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The Dalles Daily Chronicle.

THURSDAY, - - - APRIL 23, 1896

WAYSIDE GLEANINGS.

Random Observations and Local Events of Lesser Magnitude.

The foundation for the new Williams building is being laid.

The sheriff has started posting the general election notices.

Forecast—Tonight and tomorrow, occasional showers, cooler.

Watch tomorrow's paper for some big drives in dress goods at Pease & Mays.

County Clerk A. M. Kelsey proposes to plant five acres to tomatoes this season.

The rainfall last night amounted to one-twentieth of an inch, a fairly good summer rain.

Ida Walters is held in the county jail as a witness in the case of State vs. Wm. Landis for adultery.

Trout fishing is said to be better than average this season. All who have angled for the speckled beauties report excellent success.

J. W. Walton announces himself as an independent Republican candidate for justice of the peace, and filed the required notice with ten signatures with the county clerk yesterday.

John Carey's restaurant was moved today from its location next to the Mountaineer office to Mr. McInerney's building in the East End. A 15-cent house goes in across the street from Carey's old place.

The Pendleton brass band, of fourteen instruments, has begun a series of weekly outdoor concerts. It is the intention of the leader to select a different portion of the town each week, in order that all may be treated alike.

In the case of Teal vs. Mosier, which came before Justice Davis this morning, defendants were given until Saturday at 10 o'clock to file answer. The case of John Donovan vs. Taffe, for recovery of alleged balance due on a steam boiler, was postponed until April 29th at 10 o'clock.

John Lauer, a 10-year-old boy, who lives on 8-Mile, ran into a barbed wire fence this morning, receiving severe injuries about the face. His nose was nearly cut in two laterally, a gash was made in his neck nearly severing the carotid artery, and other cuts were made upon his face. He was immediately brought to the city and placed under the care of Dr. Hollister.

Col. Sinnott thinks Dr. Grant overlooked one very important photograph for his to-be famous collection. If he had only been asked he would have shown Mr. Grant the identical place where Geo. Francis Train crossed the river on the backs of salmon, a feat to which there are now but two living witnesses—Train himself, who is in New York City, and Col. N. B. Sinnott.

The finishing touches are being put on

the 3-Mile road. A carriage team can now trot from the bottom to the top without losing any speed, so slight is the grade. This latter improvement is in line with the remodelled brewery grade, which is another excellent piece of work. At the present rate of improvement Wasco county roads will be well nigh perfect within five years, which means increased prosperity alike for the farmers and the townspeople.

RECLAIMING A DESERT.

The Excellent Work Now Going on in Umatilla County.

Some of the arid lands of Umatilla county are being settled upon by a party of men, who are putting in a ditch taken from the Umatilla river, known as the Bally ditch. The ditch is run over a beautiful little scope of country, and it is believed by all who see the growth of vegetation upon the land that it will develop into a rich farming country. Although it takes a great deal of water to irrigate that land, we cannot question the quality of the land. Last year was the first to be cultivated and all kinds of garden truck was raised in abundance. Potatoes, both in size and quality, were almost unequalled in the state. All kinds of fruit trees are being set out this spring, as well as small berries, with long rows of stately poplars, which are being set out for wind-breaks. Several dwelling houses are being built, some splendid farm cottages and other improvements.

Our County Schools.

From the annual statement of Mr. Troy Shelley, county school superintendent, we glean the following interesting data concerning county public schools:

Number of pupils enrolled between ages of 4 and 20, 2,593; number of persons in county between those ages, 3,952; 1,424 children do not attend school.

Number of teachers employed, 156.

Twenty teachers hold first grade, 31 second grade, and 23 third grade certificates. Sixty teachers take some educational journal.

There are eleven private schools, with 144 scholars.

Estimated value of school houses and grounds, \$75,677; school furniture \$9,701; apparatus \$4,510.

Amount of insurance on houses and property, \$29,960.

Average salary paid male teachers, \$45.38; female, \$35.40. Salary of superintendent, \$700.

There are 61 districts in the county. Five new school houses have been built during the year. Of the 62 schoolhouses 58 are frame, 2 brick and 2 log.

