



THE OREGON PACIFIC RAILROAD.

The citizens of Corvallis gave a reception to Col. Hogg on his return from the East on Thursday evening of last week...

COL. HOGG'S SPEECH.

Ladies and Gentlemen, Fellow Citizens: If there was lacking one element to testify to the cordiality of my greeting...

A brief year ago I left you for the purpose at an early day of putting into active force plans and purposes which we believed than to be sure of accomplishment...

The means necessary to construct the line of Oregon Pacific Railway from Yaquina Bay to the eastern part of our State...

It has been said that when our line from Yaquina Bay into the Willamette Valley is completed...

Upon that stream we will also place steam barges and draw freight from the north and south on the Columbia and Snake rivers...

Many of our farmers are busy putting in their fall grain. From what we learn, unless there is a longer continuance of good weather...

will necessarily compel us to withdraw a great many men from our grades, but our deep cuts, our saw mills, wharves, warehouses and all other work...

But as I said before, the elements being against us, and being unable to get the full amount of necessary material...

And now I have a word to say to the people of Oregon, to the people in the Willamette valley, in Portland, or wherever they claim to be citizens of the State...

Mr. James Virtue, of Baker City, has been taken to the Centennial exposition, and Mr. V. now has in his cabinet the medal of award...

I visited the ranch of James Ferguson, on Walk creek, a fertile section, where the wild rye grass grew as tall as a man on horseback...

Mr. F. gave him to Mr. H. S. Hogoboom, who, in one week's training, produced a record of 2:59 and won the stallion purse...

Editor Willamette Farmer: I have just finished a jaunt through Powder River valley as well as Grand Ronde valley...

Correspondence.

A HORSE-BACK RIDE THROUGH POWDER AND GRAND RONDE RIVER VALLEYS.

SUMMERVILLE, Oct. 22, '81.

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Mr. French's orchard and farm. They had just finished drying plums and prunes. The yield will be fully 20,000 pounds of dried product...

He has an extensive medical practice, and is prosperous. The stage line consists of comfortable coaches and good stock...

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SHIPPING NOTES.

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The Loch Fergus and Olive S. Southard are outside awaiting opportunity to cross in.

The steamer Willamette is due from San Francisco with two locomotives and two Pullman coaches.

The British bark Ant-Arctic has arrived at Astoria from Valparaiso under charter to Balfour, Guthrie & Co.

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The steamer Finchley arrived Monday with similar cargo, and the Monarch is about due.

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Why They Come Here.

A representative of the San Francisco Post has been interviewing the passengers on an immigrant train from the East and was surprised to find that the majority of them were bound for Oregon and Washington...

In conversation with an intelligent immigrant, he gave the following reasons why this State received so few immigrants...

"Your people," he said, "have few or no agents East to offer inducements to immigrants. You keep your State entirely in the dark..."

We have never heard of land in California that could be obtained at reasonable rates and on favorable terms...

The foreign immigrants were mostly from Germany, Holland, Norway and Sweden and could speak no English...

MANURE DISASTER.

One British Bark Ashore and Another Sunk Near Shoalwater Bay--The Crews Etc. Safe.

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STATE NEWS.

Clackamas county has only two papers. Jacksonville is infested with snags, thieves. There are six divorces on the Lane county docket.

Mr. Frazer of Umatilla county, has raised a cabbage weighing over 30 pounds. Thomas Dickey of Umatilla county, was accidentally shot and is not expected to live.

Three Nez Perce evangelists are at work among the Umatillas and have thus far converted 50.

Two weeks search for George Strong in the mountains of Lane county has resulted unsuccessfully.

Baker City expresses fears that North Powder will get ahead of it as the principal town of that section.

Independence has a new opera house, and Hon. Stephen Stats made the dedication speech in fine style.

Captain Reed of Coos Bay, has taken a contract to build a barkentine of 750 tons capacity, of Oregon pine.

Mr. Volk is at Roseburg to engage men on the construction of the O. & C. railroad from that city towards California.

A. J. Tartar, who lives on Snake river, Baker county, has raised 100 bushels of corn and 40 bushels of wheat to the acre.

Jack McCoy's team broke through a bridge over Burnt river recently, killing McCoy and five horses.

A shepherd dog belonging to G. F. Billings of Jackson county, recently caught a deer, this is the second one caught by this dog.

The Hume, says the Port Oxford Post, was still of Hunter's Point yesterday. Some of her crew came near drowning by getting capsized going ashore.

Henry Tamson of Marquim's, Clackamas county, has raised a squash which weighed 17 1/2 pounds. Samson could have raised a heavier one than that we suppose if he had tried.

I. Richardson, pro tem editor of the Jacksonville Times, cut a bullet out of his leg a few days ago that was accidentally lodged there last June. He will make a thoroughbred editor in time.

Thomas Dickey of Butter Creek, Umatilla county, while chopping the head off a chicken accidentally discharged his pistol, the ball entering his chest, and he is in a critical condition.

The total number of pupils, says the Jacksonville Sentinel, enrolled in our public school is 218; of these 25 are non-residents. The amount so far collected from rate bills and tuition is \$400.

A whale 45 feet long and 36 feet in circumference was found on the beach near Empire City recently. It will produce 500 gallons of oil which will sell for 50 cents a gallon. N. J. Cornwall discovered the bonanza.

The tax levy for Benton county for the present year is 15 1/2 mills, of which 4 mills is for State tax current expenses 3 mills for school tax, 1 mill for insane asylum tax, 1/2 mill interest on Modoc war bonds, 7 mills for county purposes.

T. Brown, lighthouse keeper at Point Arago, reported drowned, arrived at Eugene City on Saturday, having been three days in a small boat in the open sea with nothing to drink but a little rain water which he caught in his hat.

This is the most inclement fall felt on Coos Bay for 15 years.

The O. R. & N. Co.'s new wharf, 100x30, at Astoria is nearly completed.

Silver quartz has been found by Dr. Mackay near the coast, on the Sixes river, that assays over \$20 a ton.

The shipments of butter from the Coquille will this year reach about 18 tons and the export of fish will amount to about \$30,000.

Skidmores of Roseburg beat the Plow Boy of Albany in a foot race over a muddy track on Saturday last, twenty feet in 100 yards. Time 11 seconds.

A penitentiary guard while on his way home from a night's frolic in Salem fell into Mill creek on Monday night and narrowly escaped being drowned.

The river at Salem is about fourteen feet above low water mark, and at present is on the stand. Considerable drift wood is floating, causing the ferry to stop running on the wire.

While chopping a fallen tree in Coos county last week it suddenly split and threw Andrew Hendrickson 15 feet in the air, and he came down head first, sustaining a severe scalp wound.

Final Location. A Portland engineer writes as follows, under date of Ventura, Idaho, October 24th: I have just returned from a trip 100 miles on Clark's Fork into Montana in the interest of the N. P. & B. survey.

A three masted schooner called Annie Larsen was launched at Port Blakely on Saturday.