

LAYING OUT A ROAD.

Billings Was in No Hurry, So the Work Was Done Right. A good many years ago C. K. G. Billings, who made his millions in Chicago gas, bought a good sized plot of ground on the heights overlooking the Hudson river at the upper end of Manhattan Island.

BIRTH OF A LETTER.

The Way "W" Came to Take the Place of the Old "VV." The printers and language makers of the latter part of the sixteenth century began to recognize the fact that there was a sound in spoken English which was without a representative in the shape of an alphabetical sign or character, as in the first sound in the word "wet."

Real Literary Crumbs.

The librarian opened the book wide and shook it hard. "Looking for possible love letters and mementos?" a visitor asked. "No; breadcrumbs," said the librarian. "Subsequent readers do not mind love letters, but they do object to breadcrumbs. Half the books brought back have crumbs tucked away between the leaves."

Hindu Caste.

The four grades of society among the Hindus are the Brahmins or sacerdotal class, who are said at the moment of creation to have issued from the mouth of Brahma; the Kshatrya or Chuttee or military class, sprung from the arm of Brahma; the Vaisya or Bais or mercantile class, from the thigh of Brahma, and Sudras or Sooders or servile class, from the foot of Brahma.

Precedent For "Governess."

Albert VII, archduke of Austria, married Isabella Clara Eugenia, Infanta of Spain, who brought to him as dowry the sovereignty of the Low Countries, etc. When Philip IV. of Spain ascended the throne in 1621 he took from his aunt the sovereignty of the Low Countries, but left her the title of governess. Her husband died soon after, whereon she took the veil, though still retaining the reins of government.

Franklin on Long Graces.

Ben Franklin found the long graces used by his father before and after meals very tedious. One day after the winter's provision had been sated he said, "I think, father, if you were to say grace over the whole cask once for all it would be a great saving of time."

No Danger.

Blodbs—I heard Tightwad boasting today that he had money to burn. Stodbs—Well, I wouldn't be in any hurry to call out the fire department if I were you.—Philadelphia Record.

To be overpolite is to be rude.—Japanese Proverb.

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We made a good buy while East of some Wash Suits and Dresses for ladies. There is not such a great lot of them but they are splendid big values for you at the special prices we are selling them at.

No. 1815—\$2.00 values. Nicely made of striped gingham. SPECIAL Your Choice \$1.50

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New Fall Coats and Suits FOR LADIES

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EACH 95c

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Manhattan Shirts SPECIAL

For one week commencing Wednesday, August 16, we are going to give you a chance to lay in your supply of the celebrated Manhattan Shirts, mostly crisp and new. You're fortunate to be able to secure these fine shirts at these prices for there are no odds and ends. All sizes. Fine mercerized fabrics, imported madras, Russian cords, in smart stripes and small figures galore. Plain or pleated fronts; laundered or soft French cuffs.

Men's Work Gloves

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Charles Henney went to Portland yesterday and will return by boat.

H. M. Huxley and family left yesterday to spend a couple of weeks at Columbia Beach.

Charles T. Early and wife returned the first of the week from an outing at Cannon Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Zachary Annale of Oak Grove are receiving congratulations on the birth yesterday of a son.

Be sure and see "A Dream of Fairyland" Friday evening, Heilbronner Building, and hear Hood River children sing.

Esther V. Leech, assistant dean of women at the O. A. C., and Miss Irelleen Leech of Albany are visiting at the home of J. D. McCully.

County Clerk W. E. Hanson and wife are spending a week at Tillamook Beach. Deputy Kent Shoemaker is performing Mr. Hanson's duties at the court house in the meantime.

The committee on grounds urges upon all who intend to attend the Horticultural Chautauqua to make their reservations from the committee or at the drug stores not later than this week.

W. H. Rhodenheiser, the Upper Valley merchant, says the report has been circulated that he intends moving his stock to Parkdale. This, he declares, is made out of whole cloth, no such idea having entered his head, and he wishes to make an emphatic denial.

Miss Marguerite Milliken and Miss Lucille Smith gave a dinner party at the Hotel Oregon Saturday evening. A delicious repast was served. Those present included, besides the hostesses, Miss Flora Peters, A. W. Peters, Stuart and Fordham Kimball.

