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ST. HELENS, OREGON, MAY 28

In Iowa the legislature has made liquor bills non-collectible. That is a step in the right direction. Now make board bills, clothing bills, and grocery bills non-collectible, and make it a felony to charge a man rent and to collect a tax off the citizen, and life will be one grand sweet graft.

The weather bureau, while not altogether accurate in its predictions of water and weather, is a useful agency in warning people of what may be expected. The predictions as to the rise and fall of the river have been correct in the abstract, though in the number of feet and inches the predictions have exceeded the actual rise. Altogether the science in forecasting the weather must be recognized as a success.

So far as the lowlands of the Columbia bottoms are concerned the water has done about all the damage it can, because the bottoms are all covered, destroying the crops and meadows. The stock has all been moved to the higher altitude on the mainland. The great damage to follow is to buildings within reach of the water, and a rise of three or four feet more will reach most of the houses of the lowlands, all of which will be damaged more or less.

The Cuban news from this time onward will have an absorbing interest for this country. It is evident that a protest in some shape or other is about to be made by the McKinley administration against Spain's barbarity in dealing with the insurrection. This may not bring recognition of belligerency to the insurgents as soon as many people desire, but it will undoubtedly hasten that eventually. The anxiety in Madrid over the forthcoming developments in the Cuban situation is not groundless.

The senate has not yet invited Mr. Corbett to take a seat or given any intimation as to just when that bit of senatorial courtesy will be extended. Meantime the caller knocking at the door of the senate chamber must be impressed with the thought that the governor of South Carolina knew what he was talking about when he telegraphed to the governor of North Carolina that it was "a long time between drinks." The senate will be "at home" to Mr. Corbett whenever the legislature of Oregon shall have decided to delegate him as their representative in the upper branch of congress.

The visit of C. P. Huntington, president of the Southern Pacific Company, to Oregon at this time is significant. His company has large interests here and his coming is evidently for the purpose of looking over the field with a view to furthering railroad extension throughout Oregon and the Northwest. His visit to Astoria last week was expected, as it is generally believed his company is financially interested in the construction of the road between that city and Goble. The advisability of building other branch lines in Oregon will, no doubt, be called to Mr. Huntington's attention while here, and some new developments in railroad building may be looked for soon.

Oregon has no state debt. But a large number of legitimate claims are being piled up against her on account of the conduct of her regular business authorized by the organic law and the various acts of the legislature, and no doubt, interest will finally be paid on all of them. Still the money, the result of the assessment for the payment of these bills, is daily piling up in the treasury, on account of the failure of the legislature to direct it to the purpose for which it was intended. There is urgent demand for a special session of the legislature. It is needed to authorize the payment of the state's bills, to stop useless expenditures, and to fill the vacant seat in the United States senate, to which Oregon is entitled.

The United States senate, by a vote of 41 to 14, has declared that a state of war exists in Cuba and that the insurgents are entitled to all the rights of belligerents. This vote was on a concurrent resolution, which, to become effective, must be concurred in by the house of representatives. The house, however, will not take the matter up for several days yet, and it may or may not be adopted. Should the house concur it would be a great stimulus to the struggling Cubans, and

no doubt, would be the means of bringing the struggle for independence to an end at an early date. The Cubans are short of arms and ammunition, and the privilege of buying munitions of war in this country would place them in condition to carry on aggressive warfare with their oppressor, Spain. The Cubans have resources with which to buy, and belligerent rights would permit them to purchase from the United States. When these war materials are obtained they would be able to meet the Spaniards in open warfare.

The United States supreme court has handed down a decision which virtually annuls the civil service rules as practiced by the Cleveland administration. A United States district attorney was removed from office in one of the Southern districts. He took the case into court, claiming that as he was appointed for four years, the president had not the power to remove him until the expiration of the term for which he had been appointed. The lower court sustained the president, whereupon an appeal was filed in the supreme court; but the court of last resort did not lose much time in affirming the decision of the lower court. The opinion was rendered by Justice Peckham, who was appointed to the supreme bench during the last half of Cleveland's administration. By this decision it is made clear that the president has undisputed power to dismiss an appointee at his pleasure, without waiting for the expiration of a term.

