

Hood River Glacier.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 1896.

As the season advances, the absolute need for more water for irrigation becomes the leading topic. Within three days after the directors of the Water Supply Co. had qualified and elected officers, applications had been filed for the entire supply for this year, and there are many others who will want water. After so much talk and work as was done to push ahead the new ditch proposition last fall, it is sad to know that an increased supply will not be had for next season's use, and that so many who had hoped for a full supply will be disappointed. Who is to blame?

A London dispatch of January 8th says: "There is little doubt that the London Chronicle's Washington dispatches have had a very good effect here in showing that it is more than likely Great Britain is wrong in the boundary dispute, and following the Chronicle correspondent's suggestion that some means of arbitrating the matter should be promptly found. A move is already on foot here among prominent Americans and Britons to bring about the formation of a permanent court of arbitration for the settlement of all disputes between the two nations, as was proposed by Justice Harlan in 1895."

The Times-Mountaineer favors fusion between the democrats and populists in Oregon. They might fuse in other parts of the state but not in Wasco county. Hood River contains most of the populists of this county, and the leaders of that party here have always opposed fusion, preferring to "keep in the middle of the road." Populists might fuse if the democrats came to their terms as they did in '92, but the latter remember that inglorious campaign under the leadership of General Murphy and can hardly be expected to want to repeat it.

The Goldendale Sentinel was enlarged, January 1st, to an eight page paper. This is evidence of prosperity on the part of our contemporary we are glad to note.

The insurgents in Cuba have captured the entire island with the exception of the city of Havana, and that city is now in a state of siege.

A Trip Over the Siskiyous.

EDITOR GLACIER: A few of your readers are perhaps aware that I have recently been taking a short vacation in California. After returning home, some two weeks ago, I thought I knew a thing or two worth telling and proceeded at once to write down some of my ideas and impressions for publication in the GLACIER. I had scarcely finished what I had to say when I ran across a rather cutting but not unjust newspaper paragraph which made allusion to the never-wearing citizen who is everlastingly trying to get his rubbish into print. I accordingly pigeon-holed my stuff, where it would have been lost in oblivion had not the good editor recently found me on the street and kindly encouraged me to attempt something which he may yet conclude to pigeon-hole himself.

My stay of ten days (in California) was in one of the most fruitful and richest sections of that wealthy state, but I find that "not all that glitters is gold."

The Hood River rancher is quite prone to complain and imagine himself afflicted with an undue portion of privations and adversity, and I have not always been exempt from these feelings myself. I find people everywhere who have labored long and hard without making any advancement toward prosperity, and California is overflowing with this class of toilers. The fault does not lie wholly with their natural resources. Land booms have worked injuries that will turn many people out of their homes and leave hundreds of others burdened with debt, while the Hood River farmer is complacently sitting under his own vine and fig tree, with the morrow well provided for.

Ten years ago stubble fields sold readily there at \$300 an acre, and bearing orchards were considered worth \$600 per acre and upwards. I saw a 20-acre apricot orchard which sold recently for \$200 per acre. The trees were about 15 years old, all in excellent condition. The sale was not a forced one. The price simply represents the value of California land as a business investment. Location will of course add a little to the above valuation. Even such prices as these cast no reflection on any country. They simply show that after the bursting of booms Pacific coast fruit land is still immensely valuable.

But why go to California? Unimproved land is cheaper here than there, and no sensible person can deny that a Hood River apple orchard, 15 years of age, of good varieties and in good condition, would be worth \$200 per acre, and perhaps even more.

The staple fruits grown in the section I visited are the peach, nectarine, apricot, pear and French prune. The California growers understand packing and marketing green fruits somewhat better than we, but their fresh fruit shipments are growing less remunerative every year. Fully nine-tenths of their products have to be dried now, and with the exception of the prune, all their fruits have to be cut and pitted. This makes sun drying cost far more than artificial drying in Oregon, where fuel is cheap. These cut fruits usually sell for a trifle more than our prunes, but their value will always be held in check by the prune output. Dried fruit is dried fruit to the consumer, and they will not pay a fancy price for one variety while another is cheap.

Hood River fruit growers are not the only ones that have made mistakes in planting fruit trees. I saw signs of top grafting everywhere and on all their different varieties of fruits. I noticed scions starting from old decayed snags which seemed more suitable for woodpecker dens than anything else. If the results of such work do not prove to be profitable, the blame can easily be laid on the democrats.

