

Corvallis Times.

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A DANGEROUS MAN.

Creffield is in the hands of the Portland authorities. Private information is that there is ample evidence to bring him within the full liability of the penalty for adultery. The offense was committed while the man posed as a viceregent of Heaven, a man of God, a leader of a religious sect. The sanctity of religion was used as a cloak and means for his wicked purpose. The offense against man is infinitesimal compared with the offence against all churches and church people. Great, and damnable as it is, however, it is one of the least in the manifold methods and wide extent of his offending. The presence in the insane asylum of his victims, the care necessary to keep others out of the asylum and the sorrow these things all mean to affected families represent an aggregate of wrongdoing of which the public has no conception and the law neither measure nor penalty. The estrangement of members of a family from each other, accomplished in part, perhaps, by exercise of occult influence, in part, by threats of what terrible penalty, here or hereafter, God may inflict upon a wife who recognizes her own husband, and in part by the influence a keen and wicked mind may learn to exercise over weaker ones, all this is the work of a devil incarnate, which Creffield is. Murder, arson, theft, bigamy, burglary, riot, and the ordinary crimes are, trifling in their effects on society, compared to the wickedness of Creffield. There is no excuse for him, no palliation of his offences, no room for him where there are decent folk to be pestered, misled and ruined by his practices. His place is the penitentiary, and for the sake of the sane and insane, here and elsewhere, it may be hoped that the law and the courts will send him there to stay the limit.

CONTRACT CLOSED.

For Connecting Link in Independent Telephone Between Corvallis and Newberg.

Connection is to be made at once via the Independent telephone system with the Kings Valley, Dallas, Sheridan and other Independent lines in Western Benton and Polk. J. M. Staats, manager of the Kings Valley and Airlie telephone company and superintendent of the Dallas, Lewisville and Falls City lines, was in town Thursday, and closed a contract with W. D. De Varney to fill in the gap from Linderman's north of Corvallis, to a connection with the above lines at the farm of Mr. Staats. A commercial line is in course of construction, connecting Kings Valley for the exclusive use of through business to Corvallis. This arrangement will give the Independent system complete connections as far north as Newberg, including McMinnville, North Yamhill, Sheridan and all intermediate points.

The lines under the management of Mr. Staats, now enter Monmouth and are to be built immediately to Independence. The Independence people are asking for a switchboard to be installed at that place for the accommodation of the Independent lines, and it looks as a movement for independent wires would be inaugurated in that town similar to that already in vogue in Corvallis.

For Sale.

First class cedar posts for sale. B. F. Ireland & Bro. Corvallis R F D No 4.

Newport Pleasure Steamer.

The steamer L. Roscoe of Florence, one of the best and most comfortably furnished of the ocean-going tugs on the Pacific Coast, has arrived at Yaquina Bay for the season and will do all kinds of work on the Bay, such as transporting passengers, towing ships, etc. The L. Roscoe will make regular trips over the Yaquina bar during the outing season on Sundays and visitors to Newport especially those going on the regular Sunday excursion can enjoy the delights of a trip over the bar into the waves of the broad Pacific.

Kitchen cabinets just received at Hollenberg and Cady's.

OREGON AT THE EXPOSITION.

Land of Lewis and Clark has Displays at St. Louis far Surpassing any Heretofore Made by the State.

St. Louis, Aug. 1.—Although 2,000 miles from home and handicapped by a comparatively small state appropriation, Oregon has an exhibit at St. Louis that would be a credit to any state in the Union. The various departments are under the charge of capable superintendents and all the displays have been installed in such an attractive manner that they never fail to interest World Fair visitors.

Never before have such disadvantages been overcome in securing the state exhibit, and never before in the history of Oregon's participation in American expositions have the efforts of those in charge of the showings been crowned with such success as has been attained at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

Oregon has had exhibits at every celebration held in the United States in the last decade, but her crowning triumph has been at St. Louis, where she has installed a display that represents every branch of industry and resource existing within her boundaries.