There is no point on the Columbia river between the Cascades and Astoria that market gardening could not be engaged in successfully. It takes, at most, but a few hours to reach either Portland or Astoria with fresh vegetables which, in point of quality, cannot be equaled by those sections which, of necessity, must ship a long distance. Produce raised along this stretch of country is naturally fresh when it reaches market and consequently commands the top price. Freight is cheap on all the steamboats so that the price received for the goods would nearly all accrue to the grower, without the necessity of dividing with the middle men or commission merchants. The opportunity, we believe, is here for successful market gardening, and it seems only necessary to try the experiment to prove its practicability.

The populists of Oregon have truly fallen into hard lines of late. In the campaign of last June they were fused with the free silver republicans and in January Chairman Young, of their state central committee, and Mr. U'Ren, of stained hold-up memory, fused them with the gold republicans in the mould furnished by Mr. Simon, and now a meeting is to be held in Albany in June at which what is left of the party will be put up at auction, with the silver republican leaders and Simon-Corbett representatives as the chief bidders. Truly the decline and fall of the populist party has been both rapid and complete, but it is what was expected of a party whose leaders are political adventurers and unscrupulous demagogues.—Oregon City Enterprise.

Though hostilities between the Turkish and Greek forces have been stopped, the difficulty is far from final settlement. Turkey is afraid to claim all she wants, and the powers are taking their own time in dealing out her allowance. In the meantime Russia is casting about to see just how large a slice she can gobble up without causing too serious a protest from France and Germany. It is safe to say, however, that Russia will get the lion's share of the Greek loss. The murder of about 100,000 christians in Armenia was of small consequence to the European concert, but when Turkey has conquered a hostile nation the concert at once exercises itself in the distribution of the plunder. Such is life among barbarians.

However opinions may differ as to the reality of actual improvement in business, the figures of bank clearances should put the question beyond argument, says the Astorian. Increases in nearly every center, and increases, too, on a fairly satisfactory basis, tell the story in unmistakable terms that while the wheels of prosperity, like the mills of the gods, may grind slow, they grind, nevertheless, very fine and certain. Unforeseen obstacles have, from time to time, produced an apparent standstill, or even retrogression, but it has invariably happened that when such obstacles have been overcome a comparison of conditions shows that progress was being made even while difficulties were being brushed aside.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.
Present indications are that many democrats will be disappointed in their expectation of holding on to fat offices by reason of Mr. Cleveland's partisan extensions of the civil service rules.
The bluff that are being made by some committees about retaliation against the United States because of the increased duties in the Dingley tariff bill, will not scare anybody. Countries, like individuals, seldom bite off their noses to spite their faces. There is no country on earth that is less dependent upon the products of other countries than the United States.

CURIOUS FACTS.

The diamond has been found on all continents and in almost every country in the world.

The longest single arch in a stone bridge is ninety-eight and one-half feet, over the Rialto at Venice.

Careful measurements prove that the average curvature of the earth is 8.99 inches to the statute mile.

In Japanese saws the teeth point toward the handle, and both saws and planes cut toward the workman.

The velocity of the earth's rotation on its axis at the equator is 1440 per second, or nearly 25,000 miles a day.

In the bear family the polar bear is the most valuable, the best skins realising from \$50 to \$120 apiece. The fur is usually dyed black and made up into wraps and rugs.

Silver fox skins have become exceedingly rare and bring fancy prices, fine specimens recently bringing \$375. These skins are usually bought up by the Russians and French.

A break in the main water pipe in a street in Tombstone, Arizona, in November, was found to have been caused by the roots of a tree, which had grown around the pipe and crushed it so that it burst.

In poetry violets are always "blue," never purple. But as a matter of fact but half of the twenty odd varieties in the United States are blue. The rest are purple, yellow, white, lilac, and one green.

In many parts of Central and South America sensitive plants are so numerous that the course of a man or animal through the undergrowth may for an hour be traced by the wilted appearance of the foliage.

It is an extraordinary fact that only two presidents were born between April and October. The record by months is as follows: January, 2; February, 3; March, 4; April, 4; July, 1; August, 1; October, 3; November, 4; December, 2.

The ordinary American fox skins to the amount of seventy or ninety thousand are annually sold in London at prices varying from 50 cents to \$40. These skins are great favorites in Eastern countries, such as Turkey, Greece, Russia and Bulgaria.

