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PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. John Sipma, a prominent fruit grower of Hood River is in the city. Superintendent O'Brien and Roadmaster Bowlin of the O. R. & N., are in the city.

Mrs. Fairfowl, who has been visiting Mrs. Schenck for some time, returned to Portland this morning.

Dr. Siddell leaves in the morning for Portland and Friday leaves that port on the Elder for the Clondyke.

Rev. L. Gray goes to Hood River tomorrow to remain a week, having received an invitation to visit members of his church there, and to preach, next Sunday.

Dr. Lannerberg expects to leave Tuesday for an outing in Crook county, visiting The Sisters, and fishing and hunting in that neighborhood. He will be away for a couple of months.

Mrs. Thomas who has been in the city the past two weeks visiting the family of Mayor Nolan, went to Portland this morning to visit her mother for a few days before returning to her home at Pocatello, Idaho. She was accompanied as far as the Locks by Mr. and Mrs. Nolan.

Rev. Edlund of Astoria, and Rev. Lind of Vancouver, visited Rev. L. Gray last week and Sunday, preached in the First Baptist church, the sermons being in the Swedish language. Rev. Edlund has organized a strong Lutheran church at Gooseberry, in Morrow county, near Heppner. The church building being erected will be dedicated the fourth Sunday in October. They left this morning for the Cascade Locks.

The Alaska Rush.

A couple of steamers a month need to accommodate all the Alaska travel. Now all the craft available cannot meet the demands. Some idea of the increase can be learned from the appended list of steamers leaving Seattle, not counting those from Portland and San Francisco:

The following steamers will leave Seattle for Dyea and Skagway bays within the next few days: City of Topeka, July 28th; Islander (from Victoria), July 28th; Rosalie, July 31st; Al-Ki, August 2d; Willamette, August 3d; Queen, August 7th; Mexico, August 8th; Topeka, August 12th; Rosalie, Aug. 13.

Suicide at Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., July 27.—Alexander W. Plass committed suicide at his home in this city this morning by shooting himself in the forehead. He was a night policeman, and had just come off duty. Last night he seemed in his usual spirits, and gave no intimation of contemplating suicide. He has been subject to epileptic fits, and the disease was growing upon him. He was a prominent member of the Masonic lodge which body will bury him.

"Last summer one of our grandchildren was sick with a severe bowel trouble," says Mrs. E. G. Gregory, of Fredericktown, Mo. "Our doctor's remedy had failed, then we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy which gave very speedy relief." For sale by Blakeley and Houghton.

Preparing for the Sale.

OMAHA, Neb., July 27.—Decrees of the sale in foreclosure of the mortgage on the Union Pacific railway were received here this morning by General John C. Cowin, special United States attorney in the case. The decrees are signed by all the parties to the suit. Judge Sanborn will be in Omaha this week to make the final order of the sale.

Save Your Grain.

Few realize that each squirrel destroys \$1.50 worth of grain annually. Wakelee's Squirrel and Gopher Exterminator is the most effective and economical poison known. Price reduced to 30 cents. For sale by M. Z. Donnell, Agent.

McKinley to Visit Hanna.

CLEVELAND, July 27.—President McKinley is expected to spend three or four days at Windemere, as the guest of Senator Hanna, after the G. A. R. reunion at Buffalo, August 24. From here he and Mrs. McKinley will go to Fremont to attend the wedding of Miss Fannie Hayes, daughter of ex-President Hayes.

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HOME LIFE AMONG RED MEN.

Plains Indians Have Little Idea of the Refinements of Civilization.

