

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

Table with columns: Pacific Coast Time, BAR., Hum., Rel. Hum., D. of Wind, Rain, State of Weather.

Maximum temperature, 46; minimum temperature, 20. Total precipitation from July up to date, 5.74; average precipitation from July to date, 13.87; average deficiency from July 1st to date, 8.13.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

THE DALLES, Feb. 25, 1891. Weather forecast till 12 M., Thursday; Fair; nearly stationary temperature.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Overland travel is better than usual this season.

C. H. Southern of Boyd was in the city Tuesday.

Rev. Dr. Elliot of Portland, is sojourning at Hood River.

There is money in good mutton sheep at any time of the year.

The girls are having enjoyable time at their new gymnasium.

Snow at Stoddard's mill in Hood River valley is five feet deep.

Mays & Crowe are making a success in their new business venture.

If it only freezes a little tonight there will be many coasting parties out.

Tomorrow night will close the protracted meetings at the M. E. church.

Mr. A. Scott the genial postmaster of Grass Valley paid this office a visit Wednesday.

Miss Minnie Smith, Miss Handley and Miss Thomas of Dufur, are registered at the Umatilla House.

The sample shoes of the Boston Shoe and Leather company are still the subject of much favorable comment.

Mr. Samuel Burgess of Bake Oven is in the city. He reports stock in good condition and stockmen happy.

The wires were working badly yesterday but operator Allen succeeded in getting in a fair telegraphic report.

Hon. Robert Mays, who has been confined to his house for several days by illness was on the streets again yesterday.

We are pleased to hear that the Hon. E. L. Smith of Hood River is still improving. Hopes are fully entertained of his complete recovery.

Oregon's exhibit at the World's Fair will now depend upon the enterprise of her real estate men, and they should reap the benefit.—Capital Journal.

Mr. Frazer, the contractor of the water works excavation, reports that with two weeks of good weather the reservoir will be ready for receiving its coating of concrete.

It isn't much too early to begin practicing on the new Australian ballot system. It is said to be simplicity itself, but some of it is new and needs a diagram, map and key.

The late celebration given by The Dalles in honor of the passage of the portage railway bill was an affair into which that town threw herself bodily and sent her whoops through the everlasting arches.—Klamath County Star.

It was a Sabbath school teacher that spoke of "Daniel" as the palmist in yesterday's CHRONICLE. This morning the same teacher is almost half persuaded that those are times when profanity is justifiable.

School Superintendent Troy Shelly is holding an examination of teachers at the court house today. He expects a large number of applicants. C. L. Gilbert and P. P. Underwood are on the board of examiners.

School Superintendent Shelly held a successful teachers' institute of Dufur last Friday. It was a profitable session and the teachers' as well as Prof. Shelly are loud in the praise of the good people of Dufur who entertained them very nicely.

The funeral of Newton Thomas, who was accidentally killed on the 21st inst., at Hood River, took place yesterday from the family residence. The funeral was under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias and was well attended. The services were very impressive.

Sheep are thriving on the range, and are in better condition than when winter set in, says the Ellensburg Localizer. Fat mutton is the rule east of the mountains. The wool-clip will be very valuable the coming spring, as the sheep are in better condition than we have ever seen any previous season. Sheep men are in luck for once.

The fine snow fall of the past few days insures an abundance of moisture and rich harvests. Only once in thirty years has Eastern Oregon suffered from drought, and then it was owing to an absence of snow during a preceding winter. The snow is sufficient for the farmers, but not enough to harm the stockmen.

Quite a number of Eastern Oregon members of the legislature and third house have been feeling very much under the weather since their return from Salem, claiming that the water of the Willamette valley did not agree with them. At the next session it would be a good plan to bottle some strong alkali water and take down for the use of the bunch grass statesmen.

Mr. B. Blumauer is in the city.

The U. P. paymaster came up yesterday and paid off the boys, which was a good day for them.

We are glad to learn that Ed. Fitzpatrick of Tygh Valley, who had a finger pulled off with a rope, while handling a wild horse, is improving nicely.

Messrs. Saltmarsh & Co. yesterday fed fifteen carloads of cattle, one of hogs and one of horses at their stock yards, which were shipped to the Sound this morning.

The office of the Dalles-Prineville stage company has been moved from the post-office to M. Sichel & Co's. store.—Ochoco Review.

We regret to learn that Mr. Chas. Adams of this city was taken violently ill in church yesterday and required the attention of a physician.

The authorities are making a survey for a sewer from Second street past McDonald's place through the alley back of his corner, and thence across Union street to Mill creek. This sewer is very much needed.

