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AMUSEMENTS.

BASEBALL TODAY, 3:30 P. M., Pacific Coast League Grounds, 24th and Vaughn. Portland vs. San Francisco.

EMPIRE THEATER, Twelfth and Morrison—Vaudeville.

SHIELDS' PARK, Thirteenth and Washington—Vaudeville.

HOBOES HARD TO DISCOURAGE.—The working of city prisoners on the rockpile, or dirtpile, appears to have but slight effect in lessening the number who find their way into the jail. At first there were 6 to 16 a day, but Tuesday there were 22 in the gang, and the way they are trimming up the slopes and piling up rocks on Kelly street is a caution to hoboes. The barn of Frank Hackeney, which had been propped up and threatened to roll down the slope on these workers, was turned over to them by Mr. Hackeney, at the request of the City Engineer, and they made short work of it. A rope was hitched to it and, with a long pull and a strong pull and a pull altogether, it was tumbled clear down into Kelly street, landing in splinters, while a cloud of dust from it enveloped the neighborhood. The rubbish was cleaned away and fresh, clean "dirt" spread over all. The officers in charge of the prisoners give them credit for working well and willingly, though it is trying to have no hour for lunch and no lunch at noon. One of the prisoners remarked that the spread provided for dinners consisting of dry bread, bullock's liver and coffee could not be properly styled a banquet, and said that if the present hours of work and the present diet were kept up, the number of prisoners would grow smaller. The public will not complain if this happens.

PLENTY OF GOLD, LITTLE WATER.—Captain Cleveland Rockwell, who has been working on his placer mining claim near Sumpter, on the slopes of the Blue Mountains, for the past six weeks, has returned, in order to attend the wedding of his daughter and give away the bride. He says he will soon return to further experiment on his claim. The ground is rich, and plenty of gold could be secured if a supply of water for sluicing was available, but the elevation is so great—about 5000 feet—that water has to be taken from so near the sources of the streams that the supply fails as soon as the snow has melted. The gold is evenly distributed, and, with a 1½-inch nozzle and 80 feet head, $10 an hour on an average can be cleaned up. Some years ago in a 60 hours' run $600 was cleaned up, and the average holds good ever since. Captain Rockwell has been doing his assessment work, and has been trying the dry process; that is, using air instead of water to separate the gold from the dirt. He intends to give this process a further trial, having left his plant at Umatilla. He says that, if a supply of water for sluicing could be secured, there are many claims in the district which would make rich returns, but it is impracticable to make water run up hill.

AN INCIDENT OF THE STREET.—The admonition "give the right of way to everything on wheels" is a good one, especially where automobiles or bicycles are concerned, and will apply equally to roller skates or a moving wheelbarrow. A young man who dismounted from his bicycle at the intersection of Third and Main streets yesterday to present a bill to a man on a crossing, forgot all about the admonition and kept his bicycle leaning against his stomach, with the wheels projecting on each side of him. He did not notice an expressman, who came down Third street, driving rapidly, until the hub of the express wagon struck the wheel of the bicycle and whirled it around so forcibly that the owner and the man he was talking to were both thrown off their feet and mixed up with the bicycle in one grand snarl, which it took a passer some time to untangle. The expressman did not even look back, which was wise, and neither of the people he had upset felt like running after him; so the incident ended with nothing worse than a little profanity.

HE SANG FOR HIS ANSWER.—Everybody will acknowledge that it is wise and praiseworthy to control one's temper, but in these days, when telephone lines are so often busy and telephone girls, contrary to nature, sometimes so slow to answer, many allow their feelings to get the best of them. They hang up the transmitter and walk around a while and talk of stamping the vitals out of all telephones. It was pleasing to see the different conduct of a bronco-buster yesterday. After waiting what seemed a long time to get some number, instead of using profane language, he began singing into the transmitter, soft and low, in a mild voice. It did not interrupt any one at work near, and it only took a short time for him to get the number he had waited for so long. If people who imagine they do not receive prompt attention from the "Hello girl" will only try singing in the telephone they will be attended to at once, in most cases probably to stop them.

