

WILLAMETTE FARMER.

Fastest Time on Record.

The steamship Oregon left her wharf here yesterday morning at 3:20 o'clock, and arrived at Astoria at 9 o'clock, making the entire distance from dock to dock in five hours and 40 minutes.

One Taken—The Other Left.

On Friday evening last two employees on the locks at the Cascades, named H. S. Bogardus and Chris Haverston, attempted to cross the river at that point from Washington Territory side, when, allowing their boat to drift too far, they were both taken over the falls.

An Unsavory Report.

From parties from the Dalles we learn that undue advantage is being taken of those who suffered by the late fire, especially poor people. Some charitably disposed persons opened an eating room for the distressed, but before any were allowed to eat, four-bits was exacted.

Big Salmon.

A fisherman named Rerder, put on board the Emma Hayward, on the 23d, a salmon that weighed 70 pounds, measuring 4 feet, 2 feet 9 inches in circumference, and 5 1/2 inches across the mouth.

Attempted Lynching.

We are advised of an attempt to hang McBee, one of the contractors at the Upper Cascades, on last Saturday afternoon by a party of men in his employ or recently discharged. It seems that McBee was quite severe on his men and sometimes tyrannical.

Decorations Sunday at the Congregational Church.

Yesterday special services in honor of our patriot dead were held in the congregational church. The audience room was beautifully decorated. An immense garrison flag was draped over the balusters in the vestibule.

Prospects on Lewis River.

A correspondent of the Vancouver Independent from Pokin, writes as follows: We have a breeze—about gold.

On the 4th inst, Captain Thayer sent a lot of quartz to Portland for assay. If it should prove rich I tremble for the consequences to a rural population. Several families will leave this section this month to try their fortunes east of the mountains.

Gone to His Rest.

Mr. Moller, foreman of the Sterling mine, died from the effects of the accident that befell him on the 13th inst., at five o'clock P. M. His right limb was amputated half an hour previously, but mortification had already set in elsewhere and no human being could save him.

A Sad Fatality.

Some few months since, it will be remembered, Louis Carman was burned to death in East Portland during the absence of his wife, the house becoming fired by an accident.

State and Territorial.

Willamette Valley.

The two brass bands of Eugene are advertising each other at a terrible rate.

The State Journal says a brilliant meteor passed over Eugene Saturday night, May 17th. The Reporter says snow fell all last week on the hills of the Coast range in Yamhill county.

The Guard says both the Eugene lands are engaged to play at Junettan the coming Fourth.

The Siuslaw Bar is in a splendid condition, and the denizens on that river claim it to be the finest stream on the coast.

Work on the West Side Railroad, through Yamhill and Polk counties, is being hurriedly prosecuted, we learn from the Yamhill Reporter.

Two young men in Lane county sparked a girl. One spark went off and made two bullet holes in the other fellow's shirt sleeves, and the fellow that fired the pistol holds the fort and retains the championship of the girl.

A Siuslaw correspondent of the Guard says the Grange there contemplates building a hall this summer. The constant rains have not been good for fall wheat. Grading on the wagon road from Siuslaw to Cottage Grove is proceeding rapidly.

The Salem Town Talk gives the facts of the suicide of Mr. Waters, of Dallas, an old and respected citizen, who left a note to say that he shot himself to escape great suffering. He was afflicted with a painful disease and a great sufferer. He committed the act in the evening.

J. F. Ames, of Eugene, writes the Guard as follows: There will be a meeting of the surviving soldiers of the Mexican war held at Salem Fair Ground June 17, 1879, at the same time and place of the meeting of the Oregon Pioneer Association, to organize a reunion and take such other steps as may advance their mutual interests. A full attendance is requested.

Miss Tilda Scott, of Creswell, came very near being drowned last Friday, a week ago, while crossing the Coast Fork on horseback. The horse went into swimming water and commenced to rear and plunge, throwing Miss Scott from the saddle. Fortunately she succeeded in catching the stirrup as she fell, to which she held until the horse swam ashore.

From the Christian Messenger we learn that annual meetings of the Christian Church will be held as follows: McMinnville, May 29th, lasting over two Sundays. Belvia's Bridge, Lewis county, commencing Friday before third Lord's day in June. Near Dallas, Polk county, at the camp ground, Friday, June 13th. At Watsburg, W. T., Friday before third Lord's day in June.

The State Journal says: Last Friday, while Mr. Skaggs and Mr. Rice were going from Eugene to Coberg after a load of lumber, they met with a very serious accident. They were riding on the running gears of the wagon, and in going down a steep bank from the bridge near Mr. Armstrong's, Rice undertook to hold on the brake, working it with a pole and rope, when it suddenly broke loose from the fastening and fell, catching both feet of Skaggs under it with such force as to break both legs. One of the limbs was broken right at the ankle joint and the other was fractured just above the ankle.

