

OREGON PROHIBITIONISTS.

Nominate State Officers—National Platform of 1896 Adopted.

The Prohibition party of Oregon held its state convention in Newberg Wednesday. The number of delegates present was somewhat smaller than expected. Interesting sessions were held and much enthusiasm was manifested. The following nominations were made:

Representatives—First district, L. E. Peterson, of Woodburn; second district, C. W. Ingalls.

Governor—H. M. Clinton, of Portland.

Secretary of state—H. C. Davis, of Halsey.

State treasurer—Moses Botaw, of Newberg.

Superintendent of public instruction—B. E. Emerick, of Philomath.

Supreme judge—T. W. Hackerman, of Albany.

Attorney-general—T. J. Bright, of Wasco.

State printer—M. P. Marquam, of Forest Grove.

The national platform, which was adopted, follows:

"The prohibition party, in national convention assembled, declares its conviction that the manufacture, exportation, importation and sale of alcoholic beverages has produced such social, commercial, industrial and political wrongs, and is now so threatening the perpetuity of all our social and political institutions that the suppression of the same by a national party, organized therefore, is the greatest object to be accomplished by the voters of our country, and is of such importance that it of right ought to control the political action of all our patriotic citizens until such suppression is accomplished. The urgency of this cause demands the union without further delay of all citizens who desire the prohibition of the liquor traffic; therefore,

"Resolved, That we favor the legal prohibition, by state and national legislation, of the manufacture, importation, exportation and interstate transportation and sale of alcoholic beverages; that we declare our purpose to organize and unite all the friends of prohibition into one party, and in order to accomplish this end, we deem it but right to leave every prohibitionist the freedom of his own convictions upon all other political questions, and trust our representatives to take such action upon other political questions as the change occasioned by prohibition, and the welfare of the whole people shall demand."

BIGGEST FIND OF ALL.

A Great Mine Near Susanville, Grant County.

W. P. Mount, of Susanville, arrived in Canyon City Wednesday, having in his possession some of the richest and most beautiful free gold quartz specimens ever seen in this country, taken from his recent discovery, the Skyscraper mine. The specimens exhibited were of the pretty white quartz variety, almost identically the same as taken from the Vitruve mine, near Baker City, and came nearer being nuggets than quartz specimens.

"I have known for several months past that the Skyscraper would, if sufficiently developed, become a billion-dollar mine of no mean importance," said Mr. Mount, "but the past week has shown it to be perhaps the richest mine on the coast. Even prior to the finding of the extremely rich body of ore uncovered a few days ago, the normal and continuous wealth of the ledge was regarded by practical mining men as phenomenal, the returns from samples taken indiscriminately ranging from \$80 to \$350 per ton. April 1 a body of gold was encountered in the level following the ledge, a description of which would sound more like fiction than fact. At this point the lively, clear-cut, hard quartz is literally welded and bound together by the yellow metal, samples going as high as \$150,000 per ton. From eight ounces of this ore \$25 was extracted in coarse gold, while selected specimens would give greater returns. From the result of three days' stripping we estimate that \$30,000 worth of ore will be taken out. The deposit of gold has been traced along the ledge for a distance of 1,700 feet, showing an ore chute of very unusual length, and the ledge ranging in width from one to four feet. Every particle of the rock extracted from the commencement of operations last August up to the present time will average \$100 per ton, something unknown in the history of gold mining the world over.

"It is not a pocket ledge by any means, as may be surmised from its extreme richness, but at times the gold seems to be concentrated in very rich bunches, though without interfering a particle with the regular precipitation of the wealth characteristic of the ledge.

"Negotiations are under way for the erection of a modern stamp mill of large capacity, including rockbreaker, concentrator and self-feeder. Just as soon as the roads are in good condition the plant will be forwarded to the property without delay."

The Skyscraper is not the only mine in the Susanville district, by any means. Messrs. De Witt and McLean, operating the Hughes group in the interest of a San Francisco company, have completed their shipment of ore and are now pushing development work vigorously and as soon as the roads will admit they will have a 10-stamp mill.

ANIMALS AS MODELS.

Some of the Experiences of an Artist in Sketching From Life.

