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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Wednesday's Daily.

License to wed was issued Monday to Claude H. McCoy and Mary Ehrck.

Pendleton is arranging to hold a street fair and carnival to commence September 18th and last four days.

Dick Fisher is doing a land office business with his steam saw mill at Mosier. The local demand is so great that the mill running on full time cannot keep up with its orders.

Astorians are talking of securing a round-trip rate of \$1.25 between The Dalles and that city to give Dalles people a chance to attend the regatta, which will be held there some time next month.

Miss Dora Nielsen, eldest daughter of L. C. Nielsen and a graduate of The Dalles High school, has been engaged to teach the Benson school on Five Mile, the full term commencing sometime in September.

Thomas Batty came in today from Victor for a load of grain sacks. His son, Fen, formerly night clerk at the Unatilla House, has abandoned the hotel business, and is now managing his thousand acre farm adjoining his father's place.

A thief last night broke into the basement of the residence of Mrs. B. Dietzel, on the bluff, and carried off a lot of family supplies. A similar raid was made on the same premises two or three months ago. It is not probable that the thief is a stranger.

Mr. Flower, an Albany carpenter, is at work on a patent air machine which Mr. Flower thinks will revolutionize things. When attached to a bicycle it will without effort make it pass a train of cars. It will be cheap, only ten or twelve dollars.—Albany Democrat.

Monday night a spark from the mid-night west-bound train ignited the grass in the pasture of Mrs. Mosier, of Mosier, and burned over about 100 acres. Only a few weeks ago a fire started in a similar way and burned over 300 acres belonging to Mrs. Mosier and her son Jeff.

There has been found in London a letter written by Gladstone which leads to the belief that the reason the former premier did not accept a title was because he insisted upon becoming the earl of Liverpool, which was successfully opposed by the Jenkinson family.

A regiment of militia was called out yesterday morning to protect the non-union fishermen on Fraser river, nearly 4000 of whom were prevented from working by 600 union strikers. No violence was offered in the presence of the troops, and the strike is regarded as broken.

The wool market is still without any signs of life apart from the fact of the presence of a goodly number of buyers and the further fact that considerable wool had been opened up today for the inspection of buyers. No sales, however, had been reported at the hour of going to press.

The George W. Elder continues to remain at Portland. The discouraging news from Cape Nome of late has caused a great decline in passenger and freight traffic to the north, and there is now some doubt that the Elder will receive enough business at Portland to justify another trip to Nome.

It is something of a mistake to suppose that a woman in China have no rights that a man is not bound to respect. The idea that she is of no importance is altogether incorrect. In her home, as a wife, she exercises an authority that would make a denizen of the western world gasp with wonder.

Hon. George W. Gray, one of Salem's wealthiest and most highly respected citizens, died at the family home in that city about 9 o'clock Monday night, aged 79 years, 11 months and 18 days. He was a Mason and Odd Fellow. The funeral was held under the auspices of those orders this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

As announced yesterday, the funeral of Paul Kretz took place from Fraternity hall at 4 o'clock this afternoon. It was largely attended. The services, both at the hall and at the grave, were conducted by the Woodmen. The ball bearers were: John Pashek, F. C. Wickman, James Harper, L. W. Brown, Henry Harper and N. J. Melquist.

Fred Geer, a son of the governor, is at Nome. He writes home that a man's chance there are as slim as they would be on top of an Eastern Oregon sand hill. The worst set of liars in the world are there. "It is the rottenest place, oh gosh, and the men ought to be shot who got all the poor devils there, 25,000 strong men lying around like a set of fools."

Little Edwin Reed, son of Geo. Reed, left at this office today an egg, recently

laid by a large Wyandotte hen, that weighs—the egg, that is to say, not the hen—exactly 80 grains, troy. It is very little larger than a robin's egg, and if this particular Wyandotte Biddy insists on producing that kind of hen fruit we suppose it would bring a cent a dozen in this market.

Little Willie, the 10-year old boy of Joe Nitschke, nearly lost a finger yesterday afternoon by an ax in the hand of his brother. The children had been splitting kindling wood and Willie's right hand came under the ax, almost completely severing the little finger and cutting a deep gash in the finger adjoining. Dr. Logan sewed up the wounds and is hopeful that the boy's hand will not be permanently maimed.

