

## The Dalles Daily Chronicle.

Entered at the Postoffice at The Dalles, Oregon, as second-class matter.

THE DALLES - OREGON

### THE PARASOL ANT.

How the Industrious Insect Acquired Its Queer Name.

The fact that the "parasol ant" of the West Indies has grown to be such a pest that the government of Trinidad has had to adopt appropriate legislation against its ravages draws attention to the remarkable habits of the little creature. It has been definitely determined that they do not cut the circular bite out of the leaves that they bear away so like a parasol over their heads, for the purpose of eating them, or for nest lining, as has been suggested. These bits of leaves are simply wanted as the soil on which to cultivate a certain sort of fungus that they feed upon; and the ants are as expert in its culture as any market gardener of Paris in the growing of his beloved mushrooms. A nest of these tiny agriculturists has thus been described by the director of public works of Trinidad, who has had them on his study table: "Each forager dropped his portion of leaf in the nest, and it was taken up by a small worker and carried to a clear space to be cleaned. It was then taken in hand by the large workers, which, after licking it with their tongues, reduced it to a small, black ball of pulp. These balls were built on the edge of the already formed fungus bed, and slightly smoothed down. The new surface was then planted with portions of the fungus brought from other parts of the nest. Each piece is put in separately, and the ants know exactly how far apart the plants should be. It sometimes looks as if the bits of fungus had been put in too scantily in places, yet in about forty hours (if the humidity has been properly regulated) it is all evenly covered with a mantle as of very fine saw." When it is remembered that most persons who have tried the cultivation of edible fungi have failed, because of the difficulties arising from the handling of the spores and the maintenance of the needed humidity, it almost seems that we must concede to these tiny creatures a greater degree of agricultural skill than is possessed by the average farmer.

### Dogs in Railroad Cars.

Belgium leads the way in the importance which it accords to dogs. According to a decision just issued by the government, which controls all the railroads of the kingdom, a dog is just as much entitled to a seat in a railroad compartment as its owner, providing the latter has purchased a ticket for the animal, and when a compartment made to hold ten persons contains eight human beings and two dogs, the compartment is henceforth to be regarded as full. It is to be hoped, however, that on busy days the dog passenger will be willing to stand to oblige a lady, though to judge from the favor which canine pets appear to enjoy in Belgium it seems more likely that ladies will be requested to give up their seats to dogs.

### Orphans in Australia.

According to the Medical Times of Philadelphia Australia is a country without an orphan asylum. Everywhere local committees keep record of families with which a destitute child may be placed, and the children's committee of the destitute board selects a home suitable for each child that comes under its care. On an average one dollar and twenty-five cents a week is allowed for board and clothing, but in no case are foster parents selected who are so poor that the adopted child will suffer hardship. It must be sent to school regularly until the age of fourteen years, when it is put to work. The local committee watches over each adopted child and sees that the conditions are all fulfilled. The earnings of a boy of that class from fourteen to eighteen are put in the postal savings bank, and at the latter age he can begin his career with a little ready money. As a result the state has raised a citizen at a cost of seventy dollars a year and saved no end of outlay for courts, prisons and reformatories.

### A Leader.

Since its first introduction, electric bitters has gained rapidly in popular favor, until now it is clearly in the lead among pure medicinal tonics and alteratives—containing nothing which permits its use as a beverage or intoxicant, it is recognized as the best and purest medicine for all ailments of stomach, liver or kidneys. It will cure sick headache, indigestion, constipation and drive malaria from the system. Satisfaction guaranteed with each bottle or the money will be refunded. Price only 50c. per bottle. Sold by Snipes & Kinsley.

"During the epidemic of la grippe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy took the lead here and was much better liked than any other medicine," H. M. BANGS, druggist, Chatsworth, Ill. The grip is much the same as a very severe cold and requires precisely the same treatment. This remedy is prompt and effectual and will prevent any tendency of the disease towards pneumonia. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton, druggists.

Ask your dealer for Mexican Silver Stove Polish.

