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The Dalles Daily Chronicle.
WEDNESDAY, - - MARCH 31, 1897

WAYSIDE GLEANINGS.
Random Observations and Local Events of Lesser Magnitude.

The weather forecast for tonight and tomorrow is rain.

Four cars of cattle will be shipped tomorrow night to Troutdale.

It is expected the Regulator will make her first trip this week, arriving Saturday evening.

Don't forget the lecture at the Baldwin opera house tonight, for men only. Last lecture.

Wauke school district has been divided, and the new district will be numbered 63.

The East End is as dull as a sermon and quiet as a woman's conscience, hence there is nothing in the shape of news in that part of town.

Mr. W. Lord is to build a warehouse at Arlington, and his nephew, Charles Lord, will open a general merchandise store there at the same time.

Fern Lodge, Degree of Honor, will celebrate its birthday one week from tonight, and has invited Riverside lodge of Hood River to assist in the festivities.

Mrs. Anna Morris, in the Krause building on Fifth street, near the Court street school, is prepared to do all kinds of dressmaking. Suits from \$3 up. mch22-2w

Mr. Malcolm S. Jameson, who for some time has been night clerk in the Hotel Imperial in Portland, where his Dalles friends were always glad to meet him, has accepted a position in the Hotel Portland. His many friends in this city will be pleased to learn of his success in securing such a desirable place of employment.

The case of the State against Clabe Cooper, charged with the larceny of a gold nugget from the Columbia hotel, was tried before Recorder Phelps yesterday, but some questions of law arising it was continued until this afternoon, when the attorneys will present some authorities. Mrs. Cooper testified that she found the nugget on the parlor floor and gave it to her husband.

The display of millinery at Mrs. Briggs parlors yesterday afternoon was a very handsome one, and that it was appreciated was shown by the large number of ladies present. The regular Easter opening will be given Friday, April 9th, at which will be shown the largest and most fashionable stock of millinery ever brought to The Dalles. With one of the most artistic trimmers on the coast, there is no room for competition.

The log drives in the Palouse are making some progress, although the river is too high for speedy driving. The Palouse Lumber Company's drive has arrived in Palouse, and is tied up, waiting for the Elberton and Colfax drives to pass. On account of the lack of snow during the

winter the necessary logs could not be banked, hence each drive is short, one of them 1,000,000 feet. However, enough will reach the mills to keep them busy most of the summer.

Mrs. H. W. French entertained a few of the most intimate friends of Miss Daisy Beall at her home, on Fourth street, from 4 till 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The parlors looked very pretty in their decoration of yellow, with large bouquets of rock lilies placed where they looked the most artistic. Conversation was the rule of the afternoon, and of course there was not an exception to the rule, unless it may have been when they were seated around the table and, if possible, more busily engaged doing justice to the exceptionally tempting lunch there spread.

This has been the dullest and hardest day for the CHRONICLE reporter that he ever experienced in the city. There was an absolute famine in the matter of locals, the market being as bare of an item as the front row in a pedal opera is of hair, the senate of courtesy, the Oregon child of consistency, or Mitchell's seat in the senate of an occupant. We can manage somehow with a little something to work on, but taking nothing as a raw material, we have to pass. The poet who desired to "give to airy nothing a local habitation and a name" would call it The Dalles, if he wrote here today.

The silver service for the battle-ship Oregon, at a cost of almost \$4000, which sum was raised throughout this state by public contribution, arrived here from the East this morning, and is now in the custody of Mr. Albert Feldenheimer, the jeweler, to whom the contract for its manufacture was awarded. It is a gorgeous service, and said to be the most massive and beautiful in design in the United States. It consists of a punch bowl, of 10 gallons' capacity, with ladle and 24 glasses in silver holders; a toddy-bowl, of 12 pints, with ladle, and a grand massive eilver. Up to noon the service had not been placed on exhibition, as at that time it had not yet been formally received by the committee having this matter in hand.—Telegram.

At the Stubling Greenhouse you will find strong, well-rooted geraniums, fuchsias, white and yellow marguerites and heliotropes, from five cents up. Roses in bloom, 15 cents, or two for 25 cents; calla lilies in bloom, 25 cents; pansies 25 per dozen. Appropriate floral designs furnished on short notice. 24-d1w-wim

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AN UNENFORCED LAW.
Compulsory Education Required by Oregon Statutes.

THE CHRONICLE is requested to publish the following circular letter from State Superintendent Irwin and urge all school directors to heed the law here cited: SALEM, Or., March 24, 1897.

