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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Wednesday's Daily

The friends of Mrs. C. E. Haight will learn with regret of her serious illness at her rooms above Pease and Mays's store.

A small audience attended the concert given by the Tennessee Students last night. The program was about the same as that of Monday night, and the singing equally as good.

A very successful series of meetings are being held at the Christian church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Bolts. The church is well filled every evening, and much good is being accomplished.

The store room on the first floor of the Gates building, which has been empty for so long, is now occupied by Leslie Butler and Son, who have moved their goods in and fitted up a neat little office.

Mr. Wm. Morganfield, who came in from the Meadows Sunday, informs us that there were two inches of snow when he left there and it was still snowing. The ground was frozen hard enough to hold up his horse.

Last evening Howard & Sterns, of Prineville shipped 700 head, or seventeen carloads, of cattle east. Another shipment will be made as soon as cars can be procured. C. M. Grimes sent two carloads to Troutdale today.

The list of premiums for the fair have been received, being somewhat delayed and causing a great deal of trouble to the managers. Any who desire a copy of this list may obtain them by applying to Secretary Mack, at the office of T. A. Hudson, on Washington street.

Portland university opened yesterday with an attendance of 125 students. Portland has had a hard struggle to secure this institution, and it opens under very satisfactory financial prospects, sufficient money having been subscribed to free it from debt.

This morning a sign was placed above the second-hand store of Mr. R. B. Hood, which newspaper reporters were called upon to translate. But there are some things which even a reporter is compelled to give up. Evidently Mr. Hood has been studying foreign languages while in California, and he has put out his shingle as a second-hand professor of such.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Young arrived in the city this morning from Ridgeway, with the remains of their infant daughter, Grace H., who died yesterday of cholera infantum. They leave this afternoon for Portland, where the little one will be buried in Lone Fir cemetery by the side of her sister, who died several years ago. The child was aged ten months and twenty days.

The Astorian says: "Mrs. H. H. Ingalls bowled a perfect game at the alleys of the Astoria Football club recently.

She rolled 18 balls in the game and made every one count. Her score was 58. She had four strikes and six spares in the game. This is, so far as is known, the only perfect game ever bowled by a woman in the Northwest. Better scores have been made, but in every instance the players have missed one or more balls."

Residents of this city awoke this morning to find that, to use a slang expression, they had been given a "cold frost." The minimum temperature was thirty-three, and until noon, although the sun shone brightly, the atmosphere was decidedly wintry. Several gentlemen who have had occasion to visit the country adjacent to Mts. Hood and Adams, say that heavy snow storms were encountered and that bands of sheep were caught in the mountains, snow not being expected so early.

The company's yard has been completely blocked with cars of late on account of the immense amount of grain, stock and other freight which is being shipped. The crews were not sufficient to accomplish what was required of them, and last night a night yard crew was added. Since the rush complaint has been made by merchants that it was impossible to get cars placed so that freight could be unloaded. Agent Ireland now says this trouble will be obviated, and if word is given them the evening before, the cars will be in readiness for unloading the next morning.

Another instance of the fatal result of the use of kerosene in starting fires occurred in Portland yesterday, when Carrie Nelson, a domestic, met her death by the explosion of a bottle of kerosene, which she was holding in her hand as she poured the liquid in the stove. In an instant her clothing was on fire and she was burned from the top of her head almost to her waist, and her legs also were partly charred. She was taken to St. Vincent's hospital, where she expired shortly before 3 o'clock this morning. She remained conscious up to within fifteen minutes of her demise, suffering untold miseries. Then she became delirious. She was about thirty years of age, and her people live about six miles from Portland.

La Grande is rejoicing over the successful opening of the first beet-sugar factory in the Northwest. The wheels of the machinery were set in motion at 7 o'clock yesterday by Superintendent Granger, and thirty minutes later the first juice made its appearance at the vent of the big vat. The first refined sugar will be ready by Thursday night for market. The plant cost \$500,000, and the machinery weighs 2,500,000 pounds. Everything worked as smoothly as if it were an old and tried institution. It is estimated that this year's crop of beets will keep the factory employed one hundred days and nights, and the total output will be 30,000 tons of sugar.

