

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It is reported in lumbering circles of British Columbia that the Chemainus lumber mill has a contract to supply 100,000,000 feet of lumber for Chinese railways. It is estimated that it will take six years to cut this amount of lumber, and that additional mills will have to be erected.

An exceptionally large run of Chinook salmon entered the latter part of last week, and fishermen at Astoria made large catches last Friday night. The fish sold readily at 7 cents a pound. It is the freely-expressed opinion that a large run of fish will continue throughout the season.

A real pleasant time was had on Thursday evening of last week at the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Rathbone Sisters of this city. Two Knights were initiated into the mysteries of the Rathbone, after which a luncheon was served in the lodge-room, and all present spent a very enjoyable evening.

Martin Costigan, who was held to answer to the grand jury, by the justice of this precinct, on a charge of rape, was released from jail in Multnomah county last Monday morning and brought to this city by Sheriff Rice, and tried before Judge Doan, and released. Costigan took passage from here on the Canby that evening.

Captain Good's new steamer, America, will be out and ready to go into commission in about a week. A large force of mechanics is rushing the work with all possible haste. The engines will be received from the shops tomorrow, and as soon as they are placed and connected the steamer will be ready to operate.

The commissioners of Tillamook county have purchased a portable saw-mill, which is expected to soon arrive there. It will be put in operation at once, sawing out planks in different parts of the county so that roads can be planked, it being thought that planked roads will be more serviceable than gravel. There is considerable complaint about bad roads, but the county court is trying to overcome these difficulties.

The new steambot being built by the O. R. & N. Company at Portland is fast assuming shape. The hull is completed and the upper works are about half done. It is the intention to complete the boat in time for the summer traffic, when she will be put on the run between Portland and Astoria. She is built for speed and is expected to eclipse anything on the river. She will have the largest engines ever cast in Portland.

A tall girl over in Clatsop county named Short long loved a certain Mr. Little, while Little, while thinking of Short, loved a little lassie named Long. To make a long story short, Little proposed to Long, and Short longed to be even with Little's shortcomings. So Short, meeting Long, threatened to marry Little before long, which caused Little in short to marry Long. Did Short love Little less because Little loved Long?

About fifteen members of Avon lodge of Pythians visited Rainier lodge last Saturday evening, and a real pleasant time was the result. As soon as the visitors arrived the lodge-room was turned over to them, and they proceeded to confer the work in two ranks, which occupied the time until nearly 12 o'clock, after which a splendid luncheon was served at the restaurant. It was 1 o'clock when the visitors departed for home, all feeling that a pleasant and profitable evening had been spent.

One can scarcely estimate the good to come to the different sections of this county in which creameries are established. The one being put in at Warren will have a wonderful effect on the dairying industry in that part of the county, and at Deer Island, where it is certain a creamery will soon be established. Let us strive to encourage the establishment of such concerns in each locality where it is possible to supply a sufficient amount of milk to warrant. The supply will increase as soon as a demand is created.

The bill introduced in the house of representatives at Salem some time since by Dr. Hall, providing for a vote to be taken upon the relocation of the county seat of this county, met its Waterloo in the committee, and consequently failed to become a law. A number of similar bills met a like fate for some unknown cause. A county seat fight is not a desirable contest, and it may be that the committee on counties was overcome with a superabundance of "good will toward man," and consequently extended their generosity in behalf of the people.

The bill to fix the salaries of the county officers of this county was passed by both houses of the legislature last Friday, and will undoubtedly receive the signature of the governor in due time. The changes establish the following schedule of salaries: Reducing the salary of the sheriff from \$1500 to \$1400, but adding \$700 for deputy hire; reducing county clerk from \$1800 to \$1400, but allowing \$800 for deputy hire; increasing treasurer from \$500 to \$600; county judge, \$500 to \$725; giving assessor \$600, instead of per diem, and school superintendent \$500, instead of fees.

Senator McBride has secured the adoption and incorporation of in and to the general appropriation bill for river and harbor improvements of \$13,000 for the improvement of Clatskanie river, and \$50,000 to be used to improve Lewis river. The Lewis river allowance seems like a large amount, yet fully that sum can be applied there to good advantage. That river is the natural outlet for a large and very productive section of country. The appropriation for Clatskanie river is not enough. There is a vast amount of work to be done to straighten that stream, and so long as an appropriation was to be had a few thousand dollars extra should have been added in order that the work might be thoroughly done at once.

