

The greatest singling country in the world is France, though it shows a decline in the habit. In 1899 the consumption was 13,000,000 pounds, or seven ounces per head. Now it is five ounces.

The bulk of the water of the ocean has low temperatures. It is ice cold at the bottom, even under the equator, but on the surface within the tropics there is relatively a thin film of warm water, with a temperature of from 70 degrees to 84 degrees F.

The sugar trust continues to advance the price of sugar in a way to indicate that it has accepted Mr. Blaine's view—that trusts are private affairs with which the public have no concern. The sugar trusts seem to have no concern for the public either, except to make it stand and deliver.

The fruit growers of California, finding that peach stones make an excellent fuel, are now selling them at the rate of \$6 a ton. A sack of stones will weigh about 80 pounds, and is said to last as long as an equal number of pounds of coal and give an even greater heat.

Soap is better than water for washing purposes, because the soap forms a chemical combination with the greasy matters present, and renders them soluble in water. Without this help the water could not dissolve them. Hard water is wasteful of soap, because it contains lime salts, which form an insoluble compound with the soap, thus rendering a part of it useless.

Gladstone says there is now the greatest aggregation of wealth in the hands of the few since the days of Julius Caesar, and, therefore, on the other hand, the greatest poverty and want known to the civilized world for nearly two thousand years. Just in proportion as the wealth of the world aggregates in the hands of the few, the common people become poor and dependent.

An unofficial statement represents that there were 506 Old Fellows in the Cornemough valley and that of this number 79 perished in the flood. Report says also that those in distress are well provided for. They have nearly 100,000 brethren in Pennsylvania alone who will faithfully minister to their wants. The great brotherhood will not neglect its own in times of peril and disaster.

The East Oregonian says: "We assert, and invite the fullest investigation and the completest proof, that considering the relative quality and conditions of the two clips, wool is not a farthing higher this year than last."

Our contemporary is right. The restoration of the republican party to power has been one of the best things that have happened since the Civil War. The republicans, although the lavish promises made by the leaders of that party last fall. Let this fact be borne in mind.

Allen W. Thurman, Senator Thurman's son, entertained some aspirations as a gubernatorial candidate in Ohio. At the recent election, of nominating delegates in Franklin County, his home, he was completely flattened out. A local journal, referring to his defeat, attributes it to the fact that he bolted the nomination of Hoadly for Governor five years ago and has since supported Republicans for local offices. Frankly it would appear that the "Old Roman" has had an undemocratic son, viewed from the strict party stand point.

A California philosopher evolves the theory that the many divorces in that State are due to the coldness of the climate and the high price of coal. In the evening, he says, it is chilly that the husband and wife can't sit down comfortably as they do in the East, and with coal at \$15 a ton they can't afford to use it. So the husband gets into the habit of going out for a walk in order to keep warm, and the wife often gets into the same habit. Divorces soon follow.

Here is a yarn about the incorrigible small boy that was related to the editor yesterday. An Albany woman was telling a Corvallis woman who was visiting in this city of the rapidity with which rents were shooting skyward in Albany. The Corvallis woman, not to be outdone, after listening a while began to tell of the Corvallis rents. Then her small son interrupted her, just as she had finished telling what she paid per month in Corvallis, by remarking: "Why, that wasn't for a month, was it, that was for a day." The mother laughed at the boy's idea, but the little fellow kept right on and paralyzed his mother by adding: "It must have been for a day, any way, because the man used to come every day for the rent." Report says the Corvallis woman hurriedly moved to indefinitely postpone the whole subject matter of rents.

The first early strawberries always come from plants two or more years old; hence it's often well to have an "old patch" somewhere to furnish the first family supply. But of course the largest and finest fruit comes from the new bed of younger and more thrifty plants. In testing new varieties of strawberries for seedlings, we always plant with them, and at the same time several of the old standard sorts for comparison.

Early summer planting of strawberries pays, while neglect of a few weeks, just at the proper season causes almost a total failure. Here we have plants, put out the first of last August (only ten months ago), that will pick fully a pint of berries to the plant, while others of the same variety put out the last of August or early in September are growing only a few inferior berries. Very early spring is the best time in the whole year for strawberry planting; but, if it was neglected then, and you want berries the next year in June, you may have them if planting is done very early in August. But don't fool yourself into thinking that they may be planted any time in the Fall and then fruit in any extent the next June. They will not do it.

HERE ARE THE FIGURES.