The following occurred in a fisherman's strike on Fraser river: "A street row between a Japanese and a Chinaman occurred over a dispute as to whether or not a Japanese army of 10,000 men could whip a Chinese army of 100,000 in the present war in China. The Japanese cut off the Chinaman's queue to emphasize his argument, and in five minutes 300 Japanese engaged in a hand-to-hand fight with 500 Chinese. In twenty minutes the Japanese had broken so many Chinese noses and cut off so many queues that the Chinamen fled.

Four years ago C. J. Nicholson, came here from Pennsylvania and bought what is known as the Pitman ranch, about four miles east of Boyd. The ranch is all composed of hill land and, like most others of like character in that neighborhood, had no fruit trees. Mr. Nicholson immediately set about planting an orchard, which came into bearing this year and more than gratifies its owner by the result. Yesterday Mr. Nicholson left a sample box of his peach plums at this office that are as fine specimens of their class as we have ever seen.

The following is a bill of fare in front of a Nome restaurant: "Plain steak, \$1.50; potterhouse large, \$4; potterhouse small, \$2.50; T bone, \$2; rib steak, \$2; mutton chops, \$1.50; pork chops, \$1.50; ham and eggs, \$1; bacon and eggs, \$1; hot cakes with coffee, 50 cents; cake and coffee, 50 cents; doughnuts, 25 cents; pork and beans, 50 cents; corned beef hash, \$1; fresh sausage, \$1; hamburger steak, 15¢; pie per cut, 25 cents; roast spring chicken, \$5. Potatoes, coffee, bread and butter go with the large orders without extra charge."

At a few minutes before 1 o'clock a fire started in the roof of the Lang residence on Fourth street, one of the oldest houses in the city, and the property of the Dalles National Bank. The fire must have been caused by a spark from a neighboring chimney, as Mrs. Lang was at home and not even a match had been lighted in the house since early in the morning. The department responded very promptly to the alarm and in a few minutes the flames were extinguished. The only material damage was that done to the building, which, probably, less than a hundred dollars would repair.

Thursday's Daily.

The highest price paid for wool this year at Heppner was 13 cents.

Governor Geer appointed T. A. Hudson, of this city, a notary public July 19th.

Two carloads of sheep were sold at North Yakima Monday. They were of the Lincolnshire breed. The lambs sold for \$18 and the rams at \$30 each.

The dock strikers at Portland have won their fight for an advance of from 30 cents an hour to 40 cents, and gone back to work at the advanced wages.

A former Portland detective sends this advice from Nome: "If you've got a friend tell him to stay away from Nome; but if you've got an enemy send him here."

Judge E. D. Shattuck, one of the best-known members of the judiciary in Oregon, from his twenty years on the bench, is lying very low at his home on Fifth and College streets, Portland.

E. M. Cress, an employe of the Paul Mohr portage, recently lost a pay check for \$22.85, or the check was stolen from him. Mr. Cress does not know which. Payment has been stopped at the bank.

In response to a telegram received this morning, informing Mrs. E. J. Collins of the dangerous illness of her father, Mr. and Mrs. Collins left on the noon train for his home in Southern Oregon.

A clip of 21,664 pounds of Crook county wool was sold yesterday at the Wasco warehouse to Whitman, Farnsworth & Thayer, of Boston. The price was not given out, but it is known to have been in the neighborhood of 13 cents. This is the first break of a deadlock that has lasted for weeks.

The Shaniko Leader says the Columbia Southern has now men on every train whose sole business is to watch for fires along the track. In several instances the watchmen discovered grass and grain burning and gave the alarm, upon which the train was stopped and the destroying element quenched.

J. L. Kelly, who, with his family, is sojourning at Newport, writes us that he expects to remain there for six weeks more; that the fishing in Yaquina bay affords fine sport, and that the rock oysters are this year plentiful and excellent. Most of the sojourners at the bay are from Albany, Corvallis and Salem, and only twelve persons, all told,

from The Dalles. Among the excitement there is the government tug boat, George W. Wright, which is engaged in removing a large rock from the channel near the bar.

