

STATE FAIR A SUCCESS

IT WAS WELL PLANNED AND ABLY MANAGED. Horse Racing Was Good and Free From Crookedness—Help of the Railroads.

The state fair, which closed Saturday, was very successful, financially and otherwise, and the management felt much encouraged over the result. The receipts have been figured up, and amount to \$12,200.95, while the disbursements aggregate \$11,122.24. A balance of \$1087.71 is therefore in the hands of the association. Besides this, there is a balance due the management from various sources, amounting to \$579.

W. H. Wehring, of Hillsboro, president, and the board of directors, are to be congratulated for the able manner in which the details of the exhibition were attended to and the success which has attended them.

The attendance at the fair was very satisfactory on the three days of fair weather, but three days of rain interfered with what would have been a more pleasant and more profitable week at Salem. The races and other incidents of the programme were pulled off promptly on time, in spite of the showers and the fact that the grounds were waterlogged.

The impression made on the people of the state by the fair will be far-reaching. It has created an interest in future state exhibitions. Next year the buildings, grounds and track will have to be improved and renovated, but the fair management is confident that the fair will be a success.

The people of Salem have also a good word for the recent exhibition. It brought large numbers of people to town and an increase in the retail trade. The various stores resulted. The citizens of Salem seemed to take more interest in the success of the exhibition this year than formerly, and accorded the fair management the assistance in their power.

The fair management therefore cannot be said to be disappointed. It will be far toward creating an interest in future state exhibitions. Next year the buildings, grounds and track will have to be improved and renovated, but the fair management is confident that the fair will be a success.

General Electric Company stock and other collateral securities to the litigation on the indebtedness.

George S. Batty is alleged to be liable as the joint signer with E. H. Batty of notes to the extent of about \$30,000.

BIDS FOR FODDER.

Portland Contractors Figure for Government Supplies. The Albers & Schneider Company was the lowest bidder on the contract for delivering 2000 tons of oats at Alaska dock for shipment by the Government.

Albers & Schneider Company—Ton. 500 tons oats, delivery 5 days, Alaska dock, at \$1.25 625 tons oats, delivery 10 days, Alaska dock, at \$1.25 750 tons oats, delivery 15 days, Alaska dock, at \$1.25

East Side Affairs. Gathering of Dunkards at Astoria—Other Matters. The Dunkards of the neighborhood of Damascus are having their annual gathering at Astoria.

Robbery at Mount Tabor. The dwelling of H. H. Delano, at Mount Tabor, was robbed the other night during the absence of the family at Athena.

Divorce Suits. Gertrude Hollister was granted a divorce from Frank Hollister by Judge Cleveland yesterday on the ground of desertion, which occurred June 12, 1899, and she was permitted to resume her maiden name, Howard.

Probate Matters. P. H. Tynan was yesterday appointed administrator of the estate of his brother, John Tynan, who was accidentally killed in the Northern Pacific Railway. The estate consists of a claim against the railway company for damages.

FIRST 1900 BARLEY CARGO

BRITISH SHIP CENTURION CLEARS FOR GRIMSBY DIRECT. Penthesilea Also Completes a Fall Cargo of Barley—Freight Situation Unchanged.

The first cargo of barley of the 1900 crop was dispatched yesterday by Kerr, Gifford & Co. on the British ship Centurion. The vessel carries 100,000 bushels of barley, valued at \$46,000.

No Change in Freights. Owners Still Demanding Rates in Excess of Exporters' Offers. The freight situation shows but little change. No new charters came to light yesterday, but a few ships were offering for distant loading, and one comparatively near-by ship was offering at the modest rate of 55 shillings, but was declined with thanks.

General De Charette Lost. French Bark Founders of the Coast South America. CORONEL, Chile, Sept. 26.—The French bark General de Charette, Captain LeMarie, which sailed from Swansea on June 10, is reported to have struck a rock in the Straits of Lemaire, at the southern extremity of South America.

The Pentura Launched. Third of Sprockles' New Steamers in the Water. PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 26.—The Ventura, the third and last of the big freight and passenger steamships that are being built here for the Oceanic Steamship Company, was launched today at Cramp's shipyard.

Domestic and Foreign Ports. ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 26.—Arrived down at 11:30 A. M. and sailed at 1 P. M. United States transport Lennox, for Manila. Sailed at 12 noon—Danish ship Jupiter, for Queenstown or Falmouth, for orders.

General Woodford Married. BALTIMORE, Sept. 26.—Naturalized by annexation are the words entered opposite the names of Dr. Francisco del Valle, his son and four other Porto Ricans in the city registration books.

SECURED SALEM THEATER

JOHN F. CORDRAY CLOSES A TWO YEARS' CONTRACT. New Playhouse Will Be Known as "The Grand," and Will Be Managed by Mr. Cordray.

A telegram was received last evening from John F. Cordray, in Salem, announcing that he has secured a five years' lease on the fine Opera-House which Chemetka Lodge, Odd Fellows, are building there, and which will be completed in a few weeks.

INSIDE VIEWS OF CHINA. Worse Than Has Been Represented—Persistence of the Germans. PORTLAND, Sept. 26.—(To the Editor.)—Commercial correspondence is not generally interesting to the reading public, but political events in China are so associated with business transactions that a few extracts from letters received today may not be entirely without interest to your readers.

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CHILE'S FOREIGN RELATIONS

No Probability of War With Her Neighbors. WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—The secretary of the Chilean legation said today that the reports of war between Chile and her neighbors were groundless.

Extradition Treaty With Peru. LIMA, Peru, Sept. 26.—It is stated upon reliable authority that the committee to which was referred the proposed extradition treaty between Peru and Chile and Peru has reported upon it. Trifling alterations in the treaty are suggested, and these will be discussed this week.

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DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

Table with columns for Station, Temperature, Wind, and other weather conditions for various locations like Astoria, Baker City, Bismarck, etc.

WEATHER CONDITIONS. The area of high pressure central yesterday evening over the Pacific coast, and is now central over the Dakotas. The pressure is lowest over California.

WEATHER FORECASTS. Forecasts made at Portland for the 28 hours ending at midnight last night. Oregon—Continued fair weather; warmer in east portion; winds mostly northerly.

AMUSEMENTS. CORDRAY'S THEATER—One week commencing Sunday, Sept. 23 (Matinee and Saturday). WRITING AND WILLIAMS COMEDIANS.

CORDRAY'S THEATER—TWO WEEKS commencing Sunday, Sept. 30. REPERTORY OF THE LAYTONS. COLONEL W. A. THOMPSON'S BOSTON LYRIC OPERA CO.

FORECLOSED FARMS. At bargain and on easy terms. W. H. FEAR, Chamber of Commerce. INVESTMENTS. Bonds, warrants and local stocks bought and sold. J. W. CRUTCHER & CO., Chamber of Commerce.