

REVIEWED SUBSCRIPTION RATES

Table listing subscription rates for The Oregonian in various regions including Portland, Salem, and other cities.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

PORTLAND, Jan. 5.-8 P. M.-Maximum temperature, 46; minimum temperature, 28; wind, light S.W. and slightly cooler; with fresh westerly winds.

WEATHER FORECASTS

For Western Washington and Western Oregon the next 24 hours, S.E. precipitation today, 0.28; precipitation from November 1, 1894 (622 stations), to date, 15.92; deficiency, 5.65.

IT IS NOT WISE

One of the little silver organs of the state, which are attempting to introduce the heresy of free silver as a new test into the republican party, tries to maintain that The Oregonian has been inconsistent in its introduction of this issue.

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THE HORTICULTURAL BOARD

The annual report of the state board of horticulture, a synopsis of which is printed elsewhere, shows that for the limited amount of funds at their disposal, the members of the board have done an enormous amount of work.

The reason why this good work has been done is that the commission is composed of practical fruitgrowers. Every member of it brings to the board his own, and has a direct personal interest in the discovery and development of the best methods of fruitgrowing.

The extent which this report, by carefully compiled statistics, shows the fruit industry of Oregon to have reached demonstrates how utterly suicidal would be the withdrawal of legal enactments for the conservation of our orchards and vineyards.

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liberal and support of the national republican organization. Here is a question that divides parties, when pressed; the country will not have the silver standard and in that purpose it will be supported by the vital strength of the republican party of Oregon.

The death in Cooperstown, New York, last week of E. P. Beadle recalls a curious epoch in American literature of which the death of Beadle is a sad reminder.

Yet Beadle's dime novels and New York Ledger were made and harmonized with the truth which has taken their place as cheap reading matter for uncultivated youth.

The trouble is that the literature of the uncultivated imitates that of the cultivated classes. When Scott and Cooper made the standard for Anglo-American fiction, farmers' boys and factory girls were fed on tales of absurd romance and adventure.

Some of the obituary notices of Mr. Beadle praise him for doing the work of a publisher, pointing out that the success of his series discovered to publishers the possibility of profit in selling paper copies of novels of Scott and Dickens at the same low price.

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Persons worth knowing about. Moncure D. Conway, who was an intimate friend of Carlyle, and whose life has been the subject of a romance instead of that of history.

A wealthy citizen of New York, who withholds his name from the public, has given \$300,000 to the board of health of that city to enable it to proceed at once with the production of scientific prepared serum for the cure of diphtheria.

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Children thus acknowledged he remembered the names of but three, and yet he left the bulk of his property to the mysterious four of whom he knew nothing.

The ship Pewabic, copper-laden and bearing coined gold to the amount of \$300,000 or \$500,000, was sunk in a collision some thirty years ago in Lake Huron, opposite the entrance to Thunder bay.

The Armenians, whose brutal treatment by the Kurds while under the nominal protection of the Turkish empire threatens to set Europe ablaze, has a curious and interesting history, not unlike that of the Jews.

Armenia existed as an independent kingdom for several short intervals between the dawn of history and its final conquest by the Roman empire.

The Armenians have no special kinship, either ethnic or religious, with the Russians. By their language, they seem to be a branch of the Iranian Aryans, most nearly kin to the Persians.

The Sacramento vigilance committee is running tramps who will not work out of the city in good old mining-camp fashion, breaking up the hobo camp and throwing the knowledge of the tramps into jail.

Steeves is adjudged guilty of manslaughter in the theory that he entered into a conspiracy with Kelly against Sayres, but did not intend that Sayres should be murdered.

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What is Thought of Him in His Own County. Gervais (Marion County) Star. The Oregonian of Wednesday, January 2, gives E. Hofer, of the Salem Capital Journal, a deserved roasting.

The Salem Idea of Economy Persecution Set Out. Eugene Guard. The Salem committee of 100 want the legislature to take the government of the weather bureau, to do away with the office of attorney-general.

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etc. If, for instance, an ounce of silver is worth 90 cents in the world's market, it would buy 15 bushels of wheat or two dozen eggs.

But Settlers Came to Washington Just the Same. Spokane Chronicle. Times were hard a year ago. Money was scarce. Farm products were cheap.

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A colony of Nebraska people has arrived at Independence, to settle on Polk county farms.

The Klamath Falls Express issues a New Year's number of great value and interest.

Mrs. Elizabeth J. Spencer predeceases. It is a sad misfortune that she should have predeceased her husband.

The special committee appointed by the state legislature to examine the miscellaneous bill.

One of Marion's ranchmen became involved in an altercation with a person whose name is unknown and drew a gun on him.

He is now in jail on a charge of assault on a woman. He is now in jail on a charge of assault on a woman.

The supercargo of Clallam county has just returned from a recent voyage.

Ex-layman J. C. Phelps, of Anacortes, has been elected pastor of the Methodist church in that city.

Despite 10 inches of snow, 75 Puyallup Indians turned out Thursday morning to confer with the Puyallup Indian commissioners.

Teacher-North, Willie, if your mamma promised you 10 cents and your papa 15 cents, how many would you have altogether?