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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Wednesday's Daily.

Mr. F. H. Rowe started up his sawmill this morning.

Mr. Winslow S. Myers has been appointed a notary public for Oregon.

The river rose .2 of a foot last night and now stands 9.1 feet above low water mark.

The derricks, scows, etc., used years ago in an abortive attempt to bridge the river at Vancouver, will be sold at sheriff's sale tomorrow.

The question of perpetual motion has been solved by a Populist genius, thusly: Rags make paper, paper makes money, money makes banks, banks make loans, loans make poverty, poverty makes rags; rags—well you stop right here and commence over again and keep on going until the cows come home.

When Ben Ullrich woke up one morning last week and proceeded to dress he found that his clothes were gone. Some sneak thief had opened the door while he was sleeping and abstracted every garment he had directed himself of the evening previous.

The Antelopes stampeded last evening and took in both ends of town. In their search for good pastures they went clear up to the snow line. It was 2 o'clock this morning before the last of them lay down to chew the cud of reflection, and as a consequence, the bright orb of day seemed to appear over the eastern horizon somewhat earlier than usual, and with an unwonted dimness.

A pair of young women fought it out in regular beauty pugilistic style near Long Creek, in Umatilla county, last Saturday night. They both were in love with a farm hand, and met to see who should have the right to possess him. They scragged and tore each other's faces and hair and daubed them with mud until they were a sight to behold. The farm laborer, who has some sense, now refuses to have anything to do with either of the women.

"If the Umatilla Indians keep on at the present gait they are going, there will soon be some splendid land on their reservation open for settlement by white men," said J. C. Leathers of Athena to a Telegram reporter recently. "Since the handing down of the decision naming the Umatillas citizens, with the privilege of drinking all the whisky they can purchase, the tribe is dying, or rather being killed off at a rate that practically means extermination in the next fifteen years."

A new freight and passenger line has been established between this city and Moro. The proprietor is Mr. Douglas Allen, who was recently foremost in circulating a petition for a mail route between the points named. Regular trips will be made every other day, leaving The Dalles Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The office is at the Umatilla house.

The road machine is doing good work today on Third street between the court house and St. Mary's academy. This is one of the worst streets in town in the spring of the year. It is now being graded toward the center and will henceforth be much firmer. The machine has lately been employed on country roads with much benefit. Mr. Leo Rondeau of Kingsley says since the work done on the roads leading to Kingsley he has been able to haul twice the load he could before the work was commenced.

Thursday's Daily

The lower story of the O'Barr house is about completed. The dining room is already in use, and the other rooms have only to be painted and furnished.

Mr. Leslie Butler of The Dalles and Mr. C. J. Bright of Wasco, were named as presidential electors on the prohibition ticket. The other two are D. Bowerman of Salem and C. E. Hoskins of Springfield. The state convention occurred in Portland yesterday.

Mr. Goolary has received invitations to repeat his lecture in different places in the county, and he will probably accept. Dufur was among the first to request the lecture. He will probably respond and arrange a series of dates for the different localities in the county.

Aside from the meriment the Brownies will create Saturday night at the opera house, a good musical program has been prepared, and Miss Vanderson's recitation will be worth the price of admission. Do not neglect to get reserved seats at Blakeley & Houghton's for 35 cents, or you can secure general admission tickets for 25 cents at the same place or on that night at the door. Children 15 cents.

Prof. T. C. Neece is ill at his home near Moro, and his physician has forbidden him to continue his class in vocal culture at present. Mr. J. E. McCormick will therefore, at Mr. Neece's request, finish the course for the professor at the M. E. church. Mr. McCormick is a competent instructor and will give two or three lessons more than called for in the original course, so that it will prove satisfactory to all members of the class.

