise was the art exhibition Saturday evening, which was a success and shows the great amount of work being done in this line. The programme consisted of musical and literary work, after which the audience passed around the room to view the many paintings with which the walls of the chapel were covered.

The baccalaureate sermon was well attended Sunday morning and the senior class received an address that was very interesting and instructive.

Chapel exercises Monday morning was attended by a large number of distinguished ladies and gentlemen, most of whom were former graduates, among them was Dr. Powell, formerly of Lebanon, now from Spokane.

The Students Reunion, Monday evening, was one of the most pleasant occasions of the week as there were a large number of old students and alumni present, and after the regular programme, a general hand-shaking and social time was enjoyed till a late hour.

The graduating exercises were the next in the line of the work of the week and this closes the school work of the year.

The contract for the making of the brick and the erection of the new building has been let and by next fall all will be in readiness for one of the Normal's most successful years.

The following is the programme of the O. S. N. S. society to be given Tuesday evening:

Opening address—L. D. Matthews.

Pantomime—Strategy.

Recitation—Emma Whitney.

Instrumental duette—Misses Robinson and Cotton.

Tableau—Waiting for dawn.

Recitation—Ivy Robinson.

Vocal duette—Miss Geizentamer and Mrs. Aiken.

Essay, Society Work—Fannie Roberts.

Tableau—Oscar Wild's Flower Garden.

Vocal solo.

Farce.

Closing address—Mrs. Goodnight.

BE CAREFUL.

The editor of the West Side, of Independence, writes under the above head an article as follows:

"An agent for a San Francisco house has been doing Independence, taking orders for suits and shirts. Some people believe all that such strangers tell them and order goods, pay one-fourth down and wait for the goods to arrive. The experience of the writer is to let such men alone. We have \$7.50 in the hands of a Portland house now that was paid on just as fair representation as could be given. Wm. Carpenter now dead, ordered a suit at the same time and was to have the privilege of examination. The goods came without this privilege. He took them out and they did not fit. He tried to get satisfaction from the firm of A. B. Steinbach & Co., of Portland, and could not so he went to Albany and traded them to L. E. Blaine for one-half what he paid for them and bought a suit there. These are facts and we simply give our experience and that of the other party in order to warn the public. The best way is to leave your orders with tailors nearer home.

It seems to us that it is rather extravagant for the editor of a newspaper to invest in a \$7.50 suit. But, then, Pentland has the reputation of being a dude and lady-killer. Experience costs money, and a newspaper man is sure to get all the experience possible in this world—at any rate he always gets the experience and the other fellow gets the money.

Now is the time to make improvements in public roads, and prepare them for the heavy traffic of next fall. We desire to impress upon those in charge of our roads the importance of having a well understood and permanent plan of working them. While every supervisor works roads according to his own notions we cannot have uniform roads. Some supervisors place great rocks in the road to rub the wheels of vehicles, others fill up holes with brush and sticks and still others make small ditches along the road side throwing the dirt on the side of the road leaving a basin in the middle to make things good and muddy in rainy weather.

We don't pretend to say what is the best method of working roads, but we do say that some more systematic plan should be adopted than that now in use. Our roads need shortening and leveling and the beds and drainings are in great need of repair. What ever plan is best should be adopted throughout the county.

WATERS.

Weather is fine,
Mr. Walton is in the burg to-day.
Business is progressing exceedingly well.

Mr. Frank Jennings has erected a dwelling near the new mill.

Mrs. King made a visit at the boarding house on Saturday last.

The boarding house kept by Mrs. Ella Wirt has sixteen boarders on the roll.

Mr. William South made the boarding house a very fine visit a few days ago.

The new mill will soon be ready to saw lumber. The whistle blew to-day at 12 o'clock.

Church services were held at Mr. Bishop's at 11 o'clock by Mr. Powell about two miles from the burg.

Mr. and Mrs. Fry, of Wirtsburg, returned home Sunday evening from a visit. They were visiting their daughter near Sodaville.

Mr. Wooley moved his family up to near Mountain Home two miles above the mill, yesterday. Those wanting a home in Wirtsburg must come soon or all the choice lots will be taken.

Three belated youngsters came in on Water street a few evenings ago about ten o'clock. They came through five miles of timber where the wild animals were creeping around in search of their supper.

Mr. Frank Jennings went out a fishing a few mornings ago, and having good luck he stayed longer than he expected to. His wife became frightened about him because he had been sick the day before, and she feared he had taken ill and was unable to return home. At three o'clock he came in to the burg and said that he had not returned, and said that she would like to have some one go and search for him. Four men, Messrs. King, Mackey, C. Cooper and E. D. Cooper went in search of him. They had not gone far when they found him; he had one hundred and thirty fish.

MOLLIE.

WATERLOO.

June 12.
Waterloo is lively at present and health good.

There was a large crowd at this place last Sunday, and a larger crowd is expected next Sunday.

Our pontoon bridge has been moved to the old place close to the spring where it is handy.

Mrs. J. N. Walton, of Halsey is visiting relatives at this place.

Mr. Andrew Hamilton, is visiting his sister Mrs. Hudson.

Mrs. Cord and Mrs. Carns who visited Albany last week have returned home.

Mrs. F. B. Prine, of Prineville is visiting friends and relatives around this place.

Well we are glad to say that we have succeeded in getting a bridge at this place, now this place and Canada is connected, so Waterloo will boom.

Waterloo is expecting a grand time the coming fourth of July, we intend celebrating in great class style. Plenty of band music, circle swings, and we have one of the finest dancing floors to be found, erected at this place this summer, 22x45 feet, we intend having dancing all through the day, and a grand ball at night.

We are sorry that Waterloo can't find out who Mistletoe is, but if T. M. DeVine is so anxious to know I will just give my initial E. C. We don't want Sodaville to get mad, but just look back two or three weeks ago in the Sodaville items, and see why the Mistletoe writes so. You don't comprehend.

Mistletoe

A COW THAT "GOT THE MITTEN."

Two years ago last November a heifer calf belonging to James Brown near Comstock swallowed a pair of woolen mittens. The calf grew to be a milch cow and was apparently doing well until a short time ago. Mr. Brown noticed that she was not doing as well as usual. She seemed in much distress when she moved around, and had a great desire to lay down all the time. Finally she died, and Mr. Brown cut her open to see what was the matter with her. Upon examination one of the mittens and a part of the other were found in a hard and petrified state. When knocked against each other they rattled like stones. They are really wonderful, and many are anxious to see them. W. H. Wilson, of Drain, has them, and any one can see them by calling on him. They are well worth seeing. Mr. Brown values them quite highly.

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