

OUR COUNTY . . .

Correspondents
Jacksonville News.
Mrs. Mary Vining, of Ashland, is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. Linn.

Circuit court will convene in Sept. 12. A good sized docket is expected.
The school at St. Mary's academy was opened Monday with a large attendance.

Miss Ella Nuvon left Sunday for San Francisco and will take a course in a business college.

Misses Jonnie Reames and Louise Kubl have returned from an extended visit at Portland.

James Murray, Fred Pape and Tiney Cooper have returned from a several weeks' stay at Cinnabar.

Peter Britt and Jas. A. Wilson, who were among the excursionists to San Francisco, returned home Tuesday.

Married.—In Jacksonville, Aug. 24, 1898, by R. S. Dunlap, J. P., Gardener Raffael and Marie D. Francesco.

Judge E. K. Hanna, of Colfax, Wash., who has been in Jacksonville for two months, returned home Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Wilson, Misses Frances Barnes, Jo Nunan, Ella Orth and Sophia Muller visited Celestin Sunday and Monday.

J. F. White went to Celestin Saturday, returning home Sunday, accompanied by his wife and daughter, who spent a month at that place.

The Presbyterian Sunday school will be reorganized next Sunday morning and a full attendance of children, teachers and particularly parents, is requested.

Miss Emma Coleman, who has been spending her vacation at Celestin, returned to Jacksonville Tuesday evening. She will teach in the public school here during the coming winter.

Mrs. Mary Miller entertained the Birthday club last Tuesday. Several hours were most pleasantly spent with music and song. Choice refreshments were served during the evening.

Clerk Newbury returned home Friday evening from his trip to Redlands, Calif. He was accompanied by his brother, Abe, who has been spending some time in Southern California for his health, which is poor.

J. C. Wood and family, of Klamath, Calif., spent a few days in Jacksonville during the week with R. S. Dunlap. They left for Sams Valley and other points to visit. Mrs. Wood was formerly Miss Sarah McCabe.

M. M. Gault, who has so efficiently filled the post as engineer on the Rogue river railroad for some time past, has been offered a fine position at St. Joseph, Mo., and will leave for that point as soon as his successor has been selected. Mr. and Mrs. Gault have made a large circle of friends during their residence here, who will regret their departure, but wish them prosperity wherever they may go.

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Fletcher, the eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, died Sunday morning at Cinnabar, from an abscess which formed in the throat and broke inwardly. The boy had been in poor health for some time and went to the springs for a change, which proved beneficial for a time and he seemed to grow stronger until the last eruption formed, which was on Friday of last week and which caused his death. A message came to Mrs. S. on Saturday but she did not reach his bedside until after death. The remains were brought on horseback to Phil Gleave's ranch by Jas. Murray and T. Cooper, where they procured a vehicle and arrived here Monday afternoon. The funeral took place Tuesday at 10 a.m., Rev. Robt. Ennis conducting the services at the grave. The lad was bright and a general favorite among his associates.

More Central Point Items.
Mr. Olson was awarded the contract for digging the well at the cemetery and commenced work last Thursday.
Chas. Hiemith started east for a long visit with his parents, who reside in Indiana. As this is his first trip east for a number of years he deserves all the pleasure of a long visit with home folks and friends.
Someone through mistake has a china plate belonging to Mrs. Head. The plate has many pleasant associations connected with it and is prized by this lady on that account more than for its value and anyone returning it will confer a great favor.
L. M.