Look Over Your County Warrants. All county warrants registered prior to January 16th, 1890, will be paid if presented at my office, corner of Third and Washington streets. Interest ceases on and after this date.

Wm. MICHELL,  
Treasurer Wasco County,  
October 21st, 1893.

### NORWEGIAN SUPERSTITIONS.

Men of Strong Nerves and the Beliefs of the Spirit World.

The simple faith of the Norwegian peasants is that the seeing or not seeing of beings of the other world is a mere question of strong or weak nerves. Only reversing, says All the Year Round, the generally accepted belief, it is the Northman of strong nerves who has power to see the unseen. And he who sees it fears it not. "If you have the gift," says my informant, "you may see dozens and scores of forms pass your door, but you know not what it is to feel alarm." "There's a ghost on every ship," says the same authority. "My own uncle, who saw the unseen plain from his childhood, was married to a woman who could not believe in spirits. He had a fishing smack of his own, and saw strange things of nights. One night he asked her to go out with him, and she went. 'If I see anything I will call for you,' he said, and she agreed to it. In the dark middle of the night he could see three men come walking on the water toward the little vessel. He went and called his wife, saying:

"Look out now; do you see nothing?"

"No," said the wife. "I see nothing but the water and the darkness."

"Well," said he, "there are three men there, plain to be seen, and now I'll go and get up the nets, for a storm is surely coming."

"Two o'clock was the wonted hour for getting up the nets, but wait he would not, in spite of all his wife could say to him.

"When two o'clock came the nets of all the other fishermen were lost and their boats nearly wrecked in a sudden great storm that rose, but my uncle was well out of it, and anchored in safety, because he could read the signs they were all blind to."

### CHEAP RENTS.

How the Railroads Have Affected Branches of Old Mobile's Business.

A portion of the glory of Mobile, Ala., departed when, after years of labor, the railroads from the north were able to surmount the difficulties presented by marshland and bayou and continue their lines to New Orleans. This affected certain branches of the business of the city materially, practically ruining the heavy trade in re-shipping merchandise at Mobile to New Orleans, leaving giant warehouses tenantless and docks to rot and become grass grown.

The extent of the depreciation in value of some of the shipping property can be inferred from the following observations of a recently returned commercial traveler.

In walking through one of the old streets recently he saw on the ground floor of a huge five-story warehouse the striped pole and the sign of a barber-shop and boot blacking establishment. Walking in to have his shoes polished he inquired of the proprietor how much of the building he rented.

"All of it," replied the man.

"What, all of this immense building?" asked the drummer in surprise.

"Why, how can you afford it? What do you pay for it?"

"Fifteen dollars a month," was the answer. "I use only what I want of it, but my lease covers the whole property."

Inquiry from merchants of the city confirmed the man's statement. The class of property had become absolutely useless by the altered conditions; enabling the barber to secure for fifteen dollars a month a building which formerly rented for thirty-five hundred or four thousand dollars a year.

### ONLY A FEW OF THEM LEFT.

Xiphoid Whales Which Belong to Long-Past Geological Ages.

Prior to 1883 the naturalists of America knew nothing of xiphoid whales except from comparisons and the fossil records of the geological ages. During the year mentioned, however, one of these queer cetaceans was stranded upon the sands at Barnegat City, N. J. J. H. Ridgeway and his assistants managed to save the specimen, and immediately telegraphed for the officials of the National museum of Washington. They went, of course, and took all the apparatus necessary for preserving such a unique curiosity. Among these Smithsonian worthies were scientists of international reputation, yet the creature before them could not be assigned to its proper class until after the brain was critically and scientifically examined—this on account of its great rarity. Before removing the flesh preparatory to "making a skeleton" of the great creature's bones a plaster cast of the exterior was made. After this operation had been finished in all its minute details the meat was cut away and the bones carefully articulated. A scientific report of the incident, quoted by the St. Louis Republic, closes as follows: "The xiphoid whales have a most interesting history. \* \* \* They really belong to the geological ages, and perhaps only a few stragglers are now left in remote quarters of the globe. It would seem that they are but the surviving relics of a great race, which declined long ages before man appeared upon the earth."