"Leaves from the Sketch Book of an Animal Artist," is an article by Meredith Nugent in the St. Nicholas. Mr. Nugent says: There was an elephant in the Jardin-des-Plantes that would not pose unless he were paid for it, and paid in advance. Then he took payment in buns and pie, but if these were not forthcoming, he would deliberately walk to the farther end of the enclosure and turn his back. The only way to get a drawing of this big fellow was to engage some one to feed him meanwhile. In the same garden I saw an unusually interesting sight one morning. A little sunbeam with a large marrow bone in his shaggy paws was resorting to all sorts of bear devices to get the sweet marrow. Suddenly he lay down on his back, placed one end of the bone in his jaws, and with his hind paws tipped the other end of the bone so high up that the choice morsel slipped into his mouth. If the animal could only have understood the shouts of approval that greeted this performance, I think it would have turned his head. In one of the sketches you will see how this feat was accomplished. As a rule I find the models very good natured. True, they keep a sharp eye on me for the first few days, but after that are generally quite friendly. Of course, there are some parts of the business they do not like. The oriole never was happy when I held him in my hand for close inspection, but a beautiful cat which rebelled when I first placed her in a bird cage—to keep her in front of me—grew so fond of being there, and after I finished my drawings she cried and cried to be put back into the cage. Intense curiosity is the great characteristic of animals when in the studio. They are as much interested in you and the surroundings as you are in them. This is especially the case with birds. Leave the studio but a few minutes, and these two-legged fellows are hopping into everything. Of course they inspect the paper on which you have been drawing, and the paints, and the brushes, and occasionally vary these proceedings by taking a bath in the water bowl.

Timidity of an Elephant.

Riding along a road in India, I saw the following instance of a big elephant's timidity, which I venture to send to you: The elephant, ridden by a mahout, was followed by a small Maltese terrier which, intent on its own affairs, trotted beside its master, making occasional instinctive investigations by the roadside after the manner of dogs, without particularly noticing other travelers. From the first moment the elephant set eyes on the dog he never lost sight of him, turning from side to side always with an eye on the small animal, and hurrying on of his way whenever he approached. The timidity of the one and the confidence of the other were irresistibly amusing. —London Spectator.

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

The twentieth century will begin on Jan. 1st, 1901, and end with 2000. People did not begin to reckon time from A. D. 1, but waited until about the 500th year of the Christian era. People who begin to take the great health restorative, Hostetter's Stomach Bitter, immediately after the first outbreak of dyspepsia, malaria, rheumatism, constipation, nervousness or kidney trouble will date their cure immediately from then.

Greater New York has 1,100 churches within its limits, and over 130,000 dwelling houses.

Bad Roads Are Costliest.

When once the fact gets firmly established in the minds of the farmers of the United States that it is more expensive to maintain bad roads than to make and keep in condition good roads they will take active interest in the question and an era of road building will begin which will add to their wealth, prosperity and comfort, and benefit the country at large as much as has the laying of railroad tracks and the advance of the steam locomotive. Let those engaged in agriculture study such figures as those recently issued by the supervisor of New York, wherein he shows that it costs half as much to haul produce three miles by wagon as it costs to haul it 500 miles on the railroad. The supervisor figures out that with a system of good macadam roads the farmers would save an amount each year equal to the interest on from \$10 to \$30 an acre, according to the crop raised, and would increase the value of their land either to sell or hold by a like amount.

Church Built of Coral.

A church built of coral is one of the curiosities of the Isle of Mahe, one of the Seychelles islands in the Indian ocean. The Seychelles islands, which are supposed by many to be the site of the Eden of Old Testament history, form an archipelago of one hundred and fourteen islands, and are situated about 1,400 miles east of Aden and 1,000 miles from Zanzibar. They rise steeply out of the sea, culminating in the Isle of Mahe, which is about 3,000 feet above the level of the ocean, and is nearly the center of the group. All these islands are of coral growth. The houses are built of species of massive coral hewn into square blocks, which glisten like white marble, and show themselves to the utmost advantage in the various tinted green of the thick tropical palms, whose immense fern-like leaves give pleasant and much-needed shade. These palms grow as high as 100 feet and more, overtopping both the houses and the coral-built church. They line the seashore and cover the mountains, forming in many places extensive forests.

A CHEAP TRICK.

To manufacture a cheap kalsomine stuck on the wall with glue, claiming it to be the "same thing" or "just as good" as the double Alabastine, or to buy and sell such goods on such representations would seem a cheap trick. Some resort to it. To be safe, buy Alabastine only in packages and properly labeled.

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"Sammy Snaggs," asked the teacher, "what part of speech is the word 'malediction'?" "Noun," replied Sammy. "What gender?" "Masculine gender." "Indeed?" "Yes'm. If it was feminine it would be 'femalediction.'" —Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MOTHERS.

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March 8, 1897. SAMUEL PITCHER, M.D.

According to the computations of Prof. Hany, the black race embraces about one-tenth of the living members of the human species, or 150,000,000 individuals.

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Police as Shark Catchers.

Among the multifarious duties which demand the attention of the Calcutta police the capture of sharks in the Hooghly finds a place. During the past 20 years rewards have been paid for the destruction of these marine man-eaters, and recently the Bengal government laid down a scale for these payments. —N. Y. Sun.

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MOTHERHOOD.

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