

Judge Benn of Salem spent Saturday night in this city.

S. H. Williams left on the Stiuslaw stage for Florence this morning.

Miss Martha Medley of Cottage Grove is visiting friends in this city.

L. J. Hicks returned this morning from a short trip to Southern Oregon.

Drs. Hammill and Oglesby, of Cottage Grove, spent Sunday in this city.

Chas. Kennedy, formerly conductor of the O. P. R. R., spent Sunday in this city.

A marriage license was issued this morning to E. F. Heam and Hattie E. Deadmond.

Mrs. J. W. Huff and daughter came up from Albany this afternoon for a few days relatives.

The city nine won the ball game at the university last Saturday afternoon. The score stood 5 to 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Mayhew went to Portland on the local yesterday morning for a short stay.

Mrs. Wm. Parsons returned this afternoon from a visit at Halsey. She was accompanied by Mrs. Plymate.

County Judge Fisk went to Portland yesterday morning on official business. He will return to tomorrow evening.

Wiley, the street car driver, is an enthusiastic member of the I. O. O. F. Consequently has his car appropriately decorated.

J. A. Elbert left this morning for a few days visit to Palouse, Washington, to give attention to his property interests there.

Miss Edith Imbler of Roseburg came down on yesterday morning's local for a visit at the residence of E. J. McClannahan.

Amie's saloon moved today from the Young block to Coleman's building on the east side of Willamette street next to Chas. Hadley's.

District Attorney Condon went to the new county of Lincoln this morning to attend circuit court. His little son accompanied him.

Among the visiting delegates we notice Hon. W. J. Vawter, mayor of Medford, formerly a resident of this city and a graduate of the state university.

Mr. McDaniel, of Crosswell, was in town today. He says the people of that town want the county seat and will donate 80 acres of land and \$29,000 for that purpose.

There were six convicts sent to the State penitentiary from Coos county at the session of circuit court just closed. A special session has been set for July 17 to try two more murder cases.

Captain Hatch, of the snagboat Corvallis, says that the worst place on the river between Eugene and Harrisburg is at the head of Davis slough three miles below Eugene.

John Taylor, of Cottage Grove blacksmith, suffered a stroke of paralysis in that town last Saturday evening. It is not thought to be fatal.

Hiram G. Hawley, of Goshen, made a declaration of his intention to become a citizen of the United States before County Clerk Walker this morning.

Wm. Griffith came down from Cottage Grove yesterday to make arrangements for the embalming of the body of his dead comrade George Orl. Day & Henderson were present for the work.

Col. G. A. Saehs sent one of his ham-boneless shoo-guns to New York today. It will be examined by Hartley, Graham & Co., manufacturers of the Remington gun, with a view to purchasing the patent right.

The I. O. O. F. temple is decorated with bunting in honor of the grand lodge meeting. A flag floats from the staff on the building and another is suspended by a cord from the lodge building to Walton's block.

A postal card from L. L. Campbell, dated Huntington, May 12, says there is a good party of Oregon people on the train and the weather is fine. They go via Ogden, and will stop one day in Omaha, arriving in Chicago Tuesday forenoon.

From the most reliable sources it is ascertained that Oregon has 2,569,977 sheep, which at average of seven pounds pounds to the fleece will give over 17,000,000 pounds of wool for sale within the next three months.

School Report.

The following is a monthly report of the school taught in District 123, Lane county, Oregon, for the month ending April 28, 1899: No. days taught 20; number of pupils enrolled 27; total days attendance 440; total days absence 28; average daily attendance 22; number pupils tardy 2; Department good. The following named pupils were neither absent nor tardy: Geo. and Eva Barnhart, Elsie and Mary Moore, Eva Parker, Daisy Neff, Grace Guy, Charlie Meek, Charlie McCutcheon and Bollman.

