

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

Table with columns: Pacific Coast Time, BAR., HUM., RELATIVE HUM., D.T. OF WIND, RAIN, STATE OF WEATHER.

Maximum temperature, 44; minimum temperature, 28. Total precipitation from July up to date, 4.25; average precipitation from July to date, 15.57; average deficiency from July 1st to date, 11.32.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

THE DALLES, Feb. 14, 1891. The weather forecast till 12 m., Monday; rain and snow on high altitudes. Stationary temperature.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The militia fired several volleys in front of the Vogt Grand after the parade last night.

D. McLaughlin master mechanic, and J. Welch general foreman of the Albina shops, are in the city.

The tin horns and cow-bells manipulated by the small boy last night really seemed to be able to make themselves heard all over the county.

Mr. Herb Glasier sent up the big fire balloon last night. It acted sensibly and followed the course of the Columbia up through Eastern Oregon.

When Mr. Nolan made his bow to the audience last night, some perverse kid in the galleries sung out "Oregonian," and brought down the house.

Mr. Walter S. Elliott, of Indiana and a late employee of the Union Pacific company at La Grande, has accepted a position as night clerk at the depot here.

Four of the inhabitants of the tent city at the reservoir, assisted in adding to the incarnadine complexion of the city last night, and are doing penance in the city jail this morning.

Governor Penney, Senator Mitchell and Dolph and Binger Hermann have all performed valuable service of the state but B. S. Pague has performed the most signal service of them all.

Residents of The Dalles who have been at Salem looking after our interest, complained of the mud in the Willamette valley. They can't see anything fine about a climate when there's rain and mud nine months of the year.

Master Lynden Garretson the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Garretson found a beautiful crocus growing in the yard, and brought it to this office. Lynden is a bright little fellow and has our thanks for his pleasant gift, and yet more pleasant remembrance of us.

A Belgian gun manufacturer says it is a mystery to him what becomes of all the guns made. They are not perishable or easily destroyed, yet year after year the great manufacturers have increased their works until the number of guns and pistols that are made each year are something enormous, and the trade, instead of decreasing, is constantly growing.

Judge Schutz is busily engaged today in moving his big safe into the office formerly occupied by Col. Lang. He told us privately that Drew's barbershop was so close to his door that people coming into his office expected to get shaved. We all know the genial judge, and know that insinuation is undeserved hence appreciate his effort to get away from the evil suggestion.

Through the kindness of Rev. James A. Varney state inspector of fruit pests and horticultural commissioner of the 4th district we received today the first biennial report of the commission, which will be noticed hereafter. The commission has done excellent work, and Mr. Varney has been foremost in it. He is an expert in matters pertaining to our orchards.

"A Hint to the Wise, You Know."

If some of the boys and girls are not very careful how they pick up things in the stores when they think the proprietor and clerks are not looking at them, they will surely come to grief. The boys who took those tablets yesterday out of the book store are on the wrong track. Boys don't do it any more; better go back and get on the right track, and when you go into a store try to keep your hands off the oranges and apples. The store keepers see more than you think they do.

City Treasurer's Notice.

All City Warrants registered prior to July 6, 1889 are now due and payable. Interest ceases on and after date. J. S. FISH, City Treas.

The question has been asked, "In what respect are St. Patrick's Pills better than any other?" Try them, you will find that they produce a pleasanter cathartic effect, are more certain in their action, and that they not only physic but cleanse the whole system and regulate the liver and bowels. For sale at 25 cents per box by Snipes & Kinersly.

Every man knows how good he would be were he some other man. For a cat, bruise, burn or scald, there is nothing equal to Chamberlin's Pain Balm. It heals the parts more quickly than any other application, and unless the injury is very severe, no scar is left. For sale by Snipes & Kinersly.

The windows of the Baldwin restaurant present a fine appearance this morning and amongst the early vegetables we notice that Mr. Graham shows the finest Norway cabbage we have seen this spring. Billy is bound to have the best.

CAN BE PURCHASED.

The Forfeited Lands are Now Subject to Purchase. Captain Lewis register of the land-office has received a telegram from the commissioner of the general land office stating that the forfeited lands are subject to purchase as provided in the circular of January 3d, which was printed in this paper at the time.

THE PORTAGE ROAD.

