

The Dalles Daily Chronicle.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 1891

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

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

Maximum temperature, 74; minimum tenperature, 58.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

THE DALLES, July 8, 1891. FAIR. Weather forecast till 12 m., Thursday; fair. Warmer.

Monthly Meteorological Report.

Weather bureau, department of agriculture, station, The Dalles, Oregon, for the month of June, 1891.

Table with columns: DATE, Wind, Rain, Hum., etc. for months from 1 to 31.

Mean barometer, 29.953; highest barometer, 30.301, on 28th; lowest barometer, 29.605, on 19th.

Mean temperature, 61.1; highest temperature, 89, on 30th; lowest temperature, 40, on the 7th.

Greatest daily range of temperature, 49 on 29th. Mean daily range of temperature, 7, on 17th.

MEAN TEMPERATURE FOR THIS MONTH IN 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891.

Total deficiency in temperature during the month, 0.07. Total deficiency in temperature since January 1st, 0.80 deg.

Prevailing direction of wind, west. Total precipitation, 51. Number of days on which .01 inch or more of precipitation fell, 5.

TOTAL PRECIPITATION (IN INCHES AND HUNDRETHS) FOR THIS MONTH IN 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891.

Total deficiency in precipitation during month, 0.11. Total deficiency in precipitation since January 1st, 0.62.

Number of cloudless days, 15; partly cloudy days, 9; cloudy days, 6. Dates of frosts, none.

Solar halo on the 3rd, 4th, 11th, 15th, 16th. Rain bows, 25th. Thunder storms, 16th and 17th.

NOTE.—Barometer reduced to sea level. T indicates trace of precipitation. SAMUEL L. BROOKS, Voluntary signal Corps Observer.

The Chronicle is the Only Paper in The Dalles that Receives the Associated Press Dispatches.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

S. J. La France of Hood River is in the city. Mr. C. Caldwell of Arlington is in the city.

C. J. Van Duna of Tygh Valley is in the city. County court is in session with a full attendance.

Mr. C. W. Magill of Wapinitia was in the city yesterday. Has anyone seen our "devil"? It is reported that he has been captured.

Day before yesterday a heavy frost was reported at Summit. Ice is said to have formed there.

A ten-foot balloon dropped into Thompson's addition yesterday. The owner can have it by calling.

Senator and Mrs. Dolph will be glad to meet their friends at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Brooks tonight from 8 to 10.

Mr. Chas. Adams, the aged father of Mrs. D. M. French, is lying dangerously ill at her residence, and cannot possibly last much longer.

County Superintendent Troy Shelly returned yesterday morning from attending the State Teachers' institute at Newport. He reports that the meeting was a complete success.

THE COMMITTEE MAKES ANSWER.

Why the Sham Battle Was a Sham—Col. Houghton in a Bad Light.

THE DALLES, Or., July 7, 1891.

EDITOR CHRONICLE: We the committee on arrangements for the celebration of the 4th, saw an inquiry in yesterday's edition of the CHRONICLE signed by an indignant "MERCHANT" and subscriber to the celebration fund asking why the wishes of the citizens of The Dalles were not carried out in respect to the sham battle.

The committee can answer this inquiry in a few short sentences, and put the blame where it belongs. In the first place Col. Houghton made the proposition to the committee that if the sum of \$300, the approximate amount necessary for a sham battle, be turned over to him, he would purchase 10,000 blank shells, and in addition would have the Portland light battery take part in the battle on the 4th day of July.

Taking the colonel at his word, the committee solicited subscriptions from the citizens, stating that the sham battle would be the main feature of the celebration on the 4th of July.

And the colonel accompanied by A. Buchler, C. E. Haight, W. H. Lochhead, J. O. Mack, J. S. Fish and others went to the fair ground, in an express wagon for the purpose of examining the grounds for a sham battle and encampment.

The colonel on looking over the grounds decided that they were not suitable for the encampment, but told the committee, that if they thought the grounds fit for a sham battle and to use his own words, "go ahead and make your arrangements and I will have the battle at any place you may name, even if I only have ten men to have it with."

After the committee, by indefatigable efforts, had collected the \$300 demanded by the colonel, they were informed by him that a new obstacle had arisen, that the sum of \$800 was required to pay the ground rent for the encampment, and this amount, he (Col. Houghton) said must be paid by the citizens of The Dalles.

The committee in order to facilitate matters, and doubly insure the battle, further appropriated out of their already meager funds the sum of \$105 and turned this amount, to Col. Houghton to enable him to pay his ground rent, making the sum total given Col. Houghton \$405.

At this stage of the proceedings, using a homely expression, the Col. began to crawl, and in conversation with a member of the committee while in Portland he (Col. Houghton) informed him that the "Light" battery could not attend the encampment and accordingly would not take a part in the sham battle.

The committee on learning that the Portland "Light" battery would not take part in the sham battle immediately asked that the amount left over after paying for the cartridges, be refunded, in order that the committee might make arrangements for the firing of the national salute; the Col. angered at this indignantly replied, that if any refund was made the committee could take charge of the battle themselves.