A. V. LOWERY, Teacher.

The State of California is virtually bankrupt.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., May 15.—The evening news will publish a statement of the financial condition of the state government, showing that the state is bankrupt, and unable to meet its obligations. Although the tax rate has apparently been kept within the 50-cent pledge limit, the appropriations made greatly exceed the amount that can be raised under the rate. It is estimated in the controller's office that when the Markham administration is ended the deficiency thus incurred will reach \$1,000,000. The general fund is exhausted, and payments from counties to be made this month will vanish in a couple of weeks, and then the fund will be empty for the rest of the year. Creditors of the state are clamoring for the money due them, but the board of examiners refuses or neglects to meet and pass the claims. Debts are piling up against the state, and the outlook for its creditors is not very hopeful.

Frank Northey's Murderer Held.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16.—Harry Thorn was held in \$12,000 bonds today on the charge of murder for the killing of Frank Northey.

Crosswell Cyclones.

May 16.

Ed says, "no pruning." "Rain, rain, beautiful rain."

Hops looking fine though some yards are backward.

The social at the Cloverdale school house Friday was a brilliant success, financially and socially, \$100 being raised to help purchase an organ.

Mr. E. R. Parker of Dexter, the efficient teacher, was requested to preside over the meeting and filled the position with credit. After a prayer by little Maudie Giffry, the programme consisted of choice selections by the choir, declamations and compositions, was rendered. Space will not permit a lengthy analysis of the different pieces, all being worthy. A composition by Ed Petty on the "Oregon Mist" went the whole house by storm.

He claimed Oregon had a healthful climate except at Cloverdale where the heart disease was no uncommon thing. He advised the boys to wait until Dexter's regulator could get the "weather apparatus" and he would regulate the weather all O. K. After supper the youngsters repaired to the hall near by and enjoyed themselves playing games until the "we sma" hours of morn.

Sometimes the staid old men can enjoy themselves just like boys. But we don't think it just in "regular" order to leave your sweet little wife at home and kiss the—well, we won't say any more, leaving the reader to guess the rest.

Mr. Ross Matthews, Pleasant Hill's smiling and genial school teacher, visited at Cloverdale Sunday.

A Cloverdale man offers to bet his farm against ten cents that Cliff Parker can outrun anything in the county. He has been noticed on several occasions to outwind John Sellar's fastest race horse on a straight two mile heat. Although they were not cutting across lots it is needless to add there was no street or road (Streeter rode) by.

Singing school at Cloverdale every Tuesday and Friday evenings, Mr. Theo. Martin teacher.

Mr. Wilson Veatch of Cottage Grove passed through Cloverdale on his way to Pleasant Hill last Monday. Watch a "leedies end," Wilson.

Mr. S. B. Morse and Misses Lillie Scott and Lizzie Broy attended the S. S. convention at Cottage Grove last week.

Mrs. Ed. Ellis visited relatives at Cottage Grove a few days last week. Mr. James Bowman of Springfield visited the Walker Bros. Sunday.

Mr. I. P. Coplin left for the east last Thursday. He will visit his old home in Ohio and "take in" the world's fair expecting to be absent about three months.

Mr. W. W. Scott returned from Eastern Oregon Sunday.

The Goshen correspondent held his breath and some thought he had quit his warlike and evil ways, but it was a short-lived thought, for with one great effort he started a whirlwind towards us that threatened to entangle our far-reaching pedestals with the little twinkling stars and Gilderoy's kite. But the whirlwind, knowing the danger attached to such an undertaking, resolved to take the back track and gathering renewed strength collided with the aforesaid correspondent and whirlwind manufacturer, covering him so deep with the sand and debris of his own composition that it took the tears of a sympathetic and charitably inclined public to bring him forth to day once more and the last we heard from him he was noticed taking a tie pass pass in a southerly direction from the Goshen depot, accompanied by a kind hearted neighbor (a former friend) who had been prevailed upon to escort him out of the community, and he was bearing a placard containing the following: "A well assorted stock of jokes and whirlwinds for sale cheap or will trade for a lodge in some vast wilderness. Where ignorance is bliss." This is in accordance to the first chapter of Matthews and is therefore gospel truth.

CYCLONE.

Both Prisoners Discharged.