Avon lodge K. of P., of this city, celebrated the 35th anniversary of the founding of the order Tuesday evening in a fitting manner. The ladies and friends of the order were admitted to the lodge-room about 9 o'clock, when Dr. Ross, as master of ceremonies, announced the object of the gathering, and called upon Rev. Mr. Haley to invoke divine blessing. Dr. Oliff welcomed the visitors with neat and well chosen words, after which Miss Wilson favored the assembly with a delightful solo. A paper, dealing briefly with the history of the order, together with its objects and aims, was read by David Davis, which was followed by a vocal solo by Miss Maude Watts, of Seapoo, and the degree of success attending the effort merited and received such hearty applause as to recall the young lady for another selection. Mrs. Jones, of Portland, favored the meeting with an instrumental and a quartette, consisting of solo and duets, and the degree of success attending the effort merited and received such hearty applause as to recall the young lady for another selection. The Mrs. Jones, of Portland, favored the meeting with an instrumental and a quartette, consisting of solo and duets, and the degree of success attending the effort merited and received such hearty applause as to recall the young lady for another selection.

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He was an earnest minister, and one Sunday in the course of a sermon on the significance of little things, he said: "The hand which made the mighty heavens made the little grains of sand; which made the lofty mountains made a drop of water; which made you made the grass of the field; which made me made a day." The people living along the road between St. Helens and Vernonia are expected to render all possible assistance in the attempt to improve the road. Petitions will be ready to circulate in a short time, and it will become the duty of everyone to assist the matter to the extent of their ability in order to make it a success.

No man who is willing to extend to others the same liberty that he wishes to enjoy himself will become your enemy simply because you may differ in politics, religion or any other question of importance, nor will he cease to be your friend and neighbor simply because you differ in opinion on the subject of schools and the manner of supporting them. That the fishermen are not entirely satisfied that the cannery combine is a good thing for them is in evidence. Several fishermen who are in debt to cannerymen who are in the combine have gone to them with the cash to pay off their indebtedness and be released. In several instances the money would not be accepted, and the fishermen were told that they would be held to their agreement to pay for what they owed with fish at the current price. Fishermen, with gear, are now in demand. Evidence of how little is known of the real conditions existing in the Northwest is found in the questions asked in letters from parties in the East, in answer to an article descriptive of Columbia county, which appeared in the annual number of the Oregonian. It requires the services of a well-equipped bureau of information to do justice to the matter. Such an organization should be formed here for that purpose, to which all letters of inquiry could be submitted. It is a matter in which all of us are equally interested, and to which each individual could well afford to make a small contribution to maintain.

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Mrs. Lin Decker visited over Sunday in Kalama. George Mayger was in Portland on Monday afternoon. District Attorney Cleston spent last Sunday in this city. The assessor is preparing to begin the assessment of 1899. Business was practically suspended in this city Wednesday. County Clerk Watts was confined to his bed this week with a severe cold.

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VERNONIA VARIETIES. Newton Parker was doing business in our town Monday. Mr. Wm. Wilson left this valley for the metropolis Tuesday on business. J. B. Dallas, of Upper Nehalem, took a load of merchandise to Forest Grove this week. Messrs. Wm. Wilson and John Young passed through our town Monday, bound for the Pittsburg gristmill. Miss Alma Throp, who is cooking for the Pittsburg Mill Company, was home on a visit Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Malenstein's residence in this city caught fire Monday, causing great alarm, but no serious damage was done.

Rev. Smith filled the pulpit at the Evangelical church Sunday evening. The sermon was excellent and was well taken. Messrs. McDaniel and P. J. Lund were doing some official business with the notary public Monday in regard to the new position of land. Dr. Hatfield would like to know how to practice medicine for summer fishing. Now, this is a chance to teach our doctor an Oregon trick. Father Fisher and family, who have been residing with their son, Rev. F. M. Fisher, of this city, returned to their home at Monday evening.

