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LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

Wednesday's Daily.
The orchestra disbanded last night. There was a reorganization of the band perfected.

The citizens' meeting last night was sparsely attended, and little enthusiasm was manifested by those who did attend for or against the chemical engine. After a few desultory remarks the meeting adjourned.

Dr. H. W. Sturdevant, the dentist, wishes it distinctly understood that he does not intend changing his place of residence to Astoria or elsewhere. The report is abroad owing to the change of residence of T. F. Sturdevant.

Engineer Eastman took a little stroll across the river into Rockland yesterday, and among the curious things he saw was a large rattlesnake which measured about four inches through the body and was only about four feet long and had nineteen rattles and a button.

An attempted burglary was made on the safe of VanDuyn, Adams & Co. at Tygh Sunday night. The attempt to blow open the door was a failure, and they left without obtaining any money. A little merchandise abstracted from the store was the only loss, barring the injuries to the safe. No clue is known as to the burglar's identity.

Dr. Grant and party left this morning on the Regulator for Portland. Mr. Grant's photographer will take views along the river of the several points of interest, among them a precipitous rock on the Washington side, which has been termed "Dr. Grant's castle," about twenty minutes' run from The Dalles. The views are to adorn a valuable lecture on Oregon which Dr. Grant will deliver throughout the East, and which will doubtless do much to induce immigration to this state.

Several wool buyers are again in the city, looking after their yearly business. The names of J. W. Russell, Portland, and E. Judd, Pendleton, are inscribed on the Umatilla house register. One face will be missed this season, owing to the death of George F. Davis, known throughout the states of Idaho, Washington, Oregon and California as one of the most skillful buyers of wool on the coast. Mr. Davis died at a resort near Bakersfield, whither he had gone for the benefit of his health. He was the main representative of Koshland & Co., a heavy wool concern of Boston and San Francisco.

Thursday's Daily

The foundation for the new Williams building is being laid.

The sheriff has started posting the general election notices.

County Clerk A. M. Kelsay proposes to plant five acres to tomatoes this season.

The rainfall last night amounted to one-twentieth of an inch, a fairly good summer rain.

Ida Walters is held in the county jail as a witness in the case of State vs. Wm. Landis for adultery.

Trout fishing is said to be better than average this season. All who have angled for the speckled beauties report excellent success.

J. W. Walton announces himself as an independent Republican candidate for justice of the peace, and filed the required notice with ten signatures with the county clerk yesterday.

John Carey's restaurant was moved today from its location next to the Mountaineer office to Mr. McInerney's building in the East End. A 15-cent house goes in across the street from Carey's old place.

The Pendleton brass band, of fourteen instruments, has begun a series of weekly outdoor concerts. It is the intention of the leader to select a different portion of the town each week, in order that all may be treated alike.

In the case of Teal vs. Mosier, which came before Justice Davis this morning, defendants were given until Saturday at 10 o'clock to file answer. The case of John Donovan vs. Taffe, for recovery of alleged balance due on a steam boiler, was postponed until April 29th at 10 o'clock.

John Lauer, a 10-year-old boy, who lives on 8-Mile, ran into a barbed wire fence this morning, receiving severe injuries about the face. His nose was nearly cut in two laterally, a gash was made in his neck nearly severing the carotid artery, and other cuts were made upon his face. He was immediately brought to the city and placed under the care of Dr. Hollister.

Col. Sinnott thinks Dr. Grant overlooked one very important photograph

for his to-be famous collection. If he had only been asked he would have shown Mr. Grant the identical place where Geo. Francis Train crossed the river on the backs of salmon, a feat to which there are now but two living witnesses—Train himself, who is in New York City, and Col. N. B. Sinnott.

The finishing touches are being put on the 3-Mile road. A carriage team can now trot from the bottom to the top without losing any speed, so slight is the grade. This latter improvement is in line with the remodelled brewery grade, which is another excellent piece of work. At the present rate of improvement Wasco county roads will be well nigh perfect within five years, which means increased prosperity alike for the farmers and the townspeople.

Friday's Daily.

Circuit court convenes at Prineville on the 4th of May.

There was .15 of an inch of rainfall last night and today.

The Buchler well is down 107 feet. They are now drilling in granite.

Mr. McArthur is replacing the remaining arc lights with incandescents.

The Wasco warehouse has received about 100 sacks of wool so far this season.

Thursday next is the final day at the Boss Cash Store. Come early and secure bargains.

The corset factory has moved over the old CHRONICLE office and is running a full force of operatives.