It was storming hard and getting colder, and I was ahead setting the pace, when, about three o'clock that afternoon, I came upon a log hut, and two trails that bore away in different directions, writes C. W. Whitney, in Harper's Magazine. I wish I could have photographed the scene which slowly materialized from-out of the darkness as I stood on the earthen floor within the cabin while my eyes grew accustomed to the changed conditions. On entering I could distinguish only the fire in one end, before which squatted a couple of Indians and a squaw, but gradually the shadows lifted, and I found myself for a few moments busily engaged in shaking hands with Indians as fast as the new light revealed them. It was a very small cabin, barely ten feet square, I should say, with a parchment-covered hole in the wall for window, and a door which demanded a bowed head of every visitor. I do not know how many Indians were in that hut, but I recalled wondering how they arranged for sleeping, as they seemed hardly space for them to sit, much less to lie down. They were about to eat, and several rabbits, suspended full length from a deer throng and minus only their skins, were twirling and roasting before the fire, while others were being prepared for the cooking. I was not partial to rabbit, nor especially to the cabin's atmosphere, so when I had warmed a bit I went outside to wait for the dog brigade to come up.

THE LIBRETTO.

It is the Most Important Part of an Opera.

First and foremost the composer must provide himself with a good libretto, says the Fortnightly Review. On this we should say roundly the whole fortune of the piece depends. A good libretto will make amends for bad music, but good music will never make amends for a bad libretto. If the libretto is light the music need not necessarily be flimsy. Indeed, we can promise the composer that he may indulge his most recalcitrant vein at times without danger, and throughout the opera may write his very best and most valued music. The libretto will correct him when he is inclined to prose and become tedious. It will keep him from tripping if it will his salvation if he has any theories. Whatever he does the opera will succeed—only provided that he has a good libretto.

In the second place he must provide himself with a good libretto. On this we should say roundly the whole fortune of the piece depends. The best music of the world, which sounds elegant and even sublime in the concert-room, if by any means it could be transplanted into the music of the theater would fall flat and meaninglessly linked with a bad libretto, so inextricably are the two intermingled—so important is a good libretto to the composer.

In the third place he must by all means provide himself with a good libretto, for without it he can do nothing. In the fourth place he must do the same, and, having obtained the libretto, he has only to sit down and write the very best music which his training and his genius admit of, and with a good libretto his opera will be a success.

Two Lakes Discovered.

Herren Sarasin have recently explored the southeastern arm of the island of Celebes in the Moluccas, and have discovered there two large lakes, Matanna and Towuti, at a height of 400 and 350 meters respectively above sea level. In the former a sounding of 450 meters was made without finding bottom, remains of a prehistoric village, built on piles but now submerged, were discovered, the bronze and pottery found being very like that obtained in similar villages in Europe.

CHANG'S LIBERAL VIEWS.

Feels the Need of Foreign Aid and Would Welcome It.

It is claimed that notwithstanding Li Hung Chang has shown some liberality of views toward modern improvement and education, he is at heart a hater of foreigners and has an abiding faith in Chinese institutions and methods of government, says Century. He is, it is true, a great admirer of Confucian philosophy, and remembering the enduring history of his people we can hardly wonder at his devotion to the institutions which have made that history possible.

When we call to mind the experience China has had with certain western nations, it might not be considered strange if his attachment to foreigners was not very ardent; but in all his public life his conduct shows that he feels the need of foreign aid and is disposed to give it proper welcome, and of all Chinese statesmen he is the most liberal-minded and free from prejudice.

He is far from claiming that the present system of government is perfect. He has, in fact, urged upon the authorities at Peking two important changes, which look to a reform of the most serious defects in the system, to-wit, the withdrawal from the viceroys of provinces of powers which should be exercised only by the imperial government and such a change in the method of admission to the public service as will liberalize the examinations and make fitness rather than scholarship the test. There are other changes which he would gladly bring about if he had the power; but, as he confessed to Marquis Ito: "China is hampered by antiquated customs which prevent desirable reforms."

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He Was Recommended to a Lonesome Married Woman.

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His fair customer bowed, says the Chicago Tribune.

"And your husband is away? I thought so. And you want the parrot to keep you from feeling lonesome? Yes? This is the very bird."

"Is it a fluent talker?" asked the prospective purchaser.

