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## LOCAL BREVITIES.

**Wednesday's Daily.**  
A Dalles bachelor was heard to remark yesterday: "When you make a present to a woman always leave the coat tag on; it will save her a trip down town."

It's pretty nearly time to start for the mountains and the seaside again. Summer this year is a fitful one, and there is no doubt but that we will yet have warm weather.

From Dalles people who visited Chas. Johnson at the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland, we learn that he is improving. Last Monday an operation was performed and every indication points to the best of results.

It is reported that there are eight cases of smallpox at the pest house five miles from Pendleton, but we are always inclined to take such reports with more than a grain of allowance, and at the same time hope they are only rumors.

B. F. Brewster, the veterinary surgeon who was badly injured by being kicked by a horse last week, has been taken to the county poor farm, where he can receive good care and the attention which is necessary in such a case, he being unable to care for himself.

Large bill boards have been placed on the Chapman building on Washington street and the alley at the side of Dawson's store, and will be used exclusively to advertise the Vogt opera house. While they are not an ornament, they will be a splendid means to the end in view.

Judge Calk has decided in the Zan case that neither party is entitled to the exclusive control of the child, over which, it seems, the whole difficulty has been caused. Otherwise they would have secured a divorce and been happy. The public has decided ere this that neither parent is a fit person to bring up a child, else for the sake of their child they would have avoided such newspaper notoriety.

And now that our smallpox friend, Shutt, has fully recovered he is called upon to endure the torture of being the butt of various newspaper punsters, who say his was a remarkable case, that while he was Shutt in, he broke out, and now that he has ceased to break out, he's Shutt out; and when he told them to Shutt up they called him a scab printer and said his sign indicated a yellow journal. Such treatment is anything but fraternal.

Oyster dealers here are somewhat excited on account of the Morgan Oyster Company, of San Francisco, having secured nearly the entire output of oysters at Shoalwater bay, paying, it is said, \$2.50 per sack for them, and furnishing the sacks required. Some dealers here have contracts with Shoalwater bay oysermen for their supply, or for a certain amount, but it is feared that oysters will be scarce here. There are some oysters to be procured from Olympia for this market, but they are not considered so good as those from Shoalwater bay, which is practically the only oyster-producing point on this coast.—Oregonian.

The American people are great at "biting" at anything that has the semblance of mystery. A traveling show was on the corner Third and Main yesterday afternoon. In a box were a snake charmer and dozens of snakes. A continuous performance was given, and every ten minutes the "charmer" ate a snake about two feet long. Figure cut how many snakes were eaten during the afternoon. Everyone who saw the de-usion believes the charmer ate the snakes, but no one stopped to think where the supply was coming from to feed this snake eating person. The scheme is a money making scheme for the owner of the snakes and the people flocked to see the wonder-ful sight of land performer.—W. W. Union.

H. R. Cory, representing the "Midnight Bell" company, is in town today making the necessary arrangements for the engagement of his company at the Vogt Monday night. They are drawing crowded houses in Portland, and Sunday night it was necessary to stop the sale of tickets, such a reception did they receive. The CHRONICLE has many times decided never to commit itself regarding any company which is to play in the city, giving only the notices which are brought to us as advertisements. However, in this case we almost feel like vouching for its merit, so complimentary have all the notices been regarding it, and at the same time feeling our people are desirous of seeing everything good which visits our city.

**Thursday's Daily.**  
Some men are born great, some achieve greatness and some have the big head.  
C. M. Grimes received several head of

cattle from Johnston Bros., at Dufur, today, and they will be shipped to Troutdale tonight.

The sale of seats for "A Midnight Bell" will open tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock at the Butler Drug Company's store. Be on hand for they'll go fast this time.

The dental office of Dr. H. A. Sturdevant, over French & Co.'s bank, is being enlarged and refitted in splendid style. When finished it will be one of the most complete offices in the state.

Another of the John Doe, Jr.s, is a guest at the city jail for two days; for, having spent all the where-ithal in obtaining that which admitted him, he is unable now to pay his way out.

The building recently occupied by the First National bank is being refitted and when completed will be occupied by the Eastern Oregon Land Company, which is now located in the Vogt building.

Miss Hattie Marden, who has recently returned from Washington, D. C., where she pursued her studies in art, is now prepared to take pupils in drawing and oil painting. She may be found at her home on West Fourth street. 28-1w

'Twas plain to be seen that a young man was reporting for our contemporary yesterday, when he informed us a "Midnight Belle" would appear here Monday evening. We thought the play had reference to the other kind of bell; but Dick is authority on belles and we stand corrected.

Who wants a good farm very cheap and on reasonable terms? It is four-ten miles from The Dalles and was placed in the hands of Dad Butts to sell; just as all other good property is placed in his hands. It costs you nothing to see old Dad about the property he has to sell. Call and see him and he will tell you all about it.

Monday, September 4th, in thirty-seven states of the union is Labor Day, and under the law of our state is a legal holiday. On that date no courts of justice or other judicial business can be transacted, and the day is to be observed in all respects as other legal holidays, that is the law so provides, which law, declaring the first Monday in September a legal holiday was enacted by the legislation of 1893.

