

AMERICAN RAILS.—There will be 12 miles of American rails laid on the Astoria and Columbia River railroad, beginning at Goble. The English rails were sufficient to complete the line. This new consignment is on its way from the East. The rails are of the same weight and size as those laid, 75 pounds to the yard, 5 inch base, 5 inches high and 2 1/2 inch ball. Tracklaying at the Goble end of the line when the new rails arrive.

VERY UNFORTUNATE.—About three weeks ago Kane Olney, mate of the tow boat Emma Hayward, fell and broke his shoulder. One day last week while the boat was towing a ship down Olney fell on the deck, again breaking his shoulder. On arrival at Astoria he was taken to the hospital and the injured member set. Only a few years ago Captain Olney met with an accident on the No Wonder which rendered him unconscious for some time and came near costing him his life. He seems an unfortunate man.

TRIED LOVE.—A remarkable instance of tender conjugal consideration is that of the Los Angeles man who steadfastly refuses to work because he fears his wife will be stolen in his absence. It is probable that other men are not united in a desire to possess their only own, charming as he deems her, but no one could make him believe it. So in his great tired love, he sacrifices his disposition to labor and loaf around home in order to protect her. It is an affecting instance, but no one knows what excuse he would offer if he did not have a wife.

DURRANT WILL HANG.—The United States supreme court has affirmed the decision of the lower court in the case of W. H. T. Durrant in which he was convicted of murder in the first degree about a year and a half ago. When Durrant was apprised of the action of the supreme court he declared he was not surprised and exhibited no emotion. The execution of Durrant will probably take place in a few days, since the statutory limit of 60 days grace does not apply in cases of recidivists as this will be. The authorities seem anxious to dispose of this case and have done with Mr. Durrant.

PENITENTIARY POPULATION.—There are 319 prisoners in the Oregon penitentiary. Of these, nine are United States prisoners, 124 from Multnomah county, 24 from Marion, 16 each from Douglas, Union, and Baker counties, 10 from Clatsop, 11 from Washington, 10 from Jackson, 8 each from Umatilla and Wasco, 7 from Josephine, 6 each from Crook, Grant and Malheur, 5 each from Clackamas, Wallowa and Yamhill, 4 each from Harney, Lane and Polk, 3 each from Gilliam, Klamath and Linn, 11 each from Curry, Columbia and Morrow, and none from Benton, Lincoln, Sherman and Tillamook.

A PLUCKY WOMAN.—Last Saturday night between 2 and 3 o'clock, Mrs. J. S. Cloninger was alarmed by the sound of some one near the rear of the house. She thought at first it was her husband coming home, but upon calling discovered it was not he. She then raised the blind sufficient to look out and discovered a man standing near the window. She again inquired why he did not answer, when he moved away. A little later a noise was again heard on the other side of the house, when the plucky woman gathered a loaded shotgun and opened fire. The man nearly broke his neck getting away and was heard no more during the night.

YAMHILL MARRIAGE.—This is the way a justice of the peace in Yamhill county married a couple from the backwoods: "By the authority vested in me as an officer of the state of Oregon; by the virgin forests that spread about us in noble grandeur; by the howl of the fox hound and coon dog; and by the morning glory whose clinging tendrils will shade your humble dwelling place; by the hair of the great black bear and the claws of the panther; by the quills of the hedgehog; by the juice of the blackberry, whose sweetness fills your heart with joy; by the heavens and the earth, and the things under the earth; in the presence of these witnesses I pronounce you man and wife."

MUST BE REMARRIED.—The supreme court of this state has reversed a decision of the district for Multnomah county in regard to divorced persons marrying within six months from the time such decree of divorce was issued. The law of this state forbids a marriage to a third person within six months and on account of this many persons who have been in a hurry to again enter the blissful state of matrimony, have gone to Vancouver, or some other point in Washington, to have the ceremony solemnized in order to escape the Oregon law. Judge Stearns decided that such marriages were legal, when an appeal was taken to the supreme court, which held that such marriages were not only null and void, but that the children begotten of such marriages are illegitimate and the wife in such cases has no property rights in her husband's possessions. People who are in this predicament must remarry after the expiration of the six months from the time the divorce was granted.

