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PROCLAMATION.

By the Governor of the State of Oregon.

Through a sense of gratitude for the many benefits and blessings enjoyed by the people of this state during the past year, and in compliance with a venerated custom, I hereby appoint Thursday, the 28th day of the present month, as a day of Thanksgiving.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state of Oregon to be affixed.

W. W. THAYER, Governor of Oregon. R. P. FAHRETT, Secretary of State.

DEEP PLOWING AND MANURING.

Some persons are at a loss to understand why deep plowing is so beneficial to our lands here. There is a reason for all things in nature, if we can find it.

EASTERN CLOUDS.

The proverb "that fools and children should never see half done work," has a great deal of truth in it if applied to the present condition of political and international affairs in Eastern Europe and Asia.

It now turns out that the very events which rendered the control and occupation of Cyprus a necessity for Britain are about to be developed, and that lacked by Russia, Afghanistan will shortly be involved in war with the former country.

The same headlong way of jumping at hasty conclusions is again indulged in, and many who were loudest in applauding the success of the policy pursued by the British representatives at Berlin, have rushed away in the opposite direction.

How a Train Starts.

Puck tells us how a train starts in Germany: Great ceremonies are necessary to get a train off in Germany.

When all is ready a bell rings. Then another bell rings. Then the engine whistle, or rather, tooth-tooth-whistle.

Then the conductor tells the station master that all is ready.

Then the station-master looks placidly around and says "So?"

Then the conductor shouts "Fortig!" interrogatively.

Then the station-master shouts "Fortig!" positively.

Then the conductor blows a horn; the engine whistles; the bell rings; the other bell rings; the station-master says "So!" the passengers swear in various tongues—and the train starts—

That is, unless there is a belated fat man in which case they do it all over again.

"It really gives us very little satisfaction," says the New York Herald, "to know that the monopoly of bank details is not confined to America, and yet the Glasgow experience will rob the British mind of one very important topic of conversation, viz: the recklessness of American morality.

For a little while at least we shall miss that supercilious tone with which England speaks of her superior mercantile integrity with which she draws up her white robe as she passes us.

"The Americans, you know, are on the whole a promising young people, but their morals are so detestably bad that they positively can't be trusted!" this has been the popular verdict.

After this it will hardly be necessary for the nation to take in a washing, since the laundry is full of its own soiled linen.

A St. Louis young man's chance of marrying an heiress, to whom he was engaged was spoiled by the use of his diary as evidence in a lawsuit.

The record showed that he frequently called another girl, that he had been rejected by two of them since his betrothal to her, and that he had borrowed money, to be repaid when he got hold of her purse.

The latest novelty is a "barometer handkerchief." The design printed on represents a man with an umbrella. In fine weather the umbrella is in, in unfavorable weather gray, and in rainy weather white.

The secret lies in putting this design in (double or ordinary) hot or wet washing, whence the sensitive chemical and destroys the barometric properties.

Somewhat pretentious book showing how to get 25-cent dinners for families." Now let somebody print a book showing how to get the 25 cents.

The administration of the Bavarian State railways has begun to light the cars with gas.

A young man who is given to athletic sports would like to know when the much-talked-of Anglo-Saxon race is to come off.

It would be well if we had less medicine and more cure, less cant and more pity, less law and more justice.

Some men are like jetters which need and will bear a strong light; others look best in a dark corner.

Every one who knows more than yourself, and pity all those who know less.

A dog's bark may be worse than his bite, but we prefer the bark.

W. W. Thayer has issued his proclamation setting apart the 28th as a day of thanksgiving.

The original of the Stork pear tree, which is the finest market pear there is, was a tree in a meadow in Passyunk township, near the Delaware river, opposite to League Island, near Philadelphia. In 1848 it measured six feet

Took a Man.

Constable Sprague arrested a young man from the country named Jackson Stella, on the complaint of Mr. Thomas Huntington. It seems that Mr. Huntington hitched his horse to an iron post near the corner of Morrison and Front streets, and went away. Pretty soon Stella came along and seeing a horse standing there attached to a carriage, unhitched the animal and jumping into the vehicle drove off.

