

OREGON MIST.

AUGUST 3, 1900.

New goods at Collins & Gray's. The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Lake died at Houlton Tuesday night.

Valley hop growers have decided to pay 35 cents per box for picking during this season.

Collins & Gray carry the largest and best stock of general merchandise in Columbia County.

Rev. C. E. Philbrook will preach next Sunday at Bachelor Flat and at St. Helens at the usual hours.

John Palu's mill at Clatskanie is getting out an order for 750,000 feet of lumber for the A. & C. B. R.

Now that we have the horseless carriage we await impatiently for the coming of the horseless launch.

E. W. Creighton, of the White Collar Line of steamers, is having a warm time keeping a deck crew for the Gazette.

The cut worms which last week were devastating crops in this county, are said to be dying off very rapidly and little more damage is expected to result from them.

For the quarter ending June 30, Columbia County citizens received from the State \$120 as bounty on scalps of wild animals. The total amount paid by the State to the several counties for the same quarter was \$27,804.

The sawmill recently put up on Milton creek, near the big dam, by E. C. Smith and Co., is being removed to a new location up Tedford creek, about a half a mile from the present site. The work of removing the mill was begun Monday.

The annual teachers' institute for this county will be held at Clatskanie this year, commencing September 3d, and continuing five days. Prof. C. W. Durlette, of Portland, and Miss Mary Harrgrave, of Washington, have been engaged as instructors.

A young man who went to Portland the other day to do some trading found that he could buy the things he wanted of Collins & Gray as cheap as he could in Portland, so he returned to St. Helens to buy his goods. The best fishing is not always in the largest lakes.

Owing to the large number of rats being offered to Rat Inspector Hallock, the price has dropped to 5 cents. Rat Inspector Hallock says that out of 100 rats examined, 69 have the bubonic plague, 10 erysipelas, 4 gout, 2 cerebra spinal meningitis, 5 whooping cough, and the balance the measles.

Next Friday evening, August 10th, there will be a grand entertainment given in the new church at Warren. The proceeds to be used for the completion of the building. Refreshments will be served after the programme has been rendered. The public is very cordially invited to attend. Admission only 15 cents.

Construction work is being vigorously prosecuted on the Goble & Nehalem railroad. A large force of men is employed at clearing right-of-way and men and teams are at work between Houlton and J. M. Archibald's place. The company expects to put up a sawmill at once for cutting necessary timbers for trestles and sawing ties for the road.

It is suggested that for the information of transient wheelmen the city authorities should indicate, by clearly painted signs or other means, conspicuously displayed, that cyclists are strictly prohibited from riding on the sidewalks. In the absence of any sign of warning scarcely a day passes but wheelmen are seen speeding over forbidden territory.

Dr. E. E. Cawood, of Portland, a graduate of the Philadelphia Dental College, has arranged his business matters so he can pay weekly visits to St. Helens, being at the Hotel each Wednesday, where he will be prepared to attend to all demands here for his services. Dr. Cawood comes highly recommended and his work can be depended upon as being of first-class quality.

Herb Corlies and his partner, Mr. Rusb, have struck it rich in the hills near Grant's Pass, says a dispatch from that place published in the Oregonian Thursday of last week. Their discovery is a quartz mine of free-milling gold ore, and pays \$10 to \$15 to the pan. They have many tons of the fertile ore on the dump, which is said to produce \$50 to the ton. Corlies has many friends in this county who will be pleased to learn of his good luck.

Lorraine Keithley, the little nephew of Mr. and Mrs. James Muckle, had the misfortune to sustain a compound fracture of the left forearm at the wrist, Wednesday evening. He had another little boy were riding a horse, when the animal became frightened, jumping suddenly, precipitating the rider to the ground, with the result stated above. Dr. Cliff hastily reduced the fracture, and under the circumstances the little fellow is resting as comfortably as might be expected.

A dispatch in Wednesday's Oregonian from Astoria says: "Work on the extension of the jetty at the mouth of the Columbia is much retarded on account of lack of men. One hundred additional men are needed. A good start has been made at repairing the old trestle, and preparing the well under way for the main work, which may be delayed when preliminary arrangements are completed unless enough men can be secured to do the work. Good wages are paid, and board and lodging accommodations are excellent.

The Dalles, Portland & Astoria Navigation Company has purchased the steamer Iraida, thus shutting out all opposition. The company now will have the exclusive traffic on the route. The Iraida, up her purchase several days ago, was making two day trips between Portland and The Dalles. She was taken last week to The Dalles, where she was painted and given a good overhauling, in time to begin a regular run August 1. This will make four boats the D. P. & A. N. Company will have in operation on the Dalles run, and it is believed the schedule will be materially improved. The rates on the line will not be affected by the change.

The people of this section of the State may form some idea of the kind of weather they may expect for August from the following data, covering a period of 28 years, compiled from the Weather Bureau records at Portland, Oregon, for the month of August: Mean or normal temperature, 66 degrees; lowest temperature, 47 degrees; highest temperature, 97 degrees, on the 22nd, 1891; lowest temperature, 43 degrees, on the 29th, 1876. Average precipitation, for the month, 1.57 inches; average number of days with .01 of an inch or more, 4; greatest monthly precipitation, 2.50 inches, in 1899; least monthly precipitation, none in 1885. The greatest amount of precipitation recorded in any 24 hours was 0.83 inches on the 25th and 26th, 1899. Average number of clear days, 17; partly cloudy days, 9; cloudy days, 5.