SMALL DEMAND FOR CHARITY.—Business is rather dull at the office of the City Board of Charities. Few people who can or will work are out of employment now. Occasionally some one strays into the city who cannot find friends and has to be assisted in looking them up, or to be sent back home. Poor people with large families and small purses arrive from the East occasionally, but they are able to find work for the boys and girls before long and manage to live from hand to mouth for a time. More such people are likely to arrive from now on, as many such are attracted by an exposition, hoping to find employment about it. Such people began to arrive some time ago. One who came two years ago was looking for work on the Exposition grounds. He was an early bird who did not catch a worm, because the worm was not out then.

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THE Manhattan Minstrel Company, which has been secured by the Modern Brotherhood of America for the evening entertainment of their guests at Cedar Park, next Saturday, August 1, is composed of some delightful entertainers, who drew such large houses at the Y. M. C. A. during the Winer, and their Summer programme is as delightfully cool and refreshing as their previous ones were warm and invigorating. The leading men, C. Ringler, G. Eastman, L. Davis, Fred Jones, Sam Jordan and Ed Shockley, are all Portland favorites, and in themselves are an entertainment worth double the price of admission. They are under the direction of Professor M. M. Ringler, and are supported by a company of 40 people.

MORE SURVEYORS SENT OUT.—An additional surveying party of ten has been sent up by Major Langfitt, United States Engineer, to the line of The Dalles & Celilo Canal to find out what has been accomplished by the party sent up there a month ago.

EXCEEDINGLY CHEAP rates to all local points. Thompson's Ticket Office, 128 3d. *

"WINONA," Auditorium, University Park, Friday evening, July 31, 25 cents. *

RELICS OF THE CARNIVAL.—Occupants of offices in the Custom-House have a fine view from the windows on the west side at present, as the high board fence which inclosed the park blocks loaned for the carnival has been torn down and the blocks denuded of grass and covered with waste paper and rubbish are a novelty. The rubbish will probably be cleared up before long, but the grass is not likely to grow again until the ground has been reseeded. Grass plots cannot be kept in order when a carnival is in progress on them. The half of the block across the street from the south end of the Custom-House is being covered with the stables, wagon shed and office of C. E. Cook. The west end of this half block has been cleaned up, and the rubbish was being burned yesterday. The house on the northeast corner has been raised and is being fitted for an office, and the remainder of the half block is being covered by a stable, which fits in the space so snugly that the boards have been torn off the side of the office to make room for it. Stables seem to have a tendency to congregate about public buildings.

TO REPORT ON PACIFIC COAST CEMENTS.—The Board of United States Engineers appointed by the Secretary of War to investigate and report upon cements of domestic manufacture did not arrive at any definite conclusion, according to the statement of Major Langfitt, who has returned from sitting on the board at San Francisco. He says there are three manufacturers of cement in California, the only ones on this Coast, and they had complained that they were not getting a fair shake in the matter of supplying cement for Government work. A committee was appointed, consisting of Colonel Handbury, Major Langfitt and Major Millis, who examined and discussed the specimens of cement offered, and then adjourned till further information can be obtained. Major Langfitt has not yet been down to look into the matter of the supply of rock for the jetty at the mouth of the Columbia since his return, but says from 700 to 800 tons per day are being delivered, and he will go down to examine the quarry and the rock again as soon as he has time.

WHERE HE SPENT HIS VACATION.—A semi-public official, who was found at his desk yesterday, after two weeks' absence, on being asked where he had spent his vacation, replied: "At home, working in the garden. I cannot see any sense in going for a vacation to be miserable for two weeks, when one can stay at home and be comfortable," he continued. "There is no place better than home; no finer scenery to be found than is visible from this city, and no better exercise than working in a garden. And then think of the money saved! Why, I have not wasted a dollar in two weeks, and come back to work refreshed." It is needless to say that the speaker is past middle age, or any age, when the saving of money or muscle is not much considered. Probably a good many returning from a hard vacation trip, with empty pockets and another year's work ahead, have some such ideas as this stay-at-home expressed.