The Committees of Two States Meet at Portland Today.

PORTLAND, Feb. 14.—The meeting of the special committees appointed by Oregon and Washington legislatures to consider the feasibility of joint action in building the portage system at Cascades and The Dalles reconvened at 10 o'clock this morning. Several engineers appeared before the committee and gave estimates and views as to the practicability of the scheme. No definite action was taken. The committee is still in session.

Court Notes.

The following business was transacted yesterday: Curtis vs. Thompson; sheriff's sale confirmed.

Gibbons, Macallister & Co. vs. R. S. Thompson & Son; order for sale of attached property.

State vs. Chas. Johnson; arraigned. State vs. Thomas Hannan and William Ryan; pleaded guilty to larceny from a store.

The cases of Coyle, Frost, Skalkeim, Restor and Flaherty against the O. S. L. & U. N. were settled for \$2000 each.

Buckley vs. Buckley, divorce; referred to J. M. Huntington.

Assignment of A. J. Douglas, estate; settled, and assignee discharged.

Baldwin vs. Phillips; sheriff's sale confirmed.

Assignment of E. C. Miller, estate; settled, and assignee discharged.

Mary L. Atwell vs. W. Atwell; decree of divorce.

This morning the case of the State against Charles Johnson was called and defendant pleaded guilty.

The case of Snipes vs. the O. S. L. & U. N. for burning property near Rowena is on trial before a jury today.

Grand Jury Report.

In the circuit court of the state of Oregon for Wasco county.

In the matter of the final report of the Grand jury for February term, 1891.

To the Honorable, the Circuit Court above named:

We, the grand jury for the February term, 1891, respectfully show to the court that we have been in session five days, and have inquired into all crimes committed within the county so far as they have come to our knowledge, and have found and reported to the court five true bills and three not true bills.

We have also inquired into the condition and management of all offices pertaining to the courts of justice in the county, and find that the same are in good condition and are, and have been, carefully and properly managed and kept so far as we are able to judge.

We also visited the county hospital where the sick and indigent are kept, and found that the same is well kept, and that the inmates thereof have good care and attention and comfortable quarters and are well provided for.

We also inquired into the condition or management of the public prisons in the county, and find that they are in as good condition as circumstances will permit. We find however that the county jail is badly constructed for ventilation, and that it is difficult, if not impossible, to keep the same in a healthy condition. We find that the cells in which the prisoners are kept at night are so situated that there is almost no ventilation at all therefor, and that the atmosphere therein is fetid, impure and unhealthy. We think that there is urgent need of some kind of change so that these cells may be more thoroughly ventilated.

We therefore recommend that the county court take immediate action in this matter. Having disposed of all business that has been brought before us, and having no further business to transact, we respectfully ask to be discharged.

GEORGE ROWLAND, Foreman.

Dalles City, Feb. 13th 1891.

"The Devil's Teakettle."

Klamath Star. That Boiling hot-hole known as "The Devil's Teakettle," just a mile from town, is a perfect horror. The water trembles and sparkles with heat and sends up from the dark mouth of the cauldron a vapor whose hot, withering kisses causes the grass to curl up and die. There is no fence around it, and the earth is crumbling away from beneath its surface. Nobody can look upon its frightful possibilities without a painful sense of fear and abhorrence. What if somebody, standing there to look down, should suddenly sink through the crust! People might walk into it at night, or a runaway team haul its human freight into it. Cattle falling into it are boiled to a jelly in ten minutes. Sight-seers are continually going there, and the horrible cauldron ought to be fenced. The civilization of this country shouts in our consciences, "Fence out those horrible possibilities."

Oliver Cromwell was the son of a brewer.

Electricity moves at the rate of 882,000 miles a second.

There are 7,000,000 pores in the human body.

A CONDON FIRE.

The Gilman County Jail Ablaze. The Lusty Lungs of a Prisoner Brings Relief in the Nick of Time.

The Eosell Journal.