J. H. St. Lawrence, the blind orator, will address the citizens of The Dalles and vicinity tomorrow night.

Saltmarsh & Co. shipped three carloads of cattle to the Union Meat Co. this morning. They are from Summit Prairie.

The Dietzel Bros. have nearly finished the construction of a neat little sailing boat, which will be launched in the river soon.

A wind this afternoon blew down some fences above the bluff. The wind was not very strong, but then the fences were not either.

A number of emigrants from North Yakima are camped at the head of Union street near Twelfth. They are looking for locations.

On account of repairs going on at St. Paul's church, the regular mid-week service will be omitted this evening. Services on Sunday at the usual hours, morning and evening.

Mr. C. L. Richmond had but just recovered from an obitinate felon on his hand, when another began to make its appearance. He has been incapacitated from work part of the time.

Mr. Henry Dietzel recently sent out a man to his Tunnel mine near Mt. Hood, about 25 miles from this city. He went over a ridge where the snow was eight feet deep. There is four feet on a level at the claim.

Rev. L. Grey will hold English Lutheran service in O. D. Taylor's church on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, and in the evening at 7:30. At 3 p. m. Rev. Grey will hold a German service at the same place.

The team attached to Otto Birgfeld's new delivery wagon ran away this morning. The king bolt broke and the team ran with the front running gear. No serious damage resulted either to the horses or wagon.

A vast acreage of grain has been sown this season in Klickitat county, and all bids fair to produce an abundant yield. One observer estimates that the wheat crop of Klickitat county will this year be somewhere near 1,000,000 bushels.

The date upon which Arbor day falls may be considered a fair indication of the advance of spring in the different states of the west. In Oregon it was April 10th, Washington April 24th, Idaho May 8th, and Montana May 12th.

The best bowling record so far was made on Wednesday by Judge Bradshaw, who scored 52 points out of a possible 90. Previous to that Mr. C. F. Stephens was champion, with 49 points to his credit. Of the ladies, Mrs. C. F. Stephens scored 19 out of a possible 45.

The hobo who made it so lively for Officer Blakeney a few days ago is getting very tame under the cooling influence of our excellent city jail and a diet of bread and water. This morning he wanted to be taken out to work on the street, but the marshal thought he was too much of an athlete, and refused to grant the request. He will be very tired of The Dalles when his twenty-day sentence expires.

Announcement.

I wish to announce to the dealers and the smoking public that I am now manufacturing strictly first-class cigars in The Dalles and am here to stay. I use nothing but the finest imported stock and can compete successfully with Eastern and imported goods, because the import duty and freight is much less on raw material than it is on manufactured goods. My eighteen years experience makes me duly qualified to select the finest stock, on which my success depends. My "Regulator" brand is made by hand of Havana tobacco grown in the famous Vuelta Abajo district of Cuba; there is nothing finer in the world. Call for the "Regulator." It is a good thing, push it along.

Very respectfully,
O. A. PETERSON.
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BITUMINOUS COAL.

"Blossoms" Discovered Near the City as Large as Lard Pails.

Mr. E. B. Burns is the name of a man who has been in our city for about three weeks, and in that short time has accomplished what others who have been here for many years would have been glad to find. Such is the irony of fate. He has discovered the best specimen of bituminous coal ever found in this region of country. It is soft coal, the specimen being as large as a 5-pound lard pail, broken from a piece much larger. He made the discovery about a week ago a few miles down the river from The Dalles on the Oregon side. The specimen was accompanied by another, showing the colors of "peacock coal," a quality second only to anthracite.

Mr. Burns claims to be a prospector of twelve years experience in Colorado, Wyoming and the southwest territories, and he certainly talks coal very familiarly. He has been in Oregon since January, principally in the Baker City country. He was laid off the Virtre mine, and came to Wasco county, as he had heard there were recent coal discoveries here. He says everything indicated the presence of coal. The basement being dug by A. M. Williams & Co. shows carbonates, but they have been burned and are lifeless.

In his walk of a week ago he discovered familiar signs, known only to coal prospectors, and digging down procured the specimens he exhibited to a CHRONICLE reporter today. He claims that every coal region has faults and the fault of this is that the veins are not flat, but pitch at various angles from 20 to 45 degrees, caused by past ebullitions of nature. Therefore coal is harder to find, and when found may be broken off unexpectedly and the vein lost for a time.

Mr. Burns does not know whether the land upon which he found the coal is still government land, and will not tell its exact location until he ascertains. It is, however, on the mountain which lies between Chenoweth and Mosier creeks. Our people need not be skeptical over the existence of coal. Everything reads coal, and the opinion once expressed of our state geologist, Mr. Condon, is entitled to considerable weight. He said that The Dalles was built over a valuable bed of coal, but he couldn't say how deep it was.

