

A Word for Oregon. "Dora Darnora," of the Mission Mirror, San Francisco, concludes a letter to her journal, descriptive of a flying trip to Roseburg, while on a recent visit to this State, as follows: "In conclusion, I can truthfully say that Oregon has more natural advantages, and a combination of picturesque landscape superior to any State we have ever seen. Her lofty, snow-capped mountains; her inexhaustible forests; her green and fertile valleys, traversed by such great and beautiful rivers as the Columbia and Willamette, teeming with fish; her moist and equable climate, and fruitful soil, make her one of the most desirable States in the Union, in which to make a home."

What Jim McCully Says. Jim McCully, formerly of this city, has just returned from the cinabar mines of Southern Oregon, and reports, says the Ashland Tidings, quite an interest in our sister town, (Jacksonville) relative to the extensive mining operations in the vicinity. The cinabar mines of Kippel, Hanna, Manning, Caton and others on Beaver Creek, have proven a decided success. With the limited means of retorting now employed by the company, over 200 pounds of quicksilver are realized daily. With the improved facilities, which the enterprising firm proposes to employ, this mine alone will prove no unimportant source of wealth to the country.

Not Guilty. A young man by the name of Barnes was arrested by officer Minto on the charge of stealing clothing, was brought before Jas. Coffey, J. P., last Saturday, and had a jury trial. After hearing the full evidence of the case the jury decided that the young man was not guilty, and the prisoner was immediately released.

Butter for California. Mr. Cottle, on Friday last, purchased of Messrs. Littlefield & Manning, 200 pounds of the Bailey ranch butter, to be shipped to San Jose, California, for family use. This butter is fast obtaining a good reputation for its superior quality. Messrs. L. & M. are sole agents for its sale in this city.

A BEAUTIFUL BOUQUET.—We received a very handsome bouquet, the other day from the flower garden of Miss Florence Garrison, who lives in East Salem. The lady above mentioned took forty-eight premiums on her flowers at the late State Fair, thirty-three being first premiums and fifteen second. She also received Vick's forty dollar premium for cut flowers.

MARRIED. On the 7th day of October, 1877, at the residence of Wm. R. Munkers, by A. Stebbins, J. P., Mr. Levi M. Herren and Miss Fannie B. Munkers. All of Marion county, Oregon.

This notice was handed us during the bury of Fair week, and was mislaid or should have appeared at the time.

DIED. BUCHTEL.—At Portland this (Tuesday) morning, Joseph, youngest son of Joseph Buchtel, Esq., aged about five years.

Hyatt's Life Balm. As a conqueror of Rheumatism, Gout, Neuralgia, and cure for Scrofula and all diseases arising from impurity of blood, the old and reliable Family Medicine, Hyatt's Life Balm, stands unequalled, as proven by over 300,000 great cures during the past 30 years. It is a radical vegetable Compound of Sarsaparilla, Dock, Guaiacum, &c., and a permanent cure. Sold by all druggists and country grocers. Take nothing else, if they haven't it we send by express, \$1.00 every where, at \$1.25 per bottle; \$5.00 and \$6.50 half doz. HYATT & HYATT, 246 Grand St., New York.

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STATE FAIR SPECIAL REPORTS.

Further, in my Special Reports, I will briefly refer to some special articles on exhibition at our State Fair of 1877.

BEST OIL PAINTINGS—OREGON ARTIST. Mr. V. Volney presented a splendid variety of oil paintings and oil paintings made by him in East Portland. I learn that he is the only regular manufacturer of such articles in Oregon. The work certainly speaks highly of the artistic skill of Mr. Volney. A first premium and silver medal was awarded him by the Society. This, however, is below the merits of his work. I would highly recommend him to a generous public.

SPIDROMETER. This article was on exhibition and obtained the 1st premium and a bronze medal. Dr. Mathieu shows extended recommendations of his "Spidrometer," and its wonderful cures. The Awarding Committee, who acted with me in the awards on the Miscellaneous Division, were not, like myself, much instructed in the science of medicine, but plain, practical mechanics and farmers. Hence we did not, perhaps, set that high estimation on the "Spidrometer" which it possibly deserves.

RUBBER AND AVERILL PAINT. The award in this case came from a special committee, and not from us. A gold medal was awarded the Rubber Paint Company of San Francisco, California. The other company received no award. Of the merits of these paints it is not for us to say. Let the public decide the case.