The dealer hesitated. "Well, ro'm," he said, at last. "You wouldn't hardly call him a fluent talker; no, not that. But for what you want, he's the best I have."

"What can the bird say?"

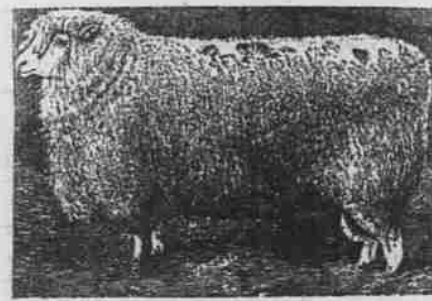
"That's what makes him the right one, ma'm. He ain't got but one remark, to tell the truth; but he's been brought up for just what you want. Every morning he makes a sound like a bureau drawer opening, and says, cross-like:

"Where the deuce have you hidden my clean collars this time?"

Amused More Than Flattered.

A rather amusing story is told of Advocate Auret, one of the Johannesburg reform leaders. The advocate was on his way and was walking along Commissioner street, near the Rand stock exchange, with his wife, when he was familiarly addressed by a peculiarly disreputable-looking Kaafir. The astonished advocate inquired of the grinning native the why and wherefore of the greeting, and expressed his impression that they had not met before. "Oh, yes, we have," retorted the imperturbable black, "we was in Pretoria jail together, bans, we was!" Mr. Auret felt more amused than flattered.

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NOTICE-SALE OF CITY LOTS.

Notice is hereby given that by authority of ordinance No. 292, which passed the Common Council of Dalles City April 10th, 1897, entitled, "An ordinance to provide for the sale of certain lots belonging to Dalles City," I will, on Saturday, the 15th day of May, 1897, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, all the following lots and parts of lots in Gates addition to Dalles City, Wasco county, Oregon, to-wit:

Lots 9 and 10 jointly, in block 14; lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, jointly in block 15; lots 7, 8, 9, and 10, jointly in block 21, known as butte; lots 10, 11 and 12, in block 27; lot 9 in block 34; lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, in block 35; lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, in block 36; lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, in block 37; lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, in block 42; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10 and 11, in block 43; lot 1, 2, 3, 7, 10, 11 and 12, in block 41, and lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, in block 46.

The reasonable value of said lots, for less than which they will not be sold, has been fixed and determined by the Common Council of Dalles City as follows, to-wit:

Lots 9 and 10, in block 14, \$150; lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, jointly in block 15, \$200; lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, jointly in block 21, \$200; lot 10, in block 27, \$225; lot 11, in block 27, \$225; lot 12, in block 27, \$300; lot 9, in block 34, \$100; lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, in block 35, each respectively \$100; lots 6 and 7, in block 35, each respectively \$125; lots 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10 and 11, in block 37, each respectively \$100; lots 6, 7 and 12, in block 37, each respectively \$125; lots 2, 3, 10 and 11, in block 41, each respectively \$125; lots 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10 and 11, in block 42, each respectively \$100; lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10 and 11, in block 43, each respectively \$125; lot 1, in block 43, \$125; lots 2, 3, 4 and 5, in block 46, each respectively \$100; lot 1, in block 46, each respectively \$125.

Each of these lots will be sold upon the lot respectively, and none of them will be sold for a less sum than the value thereof, as above stated.

One-fourth of the price bid on any of said lots shall be paid in cash at the time of sale, and the remainder in three equal payments on or before, one, two and three years from the date of said sale, with interest on such deferred payments at the rate of 10 per cent per annum, payable annually; provided that the payment may be made in full at any time at the option of the purchaser.

The said sale will begin on the 15th day of May, 1897, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, and will continue from time to time until all of said lots shall be sold.

Dated this 13th day of April, 1897. GILBERT W. PHELPS, Recorder of Dalles City.

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Lots A, B, K and L, block 30; A B, block 72; A, B, C, D, E and F, block 82, and A, B, C, D and E, block 25. Apply to W. M. SHACKELFORD.

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