

THE WEIGHT OF MARS.

The speed of any satellite in its orbit bears, as is well known, a direct relation to the mass which attracts it. The proof of this mathematical relation of the moon's motion to the earth's mass enabled Sir Isaac Newton to demonstrate the doctrine of gravity. The converse of this proposition helps the astronomer to calculate exactly the mass of a planet from the speed of its satellites. In the case of planets that have no known satellite the mass can only be approximated by tedious calculations from the attraction they impress upon their nearest neighbors—other planets whose orbits they distort. These calculations gave for the mass of Mars the 2,650,337th part of the mass of the sun, according to Burchardt; that would be about a seventh of the mass of the earth. Le Verrier's protracted and elaborate studies gave the 2,968,300th part of the sun's mass as a correct figure. Professor Hall's discovery of the satellites of Mars enables him to put this question at rest, giving the figures as 3,000,000. Although near Le Verrier's estimate, this reduces the weight of Mars still further, and it is now certain that the planet has not quite an eighth of the mass of the earth.

ADJECTIVES.

Adjectives are convenient. It would be difficult to get along well without them. In fact the dramatic critic of the "Philadelphia Press," as the Boston Globe always salutes that worthy sheet, could not possibly get along without them. He says in writing up a new play: "Honest, whole-souled, blunt, self-sacrificing Joe Comstock; cunning, polished, base, conscienceless George Silsby; lazy, rough, yet kind-hearted Silas Craig; bold, reckless, wild, though not inherently wicked Brady; innocent, buxom, uncouth, tender-hearted Rosy Crane; loving, true, yet vain, giddy and finally ruined Mabel Morgan; coquettish, mischievous, but still affectionate Little Lamb; the strong-willed Mrs. Morgan; and last but not least, the pure, devoted, heroine Charlie L'Moynier." Still any ingenious person, sitting down and calmly meditating, will be able to think of several adjectives not included in the above. We can think of seven in less than a minute.

A MODEL STRIKE.

The queerest strike yet is reported from Philadelphia. It embraced the whole sisterhood of female models for artists. A model being required to pose in painful position demanded \$3 an hour in place of \$2.50 as she had been receiving. The increase was refused. The model put on her clothes and left. The others joined her and the artists had to use their brushes to picture other objects than nude women. But the artists stood firm and at the end of a few days the models returned and took positions at old prices.

What He Went for.

It is known that several years ago there was located in Southeastern Oregon, under what is commonly called the five hundred thousand acre grant, thousands of acres of land, which are of no value to the State, lying as they do in many cases on extensive beds of rock and on barren mountains. We understand that in his recent visit to Lake county, Governor Chadwick had it in view to ascertain, by personal observation, the nature of the objection to these selections with the intention of presenting them to the proper authorities in order to obtain in lieu of these worthless tracts other selections, lands available for purposes of agriculture or valuable for their timber. We sincerely hope that the Governor may be successful in carrying out his object.—Jacksonville Times.

An Informal Talk.

Mr. R. Kosher, Vice President and J. Brandt, Jr., Superintendent, of the O. C. R. R., are in the city this afternoon and met a number of our principal citizens for an informal talk in relation to bringing the track of the company through Front street. The result of the talk will not be known at present. It is to be hoped that an arrangement can be made to bring the track down, as it would give a vitality to the business portion of our city that would make a favorable impression upon the "stranger passing through our city," and be of mutual advantage both to the R. R. Company and our business men.

An Oregon Porcupine.

Prof. O. B. Johnson has recently stuffed an animal of this species that was killed by a gentleman of this city while hunting in the Cascade mountains. Porcupines are found in Eastern Oregon but not often on this side of the range. The specimen is preserved in very natural shape and will form a part of the collection of the Oregon Natural History Society. Prof. Johnson will be much obliged whenever any person can send him specimens of rare insects, birds or animals.

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THE MARKETS.

The Wheat Market.

There is little change and the market stands firm at a slight advance. Steamers are taking a great deal of wheat to San Francisco, but there is more offering than can take. San Francisco quotations for good Oregon wheat may be placed at \$1.67 1/2 per cental, while Portland quotations are \$2.07 1/2 per cental, a difference of 15 cents per bushel.

Mr. W. J. Herzen informs us that notwithstanding the low freights all the cost of shipping to San Francisco adds up to 60 per ton, at which figure there is no advantage over shipping from Portland direct to United Kingdom by vessel at a three pound freight, which we learn from the San Francisco *Commercial Herald* is the prevailing rate, though some charters come to Portland have been made at £2 17s 6d per ton.

There is a great deal of unemployed tonnage in San Francisco harbor, and it is evident that we may calculate on low freights for some time to come and perhaps through the whole season.

As will be seen by the press dispatches by cable, giving extracts from *Mark Lane Express*, the English harvest is more or less damaged and Europe looks to America for bread. There is an immense crop east of the Rocky Mountains, but it is not probable that it will overstock the market and cause any fall in breadstuffs. Our whole country ought to feel the effect of the European demand and the result be good times generally among the producers of our nation.

Salem quotations Thursday, at time of going to press, are \$1.67 1/2 per bushel both at Farmers' Warehouse and Salem Mills.

English orders for cargoes shipped on this coast are given at 50s 6d to 62s per quarter of 500 lbs, charge all paid to Liverpool.

Total receipts of wheat at Salem up to this date, a little less than 200,000 bushels.

European Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 11.—A leading grain dealer says: "The sharp and heavy rains in most parts of the kingdom this week interrupted harvest and did further damage to wheat. The markets consequently maintain an advancing tendency for old and dry, new or home-grown as well as foreign. Receipts generally of wheat now British are in bad condition and entirely neglected by millers, though pressed for wheat reduced rates, on spot sales. Tuesday and in neighboring countries. Demand for foreign continues fairly active, finer classes realizing an improvement of 10s 10d, while Egyptian and other now descriptions have advanced 3s 1d per cental. This market today is fairly attended, and there was good, steady business in wheat, fine white making advances of 1s per cental, but red American rather under quotations of Tuesday. Flour not ready for sale, but held for extreme prices. Malt in fair request at 3d per quarter, under rates of last market day."

The Salem Markets.

Wheat is bringing \$1.67 1/2 per bushel; oats 45c; potatoes, 37 1/2c; onions, \$1.00; tomatoes, 6c; apples, 37 1/2c; peans, 50c; beans, 36 1/2c; turnips, 12 1/2c; sun-dried apples, 62 1/2c; plums, 16 1/2c; peaches, 12 1/2c; fresh roll butter, 20s 2d per lb; eggs, 22 1/2c per doz. Fresh roll butter is abundant and probably will remain so during the fall as the rains will improve the pastures, besides which there is a great amount of packed butter through the country.

Hay and mill rations in our last issue.

Little Giant GRUBBING MACHINE.

We wish to inform the people of Oregon that we have purchased the patent of "The Little Giant Grubbing Machine," and that we are now prepared to supply any number of them at a very reasonable price. The subjoined testimonials of the superior qualities of these machines and their comparative cheapness should recommend them to all those desirous of clearing off land at but trifling expense. For further particulars apply to Frank Cooper or Wm. Delaney, Salem, or Alton Briggs, Seilo.

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