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Now that the water commission have organized, and entered upon the discharge of their duties, their attention is called to the urgent demand for a better supply of water to the people residing on the hill. Even with the new pumping station, from some cause, there is yet a scarcity of water in the pipes that lead to the elevated localities on the hill. This should be by all means remedied. It is very probable that there is considerable waste of the water supply in some places, caused by allowing the water to run all night. The city has been to a heavy expense in the construction of a new pumping station, and should receive an increased income from the water rents. Pipes should be laid to every available part of the city where it can be done with a profit to the municipality. Steps must be taken that will insure the city some returns for the heavy investment made. The water works are no longer directly under the control of the city council, and the public expect the water commission to remedy all deficiencies that at present exist, and the people have confidence that they will fulfill the important trust imposed on them.

It would be a matter of almost criminal negligence for the people of Oregon City and Clackamas county to fail in providing and arranging a creditable exhibit of the productions of this section for the industrial exposition next fall. No county on the Pacific coast affords better material for a varied and complete exhibit than Clackamas. Its manufactured products, minerals, woods, grains, fruits and vegetables, would show make a veritable exposition if properly arranged. Now is the time to commence the work of gathering the material for this exhibition, and with a little concerted action on the part of those interested it could be made an advertisement that would be worth thousands of dollars to Clackamas county. Space for the exhibit can be obtained free of charge, and the opportunity is worth grasping. The coming exposition will be conducted on a grander scale than ever before, and thousands of visitors will be present from every part of the United States.

Hon. Justin S. Morrill, United States senator from Vermont, chairman of the senate committee on finance, gives the following reasons for being a protectionist: First—It brings together diversified industries which never fall to rest in any one season. Second—It adds profitably to the power of increasing by machinery, and steam and water power, the necessities of life and of advanced civilization, and also greatly cheapens the cost of subsistence. Third—It furnishes an opportunity for every person to find the employment best adapted to his or her genius and capacity that will secure the largest income or the greatest happiness. Fourth—It creates a home market, without which the producers of land in America would be but little better off than our aborigines. Fifth—It is the bulwark of national independence in peace or war.

The government having secured a consignment of 500 pounds of smokeless powder of the best quality, by means of the purchase of a large quantity of army surplus powder, it is proposed to issue a circular to the various military and naval arsenals, and to request for adoption such smokeless powder as is deemed most desirable to use, will be able to prosecute its investigations. The tests will be made at Springfield, Massachusetts, where American inventors will have an opportunity to submit weapons whose performance will be tested in the laboratory of a world-famous powder plant.

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Excuse the absence, brought about by the redemptory provisions of the McKinley act, which the government has been supplying a list of goods that have been imported, and has received little or nothing in return. They are now beginning to understand that the measure is intended to encourage both our foreign commerce and our domestic industries. Hereafter if they expect us to purchase their products they will have to reciprocate or see the trade they now enjoy transferred to countries that do.

Our efforts of the 27th of May are now in the high price for the necessities of life, the quotations for flour, beef and beef lard, potatoes, corn, and other commodities, are all high. It is to be expected that the prices will continue to rise, and the effect of the McKinley act will be to increase the prices of these commodities.

Tomorrow is Decoration Day, and the soul of the human being that does not beat in unison to the memory of blood-bought freedom, or reverence the memory of those who gave up their lives in defense of the liberties of the nation is not worth the name of an American citizen. Nothing inspires the youth of the country with greater reverence for our institutions and government than fitting tokens of remembrance and appreciation of the brave heroes who imperiled and gave up their lives that every principle of a democratic government might be perpetuated. Tomorrow is a national holiday. The graves of the dead throughout the length and breadth of our country will be strewn with flowers, and fitting ceremonies will be observed. In this demonstration there will be no north, south, east or west. Past differences will be forgotten, and the stars and stripes will wave alike over all.