The Alleged C. B. Hughes, or "Chicago Kid," Makes His Escape.

At the last term of the Circuit Court many dodges were resorted to, to clear the man Sol Levy, charged with having stolen \$240 from McCully & Gilbert's safe. They finally, after trial and conviction, succeeded in having sentence suspended, claiming that the wrong man had been caught, and proposed to produce the right man if granted time. A requisition was issued for the "right man" who, it was alleged, was in San Francisco, and now that the time to make good the promises made is here, it turns out that he has made his escape, and as court meets Monday we shall expect to hear a motion to again suspend the sentence until next term.

A New Comer.

Mr. E. A. Wilson, brother of Mrs. M. A. Kline, of this city, has just arrived from Nebraska, and intends remaining in the Willamette valley. He proposes to purchase a farm and make this his future home. We wish more such men would come among us, so that the many thousands acres of rich land that now supports only underbrush, might be turned to golden fields, and thus add much to the material wealth of this part of the state.

The Chinese Question.

A Washington dispatch says the Cabinet will soon take up the Chinese treaty question, and it is intimated that Secretary of State Evarts is disposed to press the modification of the treaty in accord with the sentiments and wishes of the people of the Pacific Coast. The State department and the Chinese Embassy will confer upon the subject.

Agricultural Works to be Moved.

We were informed by Mr. O. F. Dennis, that he had leased the Pacific Threshing Machine company's building near the Penitentiary, for four years, and that the arrangements are all being made to remove his machinery to that place about the last of this month.

The greatest quantity of paper is used in the United States and the smallest quantity in Scandinavia. Italy's consumption is small, but that of Russia is very much less, as might have been expected from the condition of her people, form of government, and state of manufactures. The quantities used per head of population in the principal countries are given in the exhibition-catalogue as follows: United States, 30.8 lbs.; Germany, 13.2 lbs.; England, 11 lbs.; France, 7.92 lbs.; Austria-Hungary, 5.5 lbs.; Russia, 1.08 lbs.; Italy, 3.08 lbs.; Scandinavia, 1.1 lbs.; Belgium, 11.22 lbs.; Switzerland, 14.5 lbs. The quantity used by the Spaniards is not given, but as Italy's consumption is so small, the influences at work in each country probably reduce the consumption in the former country to an unnoticable quantity. China is not mentioned, but it is stated that 600,000,000 people use Chinese paper, 397,000,000 use European paper, and 13,000,000 Arabian, 21,000,000 write on leaves, etc., and 280,000,000 are happy without any paper or writing material.

In the United States department of the Paris Exhibition is an ingenious machine for registering sums of money received, and giving a printed receipt, as well as maintaining a printed record, in columns ready for addition. There are seventeen keys, each bearing a figure, and which, on being pressed, can imprint upon a card the sum received, while the same characters, are also imprinted on a roll of paper out of the control of the cashier, in six columns for addition. The printed receipt card also bears the date, the signature of the house and any other legend desired.

The New York Sun estimates that this year's wheat crop will reach at least 400,000,000 bushels, while the corn-crop will not fall far short, if any, of 1,300,000,000 bushels. Yet men and women will go hungry this winter in New York and in smaller cities some of them will starve to death in spite of the big crops. It is not a pleasant thing to think of that this should be possible in a country overflowing with plenty. Some day, perhaps, it will not be possible.

A new purse is said to have been invented in London. When you open it, it appears simply to be an ordinary portmanteau, but by touching a spring at the side the trigger of a small revolver-drops into your hand; a portion of the seal of the purse opens out, discharging the missile, and you suddenly find yourself with a most useful protector.

We thought that your lot had fallen on times when, though there be many evil tongues and a whispered spite, there are none who have fire and faggot at their command.

In seeking wisdom about art wise; in imagin-

THE RAILROAD MEETING.

