

State and Territorial.

Typhoid fever has been almost epidemic at Amity.

Diphtheria is raging in the vicinity of Lebanon and Junction.

The Northern Pacific recently disposed of \$700,000 worth of land in Minnesota.

It is said that a movement is on foot to organize a military company in Eugene.

The river last Friday at Portland was only two feet and nine inches above low water.

One Eastern loan company has over \$2,000,000 loaned to farmers in Umatilla county.

Never call your child a pet lamb. It is so suggestive that he may become a mutton-head.

A most distressing and fatal disease is prevailing in Klickitat county among the horses.

The first number of the Prohibition Star of Salem was issued last week. It is a large eight page paper.

J. H. Talbot brought some very fine specimens of silver bearing quartz from the Upper Clackamas yesterday.

Suaver will celebrate Thanksgiving day with a grand shooting match at which 100 turkeys will be put up as prizes.

A 12-year old son of Robt. Grant shot and killed a bear, weighing 350 lbs., last week, on the Little Luckiamute.

At Watsburg, W. T., there are stored 6,450 tons of wheat, 170 tons of barley and 100 tons of flour, or a grand total of 6,720 tons of produce.

The recent slaughtering of bars in the Columbia river cost \$8,900. Of this amount the board of trade paid \$4,000 and the O. R. & N. company \$4,900.

During the past year there were filed at the Spokane Falls, W. T., land office 323 homesteads, 522 pre-emptions and 223 timber culture applications.

Wm. Hoffman Esq., one of Southern Oregon's most honored pioneers departed this life last Friday after a short illness, aged 84 years, 2 months and 7 days.

Yanhill people have placed more than 20,000 acres of their lands in the hands of an agent for sale and sent him to the eastern states to secure purchasers and send out colonists.

E. Walker has been engaged by a mining company at The Dalles to sink a shaft in the Hay Creek mining country in what is called the Porcupine lead. He leaves on Monday next.

Last week the residence of Mr. William Smith, west of town, caught fire while the family were visiting near Suver Station, but was put out by some passers by before much damage was done.

Orders were recently given from Woodburn by section bosses on the Narrow gauge to cut down their force of men to three. By this order some thirteen men are thrown out of employment.

Work on the Pataha branch of the O. R. N. Co. is being pushed forward with all possible vigor. If the present favorable weather continues cars will be running into Pomeroy by Christmas.

The case of E. L. Bensell and John Brown, the two Indians from Siletz, were concluded by the conviction of both men. The former was fined \$25 and the latter sentenced to the penitentiary for one year.

Flax seed is cutting quite a figure in the Chicago grain movement, the receipts for October being 1,875,000 bushels; of this amount 250,000 bushels were shipped to Europe. Flax pays well as compared with wheat, but exhausts the soil more rapidly.

Mr. Wm. Ingram, living near Seaside, Linn county, put out poison to kill jay birds, and two cows belonging to Mr. Sam. Atridge, got hold of it with fatal results. People should be careful about putting out poison, and be sure that no damage can result therefrom.

The bill ceding a portion of Douglas county to Lane has passed both houses of the Legislature and becomes a law. The portion ceded is near Florence. It now takes in six miles south of the river at the mouth and runs on a straight line until it intersects the river.

A San Francisco minister, who is the agent of an Eastern colony of 100 families, writes to the State Board of Immigration, stating that he wants 10,000 acres for the colony. He desires the even sections of Government lands and the odd sections of railroad lands continuously until the amount required is secured.

Road Supervisor S. F. Goff at Independence, met with quite a serious accident last week, while attempting to throw off the belt to T. B. Wolverton's buzz-saw. He slipped and fell, striking his right hand against the saw, badly lacerating the fingers of his hand. The third finger was so severely injured that amputation became necessary.

Geo. P. Lent, W. B. Turner, Edward Jasper, O. P. Lent and A. J. Young have filed articles incorporating "The Pacific Drug Company." The duration of the incorporation is made perpetual, with a capital stock of \$10,000, to be divided into 1000 shares. The principal office is to be in Portland, and the business of buying, selling and manufacturing drugs, is the object.

Linn county reports a man who gave his ailing babe a dose of morphine, left by the physician for his sick father—by mistake, of course, says an exchange. The little one, though racked for hours by terrible convulsions and twice given up for dead, at length triumphed over the parental blunder and the deadly drug, though the terrible suffering through which it passed will most likely be reflected in a puny childhood and a short life. It takes a great stretch of charity to denominate such an act a mistake merely. It is at all events a mistake for which there is no excuse.

