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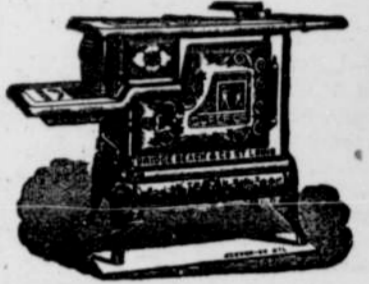
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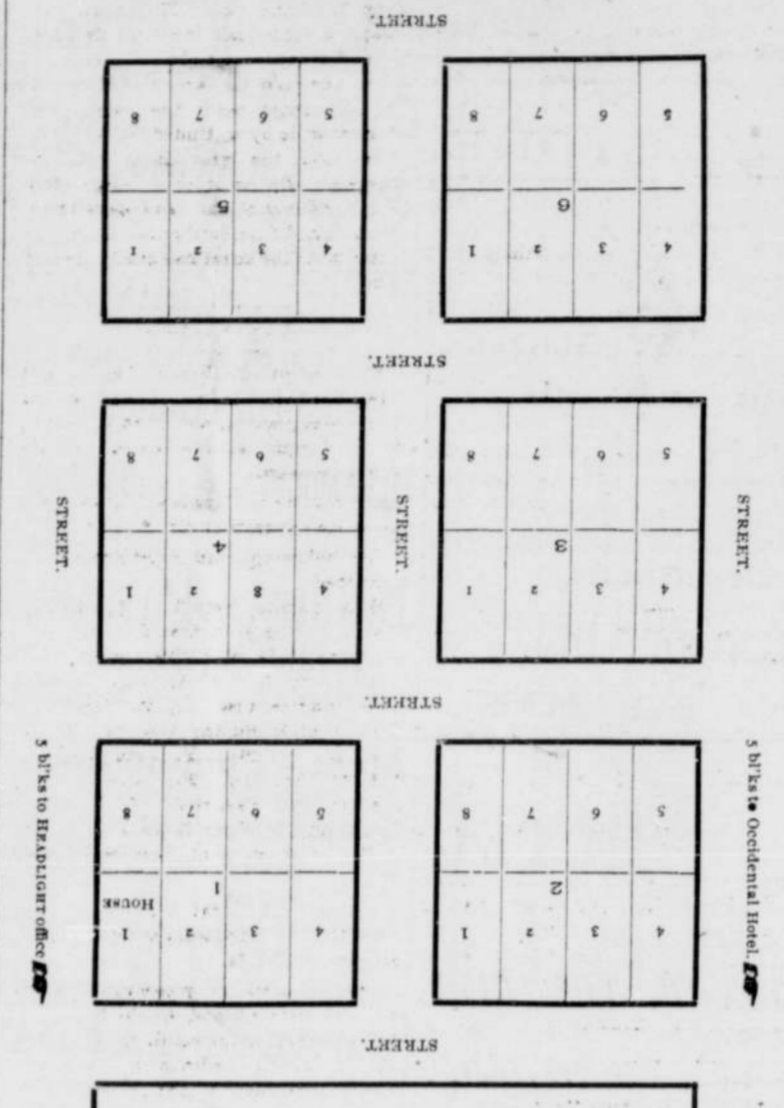
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By Investing Your Money in Tillamook!

The town is growing rapidly and real estate is sure to enhance in value. There are good prospects for a rail-road and harbor improvements, so get in and buy before the rush, and while you can buy the choicest property cheap in

R. R. HAYS' ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF TILLAMOOK.



(48 LARGE LEVEL LOTS.) STREETS 60-FOOT WIDE. LOTS UNIFORMLY 52 1/2 x 105 FEET. Prices ranging from \$60 to \$160. Suitable terms made.

This property is situated five blocks directly south of the main thoroughfare of the town, two blocks south of the school-house, and faces on two of the principal streets. This is not a boom scheme to speculate on suburban or country property, as the tract is centrally located, virtually in the heart of the town, and buildings are going up on all sides at present.