By 8 o'clock Wednesday night a goodly number of the citizens of Salem had assembled at the Opera House, in answer to the call made for a railroad meeting to consider the question of building a narrow gauge railroad from this city to Silverton. The meeting was called to order by Col. C. A. Reed, who nominated W. E. Herren for President, who on motion, was elected. W. H. Odell was then elected Secretary.

Remarks were made by Messrs. Reed, Griswold, T. B. Waite, Bush and others.

On motion of Mr. Griswold, a subscription paper was prepared and subscriptions taken to make a survey and estimate of the cost of the road.

On motion of Captain L. S. Scott Messrs. Bush, Griswold, Wright, Waite, Gray, Breyman, Kinney and Boothby were appointed committee to attend the meeting to be held at Silverton on next Saturday evening, for the purpose of obtaining such information regarding the construction of the road as will be necessary to give the people of Salem an intelligent understanding as to what will be expected of them to secure its being brought here. The subscription paper for the purpose of raising funds to make the preliminary survey, was then passed around among the audience and the sum of \$130 was subscribed.

Doctors and Druggists.

A San Jose correspondent of the San Francisco Chronicle sends the following statement to that paper: "There is at present a war raging in San Jose between the medical and the druggists. In the past the majority of the drug dealers and prescription-compounders have been in the habit of offering physicians various inducements for their patronage, and the system was continued until it grew to be a regular auction sale, where the physician's influence and patronage fell to the highest bidder. This was a fine thing for doctors, but it was bleeding druggists to death, as they are very numerous here, a fair division of patronage being only sufficient to place the business of each on a paying basis. So the druggists concluded they would form a league for mutual protection and they did so. The result of this league was that every druggist in the city went before a notary public and took a solemn oath that he would not offer any physician, in any way direct or indirect, whether in money, goods or services, any inducement to accord him the crumbs from his table [dissecting table], and, in short, that he would quit all the hundred-and-one tricks resorted to by the dealers in the past to effect this end. The doctors when they heard of this, were wroth, and swore they would fix the druggists, but the druggists are wary, and when they fall sick send out of town for a physician. Well, the druggists are glad and the doctors are mad, and the general health of the community is excellent and getting better every day. The doctors swear that they will start a new drug store."

Salaries of County Judges.

The new act regulating the salaries of county judges fixes them as follows:

Table listing salaries for various counties: Baker \$600, Benton 600, Clackamas 600, Columbia 300, Clatsop 500, Coos 600, Curry 300, Douglas 600, Grant 800, Jackson 800, Josephine 300, Lake 300, Lane 700, Marion 1,000, Multnomah 1,500, Polk 500, Tillamook 100, Umatilla 600, Wasco 700, Washington 500, Yamhill 700.

RAILROAD TO SILVERTON.

One of the most important public enterprises for the people of Salem to undertake is the building of a narrow gauge railroad to Silverton. It is one in which every citizen of Salem is interested; particularly those who are owners of real estate. If it is desirable to draw trade to our town, and make it one of the commercial centers of our State, then it is best to cultivate that spirit of enthusiasm on this subject, which seems to prevail at present, and get it in the course of construction. Once fairly started, it would be a certainty; people along the route would build it, rather than live without the means of easy transportation. If the people of Silverton think it best to build another road in another direction, it need not hinder our citizens from doing what is plainly a matter of pecuniary interest to them.

Town Elections.

The election held at McMinnville on the 4th inst. resulted in the election of J. W. Cowley; W. Campbell, B. F. Hartman; C. D. Johnson and L. H. Cook, as councilmen, with Henry Warren, Recorder, and Andrew Shuck, Marshal.

The election at Gervais was also held on the 4th inst at which the following officers were elected. Councilmen—R. A. Nathan, James H. Cooley, Wm. Kriessel, S. V. Fuller and Louis Segum, Recorder—J. D. Taylor; Marshal—W. S. Taylor, Treasurer—Oliver Tibbalds. We are informed that the temperance people of Gervais were at the polls in full force and claim the election of a majority of their candidates regardless of either of the political parties.