T. N. Chandler of Wauic is in the city. He reports from 8 to 10 inches of snow on Tygh ridge and the Wauic section. The farmers are happy over a prospective crop on account of the abundance of moisture.

The Guitier Club met at the residence of Mr. Wm. Michell last night and had a very enjoyable evening. There are nine members in the club, and are Mr. C. W. Mason, leader; Mrs. George Blakely, the Misses Anna Moore, Maie Williams, Nettie Michell, Maggie Rowland, and Messrs. Norman Wilson, John Booth and Frank Vogt.

Messrs. Schenck & Beal have entered into a conspiracy against the Chinese. They placed in the bank today a little safe weighing 4400 pounds, made of solid steel with time locks, motor, and all anti-burglar improvements. When locked after banking hours, they won't be able to rob it themselves till 9 o'clock the next day.

THE FOSSIL COAL MINES.

To be Inspected by a Prominent Eastern Coal Man.

It is reported that a gentleman who is largely interested in the Lehigh Railroad and coal mines in Pennsylvania, is enroute to this coast, and before returning, he will visit our city to examine the Fossil coal mines. If the mines are of any value he will know it and will no doubt take hold of them; his visit therefore will be of the greatest interest not only to this city but to all Eastern Oregon.

The development of those mines means the making of our city the shipping point for them, and its advancement to the second place among the cities of the State.

COURT NOTES.

Judge Webster yesterday drove out to view the water ditch which is in controversy in the case of Coventon vs. Seufert.

The case of Moody vs. Miller, et. al., involving property at the mouth of the Deschutes river was yesterday referred to Frank Menefee to take and report the testimony.

Defendant's motion for a new trial in the case of Conlon vs. the railway company was overruled and the defendant was allowed 40 days in which to prepare a bill of exceptions.

Court yesterday adjourned until March 9th at which time it is proposed to get some other judge to continue the session. About twenty cases were disposed of during this term of court and a large number are now ready for trial.

Judge Webster left for his home in Southern Oregon this morning.

That Mysterious Grave.

Mr. Frank Williams of Eight Mile creek informs us the mysterious grave mentioned a few days ago, was examined by some of the people in the neighborhood and found that whatever it was dug for was five feet long, and four feet deep by two feet in width, and had all the appearance of being filled up within a few days.

A young man by the name of Baker claims to have dug the grave, but at whose instigation he will not say. It is thought however that he did not do it, as he has a reputation of loving his ease too well to do the amount of hard work necessary for the job. The grave was 3x5 feet on top and run down to a depth of two feet, then a jog was made and two feet more dug down. Messrs. A. P. Ferguson and John Danielle dug the earth out of the hole but found nothing in it. They say that it was as well dug a grave as they ever saw. One thing seems certain, the grave was not dug for fun as there was too much work about it for that. Evidently something had been buried there, but whoever had done so had the body, or whatever it was, secretly removed before it was discovered. Mr. R. V. Drake is our authority for the statement in the latter part of this article.

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.

The bill-poster knows his place, and there he sticks.

The New County Printing Law.

Salem Capital Journal.

This bill was presented by the State Press Association. At first it had no friends. It was not a newspaper man in either house or senate. Members of the press legislative committee besought members in vain to introduce the bill. It had to make its debut as an orphan, introduced under the royal prerogative to every citizen due from his representative—Armstrong, of Marion, fathering it "by request." Thus labelled it went upon the calendar under a cloud, for few bills "by request" ever see the light of day. It is but just to Speaker Geer to say that he appointed an intelligent committee on printing, to whom the bill was referred. Members of the press appeared and made arguments in its behalf, securing a favorable report on the county printing bill. The house printing committee reported against the bill to have all new laws printed in the newspapers, and in favor of the Gambee bill to print session laws in pamphlet form, one for each voter. The press committee withdrew the bill to print the laws, as they did not wish to antagonize the friends of the Gambee bill, but secured their aid.

The county bill passed the house by a large vote, and went to the senate, where it lay with some two hundred other bills until the railroad, tax, ballot, assessment, world's fair, Columbia river and other important measures were taken up, debated and disposed of. On the 20th of Feb. at 10 p. m., house bill No. 189 was reached and passed by the constitutional majority and not a vote to spare. It was anxiously followed back into the house, sent to the enrolling committee, reported back to the house five minutes before the final adjournment, signed by the speaker, messaged to the senate, signed by the president; messaged back to the house, message read and the bill was sent to the governor to receive his signature. That there might be no mistake about this law being correctly passed the clerks compared the enrolled bill with the original house bill, and the chairman of the legislative committee was shown the signatures of the presiding officers. This is the history of the passage of the new Oregon newspaper law, that requires the proceedings and list of claims allowed by county courts to be published at county expense.

