

## THE PLANKED ROADS.

County Judge says They will turn out a Success, Despite the Kickers.

Several of the county officials and a few citizens went out to inspect the planked road on Monday in the south part of the county, when the new road going round the green hill was connected with the old road. County Judge Sappington and his crew were busy completing the last few yards of the road, when the work as far as this year is concerned planking roads in this county will have to stop for lack of funds. As to the cost of constructing the planked road, of which seven miles is laid, the county judge informs us he is going to total up the different items and intends making a statement in the near future. Like every departure from the old rut and reaching out for improvements in road making, it is of course natural to expect that a good deal of fault finding will be heard in some quarters, yet the very people loudest in their criticism never stop to count the cost or take into consideration the impassable condition of some of these roads in the winter after large sums have been used to keep them in repair. The main question to be decided, and upon which the county is experimenting, is not whether the plank should be two feet longer, or that some of the petitioners and viewers had erred in locating some parts of the road, or that the grade may be too steep in some places. There may be or may not be room for complaint, but that is immaterial. The most cranky must admit that the planked road is a wonderful improvement over chuck holes and hauling in mire and slush up to the hub, with all danger now avoided by bridges being constructed over a number of creeks. How long the planked road and the long trussel work over the swamp lands will remain fit to travel over, we are not an authority on that point or able to predict. Possibly it will be found more economical in the future the saw the plank two feet longer, especially for roads with grades somewhat steep, and as to the best location of roads too much supervision cannot be exercised. It may be, however, that too much supervision is now exercised by petitioners and viewers to the detriment of a road, that is if their objects are more for personal than public consideration. However this may be, it is well to be guided in the future by the experience of the past. County Judge Sappington has banked his reputation on planked roads for this county where good gravel cannot be obtained, and he is confident it is going to turn out a success, despite those who are doing some tall talking about spending so much road money in one part of the county. One thing is certain, there is some pleasure in traveling over the new planked roads in this county, and those who still want chuck holes and mire to wallow in will, no doubt, find plenty of places where they can do this before all the main roads in the county are planked.

## THE BITER GETS BIT.

The Conscience of the Tinhorn Brag Begins to Smite Him.

Surely Watson's conscience must have been pricking him sorely when the effects of his recent debauch had worked off, for he says (referring to the editor of this paper): "One takes letters out of the post office that doesn't belong to him and uses them to his own profit," but he forgets to mention how he came into possession of two letters and published two homestead notices which were sent from the land office for publication in the Headlight. We never accused Watson of taking these letters from the post office and using them for his own profit, but having satisfied himself that the letters had miscarried in sorting—or one of those little mistakes which will once in a while occur in a well regulated office—we let it go at that and should never have mentioned it unless Watson's conscience had been troubling him some. But because a letter miscarried in the opposite direction to the above while the editor was away from the city and the mistake not detected until his return, is it not plain to see what a terrible mare's nest Watson has fallen into when he accuses us of taking letters out of the post office that doesn't belong to us. We are conscious of doing the honorable thing when the mistake was discovered, and had Watson done the same thing under like circumstances his conscience would not be troubling him like a nightmare.

As to Watson's chronic bombastic abuse of some people and the readiness with which he falls all over himself to palaver others, what else can be expected from—just a tin kittle blowhard? He has not only betrayed the confidence of a number of well intentioned citizens who brought him here for a certain purpose from Nehalem when he was financially busted, and who backed his note and bestowed upon him their patronage and support, but he has placed these very citizens in a predicament if ever we are forced to probe into this to prove more conclusively what a traitor he is. Only fancy, the law and order element, with their support and patronage, keeping Watson on a jag for a whole week, for, as one of the business men remarked, "He no sooner gets a dollar than he guzzles it down his neck." This is as much as we care to say at present about Tillamook's tin-horn gambler, swill barrel moralist and rickniny moulder of public opinion

who's always on time for free drinks before breakfast.