Rather than disappoint the people, the committee decided to leave the matter entirely in his hands, relying on his integrity that he would have the battle.

Late Friday evening, much to the surprise of the committee, we were informed by the Colonel that he had made no provision whatever for the firing of the national salute. The committee then took this matter in hand and fired the salute themselves. As a grand ultimatum to his farcial actions he (the Colonel) informed the committee at the fifty-ninth minute of the eleventh hour and after all our trouble, that he did not deem it expedient to have a sham battle.

These are plain and unadulterated facts, and in this position we appeal to the community demanding to know whether the verdict of the public will place the blame with the Fourth of July committee or with Colonel Houghton.

Thanking you for the space occupied we are respectfully yours.

J. S. FISH, Chairman. GEO. C. BLAKELEY, HENRY J. MAIER, J. O. MACK, W. H. LOCHHEAD.

The number of sheep in Eastern Oregon is estimated at 1,500,000, and the wool clip for the season of 1890 is estimated at 8,678,123 pounds.

The general average price obtained was fourteen cents, which amounts to \$1,214,937.22. The sheep themselves represent an estimated value of \$3,750,000.

The Ohio republican convention which met Wednesday, nominated for governor Hiram C. Wheeler, for lieutenant-governor, George Van Houten, and for supreme judge, S. M. Weaver of Iowa Falls.

The convention passed a resolution endorsing prohibition, by a vote of 951 to 107.

We were pleased to see Mr. J. P. Fitzgerald on the streets yesterday, after his severe injury on the Fourth. One of his eyes still wears the badge of mourning and he was obliged to navigate by the use of a cane, but in a few days we hope to see him himself again.

Yesterday C. W. Denton was indicted by Inspector Varney before Justice Schutz for selling fruit infected with the San Jose scale, and fined in the sum of \$25 and costs.

I am now offering mens' spring and summer suits at greatly reduced rates. J. C. Baldwin.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

An adjourned meeting of the common council was held last evening at which there was a full attendance.

The bond of street commissioner Stanials was approved. The mayor appointed the following committees:

On judiciary—E. B. Dufur, C. N. Thornbury and C. E. Haight. On finance—Hans Hansen, H. J. Maier and Paul Krefit.

On public property—C. N. Thornbury, Paul Krefit and Hans Hansen. On fire and water—C. E. Haight, H. J. Maier and E. B. Dufur.

Petition of R. V. Gibbons for an extra night watchman was read and placed on file.

The petitions of D. E. Fisher, G. C. Bills, S. E. Farris and Con Howe, each asking for the appointment of night watchman, were read and filed.

The bill of C. W. Dietzel, amounting to \$300 for assessing the city was allowed.

The bill of Glenn & Handley for putting in telephone, referred to committee on fire and water.

The bill of Mays, Huntington & Wilson was also referred with instructions to report at next meeting.

The bill of water commissioners for rent amounting to \$32, allowed.

Report of ex-treasurer Fish read and filed.

An ordinance transferring certain monies out of the general into the several special funds were passed.

The result of the balloting for night watchman was a tie vote on Con Howe, the present incumbent and S. E. Farris, when further balloting was postponed till next meeting which will be held on the evening of July 18th.

The tax levy was fixed at five mills and the street commissioner was instructed to use every effort to collect delinquent road tax.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

THE PORTAGE ROAD.

Superintendent Farley Returns from the East.—The Rolling Stock Purchased.

Mr. Farley, superintendent of construction of the Cascades portage road, returned Sunday morning from the east where he went about two weeks ago to purchase a locomotive and rolling stock for the road.

He succeeded in obtaining twelve flat cars, four box cars, and a locomotive, which will be shipped from the factory by the middle of August to arrive here about the first of September.

All have the latest and best improvements and can be changed into standard gauge by simply changing the axles.

All have Westinghouse automatic air-brakes. The locomotive will weigh 52,000 pounds and is believed to be the strongest of its weight of any narrow gauge locomotive in the United States.

In addition to the Westinghouse brake it is fitted also with a water-brake. A passenger car, for temporary use, will be built at the Cascades, as a regular coach could not be built sooner than from five to six months, and no narrow gauge coaches were to be had already built.

The rolling stock could not be contracted for with any company that would agree to deliver them sooner than the time mentioned above. By that time the track will be ready for service. Thirty-one men are now on the pay roll which is all that could be worked to advantage.

Mr. Farley will return to the Cascades in the morning.

Norton Was Custodian of the Champagne and not Houghton.

"Lieut." Norton comes into the CHRONICLE office and states that the champagne over which such a disgraceful muss was kicked up was kept in his tent and not Col. Houghton's.

Norton admits that champagne was in camp but that he was the custodian of the goods instead of the colonel. Well, let Norton have the honor if he wants it.

It was probably the first time during his somewhat checkered financial career that he has been in funds with which to buy champagne, and he wants that fact known, and the CHRONICLE man (not the editorial "we") is willing to give the doughty lieutenant credit for the same.