To County Superintendents and Board of School Directors:
The attention of the county superintendent, and through him, the attention of the boards of school directors, is called to the following law pertaining to compulsory education:

Section 65. Every parent, guardian, or other person in this state having control or charge of a child or children between the ages of 8 and 14 years shall be required to send such child or children to a public school for a period of at least 12 weeks in every school year, of which at least eight weeks school shall be consecutive, unless the bodily or mental condition of such child or children has been such as to prevent his or her or their attendance at school application to study for the period required, or unless child or children are taught in a private school, or at home in such branches as are usually taught in public school; provided, in case a public school shall not be taught for the period of 12 weeks, or any part thereof, during the year, within two miles by the nearest traveled road of the residence of any person within the school district, he or she shall not be liable to the provisions of this act.

Section 66. Any parent, guardian, or other person having control or charge of any child or children failing to comply with the provisions of this act shall be liable to a fine of not less than \$5 nor more than \$25 for the first offense, nor less than \$25 nor more than \$50 for the second and each subsequent offense, besides the cost of the prosecution.

Section 67. It shall be the duty of the directors and clerk of each school district to make diligent effort to see that this law is enforced in their respective districts.

Section 68. Justices of the peace shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit court in all prosecutions under this act.

This office has become aware that but little or no attention is paid to the law compelling children to attend at least 12 weeks during the year. To look over the statistics one is impressed that there must be many children of school age who do not attend our public schools. This law was enacted for a purpose, and it is apparent that the purpose contemplated was to have the children attend the public schools in order that illiteracy and ignorance may be reduced to a minimum.

The safety and welfare of the country largely depends upon the efficiency of our public schools, wherein not only knowledge of books and literature is considered, but where good government loyalty, and love of country is inculcated.

The law is on the statute book, and should not remain a dead letter. The duty of seeing it enforced rests with the boards of school directors, and the clerks of the several school districts.

The clerks of the several districts having the number of pupils on the statistical roll, and the teacher or teachers of the district having the ages and number enrolled as in attendance at school, some knowledge may be gained as to how nearly this law of school attendance is observed.

This is also one of the duties of the county superintendent, that he should acquaint himself with the attendance at school and give direction to the board of

directors in regard to the matter of school attendance.

Bring the law before the people, acquaint them with its requirements and penalties, and it is believed that there will not be so many children, of the age included under the law, who do not and will not attend the public school. The state does not get near the value it deserves for the support of the common schools, because of the fact that so many do not avail themselves of the privilege. The state cannot afford to allow this neglect and indifference of the public schools to exist, but must, in some way, see that the children have some education. Yours Truly,

G. M. Irwin,
State Sup't Public Instruction.
Boss Peach Man Governor.

Max Pracht, Ashland's greatest peach cultivator and authority on orchard pests, will be the governor of Alaska. It is Senator Mark Hanna's dictum. Thus saith a personal friend of Pracht's, not as an addition to his boom, but as confirmation to the report that the appointment had all been arranged and settled in the private councils of the powers that be, and are, months ago. The information comes from a man who has been in Alaska and knows the politics up there.

It is said that Pracht was positively promised the place long ago by Senator Hanna, McKinley's manager, and the announcement is expected at any time. Max himself has always had the greatest assurance that this plum would fall to Oregon.

As governor of Alaska he will get about \$4,000 a year, and then he will have a juicy little plum to hand out to one of his friends in the shape of a private secretaryship with an ordinary salary attached, but extraordinary perquisites that makes it worth scrambling for.

The Alaska spoils will be pretty well divided in East Portland, if reports count for anything. Judge Hannum has his eyes on the United States district attorneyship and there are others all scheduled for federal jobs. One advantage enjoyed by the East Portlanders is that they got in on the ground floor early, and more than that they are at Washington urging their claims and endorsements while the other candidates are doing their skirmishing at long distance.—Telegram.

PERSONAL MENTION

Agent Lytle went to Portland this afternoon.

Mr. Frank Fulton is in from Sherman county today.

Mr. George Ross has gone to Cheney to visit relatives.

Dr. Stowell of Goldendale spent yesterday in the city.

The Misses Pearl and Carrie Butler, who for the past month have been suffering with the typhoid fever, were reported somewhat better today, although still very ill.

Mr. Collins, father of E. J. Collins, accompanied by his family, arrived here from Pasadena, California, Monday night, and will remain until next fall and perhaps permanently.

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