BEST DISPLAY OF FIRE ARMS. This, by Mr. Wm. Beck & Sons of Portland, is certainly a credit to the State and to the manufacturers. The first premium and a bronze medal were far below the merits of these articles. I cannot speak of these fire arms, but in terms of the highest commendation. An appreciative public will surely extend to those gentlemen a liberal patronage. Let us encourage home industry and home manufactures.

WALTER A. WOOD'S HARVESTER, AND S. D. LOCK'S SELF BINDER COMBINED. This superior article of farm machinery on exhibition by the proprietors, received a silver medal and second premium—competing with McCormack's Improved Harvester and Self Binder. It was a difficult matter how to decide between articles of such superior merit, as both of these machines possessed. Not having this machine present before me now, I cannot minutely describe it. Suffice it to say that it is worthy of high commendation, and should command extensive sales, wherever offer to the farmers. I hope that there will be a full supply of improved Harvesters and Self Binders in due time for next year's crop.

HALL'S UNIVERSAL FENCING MACHINE. This grand invention was on exhibition at the Fair Grounds, by Moore's Brothers. We saw its performance and was highly pleased with it. It is just the thing for our wide prairies, where timber is scarce. It is portable and can be run by horse or steam power, to great advantage. It is worthy of high commendation.

MIDDINGS PURIFIER. This machine by Wm. E. Eris, is an admirable invention, and worthy of extensive patronage. It extracts a very passable quality flour from middings, and can be run by hand or one horse. It is valuable to millers.

SALAMANDER FILTERING CO., S. F. The Asbestos material used by this Company is known to be indestructible by fire. It is therefore, of very great importance in coating steam boiler pipes, and for other purposes, when a combustible article would ignite. It is worthy of high commendation and extensive patronage.

EMERY WHEEL and MILL STONE GRINDER. This apparatus exhibited by our enterprising citizens of Silverton, Oregon, is certainly worthy of high regard. It was awarded the first premium and a diploma. Space will not permit a description of it. Cooper & McIntosh are the proprietors.

PLUMMER'S FAULT DRYERS. These came under the jurisdiction of another committee. We, however, passed upon a lot of dried potatoes, pulverized and prepared for market by this dryer. The potatoes are reduced about three-fourths of their weight, and can be canned and sent to all countries in perfect condition, and in fifteen minutes the cooks can have fresh potatoes out of this potato meal. I am informed that the demand for this dried article is unlimited and enduring. There will be a demand for hundreds of thousands of bushels of our Oregon potatoes annually, for this drying process in foreign markets. This will insure not less than four or five bits per bushel for our potatoes at home. The Plummer Dryers are too well known and appreciated to require much eulogy at my hand. It is certain that a new era has dawned upon our fruit and vegetable interests. The time for setting out all kinds of fruits in orchards, is now. Thousands of dollars can be made by our people outside of wheat raising, by the extensive raising of soft fruits, apples, pears, etc. I have examined Mr. Plummer's Dryers, and believe that they cannot be excelled if equaled by any other dryer in the United States. To see them is to admire them.

FIRE AND BURGLAR PROOF SAFES. These were on exhibition, under the new shed, by Messrs. Raymond & Wiltshire, of San Francisco. They were exhibited in a time but the excessive rains hindered their arrival on the grounds until it was too late for their regular entry, as a competitor, against another safe which was on the ground and regularly entered. It cost these gentlemen above five hundred dollars to land their articles on the Fair Grounds. We examined these safes, minutely, and were shown every part of them, but not having their description now at hand, in making out my report for the State Agricultural Society for publication, I cannot give the description of them in technical terms. I have seen and examined many safes within the last forty years and can say that I have never seen any one safe that is superior, if indeed equal to these safes. They are truly burglar proof, as well as fire proof. We awarded those safes a gold medal but consider the award far below the merit of the articles. I would therefore earnestly recommend these safes to all bankers, merchants, ship and steamboat owners, treasurers and capitalists at large.