The location is slightly, high and dry, commanding a good view, and slopes gently from the center, just enough to secure good drainage. It is well sheltered from the coast winds, and is just the place for homes. For further particulars call on or address

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ABSTRACTS FURNISHED.

Advertisement for Ruggles & Johnson's MILLINERY and DRESS-MAKING, featuring a 'LOW LIFE' illustration.

Advertisement for DR. HARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS, including a 'DO NOT CRIBE, SICKEN OR CONSTIPATE' warning and a 'SOME CURE FOR SIX HEADACHE' claim.

Advertisement for C. H. BODLE, City Barber Shop, offering hair-cutting, shaving, and seafoam shampoo.

Advertisement for 'The Road to Wealth' by DR. HENLEY'S English Dandelion Tonic, claiming to improve health and vitality.

Advertisement for 'The Road to Wealth' subscription, offering \$1.50 per year for the Tillamook Headlight newspaper.

quired above all things.

DANGER OF FIRE.

ED. HEADLIGHT.—The recent fire that started on the roof of I. T. Mautsby's office building, should set us thinking. If it had been a few moments later when it was discovered, all that corner would have burned up, and the chances would have been against saving the balance of the town.

The prompt action of those who discovered the fire, and the Hook & Ladder Company's buckets and ladders being so near, is all that saved a big fire.

It would be a hard blow to the town to be burned out just now, and those who have property, should be very liberal towards securing good apparatus to fight fire and should encourage the firemen in every way possible.

CITIZEN.

SPECIAL EDITIONS.

Many of our exchanges issued special editions on New Year. It is a little late for complimentary remarks, but the unavoidable delay in getting out our own special edition, and the present remoteness of this place is the cause of it.

Among those which deserve special notice, we mention:

The Vernonia Journal published a handsome, well-edited twelve-page paper on New Year. Vernonia is a new town and not very large, but one would think from the Journal's special number, that it is almost a metropolitan city.

The Hancock County Pilot, published at Warsaw, Ill., spread itself in its holiday issue. Warsaw must be as enterprising as the typical western town.

The Oregonian and the Salem Statesman, also, issued creditable New Year editions.

A TILLAMOOKER HONORED.

R. R. Hays has been chosen Chief Clerk of the lower house of the Oregon Legislature for this session. He received 41 votes out of a total of 59 votes cast, in fact the unanimous support the Republican members.

The place is a very important one and no better selection could have been made by the Legislature, as Mr. Hays is well qualified in every particular for the position, and is a hard worker. He is a careful business man, a shrewd politician, and is very popular all over the state, as well as in this county.

Mr. Hays will always be found at his post, doing the work in a thorough and able manner.

The people of Tillamook appreciate the favor that has been shown to one of her representative citizens.

The County Commissioners of Oregon held a convention at Portland, Jan. 2nd, at the invitation of the Multnomah County Court. Twelve counties were represented, though Tillamook was not there.

The convention was in favor of no indebtedness exemption laws, they recommend changes in the road laws, and other matters of popular interest. Among other things, they recommend an increase in the pay of the County Judge of Tillamook County from \$300 per year to \$600. Considering the population and financial condition of this county, such an increase would be too great and would make the pay entirely disproportionate to the services required.

The tax levies should be made on a decimal scale. The state levy is four and twelve-thirtieths mills. There is so little difference between thirty-five-hundredths of a mill and twelve-thirtieths of a mill, that it cannot be noticed in the total amount of taxes when figured up, and the extra work in making the calculations will offset any apparent saving made by dealing in thirty-fifths. There will be a general kick made by county officials all over the state on account of this foolishness.

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was exhausted long before all were supplied with the number they wished, and as the New Year number contained this article, many who were specially interested in it, were disappointed.

Second only to the lumber interest of Tillamook are her fisheries. Of these at present the only important source of revenue is the Salmon, the king of fishes. Of this royal fish the species found here are quite numerous and as elsewhere each species is found to have its special local variations so that exact classification is extremely difficult.

At the head of the list stands the Chinook (Salmo Gairdneri) probably the largest and finest in the world, averaging larger here than in the Columbia River although the largest individuals are taken there.

