

Happy and Prosperous Hood River.

Captain James P. Shaw in Portland Journal.
Hood River, Or., June 5, 1903.—There is something doing in Hood River, as is in evidence on the streets, at the railroad station and at the boat landings. Every train coming into the city brings people for Hood River, and the river boats land hundreds every day. Besides all these, many more come in wagons and on horseback; white men with their families, the Indian with his squaw and papoose, followed by the ever present car; the sturdy Jap and the ebony-colored man, the two latter without families. The streets are thronged; sidewalks congested. At kind and conditions of people are to be seen, wending their way to the strawberry fields on the plateau above the city.

The strawberry season is on, and at its height. Fields in this section, some of which God might have made a better, but didn't—are dotted with pickers, singing their merry songs as they fill their trays with big, ripe berries, the like of which is not seen anywhere else in the country.

It is a sight worth traveling far to see 3000 pickers dotting the berry patches for miles, their picturesque camps and groups of happy children, the wigwams of the Indians and the Indian children playing about the tents; the cayuse pulling at his tether near by, with the aforementioned dog lazily sleeping away the hours in the same cool, shady nook. Thousands of pickers are seen carrying berries to the packing houses where they deposit them and receive a check covering the number of pounds picked, and quickly return to the patch and resume their labor. The packers quickly grade and fill each hallow, and crate the berries. It is but a moment until the crate is covered and ready to be hauled to the railroad station for shipment.

A crate contains 24 hallow, i. e., 24 pounds. The shipper loads 600 of these crates into a refrigerating car, and starts them on their journey into Washington, Idaho, Montana, into the Dakotas, into Colorado and into the cities of the far East. This is kept up for at least six weeks, or until every crown has been stripped of its last berry.

The crop started at \$6 per crate, f. o. b., Hood River, and as the ripening of the berry advanced, the price gradually dropped to \$3 per crate, where it now remains. The price rarely goes below \$2.00.

France.
One prominent grower living on the East Side sold Yellow Newtowns of last year's crop in car lots, in the open market of Liverpool, at \$3.25 per box, 72 apples to the box. This gentleman had 7000 boxes of apples, grown on 18 acres of trees from six to nine years old—not yet in full bearing. From the foregoing figures it is not difficult to see how one can better his condition, not only in a financial sense, but in matters of health and satisfaction, to say nothing of the pleasure, for it is a pleasure to see things grow about you.

Parkertown News Notes.
Henry White, our new sawyer, is making a success.

The machinery of our mill is too large for the frame, or the frame of the mill is too small for the machinery. It is like trying to work in a brush heap. But Mr. Davenport will remedy all this at the next mill site.

We had a little accident in the mill last Wednesday, which caused quite an excitement for a few moments. A 2x6 caught in the head block, and as the carriage passed back the opposite end of the plank ran through the top saw belt, tearing it in strips. The sawyer stopped the carriage but had to retreat to keep from getting struck with the pieces of belt that struck the lever and turned on the steam. Away went the carriage out of the mill and plunged into the mill pond like a big frog. After we regained our senses we found but little damage done. In one hour we were running smoothly again.

Fred Newby has established a grocery store at Parkertown.

The people of Chenoweth may be a little surprised to learn that the young lady and gentleman who left Chenoweth not long ago now walk in different directions.

Us backwoods people have one consolation. As we live up at Parkertown we are above the people in the valley.

Of interest now--Something else in winter

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Chenoweth News.
Postmaster Hill returns Saturday from The Dalles, where he went to purchase supplies for his store. Mr. Hill is doing well in his new business venture.

B. F. Fuller was in Hood River Saturday, returning the same day.

Mr. Targerson took a load of four passengers to Hood River last week. They returned with supplies and a new wagon wheel for Mr. Targerson's wagon, which he broke on the "good roads" between Underwood and Chenoweth.

A dance is scheduled for Saturday night in the school house at the saw mill. The school master has padlocked the door and declares there will be no dance. She doesn't propose to have to clean up tobacco juice and other debris next Monday morning.

Willie Pelley, lawyer for the Washington Lumber Company, bade farewell to his friends in that neighborhood last week. Before leaving he made a call at the school house.

John Yandell was sick last week. So many girls should make him forget his troubles.

A party of surveyors are at work on the land recently sold by Henderson to Emory Oliver. Thirty miles of line will be run, and the land divided into 500 to 600 acre tracts. It is reported that a large colony will soon locate on the land. Just watch Chenoweth grow.

Bob Stone crossed to Hood River Tuesday.

Underwood Brevities.
Mr. Heath came up from Portland with a small crew of men to build a house on his farm.

The berry harvest is about over. We shall give a full account of the season's shipment next week.

Amos Underwood went to Portland to attend the reunions of the Indian War Veterans and the Pioneer Association.

Abe Foley has been unable to make the trip across the mountains to Chenoweth for a day or two on account of the rain. The mills get slick and are very dangerous.

Henry Weaver of Stevenson is making Will Underwood a visit during berry season. He seems to be enjoying himself. Any one who is the guest of Will can count on having a good time.

Mrs. Mary Olsen, who is night clerk on the Transfer boatTacoma, at Kalama, came up Sunday a week ago and spent several days with relatives and friends, returning last Thursday.

Walter Fitzgerald came up Monday evening on the boat from Washougal to remain on his honeymoon for some time.

Mrs. Emil Veatch and Miss Lyons called upon Mrs. Dark Tuesday.

C. H. Cronwell was blasting and digging out rocks along the road in front of his residence Sunday. It improves the road, and he has a better way of getting into his yard.

There will be a social dance at the school house, Wednesday night, for the benefit of Ed Sweetland, who has been out to the mines all winter, where he hasn't seen a violin nor heard of a dance. So we expect to have a good time.

John Wendorf came up on the train, Sunday, crossed over to Underwood's with Captain Amos Underwood, then went out on the ranch with his brother Will, who met him at the landing with a team.

Mrs. Haynes, mother of A.J. Haynes, is visiting J. and family.

Your reporter received a letter from George Duvaud, dated May 28, 1903, from France, where he owns a large hotel. He says he is in fine health and thinks of coming home this fall. George was a farmer here several years ago, and a good neighbor. To say we will all be glad to welcome him home will hardly express our joy at seeing our old friend once more.

Worst of all Experiences.
Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newsome, Decatur, Ala. "For three years," she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was miraculous. Improved at once and am now completely recovered." For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by Charles N. Clark, Druggist.

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