BACCALAUREATE SERMON.

Preached in Villard Hall June 16, by Rev. J. R. N. Bell of Baker City.

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The baccalaureate sermon of the 19th annual commencement exercises of the University of Oregon was preached in Villard Hall yesterday morning, Sunday, June 16, by Rev. J. R. N. Bell, of Baker City.

The Protestant churches of the city did not hold services in the morning and the result was that the large hall of the university was filled to overflowing with people desirous of witnessing the services there.

The service was excellent throughout, and was listened to with the greatest attention by the audience. The invocation was asked by Rev. J. A. Longbottom, a brief reading from the Scriptures by Rev. H. F. Gilt and Prof. Mark Bailey offered prayer.

The music was furnished by the best voices of both the city and the university. The large choir, composed of voices from the city, and under the direction of L. G. Adair, sang two very beautiful hymns, while the U. of O. chorus, under the leadership of Mrs. Linn, of the Conservatory of music, rendered an anthem which was very pleasing.

Rev. J. R. N. Bell chose for his subject, "What is Man, that thou art Mindful of Him?"—Psalms, 8:4. As Mr. Bell announced his text he was greeted by the greatest silence throughout the vast auditorium, and this silence was maintained to the end of his discourse, which lasted over an hour. It was plainly evident that there had been no mistake made in selecting Mr. Bell, a man widely and favorably known throughout the Willamette valley and the whole state of Oregon as a ready and fluent public speaker, a minister of the gospel of sound and sincere principles and a teacher and leading educator, who has ever at heart the best moral and educational interests of our state, to deliver on this occasion the baccalaureate sermon of the University of Oregon.

Introducing his subject, he then spoke of the great pleasure which it gave him to again assist in so important a service of this noble institution of learning, over which he has kept a watchful eye since the laying of the corner stone of Deady hall till the erection of the magnificent hall in which he was standing and on down to the present time, having had on many previous occasions, the honor of participating in exercises connected with the university. Taking up his subject, he handled it in an able and scholarly way, discussing man, his origin, his destiny and the position he should fill in the world, dwelling more heavily on the second thought. "Man cannot control his origin, but he can control his destiny;" and so he admonished the student to be on the alert and always keep a watchful eye that he might attain that highest standard of a moral and educational sense, thereby being enabled to accomplish the most good to himself and the world. He closed his address by giving some excellent advice to the class of '95.

On the whole, the sermon by Mr. Bell was one of the most noble efforts which so large an audience has listened to for many days in this city, and its effect will not soon be forgotten by those who heard it.

Final Report of Grand Jury.

In the Circuit Court for Lane county, Oregon.

To the Hon. J. C. Fullerton, Judge: In the final report of the grand jury at the June, 1895 term of the above court, we submit: That we have examined the different public buildings and find the jail well kept. We also examined the offices of the different county officials and find their books neatly kept and the officials seem to be taking great pains with their records.

We have examined the different cases that have come to our knowledge and have returned indictments in those cases where we thought the evidence would warrant a conviction

Having completed our labors we ask to be excused from further attendance.

Dated at Eugene, Oregon, this the 14th day of June, 1895.

I. N. EDWARDS, Foreman.

A GRADUATE'S WISH.—At this blooming period of the year, when the bird-like mellifluent voice of the sweet girl graduate is about to break forth entraneing resonance admonishing us in all life's great duties, and how we can make our lives sublime, one of the aforesaid at Drain makes the following modest requests for commencement gifts from her brother: First, bicycle; second, diamond ring; third, mandolin, banjo, or guitar; fourth, mackintosh; fifth, opera cape, sixth $100 or more; seventh, neck watch chain." The young man is congratulating himself that he is not subject to heart disease or the coroner would have had a subject for an inquest.

ARMY OF CRICKETS. — Pendleton E. O.: Senator Gowan, of Burns, was seen in town Tuesday evening en route to Portland to attend the grand lodge of Masons and the state G. A. R. convention. He reports considerable damage from frost. Senator Gowan also told about an enormous army of crickets which is passing over Harney county. Countless millions of black insects are moving slowly along, doing no particular damage and are going in a northerly direction.

A REQUISITION. — Governor Lord has issued a requisition on the governor of Michigan for one, R. A. Edwards, wanted in Polk county under an indictment on charge of seduction or promise of marriage of a Miss Annie Hedgepath, aged 16 years, is under arrest at Pockagon, Michigan, since June 12, as a fugitive from justime. C S Hubbard started Thursday to return Edwards to Oregon.