A YOUTHFUL CRIMINAL.—Tuesday's Salem Journal: Sheriff J. H. Gray and guards, Percy Davis and Joe Hinkle, of Crook county, today brought William Stroud and Joe Dillman to the penitentiary. The former was convicted of assault with a dangerous weapon and received a sentence of one and a half years. The latter will serve one year for larceny. Dillman is a mere youth, being but 17 years of age. He was employed by a rancher near Prineville. One day his employer returned from the county seat with \$300 in coin, which he had drawn from the bank. This amount was placed in the house, where the boy afterwards discovered it. He could not resist the temptation and took the money. Suspicion fastened upon him and he was arrested, whereupon he refunded the \$300 but his trial and conviction followed and he received a sentence of one year. It seems too bad that a youth of 17 years should be incarcerated with rough criminals.

THE COUNTY JAIL.—Last week a proposition was made to the county court by an Eastern establishment to fit up the county jail with corridors and other fixtures for \$500, but the court did not entertain the proposition for reason that it did not feel able to expend such an amount of money when the county is so badly in need of road repair in the way of bridges, etc. In our opinion the court acted judiciously, notwithstanding the fact that several hundred dollars might be left in the county each year for prisoners' board. But when prisoners can be boarded in Multnomah county for \$2.50 or \$3 per week, and the need of bridges etc. being so urgent, we can continue yet a while to allow Multnomah county to care for our prisoners. Were the county court to entertain every such proposition we might exhaust in debt for all time, and at the same time not benefit the county much, either.

FORTY EIGHT YEARS.—Mr. Charles Mayger, of Mayger, is in town last Tuesday attending to business affairs at the courthouse. Mr. Mayger came to Columbia county in 1849 and has resided in this county ever since. When he first came to the place, he was but four or five years of age. He, with one or two others, out of the road between St. Helens and Scappoose plains and constructed the old low bridges across the large awl back of town. Mr. Mayger is a native of France, and though having reached the advanced age of 68 years, was, until about five years ago, when he suffered a stroke of paralysis, a very rugged and strong man. Mr. Mayger has seen in all its stages, the growth and development of the Pacific Northwest.

BUILD TO THE SOUND.—Construction of a railroad line from Portland to Puget sound is now regarded as one of the probabilities of the near future. For the past few weeks men have been engaged searching the records of Chehalis and other counties of Washington, looking for judgments against the Portland & Puget Sound Railroad Company, and lines and rights-of-way from the Columbia river to the Sound. The work has been done very quietly, as those who are making the investigations maintain the utmost reticence on the subject. These examinations give rise to the belief that work will soon be resumed on the line, which was abandoned six years ago when the Charles Francis Adams management went out of the Union Pacific and the S. S. H. Clark management came in. In 1890, the Union Pacific, then in charge, by Adams, as president, and the Great Northern railroad, jointly undertook to build a railroad line from Portland to the Puget sound. The road was graded from Vancouver to Kalama, and most of the grading work finished between Kalama and Centralia, Chenailis county. Comparatively little work was done north of Centralia. About \$50,000 was expended on a bridge over the Columbia at Vancouver, and in all more than \$2,000,000 was invested in the enterprise. It was abandoned in 1891 in a half finished condition, since when it has been sleeping.