To sum the matter up, why should we complain? I imagine some one saying that our Hood River winters of rain and slush are unpleasant. This is true, but the period is usually short, and there are some things unpleasant about California climate also. Their summers are long and very hot. Other disagreeable things could be mentioned, but I am not seeking to build up Hood River by odious comparisons. It is quite safe to say, however, that the human race will always find plenty to complain of wherever it exists.

California in many respects is all right; so are Oregon and Washington. The three states combined furnish unlimited inducements to those who are seeking pleasant and comfortable homes, and Hood River valley, lying on the shore of the mighty Columbia, its exceptional location for cheap transportation both by rail and water, its wealth in field and forest, offers inducements to home seekers hardly surpassed in the world. To those in the valley who are getting comfortable around them I would say, Do some serious thinking before you pull up stakes, for you can easily go farther and fare worse.

R. E. HARRISON.

The Pine Grove Library.

Pine Grove School District, Jan. 7, 1896.—Editor GLACIER: Some two or three years ago a number of the residents of this district, both old and young, commenced building up a small library for the intellectual improvement of all. Ever since its inception it has been a theme for the repeated assaults of some of the reverend gentlemen who transiently hold meetings in the school house. It is no doubt quite generally circulated that this neighborhood is reeking with Tom Paine, Bob Ingersoll, the life of Jesse James and most of the pernicious novels of the times. There has been nothing to hinder these worthies from acquainting themselves with the contents of the library long ago, but they seem to prefer quenching all taste for any kind of enlightenment with a zeal that might well fit them for wearing a surplice in some benighted region in Mexico or South America. If you will kindly print the titles of the books in our collection it may do something to help correct the growing idea that we in this neighborhood do not know black from white. A few books in the list, to be sure, possess but little merit, but we think they all compare favorably, so far as they go, with any public collection. Here is the list:

Creasy's Fifteen Decisive Battles; Wood's Natural History; Washington and his Generals; the Story of Earth and Man; Darwin; Wonders and Curiosities of the Railroad; Poetical Speaker; Conquest of Peru and Mexico; Prescott; Alden's Cyclopaedia of History, 2 vols.; Ben Hur; Ten Nights in a Bar Room; Life of Daniel Boone; Hoosier Schoolmaster; He Fell in Love with his Wife; Roe; Little Women; Little Men; Deer Slayer; Hardy Norsemens; Old Curiosity Shop; Pathfinder; Prairie; the Scarlet Letter; Two Years Before the Mast; Story of an African Farm; Swiss Family Robinson; An Egyptian Princess; Opening a Chestnut Burr; Man in the Iron Mask; John Halifax; Uncle Tom's Cabin; Pilgrim's Progress; Paradise Lost; Evenings with Moody & Sarkey; All Sorts and Conditions of Men; Robinson Crusoe; Barriers Burned Away; Ivanhoe; Ishmael; Southworth; Taking the Bastille; Tom Sawyer; Tour of the World in Eighty Days; Vanity Fair; English Orphans; Lucile; Dora Thorne; Last Days of Pompeii; Vicar of Wakefield; Child's History of England; Wonders of Glass Making; Dawn; Romola; Adam Bede; Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea; Sunshine and Shadow; Self Raised; Last of the Mohicans; Bertha's Engagement; Stanley's Travels; Scottish Chiefs; Black Beauty; the Fair God; Dred; Norwood; A Fool's Errand; Around the World in the Yacht Sunbeam; Traps for Men; Wonders of the Great Deep; Planetary and Stellar Worlds; Early Days of Christianity; Farrar; Gems from the Poets; Sherman's Memoirs; Life of Lincoln; Ridpath's History of the United States; Napoleon, from Corsica to St. Helena; Astoria; Life and Voyages of Columbus; Stories and Speeches of Lincoln.

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Curiosities of War.

St. Louis Republic.

January 1, 1895, the armies of the world included 4,200,000 men. The first war of profane history was about a woman—Helen of Troy. On a peace footing, the regular army of China comprises nearly 400,000. The total cost of our navy during the civil war was \$312,000,000. Great Britain now owns 6,212 cannons; France, 8,210, and Germany, 5,920. After the great battle of Cannae, 52,312 dead were found on the field. July 1, 1895, there were 261,000 men in the navies of the world.

The Jews' war was the 20 years' war between France and Algeria, 1827-1847. The largest Krupp guns have a range of 17 miles and fire two shots a minute. Switzerland's population is less than 3,000,000; her standing army is 150,000. During our civil war 61,362 men on the Union side were killed in battle.