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SURPRISE PARTY.—A surprise party was tendered Miss Letty Smith, teacher in the Ping Yang district on Mohawk, at the home of N. Hill last evening. About twenty young people from this city city went there.

CHANGES JULY 1.—Superintendent Field, of the Southern Pacific, yesterday said that the new time card for the overland and local trains of the road is being arranged, and will be announced, probably by July 1, when the changes are contemplated.

JORDAN A FREE MAN.

The State Failed to Prove Their Case.

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The case of the State of Oregon vs Henry Jordan, known as "the capitalist," for obtaining money under false pretenses occupied the attention of the court and jury, and the amusement of the auditors for several hours today. The same witnesses were called several times and the evidence was not allowed each time as the same was plainly incompetent. At one stage of the proceedings Judge Fullerton truly said that "this is worse than a justice court".

It was impossible to prove that the defendant, Henry Jordan, did not have money in the San Francisco bank, hence Judge Fullerton at 2 o'clock this afternoon instructed the jury to bring in a verdict of "not guilty," which they did with out leaving their seats. Of course the defendant was then discharged. Jordan has been boarding at the expense of the county since March and is now looking much more like a capitalist than when he arrived in Eugene.

HE GOT FOUR YEARS

Out of One Prison Into Another—This is Frank Marshall.

Corvallis Times: Readers of the Times, and attendants at the last term of the circuit court are familar with the name and dirty fame of Frank Marshall. Several months ago this community first heard of the miserable and dirty wretch on account of an "indecent exposure" of his person on two separate occasions to school children in Fairmount precinct. For that offense he laid in the county jail until court convened, and after that he served another forty days sentence pronounced upon him by Judge Fullerton as expiation for his offense. Three weeks ago his term of servitude expired and he was set at liberty, and though that three weeks are but a short period of time, Marshal, under another name, has been arrested, tried, convicted, sentenced, and is now in the penitentiary serving out a four years term for crimes of a kindred nature attempted in Lane county since his departure from Corvallis.

Oregon Press Association.

The Oregon Press Association will meet in executive session at Newport, July 29th, and remain in session four days. Accommodations will be ample and the visitor can have his choice of either private residence or hotel. The rates will be from $1.00 to $1.50 per day, per individual. President Beegle, of St. Helens will look after the transportation.

By order of the Committee.

ALBERT TOZIER,
J. R. BEEGLE,
E. L. E. WHITE,
I. L. CAMPBELL,
H. G. MATHIES.

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THE UNION SPY.—A fair house was present at Armory hall Saturday evening to hear Rev L W Simmons deliver a recital of his experiences while serving as a spy under General Grant in the Union army during the civil war. Mr Simmons should have had a much better attendance, for his recital was one of the most intensely interesting rehearsals ever presented to a Eugene audience. He engaged his hearers for over two hours and during the whole time everybody was deeply interested. The recital is replete with thrilling experiences and hair-breadth escapes, and also contains many comical and amusing features. It is something which one could listen to many times without losing interest.

A STRANGE COINCIDENCE. — Albany Democrat: A few mornings since Pres. Bloss, of the Agricultural college and Dr. Reese were at the depot, waiting for the arrival of the north bound express, when they became engaged in a conversation, which drifted back to war times, when they discovered that their respective commands fought each other in the two days' bloody conflict at Resaca, Ga., and that they were each wounded during the evening of the second day's fight, and as near as can be ascertained they were not far apart at the time.

HEARD FROM.—Last Sunday's Lakeview Examiner has this item about a couple of our young men; Messrs. E. K. Henderson and E. D. Johnson came down from Silver Lake last Friday and spent a couple of days in town. Mr. Henderson is a leading druggist of Eugene and also has landed interests at Silver Lake. Mr. Johnson is a young medical student who will graduate from the Portland Medical College next season, and was so favorably impressed with this country that he talked some of locating here.

MONEY ORDERS.—Postmaster Craig received notice today of a reduction in size of the postal money order blank. The new ones are the size of an ordinary bank draft, and are much neater in appearance than the old ones. Instead of the post office seal in the upper left hand corner the new ones will have the monogram, U. S. The seal will be in the center, in tint. The indorsement will be on the reverse side instead of at the bottom, which will greatly assist in avoiding mistakes.