According to the Telegram of Saturday, Warren, the successful candidate for school director in Portland, is a Junior Order man, an organization supposed to be allied with the A. P. A. There is some color given the report by the fact that he recently ousted School Clerk Paquet, substituting for him a man by the name of Allen, supposed to be an A. P. A. Then came Warren's stand against Roby. The Telegram continues: "The Catholics were ghaast. A quiet investigation was set on foot, and little by little the whole horrible truth of how Warren was played against Finley, and the Junior Order against the A. P. A. to the utter exclusion of the Catholics, has come to be known."

Friday's Daily.

Fossil girls play base ball with the school master.

Mr. E. Jacobsen will move his store tomorrow to his new location across the street.

The noblest and most up-to-date line of neckwear now on sale at A. M. Williams & Co.

The county delegates have nearly all arrived in the city and are being properly buttonholed.

Take early advantage of the choice offerings made by A. M. Williams & Co. in spring suits.

The west-bound passenger was delayed several hours today by the burning of a bridge east of Pendleton.

Sheep in Wasco county are lambing fast. The weather is desirable, and the prospects of a large increase flattering.

Mr. J. H. Sherar begins work today on the road between Bakeoven and Antelope, and will make a good highway out of a bad one.

Messrs. Stubling & Williams have the finest stock of liquors and cigars ever brought to the city. Family trade especially solicited.

There will be a grand display of Eastern pattern hats and bonnets at Mrs. Phillips millinery Saturday March 28th, to which a cordial invitation is extended to the ladies.

The women of Josephine and Jackson counties believe in the double standard. Three pair of twins have been born there recently, one in the former and two in the latter.

In Union county the Populists resolved that they are unalterably opposed to the use of liquor and cigars by the candidates in the campaign for electioneering purposes.

The dredger is still at work at the locks. Riprapping is also steadily going on, and the entrance to the canal is now presumed to be safe from any possible stage of high water.

The river has risen an inch an hour in the last 24 hours, standing this morning 12.7 feet, an increase of 2.6 from 7 a. m. Thursday till 7 a. m. Friday. The lower part of the incline is now under water.

The members of the First Baptist church in Portland have decided not to accept the resignation of Roland D. Grant by a vote of 59 to 35. It is not yet definitely known whether Rev. Grant will remain or not.

Miss Cora Aldrich of the Cascade Locks, has consented to sing at the Brownie entertainment next Saturday night. Miss Aldrich has sung before to a Dalles audience, who were delighted with her rare vocal ability.

Mr. E. F. Sharp has been in the Muddy and Currant creek settlement for the past two weeks. The new grade on Currant creek stood the winter well, and needs only some slight repairs caused by springs on the hillside, making mudholes in the road.

The Commercial Club proposes to take action soon on the Fossil road question. The ozone is so deeply impregnated with politics at present that it is impossible to discuss business interests, and the road question will be postponed until after the Republican county convention. Early in the week President Schenck will call a meeting of the Commercial Club to discuss the Fossil proposition and appoint the necessary committees.

Concert Repeated.

Miss Gladys M. Jones and Miss Harriet H. Stevens repeated their concert last night at the Congregational church to a large audience. The young ladies were this time unsupported by local talent, but admirably sustained the task before them. Their musical abilities have been reviewed heretofore by THE CHRONICLE, and it is not necessary to repeat what was said in our issue of Saturday last. Both young ladies are certainly artists of high degree, and give rich promise of something wonderful with the advance of years.

The base of Ayer's Hair Vigor is a refined and delicate fluid, which does not soil or become rancid by exposure to the air, and which is as perfect a substitute for the oil supplied by nature in youth and health as modern chemistry can produce.

THE KELSAY WELL.

Live Periwinkles Encountered at a Depth of 120 Feet.

The Kelsay well has been drilled down to a depth of 120 feet. It has been interesting to the drillers to note the different formations below the surface of the earth as they were encountered. They differ entirely from the hole drilled by Mr. Nicholas. After Mr. Kelsay had got through the soil, which was about 16 feet thick, a gravel and boulder formation was struck about 20 feet in thickness, then came the water belt in quicksand, about 6 feet thick; the next strata was a blue sand rock 10 to 15 feet in thickness, and then a belt of slate of about the same depth. Next came blue clay, and just below this, at a depth of 120 feet, was found yesterday a deposit of sand, sediment and gravel, which shows it to have been at one time the bed of a lake or an old river channel. It resembles what is known in placer mining lore as gold-bearing sand, and is probably just like that found in the Celilo gold field, if the two were compared.

