

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

C. L. Richmond shipped Tuesday nine head of horses to Portland. Hon. C. M. Cartwright of Hay Creek, Crook county was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. J. H. Cradellough of the Hood River Glacier was in the city Tuesday.

Herman A. Falk, a former subject of the German empire was admitted to full citizenship Wednesday.

Pres. Worthington one of the leading merchants of Weston made the Chronicle office a pleasant call Monday.

It is expected that active work on the construction of the portage road at the Cascades will be commenced by the beginning of next week.

Rev. C. A. Huntington and wife, of Eureka, Cal., are visiting their sons J. M. and B. S. Huntington. Mr. Huntington is in his eightieth year, and is one of the pioneers of 1864.

Captain Enderby, of Eight Mile, reports a fine shower Monday evening at his place that will do lots of good to the crops in that section. He thinks the rainfall was much heavier further south.

A wicked little cyclone that had wanted to stray far from its native haunts, struck the town of Arlington Wednesday demolishing two buildings and injuring a lady and child—the lady, it is said, quite severely.

At the Circuit court Tuesday J. Rogers, charged with stealing a pistol from an officer, plead guilty and will be sentenced tomorrow. In the case of William Bens, accused before the grand jury of larceny by bailer, they found not a true bill.

A water spout fell in the neighborhood of Sherar's Bridge which destroyed part of the toll road this side the Deschutes. At the old McAtee place, on the Deschutes hill the road is said to be washed out in some places to a depth of ten feet.

A correspondent from Fifteen Mile writes us that Mr. Honatio Stone, of Fifteen Mile Creek, died on Wednesday, May 27th, 1891, of Congestive fever caused partially by a diseased leg which has been a serious source of suffering to him for several years. He was 67 years old the 22nd day of last April.

The surveying party that started out over a week ago to survey and locate a road between The Dalles and some point in Sherman county met with a mishap that will delay the further progress of the survey for a short time. On one of the last windy days the surveyor's instrument was knocked over and almost completely ruined. The party will take the field again as soon as the instrument is repaired or another procured.

Mr. and Mrs. Riggs of the Abbie-Carrington Grand Opera Co., were in the city for a day or two. They are delighted with The Dalles scenery, saying that it is more beautiful than anything they have seen for a long while. The ever-changing hues and tints on the surrounding hills are a joy and a pleasure to them, as they are to all lovers of the beautiful who are favored with the opportunity of looking over the delightful surroundings of our city. Surely our environment leaves nothing to be desired.

The new two-dollar note is a beauty. It is handsomer than the old one in many particulars. The work on it is so jammed, and the vignette of Mr. Wilson shows in the center of the certificate instead of being on the end. The ugly brown seal does not show on the new issue, but a bright carmine seal supplants it. About \$40,000,000 of the old two-dollar certificates are reported outstanding. As fast as these are received in the treasury they will be marked for destruction.

The Dufur graded school has closed down for the summer on account of the prevalence of measles among the children of the neighborhood. Mr. Frasier is again engaged to teach a ten month's term of this school, to commence in September. The people of Dufur are justly proud of their school and believe there is none better conducted in the country. It is quite flattering to Mr. Frasier that he should have held his position as principal for so many successive terms.

Sam Klein has invented an attachment for a rocking chair that requires only to be seen to be appreciated during these hot days. A revolving fan is attached to the chair so that it is directly in front of the occupant and by a simple string and pulley it is made to revolve by the ordinary movement of the chair so as to create a very refreshing breeze on the face and neck. It has a common fan all to pieces, and is much cheaper and less capricious than a small boy. Judge Thornbury says that all that Sam now needs is a few strands of barbed wire fixed so as to scratch his back.

It may be interesting to many of our readers to learn that through the courtesy of Mr. Alex McLeod of Kingsley we have been furnished with a number of the cut worms that prove such a plague to the young spring grain of this and adjoining counties and have sent them to the entomologist of the state agricultural college for his examination. If that gentleman can suggest some practical plan for getting rid of these pests he will place the farmers of Eastern Oregon under a very great debt of obligation. While this is perhaps more than we can reasonably expect we shall be pleased to publish whatever he may have to say on the subject in the pages of the Chronicle.

