MATAMIAS ASCENTOF MT. JEFFERSON.



Clark passed down the Columbin River on their famous tour of exploration they saw and admired Mount Hood and other snowcaps, but falled to see ent Jefferson until their return. when Captain Cinrk found what we had called Image-Cance Island to consist of three islands, the one in the middle concealing the opening between the other two in such a way as "to present to us

on the opposite the appearance of a single island. At the lower point of the third he entered the mouth of a large river, which is concealed by the three small islands in its mouth. This giver the Indians called Multnomah

HEN Lewis and

train filed into camp, just as we were threatening to finish the feast of the night before, and soon thereafter we were on our way to Hunt's Cove, over a trail through a beautiful forest, then over a through a beautiful forest, then over a narrow, rocky ridge known as the Wizard's Backbone, so narrow at times that one might stand on both sides at once. Up and down we scrambled, in full view of the mountain, intoxicated with the grandeur of the scene, utterly unmindful or the mountain, intoxicated with the grandedur of the seene, utterly unmindful of the morrow, and free from cures of the day, when clouds began to gather and a shower seemed in prospect, then a few stray drops of rain fell upon us and some one said he heard thunder. The clouds became darker, more rain fell, and there was no question about hearing thunder. The darkness increased; black clouds hung above us; the thunder came nearer, until sharp streaks of lightning trembled before the cliffs, and the rattle and cracking of thunder on every side assured us we were in the midst of a genuine thunder storm, unprepared for rain, and socked to the skin. In this condition we reached camp and found dinner awaiting us, after which we loitered about the camp-fire and forgot we were so recently drenched.

so recently drenched.

Camp was pitched in a romantic spot at an elevation of 5100 feet, and as a clear sky smiled upon us Saturday, we hiked away to Lake Pamelia, the cliffs, waterfalls and timber line, and when night came we were all tired, but several hundred smarking handless was sectional interest. dred speckled beauties were gathered into camp and we were happy. The ever-present camp-fire shed its beneficent beams upon us and we sang into the mid-

Sunday was a perfect day when some of the party climbed the mountain side

dle of the night.

sheep Mr. Foley owned a coal-black dog, which, when seen in the brush or high grass, was the image of a big black bear. He was useful in herding the sheep, was intelligent, and he at once became the pet of the camp; so attached did he become to us that it required strong methods of persuasion to keep him from following us off.

About 16:20 Friday morning the pack train filed into camp, just as we were



AT MESS, HUNT'S COVE.

of the general summit, immediately after which Vice-President Parsons called the meeting to order on the next point near the base of the pinnacle. The following Massmas were present: Vice-President E. T. Parsons, Financial Secretary F. C. Little, R. L. Gilsan, L. E. Anderson, R. Alex, Bernstein, E. H. Loomis, Will G. Steel. M. C. George, F. A. Routledge, Frank D. Frazer, W. H. Dongan, C. C. Lewis, Prof. P. L. Campbell, A. P. Mc-Kinlay, Prof. T. O. Hutchinson, and H. N. Cockerline. The meeting was brought face to face with a problem that has been informally discussed ever since the of the general summit, immediately after been informally discussed ever since the club was organized, which is, "What con-stitutes reaching such a point on a perpetual snow cap as to qualify for mem-

most exclusively over rocks, and very H. L. Reed, Rev. O. A. Petty, E. L. Mo-nimilar to Mount Pitt.

About 2 P. M. the last members of the Mrs. Will G. Steel, Harry Cook, S. C. party clambered through a chimney to a Spencer, R. B. Wilson, Miss Jennie E. narrow cilft of rocks on the first landing Thompson, D. C. Freeman, E. C. Block-

Spencer, R. B. Wilson, Miss Jennie E. Thompson, D. C. Freeman, E. C. Block-wood, H. A. Young, S. A. DeBord, R. R. Parrish, W. C. Riddell, O. Filing, Carrying out the idea set forth above, at a campfire council held Thesday evening the following preamble and resolution were adopted: "Whereas, parties climbing with the club to the buse of the pinnacle on Mount Jefferson on the lith inst. were elected members of the club inst. were elected members of the club inst, were elected members of the club. and

miles distant. This lake lies southeast of Mount Jefferson, at an elevation of 480 feet: is about two miles long by less than-one wide, is clear, beautiful and in places quite deep. It is surrounded by forests and rocky bluffs, and many smaller lakes abound in the vicinity. Fish are abundant but must be sought from rafts, as there are no boats on the lake. Messes. Henness, Heseman and White, forest rangers, accompanied us from Hunt's Cove and piloted us to a new camp ground in an ideal spot close to the lake. but surrounded by tail forest trees. The ground is clear of underbrush and closes to camp runs a stream remarkable for its sparkling qualities and low temperature. sparking qualities and low temperature. Remarkable even for a stream in the high Cascades. To these forest rangers the club feels under deep obligations for their uncassing efforts to aid us, and their superior knowledge of trails and the region in general enabled them to be of constant assistance. Not only do we feel deeply grateful to the rangers, but to Constant property with the respective model. to Captain Ormsby, who probably made it possible for them to serve us so ably. Right here I want to say that no class of people appreciate more than the Mazamus the excellent week that is being done throughout the Cuscade range by Captain Ormsby and his assistants in preventing forest lires, opening old trailis-and cutting new ones where most need-

Johnnie, the Donkey.

