TILLAMOOK INLAND TRANSPORTATION

And Tillamook City 33 Years Ago, as told by one of our Old Settlers.

The old settler in his reminisences of the past always has one advantage, just as a man would have who made the assertion that thereason of the ruddy appearance of the planet Mars was because its inhabitants are all red-headed. If you don't believe it then let us set you prove that it isn't true But what I am going to relate this time does not border on even the improbable, but a simple fact not uncommon in Tillamook's primary settlement of the long ago, and doubtless at times experienced in worse duplicates by the still older settlers of those early days.

David Reasoner, now a resident of Tillamook City, whom I shall call in this story for the sake of brevity simply Dave, settled in the fall of 1866 on the now Dr. Milis' farm in Pleasant Valley, then, for some reason called Burnt Prairie, and myself settled the same season at the place sometimes known as the Old Orchard, south of the Quick place on South Prairie.

In those days we had two ways of getting from the south to Tillamook Citywhose legal name then was Lincoln, but more simply known among the settlers as The Landing. One was by wagon road via Earl's ford, and the other was by taking a boat at the lower end of the prairie on South Prairie slough and pulling down into the Tillamook and thence on around into Hoquarton slough and up to The Landing. To this sometimes was added a third route from the upper end of South Prairie, through Long Prairie, crossing the Trask at William Johnson's-a roundabout way and generally avoided whenever the other routes were practicable, but in the winter season, as there was no bridges those days, the water route was a very common way of getting to town by the southern settlers for their sup plies.

Sunday, Feb. 16th, 1867, Dave and I-the reason why this time is so accurately remembered will appear later on-made an agreement to go to The Landing next temp., 55; date, 1st, 21st and 23rd day by boat, as the Trask was then up and past fording. He was to come down Min. temp., 28; dates, 14th and 16th. that evening as far as Nick Harper's, now the Simmons' place, in order to be on the Total precip. inches, 12.63; total snowground for an early start, as it was a hard day's pull around and beck in one day, intending to ride his mare to the slough and leaving her there until our return 0; partly cloudy, 3; cloudy, 25. Dates But Dave's breakfast hung fire that morning, and giving him up, I started out alone, secured a boat, and pulled around to the city, getting there by half past 11 15th and 16th. Dates of hail, 6th, 8th, o'clock. Half hour later, a little to my surprise, Dave arrived. He, finding me gone, when he came along, and hopeless of overtaking me, rode on over to Long tion W. Prairie, leaving his mare at Newkirk, now the Rogers' place, crossed the river in a boat at Earl's, and came on afoot, arriving at The Landing a little later than my. self, as before mentioned.

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As Dave intended returning with me in the boat, and knowing of the long hard pull in prospect around and up against the then swollen current of the Tillamook, we hurried our preparations to start, Dave securing two sacks of flour and some other articles, and I one sack—for which I had to "run my face" at the time—we lether articles, and I one sack—for which I had to "run my face" at the time—we loaded our craft and started for home.

But before leaving the city a brief description of it, as it was at that time, might be of interest to some. London has grown since then. The one store of the place stood near where the former residence of William Olsen was, that was burned a few years since. The residence of Grandpa Stillwell, who practically owned the town, was somewheres back of the Beals' building, constructed of split boards Here also Gosney & Johnson maintained-always in danger of bankruptcy-the only hotel of the place. West of the store stood an old building used as a black. smith shop, held, when in use, by one Carr. G. W. Blackwell, who had homesteaded the now Thayer addition, had his cabin not far I think from the present Headlight office. A few acres of land, more or less, here was no object then. Blackwell claimed everything in sight, and reckless of lines, built far to the west over on to the Stillwell ranch, which was originally the Thomas donation land claim. A later survey by John Day proved Blackwell to be over the line 14 rods. But Blackwell moved back without contention, for what was a mere strip of fern worth 14 rols wide running back toward the present Harrison creamery. Another store building was in process of erection and occupation for business by one Gipson where the Beals' building now stands. G. W. Miller, the proprietor of the first store mentioned, resided on his homestead east of town, in now what is Park addition. Members of his family yet live in Tillamook and vicinity. Bob Cook owned the claim, now the Goodspeed property, and resided in a small building near the old Goodspeed dwelling. Bob undertook in the previous fall to erect on his place what he intended to be the queen residence of the city. He went as far as the erection of the frame, when his business as a sailor called him away on the schooner to Portland. During his absence a southwest gale blew his building down, thereby collapsing Bob financially for some years. The schooner J. C. Champion, owned by Captain James Quick, who lived some miles east of town, run on the trade to Portland, making perhaps four or five trips per annum. Of only 30 tons burden her passage was slow and tedious, her arrival at the home port was always a day of excitement, discharging her carge from the old natural slip, near the present wharf of Cohn & Co. Once this work completed and her contents hauled away by the settlers, everybody went home, leaving the schooner until the next trip to rock lonesomely with the flood and ebb of the tide.