The steamer Reliance has been making evening excursions several times a week recently. The custom-house officials at Portland have chartered her for some evening the first part of next week to go to Kalama. The steamer Dalles City took an excursion of about 300 children to Multnomah falls yesterday.

M. T. Nolan returned home last night from accompanying Civil Engineer Huber and Judge Bennett as far as fifteen miles above the Harris place on the Deschutes, on a reconnaissance of that route in the interest of the contemplated line of railroad between The Dalles and Klamath county. The judge and Mr. Huber proceeded on south and nothing will be known of the result till their return.

Few people realize that Wind Cave, near Hot Springs, S. D., is the largest and most beautiful cave in the United States. No one knows how large it really is. Over 100 miles of passages and 3000 chambers have been explored. And that is only the beginning. There are fourteen different "routes," only three of which have been opened to the public. They are known as the Garden of Eden, Fair Grounds and Pearly Gates.

A heavy forest fire to the north of Mount Jefferson was in progress Monday evening, and also, several hundred acres of hay were burning at the same time on the Warm Springs reservation. These two fires were miles apart, though probably sparks from the timber fire touched off the hay, which seems to be unusually dry everywhere this year. The two fires were readily distinguishable by their smoke, the timber smoke being dark, while a huge cloud of dense white smoke hung over the reservation.—Shaniko Leader.

An enterprising brewer up at Baker City has copied bodily, verbatim et literatim, the article written by Dr. Amos Grey in the June number of the United States Health Reports on the quality of August Buchler's beer, and, inserting his own name instead of Mr. Buchler's, is running it as an advertisement for his own beer in the Baker City papers. August ought to send that fellow a chromo as a compliment to his gall. The article in question was set up in this paper from the magazine itself. The Baker City man copied it from THE CHRONICLE.

A rarely beautiful monument has just been erected in the Odd Fellows' cemetery over the remains of little Reta Mays, daughter of Polk Mays of this city, who died a year ago last May. The monument is of Carava marble, about four feet in height, and stands upon a die of Italian marble, surmounting a base of Mill Creek granite. The design is that of an ideally beautiful angel, and was copied from a picture that was a favorite of the child that lies underneath. The picture was sent to Carava, Italy, by Lonie Comini, with instructions that it be copied to the life, and the work on the monument was done there. The die and base are the work of Mr. Comini. On the die is the inscription: "Reta Dean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Polk Mays; born September 6, 1894; died May 26, 1899. Rest in peace." Hundreds of people in the long future years will visit this lovely monument and gaze on it with admiration.

Friday's Daily.

During the remainder of the summer season trains Nos. 1 and 2 will stop at Cascade Locks Sunday on being flagged.

Why heat the home these hot days by cooking, when all the delicacies of the season are served at the Unatilla House grill room?

A tract of 7500 acres has been purchased in the Grand Ronde valley, on which it is understood a colony of Mormons will settle.

\$2000 in purses will be offered at the Antelope fair which will be held this fall. Five of the best race horses in the circuit of Eastern Oregon are already in training on the Antelope track.

At the great council of the Red Men, which closed its annual meeting at Astoria yesterday, John Michell, of this city, was appointed a member of the committee on laws and usages, and Fred Lempe one of the great trustees.

Florence Dorothy, the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Markillie, of this city, died this morning at 4:15 o'clock. The child had been in poor health from its birth and its death was not unexpected. The funeral will take place from the residence tomorrow.

John C. Meyers swam seventeen miles in the Mississippi river, between Alton and St. Louis, in three hours and twenty minutes. He had made a wager to swim twenty-five miles in five hours, but a storm came up and swamped the boat in which was the timer and life saver.

It is said there will be a shortage in the California prune crop this year, and that buyers from that state are already visiting the prune sections of Oregon for the purpose of contracting with Oregon growers for this year's crop that they may be able to supply orders they have received.

Judge E. D. Shattuck, of Portland, died at his residence in that city at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. For the past two years he had been in poor health, but was not confined to bed till

about a week ago. He was born in Vermont in December, 1824, and came to Oregon in 1853.