## TILLAMOOK WEATHER.

| Oct  | Temperature. | Maxi- | Mini-  | Mean. | Rain- |
|------|--------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|
| 1    | 57           | 44    | 50.1   | 0.54  |       |
| 2    | 62           | 42    | 52.0   | 0.02  |       |
| 3    | 72           | 45    | 58.0   | 0.00  |       |
| 4    | 82           | 59    | 70.1   | 0.00  |       |
| 5    | 70           | 45    | 57.1   | 0.00  |       |
| 6    | 62           | 53    | 57.1   | 0.04  |       |
| 7    | 66           | 43    | 54.1   | 0.03  |       |
| 8    | 64           | 54    | 59.0   | 0.32  |       |
| 9    | 57           | 47    | 52.0   | 0.04  |       |
| 10   | 55           | 41    | 48.0   | 0.03  |       |
| 11   | 54           | 36    | 45.0   | 0.04  |       |
| 12   | 56           | 34    | 45.0   | 0.03  |       |
| 13   | 55           | 31    | 43.0   | 0.00  |       |
| 14   | 51           | 29    | 40.0   | 0.00  |       |
| 15   | 55           | 41    | 48.0   | 0.11  |       |
| 16   | 56           | 50    | 53.0   | 2.04  |       |
| 17   | 57           | 45    | 51.0   | 0.04  |       |
| 18   | 58           | 49    | 53.1   | 1.50  |       |
| 19   | 58           | 48    | 53.0   | 1.30  |       |
| 20   | 59           | 48    | 53.1   | 0.85  |       |
| 21   | 57           | 44    | 50.1   | 0.04  |       |
| 22   | 56           | 44    | 50.0   | 0.60  |       |
| 23   | 55           | 39    | 47.0   | 0.00  |       |
| 24   | 55           | 40    | 51.0   | 0.60  |       |
| 25   | 57           | 40    | 48.1   | 0.02  |       |
| 26   | 62           | 49    | 55.1   | 0.30  |       |
| 27   | 61           | 51    | 55.1   | T.    |       |
| 28   | 64           | 43    | 53.1   | 0.00  |       |
| 29   | 62           | 41    | 51.1   | 0.00  |       |
| 30   | 60           | 42    | 51.0   | 0.00  |       |
| 31   | 63           | 44    | 53.1   | 0.00  |       |
| Sum. | 1863         | 1367  | 1609.4 | 8.55  |       |

Mean 60.3 ... 44.3 ... 51.4 ... 0.00  
SUMMARY.—Mean temp., 51.4; max. temp., 82; date, 4th. Min. temp. 29; dates, 14th. Total precip. inches, 8.55; total snowfall inches, 0; number of days clear, 3; partly cloudy, 5; cloudy, 23. Dates of frost—Light, 12th and 13th. Killing, 14th. Dates of hail, 1st, 19th and 20; sleet, 0; thunder storms, 19th; auroras, 0. Prevailing wind—Direction, S. W.  
REMARKS.—T trace; 14th, first killing frost; 19th, thunder storm along the coast.

CAPT. JOSEPH J. DAWSON,  
Voluntary Observer.

## BLAINE.

A hot time in Blaine. Hurb Chatman undertook to cross a creek with his young bronco when the horse got to jumping, and off went Hurb in the water, but no damage done.

Mr. Cady, Charley Sears and J. Creecy went hunting. Mr. Cady run onto a large panther and killed it. The hide measured 9ft. from tip to tip, and Mr. Creecy got a fine deer.

Mr. Dillow went out hunting and succeeded in crippling the largest bear that roams the Nestucca jungles.

Pearl Colson and Jean Rolan went hunting, but never got a deer.

Mrs. Creecy has returned from a visit with her father.

Seath Moon is home from Jones, where he has been at work.

Dave Colson is trapping for a large wild cat that came after a deer hide that he had stretched on his house.

