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Analogous Hallucinations.

It is said of the exhausted traveler in the desert that he is subject to most wonderful hallucinations. Even when he has fallen on the scorching sand and seems powerless to rise visions of crystal water and succulent food and shady groves seize upon his fevered mind and nerve him to stagger on to grasp the relief he thinks so real and so near. The things most fervently desired present themselves most vividly in the reeling brain of the famished wanderer; but they are unreal and there is no profit in them.

Prosperous Clackamas County.

The most casual observer cannot fail to notice the growing prosperity of Clackamas county. The past three years have been fraught with great changes, and especially during the past twelve months has there been a quickening, leaving spirit abroad that is working marvelous results.

While the boom was spending its force and severely racking many enterprising communities in the Northwest the people hereabouts were quietly gathering themselves to move forward. And they have been steadily moving. Many large and unproductive claims have been divided into small farms that are being thoroughly and properly tilled.

The farmers are closing an unusually prosperous year. This is truly gratifying and it is hoped they will make the most of it. They will be enabled to still further improve their farms and to make easier the heavy labor of tilling the soil.

One of the signs of advancement in the city is the tendency to specialize in business. Instead of the old fashioned general merchandizing establishment, grocers, clothiers, dry goods men, etc., open stores where in their respective special lines of trade are handled exclusively.

Gratifying as is the retrospective view of things accomplished, perfection is yet a thing a long way off. There are many imperfections yet to correct, many improvements to make. Let us not weary in well doing. A good start has been made; let the spirit of progress continue to hold sway.

Immigration Abuses.

The latest outrage of American immigration laws is credited to Englishmen. The Russian persecution of the Jews is driving the chosen people from that country by the thousands. Many of them are inclined to settle in England.

But it so happens that the American congress at its last session so far forgot itself as to make a law that certain indigent, diseased and criminal classes should hereafter be excluded from our high seas.

through the United States immigration laws and plant them—outside of Great Britain. If we had not the most implicit confidence in the unselfish generosity of our English cousins we should be disposed to mistrust that some sinister motive guided them in this action.

Seriously, however, the idea of bringing Russian Jews to America to locate them on large tracts of public land is foolish, aside from the reprehensible effort of the English. The Jews as a people are not agriculturists. They are traders and financiers, not farmers. They will gravitate to the cities in spite of all the colonization schemes ever devised.

The Money Question. The shipments of gold from Europe to the United States now being made with probably reassured the money thinkers and give a fresh impetus to wild schemes of finance. A few weeks ago when gold was being drawn from this country almost by the shipload, the circumstance was pointed out by the advocates of a sound money system as what should have been expected in view of the silver legislation of congress.

But let us look at the reasons underlying these transactions. First, why did gold in such unusual quantities go to Europe? Because Europe is on a gold basis, and the moment the United States took a step tending in the direction of increased silver coinage Europe insisted on receiving actual gold in all transactions wherein the balances were in her favor.

Now, why is gold returning to this country? Is it because confidence in our government's finances is returning? If it were what a blessed thing it would be for the owners of silver mines. There are two reasons for the return of gold from Europe in the face of the impaired confidence in the soundness of our money system, namely: Europe is very short of food this year and must buy in America; and prudent American capitalists are bringing gold from abroad to lock it up until it shall be at a premium.

Dr. HARRY LANE, erstwhile superintendent of the state insane asylum, talks right out in meeting in a letter that just came to light this week. He was appointed by that democratic paragon of a governor, Pennoyer, and of course is a good democrat himself, but he does not hesitate to talk vigorous English, and among other things his condemnation specifies—

The more prominent state official who would willingly unload all the dunderheads and unshackled rogues in christendom upon an institution provided for the care of the miserable victims of the saddest phase of human suffering, who aims to make the asylum a roosting place for every deadbeat and bum who has served his term at the penitentiary.

The fair held at Marquam last week was a complete success. It is growing to be an institution that the whole county may be proud of. Indeed, its patronage is not at all confined to Clackamas county, an important section of Marion being tributary and joining heartily in the enterprise.

The Enterprise has from time to time noted yields of grain that seemed impossible to those not acquainted with the productiveness of this county. Last week it published in detail from two neighborhoods in the county the acreage sown and amount harvested by every farmer. The figures were carefully compiled and none of them have been questioned since publication.

The Oregon City suspension bridge cost \$45,000. Law prohibits the driving of stock over it in bands of greater number than ten head, the design being to prevent undue strain to the structure. A large number of cattle cross on the bridge during the year, and many drovers while observing the letter of the law violate its spirit by rushing ten head at a time over the river and causing the bridge to sway alarmingly.

ATTORNEY GENERAL JONES, of Washington, has prepared an exhaustive opinion in relation to the constitutionality of reading the bible in the public schools of that state. The conclusion he reaches is that such reading is contrary to the constitution.

LAST Tuesday nearly 3000 people partook of an open air dinner at Steubenville, Ohio, at which the table service was entirely of tin—tin plates, tin spoons, tin knives and forks, etc. It was all made of tin plate of domestic manufacture.

AN investigation of municipal affairs is in progress in San Francisco, and the unanimity with which ring bosses and thug wire-pullers have sequestered themselves in unknown places outside the Bay city, is quite alarming to the guild that has been "in it" for so many years.

For the ENTERPRISE.

September's Chrysolite.

Among the superstitions old, which centuries gone have quaintly told, is this: To each month of the year belongs a gem, sacred and dear; So great its charm all pulsing life Is with its vestal meanings rife.