It is expected that the band boys will give an open air concert on the balcony in front of Snipes & Kinsler's store, tomorrow evening between 8 and 9 o'clock. Speaking of the band reminds us that the people of this city owe many thanks to Mr. Kinsler for fixing up this balcony and giving the right to use it to the band, and to Mr. Glenn for handsomely lighting up the stand with 18 sixteen-candle power incandescent lights, and thanks are also due to Mr. Max Vogt for a sufficient number of chairs to accommodate the band. All of these were donated by these gentlemen free of charge. The people of The Dalles need no words of ours urging their appreciation of these open-air concerts. We are much pleased with the prospect of having them one of the pleasantest features of our cool summer nights, and also that the band has

and convenient.

Mr. Willis Hendrix of Dufur gave us a pleasant call Tuesday.

From Mr. D. Farrington we learn that they had a fine rain on Lower Fifteen Mile.

The sixty days allowed by the land department for filing on railroad lands close on the 13th of June.

Twelve applicants are undergoing examination for teacher's certificates. Mr. Aaron Frasier is a candidate for a state diploma.

Joe Robinson came in today from Nansene. He says that it rained so hard out there that the roads were flooded this morning.

In the Circuit court Wednesday John Rogers was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary, for stealing a pistol from the marshal's office of this city. The jury has been discharged till tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

Nearly \$1300 have been already raised for the Fourth of July celebration, with the prospect of making it \$1500. Any one who thinks The Dalles is dead will find himself miserably mistaken.

E. C. Fitzpatrick of Tygh has just returned from South Bend, Wash., where he went about a month ago with a band of horses. He reports very good success. The horses brought from \$190 to \$375 a span. One span he never offered for sale but bought an express wagon and set Frank Swift to drive it.

Tom Bolton, of Kingsley and Grass Valley, is going to ship a car-load of young three-year-old horses west of the mountains that many believe to be the finest lot of horses ever shipped from this country. They are all high-graded Percheron and Clydesdale and ought to command good prices.

The stock-holders of the Farmers' Co-operative Warehouse association met in Wasco last Saturday for the purpose of electing a board of directors. The following gentlemen were chosen: John D. Miller, Al Woody, O. R. Richardson, Frank Sayers, J. W. Messenger, A. D. McDonald and William Holder. The object of the association is to conduct a general warehouse business at some point on the Columbia river opposite Sherman county. It is proposed to buy and sell grain, wood coal, lumber, grain, sacks, etc.

Mr. A. A. Bonney has made an assignment of all his real and personal property to Robert Mays. The real estate involved in this assignment includes the s. e. 1/4 and w. 1/2 of ne. 1/4 and s. e. 1/4 sw. 1/4 of section 2, tp. 4, s. of range 13, e. and s. 1/2 ne. 1/4 and nw. 1/4 of ne. 1/4 and ne. 1/4 of nw. 1/4 of section 36, tp. 3, s. of range 12, e., and s. 1/2 of sw. 1/4 of section 36, tp. 3, s. of range 15, e., and the nw. 1/4 of section 30, tp. 3, s. of range 16, e., and three certain bands of sheep aggregating 4178 heads. The assignment is made for the benefit of Mr. Bonney's creditors but the assets are so involved in litigation that it is impossible to tell what the estate may realize to the creditors.