A VALUABLE QUARRY.

An Inexhaustible Ledge of the Stone the Locks Are Made Of.

Mr. W. R. Winans was in town yesterday, having in his possession a handsome specimen of the building stone of which the main wall at the Cascades is built. Mr. Winans has been developing an immense ledge of this valuable stone which exists on his homestead about 20 miles from the mouth of Hood river. It has a mile of front, and is about thirty feet deep, an inexhaustible supply. It is the only known natural quarry of this valuable stone in the country. The immense amount that has been used at the locks of this same kind of stone has been float, existing as bowlders in a creek bed mixed among other kinds of rock and debris, and probably glacial.

This stone is more durable than granite, some kinds of which are subject to considerable erosion. Mr. Winans' building stone partakes of a fine polish, when it shows a uniform blue color of very handsome shade. It is very compact, therefore capable of immense pressure. It splits uniformly, and the action of centuries of weather does not make it crumble. It is an ideal rock for the construction of the locks, for it will not wear a quarter of an inch in a thousand years by the action of the water. The locks are therefore as permanent as the pyramids of Egypt.

Mr. Winans has taken no steps to develop his quarry, but he has a property more valuable than a gold mine, if he could get the stone to market. This would necessitate the construction of a railway to Hood River, when the entire United States would be tributary as a market.

W. C. T. U. Organization.

In response to the invitation to meet Mrs. Kinney, a good number of ladies came to the home of Mrs. S. French yesterday at 3 p. m. After singing a hymn and prayer, Mrs. Kinney spoke for a short time of the work and progress of the W. C. T. U., and then asked that the work of the Union be begun here. Several gave their names, and an organization was effected. The following ladies were unanimously elected as officers: Mrs. C. S. VanDuyn, president; Mrs. M. E. Biggs, vice-president; Mrs. Mattie Barnett, treasurer; Mrs. J. E. Dean, recording secretary; Mrs. D. M. French, corresponding secretary. The meeting then adjourned to meet next Tuesday at Mrs. O. D. Doane's. All ladies who are willing to help, or would like to understand the working of the union are most cordially invited to be at Mrs. Doane's. Thirty ladies gave their names as members, and three gentlemen as honoraries.

Mr. Gourlay and Dr. Grant.

Dr. Roland D. Grant, who was in the city yesterday, desires us to make the following statement: "Mr. Gourlay misquoted me on the occasion of my first lecture in saying that I asserted that Washington said: 'Put none but

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Saturday, April 25

2 BIG DRIVES IN DRESS GOODS.

	Regular.	Special.
Plain all-wool 36-in. Serge.	\$.35	\$.30
" " 42-in. "	.50	.42½
" " 42-in. "	.65	.52½
Mohair, fancy, 38-inch.....	.50	.42½
" " 40-inch.....	.65	.50
" fancy, plain, 42-in.	.75	.62½
" Jacquard, 40-inch.	1.00	.82½
" " 42-inch.	1.10	.87½
" silk stripe, 42-inch.	1.25	1.10
" " 44-inch.	1.50	1.30
" " 44-inch.	2.00	1.60

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Americans on guard tonight." I preceded the statement with the words "It is said" Washington gave that order, whereas Mr. Gourlay claims Washington said not only that, but adds another statement, "because we shall need the Irish in the morning." Speaking of Mr. Gourlay's communication in yesterday's CHRONICLE, Mr. Grant said: "He condemns me for not what I said, but something I didn't say—something he wanted me to say; but I never get caught in that kind of a trap. I assert nothing but what I can prove. The statement about the 104,000 Catholic desertions first appeared in a New York daily newspaper, and was copied by the A. P. A. press. The paper which originated the story later corrected it, but not all the papers which reprinted the original article saw the correction. It is of such material Mr. Gourlay makes out his case. He doesn't attack our fortress."

I. O. G. T.

Monday night the Independent Workers held a very pleasant and helpful session. The program committee had prepared a fine entertainment and it was duly appreciated by the large number present.

The I. O. G. T. are making preparations for the meeting of the Grand Lodge, which holds its sessions here in The Dalles the first week in June, at which time from 70 to 100 delegates from all parts of the state will be present and all friends of the temperance cause are asked to lend a hand in making their visit to our city a very pleasant one. There is time for you, who read this, to join one of the lodges of the order, and thus give your support to a good cause and enjoy the pleasures of the meeting. The Dalles Lodge No. 2, meets every Saturday evening at the K. of P. hall and the Independent Workers No. 7, meets every Monday evening at Fraternity hall. Come ye friends of temperance and join us and be ready for the Grand Lodge in June. B. H.