CIRCUS COMING.—The "New Great Snydicate Shows and Paris Hippodrome Circus" is advertised to play at Baker City, July 3d. This show will be in Eugene the last of July or first of August.

MARRIED.—In Eugene, June 13, 1895, at 11 p m by Justice of the Peace A. E. Wheeler, at his residence, Wm. D. Moss and Miss Elma N. Gould, both of Junction City.

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GLORY TICKETS.—County Clerk Jennings today issued the following marriage licenses: Stephen B Robertson and Ida Rich; B F Scott and Jennie Teutsch.

MARRIAGE LICENSE. — County Clerk Jennings, has issued a marriage license to William David Moss and Miss Elma Nora Gould, all of Lane county, Oregon.

A marriage license has been issued by the county clerk to B. F. Brannon and Marcella Sovern.

The Incest Case.

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Chester McQueen and Ida Purkerson, now known as Ida McQueen, first cousins, who were indicted by the late grand jury for the crime of incest, on account of their recent marriage, were arraigned in court for the crime Saturday evening. L. Bilyeu was appointed by the court to defend the couple. They gave bonds in the sum of $100, with Geo. C. Freeman and Mrs. M. J. Skelton as surties.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock the attorney for the defendants presented a demurrer to the indictment and the same was argued. The demurrer claims that the grand jury had no legal authority to inquire into the crime, because the same was not triable in this county; also to its form; also that more than one crime is alleged; also that the facts stated do not constitute a crime against said defendant or either of them and does not constitute a crime at all.

After the conclusion of the argument by the attorneys, Judge Fullerton took the matter under advisement until tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock when he will give a decision.

Hop Intelligence.

The hop crop just picked in Victoria, which is the chief hop growing Australian colony, is rather less than that of 1894 being estimated at 630,000 lbs., against 660,000 lbs. in 1894, 751,714 lbs. in 1893 and 866 705 lbs. in 1892. It is considerably less than the average of the past ten years.

There is no change to report either in the market or condition of the crop. The growing crop is still a matter of speculation. Many yards are very spotted and even the best hills do not seem to recover from the cold snap as it was hoped they would.—Waterville Times.

TOPOGRAPHICAL SURVEYS.—Richard V Goode, of San Francisco, United States geographer in charge of the Pacific coast division of topography, is en route to San Francisco to make preparations for active work during the summer and fall throughout his division. The last congress appropriated $400,000 for topographic and geological survey of the country. Of this amount $60,000 was apportioned the Pacific coast division, in charge of Mr. Goode, consisting of California, Oregon and Washington, half of which shall be devoted to topographic work and half to geographical survey. California will receive as much benefit from this amount as Oregon and Washington combined. Work will begin in real earnest soon in Oregon and Washington.

THE SALEM B. & L. A.—Journal: At the regular meeting of the Salem Building and Loan Association, which was held under adjournment this morning at 9 o'clock, $1150 were loaned at 85 months and $1040 for 73 months, interest in advance. Withdrawals, to the amount of $2650 were ordered paid out of the funds in the treasury. The secretary reported that notwithstanding the trying times of the past year—only one borrower had become so delinquent as to give cause for foreclosure proceedings. The fact that in five and one-half years of the Association's life there have been but two foreclosures—aggregating some $1500, shows the very healthy conditions of this strong local organization.

QUITE CONSIDERATE. — Cottage Grove Leader: "George Proctor, a six-year-old tot, who with his mother, is visiting Mr and Mrs J P Currin, made an almost successful effort Wednesday, to sail up among the angels. He was walking on a crossing, over the river, when he fell into deep, swift running water. He was in up to his neck and had floated down some distance before his mother and all the women and children in the neighborhood reached the place. The little fellow was quite considerate, and when he saw his mother wading in after him he told her to stay out, and not get drowned trying to save him, for he would drown anyway and he was plenty of the family to lose that way."

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WHO PAYS COSTS?—This it what is agitating the lawyers and parties in and to the suit of C. O. Matteson vs A. D. Hyland, tried yesterday, the jury finding for Matteson in the sum of $1. The case came up from the Fall Creek justice court where Matteson received a verdict of $52. This is the second time it has been tried in the higher court, the jury at the last term failing to agree. The costs amount to nearly $400, hence the anxiety of those concerned. It appears that the law is not very plain on the proposition.