Progress of the Portage Road. Mr. Farley came up from the Locks last night and will return tomorrow. He reports that the survey will be finished today and that tomorrow orders for the material needed for construction will be made out and placed in the hands of those who will supply it. The survey would have been finished some time sooner had they not met with some difficulty in securing a landing place for the boats, owing to the presence of rocks. As many as three different soundings had to be made. All difficulty in this respect has been met, but owing to the present high stage of the river it will be impossible to finish the west end of the incline at present. This however can be done when the water recedes. Mr. C. C. Hobert has been chosen as master mechanic for the construction of the work. Mr. Hobert was master mechanic of the U. P. shops at this city for six or seven years and is in every way qualified for the position he assumes. The board is to be congratulated in the choice it has made in Mr. Hobert, for no one could have been selected more satisfactory in all respects. Mr. Hobert is a man of sterling integrity and of irreproachable character and it speaks well for the honest conduct of the portage road that a man of his well known reputation for honesty and integrity has been placed in a position so responsible.

The Fourth of July. The fire works committee for the Fourth of July celebration last night let the contract for supplying fire works, which will surpass anything ever given in this city before. Nothing but large exhibition pieces have been selected. Among these we find the following: The American Eagle, Japanese Night Bomb Shells, United Diamonds, Washington on Horseback, Electric Spreader Battery, July Fourth Motto. An elegant assortment of large exhibition rockets, balloons with fire works attachment, parachute rockets with floating stars, illuminated cascades, star mines, revolving batteries, Mexican jets, Japanese fire rockets, showers of pearls, devils among the tailors, silver fountains, royal arch, whistling jacks, Chinese fans, roman in the moon, sun and parade, palm trees, brilliant fountains, etc. &c.

A salute will be fired at sunrise by the light battery. A grand military and civic parade will be given at 10:30 and a sham battle in the afternoon, with the fireworks on the river at night and a ball at the new armory. The committee on amusements will meet this evening to complete their program which will be published tomorrow.

The Grand Jury. The grand jury, yesterday found a true bill against Harry McAn for larceny from a person. In the case of Harry Parr, accused of assault with a dangerous weapon the jury returned, not a true bill. In the case of John Thompson, accused of carrying concealed weapons, the jury found not a true bill.

In the case of John Thompson, accused of being accessory to the crime of assault with a dangerous weapon, the jury found not a true bill.

BORN. At the residence of Mr. P. DeHuff, in this city, this morning, to the wife of Mr. J. K. McCormick, a son. Mother and child doing well.

In this city May 27th to the wife of N. Wheaton, a daughter.

This forenoon, at the Columbia Hotel, to the wife of Robert Muir, a son.

EDITOR CHRONICLE: With your permission I will give you a few items concerning the schools, from time to time as I journey among them; pausing what I find to be good and making suggestions for improvement.

I am the more anxious to do this because I believe that in no other way can I more readily awaken an interest among patrons. And this seems in many districts to be the main thing that is lacking.

The short trip I made last week was not a very successful one, as will be seen below, for out of eight schools visited I found on one cause or another, only four in session.

I left The Dalles, Wednesday noon May 20th, and came to the Floyd school No. 14, where Miss Lara Welch is teaching. This school is small, only seven scholars being present, some staying away on account of sickness. Some of the pupils here are well advanced. They were just passing a written examination in history and physiology. It speaks well for Miss Welch's teaching that having taught here last year, she is employed again this year at an increase of salary.

How much is lost in many districts by changing teachers so often. They have trifling and a good globe here, but need some wall maps. In this district, I am thankful to say, there is no fussing and quarreling.

Went on to district No. 15 near James Fulton's. The school was not in session but found a notice on the door "Teacher is sick."

The next morning we visited the school in No. 16, Miss Jeannette Graham teacher. She is a young teacher, but is giving good satisfaction. Here we also found just seven scholars. They have Webster's unabridged dictionary, but no other apparatus. Most of the scholars come on horseback. The house is small and unfinished but a good coat of white wash would brighten it up wonderfully.

From here we went to the Johnson school No. 18, but found it closed on account of the death of one of the directors, Mr. Obarr.

Our next drive was five miles up the long ridge of the divide to Summit school near Mr. Canfield's. Near here we got one of Wasco's fine views—five snow-capped peaks at once. They have no school here. A great many have moved away, and only three scholars are left to draw public money.