CONDON, Feb. 11, 1891. The county jail caught fire this forenoon about 11 o'clock. The stove sits outside the steel cage, and rather close to the window sash on the east side of the jail building which is made of wood. The window sash was pitch pine. While all the occupants of the court house, which is situated near the jail, and deputy sheriff were down town to dinner, the prisoners in the steel cell discovered that the window sash had caught fire from the heat of the stove. The lusty lungs of this bad youth, who is incarcerated for stealing a dog, brought help from down town. He must have yelled for dear life, for the jail is out on the prairie about 150 yards from town. There were about fifty buckets of water on hand within five minutes of the alarm being heard, and the fire was put out before it did any more damage than to burn out the window frame.

Later on, about 12:30, after everybody had gone away, Mr. Anthony, deputy sheriff, discovered that the fire was not all out and the town folk had another little run. A small blaze had crept between the studding, but it was soon quenched. The cage was not damaged at all, nor was the prisoner hurt, but he was frightened. The wind was howling over the prairie and had the prisoner not yelled like a scared Indian, and the boys not responded promptly, the jail, and perhaps the clerk's and sheriff's office building, would have been burned.

On Hand.

J. M. Huntington & Co. announce that they are prepared to make out the necessary papers for parties wishing to file on so called railroad land. Applicants should have their papers all ready before going to the land office so as to avoid the run and save time. Their office is in Opera House Block next to main entrance.

A prominent physician and old army surgeon in eastern Iowa, was called away from home for a few days; during his absence one of the children contracted a severe cold and his wife bought a bottle of Chamberlin's Cough Remedy for it. They were so much pleased that they afterwards used several bottles at various times. He said, from experience with it, he regarded it as the most reliable preparation in use for colds and that it came the nearest being a specific of any medicine he had ever seen. For sale by Snipes & Kinersly.

Washington Irving's father was a Scotchman, while his mother was an English parentage.

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Follow the crowd and you will find us. MAIER & BENTON.

For coughs and colds use 2379.

Mr. J. W. Stewart, of Chicago, will introduce some fine large work at Prof. Eastman's gallery. Call and be convinced.

Does S. B. get there? "I should smile." S. B. Did you hear that noise last night? That was the drop in our prices. MAIER & BENTON.

Do you want to enjoy good health and live to a good old age, buy your dressed chickens of J. H. Cross.

C. E. Dunham will cure your headache, cough or pain for 50 cents. S. B.

Among others we have received these new goods during the week. A full and complete stock of salt fish. These you should sample. MAIER & BENTON.

Big bargains in real estate at 116 Court St. First come, first served.

Do you want your cows to give good rich milk and lots of it, buy your alfalfa hay and feed of J. H. Cross.

Get your land papers prepared by J. M. Huntington & Co. Opera House Block, Washington St.

Sliced hams, boneless hams, ham sausage and dried fish at Central Market.

The best fitting pantaloons of the latest style are made by John Pashek in Opera House block on Third street.

2379 is the cough syrup for children.

Get me a cigar from that fine case at Snipes & Kinersly's.

You need not cough! Blakeley & Houghton will cure it for 50 cents. S. B.

The finest stock of silverware ever brought to The Dalles at W. E. Garretson's, Second street.

Snipes & Kinersly are anxious to cure your headache for 50 cents. S. B.

For a lame back, a pain in the side or chest, or for toothache or carache, prompt relief may be had by using Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It is reliable. For sale by Snipes & Kinersly.

Those easy chairs made by Livermore & Andrews are the neatest thing of the kind ever made. They are just the thing for your porch or lawn in the summer, and are as comfortable and easy as an old shoe. Call and see them at 77 Court street.

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Blue Point Oysters, Diamond Brand Eastern Oysters, Booth's "Old Honesty" Brand.

Salmon Bellies, Canned Salmon, Eastern Godfish, Canned Shrimps, Canned Lobsters, Choice Eastern Godfish, No. 1 Chicken Mackerel, Extra Choice White Fish, Smoked Holland Herring, Pickled Oysters and Lobsters, French and American Sardines.

Yours Sell-fish-ly, 62 John Booth, 62 SECOND STREET

Ages of Early American Statesmen.

No fallacy is more firmly fixed in the public mind than that which represents the establishment of our government as the work of old men. The delusion is imbibed in childhood, and is unconsciously cultivated by the text books used in school. The "fathers of the republic" are depicted in all the histories with wigs, queues and other accessories of dress that apparently betoken age, and the pupil naturally concludes that they must have been old when the nation was born.