C. E. Bayard has joined the list of those who have found it necessary to remove the large poplar trees from around their lots, and yesterday workmen were engaged in chopping down those in front of his residence. Although we realize the necessity of such a move when we consider the amount of nourishment which this particular tree saps from the soil, yet it is always with a feeling of regret that we note their removal. Few cities will be found with such beautiful trees as The Dalles; even Denver, which is noted for its verdure, cannot compare with our city in that regard.

While their destruction may be a necessity, let us not neglect to place in their stead some trees that will afford as much shade and add even more to the appearance of the town.

Thursday's Daily.

Baker City will hold its first municipal election in four years on the first Monday in November.

The Walla Walla fruit fair opened yesterday under the most favorable circumstances, with over 6,000 people in attendance.

Last night the Dalles City made an extra trip to Lyle, where they took on 1800 sacks of wheat. A small party took the opportunity to enjoy a trip on the Columbia by moonlight, and report a jolly time.

The grand lodge, Knights of Pythias, will convene in Portland on the 11th of this month. The Rathbone Sisters, Roweny temple, No. 20, will put on the beautiful work of the grand temple, on the night of October 12, at Elks' hall. These services will be followed by a reception and supper.

Word has been received that the gentlemen who were expected to organize the Native Sons of Oregon in our city last week, will be here on Saturday, and an organization will be effected that evening in K. of P. hall. All native sons of Oregon over twenty-one years of age are invited to be present and become members.

A number of farmers took advantage of the fine weather today and made a visit to the city. The usual number of wheat teams are in evidence in the East End, and while the price of wheat is not booming, business is. Yesterday a number of freight teams left for the Prineville country, and several from that section came in today.

The editor of a Pennsylvania paper thus takes his readers into his confidence: "Fellow readers, in these piping times of hustle and bustle, and when you are receiving an advance upon your grapes, just take time between breaths and roll a cartwheel into 'The Breeze' office to apply upon your subscription. We're gosh-darned hard up, and don't care who knows it, either."

The complimentary vote given Judge Bennett, of The Dalles, is a just recognition of a worthy citizen. Judge Bennett has persistently followed the course politically that assured him at all times failure to win the honors his talents made him deserve, and yet by his conscientious advocacy of what he believes right he has won respect from all the people of Oregon.—E. O.

School district, No. 52, near Mosier will have appropriate exercises tomorrow afternoon, and the "Stars and Stripes" will thereafter wave over the school building. Superintendent Gilbert will be in attendance, J. M. Carroll, teacher in No. 52, and Miss Lillian Ackerman, of district No. 8, will suspend school for the afternoon to attend the exercises.

nate in having secured such men to manage their expensive machinery.

The Goldendale Sentinel says: "Saturday Mr. Thomas A. Hudson, from The Dalles, representing a company of capitalists of San Francisco, came to Goldendale to get statistics as to the yield of grain, etc., and of the amount of business done in the valley. The company proposes to build a narrow gauge road from Lyle to Goldendale, only asking from the people the right-of-way and sufficient grounds to build a depot and other terminal buildings upon. If they decide to construct this road, which we think they will, it will be here in time to move the crop of 1899."

Sheriff Matlock, of Morrow county, left Canyon City for Heppner Sunday having in charge V. R. McConigill, who is wanted for disposing of a band of 1600 sheep, upon which the First National bank, of Heppner, held a mortgage. Recently the bank made a demand for the sheep, and McConigill, it is said, claimed they had been lost in the mountain. An investigation, however, showed that they were being driven out of the country, and for the past ten days Sheriff Matlock and deputies have been scouring the John Day country in search of them. They finally located 300 head, all that were left, and learned that McConigill had sold the rest. McConigill was arrested Monday.

Portland is to have a big dry dock. Senator Mackay will abandon his bill fostering this enterprise, and Wolf & Zwicker will take the work in hand. This firm has for some time had the scheme in contemplation, and now are almost prepared to carry it into practical effect, in connection with their ship-building plant. They purpose increasing their capital \$250,000, of which a large amount already is subscribed, and available whenever needed. It is believed all the increased capital stock will be secured within the next two or three weeks, when active steps will be taken in the consummation of the enterprise.

The dock will be a floating one, built of steel, and suitable for all purposes for many years ahead.

