MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

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names I thought I heard some fond mother in old Yamhill say that's my son; another, that's my son-in-law; and the mother's in old Clackamas, that's my boy or my kinsman. If this is so, and they certainly are, all ours or someone else's kinsman, and they have assisted so generously in the building up of our fair state, and to-day are such noble specimens of true manhood, that we would gladly have our boys pattern their example. Can you quietly sit by and listen to some political demagogue, some say vagabond, defaming their characters. Can we farmers, producers, mechanics and laboring men afford to join or give ear to communists or anarchists or knights of labor when its only result is to stop the wheels of progress, to hamper, restrict the achivements of our boys and kinsman. Nay; verily. Let the edict go forth from every voice in old Yamhill. that we want to review and cultivate a closer and better acquaintance with our kinsmen.

This brings us home to old Yambill: among our own people. Here as well as in every county of the state we feel the pulse of the people are demanding a business center. Ours is located at McMinnville; the foundation has been laid. The master mind of our lamented Warren, who conceived the idea that by labor, grit and energy he might give to the people he loved and so long labored for, the Baptist college. Suc cess crowned his efforts. It stands there to-day as a lasting monument of his work, as well as a credit to the association, and all who assisted the enterprise, and the farmers, mechanics. and laborers of old Yamhill are the recipients of the benefits arising from the achievements, and upon us and our successors must develop the duty of maintaining the heritage. As a result of this and what had been done before, the pulse quickened, and in quick succession one edifice after another sprang up in quick and magic succession until the climax of Cook's 3-story brick hotel. To-day we have more people and business concentrated in McMinnville than all the balance of the towns in Yamhill combined. With the start she has she is to-day and must continue to be, the business center of old Yamhill, growing as the surronding country grows. Producers and farmers, we are of necessity a part of your interests are our interests; your welfare is our welfare. It is for your advantage as well as ours these schools have been started, where your children and ours can be educated at either the public school, the Baptist college or Higgins Business college. It is for you as well as us that these churches have been built. It is for your benefit as well as ours that these banks and are vieing with each other in competing for the prize. In order that you may not be led away with the idea that the capitalists of McMinnville are monopolists and enemies of the producers. Let's examine them. First we blacksmith, now farmer and capitalist; Judge Cowls your former county judge; Christman, Wisecarver, J. G. Baker, the same individual that in Judge Pratts time used to, under his direction, stake out the foreman of his juries while they deliberated on their verdict. The McPhillipps, McDonald, John Cook and others too well known among farmers to need any further introduction.

This brings us to our home bankers. Jacob Wortman, president of our First

National is an old Oregonian, and a farmer, who upon his arrival in the state. a-foot, located a place in the wilderness on the banks of the raging Wallamet in Clackamas county, where he commenced in life by dividing his time farming and getting out wood for the then few passing steamers. Later we find him steamboating, then in the grocery business at Oregon city, next in merchandising at Junction, and now at McMinnville, tably assisted by his son John Wortman.

Hon, J. C. Braly, president of the Yamhill county bank, assisted by his son Clark Braly, and W. D. McDonald, Jr., all came into their vocations fresh from their farms, and each and every one of these will be found, upon close acquaintance to be the same affable and genial gentlemen that they were in the said of all those above referred to will apply with equal truth to every other business man nearly in the community.

But I must proceed with the thought in view. There is much more to be done invoking the combination of capital and labor, grit and pluck; we need more manufactories to give employ to our youth, to increase the market for our produce, and we must harmonize and fraternize together for the common good of all. We must have mills and LOWEST RATES! factories, and so let us especially invite capitalists at home and abroad to assist us in building up what we want for all. The editor of the Oregonian pledged me his support personally while I was at the Portland fair; I had a good talk with him, and Aunt Polly has fixed the Rural Spirit solid for Oregon and Old Yamhill. More anon, UNCLE EZRA.

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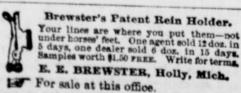
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