Geo. Smith has returned from a trip to the valley.

## WILSON RIVER.

Pete Norberg and wife, of Nestocton, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting in this neighborhood.

Mrs. Chas. Lundquist, of Hobsonville, visited at L. G. Freeman's Sunday, and returned home Monday. We hoped to get Charley and wife as neighbors, but he says if he can't get a place that the river doesn't cut away he won't have any.

Gust Wicklund went after his hack at the Wilson river ford Thursday, which was left there on account of high water on their return from Portland the previous week.

Little Elsie Glad had the misfortune to hook a buttonhook into her tongue last Sunday, inflicting a painful wound.

The little children of this school district are very busy preparing for the exhibition at the close of school on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Johnson, of Trask river, were the pleasant guests of Mr. Glads Sunday. They said that their son Johnny would go to Portland on Tuesday to visit his brother Lewis.

N. G. Boquist and family spent Sunday at the home of A. Carlson's at Fairview.

## BEAVER.

Miss Lena Wolf visited her friends at Blaine the latter part of last week.

Rev. Buckley left for Sacramento, Cal., where he expects to spend the winter.

Mrs. Flin and children left for Portland, where they expect to join Mr. Flin, who has a situation with the O. R. & N. Co. as book keeper; they leave many well wishing friends here.

Every available building at this place seems to be occupied at present. Two families from Idaho just landed here last Friday from Moscow. They expect to make this their future home. They say more families will follow them next spring. They brought 14 head of horses, mostly good work horses, and they are offering two span and harness for sale; also two wagons or trade for milk cows.

Beaver is looking forward to this coming Sunday as the largest gathering of people that has ever met at Beaver any one time, as the new United Brethren church will be dedicated at eleven o'clock. Ample arrangements have been made for dinner and horse feed free.

Beaver on last Sunday was agreeably surprised when they learned that one o

the new comers, Rev. Mr. Tresenriter, was a preacher. Of course he preached.

## COULSONBURG.

Rev. C. Mills made this place a pleasant call Monday.

Mrs. Perley Coulson and children, of Blaine, have been visiting in this locality the past two weeks, but have now returned home. Mrs. Coulson seems to be somewhat improved in health.

M. Swabb and W. West went to Tillamook Friday.

Messrs. Howton and Tresenriter and their families have just arrived at Beaver. They came from Idaho and came the entire route by wagon. They seem to be quite well satisfied with the country.

Mr. Tresenriter, accompanied by C. Mills, was up this way Friday looking for claims.

Rev. Dollarhide delivered a very interesting sermon at the schoolhouse Sunday forenoon, and Mr. Chapman, of Blaine, conducted the afternoon service.

Mrs. Swabb is suffering from a gathering on her finger.

R. Davis and son Ed were in from the logging camp Saturday and Sunday, returning again on Monday.

The nice weather of the past few days is highly appreciated by our citizens.

## ORETOWN.

One of the twin baby girls belonging to A. Commons died Oct. 20.

Mrs. Will Christenson gave birth to a daughter Oct. 27.

The cannery is still running.

The cheese factory closed Oct. 30.

Mr. Shaffer has sold his ranch to a Mr. Potter, who has already moved into his new home.

Mr. Page came in from the valley last week and says his family feel somewhat homesick.

Mrs. Potet and two sons have gone to Portland to spend the winter.

Mr. Shaffer and wife have gone to North Yamhill.

Elenora Redburg has returned home after spending two years with Grandma Penter.

## NEHALEM.

Fish still running pretty well.

1,000 salmon per day were hauled down the beach to the Garibaldi cannery for several days.

R. Krebs delivered 1,570 boxes to the cannery on Friday last.

The Woodman Goat still gets exercise enough to keep him in good trim.

C. H. Wheeler came in last week.

It is rumored that the mill will shortly start up again; there are about 3,000,000 feet of logs on hand.

Miss Ida Leudtke was called to Tillamook to her mother, who is dangerously ill.

