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News Summary.

Thirty applicants for farms were in the Land Office at Union, one day last week.

Franklin Post No. 26, G. A. R. has recently been organized at Sheridan, Yamhill county.

The graduating classes of the Oregon state normal school at Monmouth this year, will consist of nine in the normal class, five in the commercial and three in the collegiate. Commencement day is June 11.

The amount of land sales of the N. P. R. Co., at Portland for the month of April in round numbers is as follows: Pen d' Oriol division, \$22,000. Pacific division \$20,000. Total \$42,000.

The Oregon City Enterprise is authority for the statement that there is "a gentleman in this county by the name of Franklin, who has great-grandchildren and will be a hundred years old in a few months. He is as anxious to vote as ever."

The County Treasurer of Multnomah county, during the month of April past handled \$213,255.03. He paid out on county warrants alone \$92,497.56. The remainder of the money has been nearly all disposed of, a balance of only \$39,185.03 remaining in hand.

A tough element infests Spokane Falls. Recently, one man was garroted and robbed of \$35, and another was coaxed into a den and swindled out of \$250. The authorities have commenced a cleaning out of the toughs.

We understand, says the Plaiudealer that definite arrangements have been made for the development of an important and rich coal mine in this county. We are not at liberty to state the mine, or its location, but work is to commence at an early day, and it is probable a large sum of money will be expended in the community.

Stoppage of work on the railroad above Redding will cause Siskiyou county to ship via Portland for San Francisco and the east as the cheapest route. Teaming is only forty-nine miles from Yreka to the Oregon railroad terminus at Ashland, and 115 miles from Redding, and will be only forty-five miles nearer about mid-summer.

Writing from Woodburn, Oregon, to the Salem Statesman, a correspondent says, This place was visited last evening, about 7 o'clock, by a severe hailstorm, which lasted about fifteen minutes, doing considerable damage to gardens. We feared it would injure fruit, but on inquiry we find that fruit was not injured to any extent. Some farmers have had to quit seeding on account of the ground being too wet.

Alfred Cowles, the business manager of the Chicago Tribune, assures the man of gossip on the Washington Capital staff that the Tribune annually pays 50 per cent dividends on an investment of \$500,000. The stock, of which Mr. Medill owns a controlling interest, is valued at \$1,000,000 and the profits are 25 per cent on that.

A distressing and fatal accident occurred Tuesday at Clifton, resulting in the death of Johnny McLane, infant son of J. W. McLane an employee in Cook's cannery. The little fellow, who is only eight months old, when his mother's attention was attracted elsewhere in the house, managed to pull over a kettle of boiling water on himself, sustaining injuries which all the parent's care could not prevent from proving fatal.

Mr. Frank Cooper laid on our table last week a peculiar plant, which he requested us to name, says the Salem Statesman. We gave it up, and he proceeded to inform us that the plant was "tenseal," and that a Mr. Cotteral, who resides near Soda Springs, Clackamas county, had 100 acres planted with this weed, and from which he expected to make \$52,000 from this year's crop alone. The plant produces a very large bar similar to the cockle—which is used in crossing woolen cloths.

The last issue of the Democrat says: The following, clipped from an old Albany Democrat of April 9, 1861, will be of great interest, as showing the earlier history of the Bay, and what people thought of it, "Mr. L. A. Davis informs the Corvallis Union, that the view of the road from Corvallis to tide water on the Yaquina river has been completed. The whole distance is 4 1/2 miles. The roughest part of the route is embraced in the first 15 miles. Should the bay prove to be sufficiently capacious, and it is thought it unquestionably will, for commercial purposes, with a convenient and safe entrance, much benefit will be gained by the central portion of Oregon, by the development of the facts."

The Pacific Journal of the 26th ult. says: For the benefit of the incredulous and skeptic in the matter of building the railroad from Ilwaco to Oysterville, we would say that the road is assured. The Journal is informed this week that the amount necessary to accomplish the work—\$60,000—has been subscribed. With this road built on the peninsula and the connection made between Gray's Harbor and Shoalwater Bay, the garden of Washington Territory will be opened and our country will receive the recognition she so richly deserves, after lying dormant these many years. It is expected that a directors' meeting will be held very shortly, at which an assessment will be made for the purposes of conducting a permanent survey, and also to call for bids for cutting ties and grading. It is the intention of the company to commence work during the summer, but will not complete it and have the road running before next May.