The kidnaping business seems to be booming in Portland now that the strangers have ceased their operations for a short time. Last Friday evening Maurice Boffa, a 7-year-old child, disappeared and it is feared he was kidnaped, and on Monday evening Frankie Haynes, an 11-year-old boy, was missed and has not been heard from since. It is thought gypsies have taken the latter away.

Rev. Robt. Warner, who returned from Heppner on this afternoon's train, informs us that he performed the ceremony last night uniting in marriage Rev. J. W. Fleisher, pastor of the Methodist church at Heppner, and Miss Carrie Grace Ball. The church, where the wedding took place, was prettily decorated and well filled with friends. After the ceremony a reception was held at the bride's home, at which about eighty guests were present.

At the residence of Mrs. E. M. Wilson this afternoon, Aug. 31st, J. H. Wood performed the ceremony which united in marriage Jas. F. Blue, of Glenwood, Wash., and Hannah Maie Robbins, late of Onaga, Kansas. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Blue left on the afternoon train to visit the parents of Mr. Blue, in the Willamette valley. After their return their residence will be in Glenwood. Beautiful decorations and presents testified to the esteem in which the young bride was held in her home of recent years.

The Lewiston people are becoming agitated regarding the freight rates they are compelled to pay, and 14 cents a bushel for hauling wheat to Portland is awakening in them a renewed interest in the portage road and the opening of the river to that place. They suggest that a mass meeting be held in this city in November, which shall be attended by the mayors of cities and towns, and congressmen from Idaho, Washington and Oregon, besides the farmers who are interested in the project. They think congress could thus be at once induced to appropriate \$200,000 or more for the portage. Congress doesn't often do things up in such a swift manner; but the idea is all right, and Dalles people would no doubt affiliate in the matter.

Dr. Alfred Selwyn, a leading geologist of Canada, was in Portland yesterday, where he was to be joined by a wealthy Liverpool man who is thinking of investing in Baker City mines. They were to go to the mining districts to investigate. Dr. Selwyn, who is authority in mining, has visited that section before, and says he thinks our Eastern Oregon gold fields have the brightest future of any in this part of the world. He says, "many rich men of Canada and England are looking towards the Oregon gold fields now, and it wouldn't surprise me if some good, big deals were to take place in this part of the country before very long. All the reports coming from the Eastern Oregon mines are good, and mining men put more faith in the reports than they do in the ordinary gold boom reports."

For a month past A. A. Urquhart and Wm. Morganfield have been employed in repairing and otherwise improving the city's water ditch at the meadows and beyond, for a distance of three

miles in all. C. A. Borders and Recorder Gates have just returned from a tour of inspection of their work. They report that all the obstructions and hindrances to a good, clear supply of water being brought through the ditches are removed and as much improvement made as possible with the present system. The workmen will return this week. They found the weather there somewhat wintry, and ice has been found on the water bucket several mornings. The frost on the ground one morning had the appearance of snow, but the days are still very pleasant.

One of our returned volunteers thinks he has a splendid joke on a well-known lady in our city, and it certainly is a good one. Having the agency for Manila views, he was this morning making the rounds of the city soliciting orders, when he called at the home of the lady in question, whom he has known for many years, although not personally acquainted. She came pleasantly to the door, where she was accosted by an agent whom she did not recognize, since his absence has changed him somewhat. When asked to look over the pictures she took refuge in the excuse so often resorted to, that "the lady of the house is not at home." Smilingly the young man responded: "Very well, Mrs.—," calling her by name. And now she feels somewhat like the Filipinos must have felt when they ran up against Uncle Sam's agents.

Considerable inquiry has been made as to the extent of the injury done to crops by the recent rains in this county. Although the estimate is not given as final and absolute, it appears to be the consensus that about fifteen per cent at the present time is the damage done to the crop of Umatilla county. At the present time, this represents the total. The last rain, the one that came Saturday night, was the cause of as much injury as all that had come before. And, another rain coming now like that of Saturday night, would cause as much as all of the previous injury. The damage is not more than twenty per cent, and probably more than ten, being averaged at about fifteen per cent. These estimates are given, not as thoroughly correct and final, but rather as tentative, and as the present opinion held by those who give close attention to such matters—E. O.

There is always more or less complaint among the young people of our city regarding the dearth of amusements during the winter season, and of late years the society functions have certainly been much less frequent than formerly. Never, however, have Dalles young people taken the interest along literary and musical lines that the talent of the city should demand. In Pendleton, for instance, there are literary and musical clubs which have proven so entertaining and instructive that that place is noted for its higher social qualities. There is no reason why The Dalles should take a back seat in this regard. We doubt if there is a place in Oregon which has better local talent or brighter young people were their tastes directed in the right channels. The old fashioned singing school and literary society would not be amiss in our midst, where the younger class could have an opportunity to cultivate the talents which must now lie dormant; and among the older class musical and literary clubs should be organized.