Friends of Mrs. W. Eason will be pleased to learn that she has nearly recovered from the effects of her fall.

The Elmore came in on Tuesday last, and left again on Wednesday with a load of salmon.

Mohammed, the Terrible Turk, is billed to appear in Nehalem this week.

Nehalem Literary Society will hold its first meeting of the season on Thursday night.

Another case of a man being mistaken for a bear occurred about five miles east of Glendale. The result is that Gilbert Gilbertson, a Swede, is crippled for life by a shot from a 44-caliber Winchester in the hands of Chris Hagan, a 17-year-old boy with whom he was out hunting. The two had separated and agreed to meet at a certain point. Gilbertson reached the place first and sat down to wait. Hagan coming up, mistook him for a bear and fired at short range, the ball taking effect squarely in the left shoulder and badly shattered it. Gilbertson is a poor man with a small family, and should be survive will be a cripple for life.

Deputy Sheriff H. J. Day has been found to be a defaulter to the amount of a little more than \$2100, at Eugene, Or. He went to Portland last Friday on business, and telegraphed his wife from Portland, Sunday, that he would be home Tuesday. Since then nothing has been heard of him. A reward of \$100 has been offered for his arrest. His defalcation is a great surprise to his friends, as he has always been considered trustworthy. The money taken was tax money collected in the past two months.

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## Filipinos Know All Otis' Plans.

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—A dispatch to the World from London says: Senor Antonio Regidor de Jurado, who, it is believed, is to act as Aguinaldo's envoy for the purpose of presenting peace terms to the authorities in Washington, arrived here today from Madrid. To a World correspondent he declared that one of his missions to the American capital was to lay the grievances of the secular priests in the Philippines against the friars before the Washington government.

"The friars," he said, "have placed themselves under the protection of General Otis, and are appropriating the property of secular priesthood. I am also asked by an influential committee of bankers and merchants in Manila to use any available opportunity while at Washington to sound your government as to the best terms of peace."

When asked the direct question whether or not he was specifically accredited by Aguinaldo, Senor Regidor diplomatically replied that he might be so accredited before he started for Washington, which would be the latter part of November.

"Have you noticed the dispatches today stating that Aguinaldo had opened communication with General Otis from Tarlac?" was asked.

"I place no reliance on these reports," was the reply. "My latest private information from leading members of the Filipino assembly is that Aguinaldo will make no move toward peace until he sees what congress intends to do. He considers it a waste of time to treat with General Otis."

"If congress decides that the Philippines are to have self-government, then peace will ensue certainly, but if a military government is decreed, war will continue to the end. It will take 300,000 men to effect the conquest of the Philippines and 600,000 to maintain order there afterward. Aguinaldo and the Filipino generals know what General Otis' forthcoming campaign is to be. They only smile at it. Otis will make no impression on the country."

"What do they say of the Philippine situation in Madrid?"

"I talked with a number of Spanish statesmen and generals who had experience in the Philippines. They were all pleased to see that the United States had found the subjugation of the Philippines not such an easy matter as had been expected. They declared it an impossible achievement in the manner in which the Americans were proceeding. The Filipinos have offered to release the Spanish prisoners if Spain will recognize Filipino independence, but Spain, while anxious to get the soldiers freed, does not want to offend the United States."

"Do you think peace is coming?"

"That depends on congress. A quick, honorable settlement would be far more advantageous to the United States than this unending, inconclusive war. But the Filipinos will not stand a military government. They had enough of that from the Spaniards, and it never succeeded."

Senor Regidor is a typical Filipino. He is over 60 years of age, suave in manner, and speaks English fluently, having practiced as a Spanish advocate in London 30 years ago, where, in commercial circles, he is highly respected both personally and professionally.