Oregon's displays are divided into six departments exclusive of the state building, which contains no exhibits other than those generally placed in state structures. These six departments are, mining, educational, agricultural, horticultural, forestry, and fish and game. Each of these exhibits is in its respective palace.

The Oregon building itself is one of the most interesting state structures at the Fair, and holds a high record for visitors, nearly ten thousand having registered. It was built at a cost of \$10,000, and is a replica of Fort Clatsop.

In consideration of the fact that Portland intends to hold the Lewis and Clark Exposition in 1905, the Oregon state commission, which has charge of the state exhibits, both at St. Louis and at Portland, decided to erect at St. Louis as the state building a reproduction of the famous fort and stockade. The original built so many years ago, has of course long since crumbled away, and the only thing that now remains to remind the seaside visitors of the presence of Lewis and Clark is a salt cairn used by the explorers to evaporate sea water to procure table salt. This pile of boulders has been fenced in and will be cared for by the Oregon Historical Society.

The Oregon building is made of fir and pine logs brought from Oregon, and is the first state building this western commonwealth has ever had at any exposition. The interior is finished in beautiful native woods, fir, pine, larch, spruce and cedar—and the long fine grain and the absence of ugly knots in the planking never fail to elicit favorable comment from the visitors who know good lumber when they meet it.

The main room is filled with magnificent views of Oregon's justly famed scenery, Indian robes and other articles of interest. One side is completely filled by a large fireplace that can accommodate cordwood with ease. Directly over the fireplace is a fifteen-foot panorama of Portland, the Exposition City of 1905, showing snow-capped peaks and the beautiful Willamette river and the surrounding country.

In addition to the main reception room there are four office rooms which also contain interesting articles from Oregon. In the rear is a stockade 100 feet square, with bastions at the two outer corners.

The nearest exhibit to the state building is the mining display in the south corner of the Palace of Mines and Metallurgy. This display is the best mining exhibit ever got together by the state and represents Oregon's mining industry in a most complete manner.

The most important and interesting part of the display in the Mining Palace is the pure gold showing. A large gold brick from an Eastern Oregon mine weighs 63 ounces and is worth \$18 an ounce. It isn't the kind of a gold brick you read about, either; it's pure gold and is valued at \$1200. There are several thousand dollars' worth of 75 per cent quartz, worth \$15 an ounce. It is within the last few years only that Oregon's mines have reached a high stage of development, and this is the first opportunity mine owners have had of showing how extensive are the mineral resources of the state. Displays of iron, silver, copper, cinnabar from which mercury is extracted, kaolin from which porcelain is made, asbestos, cobalt, tin, nickel, zinc and a dozen other interesting minerals are on display for visitors' inspection.

The educational exhibit embraces many bound volumes of school work

pictures of all types of public and private learning institutions in the state and examples of manual training. All of the display ranks high with other states and shows that work done by Oregon students is as good as work done by students in any part of the country. The exhibit is tastily installed, and particular pains have been taken to make it attractive.

The forestry, fish and game displays are better at St. Louis than they were at Chicago. In fact, the Oregon forestry exhibit at Chicago had practically no large timbers, while at St. Louis the state boasts the largest on the grounds. A fir log 30 feet long and nine feet six inches through at the butt is one of the features. This log is one of the seven cut from the same tree, which contained something more than 40,000 feet B. M. of lumber. The tree grew at Blind Slough, Clatsop county, and stood 200 feet to the first limb rather large in the eyes of the Easterner, but nothing unusual in Oregon. Another feature is a squared timber, four feet by four at the end, and 42 feet long. Then there are some big cedar blocks from North Bend, Coos county, cut by the Simpson Lumber Company.

