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HE WAS PROSTRATED.

Western Oregon's summer is a godsend to the poor man. There is no day in which the laborer cannot perform his usual duties without danger of heat prostration, while there are few days during the hot season that the toiler out of doors east of the Cascades is not threatened with sunstroke.—Telegram.

The Evening Telegram is about as inaccurate in respect to the climate of Oregon east of the Cascades as it is in many other matters about which it endeavors to enlighten the public. When the Portland Sun recently referred to the people of Fossil loading their products upon boats at the wharves of Fossil and shipping them to Portland without reshipment we thought the editor of one paper published in Portland was densely ignorant concerning the eastern portion of the state. To draw it mild, the Telegram is more ignorant than the Sun of what the state of Oregon really is. We suspect that it is not ignorance in this instance, but international misrepresentation, the purpose of which we are unable to guess.

There never was a day in Eastern Oregon when laborers could not work out of doors in the sun with perfect safety. We never heard of a sober man being prostrated with heat in Eastern Oregon. We suppose the writer of the above clipping may have some time been prostrated in Eastern Oregon, but the cause of it was other than the heat of the sun. We frequently see men prostrated here, and in Portland also, and the writer of the above clipping would perhaps call it heat prostration; but people who call things by their proper names have another name for it. We will be charitable; and suggest that possibly the aforesaid Telegram writer was prostrated when he wrote those lines.

A LITTLE RECREATION.

A little recreation is pleasant to most people, and to many a necessity; when not carried to excess, so as to amount to dissipation, it is harmless and usually beneficial. Westerners and southerners are somewhat inclined to carry all amusements to the extent of a dissipation.

This has been, and no doubt will be for sometime, true in the agitation of financial questions. So far has this gone that many are alarmed lest, within a few years, the "financial school" will break up in a financial spree, and business, which is now slightly convalescent after its severe attack of tariff reform, will have a relapse, and our last condition be worse than the first. It should be borne in mind that there is little danger of a free silver bill becoming a law while Cleveland is president, and if he lives, he and he alone, will be president until March, 1897. After the new president is inaugurated it will require some time to satisfy all the different free silverisms and silver theories, if that can ever be done. So there is little probability of any silver legislation going into effect before 1898. By that time the exuberance of the youthful West will have somewhat worn off, the spree will be over and a little gold cure will prepare us to settle down to business.

We anticipate nothing more serious than a little recreation, or at worst, a short dissipation. Indeed, we think the worst is already past.

BETTER ROADS BY THE USE OF BROAD TIRES.

Pennsylvania has recently adopted a law which provides that those owning and using draft wagons with tires not less than four in width for hauling loads of not less than 2,000 pounds, shall receive a rebate of one-fourth of their road tax. Michigan has had for about fifteen years a similar law, and the effect is very apparent. Roads are more easily built, and they keep themselves in repair, except the removing of loose rock.

We believe in view of the light soil of this and Sherman counties, the farmers would find it economy, even without legislative encouragement, to use such wagons. This state could well afford to follow the example of Michigan and Pennsylvania.

NEW DISEASE AMONG SHEEP.

A disease called anthrax is reported to be prevalent among sheep in Australia, and proves very fatal, baffling the skill of doctors. A large quantity of Australian wool is being received in this country and if no worse result than competition is felt it is quite bad enough; but if an incurable disease is imported

with it, every democratic sheepman, if there are any now, will more than ever rue the day his party was empowered to remove the tariff on wool.

This disease is ascribed to the presence of a rod-shaped bacteria, which causes an enlargement of the spleen. The spores of this animal constitute the contagious matter, and the disease is one hard to cure or check. The same disease is common to cattle, and is sometimes called splenic fever. The owners of sheep have had trouble with their spleens ever since the Wilson bill was passed, and now the poor sheep themselves are threatened.

Let's restore the tariff on wool; that will cure or prevent many ills with which the country is now suffering.

MASS MEETING TONIGHT.

If the business men of the city have any interest in the election of city officers, it will be well for them to be out in force at the mass meeting. It is much easier to elect desirable officers and councilmen, if attention is given the matter at the nominating meeting. Too often the spoils-seeker and his friends, or they who have axes to grind, control the nominating meeting. If you care anything about the city's affairs, and want to have them run your way, you must in person give them some attention, and to have your influence felt, you must give them attention all the time, particularly when the men who are to run the city are to be chosen.

This mass meeting is of about as much importance as the election itself.

THE CHINESE RIOTS.

It seems that the reported Chinese riots are less serious than at first supposed. No missionaries were killed, but some property was destroyed, and the obnoxious foreigners were compelled to move on. It was simply an imitation of American sand lotism so prevalent on this coast a few years ago, when "the Chinese must go" was the catch-word of demagogues, and Tacoma and a few other places made themselves ridiculous by mobbing the Chinamen. Indeed, China is becoming Christianized with startling rapidity; it is now only a few years behind the United States on this question.