In time of war France reckons on putting out 370 men to every 1,000 of her population. The war known as the Seven Weeks' war was that between Austria and Prussia in 1866. In our celebrated "war with Tripoli," 1801, the United States did not lose a single man. It cost our government \$345,543,880 to clothe the army from 1861 to 1865. The queen of England can declare war without consulting her ministers if she wills so to do.

Britain's navy is composed of 65,000 men. Exactly 288,200 patriots fought in the American Revolution.

All Europe is now a well armed camp and has so been for more than a quarter of a century. The War of the Lovers was the seventh religious war of France, waged between the years 1576 and 1578.

The first standing army of history was that of Macedonia—about three and a half centuries before Christ.

At the great battle of Bannockburn 185,000 men fought, and of that number 38,000 were killed or wounded.

The "five nations of Europe" own 2,310 war ships, mounting 88,200 guns, all ready for immediate service.

During the war the Union troops captured 476,169 Confederates and the Confederates captured 212,608 Unionists. The most expensive army in the world is that of Germany, which costs from \$88,000,000 to \$105,000,000 a year. France boasts of a navy of 408 ships of 290,000 tons and 621,000 horse power, and 80,000 men in process of construction.

The new German rifle ranges up to 4,000 yards and at 900 yards the bullet will pierce 10 inches of solid pine timber. During our civil war the Union ordnance department served out 7,892 cannons, 4,022,000 rifles and 12,207 tons of powder.

Since the Mannlicher gun came into use the ratio is four killed to one wounded—just the opposite to what it formerly was.

Since Napoleon "died like a caged lion in his exile home" 6,000,000 Frenchmen have perished in the wars of that country.

The Forum gives figures to prove that the so-called "armed peace" of Europe costs the people more than \$1,000,000,000 per year. Britain brags that the guns now used by her army will send a bullet through four ranks of men at a distance of 450 yards.

The German war fleet is made up of but 86 vessels, but is the most modern, and, on that account, probably the best in Europe.

It is estimated that over 4,000,000 human beings have perished in the wars of the world since the opening of the Christian era. At the battle of Austerlitz 170,000 men were engaged. At Waterloo 145,000 fought, and of that number 50,000 were killed or wounded.

During the memorable siege of Sebastopol the batteries of the allied armies threw upwards of 40,000 tons of shot and shell into the city.

The great gun factory at Washington—one of the largest in the world, employing 1,500 men—turns out guns valued at \$50,000 apiece.

In 1887 General Sherman predicted that "the most terrible war ever known will take place in this country before the close of the century."

The Italian navy is composed of 275 war vessels of 329,000 tons and 500,000 horse power, including some of the best battle ships of the world.

When Germany warred against France in 1870-71, she put 1,003,000 troops in the field. In the same war the French employed 710,000 men.

The Russian fleet comprises 173 war vessels, exclusive of the Black Sea squadron. These vessels show an average displacement of 1,400 tons.

At Gettysburg, 140,000 men fought, of which number 28,198 federals and 37,000 confederates were killed, wounded or captured.

One of the expense items of the late war, as shown by the books of the war department, is the \$97,031 which it cost to capture Jeff Davis.

A statement issued by the war department, Jan. 1, 1890, gave figures showing that the total cost of our civil war was exactly \$6,189,929,900.

President Lincoln made 14 different calls for troops, asking for an aggregate of 2,842,748 men. Of the above number he succeeded in obtaining 2,690,401.

Every state in the Union furnished some federal troops during the war. Louisiana, 8,224; Mississippi, 645; Texas, 1,965; Florida, 1,250; and even Alabama furnished 2,576.

If the armies of Europe should march at an eight-mile gait, five abreast, 15 inches apart, it would require nine and one-half days for them to pass a given point.

The War of the Bastards was in 1324, between Charles IV. of France and Edward II. of England, both having for their chief officers the numerous illegitimate sons of the nobility and royalty.

The daily ration of the British soldier is 16 ounces of bread, 12 of meat, 2 of rice, 8 of dried vegetables and 16 of potatoes. Once a week he receives 2 ounces of salt, 4 of coffee and 9 of sugar.

According to Bohn's "Queer Statistics," there were 4,556,000 men enrolled into the French army by Napoleon between 1791 and 1813. Of that number three-fourths died in battle of wounds.

In I. Chronicles, xlii., 17, record is made of 500,000 being slain on one side, which, however, may not have been in a single battle. I. Kings, xx., 26 tells of 100,000 men being killed on one side in a single day.

Burke, in his "Letters on Natural History," says that the three greatest battles were those fought by Lylla, in which 300,000 men were destroyed in each. Cheronas is the only one of the three that he names.