Northern Oregon.

Town property in Roseburg finds active sale. S. L. Daniels has sold the trotting stallion Ophir to Alexander Martin for \$500.

Coase Bay coal mines can ship a thousand tons a day—if there is a demand for it. C. C. McClendon, of Sam's Valley, purchased Penn's Vermont stallion last Saturday, paying \$300 for him.

The experiment of raising grain in Lake county promises well, inasmuch as the crop put in is coming up finely. The Jacksonville Times thinks there will be little if any fruit in the vicinity of Yreka, owing to recent severe frosts.

Gia Liu made another clean-up last week and realized 136 ounces of gold dust, or about \$2,300, on a four days' run. Operations upon the new church building the M. E. Church South intends erecting at Phoenix this year, will be commenced in a few days.

The late rains have occasioned quite a rise in the waters of the Umpqua, the river now being higher than ever known at this season of the year. Jacob Ish has the largest band of sheep in Jackson county. It numbers nearly 4,000 head, and the increase this Spring alone exceeds 1,400 lambs.

The troops that escorted the Indian prisoners from North Klamath to Roseburg have returned, and will probably take another lot of renegades before long. The Coos Bay News says: H. H. Barrett's team got into the quicksand on his trip to the Siuslaw last week, and one of the horses got a leg broken, hence is a loss.

The Roseburg Star says: The first telephone in use in Roseburg is now working between the private rooms of E. C. Hedrick and the office of the Metropolitan Hotel. Professor Powell was being visited the various schools during his stay in Jackson county, and expresses himself as being pleased with the manner in which many of them are conducted.

Gain Davis was drowned on Thursday while attempting to cross the south Umpqua at Jenkins' ferry. The young man was about 18 years of age. The body has not yet been recovered. A Roseburg man recognized among the band of Indian prisoners recently sent north from Fort Klamath an old buck who chased him for his life in Nevada several years ago. The recognition was mutual.

Astoria.

From the Astorian we learn that a movement is on foot which it hopes and trusts may prove successful, to purchase a steam fire engine for Company No. 1. Hon. J. W. Watt is a stirring orator; and if he does not succeed in starting the temperance reform at Astoria, he cannot be held personally responsible for the failure.

The Astorian says: Captain Parker arrived here yesterday with the steamer Katie Cook, 38 hours from Coquille river, preparatory to beginning work on the launching of the stranded ship city of Dublin. We regret being compelled to state that the Sunday-observance movement in Astoria is a partial failure. What is it that the Book of Books says about serving God and Mammon? It is apparent that both cannot be served at present in Astoria.

East of the Mountains.

Bishop Morris was at Walla Walla a week ago. Steel rails are now being laid on the Walla Walla road at the rate of two miles a day. H. M. Hodges has completed arrangements for an eight-horse power engine, to be used on a ferry boat at Wallula. The boat will be in running order by the first of July.

Last Saturday the W. W. & C. R. E. Co. received the W. S. Ladd. The engine is four tons heavier than any heretofore owned by the company, weighing eighteen tons. The East Oregonian says: Lieutenant Far-

Umatilla river a short distance above town, with a view to catch the floating timber, rails, etc., that are to be cut on the river in the mountains.

The work of reducing the grade at Summit by means of the long cut will, the Statesman says, it is expected, be completed by the 15th of June. A large force of men are at work reducing the grade at the Pambrum grade from 48 to 18 feet. It will be finished next month.

The Walla Walla Statesman says: The fine stallions Alvord and Orange County, imported from Kentucky and Orange county, N. Y., by our enterprising neighbor, Dr. Mack, arrived on Sunday evening last in good condition, and are being much admired by the best equine judges.

It was rumored that a camp of Snake Indians had been found upon the head waters of McKay. Several Umatilla Indians and a number of whites went out to investigate, but returned with the opinion that Peo, who has been absent ever since Lieutenant Farrow arrived among us, has gathered together several renegades and young bucks who have also been missing, and consequently are keeping at a distance to evade the law.

A year ago Dr. Bingham caused several acres of bench land north of Walla Walla to be seeded with alfalfa. This spring the field presents a most magnificent appearance. The ground appears as though covered with a very thick mat of green. An old farmer who examined the field remarked, "No one but a fool, Doctor, with more money than sense, would ever have thought of putting alfalfa on that dry bench, but just look there!"

The Experiment (learns from Mr. Goodell, of Chehalis county, that crop prospects were never better.

The Transcript says: information from Washington intimates that Major F. O. Haller will be restored to the army.

A man down the bay brings to Olympia every few days a number of large clams, weighing five or six pounds each. He finds a ready sale for them at 12 1/2 cents each.