The White Pass & Yukon railroad is open for business.
On the San Francisco & San Joaquin Valley railroad track is laid to Tulare, Cal.
From nine acres J. N. York harvested 7424 bushels of barley at Weston, Oregon.
Freight rates from the Pacific coast to New York on lumber and shingles are 83 cents.
Hop contracts at Gervais, Wash., amount to 899,000 pounds, at prices from 7 to 19 cents a pound.
From August 19 to 23 fruit shipments to the East from Sacramento, Cal., amounted to 161 car loads.
It has been decided to extend the Sierra railway twenty miles from Jamestown, Cal., to the sugar pine belt.
Fifty-seven carloads of sheep—over 6000 head—were shipped last week from Porterville, Cal., to Graceland, Iowa.
By November 1, 1898, the Snoqualmie Falls Power Company expects to have its plant in operation and be furnishing electric power in Seattle, Wash.
The first steamer of the California & Oriental Steamship Company will sail from San Diego, Cal., for Japan and China, via Honolulu, in December.
At Baker City, Oregon, the local sales of wool to aggregate 75,000 pounds, all of which has been consigned to E. Tom byers. The price realized 12c@13c cents per pound.
The annual revenues under Spanish rule in the Philippines amounted to about \$10,000,000. The annual exports from the islands amount to about \$25,000,000, and the imports to \$10,000,000.
The first railway cars to be used in Alaska were shipped to Skagway this week. They are to be used on the White Pass & Yukon railroad, which is now in operation twelve miles from Skagway.
Thursday the Pacific Coast company makes a general advance in the wages of its employees in the mines at Franklin and Newcastle, Wash., averaging about 10 per cent. About 600 men are employed.
In Trenton, N. J., the Polynesian Steamship company has incorporated to operate a line of steamers between San Francisco, Honolulu, Tahiti and probably Manila. Capital stock, \$1,500,000. Two 8000-ton steamships will be built.

The demand for livestock in the United States has almost depleted the herds of northern Mexico, particularly Chihuahua and Sonora, the shipments amounting for some time past to 6000 head a month.
The Equimult, B. G. Marine Railway, Ltd., have sold their entire plant and ship-building business to a firm which has been formed under the name of the British Columbia Marine Railway company, incorporated with a capital of \$200,000.
Oil from Calalinga, Fresno county, Cal., is sold at \$1.30 per barrel, delivered in San Francisco. The cost of transportation is 42 cents per barrel, leaving a net return of 88 cents per barrel to the producers. Four wells yield 543 barrels per day.
At La Grande, Oregon, \$500,000 beet sugar factory is rapidly nearing completion. Over 6000 cords of wood have been piled up on the factory site. Over 150 men are at work on the buildings and setting up machinery. When the factory starts it will give employment to 100 persons.
The contract for the construction of the San Pedro, Cal., breakwater was signed August 12 by Hellmaier & Neu, the contractors of Chicago, and Major Charles E. L. B. Davis, United States engineer, representing the Government in San Francisco. Work begins three months from the date of signing.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

HAPPENINGS OF THE PAST FEW DAYS FROM ALL QUARTERS.

Sixteen Sailors Lost in a Collision—Spanish Troops Start Moving at Porto Rico—Cotton Mills Shutting Down—Kourouatians Killed.
Japan is anxious to purchase the Ladrome islands.
The grain yield of Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas and Missouri is said to be good.
Volunteer troops camped at Chickasawagoons are being mustered out of service.
Assistant Naval Constructor Holman has been recommended for promotion to naval constructor.
Thomas F. Bayard, ex-ambassador to England, is dangerously ill at Edinham, Mass.
According to the latest calculations, the total cost of the war to Spain is \$3,000,000,000 pesos.

A railroad train on the Boston and Maine railroad struck a buckboard at a crossing near Ware, Mass., and killed five members of a pleasure party.
Chicago has launched a presidential boom for Theodore Roosevelt. A number of prominent Republicans have organized a Roosevelt 1904 club.
The court-martial in the case of Dr. Duncan of the Twenty-second Kansas regiment found him guilty of desecrating the grave of a Confederate soldier at the Bull Run battlefield, and he was sentenced to an imprisonment of five years.

Thirty people were poisoned at a barbecue given at Morse Hill, and but for the prompt attention of physicians it is probable that several deaths would have occurred. Over a score of persons are in a serious condition. It is believed some one placed Paris green in the meat.
The Treasury Department is sending out bonds to subscribers to the amount of \$3,500,000 daily. The aggregate so far delivered is \$5,833,323. The average number of war stamps issued during July was 22,756,527 daily.

A hurricane struck Egg Harbor, a small port on the east shore of Green Bay. The schooners Pride of Milwaukee and Norman of Green Bay, which were lying at anchor in the harbor, were capsized, and Neil Tedman and another man on the Norman, name unknown, were drowned.
During a heavy thunder-storm at Pittsburg, lightning struck a summer car on the Second-avenue Traction line as it was passing Greenwood avenue and as a result one passenger is dead, another will probably die, and four others are badly hurt.
Great uneasiness is felt over the reputation of last year's failure of the harvest in Russia. In seven districts the crops are almost worthless. Even the landed gentry are beginning to ask the government for relief, and the prospects for famine are most grave.

