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FRIDAY, - - - APRIL 17, 1896

WAYSIDE GLEANINGS.

Random Observations and Local Events of Lesser Magnitude.

Forecast—Today and tomorrow, fair and warmer.

The Populist county convention will be held at the court house tomorrow.

Rev. F. A. Powell lectures tonight on "Romanism in America" at the Christian church.

Jailer FitzGerald accidentally took the Australian dogs for baby coyotes today and drowned them.

The Woodmen Circle will give an entertainment at Fraternity hall this evening. The Woodmen and their wives are invited to attend.

An effort is to be made to have the Clackamas river condemned as fishing ground and reserved entirely for the propagation of salmon.

Dr. Siddall witnessed the performance of Anna Eva Fay in Portland. He appears as much mystified over what he saw as the others, and has no explanation to offer for her apparently magical powers of mind.

Chet Sargent, of Heppner, was arrested and bound over to the grand jury in the sum of \$500. He is charged with making a criminal assault on two young girls about 9 years old. He had no difficulty in procuring bonds.

Mr. J. W. Lauderbach was in the city yesterday, returning to White Salmon this morning. He informs us the mountain roads are drying up rapidly, so that lumber teams can soon commence hauling. The company proposes to have an immense dry kiln soon, which will further increase the value and quality of their lumber.

Another severe frost occurred this morning throughout the Sacramento valley and throughout the Willamette. The frost this morning east of the Cascades was very light and did no damage. It was principally in the air, and was dispelled as soon as old Sol, peeping over the eastern hills, discovered its whereabouts.

A New Study for School Children.

Mr. Emil Schanno returned last night from the meeting of the state board of horticulture which convened April 14th in Salem. The board meets semi-annually, its next session being in October. The most important business done was the drawing of a set of resolutions by the board asking the educational board to introduce suitable text books on horticulture in the public schools. This is a very wise action and should be taken up with becoming ardor and promptness. Gov. Lord took occasion to compliment the board for this action, saying that every child, whether living in the city or the country, should have a primary knowledge of how to decorate and benefit a home through the planting and cultivation of trees and shrubs.

HERMANN'S TRICKS.

Mr. F. W. Helm Exposes Them From His Own Experience.

Mr. F. W. Helm, who has just returned from Portland, visited "Hermann, the healer" while there, and has little confidence in the miraculous powers claimed for him. This man is drawing tremendous houses in Portland and he is making dollars by the hundreds. The opera house, where he gives his performances, is thronged with people, and hundreds of the deaf, dumb, blind and crippled seek him for a cure nightly. Mr. Helm, who has been partially deaf from early childhood, was present with others. His experience can best be told in his own words:

"Hermann is a very young man," said Mr. Helm, "and looks more like a girl than a man. He wears a black blouse and pantaloons. He does not talk himself, but has a very accomplished manager in that line who understands his business. He selects from the audience those who are but partially affected and makes the most of them. I assert that the whole thing is a stupendous fraud and should be exposed. Hermann has magnetic power, but that is no new thing, and I have seen hundreds of men who have the same power who can temporarily relieve pain by laying on of hands. I have a daughter who can do the same thing, and I think has fully as much magnetic power as Hermann. Now I want to tell you how they trick the people by my own example. When Hermann's manager saw me he asked what was the matter. I told him I had a partial deafness of 40 or 50 years' standing. He took me on the stand and pretty soon Hermann operated on me. He passed his hands over my head, put his forefingers in my ears, and withdrew them with a sudden motion. Then the manager whispered loudly close to my ear: "Can you hear me whisper?" I said "yes, I always could." Then the manager announced to the people: "This man has been totally deaf since childhood; he can now hear the faintest whisper." I have no patience with those Portland imposters and I want the people here to know they are tricksters, and that Hermann can do nothing beyond giving a temporary relief through the well-known power of electric magnetism, which hundreds of others can do all over the country."

Wasco County Leads the State.

It is apparent the Wasco county fruit crop this year will lead the state. Less harm has resulted from frosts or other causes. The only failure in our history as a fruit producing county was in 1878. January and the first few days of February were almost summer-like in temperature. Flowers bloomed and the sap rose in the trees. Then came the severest cold weather ever known. The thermometer descended from 15 to 30 degree below zero, varying with locality, and the trees were killed by its long continuance. Great trouble was experienced with water pipes, many being frozen

three feet underground. Nothing as disastrous ever occurred before or since. Throughout all the years since then, though at times the crop has been less than at others, there has always been plenty of fruit when bearing time rolled around.