BEST EXHIBIT OF FLOUR MEAL AND ORIST. These articles were on exhibition in the new Mechanic's Hall, by McLeran Bro's, of Portland. Their exhibit was truly most excellent. These enterprising gentlemen of our Metropolis, are too well known to need any highly wrought encomiums of me. Their works praise them. Their splendid articles, made of our grains are known all over Oregon, and much of Washington Territory. To use their articles is to esteem them. We should raise enough corn in this valley to supply their factory. And thus home manufacture and home industry would be materially rewarded. We awarded them the first premium and a silver medal. This, however, was of small moment when compared to the merits of their manufacture.

HORSE GATE. This invention, by our esteemed friend, A.

G. Rockkellow, of Ashland, Jackson county, Oregon, was on exhibition, and deserves honorable mention. It is admirably constructed, will suit our wet and dry seasons equally well, and is worthy of being extensively used. I am not prepared to give a full description of it. Buyers can see it, and no doubt will patronize Mr. Rockkellow.

COLE BROS' WHITE FIR AND CEDAR SHINGLES. These are of home manufacture, and are of much merit. They are sawed and evenly made. This is a branch of business that should be greatly encouraged, as we have vast quantities of superior white fir and cedar timber that can be profitably worked into shingles by steam or hand power, and thereby will give employment to many industries, worthy men. We should encourage all branches of honest labor in our beloved Oregon. D. NEWCOMB, Supt. Miscellaneous Division.

YAMHILL COUNTY.

NEWBERG, Oregon, Oct. 25, 1877. Under the invigorating influence of a "gentle mist," slanting from the Southward, I left your pleasant city at the hour of one P. M., on the 22d inst., in an open buggy, to look for this place, which I had heard was some where "in Yamhill county, near the Wynooka Landing." Down the river we went to Spang's Ferry (Lincoln) six miles away, and were "set across" on the west bank of the winding Willamette, by a rope ferry, which, under the skillful management of the present ferryman, works to a charm, upon the completion of his labors we added to his stock of worldly wealth, the sum of twenty-five cents, as a slight token of our gratitude to those gentlemen who have so graciously and then drove off through the muddy streets of Lincoln, and took the Dayton road running down the valley, and on past where resides an old friend, B. F. McClench. The roads leading into Lincoln are frightfully bad on account of being "cut up" during the late rains by the large number of heavily laden wagons, daily passing over with wheat for the warehouses. Lincoln, as a town, will never amount to anything, but as a locality for storing grain it will always be quite popular.

We spent the night "adown the Dayton road" at the residence of a farmer by the name of Scott, on the old donation claim of William S. Cooper. From him we learned that a considerable amount of grain was ruined by the rains this Fall, on account of the owners waiting for the headers to get around.

On the morning the 23d, we drove off under the dripping of the dark clouds hanging over us, and at Dayton, for the first time, got on to the track of Newberg, which we found to be a single house with a Postmaster and Post Office in it, on the Portland road, some ten miles below Dayton. The locality was originally called the "Grub end of Chehalum."

As we came through Dayton we found that it was getting a good washing from the heavy rains, pattering down in a style reminding us of the aqueous joys in store for us when "White" once fairly set in. The roads round about there are even worse than at Lincoln, and heavy freighting still continues. Once this side of Dayton, the roads are very good.

Wynooka Landing is some two miles from this place on the West bank of the Willamette and is the shipping point for this locality. It is some four or five miles above Newberg. The grangers have two warehouses there, one of which is run by T. W. Mackee, and the other by Jacob Haines who also has a store on the Portland road about one half mile distant from the Newberg post office.

This place is changing very much and many of the old settlers who have idled away their time and energies the "brush to grow over them" are selling out to emigrate, principally from Iowa, who are selling their digging up stumps, slashing pole thickets and otherwise clearing up and putting in cultivation many acres of heretofore idle lands. Some fifteen families belonging to the sect called Friends or Quakers are leaving out homes in the fir forests here, and are working a very favorable change in the community both morally and otherwise.

On last evening I organized a Lodge at the Newberg school house with thirty-six members. Sam Hobson, W. C. T.; Anna Hobson, W. V. T.; John T. Smith, W. S.; Albert Heater, W. M.; C. J. Davis, P. W. C. T. and Henry Austin, Lodge Deputy.

Yours in haste, W. R. DUNBAR.

