

OREGON MIST.

Friday, May 20, 1898.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Rev. C. E. Philbrook will preach at Scappoose next Sunday morning and evening.

Miss Mary Burke, of Rainier, after visiting here a few days, returned home Monday.

We neglected to mention in our last issue that Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Piggott had removed from our city.

Dr. H. R. Cliff was called to Vernonia this week to the bedside of Mrs. Wm. Wilkinson, who is quite ill.

Harvey Powell and wife arrived from California Wednesday, and are now visiting relatives at Pittsburg.

Mrs. G. G. Meyer has arranged to have ice cream for sale on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday of each week.

Mrs. T. A. McBride and son and daughter, of Astoria, have been sojourning in Deer Island the past week.

Nick Sundry, who has been in California for about four years, returned to this place Monday night for a brief visit.

Mr. John Scott was down to Moorsville Wednesday doing considerable duty. He brought up a man who had been charged with assault.

Mrs. J. H. Sheldon arrived home from Portland Wednesday night, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Ellerson, who will remain some time in the city.

Mr. J. H. Swager, of Columbia county, Oregon, is in Kelso, and will, in connection with his son "Mark," open up the Old Corner saloon—Kelso Journal.

Messrs. W. W. Blakesley and Thos. Cooper are in Roseburg this week attending the meeting of the L. O. O. F. grand lodge as delegates from the lodge in this city.

Rev. G. Groveron Halsey will hold services next Sunday in Houlton at 11 a. m., and in St. Helens at 8 p. m. The subject for the evening discourse will be "How to Make Friends," or "Fraternity." Everybody invited.

I have been a sufferer from chronic diarrhoea ever since the war and have used all kinds of medicines for it. At last I found one remedy that has been a success as a cure, and that is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy—P. E. GIBBENS, Guar's Mills, La. For sale by Dr. Edwin Ross.

Hon. Chas. B. Moore, register of the Oregon City land office, will address the citizens of Warren upon the great political issues, Friday evening, May 27th. Let everybody, of whatever political belief, attend this meeting. Mr. Moore is one of the best public speakers in the state.

Hon. T. J. Cleeton will speak at the following places: on the following dates: Yankton schoolhouse, Friday evening, May 20th; at Moorsville, Saturday evening, May 21st; at Meerservy's hall, Delens, Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, May 22. Populists and republicans are earnestly requested to be present.

Hon. Martin L. Pipes, of Portland, has kindly consented to make two political speeches in this county, on Monday, the 30th of May, at Scappoose, and at Rainier on Tuesday, the 31st, at 8 p. m. in both instances. Mr. Pipes is a brilliant speaker, and his particularly requests democrats to attend his meetings. Bills later.

Rev. George B. Van Waters, of St. David's church, Portland, will hold services in Christ Episcopal church, in St. Helens, on Wednesday evening, May 25th, at 8 p. m. Some two or three persons will be baptized. The Rt. Rev. B. Wister Morris, D.D., bishop of Oregon, will hold services on Thursday evening, May 26th, and administer the rite of confirmation.

The three Bonner boys, A. A., Wm. E., and David J., well known in Columbia county, especially at Scappoose, where they formerly resided, were among the brave soldiers who left Portland Monday evening to bear arms in defense of their country's cause. The young men enlisted from about four years, and their purpose and loyalty is applauded by all true American citizens within our county.

We direct the attention of the News man to the first nine lines of the seventh paragraph of the grand jury report. It reads \$10,000, just as the resolution read in the late regular and over again, and see if you can make \$1000 out of it. Make some favorable comment upon the matter, and show to the people of the county that you have just a little interest in the welfare of the county, further than a grab into the county crib.

Many old soldiers now feel the effects of the hard service they endured during the war. Mr. George S. Anderson, of Roseville, York county, Penn., who saw the hardest kind of service at the front, is now frequently troubled with rheumatism. "I had a severe attack lately," he says, "and procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It did so much good that I would like to know what you would charge me for one dozen bottles." Mr. Anderson wanted it both for his own use and for his friends and neighbors, as every family should have a bottle of it in their home, not only for rheumatism, but lame backs, sprains, swellings, cuts, bruises and burns, for which it is unequalled. For sale by Dr. Edwin Ross.

What Dr. A. R. Senter Says: Buffalo, N. Y., Gentl.—From my personal knowledge, gained in observing the effect of your Chamberlain's Cure in cases of advanced Consumption, I am prepared to say it is the most remarkable remedy that has ever been brought to my attention. It has certainly saved many from Consumption. Sold by Dr. Edwin Ross.

Whooping Cough. I had a little boy who was nearly dead from an attack of whooping cough. My neighbors recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I did not think that medicine would help him, but after giving him a few doses of that remedy I noticed an improvement, and one bottle cured him entirely. It is the best cough medicine I have in the house.—J. L. Moore, South Burgelstown, Pa. For sale by Dr. Ross.

