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BE A MAN.—The following beautiful piece of spring poetry (?) from the Astoria Transcript describes a few Salemites so well that it is given space in to-day's JOURNAL. It reads as follows: "That's right. If you have a competitor in business who is troublesome to cope with in an open, straightforward way, get in under his wing. If he is disposed to be neighborly and liberal—to ask no more than a fair and equal share of life's favors, or so much as his merits may win, don't you have it that way. Take the whole hog or none. Keep your eye peeled for every snap. Work behind the scenes all you can. Be sure and keep up a little clique of conspirators to help you out. These you will always need. Give your competitor a fill now and then. He'll take it all in. Oh, cert! He'll flush with delight under your blandishments and curl up under them like a sick kitten to a hot brick. He can't see the point. He isn't as shrewd as you are. He has no valid right to be in a community which besets his pathway with temptations and dangers. Bring all the sniveling of your instincts to bear in polite scheming to escort him out. Never neglect, by the way, to keep the pulling string on your clique. Have everything your own way or balk the whole business. Make them help you vanquish opposition, or snap their heads off. Then you can rest on your oars. You needn't do much for the community if there's no competitor there to do better. Then you live easy, make money die happy, go down to your rest like a little man and leave behind a name embodying all that was sagacious, benevolent, charitable, virtuous and successful in the attributes of humanity between man and man's creator." And—"of such is the kingdom of heaven."

FIRE FRIENDS.—The community above Lebanon has in its midst a wretch who has been playing his vocation as a fire fiend in a manner that is likely to terminate in an old-fashioned hanging-bee. His devilish work was frustrated last Friday night when an attempt was made to again burn the steam saw mill of O. Jennings & Co., situated on Hamilton creek. About six months ago their mill was burned, incurring a loss in the machinery alone of some \$1500. They succeeded in getting new machinery, and again started the mill. A month ago it was set on fire again, and would have been a total loss had they not discovered it in time. As it was they suffered a loss of about \$500 in machinery. After a hard struggle they succeeded in starting the mill again. They took the precaution to employ a night watchman, and on Friday night a third attempt was made to burn the mill. The guard discovered the fire in time, but made a noise which attracted the attention of the miscreant, who started to run into the brush. The guard fired twice at him with a shotgun loaded with buckshot, but failed to bring him down, but the watchman feels sure that the guilty one has been traced to his house. The arrest of the party is likely to be made soon. The guard thinks there were two or more parties present, although he saw but one. There is a general feeling to spare no pains to ferret out and punish the guilty party or parties.

FROM HIS OLD HOME.—The Observer-Journal of Dunkirk, N. Y., says: "Dr. Charles C. Curtis, formerly of this city, is now situated at Salem, Oregon." He says, in a letter: "This climate has agreed with me so well that I have nearly regained my health, and intend remaining here. Dr. Curtis has been well and favorably known here, and had an extensive practice. He has been practicing medicine for fifteen years, giving considerable attention to his specialty, his treatment of rectal diseases. His success in Salem will be cordially hoped for." The endorsement Dr. C. Curtis has received at his home will give our citizens confidence in him. His experience in the practice of homoeopathy will no doubt be appreciated by our people, as he intends making our city his home. We would be pleased for the doctor a share of the practice and have no doubt that those placing themselves under his care will do well.

RUNAWAY ACCIDENT.—Turner was the scene of a very exciting runaway yesterday. Mr. Kit Reed, quite an old gentleman, who resides about two miles from Turner, was in the town on business, and when passing along the street his team became frightened at a fish peddler's outfit and ran away. Mr. Reed was thrown from the wagon to the ground and in falling struck on his head and shoulders. He was badly bruised up, and being a man of about seventy years, it will make it much worse on him. He is the father of Mr. Reed, the Turner merchant. Dr. Smith, of Turner, called on the wounded man and dressed his wounds and he is now resting quite easy. The wagon was a total wreck and one of the horses was badly bruised. The old gentleman escaped luckily with his life.

RIVER NEWS.—The Modoc came down from Albany, to-day, and went on to Portland. The river is very low at the present time, the late rain did not raise it any.

Painful dental operations at Dr. T. C. Smith's, 90 State street.

IS IT THE RIGHT THING?

An Action by the Superintendent of the East Salem Public Schools Causes Comment.