But most interesting of all was what came up with this sand. One would hardly be prepared for the statement that at this depth below the earth's surface there could be existing animal life, yet there was brought up with this sand live periwinkles, snail-like animals in a spiral shaped shell, capable of locomotion. They were very lively when brought to the surface and commenced moving around with considerable animation. A piece of rotten wood was also encountered, from a log 14 inches in diameter, which must have been drift.

These finds give rise to much speculation on the part of the amateur geologists of this section. One believes the strata is the old Columbia river channel. In accordance with this theory, Mr. Kelsay proposes to save a part of every bucketful brought to the surface, and test it for gold. If bed-rock is struck, there is no question that plenty of the metal will be found upon it.

Another theory is that it is the bed of an old lake, which existed when the bridge of the Gods at the Cascades was yet unbroken, and afterwards drained by the Columbia river by its breaking through the mountains at the Locks.

The presence of the periwinkles gives rise to a separate train of thought. Mr. Kelsay can scarcely believe they came from the other end of the shaft, and thinks it possible they may have accidentally dropped in or were in the sand pump. If they really came up with the last strata struck, there is no doubt there is an underground passage at this depth, for they must have air. There are well authenticated instances of subterranean openings in the earth, as well as lakes and running streams, and which contain animal life. Slightless fish have been found in such waters, showing that while total darkness reigned there was no lack of air, water and food for their sustenance. But in the language of Artemus Ward "there are some things no fellow can find out," and again there was a "person called Shakespeare who wrote: "There are more things in heaven and earth than are dreamed of in philosophy."

Political Gossip.

The political pot has begun to boil and candidates are busy interviewing the delegates who were chosen at the primaries Saturday. The county delegates have not yet come to town and the city delegates must bear the brunt of the button-holing. The situation is considerable mixed and it is difficult to predicate what the actions of the convention will be.

The candidacy of Mr. M. A. Moody for congress has given to Wasco county politics this year more than a local interest. Mr. Moody's friends are active in his behalf, and his name will be prominently before the convention. Up to date Mr. Moody is the only candidate for a state office from this county, no names having so far been mentioned in connection with delegates to the national convention.

For state senator the name of Mr. B. S. Huntington of The Dalles has been considerably mentioned. The opinion has been expressed that it would be well to have Sherman and Wasco counties represented in the legislature by a lawyer of experience as well as by one conversant with the needs of these sections as Mr. Huntington is. Mr. John Michell has also been spoken of in connection with this office, but of his candidacy we are not certain. As far as can be learned neither gentleman is making any particular contest.

In connection with joint legislative representatives but little talk is heard. E. M. Shutt, editor of the Antelope Herald, has, it is understood, some strong support for one of these representatives. Mr. Shutt has edited the Antelope paper well, and is in touch with the needs of the stock-growers. It is not believed Representative T. R. Coon will be a candidate, and still he may. T. H. McGreer of Antelope, who made a creditable record in the last session, has been mentioned for re-nomination.

Mr. A. S. Blowers of Hood River is in for the county judgeship and comes with a delegation from Hood River. In this connection also the names of Robert Mays and William Floyd appear. Both these gentlemen would poll more than their party vote. It is possible also that Mr. T. A. Hudson may be a candidate

before the convention for this honor.

Mr. A. M. Kelsay, the present county clerk, is a candidate for nomination and will have a strong support. Mr. Kelsay's record is to his credit. H. C. Rooper of Bakeoven is also mentioned in this connection.

For sheriff, T. J. Driver and Felix Sexton are named. Mr. Driver's friends claim his easy nomination, saying that he is deserving of a second term. Robert Kelly, "genial Bob," has a lot of friends, but Mr. Kelly is not a candidate and is doing all he can to further Mr. Driver's interests.

