

The Democrat.

RAIN MAKING.

A dispatch from Topeka, Kansas, says: The long continued drought in the southern portion of Kansas has been broken, and the dry soil soaked by a rain-fall much heavier than has been experienced in that section of the state for more than a year.

Those who have faith in the science of rain making as advocated by Lieut. Drenth believe that the concerted action of the people of Wellington, Winfield, Hutchinson and Newton in firing heavy explosives simultaneously was the means of securing the relief which has been obtained.

Major Savage, of Wellington, originated the idea. He consulted the mayors of all towns within a radius of thirty miles concerning his scheme, and while they had little faith in its effectiveness all agreed to assist him in his experiment.

Several days were required to perfect arrangements. The state arsenal was drawn upon. All of the cannons and mortars and guns were brought into Wellington. Everything that could be found in the country that would make a noise and create a smoke was brought out and distributed over the section which was hoped would be benefited by it.

At noon Thursday all in readiness. Major Savage telegraphed his lieutenants to begin the bombardment of the heavens for two hours the explosives were discharged. The noise created was terrific. Windows were shattered and houses trembled on their foundations.

Smoke clouds gathered in small o'clock. Then they united, and by 3 o'clock the sky over eight counties was black and every indication of the heavens was visible. Soon water began to fall. The precipitation steadily increased, and the work began by man was carried on by nature.

Many people scoff at the idea that Major Savage is responsible for Thursday's storm, but the people of the eight counties whom the rain fell upon saw and heard the bombardment believe thoroughly in the art of rainmaking.

During the past three days Adj-Gen Arts has received many letters and telegrams from all sections of western Kansas calling on him for the use of cannons with which to produce rain.

HOW THE OCEAN BECAME SALT.

Prof Edward Hill read a paper before the Victoria Institute recently on "How the waters of the ocean became salt." From an inquiry into the character and affinities of the organic forms of past geological ages, the conclusion was justified that the waters of the ocean must have been salt from very early geological times, but it is not known how they were so fully saline as those of the present day.

There were two ways by which they might account for the salinity of the ocean waters from a very early period of geological time. First, by supposing that the primeval waters were saturated with acid gases, which were held in suspension in the vapor surrounding the incandescent globe; or, secondly, that the salinity resulted from a process resembling that by which salt lakes of the present day have been formed.

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From the examples of closed lakes they could determine the process of salinization of the waters of the sea. Through the salt lakes had been receiving the waters of rivers, bringing down both mechanically suspended sediments and chemically dissolved salts, silicates and carbonates. The sediments were precipitated over the bottoms of the lakes, and the water being carried off into the atmosphere in the form of vapor as it evaporated, left behind the dissolved ingredients. These necessarily accumulated in quantity, and ultimately the waters of the lake became saturated with salts and carbonates, which were then deposited.

The Buffalo Express says "democratic politicians who sneeringly asserted during the canvass that the American tin plate industry was created by republican campaign committees for political effect, and that nothing could be done to save it after election, are now interested to learn that arrangements have been completed for an exhibit of American tin plate at the World's Fair."

Well, what was it created for if not for political effect? Will the esteemed Express have its reputation for truth by saying that the tin plate industry has been a success since the election of 1860? Is it not true that before the passage of the McKinley law the country was repeatedly assailed by McKinley and the promoters of that monstrosity that the proposed American tin industry would be a success through the alleged American tin mines? Is it not also true that there has never been a paying mine in the United States and that work has been abandoned in every tin mine in this country after sinking hundreds of dollars for every dollar's worth of tin mined?

These facts are known by our contemporaries and the McKinleyites know, but endeavor to keep from the knowledge of the people. The truth is that every dollar's worth of tin plate made in the United States is made from imported tin, and mostly from imported rolled plate by imported labor.

The tin of Gov McKinley and his high protection followers in the attempt to establish a tin industry in this country by a protective tariff has been a failure in the true and proper meaning of the term. The proper end of legislation is the greatest good to the greatest number, but the McKinley tin tariff extracts millions of dollars from the people by way of tax and enhances the value of the benefit of a few men.

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One of the merits of an income tax often overlooked is that it will relieve production and trade of the burdens imposed by tax upon the materials of production. It is a tax upon production is concerned a tax on raw materials or partly manufactured articles which enter into the finished product is a hindrance to industry which in a national scheme of taxation would not be tolerated for an instant. An income tax, on the contrary, does not bear in any way upon the materials of production.

A SERMON.

The righteous indignation of the Salem Journal over a sermon preached in that city by Rev. Kellerman of the M. E. church on Memorial day on the subject of pensions known as "The Old Soldiers' Sermon," is not likely to be the last of the kind. The paper bears upon the devoted head of the devoted man. According to the Independent the following is a synopsis of the reverend gentleman's sermon. We leave it to our readers whether facts justify the sermon or the attack of the Journal upon the preacher.

"The present state of the pension business is one of the most disgusting things in our national life. The amount of fraud committed is enormous. The false swearing that is done, and the false affidavits which are made to secure pensions for undeserving persons are awful, and has a degrading effect on the old soldiers implicated, the morals of communities and deprecates patriotism. Right after the war (those who were not so far as the award was concerned) they were the soldiers who saved the nation, many of them sacrificed their lives for the idea of securing a pension. They had lost an arm or leg, or had been wounded in some way, but they were not in the line of duty. They had done it for the country they loved. This was the noblest patriotism they possessed. This was the noblest patriotism they possessed. This was the noblest patriotism they possessed.