Federal appointments—
From March 1 to May 18, 1899, 9,990
From March 1 to May 18, 1899, 2,000
Harrison's gain over Cleveland, 7,500
Extra: from the frontier on which General Harrison ran for office: "We will not fail to keep our pledges because they have broken theirs, or because their candidate has broken his."

WHY ILLINOISANS ARE CALLED SUCKER.

The first settlements of Illinois were made in the southern portion of the state. The land was new and rich, and yielded abundantly with but little cultivation. But there were no means of transportation or markets, and money was scarce and hard to get, and old-fashioned people looking at a big pile of money, or a half bushel, and was carefully hoarded to meet some contingency. As a result of this state of things all the surplus population regularly every spring took up their line of march to the Galena lead mines, where they worked during the summer, and as regularly every fall took up their line of march for their homes in the southern part of the state. This being the habit of that numerous family of men called suckers, which then, as now, ascended the streams, in the spring and descended in the fall, the bands of Illinois settlers fluctuating between their homes and the mines soon became known as suckers, and later on the name was generally applied, and Illinois became known as the Sucker state, and her people as suckers.

The Courier of Oregon City speaking of Calvin B. Brice having been selected as chairman of the National democratic committee says that he, Brice, is also editor of the North American Review. The Courier is in error. Lloyd B. Brice, an ex-republican member of congress from New York City, is the new editor of the Review selected to succeed Allan Thorndike Rice.

The American Wool Growers' Association is making preparations to press upon congress an act to restore the wool tariff of 1867. A tariff of ten cents a pound does not seem to meet their longing desire, and they want a tariff that will totally prohibit the importation of foreign wool. No doubt they would ask congress to deed them the earth if it were enclosed with a barb wire fence.—Ochoco Review. What hope is there that wool would then be a better price, in view of the fact that it is now no higher than last year.

Vanamaker's circulars to postmasters calling for suggestions from them as to the feasibility of diminishing the amount of work done by postoffice employees on Sunday was an awkward and poor attempt to make amends for his action in imposing unnecessary Sunday labor on the crew of the Wanamaker Singery yacht. He had better inquire how much unnecessary Sunday work is involved in the achievement when Clarkson depicts 1400 democratic postmasters per week and puts 1400 republicans in their places.

The vessels of our navy will hereafter be painted white. The order has been given distinct satisfaction as it has been found that iron and steel vessels, when painted black, have been unnecessarily hot, and to do away with this discomfort, as well as to improve the looks of the vessel, white has been decided upon as the color for the navy. Especially is this color considered a serviceable one when cruisers are doing duty in tropical climates. The cost of white will do much to prevent the absorption of heat that these vessels are liable to and thereby greatly increase the comfort of officers and crew and improve the sanitary condition of the vessel.

The medical art in China is mysterious and empirical. The medical profession is regulated by rules almost the opposite of those which prevail in England. In China the doctor receives a fixed salary as long as his patient is in good health. If the patient falls ill the doctor's pay is stopped until a cure is effected. In England a sick person usually tries to assist the doctor by explaining the symptoms of his case. In China this would be considered an insult to the doctor. The doctor may feel the patient's pulse, examine the skin and look at his tongue, but he may ask no questions. He is then expected to diagnose the disease from which the sick man is ailing and to prescribe a remedy. The medicine prescribed is usually very expensive, and there are certain precious stones which are believed to be of wonderful efficacy in curing diseases. One of these expensive prescriptions consists of very costly ingredients. White and red coral, rubies or jacinths, pearls, emeralds, musk, with one or two earths in special quantities, are crushed into powder, rolled into pills with gum and rose water, and coated with gold leaf. This unique medicine is reported to be an infallible cure for small pox, measles, scarlet fever and all diseases which arise from blood poisoning and break out in cutaneous eruptions. The strengthening properties of the preparation are said to be quite remarkable. The Jesuits, who first landed in China in the early part of the present imperial dynasty, affirm that they have seen men snatched from the last convulsions of death by its judicious use.

MR. CLEVELAND'S CONTRIBUTION.