The Taingvaha line steamer Norge, which recently arrived at New York, reports that she sank the French fishing schooner La Coquette of Bayon e, France, on the Grand banks. The captain and eight seamen were saved. Sixteen men went down with the vessel.
Notices were posted at the Merchants' Manufacturing Company of Fall River, Mass., of a two-weeks' shut-down, which will stop 125,000 spindles and cause an enforced idleness of 14000 men.
At a Christian Endeavor social at Wichita, Kan., some hoodlums interfered with the guests. Earl Evans, a lawyer, W. E. Stanley, Alfred Lewis, and Walter Vincent undertook to drive them off, when the hoodlums used knives, severely cutting Evans, whose wounds are dangerous, and badly injuring the others. Four boys have been arrested.

According to Mexican reports 26 yellow fever suspects are held by the quarantine guards at Eagle Pass, Tex. They come from points in the infected district of Mexico, and will be held a sufficient time to establish their freedom from contagion.
Preparations for a peace jubilee this fall promise to evolve the greatest demonstration Kansas City has ever seen. Mayor Jones has appointed a committee of representative citizens to have general charge of the demonstration.

A cable from San Juan says: Little or no progress of any kind toward the evacuation of the island by the Spanish troops is yet visible here, where the greatest number of troops are collected and where others are all the while arriving. People here are becoming restless over the delay in the arrangements for evacuation. They cannot understand why it does not begin, but their impatience is partly due to the fact that the government does not permit the publication of news about the coming evacuation.
One of the important matters that will occupy the attention of congress at its next session will be legislation to increase the strength of the permanent military establishment. Chairman Hull of the committee on military affairs of the house will, early in the coming session, introduce a bill to correct the defects in the existing law and to increase the strength of the army on a peace footing to 100,000 enlisted men. The strongest opposition to the reorganization bill last winter and spring came from the representatives of the national guard organizations of the various states. The experience of the last four months, it is believed, has convinced that element, as well as many congressmen who surrendered to its influence, that the opposition was ill-judged and unreasonable.

Real Magic Number.

"I often hear of the magic number," said some one. "What number is it?"
"Why, nine, of course," replied some one else. "There are nine muses, you know, and you talk of a nine days' wonder. Then you bowl at nine pins and a cat has nine lives."
"Nonsense," broke in another. "Seven is the magic number; seventh heaven, don't you know, and all that; seven colors in the rainbow; seven days in the week; seventh son of a seventh son—great fellow, and!"
"Push, push," remarked a third. "Five's the number, you mean. A man has five fingers on his hand and five toes on his foot, and he has five senses, and!"
"Three is undoubtedly the magic number," interrupted another, "because people give three cheers and Jonah was inside a whale three days and three nights, and if at first you don't succeed, try, try again—three times, you see!"
This was received with some contempt by the company, and a soulful youth gushed out:
"Two, oh, two is the magic number. Ourselves and one other—the adored one! Just us two!"
A hard featured individual, who had been listening to the conversation hitherto unmoved, here remarked in a harsh voice:
"The magic number is No. 1 in this world, and if you want to succeed never forget it."
An interval of deep thought on the part of all followed, after which they went in silently to supper.—Brooklyn Citizen.

Jean Richepin's Career.

The story of how he came to adopt a literary career is sufficiently picturesque. For some time he had picked up a precarious livelihood by doing "odd jobs," including such prosaic occupations as that of bootblack and casual porter on the Quai Marsailles. One day he was engaged by a gentleman to carry to the railway station a heavy trunk. Arrived at the station, there was an instant mutual recognition. They were old college chums. "What are you doing here?" asked his friend. "Carrying your trunk, I believe," said Jean. "Why do you do this?" "Because I must." "Where do you live?" "Come and see," replied Richepin.
The future dramatist took his friend to his dwelling—a miserable room in an attic in the poorest quarter of the town. Upon the table lay scattered heaps of manuscripts—Jean's incursions in the realm of poetry when the more prosaic duties of the day were over. Looking through them, his friend was astounded at their quality. "Why do you carry trunk and black boots when you can do work like this?" he asked. Richepin had never given the matter a thought; he had never deemed these products of idle hours worthy of publication. Published they were, however, in a very few weeks and created an immense sensation. From that moment Jean Richepin has never looked back.—Westminster Gazette.

The Widow's Opinion.