From here we went on the down grade six or seven miles to Liberty school No. 20, where Mr. P. P. Underwood is teaching. We got there just as he was closing, but came back next morning and visited the school. They have a large substantial house, for which they deserve credit, but it needs painting badly. I saw no apparatus of any kind except two very small wall maps, and no suitable desk or table for the teacher.

The district is fortunate in securing the services of so excellent a teacher as Mr. Underwood. The black-board exercises in Written Arithmetic were very good, showing a thorough drill by the teacher in the handling of fractions, and some very apt pupils.

Next went to No. 30 in Long Hollow on the Canyon City road, Mr. T. W. Atkinson teacher, but found the school closed on account of measles.

As it was Friday afternoon we turned for home, stopping on the way at No. 22 on Eight Mile, Miss S. V. Cooper teacher. The stay here for an hour was a real recreation. The exercises in declamation and dialogue were good, and the impromptu story writing by the children, and the mental black-board drill did credit to both teacher and pupils. All these exercises showed that both teacher and pupils were working hard in hand together. A number of parents were visiting, which was a great encouragement to the school. The house here is finished outside and inside and furnished with nice seats, teacher's desk and apparatus. Among the latter I noticed a set of anatomical charts one of the finest I ever saw. The people here are justly proud of their school house and their school.

A good ideal for a superintendent to labor for is a school house like this in every district in the county, with at least six months school.

Next week I intend to travel east of the Deschutes. More anon.

TROY SHELLEY, School Supt.

Railroad Meeting at Dufur. DUFUR, Or., May 26, 1891.

MR. EDITOR: We had quite a lively little railroad meeting at this place last evening. Our people were called out by the announcement that Mr. E. H. Norton of The Dalles and Fossil railroad project was among us for the purpose of presenting to our citizens a profile of the survey which has just been completed. He represents a very favorable route, and an easy grade.

Our people took a lively interest in his remarks, as we all feel that a road over the route mentioned, is a matter that will benefit us as a neighborhood, and will increase very materially the agricultural interests of Wasco county. We believe it was the spirit of the meeting that any move that would open up the interior of our county, and bring us into direct railroad communication with the rest of the world, would receive their hearty support and would in a measure satisfy those for the disappointment which they so deeply felt over the defeat of the Tygh wagon road.

We hope, Mr. Editor, that the people of The Dalles will not so far neglect, and forget their own interests, as to allow the road to be built by outside capital, (which it will be if left alone, and when so built a branch road will be built to connect by the Barlow mountain road with Portland; and thus she will lose control of the only support that she has left from the surrounding country. If there she sleeps on golden opportunities she sleeps the plethoric sleep of death.

Walls Walls shipped a ton of strawberries the other day whereat the Union Journal feels proud. Bless his simple heart the little valley of Hood River in Wasco county shipped a whole carload the other day, and they are the best strawberries on the Pacific coast to boot.

John Roth says the rain was so heavy last night on the Tygh Bridge that the people had to run their horses into the barns for fear of getting them drowned, and John never told a lie in his life.

A small band of horses the property of Charley Cooper were today sold at auction at the Saltmarsh stock yards.

The week which is just closing has been a busy one in general. Our merchants speak of a satisfactory trade and more activity than at any time since last year. Money is easier, produce has brought a better price and a good feeling exists among all classes. The past few days copious rains have fallen throughout the farming districts and all kinds of vegetation and grain is in fine condition. The cool weather following is of great advantage to the young wheat and also to the fall and winter. The ranges are prolific of fine grass, and our herdsmen find their stock in a fine coat of flesh and are fattening rapidly.