The one member of our party to attract attention and always rise to the occasion, winning the affection of all with whom he eame in contact was Johnnie, a gray-headed donkey, owned and ridden by one of the ladies. Sharing our festivities he looked wise and brayed himself into favor. Around the camp-fire Johnnie had his say and at day-break! aroused us from slumber.

On one occasion, after a hard day's tramp, he lingered behind and, upon coming to where the trail forked, was guided "Whereas, the point attained is not actthe wrong way. No amount of persuasion
ually the highest on the mountain, but,
nevertheless, such action becomes a procedent in the history of the club, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That if, in the opinion of
the other way when he starled off as
trisky as a colt, and a few minutes later club members present on an annual out-ing it is deemed extra hazardous to take midst, laughing out loud and wagging

from a nation of the same name residing sur it on Wappatoo Island. Mount Hood bore due east, and Captain Clark now discovered to the southeast a mountain which he had not yet seen, to which he gave the name of Mount Jefferson." It thus occurred that Mount Jefferson and the Willamette River were discovered by Captain Clark on the same day, April 3, 1806. It is located on the crest of the Cascade range, in Oregon, between Marion and Crook Counties, in latitude 44 deg., 49 min., 201 sec., and longitude 121 deg., 48 min., 19.9 sec. During the '40s it was called Mount Vancouver by the British. It is 10,007 feet high, and is visible over

surrounding Portland. It is surmounted by a sharp pinnacle, nearly perpendicular on all idles, which in turn is divided into two peaks separated culled the saddle, a very sharp ridge of rock. One point of the pinnacle is about 20 feet higher than the other, which, of course, is the actual sum-

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mit. Previous to 1888 no attempt to scale

gust 12 of that year, however, E. C. Cross

nd Ray L. Farmer made the ascent to

the lower point of the pinnacle. In July,

1897, a party headed by Charles E. Rob-

lin, of Salem, and under the guidance of

Lem Gates, succeeded in making the na-

scent to the highest point, carrying with

them the Maxama record-box formerly

left at the base of the pinnacle, and Mr.

Roblin attempted to make photographs,

but his camera failed to work, so he returned to the mountain in a few days in

company with Judge George H. Burnett,

Lem Gares, E. C. Neal and J. H. Collins,

who made the ascent Thursday, August 5,

and were overtaken by a thunder storm

It has been the custom of the Mazamas

from the time of their organization to

decide on a place for the next annual out.

ing about the first of the year, and to commence preparations for it at once This year, however, proved an exception.

In January the club instructed its council

to go to Mount Jefferson, but, for some countable reason the council was not

while on the summit.

the planacle proved successful.

a large portion of Oregon, being one of the five snowcaps visible from the bills

We left Portland Monday evening, August 6 spent the night at Albany, and arrived at Detroit, at the terminus of the Corvaills & Eastern Railway, about noon on Tuesday, where the following persons were found to compose the party:
R. L. Gibsun, L. E. Anderson, R. Alex Bernstein, E. H. Loomis, P. C. Little, R. B. Wilson, Miss Jennie E. Thompson, D. C. Freeman, W. L. Brewster, Will G. Steel and wife, M. C. George, E. C. Blackwood, F. A. Routledge, A. P. McKinley, E. L. McKinley and Mrs. W. F. D. Mercer, of Fortland: Frank D. Fraser and E. L. McKinlay and Mrs. W. F. D. Mercer, of Portland: Frank D. France and W. H. Dougan, of Seattle: Miss Minerva Udell, of Tucoma: C. C. Lewis and Professor P. L. Campbell, of Moumouth; Dr. W. A. Trimble, J. G. Crawford, Rev. H. L. Reed, Rev. O. A. Petty, Ed Stewart and Fred Dawsan, of Albany; George L. Batty, of Canbe; Professor T. O. Hutchinson, of Oakland: E. T. Parsons, of Chicago, Ill.; H. N. Cockerline, of Eugene; Harry Cook, of Salem, and the cooks, George and S. A. DePord, A little later we were joined by S. C. Spencer, of Partland, and the A. Young, of Salem, making E in all.

On the Boaring Santlam. The Corvallis & Eastern Railroad follows the North Fork of the Santiam to Detroit, about 25 miles from Mount Jef-



Colonel Stephens, Crack Angler.

made for pack horses and other field necessities, so that when we arrived at Derroit there were but six horses to transport II persons, together with their supplies. Again, this train belonged to two partners, who appreciated the situation and mode the most of it. Marsanns, however, are not kickers, but made the best of everything under adverse circumstances.