CLACKAMAS TAKES THE LEAD.—Clackamas County is taking the lead of late in sending exhibits of farm products to the Oregon Information Bureau, where there is a collection worthy of a visit from citizens as well as visitors to the city. Samples of very fine timothy and wheat have just been received from W. H. Pope, of that county; also a Japanese fruit—Elaegnus Longipe—and black currants. As a sample of root crops, he sends a white radish 19 inches in length and 18½ inches in circumference, which in other states would be considered a full-grown turnip. Mr. Coman, of the Southern Pacific, has sent in samples of oats from the same county, measuring over six feet in height, and fine specimens of the Bing cherry have been received from Mr. Clark, of Clackamas. Other counties of the state will have to make an effort, or Clackamas will outclass them in the exhibit at the Information Bureau.

DEATH OF REV. NORMAN HOWARD BARTLETT.—Word was received in this city yesterday of the death of Rev. Norman Howard Bartlett, the brilliant young Methodist minister, who delivered the annual memorial address for the Elks here some months ago. Mr. Bartlett's death occurred a few days ago on a train near New York City. He was a lecturer and author of some note, among his most notable utterances being a sensational sermon entitled "To Hell in a Pullman." He formerly lived in Minneapolis, and at one time was professor of elocution and oratory in the Minnesota State University. Each year he filled many appointments at Chautauquas in the states of the Central West. He had many friends in Portland, who will be saddened to hear of his untimely death.

IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION REJOICES.—The East Twenty-eighth-Street Improvement Association is much rejoiced over what it has accomplished in the way of improving and benefitting its district. Within six months it has secured the grading and sidewalking of the streets, and a system of sewers as well. Gaspipes have been laid, electric lighting introduced into the houses, and now they have eight arc lamps in the district. They are to have delivery of mail by carriers July 1. Fire hydrants have been ordered, and a school building has been promised, and, last of all, it has petitioned for a police patrol. When all these things have been secured, the residents of the district will begin to realize that they are living in town.

BALL HIT HIM IN THE EYE.—Ernest Hackeney, the youngest son of Frank Hackeney, a lad of about 16, still in the High School, who was spending his vacation at the beach, came up yesterday morning to have one of his eyes treated. He was "knocking flys" Tuesday evening with a number of other boys. Just as he threw down the bat, he turned to see what sort of a hit his successor would make, and the ball, hot from the bat, struck him squarely in the right eye. He was staggered, and an effusion of blood followed. No serious damage was done, however, as the oculist said the sight would not be injured. The eye will have to be carried in a sling for a time, and baseball practice must be abandoned.

SPECIAL ROUND TRIP of steamer Bailey Gatzert next Saturday and Sunday to Collins Hot Springs, Captain Belcher's new health resort on the upper Columbia. This will be an excellent opportunity to visitors and Portland people to view the glorious scenery of the Columbia River as far as Wind Mountain, also giving everybody a chance to see the Government $4,000,000 locks at the Cascades in operation. Passengers can go up Saturday morning, if desired, and return Sunday evening, thereby securing one day's bathing at the Hot Springs. Steamer leaves Alder-street wharf Saturday, 8:30 A. M.; Sunday, 9 A. M. Special round-trip ticket, $1.50. 'Phone Main 914. *

FREE METHODIST CAMP MEETING.—The annual camp meeting of the Portland district of the Free Methodist Church is now being held at Central, near Mount Tabor, on West avenue, three blocks north of the Montavilla carline. W. G. Hanmer, of Illinois, who is general conference evangelist, will be in charge of the services, assisted by the preachers of the district. The meeting runs from July 29 to August 9.

CAUGHT STEALING STEEL.—Officer Kye swooped down upon Tom Miner, who holds a responsible position in a junk shop, at a late hour last night. He says he caught Miner in the act of touching up the Street Railway Company for pieces of old steel, which had been removed from the tracks at Second and Morrison streets. Miner will have a hearing this morning.