In the produce line the market is well supplied in everything desirable. Green peas are in abundance at 5 cents a pound. New beets, turnips, onions and radishes are selling at 5 cents a bunch. Strawberries are plentiful at 12 1/2 cents a box, and should there be favorable weather for ripening the market would make a decline, otherwise the present prices will be maintained. Gooseberries and currants sell readily at 10 cents per quart. Old potatoes are quoted at former prices, with a limited demand. California new potatoes are at several produce stores at 4 1/2 cents per pound. Oranges are more scarce than a week ago, and are higher, selling at 40 to 75 cents per dozen, according to size and condition. Sixty lemons are quoted at 50 cents and California at 35 cents per dozen. These tropical fruits are advancing as the season closes.

Wool—has come in freely during the past week and has fairly got started in movement which will be brisk the following week. The clip exceeds expectations both in fleece and staple which averages nine pounds per fleece per head, an increase in weight over former years. One thing noticeable, is the increased city staple of this wool season, which is owing to the thriving condition of the sheep during the entire wool year. Mr. B. Kelsey of Fossil, a very extensive wool grower of Gilliam county gives it as his opinion that sheep-owners have been more diligent in the care of their bands and have kept them free from disease, and as a result, the Inland Empire will put into market the best and heaviest wool clip ever produced in Eastern Oregon.

The large quantity of wool that has arrived and to come to this market from the different wool sections has caused the buyers to look this way for purchases, and already, there are no less than eleven in the city. Two coming from Boston, Mass., two from San Francisco, (one of them will buy 1,000,000 pounds.) Three representatives of Portland merchants and four who are in the market for the several wool mills and agencies in this state. The wool transactions are limited and but few sales are reported at present, what offerings have been made, range from 13c to 18 1/2c, the latter price being for, best light and extra staple—heavy wools range in price from 13 to 15 cents. What the near future will do in prices is uncertain as the Union Pacific has not fixed freight rates, and markets abroad are not fully established.

The salmon catch is very light, and our canning establishments are short of their usual pack for the season thus far. The several fisheries along the river between this city and Celilo have orders ahead all the time, for shipment of fish, packed in ice, for eastern markets. The Portland market is short of its lower Columbia river supply and is drawing from this city daily to fill their demand. This drain from the canneries cuts short their canning supply and from the present outlook the season's pack will be less than formerly.

COFFEE—Is quoted at 24 cents by the sack. SUGARS—Calden C in half bbls, 5 1/2 cents. Golden C in 100 lb sacks, 5 1/2 cents. Extra C in half bbls, 5 1/2 cents. Extra C in 100 lb sacks, 5 1/2 cents. Dry granulated in half bbls, 6 1/2 cents. Dry granulated in 100 lb sacks, 6 1/2 cents.

SUGARS in 30 lb boxes are quoted: \$2.00; Extra C, \$2.25; Dry Granulated, \$2.50. SYRUP—\$2.25 to \$2.50 per keg. STOCK SALT—Is quoted at \$19.00 per ton. Liverpool, 50 lb sack, 80 cents; 100 lb sack, \$1.50; 200 lb sack, \$2.50. The Dalles wheat market is steady at 80 cents per bushel.

OATS—The oat market is in good supply with more frequent offerings at quotations. We quote, extra clean \$1.50 per bushel and inferior \$1.35 per bushel. BARLEY—The barley supply is very short and the demand is increasing with an advance in price. Quote \$1.15@1.18 per bushel. FLOUR—Best brands \$4.25@4.75 per barrel; extra brands \$5.75@6.25. MILSTUFFS—The supply is in excess of demand. We quote bran and shorts \$17.00 per ton. Shorts and middlings \$20.00@22.50 per ton. HAY—Timothy hay is in good supply at quotations \$17.00@18.00. Wheat hay is very scarce and is in good demand at an advance. Good hay would bring \$16.50 per ton.

POTATOES—Good potatoes are in better demand and are rather short of supply at 75c@1.00 per 100 lbs. BUTTER—Is in better supply. Quote A 1.35@40 cents per roll which is coming in more freely and the demand is well supplied.