Below is an exact copy of a circular or open letter sent out to the parents of the various scholars who are attending the East Salem Public Free School:

PENMANSHIP.
 "Parents, secure for your children, a plain, practical hand writing, and they will never want for pleasant and profitable employment."
 SALEM, October 22nd, 1889.

Permit me to urge that penmanship is one of the most important branches of a practical education, and one that does not receive by any means, the attention its importance demands. In view of this fact, arrangements have been made with Prof. F. M. Garrison, of Pacific University, for a thorough course of one month's instruction, to be given to the pupils of the East Salem school. Mr. Garrison is an enthusiastic specialist, possessing an experience in this work of nearly twenty years. Many of the citizens of Salem can testify to the efficiency of his skill and all will no doubt welcome his return. Each pupil is asked to pay the sum of \$1.00, and after paying Prof. Garrison for his services, the balance will be used in the purchase of a large bell for the school, and for such other purposes as shall be deemed most appropriate.

PREMIUMS.
 At the close of the course, an elegant prize will be awarded to the one making the most improvement, and also to the one who exhibits the finest specimen of writing. Hoping that the above may meet with your hearty approval, I am, Respectfully,
 S. A. RANDLE,
 City Supt.

The JOURNAL office has been visited by a large number of parents who have received the above circular asking information in regard to the matter, and a number have spared no pains in denouncing the whole proceedings.

In the first place the East Salem Public schools, is a free institution; that is it is legally supported by the taxation of the people. In the second place Prof. Randle says himself that "Penmanship is one of the most important branches of a practical education and one that does not receive by any means, the attention its importance demands."

The JOURNAL sanctions every word of the professor when he says that "Penmanship is one of the most important branches of a practical education, but cannot see why it should be one of the neglected branches of education as long as it is one of the most important elementary branches of the English education. The directors of this school when they engage teachers, are always sure that the person engaged are efficient enough to teach the common English branches, surely, if they do not, then it is time an investigation is made, and if there is a teacher in that educational institution that is not capable of teaching the "art of penmanship," then that teacher should be given a vacation until this important branch is mastered. Admitting that Prof. F. M. Garrison is a noted instructor in this art, and that he is a man of twenty years experience, is it right that parents should be asked to pay one dollar for the services of Prof. Garrison, who proposes to give one month's course, of an hour each day, in the building of the public school? Are parents to be compelled to pay a good rate of taxation and also be asked to support various instructors whom the directors of our public schools do not see fit to regularly employ? Surely not.

Another clause says, "After paying Prof. Garrison for his services, the balance will be used in the purchase of a large bell for the school, or for other purposes as shall be deemed most appropriate." Now of course it would probably be to some advantage to have this "large bell" but if it was of so much importance, the writer is led to believe that the able board of school directors would have had that bell in position long before this time.

Prof. Randle may have inaugurated this matter with good intentions which he surely did, but, he failed to consider wisely.

If Prof. Garrison desires to teach a writing school he should rent a suitable building and teach independent of the Salem schools.

The JOURNAL is taking the voice of the people in this matter and of whose interest it will always be on the alert. No injustice is intended to anyone but only to see justice done toward all in all matters. If Prof. Randle thinks he is doing this through the voice of the people he is a sadly disappointed man. The citizens and parents are willing to pay their taxes but undue taxation will always cause a consternation.

SHIPPING FRUIT.—S. A. Clark and son shipped two car loads of dried fruits from this place to-day, one car consigned to Helena, Montana, and the other to Butte City, Montana. Mr. Clark has shipped in all five car loads of dried fruits thus far this season, all secured from forty acres of fruit trees. Sixty thousand pounds have so far been dried from this number of acres. Mr. Clark could have found a ready market for double the amount of fruit he will have for sale. His fruit farm is a success and its fame is becoming known far and near.

KEEPING IN LINE.—The Bon Ton restaurant is keeping up in style with the fast growth of Salem. It is becoming the favorite eating place in the city.

FOR RENT.—Two neat furnished rooms, for rent; centrally located. For particulars call at this office.

FINE WEATHER.—During this fine weather you should call at Gilbert & Patterson's for your groceries.

ABOUT BUILDING SOCIETIES.

The Part They Play in the Development of Manufacturing Industry—Salem in Need of Them.