Severe penalties are henceforth to be imposed by the French government upon all persons found keeping pigeons without a license, the object being to prevent the promiscuous flying about of pigeons in the employ of foreigners or of governments which may some day become hostile. The government is also about to prohibit the importation of foreign-born pigeons into France, even when merely destined for pie purposes.

Nowhere in Europe are landed estates so vast as in Russia. Striking evidence thereof is furnished by the will of General Maltseff of the czar's army, who bequeathed to his heirs, in addition to other property, no less than twenty-nine mines, fifteen of which are of the first importance. They afford employment to more than 60,000 workmen. The only person in Russia whose mining properties exceed those of the Maltseff estate is M. Elim Demidoff.

Great guns are expensive toys for a nation to play with. One English authority states that the 110-ton gun, 16 1/2 inches bore, will fire ninety-five ordinary rounds, after which the gun is unfit for further service. The 67-ton gun, 13 1/2 inches bore, will fire 127 rounds, and the 45-ton gun, 12-inch bore, will fire 150 rounds before becoming useless. The cost of the British 110 ton gun is \$28,500; that of the 67-ton gun is \$24,500; and that of the 45-ton gun is \$21,500.


IN THE CIRCUIT COURT.

The following cases were disposed of in the circuit court since our last issue, the disposition of the other cases having been previously recorded each week:
Harry Syverson vs. Martin White; jury returned a verdict in favor of the defendant. Plaintiff given until May 28 to file a motion for a new trial.
State of Oregon vs. Victor Wise; committed to the asylum for treatment and when discharged ordered that he be returned to the custody of the sheriff to await sentence. Given until May 28 to file motion for a new trial.
Henry Everding vs. C. Erickson; dismissed.

Joe Hill vs. James Barr, suit on note; jury returned a verdict for defendant.
R. W. Clark vs. E. V. Bingham et al.; ordered that sheriff execute debt to plaintiff.
William Drack vs. N. A. Magrove; ordered that this case be referred to C. E. Runyon to take testimony and report his findings of fact and conclusions of law.
The following bills were allowed:
C. W. Hakesley, jury bailiff..... \$30 00
L. L. Decker, court bailiff..... 33 00
U. E. Runyon, official reporter, State vs. Wise..... 10 00
Tatum & Bowen vs. Mucke..... 10 00
Syverson vs. White..... 20 00
Hill vs. Barr..... 10 00
Whereupon court adjourned to meet on May 28, 1897.

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FROM MAYGER.

E. T. Boals visited Delena last Saturday. Mr. Mathers, we understand, is on the sick list this week.

J. W. Boals returned from court at St. Helens last Saturday.

Mrs. J. C. Severn was visiting her sons at Oak Point last Friday.

Oliver Wilson passed through here Sunday on his way to Nehalem.

There was to have been a lodge of Patriots of America organized at this place last Saturday night, but the people failed to turn out.

A crew of men was at work Friday and Saturday blasting on the Mayger and Beaver valley road. When this road is done it will be the best outlet to the river in this country.

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J. B. DOAN, Assignee of "Anrys & Kistner," insolvent debtors.

SUMMONS.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County.

Michel Pieter, plaintiff, vs. Pauline F. Bonick, James Bonick and George E. Hawkins, defendants.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, You are required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled action on the 14th day of July, 1897, said day being the first day of the next term of said court, and if you fail so to appear and answer, for want thereof said plaintiff will apply to the court for judgment as prayed for in said complaint, to-wit: For judgment against the above-named defendants for the sum of \$100.00, with interest thereon from January 13th, 1897, at the rate of eight per cent per year, and the further sum of \$20.00 as attorneys fees in said action and the costs and disbursements therein.

This summons is published by order of the Hon. J. B. Doan, judge of said court, dated April 28, 1897.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned has, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Columbia, been duly appointed executor of the estate of Jacob Deusch, deceased, and that all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased are hereby notified and required to present the same, duly verified and with proper vouchers, to the undersigned executor, at her residence on South Beaver, Columbia county, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice. Dated May 23, 1897.

MARY DEUSCH, Executor of the estate of Jacob Deusch, deceased.

TREASURER'S NOTICE.

COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE, ST. HELENS, Or., May 14, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that all unpaid County Warrants of said county, which have been presented and endorsed "Not Paid for Want of Funds," prior to August 28, 1897, will be paid upon presentation at this office. Interest will not be allowed after this date.

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