Citizens Meeting of Lane County.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Lane County was held at the court house, in Eugene City, on the 19th inst., to consider and take such action as should be deemed requisite and proper to obtain a tri-weekly mail route from Eugene to Florence, and an appropriation by Congress for the survey of the harbor of Siuslaw bay and river and the entrance thereto and for the construction of a light-house.

A committee consisting of Geo. S. Washburn, H. R. Kincaid, and J. L. Campbell were appointed to draft resolutions, which were presented and unanimously adopted in the following form:

RESOLUTIONS.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled:

We the citizens of Lane county, State of Oregon in mass meeting assembled, beg leave to represent to your honorable body that—

Whereas, The improvement of the entrance of the Siuslaw Bay, at the mouth of the Siuslaw river in Lane county, Oregon, is a matter of national importance which will afford a valuable seaport and harbor of refuge, for vessels of any size, offering 25 miles of anchorage land locked and perfectly protected from storms, and—

Whereas, This is the natural outlet for the commerce of a very large portion of the State of Oregon the section which is directly tributary thereto, already producing more than one million bushels of wheat, an equal amount of oats, 500,000 pounds of wool, 2,000,000 pounds of hops, 300,000 bushels of apples, and vast quantities of plums, prunes and other fruits, and, and vegetables not to mention the vast stock interests, which are fully equal to any other area of similar size in the state, all of which are in a comparatively embryotic condition, and which for years have remained undeveloped on account of inadequate shipping facilities, which said improvements would furnish, and—

Whereas, On this said river and its tributaries are immense forests of the most valuable timber, fir, spruce, hemlock, maple, alder and other valuable varieties, inexhaustible in quantity, and superior in excellent quality to anything on the Pacific coast, and—

Whereas, The opportunities for development of fishing interests are almost without limit, as the said river and bay afford immense quantities of the finest salmon, cod herring, and other valuable varieties, all of which lack development on account of shipping facilities, which would be insured by such said improvements, and—

Whereas, All and singular of the vast resources of this portion of the State would be quickened and developed by said improvements, it becomes a matter of vital interest and importance to the State and Nation, we therefore, your memorialists do most respectfully ask that the sum of two hundred thousand dollars be appropriated for the survey of said bay, the construction of jetties at the mouth thereof, and the erection of a light-house on the cape near the mouth of said river.

Respectfully submitted,

Geo. S. WASHBURN, H. R. KINCAID, J. L. CAMPBELL, On motion Geo. M. Miller and J. L. Campbell were appointed to circulate a petition to the Legislature now in session to memorialize Congress for said appropriation and said survey.

On motion the secretary was directed to forward the resolutions and proceedings of this meeting with said petition to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress; also the petition to the Legislature by morning mail with proceedings of this meeting.

Captain Cox produced and presented before the meeting a chart and profile of the bay and entrance and stated that the winds have closed the north channel with sand whereby the south channel carrying all the outflow and inflow has become greatly deepened and enlarged and that a little improvement would make it a permanent entrance of deep water.

On the matter of mail route and tri-weekly mail Dr. Gill moved that a committee of three be appointed by the chair to act with the committee appointed at Florence. The motion carried, and A. S. Patterson, J. M. Hodson and T. G. Hendricks were appointed.

T. G. Hendricks moved that the committee be instructed to memorialize Congress to establish a tri-weekly mail route from Eugene City to Florence on the county road built by Lane county as part of the route. Motion adopted.

The two hundredth anniversary of the introduction of the art of printing into the middle colonies of North America will be celebrated by the Historical society of Pennsylvania, in Philadelphia in December. The celebration will be inaugurated on the evening of December 11th, by an address by the Rev. George Dana Boardman, D. D., and be continued on the following day by a grand banquet, at which will be present not only the representative printers, publishers, typefounders, booksellers and papermakers of Philadelphia, but of all parts of the country.

Articles of Incorporation of the Portland Grain and Stock exchange have been filed in the county clerk's office at Portland, with a capital stock of \$10,000, divided into 100 shares of \$100 each. The duration of the company is fixed at fifty years, and the exchange is to be located in that city where it will do its work. The purposes of the organization are "to create a commercial exchange to promote uniformity in the customs and usages of commission merchants, to acquire and disseminate valuable commercial information, and to secure to its members co-operation and just dealings." The incorporators are J. F. Watson, W. B. Ayer and A. G. Ellis.



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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Joseph Woods, Charles Mays, Morgan Savage and Jesse M. Huff, all of Summit, Benton County, Oregon.

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