The Chinooks enter the bays of Tillamook County in July and August, several months later than in the Columbia.

Next come the silversides (Salmo Sealei) in September and October. These beautiful fish, smaller than the Chinook, are of a most delicate flavor, and by their great number, furnish the most important part of the season's catch. In certain areas of Tillamook bay the silversides will rise to a fly, and I think this is the only place in Oregon where they do so. At Oregon City and elsewhere grise are often caught and are called salmon but here the angler can kill the real fish. And, thereby hangs a tale.

It will be remembered that in the early history of this Coast, Great Britain laid claim to all of the country north of the Spanish and south of the Russian discoveries, basing her claim on the observations of Cook, Vancouver and other early navigators. The United States claimed from the Spanish line to latitude 42 degrees north, but there can be little doubt that arbitrators would have decided against us the remainder of both continents had been allotted to the nations which first coasted along the shore. However, while the dispute was in controversy the British Government sent out a commission to examine the country. They spent a year on the Columbia and in the season fished for salmon, but disgusted at their total failure, decided that "Holland" had no use for a blooming country where the blasted Salmon would take a fly." So the matter was compromised by splitting the difference, and the Oregon Territory was saved to Uncle Sam, because the commissioners did not come to Tillamook.

Later than the silversides, come the Steel-heads (Salmo gairdneri) and the chums (Salmo Lyacodon), the later in wonderful abundance, not the best fish in the world, but a profitable fish for canning for cheap markets.

Very little is known of the habits of these fish, though it is certain that they differ very much from the same species in British and European waters. The smelt probably go to sea about September and the grise return about November, a good many of them are taken with hook and line and called salmon trout. They are also taken occasionally in the nets used for fully developed salmon.

The salmon fisheries furnish employment to a great many persons. Unfortunately the canneries have fallen into a way of employing Chinese labor for about one half the work, not on account of cheapness, for the work is done by the piece at rates that pay from \$2.00 to \$4.00 per day for work that could as well be done by white boys and girls.

The canneries, of which there are four, are situated, one on Nehalem, one on Nestucca and two on Tillamook bay, one of these at Garibaldi and the other at Hobsonville. During the season which commences August 1st, and ends in November these canneries make an annual output of from \$50,000 to \$100,000 each, the highest to one cannery has been \$60,000 cases—\$200,000. Some idea can be formed of the profitability of the business from the fact that the same species of fish are obtained here from 50 to 75 cents a piece cheaper than the price on the Columbia river. So that if Columbia salmon are sold at a price equal to cost of production, there is an ordinary catch of 60,000 fish in Tillamook a margin of from \$20,000 to \$30,000. No wonder that parties interested in the business are at some pains to convince outsiders that the business "doesn't pay."

During the past season but two canneries have been in operation. The Elmore Packing Co. at Garibaldi, and M. J. Kinney at Nehalem. The remarkable run of fish and the low price paid to fishermen here made it a very favorable year and there will no doubt be an extension of the business another season. It is almost impossible to obtain any information as to the amount of business, but it is certain that the output of 1899 was not less than \$200,000.

In addition to the fresh canned fish a considerable quantity is annually salted in barrels, half barrels and kits, of these the pack will amount to several thousand dollars over the home supply.

Nestucca having easy communication with the Willamette valley has a fine business of supplying the adjoining counties with fresh fish, and quite a number of teams are constantly employed in this industry. In hot weather the trip is made in the night time, and thus the farmers of Yamhill and Polk are supplied with fresh fish right from the water.

But the Salmon, though most important, are not the only food supply which bounteous nature has provided in our waters. The streams are stocked with several varieties of trout, chief being the Oregon trout (Salmo Oregonensis) and the speckled trout (Salmo Fontinalis), both of which are of such size and number as to make the waters of the county an attraction to sportsmen from all over the world. One enthusiastic Scotchman declares that outside of Loch Leven there is no equal to Trask river in the whole world.

But the abundance of shell fish, which as yet are only local food supplies will be long furnish paying employment for shipment. The oysters of Nestucca, and the varied species of clams, mussels and crabs on all our shores are destined in the near future to find their way to outside markets, adding to the wealth of our community and the comfort of others.