The history of building societies exhibits, perhaps, one of the most remarkable developments of social economy and thrift that the country has ever witnessed. Originating in the present century, they have grown from very small beginnings to an important, if not commanding, position among the industrial and financial institutions of the day. Their first start was in England, where the saving of rent is of vital importance to thousands of city workmen, but they have since been planted and taken root in every English speaking nation on the globe. Indeed it is difficult to exaggerate the value of a movement which shows such results in the home country, as given by a writer in the London Gazette: "The number of incorporated English societies has risen at 1,859, with a membership of 513,667, holding mortgage assets amounting to £46,230,169."

In the United States the growth and success of these associations have been even greater than in England. Commencing with the Brooklyn Building and Mutual Loan Fund association, organized in 1836, they have spread throughout the country until there is hardly a town, especially if it be a manufacturing one, of a thousand inhabitants, but has one or more. The District of Columbia, which was among the first to form a building association, commencing as early as 1849, has to-day fifty-five associations, with an aggregate receipt of \$100,000 per month, and they have invested as much as \$3,500,000 in loans to members for the purchase of homes. New York, Boston, Chicago, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Cincinnati and other cities, have great numbers of these associations and an enormously heavy amount of capital invested; but to Philadelphia belongs the palm for the greatest number and largest amount of capital invested. Up to a late date there were built as many as 70,000 comfortable homes in that city, which has gained it the appropriate and significant name of the "City of Homes."

This showing is not the result of manufactured booms on real or pretended combination of organized capital—no sudden wealth and no sudden poverty to the investor. It was made in the old-fashioned way of saving little by little, and the good use of that little by means of cooperation. Building associations have not the potency or promise of booms in them, and the road to affluence through their agency is alone by industry, frugality and patience. In this they are old-fashioned, it is true, but for all that, the safest and best, and in the end they will bring more lasting comfort to the shareholder. At any rate, they are within the reach of the million, while the pool and the combine are for the benefit of the unscrupulous few.

By far the greater portion of the money invested in building associations is derived from the earnings of the mechanic, the salesman, and the man of small means; all of which is monthly loaned, or, more accurately speaking, is advanced to members on their stock to build homes for themselves. A period of seven to eight years being allowed them to pay off their loans. Now that we have entered on the development of the unsurpassed natural resources of this portion of the Willamette valley and are calling to our aid numerous branches of manufacturing industry, the means of providing homes for the workmen who cast their lot in our midst, becomes of vital importance. Beside a cheap and well supplied home market, we must offer such other advantages as are essential to the comfort and well being of the producing class. Schools and churches abound in our midst; we can boast of a peaceable law-abiding society; while the salubrity of the situation and the scenic grandeur of our surroundings are nowhere to be surpassed. But homes for working men are the desideratum; and since men with capital everywhere show a reluctance to putting their money into low-priced tenements, self interest should lead our business men to organize societies whereby the mechanic and others of limited means can procure homes for themselves without paying tribute to the money-lender or the landlord. He is only right to assure the former that building association stock is creditable property. Leading citizens, our most successful merchants, and our most hopeful young men and women should be forward in starting such societies and in becoming stockholders. The profits are liberal, failure is almost unknown, and it will be starting a movement whose good will be felt, "not for a day," as the past says, "but for all time."

ANOTHER PHYSICIAN.—Dr. J. C. Smith, late of Jefferson, has swung his shingle to the breeze in Salem, and will make Salem his future home. Dr. J. C. is a brother of Dr. J. N. Smith of this city. He is a young physician who has met with wonderful success in his former home and it is with regret that the citizens of Jefferson, allow him to leave their city. Salem will be glad to have Dr. Smith locate here and the JOURNAL wishes him unbounded success.

APPOINTMENTS.—Geo. Kummert, of Portland, and Wm. Crawford, of Cananda, were appointed notaries public by the governor to-day; also John Simpson, of Sinslaw, H. E. Hayes, of Oswego, and John P. Roberts, of Salem, were today appointed delegates to the National Farmer's Congress at Montgomery, Alabama, which is to occur from the 13th to the 16th of Dec., 1889.

HAND MASHED.—A brakeman, whose name is Harris, met with a bad accident at Turner this morning in which his left hand was horribly mangled. He was coupling cars and in the usual manner his hand was caught. More than likely amputation of the hand will be necessary.

CIRCUIT COURT DOINGS.