LEBANON, OR., May 16.—The preliminary examination of Sam Crow and Mrs. Govro recently arrested for the murder of old man Lovell, was brought to a close this morning about 10:30 o'clock, terminating in the discharge of the defendants on motion of counsel for defense, not on the ground that the evidence did sufficiently connect the prisoners directly with the crime itself at the time of the murder to justify their being held. Motion was sustained by the justice and the prisoners discharged.

Rev. Dillworth Investigated.

ASTORIA, May 15.—A commission of the Portland presbytery came down today to investigate the charges against Rev. R. B. Dillworth. The visitors were Rev. A. J. Brown, D. D. Rev. Thomas Boyd and Rev. W. T. Holt. Several witnesses were called before them and they heard all the evidence obtainable. They left for home tonight, and the decision will be made at tomorrow night's prayer-meeting in the Presbyterian church here.

THE CHINESE UNEASY.

More Gunboats Needed in Chinese Ports.

Deportation of Celestials.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—Prominent officers of the navy, who have canvassed the situation in a very thorough manner, confidently believe that the relations between this country and China will soon become so strained that all friendly relations will cease, and war be declared. It is not thought that the advisers of the young emperor of China will peacefully submit to the forcible deportation of Chinese from this country, provided that the new provisions of the amended exclusion act be enforced. The necessity of sending more gunboats to Chinese ports has been commented upon. There is great danger of an uprising of Chinese against white immigrants, and fears are expressed concerning the probability of a repetition of the frightful massacre of a few decades ago.

New York Chinamen Feel Grim.

NEW YORK, May 16.—Chinatown accepts the decision of the supreme court on the Geary law glumly, but expects something will turn up to prevent a wholesale deportation. Lee Wah, one of the agitators of the Chinese Equal Rights League, and agent for the Pacific mail and the Southern Pacific railway, says: "I think the secretary of the treasury, if he has the power, should extend the time for registration, as a majority wish to comply with the law. They have not done so before through being misled by counsel."

Lucky Democrats.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The president has made the following appointments: A. C. Baker of Arizona, chief justice of the supreme court of Arizona. Edward L. Hall of New Mexico, United States marshal for New Mexico. Benjamin H. Moore of New York, collector of customs for Alaska, vice Edwin T. Hatch, removed. W. A. H. Pugh of Ohio, commissioner of customs, vice S. V. Holliday of Pennsylvania, resigned. Robert M. Conser of Tennessee, first auditor of the treasury, vice Alex. F. McMillan, District of Columbia, resigned.

Dexter Items.

The sun shined brightly and when the small boy is sent forth to weed the carrot patch he goeth fishing instead.

Mrs. Wm Preston, of Eugene, came to Dexter Saturday for a short visit at Uncle Dan Hunsaker's.

Misses Grace Hunsaker and Lily Hendricks, of this place, attended examination at Eugene last week.

A glee club is being organized here to furnish music for the picnic to be held about the middle of June.

Joel Addington has taken a board contract for the West Bros. new barn, which they are erecting on their Pleasant Hill farm.

The patrons of the soil have been making the best use of the beautiful weather during the past week, completing their late seeding and gardening. If indications continue favorable this section of country will be blessed with a most bountiful crop of cereals, fruit, hops, and in fact everything, the chronic weather crank to the contrary notwithstanding.

Elder T. Hunsaker preached at Lost Valley school house at 11 o'clock, and Rev. E. B. Handsaker, of Jasper, preached at Trent both forenoon and afternoon of last Sunday.

If all reports are to be credited Riley Co. is surely in soak. Too bad! For further particulars inquire of Archie Matthews.

The young men of this place have organized a baseball nine. They're going to play in the international games of the world's fair.

J. A. Briggs has his photograph gallery in operation. He will remain here only a short time before starting on his summer's tour.

Your correspondent had the pleasure of attending the spectacle sociable given at Cloverdale on the evening of the 12th inst., and we further had the exquisite pleasure of riding ten miles through the still night afterward before we struck roost. Such is life!

Miss Emma Cruzan is staying for a short time with her grandfather at Cloverdale.