In one of the suburban towns near the capital lives a widow well endowed with worldly goods, whose husband, with a sort of posthumous jealousy, has guarded against her re-marriage by providing that she shall lose all her property if ever she takes another husband. She has been receiving attentions for several years from an elderly Grand Army of the Republic veteran. She has been very good to him too. Once when he wanted to parade with his comrades she bought him an expensive blue suit with brass buttons on it. He wanted to marry her, but the will of the selfish dead man stood between. So after a time he married somebody else. The widow was broken hearted. She recalled the suit with the brass buttons. She recalled a hundred kindnesses shown the old soldier. She bewailed his perfidy to her friends.
"Why," said one of them, "what did you expect? He wanted a wife to make a home for him. You couldn't marry him. So why do you complain?"
The widow wiped her eyes.
"I know I couldn't marry him," she said. "I didn't really want to marry him anyway, but you see, it was such a heap of comfort to have a steady beau."—Washington Post.

Peculiarities of the Potato.

The opinion has prevailed among housekeepers that it is the good potato which breaks apart when it is boiled. A scientist who has made potatoes a study insists that the good potato is the one that remains quietly in its coating of brown during all of the processes of cooking. Instead of the swelling and bursting of the skin being caused by the presence of starch it has been ascertained that albumen is the substance that causes this breaking open. An ordinary potato is made up of three-fourths of its weight in water, two-tenths in starch and one-fiftieth of nitrogenous matter. If it cracks and falls to pieces during the process of boiling, it is deficient in albumen, and therefore lacking in the most important constituent.—New York Ledger.

A Dumas Story.

Dumas the elder was rarely spiteful to or about his fellow men, but one day, when he happened to be in that mood, a friend called to tell him a piece of news. "They have just given M. X. the Legion of Honor," he said. Then he added, in a significant tone, "Now, can you imagine why they should have given it to him?"
"Yes," answered the great dramatist promptly. "They have given it to him because he was without it."

Good Progress.

"How are you getting along with your housekeeping?" asked the young wife's mother.
"Oh, splendidly!" she answered. "I have almost got so I can do things to suit the hired girl."—Washington Star.

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PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

THE WEEK'S NEWS AS PICKED FROM THE DISPATCHES.

Indian Murderers to Hang at Dawson City—Fatal Boiler Explosion at Eugene, Or.—Boys Find a Counterfeiter's Camp.
All the Anaheim aridians wells are said to have gone dry.
The horse carnage at Linnton, Or., has resumed its errand.

The Peck concentrating plant at Empire, Nev., has been sold for taxes.
George Cowing of Carson has been appointed adjutant-general of Nevada.
A contract has been let for two more dredgers for mining in the Feather river.
Eastern oysters have been planted at Tokeland, Wash., with encouraging results.

The contract has been let for the erection of a new high school building at Redlands.
Ranchers in Indian valley whose pastures have failed are feeding their cattle oak tree mose.

A farmer living four miles west of Olympia, Wash., reports the discovery of gold on his homestead.
A shortage in the Santa Monica honey crop is predicted owing to a dearth of dark sage blossoms.

A large warehouse for walnuts exclusively will be built at Whittier by the Southern Pacific Company.
General James Longstreet, United States Commissioner of Railroads, is in San Francisco on official business.
Emma Baker of Seattle recently swam out into Lake Washington and saved the lives of two drowning girls.

Soap luke has almost dried up, and thousands of dead fish are lying on the surface of what little water remains.
Mrs. Grace Bryan of Helena has started an endless chain for the benefit of the Montana soldiers in the Philippines.

A prospector named Alpin recently found \$1800 worth of course gold in a pocket on a claim near Whiskytown, Cal.
A Kern county cow recently gave birth in one day to five calves.
A Santa Paula man has invented an apricot-pitting machine which prepares a box of apricots for drying in seven minutes.

Snoqualmie falls are to be utilized for power purposes, and Tacoma and Seattle will receive the benefit of one of the greatest electric light and power plants in the country.
The prospects for a large raisin crop about Fresno are excellent. Growers expect to ship 5000 carloads under conditions that promise a fair profit.
George B. McMillan of Woodland has been sentenced to 12 years' imprisonment for criminally assaulting his stepdaughter.
John Capurro shot at a wildcat in a shed near San Diego but instead of hitting the cat the charge of shot exploded twelve sticks of dynamite which blew the shed to pieces and badly injured Capurro. Physicians say that he will probably recover.