No opposition to Wm. Michell for treasurer has so far been developed, nor has any to E. F. Sharp for surveyor.

J. A. Soesbe of Hood River may contest with Mr. F. H. Wakefield the nomination of assessor. This is, however, but a rumor and may not be verified. It is rumored also that Troy Shelly of Hood River will not be a candidate for re-election and if such be the case the nomination of Prof. C. L. Gilbert will probably be effected without difficulty. Mr. Gilbert is a young man with a good record and lots of friends. His only opponent so far—in case the story about Prof. Shelly is true—is Mr. Harrington of Dufur.

THE CHRONICLE has absolutely no interest in the proceedings before the convention only to the extent that it wants to see good men chosen. It has faith in the delegates elect, and it will bring to the ticket chosen its hearty support. We are confident the Republicans will do their duty by the people of the county and nominate for office the best men obtainable. This paper has no candidate for nomination. After the convention all the gentlemen named are our candidates.

Marriage Under Difficulties.

A young couple came in the clerk's office yesterday from Goldendale and requested a marriage license. The young man was horrified when told that the clerk of Wasco county could not issue a license. As many of the people of that section are in the habit of coming to The Dalles to supply their temporal wants, he probably supposed that The Dalles could minister to his needs in this line also. They went away feeling much depressed, and the young man especially seemed very much put out. However when the Goldendale stage left this morning they were both aboard, the clouds of the previous evening giving way in his countenance to brightest sunshine. Where there's a will there's a way and they were taking the shortest route left to the verdant fields of conjugal bliss.

County Taxes.

There will be tonight about \$12,000 taxes collected by the deputy sheriff. Some of the largest taxpayers are as follows:

O. R. & N. Co.	\$9184.97
French & Co.	2475.57
Max Vogt	1531.82
Dalles National Bank	1232.00
First National Bank	1424.00

There are but a few days remaining in the month and taxes will be paid in at a very lively rate during the remainder of the week.

BOEN.

In this city, March 25th, to the wife of Dinsmore Parrish, a son.
In this city, March 26, 1896, to the wife of W. A. Johnston, a son.
March 24th, to the wife of J. W. Barnes, 8-Mile, a daughter.

To the People of The Dalles.

We cordially invite you to come and examine our stock of High-class Novelties, which we are now showing. Our display, same as evening of the Opening, will be shown for the balance of the week.

ALL GOODS MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES.

PEASE & MAYS.

FORMALLY OPENED.

Large Number of Citizens Were Present at the Commercial Club.

The formal opening of the Commercial and Athletic Club last evening was an event which will long be remembered by those in attendance, and their name seemed to be legion. Ladies and gentlemen, young and middle-aged, fixed up in their "best bib and tucker" and contributed their share to the gaiety of the occasion by their presence. Like the olympic games, that greatest social attraction of mediæval Rome, everyone neglected their accustomed avocation, threw off the cares that infest the day, had a temporary adieu to the anxieties, ambitions and labors of the work-a-day world and devoted themselves to that enjoyment which arises from a large number of pleasure-makers each bent upon pleasure, and aided by all the pleasure-giving devices that science may produce. There is a prodigality of such devices at the Commercial Club, which was last evening the wonder of the community. Every room was thrown open to the invaders, and each had but to choose which would please the most. There was the billiard room for those devoted to the cue, card tables for those who dote upon whist, the reading room for the pensive scholar, the gymnastic accessories of that department, foils for the fencers, dumb-bells and clubs for the club-swingers, rings, trapeze and bars for the acrobat, muscle, lung and chest developers for those leading a too sedentary life, and a bowling alley for everybody, and through it all, penetrating to the remotest corner of the most distant room, there floated upon the buoyant air sweetest strains of music by The Dalles orchestra band, who generously donated their services for the evening.