Stage travel has been much increased this season by reason of the shortening of the gap between the railroads.

Grain was never so vigorous, rank and far advanced in the valley at this time of the year. Already the barley is heading out in some places. So says the Ashland "Tidings."

The deepest water in the Willamette at Oregon City is at the rear of the bank building, where it is 132 feet by actual measurement.

Those who have the best means of knowing estimate that legitimate immigration will increase the population of Washington territory 30,000 during the present year.

James Keene, the great stock gambler, has failed. It is believed, however, that he will be able to pay his contracts in full. He was a big Bear, and his financial collapse causes universal comment.

The area planted in corn in Jackson county this spring will be more than twice as large as at any previous year. Corn does well here, and will no doubt prove a profitable crop. Some of the farmers in the valley will plant about 100 acres each this year.

Lewiston regards as a favorable omen the possession of a railroad tie which floated down Snake river from the scene of operations up the river and was secured as a memento and a harbinger of the final completion down to that expectant city of the O. S. L. railroad.

Eleven or twelve schooners are engaged in seal fishing in the vicinity of Barclay sound, and are all meeting with good success. The provincial schooner Grace had already secured 530 skins and the schooner Mary Ellen, manned entirely by Americans, had secured over 800.

The high license element of Olympia wins. The City Council, by a recent ordinance, has declared that from and after July 1, 1884, it shall cost \$300 a year to secure a license to sell beer at retail; \$300 a year to sell liquor at wholesale; and \$600 a year for a license to sell liquors at retail. The bonds to be given are \$2000 for the retail liquor license, and \$1000 for each of the others.

The wool growers of Whitman county met at Colfax, W. T., and decided that hereafter they would bale their wool before shipping, as by so doing they will save on freight to the East \$400 per car load, to Portland 40 cents on a hundred pounds, and to San Francisco 78 cents on a hundred pounds, besides having a big advantage in selling. There are to be five pressing and baling points in the country, viz, Penawawa, Olds, Copley's, Eadicott and Pampa.

Since the first part of January Seattle has received for licenses of all kinds the sum of \$8897.78. Of this amount, \$2269.35 were received during the month of April, which was an unusually heavy month in that line. There were issued during the month 3 wholesale liquor licenses, 26 retail, 5 grocery, 4 billiard table, 2 pigeon-hole table, 40 vehicle, 6 exhibition, 2 peddler's, 1 runner's, and 4 auctioneer's, the total number of licenses issued being 90. The largest revenue was derived from the issuance of retail liquor licenses, which yielded \$1950.

The Masonic fraternity of Vancouver have decided to put up a fine brick building at the corner of Eighth and Main streets. It will be fifty feet front, eighty feet deep, two stories and basement. The upper story will be used for lodge rooms. The ground floor will be fitted up as a public hall, with stage and all necessary appurtenances. The basement will be finished up and used for supper rooms, etc. Work on the excavation has already commenced, and the building will be completed at as early a date as possible.

The other night, says a Walla Walla exchange, about twenty-five soldiers imbibed too much beer, and while under the influence of hop juice attempted to run the town. When the fire alarm was sounded the soldiers broke for the engine houses, grabbed the trumpets and assumed the management of the department until Chief Crane knocked one of the fellows in the head with his horn. The mob then attempted to rob Wolf & Clapp's till, but were checked by the police and a few resolute men. The soldiers said they would run the town from now on, but upon the fact being made known to General Grover, that officer made up his mind that he would have to be consulted in the matter.

A wild boy was recently caught in the Santa Rosa mountains, in the vicinity of Tancanhuitz, Mexico. He was carried to the latter place and put in a well fenced garden, where he greedily consumed fruit, lettuce, roses and the roots of several plants. He never spoke and never appeared to notice the people who went to see him. He appeared perfectly harmless, but one day he seized a little child three years of age and commenced to eat it. Its cries attracted attention, but before assistance reached the spot the young savage had devoured the flesh of the right arm, and had also eaten part of the face. On seeing that the child was about to be taken away, he squeezed it to death in his arms.