### National Peculiarities.

It takes seven days after death, according to Siamese belief, for the soul to reach Heaven, and prayers are kept up during that period to help it on its way.

In Dutch Guiana the women carry upon their persons all the family savings in the shape of heavy bracelets, anklets, necklaces and even crowns of gold and silver.

The Spaniard, however courteous he may be, never invites a guest to dinner. In Italy, too, the privacy of the family is seldom invaded at the dinner hour. The members eat in silence.

The king of Assam has two hundred wives, who are divided into nine grades. When one of them dies her body is lowered from the roof of the palace to be buried; the law in Assam prohibits the carrying of a corpse through the doors.

## When the Train stops at THE DALLES, get off on the South Side NEW COLUMBIA HOTEL.

This large and popular House does the principal hotel business, and is prepared to furnish the Best Accommodations of any House in the city, and at the low rate of  
\$1.00 per Day. - First Class Meals, 25 Cents.

Office for all Stage Lines leaving The Dalles for all points in Eastern Oregon and Eastern Washington, in this Hotel.  
Corner of Front and Union Sts. T. T. NICHOLAS, Propr.

# The Dalles Daily and Weekly Chronicle.

THE CHRONICLE was established for the express purpose of faithfully representing The Dalles and the surrounding country, and the satisfying effect of its mission is everywhere apparent. It now leads all other publications in Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, a large part of Crook, Morrow and Grant counties, as well as Klickitat and other regions north of The Dalles, hence it is the best medium for advertisers in the Inland Empire. The DAILY CHRONICLE is published every evening in the week Sundays excepted at \$6.00 per annum. The WEEKLY CHRONICLE on Fridays of each week at \$1.50 per annum.

For advertising rates, subscriptions, etc., address

THE CHRONICLE PUBLISHING CO.,  
The Dalles, Oregon.

H. H. CAMPBELL,  
Successor to LESLIE BUTLER.  
Will constantly keep on hand a complete line of  
GROCERIES, \* CROCKERY,  
AND GLASSWARE.

Having purchased Mr. Butler's entire stock, I shall endeavor to maintain the reputation of the house, which has been:  
BEST GOODS AT LOWEST PRICES. - SQUARE DEALING TO EVERY ONE  
Call and see me, next door to Postoffice.

PAUL KREFT & CO.,  
—DEALERS IN—  
PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS  
And the Most Complete and the Latest Patterns and Designs in  
WALL PAPER.

Practical Painters and Paper Hangers. None but the best brands of the Sherwin-Williams and J. W. Mason's Paints used in all our work, and none but the most skilled workmen employed. Agents for Masury Liquid Paints. No chemical combination or soap mixture. A first class article in all colors. All orders promptly attended to.

Paint Shop corner Third and Washington Sts., The Dalles Oregon

THE CELEBRATED  
COLUMBIA BREWERY,  
AUGUST BUCHLER, Prop'r.

This well-known Brewery is now turning out the best Beer and Porter east of the Cascades. The latest appliances for the manufacture of good healthful Beer have been introduced, and only the first-class article will be placed on the market.

Familiar Faces in a New Place.

C. E. BAYARD, J. E. BARNETT  
Late Special Agent General Land Office.

Bayard & Barnett,  
The Real Estate, Loan, Insurance,  
COLLECTION AGENCY.

---NOTARY PUBLIC---

Parties having Property they wish to Sell or Trade, Houses to Rent, or Abstract of Title furnished, will find it to their advantage to call on us.

We shall make a specialty of the prosecution of Claims and Contests before the United States Land Office.

85 Washington St. THE DALLES, OR.

I. O. NICKELSEN,  
—DEALER IN—  
BOOKS, JEWELRY, WATCHES  
and Musical Instruments.

## HAVE YOU TRIED DRUGS AND FAILED TO FIND A CURE FOR RHEUMATISM, LUMBAGO, SCIATICA, KIDNEY, LIVER and BLADDER COMPLAINTS, DYSPEPSIA, LAME-BACK, &c.



