

THE OREGON MIST.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Judge W. W. Page, of Portland, was a caller at this office Wednesday.

Mr. Thomas Cloninger, of Seaside, is very sick with malarial fever.

District court meets in St. Helens for Columbia county Monday, May 16.

Remember that you can get receipt books at this office, for 50 cents each.

The ball at Freeport on Tuesday night is reported as being a decided success.

Salmon are very scarce. The boats are not averaging more than two to three a day.

Mrs. Thomas Cooper is very ill with fever, and is under the skillful care of Dr. H. B. Cliff.

The district court docket for the May term is the largest in this county for many years.

Nicola's sawmill in Portland, was burned yesterday morning. The loss is about \$35,000.

E. H. Flagg, editor and proprietor of the Marion County Democrat, was in St. Helens last week.

County court met Wednesday, with Commissioners Barnes and Spencer and Judge Switzer, present.

A very valuable improvement in the way of a new sidewalk, was laid in front of the court house this week.

Capt. Lamont has improved the appearance of his residence property, by putting a picket fence around the same.

Mr. W. B. Buell, state adjuster for the Farmers' & Merchants' insurance company, of Albany, was in town Wednesday on business.

Charles F. Don has resigned as county assessor, and Hon. Judson Weed has been appointed by the county court in his stead.

There will be a republican rally at Mist, this county, next Saturday evening at 7:30 p. m., and speaking on the political issues by W. J. Rice.

W. J. Rice will attend the republican rally at Clatskanie on next Monday evening to address the people of that place, on the current political questions.

Next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday will be gala days on the Columbia river. On those days the centennial celebration of the discovery of the river will take place at Astoria.

Hon. W. N. Barrett, of Hillsboro, republican candidate for district attorney, paid St. Helens a brief visit yesterday. Mr. Barrett is jubilant over the prospects of the republican ticket, and predicts a good republican majority in June.

The Ben Harrison Republican Club was organized in St. Helens last Monday night, with a membership of over fifty to begin with. Mr. A. H. Blakesley was elected president and Mr. W. J. Eastbrook secretary. The regular meeting of the club will be on each Friday evening.

W. J. Rice went to Mayger Wednesday evening, where he addressed about sixty citizens, and organized a republican club of forty members. He reports the republicans enthusiastic around there and thinks many of the "old standbys" of the democracy, will support the republican ticket.

Many years practice have given C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents, at Washington, D. C., unsurpassed success in obtaining patents for all classes of inventions. They make a specialty of rejected cases, and have secured allowance of many patents that had been previously rejected. Their advertisement in another column, will be of interest to inventors, patentees, manufacturers, and all who have to do with patents.

The Baltimore man-of-war, with the Charleston, will be in Portland on the 12th of this month, and will remain there a few days. They will be at Astoria during the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the discovery of the Columbia river, which is to be held on the 10th, 11th, and 12th of this month, and they will no doubt be a good feature of the celebration.

John Gunderson, of Mist, informs us that his mail matter has been repeatedly taken from his mail box near his house and destroyed or carried away, so that he never receives it. He says that he has missed getting his Mist and Oregonian frequently of late. People, who through selfish motives, are too biased to subscribe to and patronize their own county newspaper, should at least have common decency enough left about them, to not molest the property of others, who are liberal minded enough to subscribe. A great many people discontinue their own paper, and rely upon borrowing (?) their neighbor's, in order to have the current news. Words with lice on them are inadequate to describe this class of petty-larceny thieves.

The Senior class, consisting of forty-one members, finished their examination last week, at the State Normal school at Monmouth. All passed the required 85% but three. Columbia county's representatives are Miss May West and W. H. Powell. Miss West obtaining over 92%, which is over an average with the class. W. H. Powell obtaining a small fraction less than 98%, it being the second in the class. The class is the largest and decidedly the best ever before graduated from the State Normal, and Columbia county should feel proud of its share, as only one from the county has ever graduated from the school before. The graduates receive state diplomas, which the Governor has promised to present to them personally. The age of the class range from 18 to 35 years, making an average of about 22 years. A majority of the class will follow teaching as a profession. Twenty-four different branches have been passed, and only three remain for June.

Owing to the fact that the Astoria centennial celebration takes place next week, and that a great number of our people want to attend the great anniversary of the discovery of the Columbia river, the May term of the circuit court has been adjourned until May 16th. The jurors and witnesses will please take notice that their presence is not required until Monday, May 16. This statement is authorized by Judge Frank J. Taylor.

The Odd Fellows meeting held last Saturday was adjourned until tomorrow at 1 o'clock.

DEER ISLAND. A slight earthquake shock was felt here on the 17th of last month.

Norman Merrill, of Clatskanie, was a guest of his mother's last Sunday.

The railroad company is talking of moving the steam shovel to Seaside in about a week.

The heavy wind storm on the 25th ult, blew down trees, fences, and a portion of the roof of A. P. Ueber's barn.

D. W. Freeman, of Mist, was a guest of his aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth Merrill, last Sunday. Mr. Freeman showed us the diagram and specifications of his new invention of which he has much reason to be proud.

A young Scotchman arrived at James Galties house on the 23rd of last month who cannot speak a word English, but it is likely that Jim talks to him in his own familiar way, and hums him many a Scotch sonnet, to the delight and congratulation of his neighbors.

Mrs. Elizabeth Merrill is the recipient of a nice souvenir from her brothers and sisters in Colorado, consisting of their photograph, with her brother sitting between the antlers of an elk, which are over five feet long; the horns of a mountain sheep at his feet, and a jackrabbit across his knee, which looks very tempting.

CARICO VALLEY. The school house is not completed yet.

