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HONEST
HANK JONES
e Goes to Klamath County
Trap Coyotes but Finds That they Are All Bald Headed.

Hank Jones, an old trapper who
passed hrongh Portland some months

and bounties paid on, he had imagined Klamath region in one season. The the cattle ranges when he got into Klam ath county encouraged him in his idea
and he hastened to set ali his traps. The first night he caught several coyotes, but was astonished to find that only one baltheaded- that is, like old Uncle Ned, row. He could not anderstand this,
rot rapping. White he wast in Klamath
rathing and wen on his county he caught dozens of coyotes, abont 76 per sent of whicn were bald-
headed, and tome had a new sealp partially grown. He finally began to in quire what was the matter with the coyotes in that section. He found that while the sheepmen were anxious to have the coyotes killed off, and bad secured the passage of the bounty law, the
aattlemen wished the coyotes preverved inttemen wished the coyotes preserved sheep and leave the range grass for the cattle. The cowboys employed by cattlemen bad worked to this end by running lown and lassoing coyotes and ripping heir scalps off aod allowing them to $g$ o at large. The coyotes suffer but litle
rom the loss of their scalps, and, finding that after they had yielded them up they were allowed to frequent rangea without being molested, and to grow fal on mutton, they soon grasped the situation and began to come in and be scalped when hot weather set in. A new scal and they all come in once a year to be calped, and the cowboys are getting rich on bounties, while the number of coyotes keeps increasing. Mr. Jones anys that naless the bounty is repealed very cowboy in that region will be nillionaire and the state will be bank-
rupt in a few years. If any one doubte this statement, he is assured that Mr . Jones is an honest man-in fact, he hat long been known in that part of Idaha
where he resided as "Honest Jones."

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