In point of fact they were an uncommonly young set of men. George Washington, senior in age as well as in authority and influence, was but 43 when the Revolution broke out, and 57 when he became first president; Thomas Jefferson only 33 when he wrote the Declaration of Independence; Alexander Hamilton but 32 when he became secretary of the treasury; James Madison only 28 when he was made member of a Virginia committee of safety, and 36 when he was Hamilton's great collaborator in the production of that political classic, The Federalist.

Nor were the leaders in the great enterprise exceptional in this matter of age. Forty names were signed to the constitution of the United States on the 17th of September, 1787. Leaving out of account four whose birthdays are not given by the books of reference, only five of the remaining thirty-six had reached the age of 60; twenty of the number were less than 45 years old, and twelve were under 40, among the latter being one (Hamilton) of 30, another of 29, a third of 28, and a fourth who lacked some months of 27 when the convention met. The average age of all the members did not quite reach 45 years. The most important committee to which the instrument was referred for final revision consisted of five members, four of whom were between 30 and 36 years of age, the fifth and least prominent being 60.—Century.

The Baths of London.

There are as many great baths in London as there are theatres in New York city. They are Turkish, Roman, vapor, electric, swimming, medicated, hot, cold, tepid and salt. The most interesting are the great public baths. Nearly every district of London has one, and often there are public wash houses in connection with them. Some of the older of these baths are dark and more or less gloomy, but the newer ones are very inviting. Take the Battersea public bath as an example. Its first class tank is 100 feet long by 35 feet wide, with a depth of 6 feet at one end and 8 1/2 feet at the other. It is lined with white glazed bricks, roofed with wood and iron and ventilating skylights, and has fifty locked dressing boxes. In the same building there is a second class bath, 75 feet by 25 feet in size. At certain times women use both baths. The water is heated when it is desirable. These baths are distinctly popular. The first class price varies from a shilling to fourpence, and the second class from sixpence to twopence, the cheaper baths being those in the more thickly populated parts of the city. The wash houses connected with many of the baths seem to be of very great public benefit.—Julian Ralph in Harper's Weekly.

Secret of Saving Gas Bills.

For several months a Brooklyn man has been terrified by the size of his gas bills. He is a family man and enjoys a good income, but he does not tamely submit to swindling and extortion. Believing he was being robbed he complained to the company which supplies him, but it availed him nothing. Still the bills were presented with unvarying regularity, and as the days shortened and the nights lengthened they became larger. Finally he grew desperate, but was still powerless. At last he found an unexpected ray of hope. It came in the shape of this advertisement in a newspaper, printed in big type: "Reduce your gas bills over 75 per cent. Secret free by mail for only \$2. Address —, Cincinnati, O."

Eagerly the oppressed citizen sent on his money and anxiously he awaited the receipt of the secret which he felt would be the means of keeping hundreds of dollars in his pockets. In a few days the secret came. With trembling hands he tore open the envelope and extracted a card. On this he saw in big, black type, "Use kerosene oil." For a few days the citizen kept his secret, but at last his wife gave it away.—New York Herald.

Thirteen Years' Work with a Penknife.

Nicholas Levisier has erected in his parlor a wooden model of a large country residence which he made with a penknife. The building measures four feet by two, is two stories high, with a French roof and observatory, and has bow windows and porches. A flight of stairs connects the first and second floors, both of which are neatly carpeted, and the walls are covered with paper. The parlor and bedrooms are filled with furniture, and have chandeliers hung from the ceilings. The model contains nearly "all modern conveniences." It stands in a garden that occupies almost all the parlor floor. On the grounds are gravel walks, with settees, a pump and trough, an airy little structure for courting couples, and a strong watchdog. Mr. Levisier, who is a laborer, has been at work on the model for thirteen years, doing small parts at night when he returned from his day's occupation.—Baltimore Sun.

Ostriches in California.

The successful importations of ostriches from southern Africa in 1883 and 1888 caused a great deal of alarm to the Cape Colony growers, and the provincial parliament imposed an export duty of \$500 a head upon them. Notwithstanding this well nigh prohibitory tax, enterprising Americans have since brought over something like 100 birds, and those already here have done so well that it is only a question of time when semi-tropical California will supply this continent with its ostrich plumes.—Cor. Chicago News.

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