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NEW YORK... A READER asks us if we will allow a discussion of the prohibition amendment...

THE TRANSFER of the Oregon and California R. R. Co. to the Southern Pacific Co. will probably take place by July 1, 1887.

It is claimed that Hon. R. P. Earhart, late Secretary of State, will hold an important position with the Oregon and California Railroad Company...

THE OREGON PACIFIC is having another steamer built for the Pacific coast trade and as water transportation must take the preference for freight...

IMPORTING CORN. Of late our shippers have been importing corn from Nebraska, via the Oregon Short Line. Thirty car loads, containing 300 tons, or 10,000 bushels, have arrived at Portland...

STEAM FLOWING. Dr. Blalock has sent east for a steam plowing rig and intends to tear up the sod of Gilliam county and raise wheat by steam power...

WEATHER WISDOM. Some time ago we mentioned that for thirty years, or more, we had observed the weather in the winter months and almost universally the great changes had occurred at the last quarter of the moon...

SPRING WORK. All over the North Pacific region, every team is plowing or harrowing in spring crops, and farmers are improving to the full the good weather that favors them.

part of April, are due to the garden, and there is no work that can be done to better advantage than that necessary to reserve an excellent variety of the best of garden stuff.

A garden is a luxury, and speaks for the character of the home that owns it. All sorts of vegetables should be grown to perfection, and all the small fruits as well. These are the best part of a good living, and fill the home with luxuries.

NO LOANING OF MONEY FOR HIRE

A writer in the Oregonian favors a law to prevent the loaning of money for interest and requests someone to discuss the subject.

Money represents value. A young man who works for wages lays up \$100 a year and loans it to have it swell his earnings. This writer says, "Let them them build or enter into business or manufacturing."

A horse is hired out for money. A house is rented. So is a farm. What is the odds if a man loans his money for interest, or takes it to buy a house and loans that for the interest?

Government has to borrow in great exigencies and this theorist would have the people loan their money freely for the love of country. That is very pretty talk but where is the man who wishes to do it?

Take up the question of loaning or not loaning money and you are met at every turn with practical questions that show money to represent value and be identical with property.

HE DRANK BEER. The fact that New York City consumes 6,000,000 barrels of beer annually—which, being averaged, gives each man, woman and child about five barrels—and, considering the further fact that there is a large proportion of non-drinking persons, especially children, suggests the idea that there are people in that metropolis who get more than their share of the amber Teutonic beverage...

BRACES.—All styles shoulder braces at Pert's drug store, 100 State street.

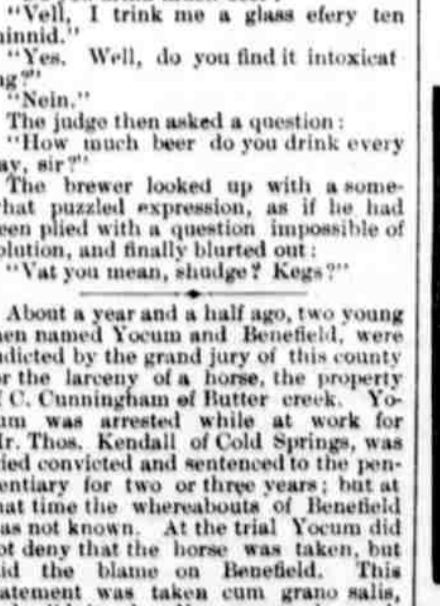
March was the last quarter again and it was a very pleasant day. There was some rain on the 17th and since then we have had beautiful weather and may look for the same with a few showers which we shall need.

It is always best to have reasonable weather for it seldom happens that March gives us a pleasant month that April will not make us sorry for it. Our pleasant days are cool and the nights are cool and some hoar frost shows mornings, so vegetation is not hurried up premature, so far in the season we have had reasonable weather through the terrors of March are not serious.

THE O. & C. DEAL. Terms on which the Southern Pacific Secured the Road. SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—Negotiations for the transfer of the Oregon & California railroad to the Southern Pacific, which have just been completed, have been going on for over three years.

Two thousand copies of list of proposed premiums were ordered printed. The board decided also to make extensive improvements in the grounds. New fences will be built and the old rookeries which have been an eyesore to the visitors at the fair for so many years past will be removed.

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STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

(From the state man.) The following was decided upon as the racing programme for the Oregon State Fair of 1887:

TROTTING. Race No. 1—2:50 class, best 3 in 5; purse, \$400. Race No. 2—Brooders' stake: Two-year-old class, best 2 in 3; entrance \$50, \$250 added.

RUNNING. Race No. 8—Salutation stake: 5/8 of a mile, handicap; \$150 added to a sweepstake of \$30 each for starters.

Race No. 9—"Oregon Derby." A sweepstake of \$100 each for starters. Forty dollars to be paid May 1st.

Race No. 10—"Juvenile stake" for two-year-olds; 5/8 of a mile; \$250 added to a sweepstake of \$50 each.

Race No. 11—Mile and one-sixteenth; Purse \$500. Ten per cent. entrance; 5 per cent. to be paid May 1st and 5 per cent. August 1st.

Race No. 12—Same day; purse \$100; one mile; 10 per cent. entrance fee; to name and close by ten o'clock on the second day of the fair.

Race No. 13—Free for all, one mile and repeat; purse \$600. Same conditions and entrances as the 1-1/16 mile race.

Race No. 14—Farewell stake for two-year-olds; 3/4 of a mile. Same conditions and entrances as in Juvenile stakes.

Race No. 15—Same day. Goodbye handicap 1 1/4 mile; \$150 added to a sweepstake of \$30 each.

The following is the remainder of the proceedings of the board which were of general interest: The premiums in divisions E, F, J, M, N, O, R, were ordered changed and raised materially.

It was decided to offer a premium of \$500 for a military drill. Messrs. De Lashmutt, Bybee, and Apperson were appointed a committee on arrangements.

The chairman appointed Looney a member of the finance committee in place of Chamberlin.

The secretary was authorized to collate statistical and descriptive information of the resources of the state of Oregon. It is proposed to publish the results of the secretary's researches in pamphlet form for distribution.

A committee was appointed to investigate certain charges against F. W. Duncan for having fraudulently entered Mignonette in the two-year-old trotting race at the last fair.

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All the old booths from which the impetuous candy, cider, and soda merchant in days past sold his wares will be taken out, and the ground used as a parade ground.

The outlook for the fair this year is most favorable, and that the board feel this is indicated by the improvements they intend to make.

Excitement in Texas.

Great excitement has been caused in the vicinity of Paris, Tex., by the remarkable recovery of Mr. J. E. Orley, who was so helpless he could not turn in bed, or raise his head; everybody said he was dying of Consumption.

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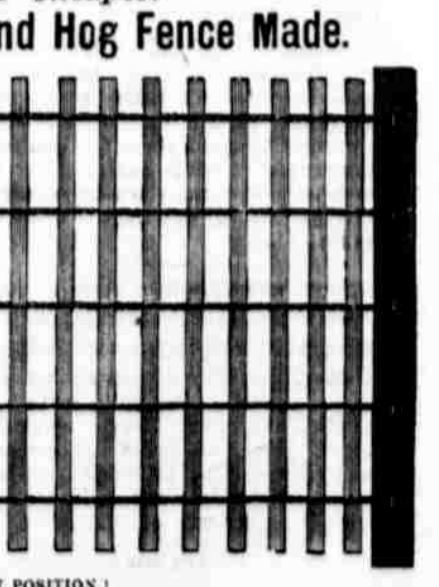
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