The CHRONICLE man is glad to know that Norton is in funds. "Talk is cheap," but it takes money to buy champagne.

Real Estate Transactions.

N. M. Young to Geo. A. Young, SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 section 11, and SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 section 10 T. 7 south of range 14 east. Consideration \$100.

Charles T. Young to Geo. A. Young, SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 S 35 T. 8 s. of r. 14 east.

From engineer Dexter we learn that last night a robbery was committed, of \$1500, the property of a section boss on the U. P., road about 12 miles east of Umatilla Junction.

CHRONICLE SHORT STOPS.

Raspberries, three boxes for twenty-five cents at Joles Brothers. For headache use S. B. headache cure. For coughs and colds use 2379. For physic always use S. B. headache cure.

Use Dufur flour. It is the best. Ask your grocer for Dufur flour. 2379 is the cough syrup for children. One hundred gallons currants at Joles Bros., twenty-five cents per gallon.

For O. N. G. diarrhoea S. B. pain cure is the best thing known. Get me a cigar from that fine case at Snipes & Kinersley's.

A. M. Williams & Co., have on hand a fine lot of tennis and bicycle shoes. For ice cream crank use S. B. pain cure.

Centerville hotel, on the Goldendale stage road, furnishes first class accommodation for travelers.

For 4th of July colic use S. B. pain cure. The drug store of C. E. Dunham, deceased, is now open and will be so continued until further notice.

For 4th of July colic use S. B. pain cure. The celebrated Walter H. Tenny Boston-made mens' and boys' fine boots and shoes in all styles, carried by The Dalles Mercantile company at Brooks & Beers old stand.

Don't wear your life out scrubbing your kitchen floor when you can buy such beautiful linoleum, the best for kitchen and dining-room, for 75 cents a yard, and oil-cloth at 35 cents a yard at the store of Prinz & Nitsche.

For 4th of July colic use S. B. pain cure. Long Ward offers for sale one of the best farms of its size in Sherman county.

It consists of 240 acres of deeded land at Erskenville. There is a never-failing spring of living water capable of watering five hundred head of stock daily.

The house, which is a large store building with ten rooms attached alone cost \$1700. A blacksmith shop and other buildings and the whole surrounded by a good wire fence. Will be sold cheap and on easy terms.

Apply by letter or otherwise to the editor of the CHRONICLE or to the owner, W. L. Ward, Boyd, Wasco county, Oregon.

Attention! The Dalles Mercantile company would respectfully announce to their many patrons that they now have a well selected stock of general merchandise, consisting in part of dress goods, gingham, challis, satens, prints, hosiery, corsets, gloves, handkerchiefs, hats, caps, boots, shoes, etc.

During the time I carried the Equitable policy and up to the day when they submitted the above proposition to me, I was kept in total ignorance of the condition of my investment.

In marked contrast with this has been my experience with the Northwestern, in which in 1882, I took a Ten-Year Endowment Policy, Ten-Year Payout, for \$10,000, that company having from time to time furnished me with a memorandum of the surplus on my policy over the signature of their actuary; so that while my policy has not yet matured, and will not until next year, I have the satisfaction of knowing that it will net me from \$4,000 to \$5,000 more than the face of the policy calls for.

Very truly yours, ROSS MITCHELL.

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The Northwestern Life Insurance Co., OF MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

Assets over \$42,000,000.00. Surplus over \$6,500,000.00.

LAGONDA HEIGHTS, SPRINGFIELD, O., June 15, 1891.

Prof. E. L. Shuey, Dayton, Ohio. DEAR SIR:—Replying to your request for a statement of the facts concerning my experience with the Equitable Life Assurance Society of New York in their late settlement with me, I would state that in the early part of 1891, my age being 56 years, I took out a Ten-Payment Life Policy in the Equitable upon their Ten-Year Fontine plan, for \$40,000. My premiums during the period amounted to \$27,512.00. The Fontine period expired early in January of the present year, and the Company then offered me the following terms of settlement:

FIRST—A paid up policy for \$40,000.00. And cash 9,751.00. SECOND—A paid up policy for \$40,000.00. And cash 54,600.00. THIRD—Surrender my policy, and receive in cash 36,495.90.

I was so little satisfied with the results of my investment that I chose the third, cash, proposition, but when I so decided, the company, through several of its representatives, labored to induce me to take one of the other forms of settlement, but finding that I was determined to surrender the policy and take the cash, they finally instructed me from the home office to send policy and receipt for the amount, \$36,495.90, to their State manager in Cleveland, and he would remit me the amount. I followed their instructions and sent the policy and receipt through my bank in Springfield to our correspondent in Cleveland, only to have it returned from the Cleveland Bank with the information that the State manager of the Equitable states that he "had not sufficient funds to meet it." This forced me to return it to the New York office, and compelled me to wait some twenty days after maturity before receiving final settlement.

I have given no statement endorsing the Equitable, or expressing my satisfaction with their settlement with me. On the other hand I have positively refused to do so. The fact that my returns were \$1,315.20 less than my total investment renders further comment unnecessary.

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