In the line of the flood and ebb of the tide.

There you have Lincoln, later Tillamook, as it was that stormy, gloomy winter of 1866.7. The fern back of the now Headlight office, and also on block 10, the Hutchin's block, grew big enough for wagon tongues. A man to settle out about the Drew residence and claiming that he belonged to town would have been as absured as an allegation that he owned a share in the moon. Geese and ducks held undisturbed high carnival the winter long in the Harrison swamp. The timber dairy farms of John Svenson, the Wicklunds, and G. Freeman lay yet in the distribution of the primitive environments of a primitive town mold with their surroundings, generous, usually honest, neighborly, each man knowing all the other fellows. A simplicity and directness prevailed that was sometimes very refreshing.

"It is impossible to convict for crime in Tillamook county," as near as I can remember was the comment in an issue of the Orgonian of that period, "when the law woodshed at their central village, an open free for all discussion of the case follows, inequalities in the testimony of witnesses is lopped of concessions, exacted all around, joking over the humorous sides of the case set in, and in a flood of hilarity and general good will the case is swept from the docket, the prisoned fine the flows, and the case is swept from the docket, the prisoned fine the flows in the prisoned fine the about our produce and fright in our goods by the same process. We have a fair entrance from the sea to Nestucca Bay, but of late time tremeted to haul out our produce and fright in our goods by the same process. We have

and in a flood of hilarity and general good will the case is swept from the docket, remedy, and I am aware that the first the prisoner discharged, and a collection taken upon the spot for the benefit of his f mily,"all of which was intended to be very pungent and witty, but it was proven I would say that the resources of this conclusively at the time to be a glaring falsehood. The biggest lie the Oregonian ever told, from the simple fact that the town had no woodsheds in it.

The old landing on South Prairie slough was about two bundred yards from the prairie, a rough boggy trail connecting. Dave and I reached the landing that part of the state. Dairying is the princinight after dark, it being impossible to get out with our freight through the ple industry. The salmon-fishing indus-Egyptian blackness then, we piled it up under a sheltering tree, high enough to try may be said to be, second in imporclear the tide, and floundered out unladen over the uneven trail the best we could, tauce, while many other valuable indus-Dave stopping over night with a Mr. Stallcup, a renter on the Harris place, I tries would be developed with proper going on home. The next morning it was snowing hard, but I went back to the transportation facilities. landing, secured my sack of flour and got it home, that one sack costing me a day and half of hard labor to freight it home, but that being not unusual those days, the bay nearly 5000 cases of salmon, and it excited no comment, but Dave was not to get off so easy. In the hard storm h: had to go after his mare, which, as before mentioned, he had left the morning ment since October or November. A large previous at Long Prairie. When he got back to the Harris place it was in the afternoon, the tide was in, and being unusually high, he found it impossible to get weather last Summer. All of this is for into the landing where he had left his flour, consequently he stopped over another Portland. Nor is this all. Several tons night with Mr. Stalleup. The next morning. The storm yet continuing, nevertheless of merchandise is hauled in annually Dave succeeded in securing his flour, packed up and that day got only as far as over the wagon roads at great expense. Simmon's place, in "those days," there was only what might be properly called a At the present time my whole stock of sled road, about two miles to the old Mansfield claim, now known as the Munson winter supplies, ordered last October, place, this road was very narrow, and this particular snow storm is yet wel, has been held up between here and Astoremembered by some of us for its unusual length and depth of fall for the time of ria, and are now in a warehouse in Tillayear. The evening of the 19th February, that year, it measured 14 inches deep in mook Bay. Pleasant Valley, and the snow being wet, weighted down the brush and limbs o e the narrow road in every conceivable shape, rendering traveling very slow and dis hope is to secure the extention of the agreeable. Dave was yet two miles from home, half of this distance connected by Southern Pacific Railroad from Sheridan a narrow trail, which the heavy snow as before noticed had almost completely to the coast, or the building of a line by obliterated, "and the evening and morning were the fourth day," getting two a local company and Portland capitalists. s. cks o flour ten miles, and Dave's deliverance seemed to have come, for he got home The distance is nearly 42 miles of nearly in the afternoon, after a fearful struggle over his obstructed trail, with scarcely a level ground. The first 15 miles will be "dry thread on him." But after hearrived home he found his troubles were not over through a good farming country, and yet, the difficulties of his trip seemed stretched out to the crack of doom, for in there will be no expensive bridges to undertaking to start a fire, he found to his intense disgust that his matches had build. d awn dampness during his absence, and would not ignite. He stamped around a "This is one of the best Summer rewhile with them under his arm, endeavoring to dry them with the animal heat of sorts along the Coast, and is accessible body, but it was "no go." Now we have no record of the density of the sulphurous to the very heart of the interior, and a atmosphere there existed around that lonely cabin in the then wilds of Pleasant good passenger travel would be main-Valley about the time that David Reasoner started to go back one mile over the tained most of the year. trail again to the nearest house for dry matches.