EGGS—The market is getting bare of eggs and a scarcity is felt with an upward tendency. We quote 15 cents per dozen. POULTRY—Is very scarce and sells freely. We quote, average fowls \$3.00@3.50 per dozen, common \$2.50@3.00 per dozen. Spring \$2.50@3.25. HIDES—Prime dry hides are quoted at .07@.08 per pound. Culls .05@.06. Green .02 1/2@.03. Salt .03 1/2@.04. Sheep pelts butcher's extra \$1.35@\$1.40, ordinary .75@1.00 each. Bear skins \$10.00@12.00. Coyote .75@1.00.

Wool—The market is not established yet. Wool is nominally quoted at .13@.18 per lb. BEEF—Beef on foot clean and prime .02 1/2, ordinary .02 1/2. MUTTON—Wethers are scarce, that is to say No. 1 Extra choice sell at \$3.25; common \$3.00 without fleeces. HOGS—Live heavy, .04 1/2@.05. Dressed .06 1/2@.07. Bacon and hams sell in the market at .09 1/2@.10 cents in round lots. Lard 5 1/2 @10 1/2; 10 lb .10 1/2; 30 lb .08@.08 1/2 cent per pound.

HORSES—Young range horses are quoted at \$25.00@35.00 per head in prices ranging from \$5.00@30.00. Stock cattle are quoted at \$9.00@10.00 per head for yearlings and \$14.00@18.00 for 2-year-olds.

Stock sheep are not on the market, although we hear of \$2.50 per head being offered after the shearing for yearlings. Fresh milk cows are quoted from \$25.00@50.00 each, with a very limited offering.

LEMBER—Rough lumber \$12.00 per M. Portland flooring No. 1, \$30.00 per M. Portland floor finish \$30.00 per M. No. 1 cedar shingles \$3.00 per M. Lath \$5.00 per M. Lime \$2.50 per bbl.

WILL SAVE THE PEOPLE'S MONEY. Superintendent Farley Talks Enthusiastically About the Portage Railway. Morning Oregonian.

G. J. Farley, superintendent of construction of the portage railway, was at the Perkins last night and leaves this morning for his work up the river. He said that there is every prospect for the work to go right along. The surveying will no doubt be completed by tonight. Continuing, Mr. Farley said:

This survey is subject to the direction of the direction of the general government, which has already located the line. The original stakes are now being verified by a set of lines run by surveyors in the employ of the state. Tomorrow we shall get into the Atwell property on the east end of the line. Here we are a dictionary of ways. If they are disposed to take a reasonable price, otherwise the right-of-way will be condemned and the road built anyway—the attorney-general bringing suit for the condemnation. There can be no impediment in the way of the rapid progress of the work from this time on. After the survey is completed, the next thing to do will be to erect the wharves at each end, do the grading and lay the track.

The appropriation made, \$50,000, will be used for the surveying and grading to exceed \$200. They ask \$2500 for the right of way through the Atwell property. Just what the trustees, wharves and grading will cost yet is not determined as the draughtsmen are still working on it. There is no doubt, however, that the appropriation will cover the entire cost of building the road and equipping it in first-class style.

The advantages which will accrue from this railroad can scarcely be over-estimated. It will bring the people of America of its kind for saving money to the people. It will be capable of transferring in the ten hours of each day all the freight that four boats can bring to it from above and four boats from below can take away. This, I think, will provide for all the traffic now in sight. There may be more freight than four boats can handle, but the portage above The Dalles is built; in that case by adding to the rolling stock, we can increase the working capacity of the road, and provide for all requirements. In my opinion there will thus be effected a saving of at least 60 per cent. in the cost of transporting wheat and wool products of the Inland Empire down the Columbia to Portland. The road will be completed in from seventy-five to ninety days.

The portage railroad above The Dalles has been surveyed, and is now fully equipped with No. 1 rolling stock, would not exceed \$600,000. It would be from thirty-eight to forty-three miles long, and would be a virtual waterway, and an open waterway up into the Snake river, which will mean all the trade, or at least the bulk of the trade, of the whole West country and other great producing regions for Portland. I am confident that if there is any kind of a crop at all the portage road now building will pay for itself the first year.