The deep sea fisheries are yet an uncertain quantity, as no systematic test has ever been applied, but every vessel that has tried fishing off our shores reports good success in taking all sorts of salt-water fish, especially off Cape Meares when the old South Coast was in the habit of regularly laying in a supply of Codfish while waiting for the tide to serve the bay. A proposition is made to build a vessel for the deep sea fishing business under the control of an experienced Yankee fisherman and from that we may look for good results. Mr. Editor,—I do not pretend to have exhausted the subject but have tried to sketch it as to give some little information to readers as a stimulus, to excite comment and stimulate inquiry at home. There are as good fish in the sea as ever were caught and plenty of them in Tillamook.

MONKEY FOR THE BOYS.

The Detroit "Free Press" wants to secure a lively boy in this locality to sell their famous weekly. The "Free Press" is the most popular and one of the best selling papers in the United States. It is supplied to dealers on very liberal terms, the Company taking back all unsold copies and requiring payment only for such papers as are sold.

Only one boy is appointed in a town, so the one that writes first giving good business references, will probably get the agency. State how many papers you think you can sell at five cents each, and they will be at once forwarded, reaching you in time for Saturday sales. Address The Free Press Co., Detroit, Mich. Any one on writing for it can receive a sample copy of the Free Press free.

Advertisement for Ruggles & Johnson, MILLINERY and DRESS-MAKING, Hats, Dress Trimmings and a General Assortment of Millinery Goods. We have just received a nice line of fall goods. Call and see them. TILLAMOOK, OREGON.

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Advertisement for 'The Headlight' newspaper, listing subscription rates and advertising prices.

What a delightful winter! Tillamook is being heard from. Senator Hearst of California is reported dying. Penoyer's message is to be a tame affair, so he says. It is thought now that the hostile Indians will surrender. The Free Coinage men are confident of success in this Congress. Senator Stanford will be re-elected by the California Legislature. Salem will be more than unusually lively for the next two months. We have private advices, assuring us that Senator J. H. Mitchell will be re-elected. The question of consolidation is agitating Portland and her suburbs on the east side of the river. The prospects for a railroad through Tillamook at an early date were never brighter than at present. Penoyer for President! How would his name look at the head of the national Democratic ticket! But, it can never be. Senator Mitchell is in Washington attending to his official duties, and is willing to leave the chances for his re-election in the hands of the Legislature. He is all right. The Oregonian is making a valiant fight to have the Columbia and Willamette effectually opened for navigation in their upper courses. The Oregon legislature is in session and the people are anxiously watching for some sensible action regarding the assessment and the usury laws. The \$250,000 appropriation for Oregon's exhibit at the World's Fair is likely to fail. The amount appropriated will probably not be over half that. There is a great deal of excitement over a few thousand hostile Indians. They may get loose some night and massacre over sixty million white people! The Senatorial fights are waxing warm in several states. If the people could get a say with their little ballots, the contests would be settled soon and satisfactorily. A careful and rigid enforcement of the law authorizing the sheriff to enforce the collection of delinquent taxes, will greatly lighten the burden of the tax-payers in this county. Hon. Joe Simon, of Portland has been chosen President of the Senate, and Hon. T. T. Geer, of Salem, was elected Speaker of the House. The Legislature will be working in order at once.

Large advertisement for H. C. HALD & CO. BAY CITY, ORE., featuring 'TILLAMOOK HEADLIGHT' and 'JOB PRINTING HOUSE' with a decorative border.

Vertical text on the right edge of the page, including names like 'Gover', 'Clerk', 'Sheriff', 'Assessor', 'Surveyor', 'School Deputy', 'First Supt.', 'J. C. M.', 'S. J.', 'Sunday School', 'Prayer', 'If you are in the under court house', 'APPOINTMENT', 'First Supt.', 'Second Supt.', 'Third Supt.', 'Fourth Supt.', 'Services A Covidial', 'ALBAN', 'LOCAL FAIR', 'BETWEEN', 'MAIL', 'For tickets', 'R. KOEN', 'Ma'.