Uncle Hiram Vincent and Frank Taylor paid Eugene a visit last Saturday.

L. J. Kemp, who has been working in Corvallis during the last year, is expected in a few days.

REGULAR.

Silver Purchases.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The treasury today purchased 202,239 ounces of silver as follows: 80,000 at \$2.90; 40,000 at \$2.95; 20,000 at \$3.00; 10,000 at \$3.05; 1,239 at \$3.05. Purchases for the month, 2,318,000.

Dogs are all very well in their way but that place is evidently not the best for a dog, according to the reports received of a small rascal resembling a dog by a society held in Paris. Amongst four blue blooded spaniels whose manners were well high perfect, she decided to give an afternoon tea for the dog things, where they could meet a few other aristocrats of dogdom. The four entertainers were trained to sit on plush cushions, never eat without first being supplied with a napkin, and in fact behaving in the most decorously doglike manner possible.

Cards were issued, and on the day set the swell guests, accompanied by their owners, arrived. Footmen in gorgeous liveries were to wait on their canine highnesses, and the most delicate dog crackers, real cream and bonbons were well furnished by a well known caterer. Alas, however, the guests failed to behave according to the laws of etiquette maintained by their hosts and hostesses, and a row ensued, which, if it had not occurred among such high bred creatures, would have been termed an ordinary dog fight, such as plobetan street curs are wont to indulge in.

Be that as it may, the noise was entirely satisfactory from a sporty point of view, and the footmen and owners were powerless to interfere. Refreshments were grabbed from the tables, plates of cream spilled over the rich carpet, and dreadful as it may appear, even the four well behaved spaniels joined in the excitement with most ill bred ardor. When the last yelp had subsided into a faint echo and sundry guests had been whipped into submission, the poor lady who had originated the brilliant scheme sank into a chair with a deep sigh as she surveyed the wreck and murmured, "Well, I am satisfied; it has been the most unique affair of the season."—Philadelphia Times.

"Roaming" His Country.

"If the horse could stand it," said S. A. Rowbotham, a well known resident of Winnipeg, Manitoba, "a man could leave Winnipeg and ride 1,000 miles west and northwest over a level prairie before he would be obstructed by the mountains. This gives an idea of the great territory lying west of Winnipeg, which to the eastern man, seems way out of the world. The soil of this prairie produces the finest spring wheat grown anywhere, and the enormous plain I've just mentioned will in a few years be the great granary of the world. Eastern people have a misty idea of our expansive territory. We are just commencing to grow wheat compared to a decade hence, though our crop two years ago was 30,000,000 bushels. We have but little snow in the many years I resided in Manitoba I never saw the tops of the bright prairie grass covered.

Cattle fairly roll in fat, and we are becoming a great cattle country. While most of our settlers are from across the water, yet the number from the western states is yearly increasing. We have no wild west frontier scenes. There are no settlers killed over disputed claims, as has been an everyday story in the west for years. Our homestead laws require a three years' residence of six months each. Land may be pre-empted. Gold has been discovered in wonderfully rich quartz deposits a few miles east of Winnipeg, and paying miles have just been erected by Minneapolis capitalists. I predict a "rush to the Lake of the Woods" district next year. Winnipeg has 35,000 inhabitants and is a thriving city. Our winters are cold, but they do not mind them. The atmosphere is dry and the days are clear, murky weather being almost unknown."—Washington Star.

The London Drinking Water.

Professor Frankland speaks unfavorably of the condition of water when taken for consumption in London during November. He says that on Nov. 23 the Thames at Hampton was chemically in an even worse condition than on Oct. 17, though bacterially it was considerably better. The water was very turbid and brown, but was in every case except one efficiently filtered before delivery.

The unfiltered water, taken chiefly from the Lea by the New River company, was on Nov. 23 both chemically and bacterially in an unusually bad condition. Compared with the sample taken in the previous month, it contained more than twice as much organic matter and more than four times as many microbes. It was also turbid and yellow, but before it was distributed it was efficiently filtered and improved. The deep well waters of the East London and Colne Valley companies contained more organic matter than usual, but they were organically much better than any of the river derived supplies.—London Public Opinion.