Not content with the popularity already gained, the East End this morning attempted to scare up a runaway. The event, however, was not a howling success. The leading participants were a four-horse team, a wagon, from which a load of wheat had just been taken, and a driver who certainly is an adept in the art of managing a runaway team. The latter fact spoiled a fine newspaper item, and as he turned the horses and made them run up on the sidewalk at the corner of Baker's saloon thus stopping their progress, our reporter in the East End heaved a sigh and started for greener fields.

Friday's Daily.

Situation wanted as cook, by middle-aged woman, country preferred. Apply at this office. 10-8 dlw

The races at our fair this year are expected to be the best ever held in this city. Many fine racers will be on hand, and the track will be a favorite rendezvous at that time.

Workmen are today employed in repairing the cistern on the corner of Third and Washington streets. The old timbers will be removed and railroad iron substituted. New planking will also be put over the cistern.

A marriage-license was issued today by County Clerk Kelsey, but at the request of the lady, who should have something to say in the matter, the names are suppressed. We are informed however by the clerk that the gentleman's name is "Mud," which, from its meaning when used as a slang phrase, probably accounts for the lady's request.

Joseph Supple has a force of men at work getting the Hattie Belle off the bank of the Columbia, above the Cascade Locks, this week. Two "compound crabs" are to be used in drawing the steamer up on the ways, where she will be rebuilt and launched again. The vessel belongs to Hosford Bros., but the D. P. & A. N. Company had her rented, and will try to get her afloat in good shape again.—Telegram.

The lecture at the Methodist church tonight entitled "Village Work on Camel Back," which will be given by Mrs. Prantch, a missionary who has spent nine years in Gugarat, India, will not be, as is usually expected, uninteresting; but on the contrary, spicy and full of personal experience. She will have present a lady in Indian costume, and many pictures and curios from that land. Children are especially invited as she will speak of the different animals.

Major Wilkinson, who is reported as killed in the battle with the Indians Wednesday on Bear Island, in Minnesota, having lived in Portland about ten years, between the 70s and 80s. He came to Portland originally as an aid on the staff of General Howard. He was a great worker in the Y. M. C. A., and much interested in Sunday schools. Many who are now grown can remember how when as children they looked forward to Captain Wilkinson's visit to The Dalles Sunday schools, at which time they were sure to hear some funny stories as he illustrated his moral lessons with them.

E. J. Gleason has been in our city for the past week in the interest of the Second Annual Stockmen's Fair, which will be held in Antelope on the 13th, 14th and 15th of this month. The pro-

ple of that section are very enthusiastic, and the fair is sure to be a success. Mr. Gleason has the consent of some of the talent of our city to be present and take part in the programs, among them Messrs. N. J. Sinnott and F. W. Wilson. He is also anxious that Messrs. Ham-shire and Clark give their famous Irish and Dutch turns.

Doug Langille was in town for several days, unable to return to Cloud Cap Inn on account of the deep snow that fell there on the night of September 29th and at intervals since. The storm on the mountains, he says, was the worst he ever saw. Two feet of snow fell and the strong wind drifted it in places nine feet deep. The roads were impassable and Doug was detained from going to the inn until Tuesday. Fortunately the telephone kept in working order, though snowed under in many places, and Mrs. Langille was enabled to communicate with Doug. She had the assistance of Elmer McCray.—Hood River Glacier.

In the words of the Mountaineer of a few years since, "Now is the winter of our discontent." At least the mornings are cold enough for winter, but who could be discontented with such lovely days as we are now having. This morning was the coldest of the season, the thermometer standing at thirty-one degrees, but as soon as Old Sol made his appearance we had summer again. This is an exceptional year as regards the cold weather, the like not being known so early in the season for about twenty-five years. Last year at this time it was twenty degrees warmer. However, boys, don't get your skates out yet, fans will yet be needed before winter is here.

A commendable move has been made on the part of the citizens of The Dalles, which goes to prove that the moss-backs, who formerly made their home in our city, have crawled away. By voluntary subscription it has been arranged to give Klickitat farmers who bring grain to our city free ferrage across the Columbia and return, from now until December 7th. The only condition exacted whereby advantage may be taken of this offer is that two-horse teams are required to haul not less than a ton; while four-horse teams must carry a ton and a half. This minimum is designated that none may take undue advantage of this generous offer. No doubt our neighbors over the way will appreciate the inducement held out and improve the opportunity offered.