In Honor of Mrs. Gilliam.

Mrs. J. E. Barnett entertained a number of the friends of Mrs. Wm. Gilliam, who is here from California visiting her, at her residence yesterday afternoon. Most of the ladies present were old friends of Mrs. Gilliam's in days gone by when she was a resident of The Dalles, and although party days for them have most ended, so well did Mrs. Barnett entertain her guests and so pleasant was it to recall old times, that the afternoon was one of great enjoyment.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair, Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair.

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PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

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RECLAIMING A DESERT.

The Excellent Work Now Going on in Umatilla County.

Some of the arid lands of Umatilla county are being settled upon by a party of men, who are putting in a ditch taken from the Umatilla river, known as the Baily ditch. The ditch is run over a beautiful little slope of country, and it is believed by all who see the growth of vegetation upon the land that it will develop into a rich farming country. Although it takes a great deal of water to irrigate that land, we cannot question the quality of the land. Last year was the first to be cultivated and all kinds of garden truck was raised in abundance. Potatoes, both in size and quality, were almost unequalled in the state. All kinds of fruit trees are being set out this spring, as well as small berries, with long rows of stately poplars, which are being set out for wind-breaks. Several dwelling houses are being built, some splendid farm cottages and other improvements.

Mrs. Kinney's Lecture.

Mrs. Narcissa White Kinney entertained a large audience last night on the subject of temperance. She spoke in glowing terms of the work accomplished by the W. C. T. U., which is now 21 years old, the largest band of women ever organized for any purpose. It numbers 400,000, distributed in forty different nations and comprising fifty languages. Its work has been apparent in legislation on many lines. The organization has raised the age of consent from 10 and 12 years to 14, 15, 16 and in three states as high as 18 years of age. In Oregon it has prohibited the selling of cigarettes to minors. Mrs. Kinney spoke of many other reforms of like excellence that were attributable to the influence of the W. C. T. U. Speaking of the progress of temperance, she said that while the liquor traffic was apparently carried on to as large an extent as ever before, there never was a time when there were so many total abstainers as now. She then continued, with argument, example and precept leading to a full conception of the importance of the work of the W. C. T. U., and at the close of the lecture many ladies signed a pledge and membership cards of the organization, re-establishing on a firm foundation a branch order in The Dalles. The speaker was pleasantly introduced by Mrs. Smith French, Rev. Wood read a scripture lesson, and Rev. Hawk of Goldendale, who was present, made a short prayer.

Our County Schools.

From the annual statement of Mr. Troy Shelley, county school superintendent, we glean the following interesting data concerning county public schools:

Number of pupils enrolled between ages of 4 and 20, 2,593; number of persons in county between those ages, 3,952; 1,424 children do not attend school.
Number of teachers employed, 156.
Twenty teachers hold first grade, 31 second grade, and 23 third grade certificates. Sixty teachers take some educational journal.
There are eleven private schools, with 144 scholars.
Estimated value of school houses and grounds, \$75,677; school furniture, \$9,701; apparatus, \$4,510.
Amount of insurance on houses and property, \$29,960.
Average salary paid male teachers, \$45.38; female, \$35.40. Salary of superintendent, \$700.
There are 61 districts in the county. Five new school houses have been built during the year. Of the 62 schoolhouses 58 are frame, 2 brick and 2 log.
Number of graded schools 7, employing 30 teachers. There is one academy, employing eight teachers, with 125 pupils.
Number of legal voters at school elections, 2,119.
An average of 6 mills has been voted and levied during the year for school purposes.

Wants Fisk and the Colonel Promoted.

EDITOR CHRONICLE:—I have a proposition to make to those interested in the immediate opening of the Cascade locks that ought to meet the approval of every Oregonian from Point Adams to Snake river. I see by the papers that Lieut. Harry Taylor has been promoted and ordered to take charge of some score of government works in Washington that the government never intends to finish. Now don't you think it would be a good idea for us to petition the secretary of war to send Captain Fisk and "Colonel" Day to keep Harry company. It will be awful lonely for Harry away up on the raging Stillaguamish or by the deserted mud flats of the Swinomish. On the "promotion" of these gentlemen as aforesaid, I suggest that the works be turned over to the supervisor of road district No. 1 for completion.

HUGH GOURLAY.

A convention takes place in Spokane May 15th, to consider the best means of fighting the squirrel pest.

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