All these big sticks are in the outside forestry exhibit, while the display of native woods is inside, along with fish and game exhibits. The latter show every variety of game bird in Oregon, including bob white, several kinds of quail, grouse, partridge, ptarmigan, prairie chickens, sage hens, Oregon pheasants, and the beautiful ring-necked pheasant, which a few years ago was imported from China and is now the most plentiful game bird in Oregon. Salmon in glass jars and bottles showing the various stages in the development of the fish from the egg are also shown.

Probably the finest collection of grains and grasses in the Palace of Agriculture is in the Oregon display. In addition to this display there is a magnificent of edible and non-edible fruit in bottles, hops in bales, and other farm products.

The Horticultural display, which is closely associated with the agricultural showing, has become famous on account of the daily demonstrations of Oregon prunes, which are cooked without sugar and served cold. They are said to be the finest prunes grown in the United States, and thousands of pounds of them are shipped to France every year, where they are repacked and sent to America to command fancy prices. A recent report of an American consular agent in the interior of France calls attention to the extensive practice on the part of the wily Frenchman.

Oregon is also justly famed as the "land of the big red apple," and her showing along this line is also good. Last year the state shipped 50 carloads of this fruit, and it will produce even a larger crop this year.

Oregon cherries are now on display. One of the cherry judges who recently passed by the exhibit sampled the Bing and Black Republican and announced that they were the finest cherries he had ever seen. In Missouri the Black Republican is known as the Oregon because it was originated in the western state. The Bing is also a native of Oregon. Taking all in all, Oregon has an exhibit at which her people should be proud. Her displays do her credit at the great Exposition and attract universal attention. The state will receive great benefit from the Fair, and the money appropriated for the exhibits will manifold returns to the people of Oregon.

BURIED THURSDAY.

Benton County Young Woman Laid to Rest in Newton Cemetery.

In Philomath there is a home wherein a sorrowing husband and two motherless little ones mourn for the wife and mother who was laid to her last long resting place, Thursday afternoon. The husband is Nye Scott, and the deceased was Mrs. Bertha Lytle Scott, aged 28. Death came to relieve the sufferings of Mrs. Scott at 10:30 Wednesday morning. For six weeks she had been ailing with consumption, and in the closing days of her earthly career she made a profession of religion, and died peacefully, at the hour named. In girlhood deceased was Miss Bertha Lytle. She was born and reared in Philomath, where many friends mourn her early going.

The funeral services were held at the Methodist church in Philomath at 2:30 Thursday afternoon. The sermon was by Bishop Castle, and interment was in the Newton cemetery. Many friends and relatives attended the last sad rites, and in many a home the name of Mrs. Scott will long be held in loving memory.

TWO WAIFS.

Over in Alsea—Also a son Whose Wages and Body his Parents Want.

A county court incident of this week was the application of a pair of parents to have the wages of their 14-year old son paid to them, and to have him return to their home. The son is employed by W. D. Risley, who resides in Alsea. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Middlestadt, who live three miles the other side of Philomath.

The son left home some time ago and engaged to do farm work for Risley, for which he receives wages. A couple of weeks ago, a letter from Mrs. Middlestadt requested Sheriff Burnett to collect the son's wages and compel the boy to return home. The sheriff is without authority to collect wages and see that sons stay at home, and the letter was turned over to the county judge. The parents, receiving neither wages nor son, applied this week in person to Judge Watters.

Connected with the story, is another incident. Last fall two children, aged nine and 11, respectively, appeared as waifs in Alsea. They made their way over the mountain and were picked up one day by the stage driver. They said they had been driven away from home, and gave their names as Middlestadt. It turns out that they are the son and daughter of the parents now after the wages and person of their 14-year old. The parents admitted their parentage of the waifs when before Judge Watters for the wages and body of their other child.

The two little strays were taken into Alsea homes and cared for by the kind people of Alsea. One is at the home of Henry Seite. The petition of the Middlestadts was not formally presented, and on that account, no order was made. In case it is done, the court must grant the order, provided representations are not made, showing improper treatment of the children by their parents.

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