Meaning of Words.

Speaking of the strange, eventful history of words, the Hartford Courant notes that "queen" originally meant simply woman, but now designates the most glittering place which the earth can bestow, while with the slightly different spelling of "quean" it stands for a woman of a different sort; so, too, "knave" at the start meant only a boy, as in the German form, "knabe," but as boys go wrong sometimes, the word in time obtained an unpleasant meaning. The word "imp" might have been added as having had very much the same history as "knave," for, meaning first a scion, or shoot, it next stood for a child, and now means an inferior devil. Lord Bacon speaks of "those most virtuous and goodly young imps, the Duke of Suffolk and his brother."

The Friend of the Crocodile.

The crocodile devours all birds it catches but one—the stork. It is said that when the crocodile comes on shore he opens his jaws, and this bird enters and swallows the leeches which are found about the animal's jaws and teeth, and which have collected there owing to the creature being so long a time in the water. The relief afforded by having the leeches withdrawn induces the crocodile to tolerate the presence of the bird.—London Tit-Bits.

Shocking Cases of Cruelty.

Ardup was in a lowering rage. Among the letters brought to his desk was one from his laundryman. It ran thus:—

"Patience, sir, has ceased to be a virtue in your case. If you do not pay your bill of \$2.50 within 24 hours, I shall sue you for the amount and keep at you till I collect it, sir, in some way or other. By attending to this at once you will save trouble, and don't you forget it. "The insulting rascal!" said Kiljordan as Ardup, quivering with wrath, laid the letter before him. "Threatens to sue you, does he? It's enough to make a man fighting mad. If I were you"—"I don't care about his threats!" exclaimed Ardup chokingly. "Let him sue. That's all right. It's his backneyed style I'm objecting to, Kiljordan. Think of his beginning a letter to a literary man with an infernal platitude like that!"—Chicago Tribune.

A New Plan.



Mrs. Muffin—What do you want? Starved Most—I bet his dinner dat I could eat 12 o' your biscuits in 12 minutes. An we wants you fer refere.—S. & G.'s Monthly.

Wedding Comments.

"Here she comes!" "Pretty, isn't she?" "Who made her dress?" "Is it surah silk or satin?" "Is her veil real lace?" "She's as white as the wall!" "Wonder how much he is worth?" "Did he give her those diamonds?" "He's scared to death." "Isn't she the cool one?" "That train's a horrible shape." "Isn't her mother a dandy?" "Aren't the bridesmaids homely?" "That's a handsome usher." "Hasn't she a cute little hand?" "Wonder what number her gloves are?" "They say her shoes are five's!" "If his hair isn't parted in the middle!" "Wonder what on earth she married him for?" "For his money, of course!" "Isn't he handsome?" "He's as homely as a hedgehog!" "He looks like a circus clown!" "No; he's like a dancing master!" "Good enough for her anyway." "She was always so stuck up." "She'll be worse than ever now!" "She jilted John Hall, or somebody didn't she?" "He's left town anyway." "Oh, look! The ceremony has begun." "Isn't he awkward?" "White as his collar!" "Why don't they hurry up?" "Did she say she would obey?" "Oh, there, they are married!" "Tired to death." "Glad it's over!" "Oh, dear!"—Cincinnati Tribune.

A Woman, as Usual.

The large bay horse with a white star in its forehead snorted wildly, leaped into the air and ran like mad. "Whoa!" frantically yelled the man with frozen whiskers in the cutter. The animal was beside itself with fear. The man with frozen whiskers yanked with a desperation born of despair, but in vain. Presently he was thrown from the vehicle and lay trembling and hardly conscious upon the snow. "Horse—frightened!" A sympathetic stranger leaned low to catch his words. "new—crinoline." The sympathetic stranger brushed away a tear. "As usual," he mused, "there is a woman in it." Then the man with frozen whiskers struggled to his feet and staggered away.—Detroit Tribune.

Couldn't Resist.