ASTORIA REGATTA.

The Seventh Annual Regatta, to be held at Astoria on August 23, 24 and 25, promises to be by far the most successful water carnival ever held on the Pacific Coast. Already over \$5000 has been subscribed by the citizens of Astoria, and handsome cash prizes and medals will be offered for the different events.

Among the principal attractions will be three great war vessels—the United States battleship Iowa, the flagship of the North Pacific Squadron; the United States cruiser Philadelphia, and a British battleship, on the station at Esquimalt. It is the purpose to arrange for a sham naval battle between the crews of the American and British vessels. This attraction will take place on the river in front of the city, where it can be seen by every one of the thousands of visitors who annually come to Astoria to see the Regatta. Such a grand attraction has never before been attempted in the west, and visitors will find this event of sufficient interest to fully repay them for their trip.

Particular attention is being paid to the rowing races, and crews from California, Washington, British Columbia and Oregon will participate. The Californians will send probably six crews, though the nine clubs of that state are all anxious to take part. Hundreds of other attractions have been arranged for, and a field day of sports will be set apart. The regatta will continue until the kind weather held in the west, and it is expected that there will be fully 20,000 visitors in Astoria during the three days.

Persons desiring information concerning the carnival should address inquiries to Chairman C. H. Stockton, Regatta Committee, Astoria, Or. Intending visitors should secure accommodations at least a week previous to August 23.

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VERNONIA VARIETIES.

Otto Malmsten made a business trip to Pittsburg Monday.

Ray Mills is our new mail carrier. He is always on time.

Rice and Wrench went to Forest Grove Monday for freight.

J. A. Featherstones, of Idaho, is visiting friends on Rock Creek.

Commissioner W. D. Case, of Pittsburg, was in town Saturday on official business.

Dr. Hlatt, of Forest Grove, came over Sunday, and will spend his vacation in the Nehalem.

Mabelle Ross is visiting this week at T. W. North's and John Dallas's of the Upper Nehalem.

Dave Early, having finished up his haying, went back to work near Houlton, for a rancher.

O. C. Spencer put in time last Wednesday and Thursday pitching hay for E. G. Shannahan.

Mrs. Julia A. Moore, of Minn., is visiting her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Adams.

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ALL SORTS.

A hot campaign? No. The people are satisfied with the present condition of affairs and are seeking no change. For a hot campaign it needs a dissatisfied people. The American people are well pleased with existing conditions. A hot campaign? Nay, nay, Paulina.

We are assured by a disciple of Mr. Bryan that no matter who is elected, "the gold standard law is in effect and will remain in effect throughout the coming administration." Thanks for the assurance, but somehow, we would much rather have Mr. McKinley administer it. The idea of compelling Mr. Bryan to execute a law which he professes to believe would destroy this republic seems almost savage in its cruelty. Yes, Mr. McKinley would be much better.—Corvallis Gazette.

The devil is to pay. A man has discovered that had some one loaned George Washington only one dollar at sixteen and a quarter per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and compounded every six months, there would on October 1st, next, be due to the fortunate lender eight trillion eight hundred billion dollars! And all the property under our flag, estimated at seventy-five dollars, would pay less than one per cent of the debt! And all the wealth of the world would probably not pay 10 per cent!

China is so vast an Empire that its circumference may be shelled and its center be unconquered by the conqueror. There has never been an enumeration of the Chinese. Estimates of the population have varied from more than 400,000,000 to less than 300,000,000. Eighteen years ago there was an approximate census within the eighteen provinces. The single province of Shanghai was found to contain nearly as many people as the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland. The only trustworthy estimate of the foreigners in the Empire was that of 1898, when the total was 13,421. With loyal and skilled generals, it is certain that, able now to manufacture arms and ammunition, China, by numbers alone, can prolong a war of defense into practically unlimited time. Such a war might proceed along the frontiers for a generation and be unheard of in the interior. China is an inexhaustible human hive.

It may interest cyclists to know that a suit has been filed in Multnomah County to see whether the bicycle tax, passed at the last State Legislature, is unconstitutional. We have already looked at the bicycle law as a game for the taxpayer, and for the shrewd politicians to keep on the best side of the wheelmen. No matter how the Supreme Court may decide the case, the wheelmen in the large Counties have won their point in securing bicycle paths, which, if the law is declared unconstitutional, the tax money will have to be returned and the taxpayers compelled to stand the expense. Now it remains to be seen whether the Legislators who have manipulated and voted for the bicycle tax law did not intentionally do so for the purpose of making the taxpayers pay for the bicycling paths.

Headlight. If Shiloh's Cough and Consumption Cure, which is sold for the small price of 25 cts., 50 cts. and \$1, does not cure, take the bottle back and we will refund your money. Sold for over fifty years on this guarantee. Price 25 cts. and 50 cts. Sold by Dr. Edwin Ross.

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