NEVER was the earnest need of an effective sewerage system for Oregon City more apparent than now. The effluvia arising from the back yards like Hamlet's offense, is "rank and smells to heaven." People must have a place to dump their stumps, and there is only one remedy—a sewerage system that will carry off the refuse materials, or the inhabitants of the city will suffer the consequences, which are disease and death, and Oregon City will become a stench in the nostrils of people who visit the place. Here is an opportunity for the new council to immortalize themselves with their constituents. The new charter makes provision for sewerage as well as street improvements and new sidewalks. The funds do not come out of the city treasury, but each property holder shares his pro-rata of the expense, the same as in street improvements.

FRANCE is making great preparations for the approaching maneuvers when between 120,000 and 150,000 troops will be placed under command of General Saussier, assisted by General Mirabel, the Von Moltke of France, and Gen. Gallifet, commanding the cavalry. The efficiency of the new Lebel rifle will for the first time be tried on a large scale. Each soldier will be supplied with 150 blank cartridges, and each battery with 500 charges of smokeless powder. In view of the military activity of Germany's neighbors it is not surprising that Emperor William has been stirring up things in the Rhine provinces and other exposed positions.

The city council last summer passed an ordinance making it a misdemeanor to play ball on the main streets of the city below the bluff. This ordinance was enforced until within the last few weeks, but the boys are now permitted to play ball on Main street to their heart's content, to the imminent danger of passing women and children, and the possible breakage of valuable plate glass store windows. A member of the old council, as well as numerous citizens are loud in their complaints of this ball playing, and the proper authorities should see that the provisions of this ordinance are enforced, as the balls can be seen whizzing past their heads every evening.

Reports from every portion of Clackamas county indicate a plentiful yield of wheat, oats, barley, hops and fruits this season, and the prospects are favorable for good prices. But hop growers should be on the look out for the dreaded hop louse, as they are doing considerable damage in California and some portions of this state.

The water commission, consisting of E. G. Canfield, T. E. Ryan and Hiram Straight, have organized and elected T. P. Ryan secretary. They promise some radical improvements in the water works system of the city, and to give some revenue for the city out of them.

The communication from Currinville in the last issue of THE ENTERPRISE, gives one some idea of the difficulty road taxers worked out. The present road tax is a great deal better than the old one, and the effects are delusive.

The association fight was exceedingly close, and the result was a tie. The fight was a very close one, and the result was a tie.

ADDITIONAL QUERRY NEWS.

Readers' Inquiries: Querying a party who is apparently down from our county, regarding a matter of property. The party is a resident of our county, and is apparently down from our county.

The Mount Home Sunday school contemplates giving a basket picnic about the middle of June. We are confident that "Bunnies" of Mount Home, will join in an invitation to you, Mr. and Mrs. Editor, to be on hand and sample our rural hospitality. Bunnies and the writer will put your names in our baskets. Bring along your fishing tackle, and perpetuate your reputation as expert anglers.

Mrs. Charles Holman, who is sorry to say, is quite ill, a victim of the influenza. Miss Garret is hauling oats by the railroad for shipment.

Our thanks are due Miss Waldron for the programme of the entertainment on the 19th instant. We were unable to attend owing to adverse circumstances, much to our regret.

Mount Pleasant. Mr. Enright: Mount Pleasant has woken up. We feared you might think we had moved away, or that at the last session of the legislature we had been consolidated with Mountain View.

We were favored Monday evening with a slight thunder shower. The stockholders of Mount Pleasant Telegraph Company will hold a meeting for the election of officers on June first.

Our road supervisor is on the war path this week, and we expect to see the elite of Oregon City taking their Sunday evening drives, as we boast the best roads out of Oregon City.

Mr. Brooks and family contemplate a trip abroad. Mr. Thornton Williams and wife, of Portland, spent Sunday with their parents at Fir Grove.

Mr. L. H. Andrews and Mr. George Langle are attending the State Grange at Hillsboro this week.

Mrs. Johnson, wife of the principal of the Mount Pleasant school, is attending the state convention of the W. C. T. U. in Portland.

Mr. Percy Ingalls, of Astoria, Montana, is visiting at Rose farm. Mr. Hensley, we are pleased to note, is slowly improving.

Mr. Bain has been sick several weeks with lagrippe, but is now improving. Mrs. Lawton who has been on the sick list is much better.