Of all the gems in amulet bright, September owns the chrysolite—A stone of golden emerald tint, True to its season in its hint Of exulting like tawny fields hereof of grain, or fruit, which yields its mellow shades against the green Where falls the hazy light between.

Life's fullness, glory manifest, Rich meanings thus this gem invest. Fullness of life! Fullness of time! The passing year has reached its prime From bud and bloom to ripeness sweet, Sensuous and strong, and it is meet, Ere rest of winter's night comes on, That autumn's glory crown is won.

Life's fullness comes just ere the close, The soul, strong, grand, waits in repose Till death shall come. Fullness of time is reached, and faith and hope sublime Point to the glory manifest Of finished work. Divinely blest Is he who claims as his birthright The magic of the chrysolite.

MARTHA CALLEMAN HAYWARD. Cards, Or. Sept. 22, 1891.

AN OPEN LETTER.

Hon. W. T. Burney Addresses Collis P. Huntington.

In an open letter to C. P. Huntington regarding the course pursued by the Southern Pacific company in Oregon Hon. W. T. Burney takes occasion to speak rather pointedly regarding the operations of that corporation. The letter was published in the Oregonian and is of sufficient interest to warrant republishing the following excerpts:

In January, 1891, with a mighty flourish of trumpets, you called on Hon. B. Pengra, of Oregon, constituting him your duly authorized agent, to go forward and immediately determine upon the most eligible route for a first-class railroad, to be built from Portland, via Powell's Valley, south to Silverton, and from there the narrow gauge was to be made a broad gauge system and extended from Coburg, via Springfield and the middle fork of the Willamette, through Southeastern Oregon to Winnemucca, Nev.

Magnificent scheme, and "our people" were able and willing to build it, so you said. Pursuant to your instructions, Mr. Pengra, in company with examiners in the field and competent engineers, mapped out a route, and the same was duly submitted to and approved by you, and the right of way was secured, together with depot grounds and sufficient material to construct the road, with the assurance of a bonus more than sufficient to tie the same.

It was then announced that the Oregon & California and Oregon or the Southern Pacific had bought the narrow gauge system and no mention in this direction would be made until further notice at least. Thus ends the condemnation of the proposed road by the Powell's valley to Silverton, Southeastern Oregon and Winnemucca, Nev. Before we leave it let us see the Hon. D. P. Thompson sent out the engineers of the Union

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Pacific system during the winter of '89 and '90, who reported a feasible route to Silverton, and when about to put the surveyors in the field he was stopped by your interference, claiming this to be the territory of the Southern Pacific Company.

You said to the people of Astoria that if they desired your manifest hand raised in behalf of their long hoped for railroad, they must first disengage with the services and literally compensate the property rights of Mr. Williams field (a man, by the way, who has done more to develop Oregon than the whole Southern Pacific combined) and like the goddess of dissection you succeeded with your unrighteous plans and since then have been making propositions, which being accepted, were thrust aside and a new one offered; in fact, continuously keeping the word of promise to the ear and breaking it to their heart.

ITEMS FROM BARLOW.

THE RAILWAY COMMITTEE WILL MEET NOVEMBER 7. Catholics Purchase a Building Site—General Items of Local News.

RAILROAD MEETING AT MARQUAM.—Quite a few railroad committeemen were on some committee at the county fair, at Marquam, Sept. 23-25, and it being impracticable for them to neglect their duties there on the closing day of the fair, the meeting held, here was for the purpose of postponing action on railway matters to some future day when nothing else should interfere.

FREETHOUGHT SPEAKER.—Samuel P. Putnam, the great freethought speaker will address the people at Zeek's hall, Friday night, 2nd, on freethought. Mr. Putnam writes from Tacoma under date of 23rd that he is packing the house and the 26 inst. he is to be at Portland at the Convention of Freethinkers.

POSSIBLY A CATHOLIC CHURCH.—In behalf of Most Rev. W. H. Gross, of Portland, Rev. Buchhozer, of New Era, came up and made selection of 100x100 on Maple street for a church building and possibly a school. Archbishop Gross is expected up within a short time to determine as to when they will build. We will be glad to see our town dotted with churches. The more the better.

THE SERMON WAS GOOD.—Rev. Lowery, of the M. E. church, delivered a sermon at Zeek's hall last Sunday night to a large congregation. The text was taken from the twelfth chapter of Timothy. There will be services in the hall two weeks from that date at 11 A. M. Let there be a large turnout.

WILL GROW BERRIES.—Mr. Gus Schiele, of Quincy, Ill., arrived in our town a few days ago and purchased of Barlow & Co. ten acres and will make a specialty of raising berries for the Portland market. He has had long experience in the culture of berries and we bespeak for him a prosperous future.

ON HER WAY.—A letter was received from Denver, Col. stating that Mrs. Geo. A. Sheppard would have that city for Barlow on the first of October and arrive here about the 4th. On her return she will commence her building. We shall be glad to welcome the lady to our town.

AUCTION SALE.—There can be seen around the wagon shop of John Zeek a varied lot of agricultural implements that will be sold at auction by Wm. Barlow, Oct. 10th. Anything the farmer wishes he can get at this sale.

SOCIAL HOP.—A social hop was given at the residence of Mr. Seiggins last Wednesday and was well attended by our young people.

PERSONALS. Mr. Henry Burk, of Monmouth, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Casady, of Great Falls, Montana, Gus. Schiele, of Quincy, Ill., are among those registered at The Koehler.

Mr. W. B. Ramsby, of New York state, has moved in and taken charge of Miller's farm.

Mr. Jas. Ogilvie a large grain grower from Marquam was in town this week.

Col. W. L. White was the guest of Wm. Barlow this week. Col. Bair was in town one day this week.

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