Dr. Hatfield, of this city, was called to the residence of Wm. Hess, of Beaver creek, to give medical aid to Mrs. Hess, who is suffering from a complication of diseases. Our worthy postmaster left Tuesday for a short sojourn at the metropolis. This is the first time for almost two years that Spaul has failed to call out from behind the window, "All out, gentlemen." Carroll McNut wishes to buy good timber claims in township 4 north 5 west, 5 north 6 west and 5 north 7 west. Anyone wanting to dispose of their claims will do well to give Mr. McNut a call.

RAINIER NEWS. R. B. Smith made a visit to Westport Wednesday. W. A. Edgerston, formerly of Clatskanie, spent Sunday in town. Hon. Dean Blanchard was a passenger to Astoria Monday morning. M. J. Kittinger and John Dibbee were visitors to Portland Monday. A. K. Morgan, of Delena, was in town on his way to Portland Tuesday. It is reported that Ed Leaban, a half-breed, was drowned in the Cowilla river, near the Columbia, Sunday evening.

Patch & Plus are building a large addition to their dryhouse 10x30 feet, increasing their capacity from sixteen hundred to eighteen hundred doors per week. Mrs. Buckbee, wife of John Buckbee, died Thursday night, the 15th inst., at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. O. Shelton. Mrs. Buckbee had long been suffering from dropsy, and at last succumbed to that disease. She was buried in the Z. of P. cemetery on Saturday. As a caucus held in the town hall Monday evening the following citizens were nominated for the various town offices: For trustee, F. J. Pomeroy, W. A. Wood, Miles Sheelin, Fred Trow and Marion Fowler; for treasurer, Dr. A. P. McLaren; for recorder, Wm. Symons; for marshal, J. A. Schaeffer. There is hardly a doubt but that there will be an independent ticket put up for trustees, for while the caucus of last Monday was the best attended for years, there was a decided lack of judgment used in making the nomination, inasmuch as personal friendship rather than eligibility was considered, for of the five named for trustees one was no property in his own name and another has not been a resident of the town one year; both defects being fatal to their aspirations for office, according to the charter.

COLUMBIA CITY. February 23.—Editor MIST: The local news in this town is little and of no great interest to you, yet if we do not give it in full we would be suspected of inertia. Mrs. Butler is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. G. Caples. Mr. Watrous and daughter, who lately came from Forest Grove, are living in the Wagner house. The death and burial of Mrs. Giltner was and news to her friends here. She was one of the best women. Captain Spinner and family have moved to Portland until June, when they will return here for the summer. Mr. Bowers has moved into their house. Mr. Floyd, a nephew of Gen. Floyd, of Southern fame, has charge of the Columbia telegraph station for a few weeks. He is boarding at the Hotel Bowers. Mrs. Chester Maxwell is staying with Mrs. J. G. Maxwell for a few weeks. She is on her way to join her husband at Tehachapi, Cal. They will go to Santa Ana in April and remain permanently.

Resolutions of Condolence. GORE, Or., Feb. 22.—At a regular meeting of Umpqua Tribe No. 24, Imp. O. E. M., the following resolutions were adopted: Whereas, The angel of death has entered the home of our esteemed brother, H. B. Borthwick, and removed therefrom his beloved wife, and Whereas, We being deeply conscious of the great loss he has been called upon to sustain, therefore be it Resolved, That we, as members of Umpqua Tribe, hereby extend to Brother H. B. Borthwick our tenderest sympathies in this his hour of deep affliction, and commend him to a higher source of consolation and comfort where eventually the family circle will be reunited, never again to be broken; and be it further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Tribe, a copy furnished Brother H. B. Borthwick, and a copy be sent THE OREGON MIST for publication. Committee: M. LARK, D. LARK, C. E. LEAVENS.

The masquerade ball given in this city last Friday evening by Messrs. Will Cloninger and Louis Snyder was a complete success in every particular. Persons who desire to occasionally or often hire a livery rig can find the same by applying to Rev. G. G. Haley, this city. Prof. H. C. Tillman, A. M., of the Consolidated University, will deliver a lecture in the courthouse next Friday, at 8 p. m. Subject: "A Trip to the Sun and Moon." Admission free. Everybody welcome. An interesting wedding took place on Wednesday night at the residence of R. Cox, J. P., the contracting parties being Mr. E. W. Pioncock and Miss Mary Sebrants, both of Multnomah county. Mr. Pioncock will take charge of the new creamery, now in course of construction at Warren, and will reside at that place. We welcome them to Columbia county, and wish them much joy.

