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## CLACKAMAS AND HER RESOURCES.

The New Year's number of the Oregonian of 64 pages, was devoted exclusively to the extensive resources of the state. In this respect it was the most complete publication ever issued in the state. An interesting prospectus was also given of the Lewis and Clark Centennial of 1905. The following review of the progress, growth and development of Clackamas county appeared in this issue:

Probably the best evidence of the progress of Clackamas county for the year 1903 lies in the fact that the assessable value of all property in the county has doubled. This year's tax roll represents property of the value of \$9,000,000, as against \$4,500,000 last year. At the same time there has been an extensive clearing of land and building of homes by the many new comers who are locating in these parts. New and better structures have succeeded the primitive buildings in the interior of the county that were destroyed by the disastrous forest fire of the fall of 1902, with the result that the general appearance of the county has been much improved in this respect.

Clackamas county now has a population of 30,000, a growth of 2000 during the year just closed. Crops of all kinds this year have been in excess of those of recent years. Employment was never more plentiful nor wages more remunerative. With these conditions, the natural product is a more contented and prosperous state of affairs than the county has known in years.

Clackamas county contains 1,180,000 acres, of which only 81,484 acres are under cultivation. Over 60,000 acres of the finest timber lands in the West are within this county. General farming is carried on profitably, although the average Clackamas county agriculturist does not devote his energies to growing any one crop. Diversified farming, rather than exclusive grain culture, is followed, and the results are far more satisfactory. Good farming lands may be purchased at prices ranging from \$15 to \$50 per acre.

With 1,000,000 acres of timbered or splendid grazing lands, Clackamas county is an ideal section for the dairyman. The dairy industry has grown amazingly in the last year. The county also contains a large acreage that discloses rich mineral deposits. These await development. Of almost inestimable value to the county are its timber interests, which have scarcely been disturbed. Fir, spruce, larch and cedar of a superior quality abound, and in future years Clackamas will be among the foremost counties in the state in supplying the demands of the timber trade.

The principal industry of Clackamas county is in its manufacturing institutions. With its natural and almost inexhaustible water supply, this county is destined to be the manufacturing center of the Pacific coast. The power awaits utilization, and with the introduction here of the needed capital in providing additional manufacturing institutions will the true value of the resources of this section be realized. At the minimum low stage of water, the Willamette Falls at Oregon City afford 50,000 horse power. By expending a few thousand dollars, the Oregon Water Power and Railway Company has generated on the Upper Clackamas river a sufficient water power to operate its extensive plant and street railway system. The topography of the county is such that, at little expense, equal power may be obtained at frequent intervals along the entire course of the Clackamas and Molalla rivers, both of which are mountain streams. With these conditions an idea may be formed of the possibilities of this section as a manufacturing center. Among the factories at Oregon City are the woolen mills and two paper mills, each employing from 300 to 400 people. These mills are among the largest of their kind in the country. The various manufacturing institutions at Oregon City have a combined pay roll of \$40,000 per month.

Clackamas county, together with the rest of the state, has suffered from the lack of a proper advertising of its resources in the Eastern states. But the varied resources and interests of the county will now be extensively advertised through the Oregon City board of trade, which has just been reorganized for active work. It is composed of the substantial, wide-awake, progressive business men of the community, who have formulated plans for extensively advertising the fact that Clackamas county is not only on the map, but is in the state of Oregon—the coming state of the Pacific coast.

## DRINKING THE KING'S HEALTH.

King Edward, of England, has acquired a sober way of looking at things relating to the welfare and the happiness of his subjects. This trait is well illustrated in his majesty's advice to people who feel called upon to drink his health. At a recent banquet which Sir Oswald Moseley, Bart., gave to his tenants at Rolleston Hall, Burton-on-Trent, the gentleman, contrary to his doctor's orders, drank to the king's health in a bumper of old port wine. Sir Oswald made no secret of the fact that he expected the wine to do unlovely things to his system, and he candidly admitted that he had no taste for the stuff; but he considered his duty to his king to be greater than any considerations for his personal comfort or safety. He felt that he had a duty to perform. His tenants must be shown that no matter what should come to them they must ever be ready to drink to the health of their sovereign in bumpers of old port. What a glorious exhibition of loyalty!

But it appears that Sir Oswald's doctor did not share in the opinion that it was necessary to assume risks for the purpose of drinking to the king's health. He even told the king so, and obtained from that august ruler authority to address the patient as follows:

His majesty particularly requests me to say that he thinks it undesirable that anyone suffering with your complaint should drink too many healths in old port.

This is a sensible concession on the part of the king, and it should be sufficient to convince even the most enthusiastically loyal of his subjects that it will not be treasonable to decline to drink more than an average of three healths a day—one at each meal—in old port. In July last the king's private secretary wrote to a naval officer:

His majesty will be glad if it is circulated privately that he considers that his health is as much honored by those who drink it in water as by those who drink it in wine.

Certainly the navy will be no less reliable if grog is not one of the sources of its patriotism.

When is a law not a law? Usually when an average Oregon legislature gets through with it.