The new law will go into effect May 21st. It provides for selection of one newspaper in each county, and two newspapers in counties of 10,000 or over, having the largest circulation in the county, to publish the proceedings of the county court. The price allowed by law is fifty cents per square of ten lines of briefer or its equivalent. The bill is non-partisan, non-monopolistic and if any unfairness is shown in making selection of official county papers, the aggrieved publisher has a right of appeal in court. The law will prove a good investment for Oregon as a measure of economy and the legislative committee of the Press Association feel well satisfied with the result of their labors.

A FISHERMAN'S TESTIMONY.

He Thinks the Salmon do not Return to the Sea.

At a meeting recently held in Portland by a joint committee of the members of the Oregon and Washington legislatures, regarding passing certain laws for the protection of the salmon and ascertaining their habits some very conflict in testimony was adduced in regard to whether salmon return to the ocean after spawning. I have been fishing for salmon both summer and winter for the last 17 years on the Columbia, but I have never seen or caught a salmon yet returning to the ocean.

The laws of nature are certainly the same with salmon as with smelt, as everybody has seen smelt after spawning drifting half dead down the Columbia, unable to stem the current, and are washed up on the banks on both sides of the river. I have, years ago, seen tons of smelt covering the river bank in this manner, and I believe nature has provided this destiny for the salmon. Of course salmon have a longer route to travel and consequently will die in those little streams along the Snake river and upper Columbia. I have caught what we would call Chinook salmon late in the fall, but I never saw a small salmon yet without it was full of spawn, down in this part of the Columbia. The fish that are caught and supposed to have spawned are ugly looking, sickly fish that would never reach the ocean alive.

In regard to the small salmon and the distinction between them, I would say that the small salmon which are alluded to, are all pretty near the same size and average from eight to twelve pounds. The females among them all possess spawn, having in obedience to a natural law sought the fresh water to deposit their eggs. There are none caught which reach the weight given. On the other hand the genuine chinook weigh from twenty to twenty-eight pounds, and on the grounds above taken to be a distinct variety of the Salmonida another variety, which averages from twenty-eight to thirty pounds and have been known to attain a weight of even fifty pounds, exhibit and maintain as marked distinction in the matter of weight as the foregoing varieties.

Why, if these salmon return to the salt water, do not the enormous seines of Fitzpatrick and Johnson which scrape the bottom of the channel catch them, and thus conclusively prove the oft repeated statement that they do not return to sea, instead of dying by the thousands on the banks of streams bordering on their spawning grounds. Hence catch the small as well as large salmon as no injury is done.—John Nassa in Cuthbert Gazette.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

- UMATILLA HOUSE. W. G. Henneburg, Burlington, Iowa. Miss Millie Smith, Dufur. Miss Handly, " Miss Thomas, " E. N. Chandler, Wauic. Geo. H. Rhubarb, Dakota. Mat Barnes, Salem. B. Blum, Portland. J. A. Anderson, Victoria. Alex. Scott, Grass Valley. Jas. Wright, Tacoma. I. W. Morton, Hood River. J. M. Burgess, Bake Oven. L. Burgess, " C. L. Gilbert, Hood River. Ida Enchart, Cascade Locks. Rosa Dodson, Eugene. Felix Greenwald, Portland.

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Mill Records.

Detroit Free Press.

The fastest mile run by a railroad train was made in 40 1-4 seconds.

The record for the fastest mile made on skates is 2 minutes 12 3-5 seconds.

The fastest mile made in rowing in a single boat took 5 minutes 1 second.

The fastest mile ever made by a running horse was run in 1 minute 35 seconds.

The fastest mile by a man on a tricycle was made in 2 minutes 49 2-5 seconds.

The fastest time on snowshoes for a mile is recorded as 5 minutes 39 3-4 seconds.

The best time for a mile by a man on a bicycle is recorded as 2 minutes 29 4-5 seconds.

The fastest mile ever made by a man swimming was done in 26 minutes 52 seconds.

In running, the fastest mile made by a man was accomplished in 4 minutes 12 1-2 seconds.

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 rush and save time. Their office is in Opera House Block next to main entrance.

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. February 7, 1891.

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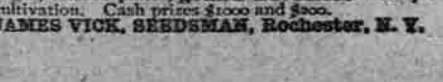
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