**Friday's Daily.**  
A crop of wheat near Weston, which was threshed last week, yielded 52 bushels per acre.

The Columbia Southern railway has returned its surveyors to the line between Moro and Grass Valley.

So quickly have the summer months flown and we have had so few real hot days, that one scarcely realizes today is the first day of autumn.

As the date for regular collection falls on Sunday, and as Monday is Labor day, several of the leading firms will collect on the 5th. We presume this rule will be general.

"The Midnight Bell" company carries its own scenery, and they say the scenes are splendid. The bunting decorations in the opera house and new wires stretched across will improve the acoustic properties.

The hook and ladder agitation is assuming interesting proportions and we wouldn't be at all surprised if by the time their services are again needed, the boys will be able to hold their heads as high as anybody and have as fine a layout as a company would wish to own.

Gus Bonn returned yesterday from a trip over into Klickitat county. He says things are humming in their fields, and farmers are "making hay while the sun shines," although the rain affected them but little. Their yield this year is as good, if not better, than in other years.

The La Grande Advocate has been purchased by W. D. Dodd, formerly of the Pendleton Tribune, who will take charge of that paper at once. The name of the paper will be changed to the La Grande Journal, and will be issued on Saturdays. It will be Republican in sentiments.

The effects the extensive advertising Oregon has recently been receiving is beginning to be seen, and inquiries are being received daily by real estate dealers and newspapers concerning the country. THE CHRONICLE is constantly receiving such letters of inquiry; enough to al-

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most warrant its starting in the real estate business.

"It is an ill wind that blows nobody good," and so, although the D. P. & A. N. Co. have lost some by the laundry fire, the appearance of its office has certainly been improved thereby, for the damage done was sufficient to necessitate repairs being made. The front office has, therefore, been newly papered and painted and such excellent taste has been used in the choice of shades and blendings that it looks like some parlor.

Last night about 6 o'clock at her home near the fair grounds, Mrs. James Case, aged 47, died of consumption. She has been a sufferer for years and with her husband and two boys moved to this city from Montavilla, near Portland, about a month ago. She leaves a husband, who is now at work in Sherman county, and three sons, the eldest of which will arrive from Portland tonight. Word has been sent to the husband, who will also arrive as soon as possible.

The hawks in the neighborhood of Lyle have caused much trouble lately, but farmers have now discovered a means of extirpation; they set the cat on them. A few days since a large Thomas cat was walking through a field of high weeds, when a hawk swooped down and carried him up about thirty feet, the cat howling bloody murder. Soon Tom began to scratch, spit and paw, and the big bird dropped to the earth with her prey, when Sir Thomas pounced on his enemy and made quick work of her. The hawk got hold of the wrong bird that time.

The remains of an unknown man were found on the track, near Arlington, Monday night last. He had evidently been run over by a train after having fallen from the roof of a passenger car, on which he was stealing a ride, as his black felt hat was considerably burned by sparks from a locomotive. Trainmen think he had fallen asleep and was pitched off as the cars were going full speed around a curve. Deceased was a well-built man of 38 to 40 years of age. He had blue eyes, hair and moustache slightly gray. He wore a pink shirt, black business suit, and was not considered an ordinary tramp by the Gilliam county coroner, who thinks the man came from Portland.

It is often a difficult matter for a newspaper to determine just what to say regarding a play which will appear in our city, and yet, if possible, we would like to prevent theater-goers missing a good show. It is always a pretty safe way to judge from the opinion of reputable residents who have witnessed its production in other cities. In conversation with one of our leading citizens today, he assures us that he had seen "A Midnight Bell" when produced in Portland last year and says he wouldn't miss it this time for anything. Others have expressed the same opinion regarding it. So we feel like urging our people to see it Monday night.

Now that the new band has been well organized and is getting down to business in earnest, promising us some of the best music we have ever enjoyed in The Dalles, it just occurs to us to inquire where the band stand, which was erected three years ago in the school yard, is "at." During that summer our people were treated to the best of music every Sunday afternoon. No doubt the present band would occasionally give a

sacred concert were a band stand provided. While the club portico is used for evening concerts, it is not the most convenient for the musicians nor their audience, the latter having no comfortable place to sit unless they perch upon a wood pile or on top of some China wash house. Let's have a band stand, whether it's old or new.

The party, consisting of Hon. M. A. Moody, of this city; Dr. Tacker, W. W. Catlin, Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Palmer, of Portland, and the Misses Lang, have returned from their trip to Clond Cap Inn. Although members of the party make the trip every year, they report that they have never found the surroundings more pleasant. Not a vestige of smoke can be seen, the air is perfectly delightful, and the mountain grand beyond description, six inches of snow having fallen recently. Cooper's spur is well covered now, which is not a usual thing at this time of the year. The Inn has entertained more guests this season than at any other time, and tourists are still making their way to that resort. If the popularity continues, the Inn will no doubt have to be enlarged. No one ever visited the spot without feeling a desire each year to again make the trip.

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C. L. SCHMIDT,  
Clerk School Dist. No. 12,  
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