At St. Paul the other day Cardinal Gibbons was asked for his views on expansion. He replied in part: "Of course we cannot abandon the islands we have acquired, at least not until a sufficiently powerful home government has been established in each of our new possessions. The duty of America is most emphatically that of teaching the newly acquired possessions to govern themselves."

The Antelope Republican suggests the propriety of reviving the Stockman county project, and thinks a small county formed out of southeastern Wasco and northern Crook could be run with less burden to the taxpayers of that district than they are bearing now in connection with two large counties.

The Paul Mohr Portage Company have taken a crew up to Pasco to operate the steamer Frederick K. Billings. The Billings will run between Pasco and Columbus, which is situated at the upper end of the portage railway around Celilo Falls. The first work of the Billings will be to carry lumber to be used in constructing landings along the route, which will be used for handling the grain crop this fall.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon the residence of Mrs. Paul Kretz, on Tenth street, was practically burned to the ground. The fire is peculiarly distressing from the fact that only two days ago the remains of the husband and father were borne to their last resting place from the building that is now in ashes. Only a few things from the contents were saved. The fire started in a bed room that was being fumigated.

Mrs. Henry Learned left at this office today four apples of the Red Bietheimer variety, whose aggregate weight is four pounds and one ounce. One of them weighs eighteen ounces and measures fourteen inches in circumference. The Bietheimer is a fall apple. These are beautifully formed and are without speck or flaw. They are the first product of a young tree that yielded five boxes. Mrs. Learned's place is near the old garrison stables. Who can beat them?

Frank Motter and W. M. Killingsworth are in the city representing the Portland chamber of commerce in a special scheme for advertising the state in general and individual towns and districts in particular. They are soliciting subscriptions for a little book that fits into an ordinary vest pocket and is filled with valuable statistics on every conceivable subject connected with Oregon. The book is sold at five cents a piece, in any quantity, and a town like The Dalles buying, say \$250 worth, is entitled to a special write-up of four or five pages. Messrs. Motter and Killingsworth were soliciting subscriptions from the business men this afternoon, and report fair success.

The report in yesterday's CHRONICLE that a brewer in Baker City had copied, bodily, from the Dalles papers an article published in the United States Health Reports, giving an analysis of The Dalles beer by Dr. Amos Grey, and substituted his own name and address for that of August Buchler, of this city, publishing the same in the Baker City papers as an advertisement of his own beer, naturally suggested to Mr. Buchler that he make it his business to see if a thing of that kind can be done with impunity. The matter has been placed in the hands of Charles Schütz, and, as a first step, Mr. Schütz today sent a letter to the publishers of the Reports and asked if it were possible that the Reports should have published an analysis of Baker City beer clothed in the very same words, from first to last, save only in respect to names, as Dr. Grey's analysis of The Dalles beer.

Advertised Letters.

Following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at The Dalles uncalled for July 27, 1900. Persons calling for the same will give date on which they were advertised:

LADIES.
 Badley, Miss Ella Clements, Mrs. Ella Chamberlain, Clara Ingraham, Mrs. C. Oastony, Frances Parrott, Miss Jennie Spenser, Eva Smith, Mrs. Sam Smith, Miss Josie

GENTLEMEN.
 Gland, H. Hevan, Capt. A. J. Patterson, Wm. Pinther, Jared S. Shattuck, R. B. Shutz, Johan Wallace, J. W. Gibbs, Sterling B. Lewis, Capt. John W. Peterson, P. P. Robins, Badd Scott, Walter Thompson, Harry Walton, Bros. H. H. RIDDELL, P. M.

Annual Fire Election.

Annual election of fire chief and assistant chief will take place at the city fire engine house, on Third street, between the hours of 5 and 7 o'clock p. m., August 6, 1900. Active members in good standing in their respective companies are entitled to vote.

By order of the Board of Fire Delegates, Dalles City fire department.
 J27-2t H. C. LIEBE, Secy.

Sunday Excursion to Bonnaville.

Take either the Pacific express, leaving The Dalles at 4:50 a. m., or the Portland special, leaving The Dalles at 12:35 noon, for the Bonnaville picnic grounds Sunday. Fare 50 cents for the round trip. Good music, vanderlille performance, specialties under the pavilion, free. Return on the evening train.
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CHEAP LANDS ON COLUMBIA.