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TO BLUE RIVER.—John Brown, accompianed by two other gentlemen, left for the Blue River mines this morning. They are stockholders in the Durango mine and intend sinking the shaft on the lode 50 feet deeper. They took with them an abundance of supplies. They purchased several lengths of the old fire department cotton hose to use in the work. This mine is said to prospect well.

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HORSES FOR PORTLAND.—The following horses will be shipped from Eugene to Portland this evening where they are to be entered in the races to commence at that place Thursday: Pacers—Sophie R owned by Sommerville and Pickard, and Pathmount owned by H B Miller. Runners—Black Prince owned by Sommerville Bros., Black Alder owned by R R Hayes, Paddy Ryan owned by Phil. Painter, Verdie Paul owned by Guy Demming.

GET YOUR GUN READY.—An exchange says a swindler is abroad in the land, offering a box containing 36 pieces of soap for a dollar, and he gives as a prize a rubber door mat with initials of the purchaser upon it. He delivers the soap, which is a fraud, and promises to deliver the mat as soon as it can be manufactured with the owner's name on, collects the dollar, and vanishes to be seen no more.

REPAIRING SWITCH.—The S P company has a force of men at work repairing the switch leading to the flouring mill. A new trustle will be built across the race leading to the mill.

Personal.

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Mrs. S. Munra is visiting in Eugene.

Commissioner Callison is in town today.

Rev C A Wooley arrived home this afternoon.

E. H. Lauer returned to Eugene yesterday morning.

F L Chambers went to Portland yesterday morning.

James F. Robinson has returned home from Portland.

Rev. W. S. Gilbert returned home from Monmouth today.

Master Jimmy Murray has returned to his home in Portland.

Prof Condon went to Salem today and will return tomorrow.

Mrs F W Osburn has returned home from a week's visit to Salem.

J L Hampton, of Paisley, gave this office a pleasant call today.

Judge Fullerton spent last night at his home in Roseburg returning here this morning.

Chas. A. Gray and son, G W, of Salem, were passengers for the upper McKenzie today.

T M Keeney is up from Portland for a few days visit. He went to Goshen this afternoon.

Father Stravins went to Cottage Grove this afternoon and will conduct services there tonight.

Mrs C M Lockwood, of Salem, is spending the week in Eugene as the guest of Mrs H R Kincaid.

Mrs John Krause and Miss Mamie Kinsey, of Salem, arrived yesterday to attend commencement exercises.

C. A. Scott returned from Creswell this morning where he had been to attend the marriage of his brother.

David Collier, who has been spending several years in the East, returned to visit with his parents yesterday.

Secretary of State H. R. Kincaid returned to Salem this morning. He was accompanied by his son, Webster.

O W Hurd, Geo H Colter and C B Morgan were passengers on this morning's stage for their homes on the lower Siuslaw.

Miss Agness Millican, of this county, is visiting at Athena. Her duties as teacher in the Pendleton schools are ended for this year.

Mrs W I Vawter, of Medford, accompanied by her mother, Mrs Hill, arrived here this morning to attend commencement exercises.

J. B. Mullay, of Portland, of the U. S. revenue office, spent Sunday in Eugene. The gentleman will be promoted to chief deputy July 1st.

Rev. J. R. N. Bell left yesterday afternoon for Roseburg to pay his aged mother a visit. He will return here Thursday to attend the graduating exercises.

S R Taylor went to Oregon City to attend the G. A. R. encampment. Mesdames Ray DeLano and Jennie Higgins went to the same place to attend a meeting of the W. R. C.

Saturday's Pendleton Tribune; Mrs Munra, of Meacham, passed through Pendleton last night going to Eugene, where she will serve the alumni dinner at the state university on June 20.

Hon S P Sturgis, of Pendleton, accompanied by his son, arrived here this afternoon. Mr Sturgis is one of the newly appointed Regents of the University of Oregon.

Senator Alley and J L Furnish, of Florence, arrived here Saturday evening. They left yesterday moning for Oregon City to attend the grand encampmennt of the G. A. R.

A DESERVED TRIBUTE.—Sunday's Oregonian: Mr J F Robinson, of Eugene, elected secretary of the grand lodge of Masons, left for his home last night. Mr. Robinson has been an active member of this order for 27 years, and became a Mason first in Macon, Mo. He came to Oregon in 1872, and, choosing Eugene as his home, affiliated with the lodge there, and has served it for some time as its secretary. He is manager of the electric light and power company of Eugene, and stands high in the esteem and confidence of all who know him.