A few days ago Mr. S. L. Brooks sent a large basket of grapes of the Flaming Tokay variety and a box of Muscats of Alexandria to Mr. Pague, who has charge of the Wascoco county exhibit at the Portland exposition. This morning he received the following in answer: "The grapes you sent were placed in the Wascoco county exhibit. They are by far the finest and best we have at the exposition. The Wascoco county exhibit excels anything we have ever had, and too much credit cannot be given to Mr. E. Schanno, E. L. Smith, of Hood River, and yourself for your interest in the matter." He also says: "I leave here on the evening of the 8th for Omaha, where the weather bureau convention will convene on the 12th. Expect to be gone ten or twelve days."

One of the best talks made in the senate yesterday was offered by Senator Fulton, in his protest against Senator Selling's motion for non-concurrence in H. C. R. No. 13, providing for a joint committee to formulate and report plans for the best and cheapest method of circumventing the Columbia river obstructions at The Dalles and Celilo. Senator Selling was satisfied to plead economy in defense of his motion, but the Clatsop statesman took higher ground, urging the supreme advantage of opening the river to free and quick transit of freight at a normally reduced toll. He maintained that a few hundreds, or thousands of dollars spent in such a quest would, when the river route was practically and successfully opened, repay the state with abundant interest, by the immense saving to the farmers and wheat men east of the mountains, and clinched the argument by showing that Portland, itself, would be the chief beneficiary from beginning to end. The senate concurred.—Salem Statesman.

Taxable Property.

The list of taxable property for the year 1897 as given to the assessor and re-

turned to the county board of equalization is as follows:

Number acres tillable land, 81,046; value \$489,408. Number acres non-tillable land 1,291,546; value \$524,348. Value of improvements on deeded land, \$178,358. Value of all lots, \$451,485; value improved town lots, \$463,180. Value of improvements on undeeded land, \$32,235; value of rolling stock and railroad bed, \$304,207; value of steamboats, stationary engines, manufacturing machinery, etc., \$45,225; value of merchandise and stock in trade, \$203,250; value of farming implements, wagons, carriages, etc., \$42,865; money, \$48,865; notes and accounts, \$63,500; number of shares of stock, 583, value \$33,875; household furniture, watches, jewelry, etc., \$70,900; number of horses, 4684, value \$73,057; number of cattle, 6084, value \$75,643; number of sheep, 141,320, value \$176,605; number of swine, 2939, value \$6,456; gross value of all property, \$3,283,552; exemptions, \$210,703; total value of taxable property, \$3,072,849.

CORBETT'S FATE SEALED.

Senatorial Selection Still Doubtful—Houses Settle Down to Business.

A special to THE CHRONICLE from Salem says:

Both houses settled down to business today, and the members hope to get through the most pressing business before time for adjournment.

The senate passed a bill repealing the railroad commission; also one to provide a free ferry at Corvallis.

The bill to abolish the office of food commissioner passed the senate.

Mitchell introduced a bill to provide a law to enable express companies to carry sheep.

In the house routine work was taken up. Many resolutions were crowded through and several bills passed the second readings, and were ordered engrossed.

The senatorial situation is unchanged to any great extent. The opposition to Corbett are certain of his defeat. His friends are not confident. They have about given up the fight. Corbett's votes may go to Simon any day, yet nothing will be accomplished by such a move. Corbett out of the way, the thirty-six votes will be difficult to control.

The vote in joint session today was as follows: Corbett 36; Williams 5; Bennett 2; Curtis 1; George 15; Waldo 23; Eakin, blank.

SITUATION GETTING WARMER.

Corbett's Backers Lose Hope—George and Geer Talked of Freely.

The house today passed a bill requiring voters to register, and in the senate a measure was passed authorizing school districts to contract debts.

Both houses adjourned at noon to convene tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

The senatorial situation is getting warmer. Corbett's backers are losing all hope, and before Tuesday another name, probably Simon's, will take the place of the veteran politician's. Members of the opposition have been approached with the proposition to unite on Simon. A caucus was held by the Corbett men this morning from 9 to 10 and another will be held tonight. Everything points to exciting times tomorrow and Monday. Geer and George are talked of freely. Chances of electing someone early in the week are rather good. The vote today stands: Corbett 36; M. A. Miller 24; George 10; Williams 4; Eakin 6; Gatch 5; Hermann 1; Bennett 1; Brownell 1; A. C. Woodcock 1; Hewitt 1.

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