Can Be Taken Under Desert Land Act and Easily Made Worth Fully \$100 an Acre.

C. R. Smead, of the Smead fruit farm, Blalock, believes there never was a better opportunity for farmers than now presented in the arid lands bordering the Columbia and the Snake rivers, says the Telegram. The land which is now worth \$1.25 an acre, in a few years, he says, will be worth \$100 an acre.

"It will be more valuable," said Mr. Smead, "through irrigation. At the present time it can be settled under the desert land act. Men of limited means can take twenty-acre tracts and through a device being now put in the river by Wolf & Zeicker, under the direction of the O. R. & N., will be able to irrigate that tract at a nominal cost. The device in question is a water motor run by the current of the river. There is no expense attached to it, once it is put into the river. Each motor will irrigate a twenty-acre tract. The O. R. & N. traffic department has been busy with the apparatus a long time and has reached a point where its success is assured and from which practical benefits will soon be obtained.

"Under the magic of irrigation the arid tract adjacent to the river will be made a regular farmers' paradise. The cultivated districts serve to show what the land is capable of—all kinds of fruit, vegetables, berries, grains and grasses. On our farm, the same sort of land, the pear and peach trees are loaded; the grapes are looking fine, and everything is growing with a luxuriance impossible except under the most favorable conditions.

"If an agent were to go East and tell facts about the Columbia river valley, the farmers who are scratching rocky, barren soil in New England, or fighting droughts and grasshoppers in Kansas, would set him down as the champion liar of the world. Easterners are used to such harsh conditions unfavorable to farming that they simply cannot bring themselves to imagine a farmers' paradise like Oregon. The only way is to entice them out here and let them see for themselves. Were it known that such good farming land as that along the Columbia could be had for \$1.25 an acre, it would soon be purchased by those who farm under adverse circumstances in the East."

Story of Three Faithful Dogs.

A Heppner dispatch says: The Hynd Bros. have just returned from looking up their lost sheep among the Greenhorn mountains, 100 miles southwest from Heppner. Their herder, George Parmatier, was found dead on the range, and had been dead for a week when found. He had three Scotch collie dogs, and one of them was found almost famished, standing guard over the body. Another was guarding the camp, a mile away, while the third was sticking right to the sheep and keeping them fairly well rounded up, though apparently not being able to get them back to the camp corral.

There were 3100 sheep in the band, and on their owners making a new count it was found that only seven head were missing. This was in the wildest part of the Blue mountains, where wolves, cougars and bears are fairly plentiful. The herder had been in bad health for years, and was near to death's door while in Heppner a few days ago. On account of decomposition the remains had to be buried where they were found.

Obituary.

Florence Odell Scott, wife of L. H. Scott, of Wapinitia, died at the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland Wednesday. The remains were brought to The Dalles on the noon train and interment took place in Odd Fellows' cemetery. The deceased died in labor of her first child, which was never born.

Mrs. Scott was the daughter of S. G. and Margaret A. Blackerby, of Wapinitia, and was born February 4, 1871, near Silverton. She leaves to mourn her sad and untimely death, a husband, father, mother, three sisters and two brothers, all of whom, save the father, are here to attend the funeral. Her father is on a prospecting tour in Harney county, and dispatches sent from here have been unable to reach him. The mother and husband, in anticipation of the worst, had accompanied her to the hospital and remained with her to the end.

She was married to L. H. Scott February 12, 1896, and as daughter, sister, wife and neighbor was a pattern of all the gentle, womanly virtues that are the glory of a true woman.

Portland Wheat Market.