Every person who chances to differ with the free silver orators and press is a "sordid conspirator," "traitor," "plutocrat," and "enemy of the people." With such a vast number of that kind of people in the country, silver is apt to fare hard. We do not believe there is anything to be gained, or that anyone will ever be convinced by the style of oratory which characterized the convention in Memphis yesterday. THE CHRONICLE does not believe that the free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 is either wise or safe; but we respect the opinion of those who differ with us. On the other hand, we are neither persuaded nor won by being referred to as a "sordid conspirator."

Several of our streets could be greatly improved by the use of a rake, a shovel and a dump cart, all operated by an energetic and practical combined street commissioner and city marshal. The removal of the loose rocks would be the labor of a few days only, and everyone who rides the streets, either in a carriage or bicycle, would return thanks. What candidate for the office of marshal and street commissioner will pledge himself to keep the streets free from debris? When he makes the pledge, he will get our support.

It is now difficult to find a comfortable dwelling in this city for rent, and there is not a single vacant room, suitable for mercantile business, unoccupied. A ride about the outskirts of town discloses a remarkable number of small dwellings now being built or just completed, while nearer the business portion of the city several nice dwellings are being erected. We have no boom, and we don't want any; but there are few towns on the coast which are suffering less from the depression in business.

An interesting sight was to be seen last evening at the East End. The warehouses are crowded to outer edge of the sidewalks with bales of wool; a half-dozen teams blocked the front of the Waco warehouse, all heavily loaded with wool, having just arrived from the interior; a large band of sheep, filled the stock yards, and another of about the same size was camped at the head of the grade. All these sheep were awaiting car accommodations to be transported to Chicago.

Yesterday's market report, published in the Oregonian, quotes wool 9 to 11 cents, and Eastern Oregon 5 to 8 cents. This indicates either that the Oregonian's market reporter is not quite "on to his job," or else Portland is a very poor wool market. Eastern Oregon wool in the market here is selling from 8 1/2 to 10 cents, and there is more of it sold, baled and shipped to the eastern market from here than Portland dreams of.

It is noticeable that among the attendants at the financial schools which are being now held by the silvermen throughout the land, there are a great many ex-senators, ex-congressmen and ex-governors. We wonder whether the fact that they got left has anything to do with their being among the "scholars."

WHAT THE BOAT LINE HAS DONE FOR WOOL MEN.

If there ever was an enterprise that demanded the undivided support of the people of The Dalles and tributary country, it is the Regulator line of steamers. The D. P. & A. N. Co. have again been instrumental in regulating the wool rates, and have even reduced them below last year's tariff, the through rate from The Dalles to Boston now being 95 cents per one hundred pounds. [The Dalles to Boston via D. P. & A. N. Co. and Sunset Gulf route, 3500 miles, 95 cents per 100 pounds. Heppner to Portland, O. R. N. Co., 198 miles, \$1 per 100 pounds.] The exact reduction is \$12 per ton, or \$144 per car less than it was before the boats were put on.

Though the freight charges on wool is an important factor to the buyer, the wool grower also gets the benefit of the low rates, and it is to their interests to see to it that the present low rates are maintained, which effect not only The Dalles, but Pendleton, Arlington and Heppner also. What has been said of wool, can be said of wheat. Before the boats were put on, wheat was \$3.40 per ton; now we believe the rate is to be but \$1.25 per ton.

In addition to the reduced rate on freight, there are other accommodations that people between The Dalles and Portland enjoy. The local train, in all probability, would not have been put on had their been no boat line.

We cannot be too enthusiastic in our praise of the D. P. & A. N. Co.—the biggest little transportation company in the United States.

SCANDALS AMONG ARISTOCRACY.

Again the English and American press is advertising the peculiar characteristics of the Prince of Wales. For many years it has been all a woman's reputation would stand to receive any attention from the prospective ruler of the greatest commercial nation on the globe. A few years ago Mary Anderson, one of the greatest of American actresses, and whose reputation is unscathed, had the courage to snub his royal highness, and she did wisely. In the United States the Prince of Wales would receive the same kind of treatment that Col. Breckinridge has met, at least among all true Americans. There are no doubt a few New Yorkers who live the same kind of lives as the Prince, who would do him homage; but among the true, patriotic American citizens he would be handled with the same contumely as when he invited Miss Anderson to a lunch party.

The time is coming, even in England, when the royalty and the aristocracy generally will be driven to decency, if not to virtue, by public sentiment. Royalty stands upon too uncertain footing to withstand the threatening storm. It is a maxim of the common law that "the king can do no wrong." This may be accepted as a political maxim by the people as a nation, but the English people are becoming thoroughly satisfied that the maxim does not apply to the Prince of Wales, and, from the standpoint of morals, would not, even though he wore the crown.

The mass meeting at the courthouse last evening for the nomination of candidate for city officers, was the smallest meeting of that kind held in The Dalles in ten years. The heaviest taxpayers were conspicuous by their absence, which evidences the fact that they are entirely satisfied with the management of the city's affairs as now administered. The nominations will no doubt meet with general approval, and the ticket will probably meet with no opposition on Monday next. The meetings to be held this evening in the several wards, to nominate councilmen, should receive attention.