It is lucky for the numerous banks now failing that they are not in China. About four hundred years ago a bank failed in China. It was the first bank in the world. It was a very successful bank, and it was very popular. The heads of all the banks officials were ordered to be cut off at the throat. The heads of all the banks officials were ordered to be cut off at the throat. The heads of all the banks officials were ordered to be cut off at the throat.

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MISSISSIPPI.

Albany has a lady black.—Portland Dispatch. A verification of the old saying that the New York aristocracy is made up of English capitalists, is expected here about the 10th to inspect the work of construction of the new bridge. Speeches are largely intended in the road.

A Bold Robbery.—The town was thrown into the wildest excitement at the news of a robbery of \$10,000. The robbers, rushing in, and with drawn pistols, and left one of their number to hold the horse while the three went to the bank at the point of their guns compelled the cashier to shell out the cash. Two stood guard at the door and fired into the streets at every man that moved. The citizens, however, so soon as possible, got what arms they could and commenced a fight. The robbers, finally wounded two of them, but to their content is not a scratch. Three citizens were wounded in the fight.

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The first walking machine made, on to Stewart & Sox and they are out on trial. They do have all kinds of wonders.

It will kill your wife.—To carry that great big child around in her arms. You must go to Stewart & Sox and buy one of their baby carriages. All kinds and prices.

Stowing away hay is the hardest work on a farm. You can make it the easiest by buying a complete Hay Carrier outfit of Stewart & Sox. Call and see it.

SEEDS.—GRASS, GARDEN, FLOWERS.—Fresh, pure, sure to grow a seed at Portland prices. Garden seeds kept in bulk. Field peas and Field corn also kept in large quantities. STEWART & SOX.

ENGINES AND SEPARATORS.—They don't make any better than that "Russell" and Stewart & Sox sell that at Albany. Several good second hand engines for sale at a bargain.

PAINTS & OILS.—The best mixed paint for use on the house is the "Economy" and we are agents for it at Albany. We also carry a full line of oil, varnish, wax and carriage paints, etc. STEWART & SOX.

WILL YOU BUILD THIS.—If you expect to do so well as to see Stewart & Sox. They keep a large stock of building hardware and sell at prices low to the time.

THOU SHALT NOT KILL.—Don't keep your bees in an old box any longer. Stewart & Sox carry live hives, sections, comb foundation and bee smokers at low prices.

WE SELL COAL, IRON AND STEEL.—We carry a large stock of blacksmith supplies on hand.

SPRAY YOUR TREES.—Buy a spraying outfit of Stewart & Sox and take care of your orchard. The outfit they sell has been tried in the state for three years by the best orchardists and is a complete success.

SHERRIFF'S SALE.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County. Chas T Grant, Henry Cyrus and J H Pugh, Plaintiffs, vs Jacob Ladgrew and John Campbell and A Campbell, Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT by virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, in and for Linn County, in the above entitled case no directed and delivered, I will on

Saturday, the 10th day of June, A. D. 1890, at the front door of the court house in the city of Albany, at the hour of one o'clock p. m. of said day, sell at public auction, for cash in hand to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the above named defendant (Chas T Grant) in and to the real property described in said execution and order of sale as follows to-wit:

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SALPIMB BROTHERS.

Will cure The worst cases. Of Skin Disease From a Common Pimple On the Face To that awful Disease Scrofula. Try a bottle To-day.

Send 2 cent stamps to A. P. Ordrey & Co., Boston, Mass., for best medical work published.

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THE EXTRA SESSION.

President Cleveland has given out that he will call an extra session of congress not earlier than the 1st nor later than the 15th of September. Of the purpose of such call he said:

THE BED OF THE ATLANTIC.

Proceeding westward from the Irish coast the ocean bed deepens very gradually; in fact, for the first 230 miles the gradient is but six feet to the mile. In the next 200 miles however, the fall is over 900 feet, and so precipitous is the sudden descent that in many places depth of 1200 to 1600 fathoms is reached in less than 20 miles.

WHAT OF THIS?

"Citizens," who cried the Democrat some days ago in the Herald for some purely imaginary insurrection against "old soldiers" will find in the Organ of June 5th an article that will likely arouse his ire. We commend to his careful reading that paper's article as follows:

THE EVANGELICAL CHURCH CASE.

Reading, Pa, June 6.—Jud E. Endlich has handed down his decision in the case of the Sixth Street Evangelical church case, in which he sustains the report of the master in chancery, deciding in favor of the Dulles and continuing the title of the Rev. J. Sherry and his supporters to the possession of the church. He holds that the Indianapolis general conference in February, 1887, was illegal and void, the participation of Bishop Bowman and Fisher in the deliberations of that body constituted an irregularity in its action. The case has been before the court for two years and will now be taken to the supreme court.

HOOD'S CURES.

Sharp Pains, Short Breath, Heart Trouble, Rheumatism. Hood's Sarsaparilla. Mrs. L. M. Peine, Eagle Creek, Oregon. "I have lived here in Oregon for the past twenty years, and in most of the time have been a great sufferer from inflammatory rheumatism. I have also had what the doctor called heart disease, with shortness of breath and sharp pains in the left side. I decided to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, and before I had finished three bottles I was able to walk and as I had been for years. I do not have any pain now, sleep well, and enjoy no woman's my health."

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At the store formerly owned by Allen Bros. BUTTER, EGGS, LARD, BACON, and CHOICE APPLES, for which I will pay the best cash price possible.

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Confectionery and Pastry. GONRAD MEYER, PROPRIETOR.

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Drugs, Paints, Oil, Glass, Etc. J. A. Cumming, ALBANY, OREGON.

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