TILLAMOOK WEATHER.

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Feb.	1	Cemp Maxi- num.		ture. Mini- mum.		Mean.		Rain fall.
1		55		39		47.0		0.22
2		50	***	45		47.1	***	1.67
3	***	52	***	42		47.0	***	0.42
4	***	50		38	***	44.0	***	0.14
5	***	47	***	37		42.0	***	0.22
6	***	48	***	34	***	41.0		0.53
7		48	***	34	***	41.0		0.32
8		49		39		44.0	***	1.57
9		51	***	46		48.1	***	0.10
10		52	***	45		48.1	***	0.22
11		48		38		43.0		0.35
12		45		32	***	38.1	***	0.22
13		42	***	30		36.0	***	0.22
14		43	***	28		35.1	***	0.15
15	***	39	***	29	***	34.0	***	0.02
16	***	45	***	28	***	36.1	***	0.00
17	***	46	***	35	***	40.1		0.75
18	***	54		39		46.1	***	0.42
19	***	52		42	***	47.0	***	0.82
20		54		43	***	48.1	***	0.45
21	***	55	***	48		51.1	***	1.87
22		52		44	***	48.0	***	0.46
23		55		37	***	46 0	***	0.01
24	***	52	***	42		46.0	***	0.47
25	***	51	***	38		44.1	***	0.02
26	***	50	***	39	***	44.1	***	0.22
27	***	52		36	***	44.0	***	T.
28	***	52	***	42	***	47.0		0.77
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Ma.	4	0.5	9	0.5		49 5		0.00

SUMMARY.-Mean temp., 42.5; max. fall inches, 7-10; number of days clear, of frost-Light, 13th and 14th Killing, 14th and 21: sleet, 0; thunder storms, 0; auroras, 0. Prevailing wind-Direc-

From the 16th of March 1900, to the and govern yourselves accordingly.

CAPT. JOSEPH J. DAWSON, Voluntary Observer.

RAILROAD AGITATION.

Luce writes to the Portland Board of Trade.

Tillamook people earnestly desire relief in the matter of securing railroad facihties, so they may market their produce.

J. Luce has addressed a letter setting forth the needs of the section, to the Board of Trade of this city, which has referred to an active committee. A rereferred it to an active committee. A re-

referred it to an active committee. A report will probably be made at the next meeting.

The letter states that the people of that section want to trade with Portland, and in order to do so must have better traffic accommodations. Reasons why a railroad is needed and why it would pay are given as follows:

"Believing that the Board of Trade is identified with the business interests of Portland, I take the liberty of writing you on a subject in which the people of Tillamook are vitally interested, and one which I believe should attract the attention of the business men of Portland. I refer to the question of transportation in this country.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.—NOTICE FOR FUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Oregon, Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878 entitled 'An act for the sale of timber lands in the State of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washing on Territory." as exembed to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892,

EMMA L. C. M. BAUFSK.

Of Portland, contry of Multnomah, State of Oregon, has this day ficed in this office her sworn statement No. 5146, for the purchase of the 88½ of Section 11, in Township 6 8, Range 10 W. and will offer port to show hat the I nd sought is more va uable for its timber or stone than for agriculture purpose, and to establish her claim to said land befor the Ragister and Receiver of this office at Oregon City, O eg n, on Mon tay, he 16th day of April, 1900. He manses as wi nesses:

John Westenberger, of Portland, Or.: Frank Riesch, of Emma, Or.; Stephen Bauer, of Nessowan, Or.; Michael Greineldinger, of Emma, Or. and all persons claiming adversely the in this country.