The War of Devolution was waged by Louis XIV. against Spain to enforce his claims to the Netherlands, which he held should fall to him by Le droit de Devolution, this being the law by which the dower of a wife descends to her children.

A Household Treasure.

D. W. Fuller of Canajoharie, N. Y., says that he always keeps Dr. King's New Discovery in the house, and his family has always found the very best results follow its use; that he would not be without it if procurable. G. A. Dykeman, druggist, Catskill, N. Y., says that Dr. King's New Discovery is undoubtedly the best cough remedy; that he has used it in his family for eight years, and it has never failed to do all that is claimed for it. Why not try a remedy so long tried and tested. Trial bottles free at the Hood River Pharmacy. Regular size 50c and \$1.

Horticultural Society Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Oregon state horticultural society will be held at Portland, Tuesday, January 14, 1896. All friends of horticulture, as well as members of the society, are requested to contribute papers, music or presence at said meeting. By order of Hon. E. L. Smith, president.

C. B. WATSON, Secretary and Treasurer.

Water Notice.

The Water Supply Co. of Hood River Valley will receive applications for water for irrigation up to the 1st day of February, 1896. The quantity of water for sale is 250 inches. Make application to the secretary. By order of the president. WM. DAVIDSON, Secretary.

BARGAINS.

A bargain in a second-hand top buggy; one man-weight cultivator; three heating stoves, one Cook Stove, Lawn Mower, Stone Jars and Glass Fruit Jars. If you don't see what you want, ask for it. Also, remember my residence property can be bought very cheap before I leave Hood River, which will be the latter part of this month. D. F. PIERCE.

Stockholders' Meeting.

HOOD RIVER FRUIT GROWERS' UNION. Notice is hereby given that the third annual meeting of the stockholders of the Hood River Fruit Growers' Union will be held on

Saturday, January 11, 1896.

At 10 o'clock A. M., at the Mt. Hood hotel, in Hood River, Oregon, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and for the reports of the officers and transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

H. F. DAVIDSON, Secretary.

Stockholders' Meeting.

ARMORY ASSOCIATION. Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Hood River Armory Association will be held on

Saturday, February 1, 1896.

At 2 o'clock, P. M., in Hood River, for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business that may come before the meeting. By order of the president.

W. H. BISHOP, Secretary.

Strayed.

One yellow steer, 4 years old; one light red heifer, 2 years old; and one cow, deep red, with a few white spots about 4 years old. All are branded "J. K." on left hip and left ear cropped. The cow is supposed to have a young calf. I will pay a reward for information that will lead to their recovery. JOHN KROEGER, Hood River, Or.

Lost.

A bunch of keys on a leather string. They were lost during the week of the bazaar at the Langille house. Finder will please leave with T. C. Dallas.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Vancouver, Wash., Nov. 30, 1895.—Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before W. R. Dunbar, Commissioner United States Circuit Court for District of Washington, at Goldendale, Wash., on January 15, 1896, viz:

JOHN C. COCHRAN, H. E. No. 7821, for the east 1/4 southeast 1/4 sec. 10, and north 1/4 of northeast 1/4 sec. 15, all in township 6 north range 12 east, Willamette Meridian.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz: August Hilding, Peter O. Hoult, August Berg and Richard Granville, all of Glenwood P. O. Washington. And

AUGUST HILDING, H. E. No. 7854, for the south 1/4 of northeast 1/4 and west 1/4 of southeast 1/4 section 15, township 6 north range 12 east, Willamette Meridian.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz: John C. Cochran, Peter O. Hoult, August Berg and Richard Granville, all of Glenwood P. O., Washington.

JOHN C. COCHRAN, Register.

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Administrator's Notice.

TO CREDITORS. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the honorable county court of Wasco county, Oregon, administrator of the estate of Martha Purser, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are notified to present the same to me in Hood River, Wasco county, Oregon, within six months of the date of this notice.

Dated November 11, 1895. Administrator of the Estate of Martha Purser, deceased.

A. S. BLOWERS, Administrator of the Estate of Martha Purser, deceased.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, Dec. 11, 1895.—Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on January 21, 1896, viz:

ALBERT B. JONES, H. E. No. 4917, for the east 1/4 southeast 1/4, northeast 1/4 southeast 1/4 and southwest 1/4 northeast 1/4 section 1, township 2 north, range 9 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz: C. J. Hayes, E. E. Lein, M. F. Loy, C. Morgan, all of Hood River, Oregon.

JAS. F. MOORE, Register.

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