Number of graded schools 7, employing 30 teachers. There is one academy, employing eight teachers, with 125 pupils.

Number of legal voters at school elections, 2,119.

An average of 6 mills has been voted and levied during the year for school purposes.

Wants Fisk and the Colonel Promoted.

EDITOR CHRONICLE:—I have a proposition to make to those interested in the immediate opening of the Cascade locks that ought to meet the approval of every Oregonian from Point Adams to Snake river. I see by the papers that Lieut. Harry Taylor has been promoted and ordered to take charge of some score of government works in Washington that the government never intends to finish. Now don't you think it would be a good idea for us to petition the secretary of war to send Captain Fisk and "Colonel" Day to keep Harry company. It will be awful lonely for Harry away up on the raging Stillaguamish or by the deserted mud flats of the Swinomish. On the "promotion" of these gentlemen as aforesaid, I suggest that the works be turned over to the supervisor of road district No. 1 for completion.

HUGH GOURLAY.

Card of Thanks.

THE DALLES, April 21, 1896.

To the Editor of the Chronicle: I wish to convey through the columns of your paper the heartfelt thanks of myself, wife and family to all who so nobly assisted us during the sickness and at the death of our beloved son, George Allan McNulty, and for the many kind acts of loving sympathy shown him during all the past years of his illness at Mosier and The Dalles by neighbors and friends, and also to the D. P. & A. N. Co. and Capt. O. S. Waud and crew of the steamer Regulator and for the many floral offerings sent by kind friends.

CAPT. AND MRS. JOHN MCNULTY.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. Hugh Glenn went to Portland this morning.

Mrs. E. L. Grimes went to Portland on today's local.

Mrs. E. J. Gates left for her home in Portland this afternoon.

Mr. Jas. Snipes was a west-bound passenger on today's local.

Mr. J. H. Cradelbaugh went to Hood River on the afternoon train.

Mr. Wm. Streeter of Portland came up the noon train on insurance business.

Mr. E. H. Merrill went to Hood River this morning for an absence of several days.

Mr. W. C. Allaway and Miss Daisy Allaway went to Portland this morning on the boat.

Miss Grace Sharp was taken suddenly ill last evening and her many friends feel anxious about her condition.

Miss Nellie Allen is very ill with pneumonia at the residence of her brother-in-law, Mr. John Parrott.

Mr. A. R. Burkett, a lawyer of Ohio, who has ranching interests near White Salmon, left for that place on the Regulator this morning.

There will be a meeting of The Dalles Commercial and Athletic Club Saturday evening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of adopting a constitution and bylaws.

R. B. SINNOTT, J. S. SCHENCK,

Secretary. President.

A Promise Faithfully Kept.

In our issue of March 12th last, Rev. L. Grey requested the community to withhold their judgment concerning the charges made against him by a number of ministers until he had an opportunity to refute them, promising to do so in the fullest manner. He has now fulfilled that promise.

The council of the Lutheran church in this city, in view of certain published statements referring upon the character of the Rev. L. Grey, recently called from Oregon City to assume the pastorate of the local church, have requested the publication of the following testimonial, which speaks for itself:

OREGON CITY, April 7, 1896.

To Rev. L. Grey:

REVEREND AND DEAR BROTHER:—In view of your departure from our city, and the consequent severance of your relation to the Ministerial Association here, the undersigned, are instructed by that body to tender you this testimonial of our brotherly esteem and good wishes for your future success in the Master's work.

At your request we have made as strict an examination as we were able to do, into the charges recently published in the secular press affecting your ministerial standing and personal character, but as those making the said charges positively declined to furnish us with any evidence, whatever, in support of them, and as the official records, submitted to us by the churches, served by you in this vicinity and particularly by the one in this city, vindicate you in the most unequivocal manner, we find no ground on which to question your standing in the slightest degree. We therefore bid you farewell with this expression of our fraternal confidence and esteem, and commend you to the love and fellowship of the brethren and Christian churches in the new field of ministerial service, to which God in His presence has called you.

On behalf of the Ministerial Association of Oregon City Ore.

A. W. STRYKER, HENRY WALL,

President. Secretary.

The council of the Lutheran church in

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