"The northern part of the county has fair facilities for transportation by sea from Actoria, but in the southern part from Astoria, but in the southern part,

question is, Would it pay? As to that, part of the county are practically unde-

veloped. "There are about 1500 people in this

"There are now in the warehouse on about 25 tons of cheese awaiting shipquantity was hauled out during good

"This is the situation, and our only

"We must have relief some way, even

if nothing more than a motor line, which would relieve the situation somewhat for a time."-Telegram.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Oregon City, Ore.,
February 24th. 1900.

Notice is hereby given that the followingnamed settler has filed notice of his intention
to make final proof in support of his claim, and
that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver, at Oregon City, Or., on April
10th, 1900, viz.:

ISAAC M. DONKEL,
H. E. 1165t, for the lots 3, 4 and 5 and 8w ¼ of
Nw ¼ sec. 2, Tp. 3 N, R. 8 W and lots 9 and 10,
200, 33. T. 4 N, 8 8 W.
He names the following witnesses to prove his
continuous residence upon and cultivation of
said land, viz:
Del Springer and Jacob Mundschenk, of Mishawaka, Oregon; John Cocoran, of Vine Maple,
Oregon; C. A. Nash, of Oregon City, Oregon;
Chas. B. Moorkes, Register.

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Land Office at Oregon City, Ore.
February 24th, 1900.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention on make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the tegister and Receiver, at Oregon City, Orego s, an April 10, 1900, viz:

and that said processes at Oregon Register and Receiver, at Oregon Research Research

Chas, B. Moores Register.

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Timer Land, Act June 3, 1878.—Notice For Publication

United States Land Office,
Oregon City, Oregon.

January 8th, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3rd, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory, as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

EVA MESSNER.

Of North Yamhill, county of Yamhill, State of Oregon, h s this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5,45, for the purchase of the Se ¼ of Ne ¼ and E ¼ of Se ¼ of Section No. 30, in Township 2 S. Range 7 W, and will offer proof to show that the land so., it is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Thursday the 22nd day of March, 1900. He names as witnesses.

Ostrom P. Merritt, William E. Merritt, Ollie S. Young and Curtis Jones, of North Yamhill, or Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their chima in this office on or before said 22nd day of March, 1900.

Chas. B. Moores, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Oregon City, Or.

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Land Office at Oregon City, Or.

January 27th, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Tillamook county, at Tillamook, Or., on March 21st, 1900, viz: on March 21st, 1900, viz:

JOSEPH SEVERANCE,

H.E. 11950, for the Se ¼ of Sec. 29, Tp. 2 N, R.

CHAS, B. MOORES, Register.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
United States Land Office.
Oregon City Oregon.
December 10th, 1899
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "Au act for the sale of timbe lands in h. S ates of Cal fornia Oregos, Nevada and Washington Te ri ory," as extended to all the Public Land States by ac of August 4, 1894.

oall the Public Land States by ac of August 4, 1892.

ABEL W. SEVERANCE.

Of Tillamook, county of Tillamook, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn stateme. t No. 513s, for the purchase f the E ½ of Sw 1, and Lots 3 and 4, of Section 30, in T wnship 2 N, Range 7 W, and will offer proof to show that he land sought is more valuable for is time or sone than for agricultural purposes n to cestablish his claim to said land before the Real-ter and Receiver of this office at Oregon City. Oregon, on Saturday, the 17th day of March 1900. He names as witnesses: Walter J. Smith, of Wilson, Or.; John E Tuttle, of Til amook Or.; J seph Severance, of Wilson, Or.; George Johnson, of Tillamook, Or.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described Ian s are requested to file their caims in this office on or before said 17th day of March 1909.

Chas. B. Moorres, Register.

CHAS. B MOORES, Register.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Orego», for Tillamook County. Jane Conklin, plaintiff,

vs.
Andrew Conklin,
defendant.
To Andrew Conkli , the above named defen-

To Andrew Corkli, the above named defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon.

You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled saise and court on or before the 9th day of April, 1900, said date being the first day of the next regular term of said court, and if you fail to appear and so answer in default there of the plaintiff will apply to said court for a decree as prayed for in said complaint, to wit:

That the bonds of matrimony now existing between you and plaintiff be disolved, and for such further or other relief as he court my deem to be just and equitable and for costs of this suit.

This summons is served upon you by publication thereof, in the Tillamook Headlight, by order of the Hon. G. W. applington, judge of said Tillamook county, Oregon, and made in the absence from a lid county of all the Honorable Circuit J dges of said court. Done at Chaybers in Tillamook city, in said county and state, this oth day of rebruary, 1900.

A. W. SEUERANCE,

Attorney for Plaintiff.

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