The Colonist says that J. Rodello, of Coconox, recently recovered a howitzer thrown overboard from the revenue cutter Oliver Wolcott in the year 1876 during stress of weather. The United States Consul at this port has received instructions to pay Mr. Rodello's claim for his services, and it is expected that the Oliver Wolcott will arrive here shortly to recover the gun.

Four prisoners arrived at the Seaton Penitentiary on Wednesday from Walla Walla, making the whole number at that institution 47. The Olympia Transcript says: The appliances for getting out coal at the mine there are completed, and 100 tons will be gotten out and sent to the Columbia river steamers in June. A brickyard is also under way, and a large number of bricks will be burned this summer.

A Centerville correspondent of the Transcript writes: The incessant rains have almost ruined the crop prospects and put every one in an ill humor; but two days of sunshine have somewhat improved both. A large number of farmers in this vicinity had made extensive preparations to plant a larger area this season than common, but the wet weather compelled them to postpone operations, and in some cases they are better off than their more forward neighbors, whose growing crops are literally being drowned. But if the rains will only cease for a few more days of sunshine, this country will raise an immense amount of produce. One thing is assured: fruits and berries of every description will abound.

Grange Hall to be Dedicated. New Era, May 28th, 1879. Editor Willamette Farmer: I wish to give notice through your paper that Tualatin Grange No. 111, of Clackamas County, will dedicate their new hall on Saturday, June 7th. The Worthy Master of the State Grange will be present and conduct the ceremonies, which will be public. All members of the order and those who are not members who are friendly to our cause are cordially invited. L. A. CALVERT, Master.

Anniversary Meeting. Springfield Grange has passed a resolution to hold an anniversary meeting the first Saturday in June, in accordance with the rules, bring their families, invite all members of the order, and have a good time generally. Music was to be obtained to add to the interest.

The Pacific Rural Press, of San Francisco, speaks rather bitterly of certain persons of this city who applied for the agency of that paper in this State, and being refused, borrowed the name, almost identically, without permission, to try and do a business of their own. Any persons blessed with originality sufficient to edit a newspaper ought to exercise some of it in selecting a name that won't be a parody on some other journal.

Mr. S. W. Church, money order clerk at Salem postoffice, will accept any person who wishes to pay their subscription.

Mr. D. W. Craig will give receipts and transact any business that may come before him, for the FARMER.

N. P. R. R. Items. Last Saturday Colonel Doane returned from his trip into the Palouse country, made in company with Philip Ritz.

While gone they traveled over several hundred miles of the country. Col. Doane was much gratified with what he saw, but appears to be of the opinion that the route partially located years ago by Mr. Eastwick, from near the mouth of the Snake river to Spokane Falls is the most practicable and direct one over which to construct the main line, that the country east and west of the main line can be easily tapped with feeders. The formation of the country does not admit of the construction of a road via Alkali Flat and Colfax, except at greatly increased expense, as the streams all run westerly through deep canons, while the general route of the road must be north easterly from the Columbia. To build a road via Colfax would be like constructing one diagonally over a grid iron. Col. Doane will leave in a day or two to inspect the country along the route from the mouth of Snake river. Recent explorations by immigrants has made it evident that there are large bodies of fine agricultural lands north and west of Big Lake, which will soon be yielding large crops to be transported to market by the N.

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The N. P. R. R.

Frederick Billings Elected President—Who Makes an Important Announcement.

New York, May 24.—At a meeting of the directors of the Northern Pacific railroad company to-day, Frederick Billings, formerly of California, was elected president, vice Chas. B. Wright.

New York, May 24, 1879. To J. C. AINSWORTH: The financial scheme for the entire Pen d'Oroville division is adopted. The company will proceed with the construction of 100 miles eastward from the Columbia river, as soon as the line is definitely located. Doane had better concentrate his force more on the main line. Please communicate this telegram to Gen. Sprague and Doane.

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A Card. Dear Sir: I do not say my duty to make the following statement: For the last three years I have been suffering with constant gnawing pain in my chest and heart; my food would not digest, and I was so nervous that it was with difficulty I could follow my occupation, which has been a great deal for the past few years, as a practical dentist. In fact, from the constant pain and misery, I had wasted to a mere skeleton. I had been doctoring myself and without success, and believing there was no help for me but to linger on until death would relieve me. My friends thought I had worms, and had looked up Dr. Van Denburgh. He told me at once that worms were the cause of all my troubles, so he gave me five small pills, and in about four hours about 100 worms, from one inch to one and a half inches long, came away from me that day, and the following night some more came, and I am now happy to say I feel like another man again, and am gaining strength from day to day. H. BERTH, M. D. Salem, Or., Sept. 25, 1871. May 30/79

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