

Pioneer Gene.

F. X. Mathieu, Sr., died at the residence of his son, Hon. F. X. Mathieu...

Minto Pass.

The Minto Pass trail is now opened a distance of 45 miles, says the Mercury...

Killed his Brother.

Last evening Sheriff Croser, of Wasco county, arrived in this city having in charge a man named Harrison Huntley...

Thistles.

There is a city ordinance against allowing Canada thistles to grow and flourish within the bounds of this city...

Trestle on Fire.

Yesterday the Albany express train passed over Lake La Bish trestle work, and some of the sparks falling between the timbers set the structure on fire...

The Chinese Must Go.

Grim death has made a decree that all the Chinese stricken by illness must go. During the present week four have already crossed to that celestial realm...

Pardoned.

His Excellency Gov. W. W. Thayer has pardoned John Harpole and Edward Belonge, who were convicted in the Circuit Court of Marion county...

The Missing Merchant.

Since the other item relating to the missing Halstead was put in type we have learned sufficient to conclude that he left for San Francisco on the steamer Elder...

Foul Play.

Mr. Halstead, the merchant from Turner Station, who visited this city some days ago for the purpose of purchasing goods, is still missing, and the strictest search and inquiry avails nothing...

The Griswold Case.

This long and tiresome case in which W. C. Griswold is so deeply interested, as it will decide whether he is rich or penniless, still occupies the time of the U. S. District Court...

Dental Society.

The Oregon State Dental Society met in annual session yesterday in the parlors of the St. Charles Hotel with Dr. G. W. Gray, of Albany, presiding...

Wheat Damaged.

From a gentleman who arrived in this city on the morning train informs us that the rains of last night did considerable damage to grain through the valley...

Route Changed.

The steamer A. A. McCully, which has been running between this city and Oregon City also on the Upper Willamette has changed her route to the Yamhill river...

Stricken Dumb.

We learn by a private letter received from Union, says the Standard, that August Baer, well known in this city, formerly a member of the Portland Turn Verein, while in conversation with a gentleman on the 2d inst., suddenly lost his powers of speech...

A Mistake.

Under the head "negotiations" the Standard of this morning says: "We learn that Hon. R. R. Thompson is negotiating for the purchase of the New Market Theatre block from Capt. Ankney, and that it is about consummated..."

Damaging Rain.

The heavy rain of yesterday evening, last night and to-day will do thousands of dollars worth of damage to the hay harvest of the valley. In many localities the grass has been cut and is stacked in the fields, and the soaking rain will in many instances almost entirely ruin it...

Steamboat Race.

Since the steamer Emma Hayward has been overhauled and repaired, her hands on board claimed that she could get away with the Wide West in a trial of speed just as easily as rolling off a log. The Wide West boys disputed the claim and in consequence numerous arguments and controversies resulted...

A Natural Curiosity.

The Salem Statesman exclaims: "A pup with but three legs can be seen at the residence of Mr. Prettyman. The canine is about two weeks old, and is apparently as healthy as any other dog..."

Synod.

The Synod of the Pacific, composed of the different Presbyteries of the United Presbyterian Church in Oregon, Washington Territory and California, will hold its next annual session at Halsey, Linn county, commencing August 7th...

The Railroad Fever.

Of late the narrow gauge fever has partially died out, but it has broken out afresh at Silverton, Marion county. On Saturday last the citizens of that place and Abiqua met and held a consultation...

Cannon Exploded.

The steamship State of California, while on her last trip to San Francisco, made an excursion to Santa Cruz, carrying over one thousand passengers. While entering the harbor and a salute was being fired the cannon exploded, and scattered planking and timber at a lively rate...

Land Mark Gone.

Yesterday that gnarled old oak which has stood on the bank of the river above the ferry landing on the east side and has been a land mark since the days of Mt. Hood's infancy yielded to the elements, and toppled over into the river so that yesterday's gale swept it from view...

Immigration Society.

The people of Puget Sound are taking a great interest in the immigration movement and are taking proper steps to attract many who would otherwise select other localities. On last Thursday evening the Immigration Society at Port Townsend met and adopted a constitution. Officers will be elected next week...

The University Muddle.

The directors of the Willamette University have brought the wrath of the people upon their heads by constant quibbling resulting in the entire faculty of the institution resigning. From Prof. Condon, who arrived in this city last evening, we learn that Prof. Gatch has accepted a chair in the State University at Eugene City and has rented a house to be occupied by himself and family August 1st, and he advertises his Salem property. That he will insist upon his resignation being accepted by the directors is a certainty...

Shafer Mining Company.

A joint stock company with the above name has filed articles of incorporation at Olympia, its object being to develop and work the gold mines in Yakima county, W. T. These mines are called the Peshaston mines, and are located about 130 miles east of Seattle. Work was begun in them about two years since, and has been prosecuted thus far in a limited way, but with most satisfactory results. The company crushed during the past Spring, with arrastras 5.8 tons of rock that yielded \$35 to the ton. Two assays were made in this city yesterday, the first, "iron rock," showing \$51 48 per ton; the second, "white rock," showing \$30 35 per ton. An assay made to-day of decomposed quartz shows \$10,001 34 per ton. Machinery already in the mines crushed two tons daily, results yielding from \$40 to \$80 per day. The lowest yield from any rock that has been crushed is \$28 per ton. The company now being formed is represented in this city by Mr. H. M. Cooper, who had large experience in these mines during the past two years. He states that the mine has paid its way from the first day's work performed. The company will represent 400,000 shares at \$100 per share, and the substantial evidence of the value of the mine will insure their rapid disposal.

State and Territorial.

East of the Mountains.

Crops around Walla Walla never looked better. The Eldorado mining ditch in Baker county is 130 miles long. Harvest hands will soon be wanted in Walla Walla valley. Three-fourths of the vegetables used in Walla Walla are raised by Chinamen. The health officer of Walla Walla urges that the Chinese wash houses be removed outside the city limits...

The Facts.

In relation to the stabbing affair which took place at Pass Creek a few days ago, the following are the facts: During the absence of S. Farrell, the section boss, a man named Long insulted his wife. Upon his return, being informed of the insult offered his wife, the section boss proceeded to chastise Long, when the latter stabbed the boss, with the result already related.

The New Company.

A dispatch received from New York yesterday by one of the morning papers says it is officially announced that the Oregon Railway & Navigation company, recently formed from the Oregon Steam Navigation company, will immediately begin the extension of their narrow gauge line in the direction of Idaho. Other narrow gauge roads, tributary to the Columbia, will be built, including a line down the river to Portland. The company have already contracted with John Roach for another new steamer larger and faster than any along the Pacific coast.

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