MR. GRAY'S EFFORTS.

He Hopes We Will Yet Be Able to Pound the Locks Open.

As stated some time ago steps had been taken to verify the statement said to have been made by Captain Fisk of the board of engineers to citizens of the Dalles. This has been done, and below is published Capt. Fisk's reply. Also a letter from J. H. D. Gray of Astoria who is showing commendable energy in assisting the people of the Dalles in their hour of trouble. Capt. Gray indorsed a letter to Senator Mitchell which he asked the committee from The Dalles Commercial Club to sign, and which asks Senator Mitchell what is the best course of procedure for the people to take. This letter has been signed and will be forwarded to Washington. Following is the communication from Capt. Gray and below that Capt. Fisk's epistle. Read it and get what comfort you can out of it. There isn't much to get:

ASTORIA, April 15, 1896. Messrs. W. L. Bradshaw and A. S. Mac Allister, The Dalles, Or.:

GENTLEMEN—I send you enclosed herewith Captain W. L. Fisk's letter (a copy of which I have retained) with a letter to Senator Mitchell, informing him of the status of the matter. If you think advisable, please sign the letter. If not, strike out the reference to The Dalles Commercial Club and forward my letter, with Captain Fisk's enclosed.

Hoping we may yet pound this place open before I die, I remain Very truly yours, J. H. D. GRAY.

PORTLAND, April 14, 1896. Messrs. J. H. D. Gray, W. L. Bradshaw and A. S. Mac Allister:

GENTLEMEN—Your letter of the 10th inst., making certain inquiries regarding the work at Cascade Locks, was received this morning.

In reply I have to say, as stated to you verbally the other day, I know nothing beyond newspaper report of the \$20,000 petitioned for. As I understand the item, there was to be, with the consent of the present contractors, a temporary transfer of funds available at that time from one part of the work to another, but as practically all funds in hand have already been earned by the contractors, there is no such sum available for the proposed transfer.

No detailed project for the expenditure of the appropriation now pending before congress has yet been made, nor will there be until official instructions as to the action of congress are received.

Every effort will be made with any money appropriated to hasten to the utmost the completion of the work. As the contract gives the present contractors one year from the date of any appropriation in which to earn it, you will see that my power over them is very limited. Very respectfully,

W. D. FISK, Captain Corps of Engineers, U. S. A.

WANTED—A man and wife to work on a ranch and keep house. Inquire of A. S. Bennett, 225-1m.

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Chapter Two of the Tramp Episode.

The tramp who endeavored to enforce his demands for food yesterday was caught by Marshal Blakeney about 6:30 o'clock last evening, and was brought before the recorder this morning. He stated his name was Johnson. He was fined \$40 or 20 days at hard labor. The personal appearance of the tramp is very repulsive, from a facial standpoint. He is dressed rather better than the general average of tramps, has a very genteel-looking suit of clothes and actually wears a collar and tie, but his face betokens very brutal instincts, and taken in connection with a heavy, compact frame, is capable of committing some violent crime, if he has the spirit to match, which, it is probable he possesses from his dogged cast of countenance. Housewives are in danger from such people running at large, and it is gratifying to observe that the recorder has fined him almost to the limit of his jurisdiction. Such a course affords the community the best protection from these predatory beasts of prey.

EASTERN OREGON.

Robert N. Stanfield of Umatilla died of heart failure yesterday.

J. B. Patterson, late of Arlington, died in Walla Walla April 13th, of heart failure. He was 84 years of age.

Dall Reed left Arlington Wednesday with two car loads of horses for Hamilton, Montana, where they will be sold to farmers.

A wreck occurred on the O. R. & N. near Wallula Wednesday afternoon in which Engineer Kimball was severely injured and Fireman Rhody considerably hurt. They were on a freight train of which four cars left the track. The locomotive, it is said, turned completely over.

The levee at Pendleton continues to disappear into the hungry waters of the Umatilla. The river shows no signs of subsiding and the work of destruction still goes on. Before many days the situation will become dangerous to those residing in the lower portion of town. The end of the levee is still washing rapidly and a place just below the suspension bridge is caving in at a rate that is indeed alarming.

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