Karl's Clover Root Tea, for consumption it's the best, and if after using it you don't say so, return the package and get your money. Sold by Dr. Edwin Ross.

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UPTON TO THE PEN.

The last scene of a tragic act has been closed and the curtain of the law drawn to obscure from view and memory the details of a plot and crime which caused the death of a human being, and resulting in the perpetrator of the crime being placed behind the prison bars of the Oregon penitentiary for the remainder of his days.

The story of the murder of William De Journet in this county in August of 1887, is an old one to the people of the county; we need not repeat it. All that is necessary is to say that George Upton received a fair and impartial trial before a fair and impartial judge and jury. He was ably defended by two of his fellowmen, Messrs. Cole and Timmons, and the twelve citizens whom he had named as his jury.

George Upton is now obeying the edicts of God and man, for when those laws are disobeyed the penalty must be endured. He took a human life and attempted to end the earthly career of others, but was prevented only by Providence interfering in rendering his deadly weapon a useless instrument of destruction of human life.

The case went to trial in this city on Wednesday morning of last week, and it was late in the afternoon of Saturday when the testimony was all given in. Judge McBride allowed two hours each for counsel to argue the merits of their case, and no thought was left unsaid which in any way would save the defendant from suffering the full penalty of the law. Prosecuting Attorney Cleeton pursued his case with vigor, and at about 9:30 p. m. Saturday the judge instructed the jury as to points of law, when the jury quietly filed into the juryroom, where every ounce of evidence was carefully weighed, and at 7 o'clock Sunday morning that body returned to the court a verdict of murder in the second degree, the penalty of which, at about 9:30 Monday morning, Judge McBride made known, after first requiring the prisoner to stand, saying: "It is the judgment of this court that you be confined in the penitentiary of the state of Oregon for the remainder of your natural life, and in fulfillment of that decree the sheriff started to Salsm with the prisoner on the steamer Potler Monday afternoon.

Thus the unpleasant and untidy episode becomes a matter of history.

CLEETON AS A PROSECUTOR.

T. J. Cleeton, who is a candidate on the republican ticket for re-election to the office of district attorney, has proven himself to be one of the ablest prosecuting attorneys in the state. Mr. Cleeton's success has been remarkable, and his record one that every citizen of Columbia county, regardless of party, should be proud of. He has, in the past two years, represented the state in some of the most important cases ever tried in the state. In the trial and prosecution of Gus Wachtlo, in Washington county, a new record was made in the criminal history of the state for the ability and dispatch with which it was prosecuted. It had been almost four years since the murder was committed, and nothing but circumstantial evidence to work upon. The witnesses were scattered, some of them not to be found, and everything to be worked up anew, but the matter was handled with such consummate skill and energy that the trial, conviction, and execution was a matter of comment throughout the state. We do not mean to claim all the credit for Mr. Cleeton, but that it is largely due to his efforts is not disputed by those who are familiar with the facts.

In the trial just closed in this county, in which George Upton was tried for the murder of Wm. DeJournet nearly eleven years ago, and in which Upton was convicted of murder in the second degree and sentenced to life imprisonment, Mr. Cleeton's ability and energy again appears. The difficulties besetting the prosecution were many. The report of the coroner's jury had been lost—not a scrap of written evidence. The pistol and the balls were lost; the witnesses were scattered—some in California, some in Washington, others dead. There was but one eye-witness to the killing—Mrs. DeJournet—and it was shown that she had been convicted of a crime. Her evidence was impeached, and it was shown that she had made contradictory statements as to who was directly responsible for the murder. Yet in the face of these facts Mr. Cleeton, without assistance, proved by a chain of evidence, impregnable, the guilt of the defendant.

The jury stood on first ballot, nine for murder in the first degree, and three for murder in the second degree, but to prevent the jury from disagreeing the nine yielded.

Mr. Cleeton has tried a number of important cases, and has shown the same care and ability throughout all his work. It is a fact worthy of note that Mr. Cleeton has not put a county in his district one dollar in expense in employing counsel to assist him in a single criminal case, but he has represented the state without assistance, except in a few instances where the private prosecutor employed counsel. Mr. Cleeton has lost but one indictment by demurrer in the past two years, and had to re-submit to the grand jury in a very few instances. Of the criminal cases appealed to the supreme court—four in all—two have been decided in favor of the state and two are not yet passed upon.

Taking it all in all it is a magnificent record of able effort and conscientious duty to the people, and the voters of the fifth judicial district are not inclined to change one who has done his duties so well for an untried man, no matter what political opinions they may have.

VERNONIA GLEANINGS.

Since the beginning of the war we see the need as never before, of a telephone line connecting this city with the county seat.

If that pop editor was around this neck-of-the-woods and spout such anarchistic language, he surely would think a bomb had struck him.

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ISLAND OF UTOPIA.

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Since it is incumbent upon me to report the proceedings had at the last meeting in our city of the Reform Club, I, being elected secretary of such, will endeavor to give the same and substance, in brief, of the doings of our noble order.

