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ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

Today we were permitted to look over the Ulster County Gazette, which was published at Kingston, Ulster county, New York, by Samuel F. Freer & Son, bearing date of January 4, 1808. It is by comparison that we are made to realize how time makes changes. To illustrate, under a date line of Dec. 23, 1799, we find this note preceding several columns of foreign news: "By the arrival of the Factor from Falmouth, we are put in possession of London papers to the 20th of October, inclusive, from which we make the following selections:"

Think of it! A paper bearing date of January 4, 1808, publishing extracts of London papers up to October 20, 1799, as news. A little reflection, however, will show that this was all prior to the discovery of the telegraph, prior to the use of steam navigation, all prior to the Atlantic cable. So, as things went in those days, we presume the paper before us, which we are permitted to peruse through the courtesy of our old-time friend, Gus Benglesdorff, is as much up-to-date as the papers of the present time.

Among some of the oddities, as we now look upon things, we find such notices as the following: "Cash given at the printing office for rags." A merchant, at the close of his advertisement, states: "Ashes taken in said store." The men were evidently as mean in those days as at present. Maty Van Steogbergh advertised the fact that he would no longer pay any of his wife's debts, nor stand for anybody harboring her on his account.

John Schoonmaker advertised to sell one-half of his sawmill and as an extra inducement, offers to throw in a "stout, healthy, active negro wench." Another advertiser wished to dispose of "A well finished pleasure sleigh."

In the reading matter an account of a ship wreck is chronicled, in which it states "The crew perished but two."

The paper contains the announcement of the opening of congress on December, 1799, when John Adams was president. Also the death and account of the funeral of George Washington, the last paragraph reading: "The sun was now setting. Alas! the son of glory was set forever. No, the name of Washington—the American president and general—will triumph over death! The unclouded brightness of his glory will illuminate the future ages!"

AMERICAN SHOES.

A full line of American shoe machinery has been installed at the Prague exposition, where people of all classes are given a practical demonstration of shoemaking by machinery. Every stage of the work is shown and explained, commencing with the leather and other raw material and ending with the finished shoe ready for any shaped foot. The exhibit has been installed at a great expense on the part of the American manufacturers under the name of a prominent Bohemian shoe manufacturer, as foreigners are not permitted to exhibit under their own names.

The object of this exhibit is twofold: First to demonstrate the efficiency of American machinery and in the second place to overcome the prejudice existing in Bohemia against machine-made shoes. Heretofore there has existed in Bohemia a strong feeling against shoes made by machinery; especially has this feeling prevailed in small towns and rural districts. This

feeling has not only retarded the sale of American shoes, but the sale of American-made machinery as well.

American watch manufacturers are finding a market for their goods in Germany, in competition with Switzerland. We exported about 13,000 last year. We have only made a small beginning, however, as Switzerland exported, during the same period, into Germany, nearly 2,000,000.

Houses in desirable locations are difficult to obtain. If you think otherwise, take a walk over the city. Earlier in the season many predicted there would be many vacant dwellings this fall, but their theory has not been in accord with the facts.

Those who have been contemplating building should remember that material and labor is much cheaper today than it was last year, and is cheaper than it probably will be next year.

The newspapers are trying to make the people believe that a real active aggressive political campaign is on. But in reality the people seem to consider it all a joke.

MEN MAY RETURN.

Humred Canadian Pacific is Willing to Take Strikers Back.

Winnipeg, Sept. 8.—The striking machinists on the Canadian Pacific are seriously considering the adoption of an alleged offer of the road to take all strikers back to work on their old positions. It is reported that negotiations were opened in connection with certain questions on which the men and company have not agreed.

Motor Cyclist Hurt.

San Diego, Cal., Sept. 8.—O. Taylor, a young motor cyclist, is hovering between life and death at the hospital as a result of an accident yesterday on the Coronado track. While finishing a five-mile race he suddenly lost control of the machine and dashed into a fence. He was hurled 30 feet. His skull was fractured and his face and scalp literally cut to pieces.