The navy department has received a report from Captain Leary, the naval governor of the island of Guam, in the Ladrone. The president himself has read the report, his interest being particularly attracted by the disclosure of the fact that the first American governor of an island has already been obliged to adopt heroic measures to insure the proper administration of affairs there. Leary soon learned his authority as governor was being subverted and every measure of reform which he proposed was being defeated by the hostile influence of the friars. They resisted every decree, in the belief that any disturbance of the order of things which governed the island for so many years would cause them to lose their hold upon the natives. After exhausting all other means to overcome this influence, Leary reports he was obliged to notify a half dozen friars that they might have free transportation from the island, and he should expect them to avail themselves of the offer. They left. But one friar is in the island, and he was a man of such character and reputation as to convince Leary of his fitness to remain.

Three companies of Colonel Bell's regiment had two encounters with the insurgents near La Bam, and scattered them. The insurgents left four officers and eight men on the field, and the Americans captured several guns. On the American side one man was killed and two officers and six men wounded.

Vice President Hobart, who has been ill for weeks at his home in Paterson, N. J., suffered a relapse Monday morning. He had succession of choking spells, resulting from an imperfect action of the heart, an old affliction, complicated with inflammation of the stomach. Mr. Hobart has not been able to attend to his private affairs for the past two or three days, and an intimate friend has been given power of attorney to attend to his business.

## BRITISH ARE DEFEATED.

Boers Capture Two Regiments and a Mounted battery.

LONDON, Oct. 31.—A dispatch from General White, commanding the British forces at Ladysmith, reports that the Royal Irish fusiliers, a mounted battery and the Gloucestershire regiment were surrounded in the hills by Boers, and that after losing heavily they were obliged to capitulate. The casualties have not yet been ascertained.

LONDON, Oct. 31.—Following is the text of General White's dispatch to the war office:

"Ladysmith, Oct. 30.—10:45 p. m.—I have to report a disaster to the column sent by me to take a position on a hill to guard the left flank of the troops. In these operations today the Royal Irish fusiliers, No. 10 mountain battery and the Gloucestershire regiment were surrounded in the hills, and after losing heavily, had to capitulate. Casualties have not yet been ascertained."

"A man of the fusiliers employed as a hospital orderly came in under a flag of truce with a letter from the survivors of the column, who asked for assistance to bury the dead. I fear there is no doubt of the truth of the report. I formed a plan in carrying out of which the disaster occurred, and I am alone responsible for the plan. There is no blame whatever to the troops, as the position was untenable."

## Dewey is Courting a Widow.

Admiral Dewey announced to some of his more intimate friends the fact of his engagement to Mrs. W. B. Hazen of Washington. Mrs. Hazen is the widow of General Hazen, formerly chief signal officer of the army, who died 10 years ago, and is a sister of John R. McLean, democratic candidate for governor of Ohio. Mrs. Hazen has no children, and since her husband's death has made her home with her mother. She is a woman of large means, about 40 years of age and popular in the best society circles of Washington. The admiral visited Lafayette Square theater, and while there communicated the news to some of his near friends and to Secretary Long, who occupied one of the boxes. While the date of the wedding is not definitely known, the understanding is that it will take place some time during November. Rumor has connected the names of the admiral and Mrs. Hazen for some time, but little attention was paid to the matter.

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"FAST MAIL ROUTE."  
Leaves for the East via Walla Walla and Spokane daily at 7:30 p. m. Arrives at 10:15 a. m.

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Dalles accommodation leaves daily except Sunday at 8 a. m. Arrives Astoria daily, except Sunday, at 6:30 p. m.

THROUGH PULLMAN AND TOURIST SLEEPERS.

Water lines schedule subject to change without notice.

OCEAN AND RIVER SCHEDULE.

STEAMER DIVISION.—Steamships sail from Astoria dock at 5 p. m. For San Francisco Geo. W. Elder sails October 4, 11, 20 and 29; Columbia sails October 5, 14 and 23; State of California sails October 8, 17 and 26.