Under the above caption the New York Times says: "The Santa Herald publishes the following letter from Grover Cleveland, sent in response to a request for a contribution in aid of the new Methodist Episcopal Church: 'THE VICTORIA, (New York,) April 18th, 1899. Miss Annie C. Pyle: 'Letters like yours asking for help for churches and other worthy causes are sent to me so incessantly that I find it impossible to respond to them all. I am pleased, however, with your plan to do something or give something for the money you ask, instead of being contented with merely asking for it. I enclose you \$5, and in return I expect you to send me a nice card with some pretty mementos upon it. Don't send me anything other than you can well afford—leaving you a very large profit from the transaction. I expect to pay well for what I get, and shall no doubt be perfectly satisfied with what you send. Yours truly, GROVER CLEVELAND.' A similar request by the young lady was sent to President Harrison, and in return she received a letter, signed Mrs. Harrison, in closed in which was the sum of ten cents."

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

An Indian Uprising. HELENA, June 25.—Advices from Missoula last evening brought the first intelligence of an uprising of the Kootenai Indians in the Flathead reservation. The trouble was over the murder of Sheriff Heyforn of Missoula county, an Indian who is suspected of the murder of two white men, whose bodies were found on the Jocko, nearly two years ago, and it was stated that the sheriff and posse had succeeded in making the arrest and that when at Albany ready to land the cars were ambushed by Indians who demanded the release of the prisoner.

Hirsch in Constantinople.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 25.—Solomon Hirsch, the new American minister, has arrived here. Strauss, his predecessor, has departed. A woman hanged. PHILADELPHIA, June 25.—Mrs Sarah Jane Whitting was hanged here this morning at 10 o'clock. The body was cut down at 10:40. The crime for which Mrs. Whitting suffered the extreme penalty was the deliberate poisoning of her husband and two children for the purpose of securing the small insurance which she carried on each of their lives. The husband died on March 20, 1898, one child on April 24 and the other on May 26.

Mrs. Hayes Dead.

FREMONT, O., June 25.—Mrs Hayes died at 6:30 o'clock this morning. The funeral will take place on Friday.

She passed a quiet night, sinking gradually until the hour of her death. She was the mother of the family, together with Mrs. Mitchell, a cousin of General Hayes; Mrs. Hamilton, a cousin of Mrs. Hayes; Lucy Keeler, Mrs. A. Miller and Mrs. Hayes, all of California.

CLYDEDALE, Cal., June 25.—Friday, the 28th of June, a wool sale will take place at this place. Over 600 bales will be for sale. Wool is in season of extra choice quality, hardly any seed or grease. Growers are anticipating at least 25 cents per pound for their wool. A good many Eastern and local wool dealers are expected to attend the wool sale.

Seventy-Five Shocks.

SUSANVILLE, Cal., June 24.—Continued shocks of earthquake are being felt here. The vibrations are from west to east. Seventy-five shocks have been felt since the nineteenth last.

Unlabeled Trial.

CHICAGO, June 24.—To-night the sensation in the Cronin case is a circumstantial report that the authorities have information showing

that a committee of the camp of the "Cronin" had, after a formal trial, found Cronin guilty of being a British spy, and sentenced him to death.

Poor Johnstons.

JOHNSTOWN, June 24.—A sweeping fire broke out in the First ward at 12:30 this afternoon. The flames spread rapidly and in half an hour twenty houses were burning. In the engine in the place were called on and the most intense excitement prevailed. Nearly all the houses are burning. The fire is spreading rapidly towards Kernville and has gotten beyond control of the department. The fire now covers five acres.

Bolting Oil.

PITTSBURGH, June 24.—There was intense excitement to-day on the petroleum exchange. The market opened at \$3.74 cents and with a rush went up to 40 before a halt was made. A decline almost as rapid was made at 1:30 o'clock back to 90¢, and there were fears that many brokers would be hurt.

Their Purchase.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 24.—The dispatch from Portland last night announcing that the Southern Pacific Company had bought the narrow gauge lines of the Oregonian Railway Company in Oregon was confirmed to-day at the general office of the Southern Pacific Company in this city.

The general understanding here is that following this late purchase the company will build two important branches to complete their local system. One that the officers of the company have discussed for some time past is a branch from Corvallis through Monroe to Junction City. The other branch will be nothing else than a line to Astoria from Forest Grove.

A Good Woman Dying.

CLEVELAND, June 23.—A Leader special from Fremont, dated 11:30 P. M., says physicians have just left the Hayes residence, and report that Mrs. Hayes seems in a greater danger, and her condition is regarded as less favorable. She has taken no nourishment since Friday, and is gradually growing weaker.

Mrs. Foster Says.

CHICAGO, June 23.—Mrs. J. Ellen Foster, of Iowa, chairman of the women's national republican committee, is in the city on her way home from Rhode Island. Speaking of the recent defeat in the East, she said it was new evidence of the "power and extent to which the liquor traffic has deprived the people of this country."