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THE Riverside Driving Club will give a reception to President L. Zimmerman, Friday, July 31, 7 P. M., at the Riverside House. Members and friends of the association are invited.

50 large carnations, only $1; floral pieces reasonable. Burkhardt, 23d and Glisan. *

MIND UNBALANCED BY ILLNESS.—Because she believed herself unworthy to live longer, Mrs. H. Villinger, wife of a Seven Corners saloonkeeper, attempted suicide Tuesday night by jumping into the Willamette River from the Madison-street bridge. Robert Townsend, an employe of the Portland General Electric Company, witnessed the attempt and promptly went to her rescue. She was saved from the river after a hard battle and taken to the police station, where she was turned over to Matron Simmons. Yesterday she was visited by her husband and daughter, and it was decided to take her before the County Court for the purpose of testing her sanity. Her mind is believed to have become unbalanced through long illness.

ARRESTED FOR NOT HAVING A LICENSE.—In line with the recently announced policy of strict enforcement of the city license regulations, S. Weiss, proprietor of the Portland Sawdust Company, was arrested yesterday for neglecting to take out the necessary license. The officials claim that he has been repeatedly warned, but has allowed four quarterly payments to go by without complying with the law. There are something like 50 more delinquents who will be proceeded against in like manner unless they hasten to pay up.

DEATH OF LOUIS MONTERASTELLI.—The death of Louis Monterastelli occurred yesterday morning at St. Vincent's Hospital, following a surgical operation. Mr. Monterastelli was in charge of the construction of the St. Joseph's Academy buildings at Pendleton when he was stricken and came here for the operation. He was 35 years of age, and left a wife and two children at Pendleton, as well as a brother at Walla Walla. The body will be shipped to Pendleton for burial.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO MOVE.—The Chamber of Commerce will move into permanent quarters in the Mohawk building, Third and Morrison streets, next week. The office of the State Board of Horticulture, also the permanent exhibit, will move into the same place. The chamber will have four rooms on the second floor of the new building. Assistant Secretary Mosessohn will issue a bulletin next week, in which will be detailed the recent work of the body.

BLAZE IN JEWELER'S SHOP.—Spontaneous combustion in a box of oily sweepings caused a little blaze in the shop of Henry R. Moore, manufacturing jeweler, at 85½ Third street, about 11 o'clock last night. The department arrived promptly, the flames being extinguished before any appreciable damage resulted.

HAY CROP IS MOVING.—The Southern Pacific is moving the hay crop from points up the valley. It has been unusually heavy this season.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

Top-Liners at Shields' Park.

There will be a great array of talent at Shields' Park during the ensuing week. The bill will contain several acts anyone of which will be found worthy of the designation of "top-liner." The policy of Manager Shields is to give his patrons the best show that money can buy, and that he has presented to Portland the finest kind of entertainment for the price of admission is attested by every one visiting his delightful open air resort. For the coming week the management has made extra efforts in the way of securing talent, and the bookings indicate that the programme will bear comparison even with some of the famous Eastern vaudeville houses. New faces and specialties will be liberally provided, and the bill will be saturated with talent of no ordinary merit. The new bill will begin with the Sunday night performance, as usual.

"Winona" by Haywood Club.

Charles Townsend says of his many popular dramas, that "Border Land, or Winona" is his best portrayal of romantic frontier life. This play will be given at the Haywood Auditorium, University Park, Friday evening, July 31, 1903, by the Haywood Club, and a first-class performance may be looked for. The cast of characters follows:

Jack Ralston	John B. Easter
Joe Dempsey	Henry Denlinger
Mr. Lester	B. E. Hughson
Hon. Patrick McFaddle	D. B. Morgan
Cyrus	W. J. Brown
Kidder	Lynton Athey
Charlie	Claude Brown
Mary Lester	Miss Anna Phillips
Miss Spriggins	Mrs. George M. Hall
Polly Lester	Miss Edna Bender
Winona	Miss Myrtle Brown

Comic Conjurer Coming.