The charter members met at 7:30 p. m. in the pavilion, and without unnecessary delay proceeded at once to business.

The first thing to order was to elect and install the officers to serve the ensuing year.

Brother Brains being nominated for the most dignified position, that of president of the order, and having no opposition, a motion was made that he be elected by acclamation. Motion carried, and Brother Brains was elected by a unanimous vote.

His predecessor not being present, it was thought expedient to call Brother Brains to the chair at once, which was done.

His honor, being a farmer, it was decided that there should be an emblem of some sort placed at the disposal of his honor, the president, as a token not only of his profession, but to show the great distinction he enjoys among his fellowmen.

It was decided, without opposition, that the pumpkin vine was the most appropriate because of its large and most deliciously flavored fruit; it also being considered, from the fact of its not taking but a few at a time for a mess.

So, after the usual ceremony on such occasions, it was decided that the initiative and referendum should be carried out to the letter in all of our proceedings. The initiative proposition was had by placing upon his head a crown of glory, (for that was all there was in it) surrounded by a wreath of pumpkin vines. The referendum part was then carried out by a reference being had to our much-esteemed political martyr, Corbett.

I should have stated that your humble servant was chosen as permanent secretary to serve for life, or during good behavior. This proceeding, not being regular and somewhat inconsistent with the teachings of our order, we shall pass it briefly over.

It was then proposed that we elect a treasurer. I objected on the ground that we had no money to put into a treasury, and would not be likely to have, and that we proposed to run this institution on the labor-exchange principle.

It was then decided that we elect from among our number a chaplain. There was no one found except Brother Advent, whose bump of veneration was developed to an enormous degree—so much so that it had grown entirely up through the crown of his hat, to the great detriment of all the other mental organs.

About then there were two democrats appeared at the door for admission. We told them we would have to take them on probation, on account of their having voted for McKinley. Just then there were a dozen or more of our members jumped up and demanded explanations on this matter, saying that if previous party affiliations should be adopted as a test for membership, what are we to do for members. About then several other applicants appeared at the door, some of whom insisted that they were silver republicans. At this juncture there were visible signs of uneasiness on the countenance of our president, and he, being of an unusual vigorous disposition, began to wield the gavel in an unprofessional way; and, in trying to restore order, through mistake, hit our newly-elected chaplain a well on the head. Of course the abnormal condition of a certain portion of the brain made it quite a natural consequence for the skull to crack open like an over-ripe cabbage-head, and the brains begin to flow out in quantities. The sight of blood had a very wholesome effect, and the meeting adjourned sine die.

We then picked up the chaplain, and by pressing an empty tomato can down lightly over his head we succeeded in stopping a further loss of brain matter. He was then placed in the care of a specialist, who said he could mend him up so he would do for the next meeting. The doctor was compelled to perform an operation by trepanning the skull; so he took a piece of free silver, presumably an old watch crystal—at least it served the purpose admirably well—and made a good job of it. A portion of the brain of this unfortunate brother was taken to an analytical chemist, who made an analysis of the same and found the following result, to wit: "As a natural result reformation had already set in, and it was found that the principal ingredient consisted of aluminum, mixed with equal parts of inflation, rennetization, and free silver, with a faint trace of common sense."

Now, brother editor, I must submit the foregoing to you for your earnest consideration, and hope that it may meet with universal approval, and in the meantime will be pleased to have you accept an honorary membership in our fraternal order.

ABNORMAL BRAINS, president. SPENCERIAN SCRIBE, secretary.

LOCAL CONDITIONS.

EDITOR MIST: In reply to your recent inquiry would cheerfully say that there is a decided improvement in business within the last year. My business is of a diversified character, and in order to attend to all that requires my personal attention I have little time to brood over the troubles and misfortunes of others. It is an old saying that "there are none so far from market as those who have nothing to sell." It is my purpose to try and have something that others want, and to be in such a position that I can demand the current price, at least for the same, and not be obliged to make a sacrifice in order to dispose of it for cash. Now, I cannot see that the opportunities for one man are any better than for another, because we are all endowed with the same natural senses, placed on an equal footing by nature, and that being the case, with a reasonable amount of diligence, perseverance, and precaution, there should be

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NO REASON WHY ALL THE PRODUCING CLASSES SHOULD NOT BE ABLE TO REAP THE BENEFITS OF WHICH I AM ABOUT TO SPEAK.

It is only a matter of a few months when wheat was worth 75 or 80 cents, oats 55 cents, wool 10 cents, hides 5 to 6 cents, beef (dressed) 5 cents, and other things in proportion. What are the conditions of things now? If a farmer has a few beaver it for market, the butchers will come to you and gladly drive your cattle away, leaving in their place a living price in cash at the rate of 6 to 7 cents net. Good wheat is now worth a dollar; flour is now worth \$5 at my mill, while a year ago I was