WHAT IS SHILOH? A grand old remedy for Coughs, Colds and Consumption; used through the world for half a century, has cured all cases of incipient consumption and relieved many in advanced stages. If you are not satisfied with the results we will refund your money. Price 25c and 50c. Sold by Dr. Edwin Ross, druggist, St. Helens, and N. A. Perry, Heililton.

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Lien Holder's Sale. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON OR about August 23rd, 1898, one—Marianand, of Vancouver, Washington, placed in the charge of W. D. Connell, of this city, Oregon, for the purpose of pasturing, feeding and caring for one bay mare about years old called "Korona," and one dark bay colt, W. D. Connell has been and care and feed upon said animals from August 23rd, 1898, to the date of this notice, and has done so and paid for the same his said animal in his actual possession, and whereas the bill for said pasture, feed and care now amounting to the sum of \$140.00 has not been paid nor any part thereof. Therefore I said bill of \$140.00 together with attorney's fees and the cost of this advertisement, shall be due and payable to me on or before Saturday, February 25th, 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m. Said bill shall be paid by W. D. Connell in public auction to the highest bidder for cash in U. S. gold coin to satisfy said lien claim, together with all costs. Said sale will take place at the barn on the farm of Thomas Connell, on Clark Island, in Columbia county, state of Oregon, on Saturday, February 25th, 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m. Dated Feb. 17th, 1899. W. D. CONNELL, Lien Claimant.

City Treasurer's Notice. OFFICE OF CITY TREASURER, ST. HELENS, OREGON, Feb. 17, 1899. THE CITY TREASURER OF ST. HELENS, OREGON, hereby gives notice that all warrants of this city which have been presented and endorsed "Not Paid for Want of Funds," prior to October 6, 1897, and which were not doctored October 6, 1897, will be paid upon presentation to me. Interest will not be allowed after this date. DAVID DAVIS, City Treasurer.

Notice for Publication. LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, OR., February 7, 1899. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the county clerk of Columbia county, at St. Helens, Oregon, on March 4, 1899, viz: WILLIAM C. ADAM. Homestead entry No. 269, for the south 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 and lots 1 and 2 section 4, township 4 north, range 5 west. His name the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Gerhard Mornach, Andrew Kepewski, William Karth, John Hildebrand, all of Valley, Oregon. CHAS. S. MOORE, Register.

PROFESSIONAL. DR. J. K. HALL, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Clatskanie, Columbia county, Or. DR. EDWIN ROSS, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. St. Helens, Oregon. DR. H. R. CLIFF, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. St. Helens, Oregon. G. W. COLE, ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR-AT-LAW. ST. HELENS, OREGON. Title Abstract Books, Notary Public, Commissioner of Deeds for Washington, and an experienced collector in connection with office.

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AN OPEN LETTER TO MOTHERS.

WE ARE ASSERTING IN THE COURTS OUR RIGHT TO THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE WORD "CASTORIA," AND "FITCHER'S CASTORIA," AS OUR TRADE MARK. I, DR. SAMUEL FITCHER, of Hyannis, Massachusetts, was the originator of "CASTORIA," the same that has borne and does now bear on every the fac-simile signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* wrapper. This is the original "CASTORIA" which has been used in the homes of the Mothers of America for over thirty years. LOOK CAREFULLY at the wrapper and see that it is the kind you have always bought and has the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* wrapper. No one has authority from me to use my name except The Centaur Company, of which Chas. H. Fletcher is President. March 24, 1898.

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Common Saw-sets... 75c
Morrell's Saw-sets... 75c
Carpenter's hammers... 35c to 45c
Carpenter's hatchets... 35c to 50c
Carpenter's bandsaws... 60 to 75c
Jack planes... 60c to 75c
Dialing hand-saws... 1.25
Good steel hand-saws... 50 to 75c
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