We left Partland Monday evening, Au-COPWIENT IPOD BERNSTER'S ARTISTONS

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Johnnie and His Mount.

increased until an old-fashioned Oregon rain was upon us, in the midst of which camp was broken up, the pack train was loaded and we started for Pensice's ranch, loaned and we started for reaste present. It miles distant. As the pack train could not carry the entire outfit it was decided to take the kitchen and blankets and two days' provisions with us, and send the train back to Detroit before right. To provide against emergency it was decided at the camp-fire Wednesday evening that every man should carry as many blankers on the morrow as convenient. Thursday the packers agreed to venient. Thursday the packers agreed to be at Peasies's at II o'clock, where this second load would be left and the necessaries carried to Hunt's Cove before night. Bright and early we were all on our way, except Mr. Little, who remained to look after the packers. Clouds obscured the sun, the day was cool, but no rain fell to wet the brush and make us uncounfortable. About I o'clock we arrived on Minto Mountain, at an elevation of 1000 feet, and were informed by forof 800 feet, and were informed by for-eaters that there was no water between that point and Hunt's Cove. Under such circumstances we decided to wait for the pack train, and it was lucky we did, as it failed to arrive until next day. Our lunch had been eaten, blankets were scarce, and the elevation was such as to insure a chilly night. However, fortune smiled upon us. W. A. Foley ewned called together to arrange details until late in June. As a result of this vacil- lating policy many members had then made other arrangements for vacation, so were unable to accompany us, thus greatly reducing the number of participants. Another unfortunate result was that proper arrangements could not be

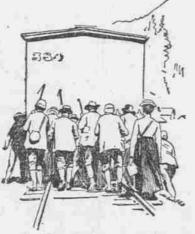
and others fished. At II o'clock most of them gathered together and sang hymns of praise and thanksgiving, and religious services were conducted by the Rev. H. L. Reed and Rev. O. A. Petty. Dinner was served at 2 P. M. immediate-ly after which we moved to timber line and camped for the night in full view of and camped for the night in full view of eastern and western Oregon From camp we had an excellent view of the Three Sisters, whereas, off to the west we saw the Three Pyramids—big black buttes— from photographs of which it is said oil paintings have been made with painted snow on the sides, copies of which are sold to unsophisticated tourists under the false plen that they are the Three Sisters. Daubs of this kind have been exhibited in first-class hotels and labeled "art," and asinine society people have been known to rave over them and gush about their "artistic finish."

First Upward Climb.

Monday morning, August 13th, camp was astir at 3 o'clock, and at 5:30 the upward climb commenced with thirty-six members in the party, sixteen of whom were Mazamas. A clear sky and atmosphere added greatly to the interest of the climb, for we could see all over eastern Oregon from the Columbia River to the lakes of Klamath County, and the moun-tains and valleys west of the Cascades were spread out before us as a scroll. From camp we ascended to a moralne on the southerly side of the mountain and followed its rocky ridge all the way. True to the established policy of the club, the party was divided into companies the party was divided into companies party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party was divided into companies party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party was divided into companies party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party was divided into companies party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party was divided into companies party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the pinnacie, must of which are the party up the party u

bership?" Under the by-laws only such a large party to the top of a special rock his tail like a dog. If the club yell was persons are qualified for membership as or eminence above the usually accepted given, Johnnie knew a thing or two, and summit of a perpetual snow-capped mountain, the commonly accepted summit may be described of which it is impossible to ride, ship on the official climb only, provided

NIEW SOUTH FROM MT. JEFFERSON. "



Pushing the Baggage-Car.

but that the summit is the highest poselble point to which every one must go to qualify under ordinary circumstances. but, on the other hand, to take a large party up the pinnacle, most of whom were never before on a mountain, would

"have climbed to the summit of a petual snow-capped mountain containing at least one living glacer and up the sides of which it is impossible to ride, horseback or otherwise." No one denies but one ascent is made on a day previously designated as the official climb."

The day this rule no one can qualify for

membership on such a mountain as Jefferson without climbing to the highest point, except on the official trip. A very fine anerold barometer was carried on the trip, which indicated an ele-vation of the base of the pinnacle of 10,300 feet, which is only 267 feet short of the total elevation as recorded, which, in my opinion, will eventually be shown

as near the height of the pinnacle. In Hunt's Cove.

Immediately after the climb every one returned to camp in Hunt's Cove as soon as possible, except Mr. Lewis, who strayed off alone to take a few photographs. For several hours he worked, until all his plates were used, when he started across country for camp. Suddenly he came face to face with a big black bear. Both stopped and syed each other for a moment, he expecting the bear to rush off in the woods, but it showed no signs of retreat. He had no firearms and not even a spare plate to take a picture. The pause became awkward and time see to stand still. Finally, however, the disappeared, and Lewis started in the opposite direction shouting for assistance. Suddenly the hear re-appeared, directly in his path, and again they eyed each other, until Lewis remembesed he had on his



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the strain and sent it book again. Our

mascot and our friend.

On Friday morning, the 17th inst. we left Marion Lake for home, regretting the necessity of returning to civilination, and gratified that we had been so fortunate as to participate in the outing of 1800. During the day, and on Saturday until we reached Detroit, the sky was overcast and the sir coel. In fact, every day of the trip was perfect in inself, even including the thunder storm, without which smoke would have obscured the vision during the climb. Baturday evening we reached Albany, and the following morning were safely at home. mascot and our friend. morning were safely at home.
WILL G. STEEL

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