THE STEAMER.—Harrisburg Review: "Through the inveterate efforts of the GUARD, the benefits to accrue to the city of Eugene, by having steamboat service, has been kept well before the people. They now propose to build and equip a steamboat to be owned and controlled by their own capitalists. This will lead to a fair test. They will at least have the pleasure of dictating its management."

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A CHANGE.—George Whitney has resigned his position as Western Union telegraph operator in this city and accepted a position as operator for the same company at Woodland, California. Jim Chamberlain formerly S. P. night operator in this city will have charge of the Western Union office, and John Whitney will retain charge of the express business. George Whitney left for the scenes of his new labors Saturday night.

MARRIED.—In the M. E. church at Creswell, Sunday June 16, 1895, at 8:30 p. m., by Rev. Gittins, Mr B F Scott and Miss Jennie Teutsch, both of that city. The young couple was accompanied to the church by a large number of friends, and the ceremony was performed just at the close of the preaching services. The newly wedded couple were the recipients of many handsome and useful presents.

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WENT FISHING.—Mesdames Norton, DeLano, Frazer, Burr and others went to the McKenzie fishing today. They were prepared for a day's outing and would have offered most tempting inducements to betray the cunning trout from his element, had not the black clouds appeared in the sky this afternoon and frightened them home.

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A PLEASANT PARTY.—The Misses Loomis, Saturday evening, at the residence of their parents on Twelfth street gave a reception in honor of their guest, Miss Mary Van Wagner, of Salem. A delightful time was had by the 50 guests present. The evening was spent in social converse and listening to excellent music. During the evening a very fine luncheon was spread.

SECRETARY KINCAID'S SALARY.

The Salem Journal editorially says: "That unprincipled monopolistic sheet, the Portland Oregonian, has persistently slandered the office of the secretary of state. It has slurred and insulted both the past and present administration of this office and held both Secretary Kincaid and ex-Secretary McBride up as public robbers who improperly persuaded the legislature to retain their enormous fees and salaries.

"The facts do not leave Harvey Scott a foot of ground to stand upon. The facts show that the office at present is not paying over $5,000 a year, and it has never paid the occupant over from $5,000 to $7,000 a year.

"The Oregonian has published several times as a fact that the secretary of state receives in salary and fees $20,000 a year. Secretary Kincaid has today made up the figures of receipts of his office for six months past, salary, fees from insurance companies, sales of books, etc., a total of $4,726.53, of this he turned over to the state treasury according to law $2,480.14 and has retained for his services $2,246.39.

"The clerical force of department of state is paid out of appropriations made biennially by the legislature. Not a dollar is paid out for that purpose that is not absolutely necessary. Until last Monday there was work in copying the laws and legislative journals for a number of typewriters. That work was completed Monday and they were all discharged. Of course the Oregonian will not correct its statements to the contrary

"The Journal does not agree with Mr. Kincaid in all public matters and is not excusing big fees or big salaries. But we want the people to consider the above facts as against the Oregonian's mere slanderous assertions and draw their own conclusions. Harvey Scott will defend a man like Lotan and villify a man like Kincaid. He probably has reasons for doing so, and has tastes and ideas in such matters that are peculiarly his own. When the people come to pass their final opinion on public officials their judgment will not be unfavorable to Mr. Kincaid."

TO DESTROY CATERPILLARS.

A correspondent in an exchange says.

"Caterpillars on trees are easily killed. Every year I hear of them destroying whole orchards and there is nothing that can be disposed of more easily. I bore a hole in the tree deep enough to reach the sap, fill it with sulphur and then plug it up. The result is magical. The sap takes the sulphur to every branch and twig and caterpillars die at once. I have gathered up the insects by the pint under trees that had become infested with them before I noticed and destroyed them. I have never known the remedy to fail and I never knew of a tree being injured by it, and I have pursued this course for many years."

We find the following gem going the rounds of the press, without credit: "Remember this young man, be careful what you say about a woman's character Think how many years she has been building it, of the toils and privations endured, of wounds received, and let no suspicions follow her actions. The purity of the women is the salvation of the race, the hope of greatness and the redemption of man. Wipe out her purity and the man sinks beneath the wave of despair, without a star to guide his life into the channel of safety. Think then before you speak, and remember that any hog can root up the fairest flower that ever grew; so the vilest man can ruin the purest woman's character."

