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A CENTURY AGO.

One hundred years ago today was born the great poet Alfred Tennyson, at Somersby, Lincolnshire. The son of an English clergyman, he was distinguished by a love of learning and devotion to music, art and literature. These qualities, as well as his fondness for out-of-door living were inherited by his children, and two of Alfred's brothers wrote poetry, and at one time his brother Charles gave greater promise of excelling than did he.

Unheard of cowardice. From Josephine County Cave near Grants Pass there comes to light through the press a story of cowardice that is seldom equalled, and one which is enough to cause people of this state to blush with shame to think that within our borders there dwell people with not enough humanity to their temperaments to prevent them from an act of cowardice and leaving a man to die in the darkness of a cavern, his distracted wife being left alone to care for him as best she might.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vinoyard, two weak-women and several children strayed on a plinking trip Sunday and were exploring the caves, having reached the third chamber, when Mr. Ellis, who was in advance of the party, accidentally shot himself through the left eye with a revolver he was carrying. The bullet ranging upward through his brain, without waiting to do his worst, he fell from the cave, leaving behind the wounded man. His wife rushed to him, dragged him to a more comfortable position and tried to staunch the flow of blood, but to no avail. Only one torch was left behind by the cowards who fled, and this went out, leaving the distracted and blind man in utter darkness, trying in vain to bring back to consciousness her dying husband, whose life blood poured over her, drenching and staining her garments. That she did not go stark mad is a wonder, for with the knowledge that she and her husband, who was dying with no attempt made to save his life, had been detected by false friends, her thoughts must have been terrible indeed.

Hours she laid there, tearing her white undershirt into strips in a vain effort to staunch the copious flow of blood, until finally Ellis' spirit passed into the beyond, when the woman, overcome with grief and wailing by her terrible plight, crept cautiously round on the floor, now slippery with her husband's blood, until she found the guide string, and following this, she reached the entrance to the cavern and started for the nearest settlement. Smearing from head to foot with blood, the face scratched by crawling over the floor, her dress in shreds, her clothing tattered and hair disheveled, Mrs. Ellis presented an awful sight when she finally reached aid.

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EVENTS IN OUR STATE OF MINOR IMPORTANCE

Salem—Hop men report that 20 cents for 1909 hops is being freely offered.

Oregon City—The farmers of Tualatin are arranging to hold a farmers' convention and barbecue on Saturday, August 7.

Pilot Rock—This city was visited Saturday morning with the greatest fire in its history, the damage being approximately \$15,000.

Roseburg—Joe Lesina, who was convicted of selling one bottle of beer, was fined \$150. This is the first conviction for selling beer in this county since the adoption of the local option law.

Albany—Committees have already organized for the third annual Albany Apple Fair, to be held this fall, and plans for the biggest event of the kind in the history of the Willamette Valley are under way. St. Helens—Two men were drowned and four narrowly escaped a similar fate when a boat belonging to the steamer Yosemite overturned in the Columbia river Saturday afternoon. The victims were sailors on the steamer.

Salem—Articles of incorporation have been filed in the office of the secretary of state for the Oregon Horticultural Society. The society is being incorporated so that it may legally receive a bequest willed to it by a Yamhill county pioneer.

Pendleton—Mrs. Mabel Warner has again lost out in the battle which she has been waging in the courts of Umatilla county for more than three years for the possession of the \$50,000 estate of the late James W. Young, of Weston.

Albany—The race meet of the Albany Fair Association has been called off. The directors and the owners of the track are unable to come to a proper understanding concerning the future lease. This means that there will be no races in Albany this fall.

Eugene—In order to better serve the patrons of his route, J. H. Maxwell, United States mail carrier on a rural route, has purchased an automobile to deliver the mail. He will be enabled to cover his route in two hours.

Pendleton—Bacuse Frank Johnson, a young Indian, overdid the thing in eloping with his mother's horses and buggy, as well as with his friend's wife, he is now occupying a cell in the city jail, awaiting the arrival of a deputy United States marshal from Portland.

Albany—A romance which began years ago in Austria, 10,000 miles away, culminated here when Stanislaus Strykowski, of Lin county, secured a license to wed Miss Jadwiga, who arrived Saturday to become the bride of her girlhood sweetheart in the fatherland.

Salem—The last big fill in the Salem, Falls City & Western railway is being made and before September 1 trains will be running regularly between Salem, Dallas and Falls City. The construction crews are now within a mile of West Salem and the work is progressing at a very satisfactory rate of speed.

Portland—One hundred delegates from the Portland churches of the Christian denomination will start October 6 for Pittsburg to attend the Centennial International Christian Convention, to be held there October 11-19. It is expected this will rank among the largest church conventions of recent years.

Salem—George Quinn, employed on a five-story steel building, had a remarkable escape from instant death, when he fell from the fifth to the third floor of the building, crashing through the temporary floor and barely averting a fall to the ground. He was able to walk to a doctor's office, after being extricated from the debris, but will be laid up for a few days.

Pendleton—An unknown tramp, whose foot was severed by the wheels of a car under which he was riding near Meacham Saturday, exhibited unusual grit by clinging to his precarious seat on the brakebeam for more than seven miles after the accident occurred. He was placed on a stretcher and taken to the La Grande hospital.