DR. SANDEN'S ELECTRIC BELT with Electric Magnetic Suspension will cure without medicine all of the above troubles. Those who suffer from Nervous Debility, Lassa, Drains, Lost Manhood, Protrusion of Spleen, Dropsy, Poor Memory, all Female Complaints, and general Ill Health, the effects of abuse, excess, worry or exposure, will find relief and prompt cure in our marvelous invention, which requires but a trial to convince the most skeptical. Importance of effects you may have unduly drained your system of nerve force and vitality which is electricity—and thus caused your weakness or lack of force. If you replace into your system the elements thus drained, which are required for vigorous strength, you will remove the cause and health, strength and vigor will follow at once. This is our plan and treatment and we guarantee a cure or refund money.

Our 200 page book "THREE CLASSES OF MEN," should be read by every young middle-aged and old man, sent sealed, free. Dr. Sanden's Electric Belt is no experiment as we have restored thousands to robust health and vigor, after all other treatments failed, so can be shown by hundreds of cases throughout this and other States who would gladly testify, and from many of whom we have strong letters bearing testimony to their recovery after using our Belt.

WE HAVE CURED THESE—WE CAN CURE YOU!  
GENERAL DEBILITY CURED. LAME BACK AND RHEUMATISM.

Dr. A. T. Sanden, Dear Sir:—Before I used your belt I was troubled with lost vigor, vital weakness, and almost a complete loss of power. I would get up with a very tired feeling, bone aching, etc.; finally using your belt I have had a new lease of life. I now enjoy life better than I have for ten years past. I have the utmost confidence in your treatment. You can publish this statement, also have others write or call on me. Truly yours, H. A. BOWEN, 36 and 38 Turk St.

RHEUMATISM AND LAMENESS CURED.

Dr. A. T. Sanden, Dear Sir:—I got one of your belts two weeks ago for rheumatism, from which I suffered for several years. For the past six months I had not been able to work. Your belt has placed me in almost perfect health in the two weeks I have used it. I can walk comfortably, and feel like a new man generally. M. L. HUGHES, Proprietor International Hotel.

NERVOUS DEBILITY—LOSS OF VIGOR.

Dr. A. T. Sanden, Dear Sir:—I have been using your Electric Belt for general nervous debility, and to-day I feel better than I have for five years. I have gained weight, and am strong in every part. Yours gratefully, CHAS. LUETKA.

LOST VITALITY AND STRENGTH.

Dr. A. T. Sanden, Dear Sir:—I have been using your belt I find myself twice as vigorous as before. My memory is now nearly perfect, and each day shows in vigor daily, and am strong in every part. Yours truly, HENRY SCHULTZ.

THE DR. SANDEN ELECTRIC BELT is a complete galvanic battery, made into a belt so as to be easily worn during work or street, and it gives soothing, prolonged currents which are instantly felt throughout all weak parts, or we forfeit \$5,000. It has an Improved Electric Suspension, the greatest boon ever given weak men, and we warrant it to cure any of the above weaknesses, and to encourage slumberless limbs, or parts, or money refunded. They are graded in strength to meet all stages of weakness in young, middle-aged or old men, and will cure the worst cases in two or three months.

SANDEN ELECTRIC CO. 472 First St., PORTLAND, OREGON.

## D. BUNNELL, Pipe Work, Tin Repairs and Roofing

MAINS TAPPED UNDER PRESSURE.

Shop on Third Street, next door west of Young & Kuss' Blacksmith Shop.

"There is a tide in the affairs of men which, taken at its flood leads on to fortune."

The poet unquestionably had reference to the

## Closing-Out Sale of

Furniture & Carpets

AT CRANDALL & BURGET'S,  
Who are selling these goods out at greatly-reduced rates.  
MICHELBAUGH BRICK, - - UNION ST.

## FIRST CLASS JOB PRINTING

CAN BE HAD AT THE  
CHRONICLE OFFICE

Reasonably Ruinous Rates.

## FREE! FREE!!

With every dozen Cabinet Photographs, one

Life-Size Crayon.

Call at the Gallery and see samples. My work speaks for itself.

O.C. Marvin

THE DALLES, OR.