AID FOR SUFFERERS.

Fires Still Raging in Minnesota Forests—People Terrorized.

Minneapolis, Sept. 8.—Plans were made today by business men to raise \$25,000 for the sufferers of the forest fires that are still raging in Minnesota. St. Paul's city council appropriated \$5000 today.

The reports received this afternoon from Hibbing say a high wind is predicted for tonight. Smoke and ashes were carried hundreds of miles from the great forest fires, and the people are in great terror. The sky is overcast, giving the impression of more disaster in store.

LIBEL SUIT WITHDRAWN.

Boise Capita' News Escapes Libel Suit Brought by Governor Gooding.

Boise, Sept. 8.—On motion by the special prosecuting attorney, Frazer, the case against R. S. Sheridan, managing editor of the Capital News, accused of criminal libel, was dismissed today on grounds of insufficient evidence. The charge was brought by Governor Gooding because the Capital News editorially attacked his administration.

Revenge the Motive.

Boise, Sept. 8.—Revenge is the motive for the murder of William C. Simmons, who was found dead with a bullet hole in his neck, on his ranch in Highland valley Saturday, according to the theory held by detectives. Suspicion points to Emil Stanke, a brother of August Stanke, who was killed by Simmons two years ago. Emil was arrested yesterday at Harrison, Neb.

Painful Accident.

While Garret Oldenburg was piling boxes yesterday afternoon, he slipped from the one he was standing upon, and fell to the floor of the warehouse, striking his knee upon another box, painfully bruising that useful member. Today he is wearing a very stiff leg and it will be several days before he will feel his old energy at work propelling him along after apple contracts.

Despondent and Suicides.

St. Louis, Sept. 8.—Despondency over ill health is the only explanation given today for the suicide of Mrs. Thomas Warren, a sister-in-law of Vice-President Edward McNally, of the Postal Telegraph company.

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Open every afternoon from 2:30 to 5. Every night from 7:30 to 10. Will open from 7:30 Saturday evening until 11 o'clock. Those desiring to learn to skate will be taught by an able instructor gratis every evening from 5 to 6.

NOTICE: Rights reserved to refuse all objectionable persons admission to this Rink.

Grand Labor Day Ball Monday Evening Sept. 7th. Gents. 50c Ladies Free

JACK D. O'BRIEN - - - - - Manager

A BUILDING BOOM

Is now due. We have put in a fine line of fir V. G. Flooring and stepping and squares surfaced four sides, native finish and dimension. Cedar Shingles of the first quality same price as second grade. We are closing our our doors and sash at Portland wholesale price. You get 2-8 x 6-8 door for \$1.25, other kind in proportion.

Don't wait until the Fall rush is on, buy now to avoid the mad scramble for material later on

STODDARD LUMBER CO.

FRUIT GROWERS ATTENTION

The Ramsey-Oldenburg Company are agents for the Grande Ronde Lumber Company and are now prepared to take orders for large and small lots of apple boxes. Call at the office in La Grande National Bank Bldg and see samples of new stamp on box.

Stock Will be Delivered at the Company's Warehouse.

PHONE: Pacific States Main 86 Vergere 1402.

LIVELY RUNAWAY.

Made a Lively Getaway, But Little Damage Sustained.

This afternoon the delivery team belonging to the J. W. White grocery firm, concluded to hurry matters a little, and while the driver's back was turned, took matters into their own hands as it were, and started down the street without his careful direction. At the corner of Sixth and Washington the tongue dropped down and connecting with the sidewalk, brought things to a sudden standstill. The

wagon was turned over and the horses somewhat jarred, but with the exception of a couple of slight wounds on the front feet of one of the horses, no damage was done.

Foresters of America.

Court Maid Marion No. 22 meet each Wednesday night in K. of P. hall. Brothers are invited to attend.
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