The Dalles—Maud Krokes, a 14-year-old girl of Roseburg, was taken from a train here by Sheriff Chrisman. While being held here, word was received that she was on her way to marry, an employee of a circus she had met in Roseburg. She will be sent direct to the Reform school.

Portland—The American Association of Farmers' Institute Workers will assemble for their 14th annual convention on August 16 and 17. The Association for the Promotion of Agricultural Science will convene on August 17 and the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations will institute the 23d annual convention on August 18 and will continue until adjournment on August 20. These conventions will be held in Portland.

Potato Blight. Thousands of bushels of potatoes are usually destroyed by the fungus disease known as late blight or potato rot. There are two kinds of blight. One is called early blight and the other late blight. Both are fungus diseases and both attack the leaves of the potato. The former attacks only the leaves, while the latter attacks in addition to the leaves, the tubers in the ground and causes them to rot.

Just how the fungus is transferred from the leaves to the tubers is not definitely understood. That is, it is

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SYNOPSIS PRUDENTIAL ANNUAL STATEMENT

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the Prudential Insurance Company of America of Newark, in the State of New Jersey, on the 31st day of December, 1908, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Table with columns for CAPITAL, INCOME, DISBURSEMENTS, ASSETS, and LIABILITIES. Includes figures for amount of capital paid up, premiums received, total income, total admitted assets, and total liabilities.

Total admitted assets \$ 173,871,768.62

Total insurance in force December 31, 1908, \$ 1,446,178,850.00

Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1908 445,999.00

Statutory resident general agent and attorney in fact: —John Pauer, Supt. Industrial Dept., Rothechild Building, Portland, Oregon. Manager Ord. Dept., 618-19 Corbett Building, Portland, Oregon. W. H. DAUGHTERY, Special Agent, 555 Center Street, SALEM, OREGON.

not known whether the tubers become infected from the ripened spores of the fungus that fall from the leaves. It is not of great importance to the farmer to know how the infection takes place. That the tubers rot either in the ground or after they have been dug for some time. If the leaves are infected with late blight, it is well established fact. It is not uncommon for the yield of potatoes to be decreased from one-half to two-thirds on account of late blight, and hence the importance of exercising precautionary measures looking towards exterminating the late blight fungus.

Careful, painstaking, spraying with Bordeaux mixture and Paris green in the proportion of one pound of green to about 150 gallons of Bordeaux is necessary to keep ahead of the ravages of blight. By careful experiments, extending over a series of years, the New York Experiment Station has demonstrated that it pays to spray as many as seven times. Beyond the seventh spraying the increase in the crop was not sufficient to pay the additional cost. Beyond the fourth spraying some seasons the increased yield just about

paid the actual expense of the last three sprayings, but taking one year with another there was decided average profit up to the seventh time over. Of course the principal value is in the first four sprayings at periods of about ten days. Spraying is an assurance against blight every year.

SCHOOL OF QUALITY.

A splendidly written advertisement appearing in this issue of the Courier is that of the Portland Business College. This institution has adopted "The School of Quality" as its slogan. This is a suggestive sentiment, and one that means much to a student who will enter into its full spirit. Persons who are interested in a practical education will do well to write for a catalogue of the Portland Business College. It is an attractive publication, containing specimens of penmanship, samples of business forms, etc., in addition to full particulars about the several courses of study taught, with rates of tuition for each. It is sent free of any address on application.

Often The Kidneys Are Weakened by Over-Work.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood. Weak and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for much sickness and suffering, therefore, if kidney trouble is permitted to continue, serious results are most likely to follow. Your other organs may need attention, but your kidneys most, because they do most and should have attention first. Therefore, when your kidneys are weak or out of order, you can understand how quickly your entire body is affected and how every organ seems to fail to do its duty.

If you are sick or "feel badly," begin taking the great kidney remedy, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. A trial will convince you of its great merit.

The mild and immediate effect of Swamp-Root, the great kidney and bladder remedy, is soon realized. It cleanses the system, restores health, and restores health restoring properties have been proven in thousands of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best.

Sold by druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You can buy a trial bottle by mail free, also a pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, and don't let a dealer sell you something in place of Swamp-Root—if you do you will be disappointed.

Buy your Piping from The Courier, Makers of Good Things with Type, Paper and Ink.

Advertisement for Ballard's Snow Liniment. Includes text: CURES Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Cuts, Sores, Wounds. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 Per Bottle. Ballard's Snow Liniment Co., St. Louis, Mo.

1909 Nearly Half Gone. And you have not yet opened that Bank account, that you have been promising yourself that you would. You have been neglecting one of the essentials to your life's happiness and success in this delay. Do not put off this important matter any longer, but NOW, RIGHT NOW, take the step that will surely lead to success in life. You will never save unless you make a start, and if you wait, until you have a large sum the time may never come and the start never be made. Remember that a small beginning sometimes makes a large ending. Do not put it off any longer but make your first deposit. Today and we will help you save.

Electric Bitters. Succeed where everything else fails. In nervous prostration, neuralgia, female weaknesses they are the supreme remedy, as thousands have testified. FOR KIDNEY, LIVER AND STOMACH TROUBLE it is the best medicine ever sold over a druggist's counter.

You May Need It. Ask your doctor about the wisdom of your keeping Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in the house, ready for colds, coughs, croup, bronchitis. If he says it's all right, then get a bottle of it at once. Why not show a little foresight in such matters? Early treatment, early cure.