Mr. Ed. Kellogg is the happy possessor of an elegant wagonette. Mr. C. C. Williams, of Fir Grove, has indulged his road cart with a new coat of paint.

Last Sunday evening we noticed two young ladies from the city enjoying a horse-back ride.

Mr. Spencer Thomas has left his place at Mount Pleasant and located in Maple Lane. F. R. Andrews is planting twenty acres of some of the ladies of Mount Pleasant had the pleasure of a drive with Mr. George Warner after his fine stepper Lady Mikado.

Ward Lawton is taking advantage of the good roads on his wheel. A. C. Warner of Locust farm wakes the echoes with fine music on his cornet.

Now, Mr. Editor, please do not in the future confound Mt. Pleasant with Mountain View, because Mt. Pleasant was named and christened years ago.

Clackamas. Died, at Clackamas, May 28th, Mrs. Mira Youmans, aged 45 years. Mrs. Youmans, although but in the prime of life, was one of the pioneers of this county, she having been brought across the plains in 1847. She was a daughter of the late Judge W. T. Mallock. The funeral was on the 28th, Rev. Parker of Oregon City conducted the exercises. The funeral was largely attended. Mrs. Youmans leaves two children, a son aged 14 and a daughter aged 13.

Died, at Clackamas, May 28, Willie Warren, son of W. S. and M. E. Chapman, aged one year. Funeral on the 27th, conducted by Rev. Runyan.

Mr. Demore has moved his harness shop from this place to Woodburn. Wm. Green has moved from east of the mountains to this place.

Mr. E. Green has been quite sick for some time, but is slightly better at present.

W. W. Hullock is having his house repaired. When completed it will have a showy appearance. The M. E. church of this place will give an ice cream social next Friday night.

Walter Todd and Robt. Worthington thought of joining Ruggles' circus last week, as an auxiliary to the side show, but concluded they had better stay in Oregon. The O. J. & S. Co. new steamer made its trial trip last Friday. It looks as though it might do well.

Miss Norma Fox is in Oregon City this week, where she will attend the teachers' examination. Tell Miss "Puff" that there will be more excursions after awhile. H. L. H.

West Oregon City. Road work has been done by most of our citizens during the week.

A new house is soon to be built near Mr. Moulton's place. Mr. Sprague has recently been starting his place of stables, traps, etc.

When a large steamer is to be used on the river, when necessary, will be sent to the public school house in Oregon City, the finest school building in Clackamas county.

The teachers and pupils will attend the exercises on Decoration Day in a body. The school was dismissed last Tuesday evening for the remainder of the week, on the 25th of May, for the purpose of observing the anniversary of the death of our national hero, General Grant.

It will not be long before the school will be able to hold regular exercises for the year. The weather for the last two weeks has been all that could be wished for by the farmer. The oats all sown and the potatoes have been planted.

We have heard nothing about the cherries this season yet, but Mark's Peaches can boast of a fine prospect of delicious fruit. Mrs. Brown, of Salem, is going home with her parents Mrs. and Mr. Mark's.

Sickness prevails in the family of Mr. E. A. B. Howard. Three of the family at present are very sick, but not considered dangerous. A dance is announced for Saturday night at Taylor's hall. Good music, and a lively time is anticipated. Come one and all and bring somebody with you.

Mr. Howard returned home last week from Kentucky, where he has been in clothing relatives. In company with him were J. H. Dozier and wife, Mrs. Haley Cox, and John McClellan and James Bunch, who intend making Clackamas county their future home.

We do not understand why some of our neighbors insist on bringing the so-called "spined Chinaman" to work for them when there are plenty of men to be had who would do the work as satisfactorily as the "spined Chinaman" and at a lower cost. The "spined Chinaman" is a very ignorant and uneducated man, and his next regular appointment will be one week from next Sunday. OCCASIONAL, none. Try him!

More from Maple Lane. What Professor Rork, papa, that people call him great? Is he the top sent out by Polk To ornament this state? Come my child, come early off, They need him as a top!

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