The constitutional convention of Utah has completed its labors and adjourned. Polygamy, the evil which has so long kept Utah from statehood is forever prohibited, and the present plural marriages are to remain in force. There is no apparent reason why the constitution as found will not be approved and a new state speedily added to the union.

For City Officers.

The mass meeting at the courthouse last night was called to order by Mayor Menefee, who stated the object thereof, and suggested the election of a chairman. Mr. J. M. Patterson was nominated and elected by acclamation, J. H. Cradlebaugh was elected secretary.

On motion it was ordered that nominations be made by ballot, and H. J. Maier and A. Edgar were appointed tellers.

Nominations for mayor being in order Mr. Frank Menefee was placed in nomination, and on motion the rules were suspended and he was nominated by acclamation.

I. I. Barget was nominated for the office of treasurer by acclamation.

For water commissioner at large J. O. Mack was nominated by acclamation.

On motion it was ordered that the voters of each ward meet this evening at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of nominating councilmen, etc. The meeting place for the first ward is the council chambers, second ward, circuit courtroom, third ward, county courtroom.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Christian Church Entertainment.

The entertainment given last evening at the First Christian church was one of the most enjoyable ever listened to by a Dalles audience. Long before the time set for the program to commence the church was filled. No admission was charged, but everyone attending was expected to pay a cent for each year of their age.

The evening's entertainment commenced with an instrumental duet by Miss Stone and Mr. J. Booth. Their rendition of the "Danube Waves" was very well given, and as their ability is so well known to Dalles audiences, they are always well received. The next on the program was a vocal duet by Mrs. Varney and Mr. Crandall. This was exceedingly well rendered, as was also the duet of Mr. Crandall and Mrs. Groat. The recitation by Mr. Wm. Rasmus of "The Saving of St. Michael's Church" was very vivid and realistic. Mr. Rasmus is undoubtedly one of the finest elocutionists The Dalles has ever had an opportunity to listen to. Everyone wished for an encore, but as his time was limited, the audience was compelled to be satisfied with one recitation. Miss Martha Schooling did exceedingly well with the "First Settler's Story." Miss Bessie Rowland's song, "Bunch of Violets," was highly appreciated. The recitation by Miss Jennie Russell, entitled "Cleaning House," caused the audience to realize that there is no fun for a man to clean house. Miss Myrtle Mitchell sang "You" with a great deal of expression. Her song was one of the finest numbers on the program.

After the entertainment was over, everyone was invited to an ice cream supper in the basement.

Died at Mosier.

Death has again visited our vicinity, and removed one of our best and most honorable citizens; one who was respected most by those who knew him best; one who in actions, and not words only, was ever ready to help those in need; one who ever tried to make his word good without counting the trouble to himself.

R. H. Hunter was born in 1843, near Lone Jack, Jackson county, Missouri, where he lived until the breaking out of the civil strife. After the war he returned to Missouri, where in 1867 he married Nancy A. Vestal, who survives him.

In 1872 they moved to Nevada, where he farmed in the Paradise valley. While there he did some prospecting. After residing in Nevada a few years they moved to Reno county, Kan., where he farmed for eleven years, then he and his brother went to contracting grade work on the railroad. They quit this and went into business in Colorado. After a year's business there he removed to Los Angeles, Cal., where he was in business for two years. In 1892 he bought a farm on Mosier creek, where he resided until the time of his death, June 9, 1895, being nearly 52 years of age.

They who mourn the loss of a loving husband, a kind and gentle father, have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community.

A FRIEND.

Not a Candidate.

To the Editor of THE CHRONICLE: Inasmuch as there seems to be a great deal of talk concerning my probable candidacy for recorder, I desire to say that I have been recorder Dalles City for two terms and have tried to perform my duties as such faithfully. I fully appreciate the high honors which the people of Dalles City have conferred upon me, but I have engaged in other business which will prevent me from continuing the duties of recorder, and knowing there are other competent and worthy persons for the place, I desire to state unqualifiedly that I shall not be a candidate for appointment of recorder under any circumstances.

Sincerely thanking the people for the high trust they have reposed in me, I am Respectfully, DOUGLAS S. DEWEE.

Too Much Bug Juice.

Marshal Blakeney was kept very busy yesterday trying to round up some Indians who were enjoying their rights, as citizens under Judge Bellinger's decision. He was making a charge on the crowd when one of the brave men discovered him, and quick as a flash they were on their horses and started up the bluff back of the Waco warehouse. Our marshal did not give up the chase, he saw that one of the swashes had used his prerogatives as an American citizen, too much for his own good. This lone Indian was soon captured and landed in the city jail with little difficulty. This morning he was brought before the city recorder. The Indian gave his name as Dick and said that he had had a little more cider than he could stand. The recorder said: "Five dollars. Next."

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