CROP-WEATHER BULLETIN, No. 11. For the Week Ending, Saturday May 23, 1901. OREGON WEATHER BUREAU, CENTRAL OFFICE, PORTLAND, OREGON. WESTERN OREGON WEATHER.

The temperature has steadily risen, ranging from 40 to 85 degrees. There has been a steady rain, and the weather has been generally cloudless. Light frosts on the 17th and 18th are reported from many sections. Fresh to fresh winds have prevailed, which dried out the soil.

All vegetation has had excellent growth during the week. The weather conditions were very favorable. Winter wheat never promised better in Yamhill county; it began heading on the 22d. Early sown spring grain is ten inches high. All Langlois, Curry county, rye is seven feet high and heading. Potato acreage increased in Washington and Clackamas counties. In these counties and in Yamhill the number of hop yards have been increased and lice are apparent. The hay crop will be unusually large, especially in Columbia county. Considerable buckwheat has been sown in Clackamas. The prairie crop has been somewhat blighted and not more than an average yield is expected. Cherries have been somewhat injured by blight and frost. Peach trees are affected with blight in sections of Benton county. Strawberries are ripening rapidly in most sections. Jackson, Josephine and Douglas counties have excellent prospects for grain and fruit. The surface soil is becoming dusty and clay soils hard. Showers would be welcome and beneficial. The week closes with continued excellent crop prospects.

EASTERN OREGON WEATHER. Warmer, cloudless and dry weather followed. The showers on the 15th and 16th were of great benefit, but did not cover the entire sections. Snow fell in the mountains of the mountains on the 16th. Frost has been reported from the more elevated sections. The winds have been fresh to brisk.

Wheat and early sown wheat continues to ripen steadily. In sections it is filling. Late sown spring grain is generally poor, much of it failed to germinate on account of lack of moisture. The country relative cool, temperature has been of great benefit to the wheat crop. Strawberries are ripening rapidly in Wasco county. Vegetables are plentiful in many sections. Fruit trees are thriving and doing well. Rain is badly needed, though the week closes with prospects for more than an average wheat crop. Cool is being hailed to warehouses and many head of cattle are being shipped. The grass is quite good and cattle are generally in very good condition. Good general showers within ten days will increase wheat outputs fully 20 per cent. B. S. PAGUE, Observer U. S. Signal Service.

In the circuit court this morning a decree of divorce was granted to Lillie Morris from W. S. Morris. A divorce was also granted to Clara Busick from Matt Busick. Mrs. Busick assumes her maiden name. As we go to press the case of Dunn & Singleton vs. Schooling is on trial.

Only as we become absorbed in other people can we know that high and noble joy which no self-seeking can ever bring. Only as we thus lose our lives shall we ever really find them. Of course intelligence must guide every attempt to identify ourselves with the wider fields of humanity.

Geo. H. Knaggs has announced himself a candidate for recorder at the city election to be held on the third Monday in June.

Lee Wigle, of Colfax, Wash., is in the city on the way to visit his parents near Prineville.

The Mexican Government Order the Esmeralda Away. WASHINGTON, May 28.—Dr. Sotelo, the Venezuelan minister here, informed the associated press that dispatches received today from reliable sources state that the Mexican government has ordered the insurgent Chilean cruiser, Esmeralda, to leave the harbor of Acapulco. The commander of the vessel said he was willing to leave but his ship had no sails and could not depart without steam power. The government then allowed the Esmeralda to take enough coal to carry the order into effect. The Esmeralda received two hundred and fifty tons; her ordinary consumption being 50 tons per day. The Esmeralda sailed the 26th instant, immediately after receiving her coal allowance. Chicago Wheat Market. CHICAGO, Ill., May 28.—Close, wheat firm cash, 4 1/2 @ 5. San Francisco Market. SAN FRANCISCO, May 28.—Wheat, buyer season, 1.76. One day this week the Wasco warehouse received 300 bales of wool.