Mrs. M. H. Powson of Cape Girardeau, Mo., and Mrs. N. A. Higgins of Lakeland, Fla., arrived Monday to be guests at the home of R. B. Bragg. They are making a tour of the West, visiting friends and relatives en route, and will return by California and the southern route.

Father Plus, who has been pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception here, has been transferred to St. Anthony's Church, Portland, and left yesterday for his new charge. Father Victor comes from Oakland, Cal., to take his place. Father Plus has made many friends, all of whom will sincerely regret his departure.

Dr. Elmer E. Ferguson, formerly of The Dalles and now owner of a ranch here, has filed a suit for divorce at The Dalles against Dr. Belle C. Ferguson. The case will be tried in the Wasco county circuit court. The plaintiff alleges cruel and inhuman treatment. They were married in The Dalles February 24, 1900, and have one daughter, Ruth, aged 11 years.

Blacksmith Shops Close Saturday. All blacksmith shops in the valley will be closed Saturday as that day is the official holiday of the National Association of Horseshoers.

You will not regret seeing those tiny woodland sprites dance in "A Dream of Fairyland" Aug. 16th and 17th at Heilbronner Hall.

The News for good printing. The News tells it all.

B. L. PAGET MAKES TOUR OF THE VALLEY

B. L. Paget of Portland, candidate for United States Senator on the Prohibition ticket, passed Monday on a tour of the principal towns of Hood River county in the state-wide campaign which he is now making.

Accompanied by Leslie Butler, he visited Van Horn, Dee, Odell, Mount Hood and Parkdale, holding his concluding meeting here Monday night.

At all of the towns in the valley Mr. Paget was cordially received and his views in support of his candidacy were listened to with close interest.

At the meeting held here Monday Mr. Paget was introduced by Mr. Butler, Dr. Fletcher Holman, president of Willamette University, who is visiting in Hood River, also spoke in behalf of Mr. Paget.

Mr. Paget has long been one of the representative citizens of Portland, where he is known as a leader of every movement for the betterment of the community. As secretary of the Portland Trust Company, which position he held for ten years, Mr. Paget's standing in commercial and financial circles is of the highest.

As treasurer of the People's Power League for the past eight years, he has had much to do with the adoption of the initiative and referendum, the recall, the direct primary, and other measures embraced in what is known as "the Oregon system."

First Christian Church. Next Sunday the regular services will be held at the Christian church and all are invited to come, the members especially.

Sunday School at 9:50 and communion and preaching following, also the evening services as usual, you are invited to all these services and will be treated royally.

Methodist Church. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Themes: Morning, "The Glory of the Gospel," evening, "What Lack I Yet?" Epworth League at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend these services. Strangers will be made welcome. W. B. Young, pastor.

Don't fail to see the picturesque groupings of the good and bad fairies; "A Dream of Fairyland," Friday evening at Heilbronner Hall.

Tests that have been carried out by the New York Agricultural college at Geneva during the past four years make clear the interesting fact that tomato plants from seed produced by crossing two varieties of tomatoes yielded three and a half more tons of fruit per acre than did a like number of plants from either parent. The advantage was much less in plants of the second generation and entirely disappeared in the third and fourth.

An interesting fact noted this season in connection with both elm and maple trees is that they have borne so prodigious a crop of seeds that the trees have been stumped to furnish nourishment for both seeds and leaves, and as the seeds had the start the leaves have had to wait. So noticeable has this been that in many instances it was thought the trees had been attacked with a new kind of blight. However, the seeds being now shed, the leaves are coming out several weeks later than normal.

MARRIED

Frank H. Dwinell, who has a ranch in the East Barrett section, and Miss Lulu G. Veerhusen of Madison, Wis., were married last week at the home of Rev. J. G. Tate. Following the ceremony Mr and Mrs. Dwinell left on a wedding trip to Portland, and Long Beach and Ocean Park, Wash. They returned to Hood River Monday and will make their home on Mr. Dwinell's ranch.

Hood River library benefit Friday night, Aug. 16.

THE AUSTRALIAN WAY.

A good many folks from the British Isles are going to Australia, led thither by special inducements held out by the provincial governments along the line of favorable conditions in the matter of securing homesteads. This is particularly true in the province of Victoria, which in the past few years has spent \$16,000,000 in the development of irrigation projects in the vicinity of the city of Melbourne.