COLONEL WESTOVER, poet laureate for the Clackamas county democracy, had quite a contribution in last week's issue of the Courier. Poetry writing is only one of the many accomplishments possessed by the Courier editor.

RESIDENTS of Oregon City on Monday witnessed a disgusting spectacle on the streets when a mother and her son, both beastly intoxicated, were seen to stagger down the principal business street. In this connection it might be said that neither of the parties resides in this city.

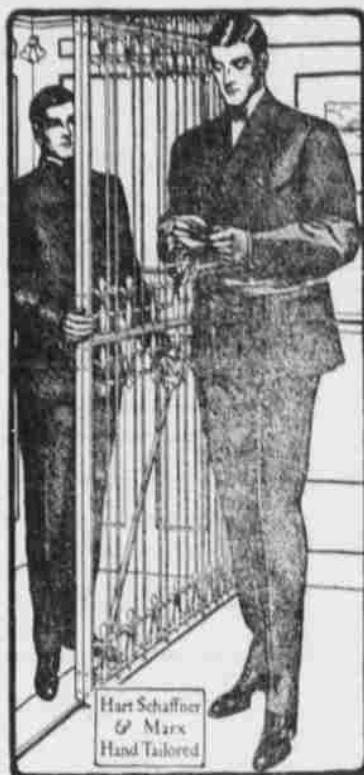
It is reported that the people's Party is to be re-organized. But the question arises: Does anything remain to be organized? Possible success is based on the realization of an alleged impending panic. Thus again do the Antis measure the possibility of success by a calamity that shall be of a national character. Political organizations with no more stable foundation than this are bound to be a disappointment as they should be.

For some weeks now the Enterprise has been too busy issuing receipts, enlisting the names of new subscribers and at the same time getting out the best county paper, to boastfully advertise the fact. We have been doing an unprecedented business in taking new subscriptions and an inspection of our lists will justify the assertion. With its constantly growing subscription list, the Enterprise is the best advertising medium through which to reach the people of Clackamas county.

The old woman who complained that she never had enough to go around, would probably have been pleased once if delegated the task of dividing among her twelve voracious youngsters the pie recently served to the guests of a baking company at its annual ball in Brooklyn. This pie weighed 110 pounds, was seven feet long, egg-shaped three feet wide and two deep. It was not all alike, but was made in sections of plum, peach, coconut, lemon and other fruits. Two hundred eggs went into this pie, and it took six men fifteen hours to make it, each having charge of a section, and a half ton of coal was consumed in the baking. Hundreds of guests "ate their fill" of this mammoth pie, and still there was plenty left. Compared to this triumph of the culinary art, that famous nursery rhyme product of "four and twenty blackbirds baked in a pie" seems quite tame as "a dainty dish to set before the king."

In revising the house journal of the recent special session it has been discovered that the bill prohibiting the killing of Chinese Pheasants until September 1906, did not regularly pass the lower branch of the legislature and although it went through the regular course of all legislation, the law is invalid. The mistake is due to the reading clerk of the house who incorrectly footed up the vote on the bill and announced that it had received the necessary 31 votes for its passage. It has been disclosed in checking up the records of the House that but thirty votes were cast in favor of this important amendment to the game law. Hence it failed of enactment. At the rate pheasants have been slaughtered during the last few years, there is need of some legislation that will prevent the extermination of the bird. As an instance of the extent to which pheasants are being killed, it is said that during the two weeks in November that the law permits the marketing of this bird, 5000 pheasants were sold in the Portland markets. In view of these facts, it is to be regretted that the law for a two-years' closed season failed of passage at the special session.

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To secure this money one goes to the office of the administration, which is at the top of a steep staircase, and after signing sundry documents the victim has to sit to a photographer. The photograph is preserved for future reference, and the man who is on this black list has very little chance of renewing acquaintance with the golden saloons until he has repaid the debt.

## In Old Nantucket.

Nantucket island is full of strange names. Here are a few of them: Coates, Cooks, Nanna, Wauwinet, Pocomo, Squam, Quidnit, Quaboe, Chacha, Santoty head, Polpis, Siasconset, Poehick, Tom Never's head, the territories of the late Sachems Wam-nochmatock, Autapont and Pocomet the Sherring Pons, Shawketno, Shimo, Mononoy, Massasoit bridge, Nopque, Wannacomet, the Washington pond, No Bottom pond, Saut's hills, Cain's, Hensdale, Popsquatch, Trot's hill, Maddequet, Whale Hout lookout, Macomet pond, the Haulover-Tuckernuck, Muskeget, Abram's point, Jeremy's cove, Wigwam ponds and Egypt.

## A Pauper Artist.

In a museum attached to two almshouses at Kirkcaldy, England, is a wonderful carving of St. George and the dragon out of a single block of boxwood, the work of a single prisoner, and it is valued at £2,000. It is said that this piece of carving was the cause of a wager being once laid in a dispute as to its entirety. To prove that the work was one single piece of carving it was plunged into a pot of boiling oil and allowed to remain for hours. All doubts were set at rest when it was withdrawn and found to be still complete. The prisoner who completed this marvelous piece of work used an ordinary penknife only.

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