Magistrate—You are charged with taking a watch which hung in a jeweler's shop window. Prisoner—The jeweler himself invited me to take it. He had put a ticket on the watch with these words, "A rare opportunity."—Motto Per Ridere.

Changed.

"Is there no abbreviation for Queen Liliuokalani's long name?" asked Bellefield. "Yes," replied Bloomfield. "What?" "It has been abbreviated to Dennis."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

He Can Afford It Now.

C.—What! Treating yourself to a bottle of wine these hard times? G.—Oh, I can afford it now. Do you know, about this time of the year my late lamented wife generally got a new winter hat!—Blumenlese.

Wanted Sympathy.

Aunt Sarah (during her first visit to a fat)—Mercy! Who's that poor fellow the janitor's throwing down stairs? Hall Boy (carelessly)—Oh, that's on'y one o' th' tenants, ma'am.—Truth.

A Flattering Likeness.

Gent—I should like to have my photo taken, but I want it to be nice looking. Photographer—Never fear, sir. It shall be so handsome that you won't know it yourself.—Schalk.

One Way.

She—Don't you think one has to give up a great deal when one gets married? He—You do if you take an ocean wedding trip.—Brooklyn Life.

Capitol Location.

The editor of the Portland Dispatch, than whom none are better acquainted with early Oregon history and politics writes:

Some of our state exchanges are bringing up the question as to how Salem secured the capitol and if that city received a majority of the votes. A. C. Reed gives it that the late Joe Wison, by playing a sharp trick on the late Stephen Coffin, and inserting in the ballots entrusted to him with the name of "Portland," "Salem," and distributing them over what was then eastern Oregon, caused the latter to have a majority of the votes. The fact is, Salem did not have a majority, but Eugene did. There was equally as pretty a game played as that reported by Col. Reed, with the vote of Coos and Curry counties, and if they had been counted as east, it would have given the capitol to Eugene City. In order to settle this matter authoritatively we think it should be referred to Hon. E. J. Harding, who probably knows more about the true inwardness of the location of Oregon's capitol than any man now living, as he was an important factor in the matter, and for the sake of history, he should give it to the people. The writer has some recollection on this subject, and so have many others.

The visitors to the grand lodge now in session in Eugene should not fail to take a stroll to the top of Skinner's butte. The magnificent expanse of scenery to be seen will amply repay them.

In the wine districts of France, Spain and Italy grapes are still trodden with the bare feet, the idea prevailing that this makes wine better. Possibly this fact may account for the aromatic flavor of certain foreign wines.

The meeting of so large a body as that of the fraternal society now in session here necessarily strains the facilities for accommodation. Yet all have been cared for by our hospitable citizens who opened their homes to the visitors.

Some people are unreasonable. They expect a white girl to work for \$3 a week and forego a chance of marriage when offered, while they uncomplainingly pay a Chinaman \$7 for the same services. The services of Chinamen are not needed in this country.

The powers of Europe have passed an international law forbidding the killing in Africa of an elephant the tusks of which weigh less than five kilos. Of course, the wild elephants that have tusks weighing less than that will walk proudly up to the hunters and hold them out to be weighed. All the elephants that run away may be considered subjects for slaughter.

Chinese lovers are seeking to curry favors for their charges by asserting that "immigrants" from the United States to China will be deported. It is a palpable falsehood. The only Americans in China are merchants and missionaries. The former are there for the profits of trade, and it would matter little if they were sent home. The latter have a promising field at home. Few of the hundred and odd thousands of Chinamen in the United States have been proselyted.

The Chinamen who have refused to register and defied the government of the United States are not entitled to mercy and should be deported to their native land. The majority of the supreme court took the view that has been held by all nations since international law became a science. Viz: that aliens are allowed to remain in a country only by sufferance, and are liable at any time to be refused a residence. The minority dissents on the question of expediency. They admit that China has the right to deport the residents of the United States residing within her domains, thus conceding the principle maintained by the majority. It is noticeable that the chief of the Pacific coast upon whom the curse of Chinese emigration has fallen jibed late over the decision.