COLUMBIA RIVER SUMMER SCHEDULE.

PORTLAND, ASTORIA AND THE COAST. Steamer R. R. Thompson leaves Portland daily, except Sunday, at 8 p. m., on Saturday at 10 p. m. Returning, leaves Astoria daily, except Sunday, at 8 a. m.

WILLAMETTE RIVER ROUTE.

PORTLAND AND SALEM. Steamer Ruth, for Salem and way points leaves Portland Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 a. m. Returning, leaves Salem Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 7:15 a. m.

YAMHILL RIVER ROUTE.

Steamer Mollie, for Layton and way points leaves Portland Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 7 a. m. Returning, leaves Dayton for Portland and way points Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 a. m.

Steamer Almota leaves Riparia Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 1:45 a. m., a ter ar rival of train from Spokane and Portland.

Leaves Lewiston, returning, Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 a. m.

Steamer Lewiston leaves Riparia Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1:45 a. m.; after arrival of train from Spokane and Portland.

Leaves Lewiston Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays at 6 a. m.

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## LONG DRIVE FOR WAGER.

An Indiana Man Rides to Portland, Ore., Behind a Span of Yearling Ponies.

A rather unique looking procession wended its way down the main street of Barker City, Ore., recently, on its way to Portland. The outfit consisted of three covered wagons, followed by a carriage drawn by a pair of thoroughbred yearling ponies. It was the latter that attracted the most attention, says the San Francisco Examiner.

In the carriage sat an old man, whose weather-beaten face showed the influence of the effects of sun and wind. To a reporter he said: "My name is H. H. Slyter. My family and self started on April 11 from Howard county, Ind., to cross the country to Portland. We are traveling on a wager, and this is what the wager is. Do you see this team of ponies. They're thoroughbreds."

"A man in our county in Indiana said that that team of yearlings couldn't cross the country to Portland and live through the trip. We are not limited as to time, and just took our own time to make the journey. We followed the Union Pacific to Granger, and from there to Rawlins, Wyo. From Rawlins we came across country to Boise, and from there to this city. We are taking it easy, still we cover a good many miles in a day. We have had some pretty tough experiences; yet, to take it altogether, we got along all right. At one time this team I'm driving traveled 13 miles without hay, yet you see how they look."

"What's the wager? Well, that's between me and the man that made it. I report to his agent when I get to Portland. I'll win the wager, then me and my folks will go farming."

## CAT KILLS A TURTLE.

Pass Meets with a New Kind of Creature and Has a Hard Time of It.

Farmer Egerton has a large cat named Scrapper which has long been the terror of all the dogs and cats in the neighborhood. One day lately he met his match in a large turtle. Discovering the queer creature taking a leisurely promenade in the meadow, Scrapper leaped on its back and clawed away at a lively rate. The turtle seemed to rather enjoy the performance, so Scrapper changed his tactics. He soon saw where the turtle's head came out, and he sat down to watch the spot, reports the New York Press.

Presently the turtle peeped out to see if his enemy was gone. Scrapper made a grab and missed. This was repeated three times, and then the turtle, keeping his head safely inside the shell, put out his feet and attempted to crawl away. Then Scrapper caught a foot of the turtle with his teeth, and the fight began in earnest. The turtle pulled and struggled, but, finding itself being pulled away, put out its head and with a quick snap caught one of the cat's hind feet in its viselike jaws. Scrapper pulled, bit and scratched, and doubtless would have called the fight off, but the turtle held on in triumph.

Finally Scrapper secured a good hold of the turtle's head, and the turtle would have withdrawn if he could. But the victorious Scrapper was in a short time limping home with the turtle's head in his mouth, as a trophy of his hard-fought battle.

## HORSES IN CLOTHES.

Where the Animals Wear Coats and Trousers for Protection Against Flies.

All have heard of the ravages of the terrible tsetse fly of Africa, which is so fatal to cattle and horses that none of these animals can approach with impunity the so-called