The bowling alley was unquestionably the chief source of enjoyment, and the ladies entered into the spirit of the sport with the same abandon as the gentlemen. A number of unique contests were projected. For instance, ladies vs. the men, married ladies vs. the married men, single ladies vs. married ladies, young ladies vs. young gentlemen. The last-named contest was very exciting. The young gentlemen al-

lowed the ladies 80 points of a start, and they never caught up; they were too generous, or else they underestimated the skill of their opponents.

The hours were thus pleasantly spent until 11 o'clock. Invitations were quite generally extended and accepted. Many of the clergy were present and gave expressions of the benefit that was possible to the community by a club of this nature. The club, after their auspicious opening of last evening, begins an era of prosperity which will make them as necessary to the welfare of the community of which it is a larger part, as all the other enterprises financial which contribute to the city's prosperity and advancement.

Judge Bennett and Eastern Politics.

Judge A. S. Bennett returned from Washington City Monday evening. He stated to a reporter that he does not expect a decision in the Skottowe case before two months, though it may come at any time. Asked about eastern politics, he stated that Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, as well as Washington City, are for free silver, and that he believes the Democratic party will adopt that side of the financial issue, and in speaking of the matter left the impression in the reporter's mind that the judge thinks that is about right himself. He heard many good speeches in congress while in Washington City, and says that Bob Cousins of Iowa made a national reputation in a day in his speech upon the resolutions of censure on Bayard for his attitude on the tariff question, as given at an English dinner, while across the water. Speaking of our own congressmen, he said he had met Hon. W. R. Ellis, and that he had many friends in congress. As to his abilities he said Ellis had never made any notable speeches, but was a rare worker for Oregon interests.

Mr. R. Shellew, who was in town yesterday, confidently predicts the re-nomination of Representative Hermann to congress. He places the following counties to Hermann's credit: Clackamas, Yamhill, Polk, Benton, Jackson, Josephine and Douglas. A division of sentiment is apparent in Washington, Lynn, Lane and Marion.

Farm Implements and Carriages at Hard-time Prices

Times are too hard to pay a profit to both jobber and dealer. We buy our Implements and Carriages direct from the manufacturers, ship them out to the Coast in carloads, and in this way get the benefit of the lowest freight rates and buy our goods at the lowest prices. In this way we are enabled to make you prices, from which you can judge for yourself whether or not it will pay you to come and see us before buying.

We sell the celebrated Bradley Plows; they are strictly first-class, new and fresh from the factory, and of the latest patterns. Bradley Chilled D10, 10-inch Plow, \$7.25; D29, 12-inch Plow, \$8.75; D30, 14-inch Plow, \$9.50; all with extra share. Bradley Double Share Steel Plows, 10-inch, \$10; 12-inch, \$11.50; 14-inch, \$14; 16-inch, \$15.50; 7 1/2-inch Garden Plows (steel), with extra sharp, \$5.50; 8-inch, \$6.50.

Three-section Wood Harrows, \$11; 2-section Scotch Harrows, \$8.50. Two-section Wood Harrows with lever, \$15. Disc Harrows, 8 1/2-foot cut, 20-inch discs, \$45; smaller ones in proportion.

Racine Top Buggies, medium grade, \$75; best grade, \$100. Racine Hacks from \$75 to \$120 for the best Hack made.

We also carry a full line of Buckboards, Road Wagons, Carts, Bicycles, etc., and can save you money if you will write us.

We are sole agents for the Celebrated OLD HICKORY Farm Wagons for Wasco, Sherman, Crook and Elkhart counties. Our Bradley 12-inch Gang we offer with rolling coulters, riding attachment and four-horse evensers, all complete for \$65.

In addition to above we carry the largest line of Shelf Hardware, Tinware, Stoves, Barbed Wire, Iron, Steel, Horse Shoes, Coal, Guns and Ammunition, etc., in Eastern Oregon, and we are out for the trade in these lines, and propose to have it if prices will get it. Come and see us. Terms are strictly cash. We are selling too close to give long time.

MAYS & CROWE.