The value of these lands without water is placed at from \$40 to \$70 per acre. To encourage settlement the government agrees to build houses on these claims of the value of \$1,250, allowing the settlers fifteen years within which to pay for them. The land is sold on thirty-one year contracts bearing 4 1/2 per cent interest. To meet the conditions of the contract the land bought must be improved to at least 10 per cent of its value within a period of three years. The government agrees to furnish 60 per cent of the capital required to do this. So anxious is the Victorian government for settlers that, in the case of the best class of settlers, it will, if necessary, advance 80 per cent of the passage money, allowing them five years within which to repay it.

GIVING RECOMMENDATIONS. A whole lot more thought, as well as more conscience, ought to be put into practice in the matter of giving recommendations and testimonials of one kind and another. It seems a fair statement that the average testimonial is misleading, if not positively untruthful. It is true that many a person has made good on the estimate of some friend touching their ability of future achievement. Of course an indorsement of this kind is simply an expression of faith rather than a statement of achievement and is in a class by itself. The usual recommendation is vitiated often for the reason that it conveys a wrong impression, not only by stretching the truth in facts set forth, but also by leaving things unsaid knowledge of which would convey a true idea. Lastly, it is well to remember that in the giving of a recommendation the reputation of the giver is involved just as vitally as that of the recipient.

BETTER ROAD WORK.

It is a mighty hopeful sign that so many county supervisors and township trustees are showing the degree of interest they are just now in the matter of more effective as well as more permanent road improvement work. In many sections where for years the road work has been done in a patchy, slipshod, hand to mouth manner plans are now being carried out which will insure far better highways. In some cases this more effective work is shown in a tiling of the roadside and giving the road sufficient crown so that it will shed water readily. In some others it includes these two things and, besides, a surfacing of the road with a good coating of gravel or clay and decomposed limestone, the idea kept in mind being to make the road passable in bad as well as in fair weather. Taxpayers appreciate the new interest and thought that are being devoted to road work and hope they may increase.

FAIRYLAND TO BE SEEN IN OPERETTA

For the benefit of the library fund, the operetta, "A Dream of Fairyland," will be presented by fifty little girls next Friday evening and at a matinee Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. Both performances will be at the Heilbronner Building and they promise to be a splendid success. Mrs. R. Lee Black is director and pianist.

The story contained in the operetta is as follows:

Two orphan children in search of Fairyland, overcome by fatigue, fall asleep in the woods. A band of happy Fairies find them and summon the aid of the Woodland Sprites, who perform their "Sprite's Dance" and transform the orphans into fairies. Soon after, the singing of the Evil Fairies is heard. When they appear, they look so pretty and are so fascinating the children almost regret having joined the Good Fairies. Later they enlist in the band of Evil Fairies, whereupon great sorrow prevails among the Good Fairies, who finally recover them and also win the Evil Fairies.

One of the greatest authorities on horses in the country holds views in regard to the watering of them that seem quite contrary to those on this subject that are very generally held. One is that there is no harm coming to a horse from drinking cold water if the quantity drunk is small. His contention is that horses should be watered much more frequently than is customary and that during the summer season they should be so handled that they can have access to water night and day.

Buttermilk cheese has lately been put on the market as the result of experiments that have been made by Professor Sammis of the department of agriculture of the University of Wisconsin. The new cheese is an exceedingly good food product, and the demand for it seems to be on the increase. This new use of buttermilk is making it possible for the Wisconsin creameries engaged in its manufacture to realize \$1 per 100 pounds instead of the small amount that farmers were willing to pay for it for long feed.

Now and then in going through the country one sees a farmstead so unkempt, unattractive and lonesome that it is no wonder boys and girls reared there have a desire to see things in the great interesting outside world as soon as they reach an age when they are able to renounce the contrast of outer conditions with their own immediate environment. Moreover, it is a safe assumption that these same phans, which have such a doleful and forlorn appearance on the exterior, are just as unattractive on the inside and in respect to the atmosphere which prevails there.

The reason for the shallow cultivation of corn is the more fully appreciated after one has seen the diagram or picture of the root system of a corn plant at the time of its later growth and maturity. Not only do the roots and rootlets penetrate the soil to the depth of three feet or more, but the spread of the roots laterally is such that they pass and intertwine with the roots from adjacent hills. And added to this and the chief reason for the type of cultivation referred to is the fact that at a depth of from three to four inches there is a perfect network of feeding roots. Disturbing these by deep cultivation simply reduces by so much the ability of the plant to develop.

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