Robert Frey was at the county seat last Friday.

S. Rock is clearing more land and building fence.

C. C. Moyer was a visitor in this section last Sunday.

The Carth brothers have gone down the river to work.

Jesse Hendricks and wife were at Deer Island Friday.

B. F. Pope went home sick from H. Howard's last Friday.

Mrs. E. Bailey and son spent last Friday with Mrs. R. Frey.

I understand Mr. Wolverdine is going to move up to Portland.

P. H. Pope went home Saturday, and spent Saturday with his parents.

The severe wind storm on the 25th ult, slayed the timber in this section.

The mud in Milton creek bottom is still impassable for wagons or vehicles.

C. C. Moyer had the misfortune of letting his horse fall down the mountain, on his return home from work the other night.

A CANARD. The New York Press exposes that "Important Bill" Business.

The article credited to the New York Press, going the rounds of the papers, in which it is alleged that unfavorable action has been taken in the New York legislature against the Royal baking powder, proves to have been a canard, gotten up and circulated by opposition baking powder makers, for purposes quite apparent to every one.

Schoolhouse Notes.

With this week ends the second month of the spring term.

Mr. Jones gave the blackboards a new coat of liquid slating last Saturday.

Mrs. Way, the assistant teacher, spent last Saturday and Sunday in Portland.

Lena Blakesley was absent from school Monday and Tuesday on a visit to Westport.

Mattie Perry was absent from school last Thursday and Friday on account of sickness.

Lottie Cooper was absent from school Tuesday. This is the first day she has missed this term.

There have been more absences from school this week than any other week since this term began.

Walter Blakesley made school a visit Wednesday afternoon. We are pleased to have visitors and wish more would come.

There are nine pupils in school who have not been absent since school began last August 31st. Several more have not missed a whole day.

Last week, two of our young ladies were seen reading a matrimonial paper. Since this is leap year we hope the letters they wrote will meet with favorable replies.

Miss Mathews, of Vernonia, made school a pleasant visit last Tuesday afternoon. She has visited several schools of late, and says the St. Helens school is ahead of all for good order.

We are glad to notice that so much interest is taken in the question department of our school notes. All are invited to participate in these exercises. Answers and new questions will receive prompt attention if sent to the principal of the St. Helens school.

It is our intention to give a school picnic on Saturday the 11th of June. All schools that can are invited to furnish exercises for the occasion. Teachers, please take notice. Help us all you can, and let us make this the grandest picnic of the season.

Answers.—1. By Hortense Way and Nellie Decker. The highest tide is found at the Bay of Fuuda. It rises 70 feet.

2. Answered by Lizzie Gilmore. Commodore Stephen Decatur at a public dinner given at Norfolk, Va., in 1817 gave the toast, "Our country right or wrong."

3. Answered by Arthur Moore. Half a solid foot or cubic foot is 1/2 of 1,728 or 864 cubic inches. A solid half foot is a cube each side of which is 6 inches; it will contain 6x6x6 or 216 cubic inches. The difference between 864 cubic inches, and 216 cubic inches is 648 cubic inches.

4. Answered by Robert George. Geo. Abernethy was the first governor of Oregon. He was elected by the people, June 3rd, 1845.

5. Answered by Frank Moore. There were 55 delegates at the convention that drafted the constitution of the United States, and 38 signed it. The convention was held in Philadelphia in September, 1787, and all the states were represented except Rhode Island. The constitution was submitted to the legislatures of each state, but was not adopted by all of them until 1790, Rhode Island being the last.

NEW QUESTIONS.—1. What and where is the largest cave in the world, and when discovered? 2. How and when did the term "Uncle Sam" originate? 3. When and where was the first schooner built in Oregon? 4. When and whom by was the circulation of the blood discovered? 5. What countries have free-trade and with what result?

PORTLAND MARKETS. Thursday, May 5. PRODUCE, FRUIT, ETC.

WHEAT—Valley, \$1 60; Walls Walls, \$1 50 to \$1 55 per cental. FLOUR—Standard, \$4 90; Walls Walls, \$1 80; Graham, \$1; superfine, \$3 per barrel. OATS—New, 50c per bushel. HAY—\$1 10 to \$1 15 per ton. MILLS—Bran, \$10 to \$11; shorts, \$2 00 to \$2 10; middlings, \$1 50 to \$1 60 per ton. BUTTER—Oregon fancy creamery, 37c to 40c; fancy dairy, 35c; salt to cook, 25c to 27c; common, 15c to 25c; Eastern, 25c to 30c per pound. CHEESE—Oregon, 14c to 15c; Eastern, 10c per pound. EGGS—20c to 25c per dozen. POULTRY—C. Hens, \$1 00 to \$1 50; turkeys, \$3 00 to \$3 50; geese, \$1 10 to \$1 20; ducks, \$1 25 to \$1 50 per pound. VEGETABLES—Cabbage, nominal, \$1 00 to \$1 50 per cental; onions, 10c to 15c; potatoes, 4c to 5c per bushel. FRUITS—Apples, 75 to \$1 50 per box. STAPLE GROCERIES.

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THE MEAT MARKET. BEEF—Live, 3c; dressed, 6 to 7c. MUTTON—Live, sheared 4 1/2c; dressed, 8c. HOGS—Live, 10 to 12c; dressed, 6c. LARD—5 to 8c per pound. SMOKED MEATS AND LARD—East-ern ham, 11 to 12c; other varieties, 12 1/2c; lard, compound, 12 1/2c; pure, 15c to 16c; Oregon, 10c to 12 1/2c; breakfast bacon, 13 to 15c; smoked bacon, 13 to 14 1/2c.

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