As an example of the progress that has been made in settling disputes that so frequently arise between great nations it is stated that during the whole war, in which the Japanese completely overran the Northern provinces of China and reduced that empire of 400,000,000 population to humble submission, only 590 Japanese were killed in battle—less than were frequently killed in a skirmish during our late civil war. The pictures of terrible battles and stubborn fighting which were cabled by the correspondents during the progress of the struggle, must have been painted from imagination. It is quite evident that those orientals don't know what serious fighting is.

Ex-Collector Quinn, of San Francisco, says that in the last forty years the Chinese have sent $1,400,000,000 of money out of this country. He believes that this has had a serious effect upon the finances of the United States; that the Chinese represent a live danger today, and are likely to become still more dangerous under the operation of a new treaty.

HE PREFERS OREGON.

William Skipton arrived yesterday, says Friday's Corvallis Times, after a three week's absence, during which he was in California, Texas, Arizona, Colorado, Oklahoma, Utah and other states. He went to seek his fortune but has returned to Oregon to remain. It was in Kansas that he saw a farmer heading a 30 acre wheat field. Three rounds were made without unloading the header bed, and the highest guess made by those who watched the proceedings was that the whole thirty acres would turn off three header bed loads. In Oklahoma he saw many fields of wheat on which the grain had reached a height of six to eight inches, and had been so burned by the hot winds that the blades had turned almost white. Then corn had been planted in the same field with the dead wheat standing between the rows. Hot winds, when William was there, had also cooked the corn and it was languishing in the hot sun, lifeless and without pride of past or hope of future. En route home, one man said all that Oklahoma needed was moisture and good society and it would be the garden spot of earth. A man who had spent some time in Oklakoma cruelly rejoined: "Yes with plenty of moisture and good society h—l would be a lovely place." It was in Arizona that William saw a man mowing hay, and every time the sickle bar struck a clod it raised the sickle above the top of the hay. That was the sight that made William homesick for Oregon where the hay sometimes overtops a tall man's head, and he heaved a sigh and struck for Webfoot, to live and die.

The crop of Lane county promises to be very large.

This is the time of year when the small boy "is in the swim," whether his father is or not.

Every lean man thinks it would be very easy to get rid of excessive fat; and every fat man thinks the thin men have all taken the anti fat remedy.

When one thinks of it, it is a rare thing to hear a man apologize to his wife; yet a good many men owe their wives more apologies than they owe all the world besides.

The executive's office issued a duplicate warrant on the United States treasury for $4,122.35, due the state of Oregon for five per cent of the sales of public lands within the state, for the fiscal year ending June 3, 1894. The original draft for this amount was lost.

According to the assessment roll for 1894 and the census for 1890, the wealth per capita of Willamette valley counties is as follows: Yamhill, $621; Linn, $570; Marion, $584; Lane, $516; Polk, $477; Benton, $407; Washington, $402; Clackamas, $398.

The blast furnaces of the Mahoning and Shenango Valleys have decided on another ten per cent. advance in wages—the second within two months. If this goes on something radica will have to be done to prevent free trade from winning Ohio.

State Supt. Irwin figures up the entire number of boys between 4 and 20 years in Oregon as 64,567; girls, 62,398. Lake county pays its teachers best, the average for male being $70 per month; female, $53. Linn pays the least, $33 for male and $22 for female.

Pendleton E. O.: In Yaquina bay and Newport, where the state press association is to meet in July, on the Yaquina bay, there are crabs, oysters, mussels, clams, butter fish, shell fish and fish of every kind, and the people of that section just simply live on the "fat of the land" by setting the table when the tide goes out. Yaquina is to Oregon what Chesapeake bay is to Virginia.

Pennsylvania has recently adopted a law which provides that those owning and using draft wagons with tires not less than four inches in width for hauling loads of not less than two thousand pounds, shall receive a rebate of one-fourth of their road tax. Michigan has had for about fifteen years a similar law, and the effect is very apparent. Roads are more easily built, and they keep themselves in repair except the removing of loose rock.

At present the liveliest competitor of the United States in the world's wheat market is Argentine. Her wheat product increased from 16,000,000 bushels in 1889 to 100,000,000 bushels in 1894. From 1885 to 1894 the price declined from $1.50 to 38 cents a bushel. Cheap land and American harvesting machinery had something to do with it, but the main stimulus to production was cheap labor. The South American planter can now lay wheat down at the seaboard at forty cents a bushel in gold and make a big profit.