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Miss Tillie Muckle visited in Rainier this week.
W. H. Dolman did business in Portland Monday.
Carol Keasey returned home from Portland last Monday.
U. M. Beaghey, of Vernonia, was in town Tuesday evening.
Three inches of snow was reported on Bunker hill last Saturday.
Judge Doan was up from Rainier Wednesday on official business.
Spencer Rose, of Vernonia, was in town Wednesday and yesterday.
Mr. W. B. Dillard was attending to business matters in Portland Monday.
Attorney J. N. Peary, of Kelso, was in this city a short time Wednesday.
William E. Clark, of Deer Island, was in this city last Tuesday evening.
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Muckle, of Rainier, were in this city a few hours last Tuesday.
Mr. W. A. Blackmore, of the steamer Undine, spent Tuesday afternoon and evening in this city.
Mrs. H. P. Ford, formerly of Hillsboro, but now of Portland, was the guest of Mrs. T. J. Cleston Tuesday.
County court adjourned last Saturday evening, thus finishing up the work of the regular November term.
On and after November 15th 1897, the steamer G. W. Shaver will leave Clatskanie at 4 p. m. instead of 5 p. m.
Mr. F. M. Thorp, employed on the wood flume, formerly of Mayger, with his family, is now occupying the Newell house.
No man will receive a call from "General Prosperity" while "whittling" dry goods boxes and complaining of hard times.
Mrs. Sara Reed will deliver a free lecture on "Health" at Masonic hall in this city next Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.
Charles E. Full, recommended by the congressional delegation, was appointed postmaster at Pendleton by the president last Wednesday.
Mr. James Muckle was home over Sunday from his Cowasemois logging camp. He says it will be some time before he is ready to put in logs, as it will be necessary to first build a dam.
The litigation over the steamer H. C. Grady seems to have followed her to San Francisco, according to the Bulletin of that city, which describes at length a lawsuit recently had in that city.
Rev. M. Burlingame will conduct Thanksgiving services on that day at Houston at 8 p. m., and at Goble at 2:30 p. m. Ministers of other denominations present will be expected to take part.
L. L. Decker and Charley Cooper are at home again from their duties as deckhands on the Potter, that steamer having laid up because of the new combination between the steamboat companies on the river.
Sheriff J. N. Rice and family came up from Clatskanie with their household goods last Monday night and are located in the Van Schuyver house on the hill, where they will in future reside.
Mr. Wm. D. Connell, of Deer Island, who has spent about three months at Skagway, returned home last Monday. Mr. Connell says that at present Skagway is not very lively, but next year it will develop into the principal city of the Northwest Territory.
Rev. G. Grovenor Haley, recently appointed pastor in charge of the St. Helens Rainier circuit, M. E. church, will conduct services at Stebban's school at 11 a. m., and in the Congregational church in Rainier at 7:30 p. m., November 14th, 1897.
Edmond C. Gillner, receiver of the defunct State Insurance Company, last Wednesday filed his final account in the circuit court of Marion county, which was accepted and the receiver discharged. This winds up the business of a once prosperous state institution.
Mr. A. A. Smith and family, who, for a number of years have resided on Milton creek about seven miles from here, took their departure on Tuesday's train for Joplyn, Mo., where they will remain, perhaps permanently. Mr. Smith will re-enter the zinc and lead mines at that place.
The Boys' and Girls' Aid Society at Portland has again appealed to the public for assistance. The society is deserving of assistance, for on the whole it accomplishes a great deal of good. Many homeless orphan children have been provided for through this agency and the good work still goes on.
There are all kinds of fads but the latest fad is for the possession of Indian relics. Mr. E. M. Wharton and Mr. J. W. Day have lately been making a specialty of arroyo points and other forms of stones used by the Indians. These gentlemen have gathered something less than a bushel each of these trophies during the past month and are looking for more. A well filled cabinet, which will some day be of value, is the result.

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VERNONIA GLEANINGS.
There is no doubt, says the Astoria News, that Mr. Hammond is forming a syndicate, composed of Montana capitalists, to have a line of steamers from Astoria to Alaska in operation upon the completion of the Astoria and Columbia River railroad. Such a line made up of staunch, swift boats would pay from the send off. Gold-seekers from the East and the interior would soon "tumble" to the fact that the Astoria route would give them less changes, better connections, more satisfactory service than any lines starting from San Francisco, Portland, Tacoma or Seattle. The line when established should be well advertised, showing its advantages, etc. Three cheers and a tiger for the Astoria and Alaska steamship line.

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Be not deceived. A Cough, Hoarseness or Croup, are not to be trifled with. A dose in time of Shiloh's Cure will save you much trouble. Sold by Dr. Edwin Ross.
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LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, OR., November 25, 1897.
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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: F. A. Birds, F. Gilinski, Joe Dupont and Fred Zeller, all of Valley, Oregon. D12319 CHAS. E. MOORE, Register.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I, THE undersigned executor of the Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Beaghey, deceased, have filed in the office of the County Clerk of Columbia County, State of Oregon, my final account of my administration upon said estate, together with my petition for final distribution of the residue of said estate among the persons entitled thereby; that the Hon. J. B. Doan, Judge of the County Court of said County and State, has appointed Thursday, the 9th day of December, 1897, at 2 o'clock P. M., in the Court-room of said Court at the County Court-House, in the City of St. Helens, Ore., to receive and hear said petition, and the hearing of said petition for distribution of said estate may appear and file their objections thereto. Dated at St. Helens, Oregon, November 4, 1897. U. M. BEAGHEY, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Beaghey, deceased.

SUMMONS.
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Columbia.
E. B. Foss, Plaintiff.
vs.
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Publication of this summons is made in accordance with an order of the Hon. T. A. McEneaney, Judge of said Court, made the 12th day of October, 1897. L. T. BARIN, Attorney for plaintiff.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.
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TREASURER'S NOTICE.
COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE, ST. HELENS, OR., Oct. 28, 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 March 1, 1896, will be paid upon presentation at this office. Interest will not be allowed after this date. M. WHARTON, 029136 Treasurer of Columbia County, Or.

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