An old Indian who said he was camping on the outskirts of the city, went into Holme's drug store yesterday to ascertain the nature of the contents of a bottle which he had in his possession, says the Walla Walla Union. He was informed that the bottle contained or did contain carbolic acid. The old Siwash then explained that his seven-year-old son had found the bottle in a pile of rubbish, and taking it to be "fire-water," he imbibed a liberal supply, resulting in the young brave becoming a "good Injun" within fifteen minutes of the "absorption act." The old Indian seemed to think that it was rough to die by the effects of carbolic acid, when strychnine-whisky would do as well. With a shrug of his shoulders and giving vent to a vigorous "Ugh!" the Indian left the drug store meditating upon the fact that everything bottled was not whisky.

A Woman's Christian Temperance Union was organized in Dallas a few days ago, efficiently officered, and they propose to do some real good work. Their meetings take place every two weeks.

The first exclusively Gentile grand jury now in session at Salt Lake, has indicted one of the famous Clawson family for bigamy, and his various "wives" were compelled to testify against him.

Some quartz veins which prospect well, and have assayed as high as \$100 per ton in gold, silver and copper, have recently been discovered on the mountain near Woodville, Jackson county. Dr. Stanley and George W. Colvig are interested in the claims.

The Prineville News says: Ike Nickelson is now given up by his friends as lost and undoubtedly dead, the last searching party having discovered no new traces of him. As soon as it is practicable another party will go in search of the lost man.

Chinese laundries are springing up with wonderful rapidity in all the southern cities, and the democrats are in alarm. Down there they call a man who wears a clean shirt a republican dude. So poor John Chinaman and his "washie shop" are mobbed.

Nothing has yet been heard from J. E. Granger, who disappeared from near Saddle Butte, Linn county, about three weeks ago. Several hunting parties have made diligent searches, but no clues have been found of his whereabouts.

A train came over from Kalama the other night consisting of six passenger coaches, in which were 227 passengers, says the Seattle Post. The greater number were for this city and beyond, the steamer Olympian bringing 200 of these down the same night. The travel by rail direct from the East is immense and would be the means of filling up this country in short order if everybody who came stayed.

C. Mayer, of Molalla Creek, Oregon, writes this: I have in alcohol a curiosity in the shape of a fairly developed chicken with two bodies joined as one, four legs and two wings. Two necks diverging from either body and converging and terminating with one head.

The Walla Walla Journal is reliably informed that the agents of the O. R. & N. Co. are urging persons who contemplate making shipments east to hold on until the O. R. & N. junction with the Short Line is made, when rates can be obtained over that route cheaper than those of the Northern Pacific.

The main line of the Oregon Short Line has reached the fourth crossing of Snake river, and is within two miles of Huntington, where a connection is to be made with the Oregon Navigation and Railway Company's road. When such connection will be made is yet unknown. Men are engaged putting the Snake river bridge in position. It will be a very large and fine structure. A daily stage will soon be put on to run from Shoshone to the falls on Snake river, for the accommodation of pleasure seekers and the traveling public. A syndicate of Eastern men have purchased the property and will soon begin the erection of a \$10,000 hotel, build roads, beautify the grounds and make all the improvements necessary to the pleasure of sight seers to the great Niagara of the West.

A. F. Parker, Postmaster of Eagle City, Coeur d'Alene, received his commission, mailable, stamps and other paraphernalia necessary to establish the Eagle City post-office on Monday last. The petition for the establishment of the new office was forwarded to the department October 27, 1883, so that it has only (3) taken five months during which time that community has been subjected to a 50 cent tax for each letter received.

Wednesday afternoon at Walla Walla a lad about 7 years of age came near meeting with a serious if not fatal injury. It appears that the boy, who was standing by the side of the track, noticed a light construction hand car coming toward him at full speed. The lad waited until the car was within a few yards, when suddenly he threw himself between the rails. The men on the hand car tried to stop the pumps, but before they could thoroughly realize the situation the car had passed over the boy. The little fellow remained immovable where he had thrown himself until the men, who had succeeded in stopping the car, came up to him, when the boy, having been struck up but could not do so, attempted to stand up in the back by the working gear of the car. He was carried to his home, which is close to the depot, and turned over to the care of his parents.

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