

THE TRIBUNE received a call the other day from Mr. H. C. Riggs, Jr., accompanied by Mr. Kibbe. Young Mr. Riggs was in the city en route to Jordan Valley, Oregon. This is the second member of the Riggs family THE TRIBUNE has met—father and son—and we are glad to know we are living in a country that contains such men.

A man who knows what he is talking about was discussing Caldwell prospects with us the other day and among other things he repeated the remark of a Boise lawyer: "If the blanked thing isn't stopped soon, they'll have a county seat down there in less than three years." If that's the way they're beginning to feel about it we may as well be truthful and acknowledge we are not figuring on county seats (yet).

Reading the editorial on the Caldwell bridge and THE CALDWELL TRIBUNE in last Saturday's Statesman, reminds us that the half-witted boy who used to turn the press has been promoted to an editorial position. That was one of his effusions.

We believe Caldwell will be the end of a division of the Oregon Short Line. From Shoshone to Caldwell is a fair run; so, too, is the distance from Caldwell to Huntington. Medbury, we do not believe will be a division station; a small round-house may be built there to accommodate the few helping locomotives necessary to get trains out of the hole. Pocatello, Shoshone and Caldwell are just about far enough apart. Weiser will be a pretty fair-sized way station, and that is about all. Of all the towns along the Oregon Short Line, there is but one that has any natural advantages to make it a large city and that one is Caldwell. We are content to wait and let things develop.

Caldwell has nothing to fear from Weiser. Neither from Boise. Like a rose between two thorns she will blossom.

The railroad boys who leave us are going from an orderly town to a place that has not the most desirable reputation. But we have no fears for them. There isn't one of them that cannot keep his end up in great shape. Good luck to them.

About this time of year, as the almanacs say, our agricultural friends who do not grow their own seed are anxious to get the best. There is a reliable seed man that THE TRIBUNE can recommend, for promptness and honest dealing. He doesn't spread as much canvas as other seed growers. He thinks more of his reputation than he does of a dollar, and treats his patrons accordingly. His name is Joseph Harris, of Moreton Farm, Rochester, N. Y. Send your address and get his catalogue.

POSTAL CAR SERVICE.

The following extract from a letter to the editor of THE TRIBUNE from Mr. F. O. Harding, assistant chief head clerk, railway mail service, under date Omaha, January 9, announces a change in our mail arrangements that will be appreciated by our business men:

Postal cars will be run from Shoshone, Idaho, to Ontario, Oregon, commencing with January 25th, in accordance with an order from the department at Washington.

On Monday last Postmaster Danilsson began sending and receiving mail direct by train. The Caldwell pouch is made up by the postal clerk east of Shoshone and our mail does not go via Boise. This is a gain of twenty-four hours, and the postal cars may expedite that a matter of six or seven hours.

AN OUTFIT FOR IDAHO.

Under the above heading the Printers' Auxiliary has the following to say of our new job printing outfit, which ought to be along before many weeks:

W. J. Cuddy, whom the Omaha Western Newspaper Union outfitted with material for the publication of a journal in the new and thriving town of Caldwell, Idaho, the first number of which was issued in December, has now put in a job office through the same agency, and will be able to supply merchants and others in that section with first-class work, ranging all the way from one line card to a poster of respectable dimensions. He has put in a new quarto "Standard" job press, manufactured at Cleveland, Ohio, and for which the Western Newspaper Union is agent in Iowa and territory west of Missouri river. This, in addition to a liberal supply of the latest styles of job type will enable Mr. C. to compete with, if he does not surpass, all other printing outfits in the territory of Idaho. It may be said here of the "Standard" press that no other printing machine of its character and capacity is manufactured. Strongly built, easy to run, free from complications, and embodying all the best features of presses that stood the test of time and been largely sought after, the "Standard" commends itself to careful investigation from those who contemplate putting in job-printing outfits. Several sizes are manufactured, any one of which in proper hands will fully make good representations concerning them.

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—The great trouble with Caldwell is that everybody sleeps too late. When the division machine snops are running they will have a steam whistle that will paralyze the sleepers.

IDAHO ITEMS.

Five feet of snow in Vienna. Beef tea is now served at a Hailey bar.

A Sunday school has been organized at Oxford.

Hailey sees half a dozen industries to spring up around its sawmill.

The aggregate yield of Butte county for 1883 is about \$4,000,000.

There is great demand for lots in the new town of Clifton on Camas Prairie.

The Coffin Bros. have removed their central Wood river store from Bellevue to Hailey.

Six of the children of A. O. Duquet, of Idaho City, have been down with scarletina.

A lamp in the Wood River Times office fell the other evening and started a fire that did \$50 damage.

Al. Sterrett is under arrest at Hailey for obtaining money under false pretenses, on complaint of Jos. B. Oldham.

Father Nattini is teaching French to a class of seven scholars in Hailey. Hailey needs a French class about as much as a hog needs overshoes.

A. O. Lamoreaux, a young man of Preston, was badly frozen while hunting on New Year's. It was feared for a time both feet would have to be amputated.

Thos. Hyer, who was stabbed by Joe Abrams at Dannigan's toll-gate on the Boise road, on Christmas day, is able to be up and will soon be well.—Idaho World.

The comparative mildness of the winter leads Wood river people to believe mining will begin early in the spring and next season be a marked one for Wood river interests.

While hunting on Sunday, the 6th, James Swenson, of Gentle Valley, accidentally shot off a thumb and forefinger and lodged a quantity of shot in his face and abdomen.

We are informed that fine prospects of gold have been found several miles from Snake river on ground covered by the big New York irrigating canal. This water enterprise will make all such ground valuable for gold washing.—Boise Democrat.

Wm. Hooton says the only buildings he recognized in Philadelphia were old Independence Hall and the city hospital. Bill was born in that city, and left there forty years ago, and his recent visit was the only one he has made to the Quaker city since that time. He says this is the boss country, and one can extract more happiness out of a given area in Idaho than from the same area of any part of the East that he knows of. Bill says the thermometer showed 35 deg. below zero the morning they left Pennsylvania, and the first bare ground they saw from the time they started was in the eastern part of "God's country, Idaho."—Idaho City World.

Mose Kempner and Hendricks left Kempner's ranch at 9 o'clock Friday morning with Mose's mule and three horses that were left there between Christmas and New Year's, after the last heavy snow storm, and when Mose was compelled by a number of big snow slides to give up the idea of running his sled over the route any longer. They reached town at 11 or 12 Saturday night. Circular snow shoes were made by Jack Hendricks and fastened to the feet of the animals. The shoes were made of rawhide and the tops of stools, the stool-tops being placed on the rawhide, which was cut out so as to fit snugly around the legs when brought up and tied. They made good time coming in, the distance being twenty-two miles.—Idaho World.

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