Not a Failure. Any one who could enter and inspect with care, the wing of the grand pavilion at the State Fair, set apart for the display of fruits, cereals and vegetables, and then declare that the exhibit was not as good as in years past, must either be possessed of a treacherous memory, or a disposition to provaricatio. The long array of squashes, beets, turnips, tomatoes, watermelons, onions, potatoes, cabbage cauliflower, pumpkins, artichokes on the right, the grains, pump and golden upon the left, and the apples, pears, quinces, grapes and plums, unrivaled in their huge proportions and bright hues, that were arranged through the center, could not fail to cause old Oregonians a throb of pride, and newcomers a sensation of wonder not unmingled with delight. Then the jellies, jams and preserves, the breads, and butter and cheese and cake. It was an admirable display, certainly, and one of which housewives might be justly proud. The exhibit in this department alone was sufficient to declare Oregon the land of mammoth vegetables, luscious fruits, fine grain, and thrifty housewives, and this declaration being made and proven by a most worthy factor who will dare to proclaim the Seventeenth Annual Fair of the Oregon State Agricultural Society a failure, even though for the most part of the week old Sol withheld his beams and the clouds went in torrents because of his obstinacy?—[New Northwest.]

Pleasant Reunion. October 20th, the sixteenth anniversary of the birthday of S. D. Melson was made pleasant and memorable to the various members of his family and friends who met at his residence in East Salem to celebrate the event. His family consists of eight children—two sons and six daughters. Four of the daughters are married: Mrs. J. H. Wilson, T. L. Davidson, Mrs. T. H. Wilson and Mrs. S. P. Garrigue—the husbands and families, six grand children were present, making, with the old gentleman and lady, just twenty in all. Just before sitting down to the sumptuous dinner prepared, the family sang the old familiar hymn "Nearer my God to Thee," and joined in prayer with the Rev. A. W. Bower. The day passed off very pleasantly, and will long be remembered by all present, not so much on account of the presents made and received, as from the fact that the large family will perhaps never all sit at the same festive board again.

Organs. If you want a good, round, smooth, sweet-toned Organ—one that is made of the best material, and will last a lifetime—get the Whitney & Holmes, of J. H. Robbins, Portland, Oregon.

FALL CROP OF BERRIES.—Mr. Cal. Geor informs us that in the Waldo Hills he sees whole patches of wild strawberries in bloom, and in some instances has found blossoms, green fruit and ripe berries on the same vines, and also that the red raspberries are ripening for a fall crop, which shows that our fall season has been mild and the early rains have made us a second berry crop.

Fire in a Dry House. About one o'clock Wednesday the lumber house near the Agricultural Works, belonging to O. E. Dennis took fire. The fire department were promptly on hand, but owing to the confined space in the brick house containing the lumber, it was difficult to get good square work on the blaze. The fire however, was put out and the damages can be set down at about \$200.

A Fine Steamer. This is the finest steamer in the fleet of the Oregon Steam Navigation Company is now running on the route between Portland and the Cascades. She is not yet finished, but is placed temporarily upon this route to facilitate the transportation of a large quantity of grain from the Upper Columbia. The Wide West, when completed, will no doubt prove the finest river steamer on the Pacific Coast.

Peruvian Syrup. Brooks, Mo., Sept. 7, 1870. Dear Sir—From early youth I was in feeble health, troubled with humor in my blood, weakness and debility of the system generally; was unable to labor much, and only at some light business, and then only with great caution. Seven years ago, the past spring, I had a severe attack of Diphtheria which left my limbs paralyzed and useless, so I was unable to walk or even sit up. Noticing the advertisement of PERUVIAN SYRUP, I concluded to give it a trial, and to my great joy soon found my health improving. I continued the use of the SYRUP until three bottles had been used, and was restored to complete health, and have remained so to this day. I attribute my present health entirely to the use of PERUVIAN SYRUP, and hold it in high estimation. I cannot speak too highly in its praise. I have in several cases recommended it in cases very similar to my own with the same good results. Yours truly, CHARLES E. PEARY.

From S. Thatcher, M. D., of Hermon, N. Y. "Winstar's Balsam of Wild Cherry gives universal satisfaction. It seems to cure a cough by loosening and cleansing the lungs, and allaying irritation, thus removing the cause, instead of drying up the cough and leaving the cause behind. I consider the BALSAM the best cough medicine with which I am acquainted." Sold by all druggists.

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