At Johnston.

JOHNSTOWN, June 23.—Colonel Spangler, in charge of the commissary department, to-day presented his weekly report to Adjutant General Hastings. The report shows 25,000 people still being daily fed here by the state, a reduction in the number of 35,000 during the week.

A Big Choir.

CINCINNATI, June 23.—The attendance at the Turner's athletic exercises at the campus to-day was about 12,000. The exercises closed with a mass performance, in which 1200 Turner in uniform, aided by an orchestra and choir of 200 participated.

Two Boys Experiment.

PHILADELPHIA, June 23.—Two boys, Harry and William Jesse, aged 15 and 17 respectively, of a mechanical turn of mind, constantly employed their spare time in running a small steam engine. Harry had set his intention to attach the engine to the family ice cream freezer, and to do away with hand turning. With that end in view the lads were conducting their experiments yesterday when a terrible explosion occurred, killing both boys instantly. Mrs. Kneise and her little son, who happened to be near, were severely injured.

Since Cameron's.

LANCASTER, June 23.—General Cameron is still alive, and his condition unchanged from yesterday. The doctors now say he may survive for several days yet, although his condition is very weak, consequent upon lack of nourishment.

CROP WEATHER BULLETIN NO. 15.

Oregon State Weather Bureau co-operating with U. S. Signal Service, Central office, Portland, Or. For week ending June 22nd, 1899: "The temperature has been above the normal, though lower than the previous week. There was no rainfall, except a very light sprinkle along the lower Columbia. The sunshine was above the normal, though the amount was less than in the past two weeks. The effect of these conditions on crops, while they have not been favorable, they cannot be said to be injurious. They were more favorable than the conditions of the previous two weeks. The partly cloudy weather was conducive to more moisture in the air, and it did not allow the burning of the wheat so much. The cooler weather had a beneficial effect on the wheat. Rain is badly needed in all parts of the State, along the Coast and in sections of the Willamette Valley. In Wasco county the yield of wheat will be comparatively small, the spring wheat is a total failure, the fall sown wheat will be a fair yield. In other parts of Eastern Oregon some spring wheat will yield a fair harvest, about 15 to 20 bushels to the acre, while the fall wheat will yield from 25 to 35 and in places 40 bushels to the acre, undoubtedly an average wheat crop will be harvested. In some sections fall wheat is shivered, but a large proportion of it is uninjured. Morrow and Union counties appear to have better prospects than Gilliam, Wasco and parts of Umatilla, for an average crop. The acreage in Gilliam, as in other counties, is the largest so far known and the excess acreage may offset the deficiency in yield. In Lake and Klamath counties much of the grain is worthless.

The Rogue River Valley will have a fair yield—not quite an average. In the Umpqua Valley the crop will be above the average. Through the Willamette Valley while in places it has been injured the general yield will be above the average. The past two weeks presented a gloomy outlook for the wheat crop, but better prospects now appear, and when the crop is harvested it will be found to be an average yield. The barley and oat crop has not suffered so extensively from the effects of the warm, dry weather. A yield of 60 bushels of barley per acre is promised in many sections. The hay harvest has progressed, the yield is not quite an average. The excellent fruit prospects continue. The berries have and are now yielding enormously. The fruit trees are loaded down and no insect has, as yet, done any damage. The prospects for the entire State, considering all of her products as a whole, are excellent, while the wheat farmer may hope, the farmer having diversified crops will gain. Excepting on May 26th, no rain has fallen in the State for over 4 weeks, this is the longest continued dry spell in the time of the year on record. There is no record of a failure of crops in Oregon, and while other years have been unfavorable, the present year, still the yield was good. Eastern farmers are satisfied with 20 bushels of wheat to the acre, and if in an occasional year in Oregon the crop will not yield on an average over 30 bushels to the acre, there should be no complaint. Climate conditions and the soil are so favorable as to produce 40 bushels of wheat to the acre.

B. S. PUGH, Observer U. S. Signal Service.

To New Comers.—We would say that we have no banns to give you, but we do guarantee good values for your money and we kindly suggest your patronage.

Final Settlement.

In the County Court of Linn county, Oregon, in the matter of the estate of John W. Rosarib, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Administrator of said estate has filed his final account therein with the Clerk of said Court, and that the Court has appointed

Monday, the 1st day of July, A. D. 1899, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon for the hearing of objections to said account and for the settlement thereof.

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