THE SECOND EASTERN OREGON DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY. SPEED PROGRAMME FOR FAIR OF 1901. TUESDAY, SEPT. 22, 1891.

RACE No. 1. Running—Saddle horse, stake \$5 entrance, \$50 added. Five to enter, three to start; catch weights. The officers of the society to have the right to reject any entry that in their judgment does not strictly constitute a saddle horse. Race No. 2. Trotting—Yearling stake, \$10 entrance and \$50 added. Five to enter, three to start; stake closes and entries must be made before 10 o'clock on day Sept. 21, 1891. Half mile heats, best two in three, purse of \$75.

RACE No. 3. Trotting—Two-year-old class, mile heats, best two in three, purse of \$75. WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 23, 1891.

RACE No. 4. Running—Inland Empire stake for two-year-olds, \$10 entrance, \$50 added. Five to enter, three to start; when stake, class and entries must be made before 10 o'clock on day Sept. 21, 1891. Cuts to carry 100 pounds, 80 lbs and 50 lbs; 100, 80 and 50 lbs; 100, 80 and 50 lbs; 100, 80 and 50 lbs. Race No. 5. Running—Free for all, mile and half mile heats, three in five, purse of \$100.

RACE No. 6. Trotting—Gentleman's roadsters stake, \$10 entrance and \$50 added. Five to enter, three to start. To be driven by the owner to road cart, half mile heats, three in five. THURSDAY, SEPT. 24, 1891.

RACE No. 7. Running—Half mile dash, purse of \$100. RACE No. 8. Trotting—Three minute class, mile heats, three in five, purse of \$100. FRIDAY, SEPT. 25, 1891.

RACE No. 9. Running—Half mile and repeat, purse of \$100. RACE No. 10. Trotting—2:30 class, mile heats, two best in five, purse of \$100. SATURDAY, SEPT. 26, 1891.

RACE No. 11. Running—Three quarters of a mile handicap. Entries close Sept. 24, 1891, with payment of \$5. Weights announced 2:30 p. m. Sept. 25. Accomplish of weight and package of entrance money due by 9:00 p. m. same day, purse of \$100.

RACE No. 12. Trotting—Free for all, mile heats, best three in five, purse of \$100. CONDITIONS. Eligible only to horses owned and located in the Second District, Oregon and Clallam county Washington, prior to April 1, 1891.

Entrance in all purse races to one per cent. of the amount of the purse; four or more to enter, three to start. All entries in trotting races, not otherwise specified, to close with the secretary, at the Dalles, on Sept. 1, 1891. All entries in running races, not otherwise specified, close with the secretary at the Dalles on Sept. 1, 1891. Money will not be recognized. Nominations to be made in writing, giving the name, age, color, sex, sire and dam, if known, and when not known that feet should be stated, and colors of the owner. This rule will be strictly enforced. In case the purses above given do not fill with full complements of horses, the purses will be reduced the amounts of the purses as in their judgment may be proper.

The board has and reserves the right to post-purses in case of inclement weather. Any horse disturbing the field shall be entitled to first and third moneys only. In all races, not otherwise specified, money to be divided 20, 30, and 10 per cent. of the purse. All running races to be governed by the rules of the Pacific Coast Blood Horse Association. All trotting races to be governed by the rules of the National Trotting Association.

Send to J. D. Mack, Secretary, The Dalles, Ore., and obtain blanks upon which to make your entries. J. D. MACK, Secretary. JAS. A. VAREY, President.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon, Joe Wasco county as administratrix of the estate of Charles E. Dunham, late of Wasco county, Oregon, and now deceased.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me, either at the residence of said deceased, or at the office of Watkins & Menette, in The Dalles City, Oregon, within six months from the date of this 6th day. Dated April 6th, 1891. MRS. LIDA DUNHAM, Administratrix. Watkins & Menette, Attorneys for said Estate, April 6th-1891.