The editor of the Walla Walla Statesman has ordered a burglar proof safe and the newspaper fraternity are wondering what he is going to do with it. Nonsense, that plain enough he intends to hide in it when the beef man comes round, and have the "devil" swear he's stout collector.

THE LARGEST OF LAND ANIMALS.

In the American Journal of Science and Arts, Professor Marsh describes the largest land animal yet known to have existed on the globe. Its name is Altantosaurs immanis. The thigh bone of this creature is over eight feet long with a thickness at the larger end of twenty five inches, though the bone has no true head. A comparison of this bone with the femur of a crocodile, would indicate that the fossil saurian, if of similar proportions, had a total length of 115 feet; that the reptile, was 100 feet long when alive, is at least probable. The other bones of this animal that have been found are proportionally gigantic; caudal vertebra has a transverse diameter of more than 16 inches. All the bones of this reptile yet discovered, are in the Yale College Museum. They are from the Upper Jurassic of Colorado.

Madame Litvinov is a Russian lady who has just received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the Philosophical faculty of the University of Bern. She passed her examination with such brilliancy especially in the mathematical branch, that the faculty unanimously agreed to attach the highest mark (cum summa laude) to her diploma.

Mrs. Jane Gray Swisshelm, in a recently published letter says: "I begun to work when I was two and a half years old, and when I was three, had won a reputation for needlework and rocking the cradle. From that time until this I have been at work—sometimes twenty hours out of the twenty-four, and seldom less than twelve."

A carelessly-kept coffee pot will impart a rank flavor to the strongest infusion of the best Java. Wash the coffee-pot thoroughly every day, and twice a week boil borax and water in it for fifteen minutes.

Captain Bogardus has received a gold medal from the International Gun and Polo Club of London, commemorating his victory over Mr. Aubrey Coventry in England.

The common hog is the only animal invulnerable to the bite of the rattlesnake, and he wages war on all snakes, innocent and poisonous, and destroys them with great eagerness.

The Right Rev. Dr. Lynch, of South Carolina, has presented the Smithsonian Institute a fossil tooth found 1,900 feet below the surface of the ground at Charleston.

Sir Garnet Wolseley has been roundly censured by English church people for having the Greek priests perform the ceremonies at the cessation of Cyprus.

Washington, Nov. 1.—The public debt statement for October shows a decrease in the debt a month of \$1,708,402.

INDIANS DROWNED.—A party of Indians—consisting of four women, one man, one infant, a boy about ten years old, and a girl about six years old—while attempting to cross the Columbia river three miles above town in a canoe, were swamped by the waves caused by the high wind. Two women and one babe were drowned; one woman and boy swam ashore, and one woman and a little girl held to the canoe until they were rescued by another party from the shore. The woman with the child who was drowned, was the daughter of Tuanis-John, the old stone fence builder, who offers to reward handsomely any one who may find the bodies and will give information so that he may recover them. Information to be sent to Mr. S. M. Gilmore, Rockland, W. T.—[Mountaineer.

Deaths Doing. Many of our citizens will remember Mr. E. D. Towle, who was long a resident of Salem. He recently died of typhoid fever in one of the western States, and his widow has returned to Oregon with her two children. Mr. Towle had studied medicine at Chicago and had a lucrative practice at the time of his death.

We also learn from a reliable source that Mr. and Mrs. R. P. M. Caslin, who were also old time residents of this place, are both dead. They were living near Nashville Tenn. He went to visit a brother in Franklin Indiana and while there, was suddenly stricken and found dead in his bed, supposed to be from heart disease. His wife came up to the funeral, bringing the children, and one month from that day died, after one hour's sickness, of a congestive chill. The children remain with the uncle who administers on the estate. We remember both of them as kind pleasant neighbors.

Sheriff's Sale. Sheriff Baker yesterday sold at public sale at the Pacific Threshing Machine Company's buildings a lot of machinery to satisfy judgments taken at the last term of the Circuit Court. The sale was continued to-day. John Patterson was the main purchaser of stove patterns and disks, as he intends continuing the manufacture of stoves. It is thought that sufficient will be realized out of the sale to satisfy all of the indebtedness of the company.

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