Next week, beginning on Monday, August 3, the Empire Theater will present another big bill, headed by Frederick, the comic conjuror. Not satisfied with mystifying the audiences, Frederick makes them laugh, and his act is a great attraction. Martin and Ridgeway, the clown and the wire-walker, will also do a turn that combines interest and mirth, the clown serving to divert the audience's attention from the perilous and thrilling feats performed by his partner. The rest of the programme also will be changed.

Armless Wonder at the Empire.

How an armless man can saw wood, drive nails, load and fire a rifle rapidly and accurately, play a slide trombone and do all of these feats more gracefully than an ordinary man are some of the points of interest at the Empire Theater this week. Clarence Lutz is a marvel of pedal development, having lost both his arms when still a child. The rest of the programme is full of mirth and fun-making.

Follow the Crowds.

Follow the crowds these warm evenings and you will find yourself in Shields' Park. Everyone is going to this amusement Mecca, for they know that it means an evening of mirth and melody without the inconveniences of a stuffy theater. Under the open sky, with cooling breezes and a rattling fine vaudeville programme people can sit in comfort and enjoy themselves to the limit.

Funeral of William H. Thompson.

The funeral of William H. Thompson was held Tuesday evening at 7:30 from Dunning's undertaking parlors, to permit the employes of the Standard Box Factory to take part. Services were conducted by Dr. Cline. The funeral was under the auspices of Fidelity Lodge No. 4, A. O. U. W., of which Mr. Thompson was a member. Interment was in Lone Fir cemetery, and was finished just before dark. Fidelity Band played the funeral dirge. Mr. Thompson fell through an opening at the Standard Box Factory some time ago, and sustained internal injuries that finally resulted in death.

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He Casts Suspicion Upon Fire Fighters Which Chief Campbell Doubts, but Will Investigate.

A. M. Reckard, whose sporting goods store on Yamhill, near Second street, was burned out on the night of July 20, complains that some of the goods were stolen during the fire and thinks that circumstantial evidence points to some of the firemen as the guilty ones.

"When my clerk, Oscar Linn, arrived at the store," he said, "the firemen would not let him in until he identified himself and they and the four policemen and the special watchmen kept everybody else out. When Linn entered he picked up a pair of field glasses and put them on one side and when I got there ten minutes later, he was going to give them to me, but they had disappeared. A showcase was entirely stripped of pocket knives and two revolvers which had been left for repair were also missing. Iron and steel do not burn up. Linn says that the firemen were pawing at things when he arrived and he told them to let the things alone, but they said they were only looking at them. Outsiders were kept out so carefully that none but the firemen had any chance to touch anything. The boys did good work and I have several friends in the department, so that I do not like to make much kick about it, but such things ought not to be allowed."

According to the statement of Special Officer Nash a man who falsely represented himself to be a reporter, attempted to make an entrance into the burning store. Evidently others than the firemen were trying to get into the store, filled as it was with small articles of value.

"The firemen are always blamed when anything is stolen," said Chief Campbell last evening. "I was at the fire and so was Assistant Chief Laudenklos; he reached the fire sooner than I, and was in it from the first. How any of the firemen could steal anything from the stock, I cannot see. I will see Reckard tomorrow and make an investigation of the case if there is the slightest suspicion against one of my men."

Negro Woman President of Bank.

CHICAGO, July 29.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Richmond, Va., says: Maggie L. Walker, colored, enjoys the distinction of being the first woman, white or colored, ever elected president of a bank in this section. She has been chosen to head the St. Luke's Penny Savings Bank, which is conducted under the auspices of the order of St. Luke. The institution will open for business September 1, with $75,000 deposits. President Walker has been a teacher in the public schools here and enjoys the respect and confidence of both races.

Must Remove Fences on Public Range

TOPEKA, Kan., July 29.—On orders from the Department of Justice at Washington, United States Attorney J. S. Dean has directed C. H. Dewey, the ranchman of Cheyenne County war fame, to tear down 11 miles of fence, which partially incloses 13 sections of Government land. Dewey is one of 15 or more ranchmen who are said to have Government land inclosed.

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