The Grand Jury Still at Work—Many Witnesses Wanted—Sheriff Croisan a Busy Official.

Circuit court is not at a close as yet. The cases now on trial are proving to be quite lengthy and in most cases a long list of witnesses are being examined.

Sheriff Croisan is about the busiest official around the court house now. He has six assistants to-day and all are away looking up witnesses over Marion, Clackamas and Polk counties.

The case of R. J. Hendricks who is up for the alleged publication of libelous concerns is the editor of the Statesman, has not been argued yet to-day. It is being watched with much interest and manifestations by many.

Geo. Barker who was tried by a jury yesterday for robbery was acquitted. There was no direct evidence to show he was the person who entered the room of the Portland lawyer.

Following is to-day's proceedings up to 3:50 p. m.
 State of Oregon vs Elgar Dupuis, asked leave to withdraw plea and file demurrer; allowed.
 Gosner vs Sullivan motion for nonsuit by defendant; overruled.

State of Oregon vs Edgar Dupuis, argued on demurrer to indictment, overruled, pleads tomorrow morning.

PURELY PERSONAL.

E. P. Thomson is in the city on business.

J. C. Brown took the afternoon train for Portland.

Hon. John Dimick is in the city on business matters.

Mr. Fred Kelly was a passenger for Portland this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Kiff took the afternoon train for Portland.

Mr. Rollie Harbord came up from Portland on the morning train.

Mr. Charley Roberts returned home to-day from a trip to Portland.

Mrs. J. H. Haskins, returned to her home in Portland, on the afternoon train.

Miss Maggie Platner returned to her home in Portland last night, after a short visit in Salem.

Mrs. N. H. Busby, Mr. and Mrs. Farris McClain and Mr. F. J. Morton took the afternoon train for Portland.

Supreme Court.

SALEM, Oct. 23, 1889.
 Gus Rosenblatt, executor of the estate of Signon Rosenblatt, deceased; appellant.

R. S. Perkins, resp.; appeal from Multnomah county; argued and submitted. T. A. Stephens, attorney for appellant. H. T. Bingham, attorney for respondent.

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BORN.

HOWARD.—On Monday, Oct. 21, 1889, to the wife of Jos. Howard, a boy.

Mother and child doing well and Jos., the happiest man in the city.

MARRIED.

GINRICH—SHUPERT.—At the Oregon House, Salem, Tuesday, Oct. 22, 1889, Miss Nellie Shupert to Mr. Jerome G. Ginrich, Rev. B. J. Sharp officiating.

MOONEY—GILLAM.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Polk county, Sunday, Oct. 20, 1889, Mr. W. D. Mooney, of this city, and Miss Alice Gillam, of Polk county.

Mr. Mooney is well known in this city and formerly of the Salem Truck and Dray company. Miss Gillam is a popular young lady of Polk county. The happy couple will make their home in this city.

REED—ROBERTSON.—In this city Wednesday, October 23, 1889, Mr. V. H. Reed, and Miss May Robertson, both of Turner, Rev. Siscoff officiating.

The happy couple are well known in Turner where they have a host of friends who join in wishing them a life of bliss and happiness. They took the afternoon for Portland where they will spend their honeymoon.

HOBBS—LANCE.—At Marion, Oregon, on Tuesday evening, October 22, 1889, Mr. J. W. Lance, of Jefferson, and Mrs. N. C. Hobbs, of Marion. Rev. W. T. Van Scoy officiating.

The bride has been a highly esteemed lady of Marion, where she has resided for some length of time. Mr. Lance is of one the lively business men of Jefferson. He is conducting a good livery business, and is well known for fair dealing and honesty, both at Jefferson and Salem. The many friends of the happy couple wish them long life and continued success.

School Tax Notice.

The school taxes of District No. 24, in Marion county, are now due and payable at the clerk's office, No. 101 Court street, in Opera House block, Salem. The same will be deemed delinquent unless paid within sixty days from date.

DAVID SIMPSON, School clerk. October 15, 1889.

The Salem Land Company,

Of Salem, Oregon, has lately purchased and caused to be platted the beautiful

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T. H. BARNES, President, H. W. MATTHEWS, Treasurer, W. F. SEEVER, Solicitor. References: Lincoln Land Company, Lincoln, Neb.; Capital National Bank, Salem, Oregon; G. L. Lewis, Secretary of State, Lincoln, Neb.

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