The local market remains dull and weak, and continues in a most unsatisfactory condition. There are not many buyers actively in the market, and sellers find conditions against them. The relatively strong position of tonnage has had considerable effect upon wheat values, and it is undoubtedly due to the firmness of freights that grain has given way. A number of sales of small parcels were made during the week, almost entirely of Eastern Oregon and Washington. We hear that 57 cents per bushel was paid for Walla Walla wheat, which figure is rather above its current value, based upon existing rates for tonnage, but is accounted for by ex-

porters who made favorable early charters being willing to part with a portion of their freight profit and give quick dispatch to such vessels as may arrive next month. Nominally Walla Walla wheat is not worth more than 55 cents per bushel on dock; Bluestem, 57 cents; and Valley 54 to 55 cents. Usually at this time of the year exporters are heavy purchasers of grain, and in former years there has been more or less competition among buyers to secure desirable parcels, and this active buying movement has as a rule been decidedly favorable to the selling interests but now there is little or no disposition shown by exporters to compete on offerings, and present conditions compel sellers to seek buyers, rather than buyers to hunt up sellers.—Commercial Review, July 20.

D. P. & A. N. CO. OWNS "IRALDA."

She Will Be Put on the Run Between The Dalles and the Locks.

The D. P. & A. N. Company has purchased from her owner, Captain Newsome, the steamer Iralda that has been running between The Dalles and Portland for a short time as an opposition boat. The sale was made last week after the boat had been taken off the run and tied up. The object of the D. P. & A. N. Company in the purchase of the boat is to accommodate the people living on both sides of the river between Lyle and the locks, who do the most of their trading with the Dalles merchants.

The Iralda is expected here today, and after she has been overhauled and painted she will leave the locks every morning except Sunday, and returning leave here some time in the early afternoon. Settlers along the river will be able to come here, do their trading and return home the same day. This will make four boats the D. P. & A. N. Co. will have in operation on The Dalles run, and it will enable the schedule to be materially improved. The rates on the line will not be affected by the change.

The Iralda is chartered to carry 100 passengers. It is expected she will be ready for business early next week.

A Soldier's Opinion of the Antis.

Sergeant Charles H. Deems, of Company E, 4th U. S. volunteers, writes a long and interesting letter to an old friend, Charles J. Nickelsen of Eoyd, whom the sergeant used to know when he was a mere lad back in old Pennsylvania. We have read the letter and it strongly confirms all that the friends of the present administration have been claiming as to the pernicious effect the teachings of the self-styled anti-imperialists is having on the efforts of our American soldiers to bring the Filipinos into subjection. Sergeant Deems does not think the war in the Philippines will end soon. The "niggers," as he calls the Filipinos, "are no nearer peace than they were a year ago. They are waiting on W. J. Bryan. They think if Bryan gets to be president they will get their independence. Alas, friend Charlie, they are no more fit for independence than a community of Digger Indians. They are composed of many tribes, some partially civilized but the majority uncivilized barbarians. They are all utterly without sympathy or gratitude. You may treat them with the utmost kindness, give them food, clothing, money, anything they may need or desire, and the next moment if they have a chance, and a hope to escape with impunity, they will hack you to pieces with their bolos. So expert are they in the use of these weapons that I have seen one of them, with one stroke, split a man's head open down to his shoulder. I am glad to see from your letter that you honor the old flag and have faith in the republican party. May God bless you and save you and our common country from the election of a president whose followers and admirers have done more than anything else in the world to prolong the struggle here and to send many a brave American lad to the grave."

Another Pioneer Gone.

Mr. E. Selden Brooks died at Woodville, Or., on the evening of the 26th inst. He was born in Cass county, Ill., January 31, 1839, and came to Oregon in 1859, in the territorial days of this favored land, with his parents, the late Linus and Eliza Brooks, who shortly after their arrival located and settled on the donation land claim, where now is Brooks station, in Marion county. He was married to Miss Emma Perkins in 1871 and lost his companion in 1877. He never married again. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. Iva B. Collins, of The Dalles, and Miss Emma Seldena Brooks, of Toledo, Or.; he also leaves a sister, Mrs. Wm. E. Brainard, of Mt. Tabor, and two brothers, Mr. Sam'l L. Brooks, of Portland Or.

He was a man of sterling qualities; a man whose tender heart and sympathetic nature were a comfort to all those who were in need and distress that came under his notice.

Cash in Your Checks.

All county warrants registered prior to Aug. 1, 1896, will be paid at my office. Interest ceases after June 30, 1900.

J. F. HAMPSHIRE, County Treasurer.

Root beer, one dollar a dozen at Pease & Mays' grocery department.

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