East Oregonian

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1902.

This Date In History—Feb. 28.

Montcalm.

1533 — Michael de Montaigne, French essayist, born; died 1592.

1631—Henry Stubbe, the most noted Greek and Latin scholar of his time, born.

1648 — Christian IV. of Denmark died; born 1577.

1712—Louis Joseph, marquis of Montcalm, born; died of wounds near Quebec, 1759.

1752—William Augustine Washington, the soldier who wounded Tarleton at Cowpens, S. C., born in Stafford county, Va.; died 1810.

1820—Rachel (Elizabeth Rachel Felix), French actress, born at Mumpf, Switzerland; died at Cannes, France, Jan. 3, 1858.

1825—Quincy Adams Gillmore, who directed the siege of Charleston, born in Lorain county, O.; died 1888.

1869—Alphonse de Lamartine, French poet, historian and moderate Liberal statesman, died; born 1805.

1898—John Thomas Scharf, historical writer who served in the Confederate army, died in New York city; born 1843.

1901—William Maxwell Evarts, noted lawyer and statesman, died in New York city; born 1818.

WE MUST RESPECT AUTHORITY.

Now that the city council has duly elected a marshal and recorder to succeed the present incumbents of those offices, it is meet and proper for the old officers to step down and out gracefully, for the power and the law is against them. The people of Pendleton are no longer desirous of prolonging the "late unpleasantness" and further wrecking of the town's best interests. It is agreed that the mayor has the right to cast the deciding vote, and to further protest against his way of voting is idle and fruitless.

The authority of the law should not be longer questioned. The council has power to elect a marshal or to remove them from office, and it has announced its preference in no uncertain voice, so the decision should be accepted by all concerned.

If those who are put in authority are not to have authority, matters will come to a pretty pass, until there will be no government at all in Pendleton. If every man who wants office is to have his own way, scrambles for office will increase and chaos will take the place of order. So let's abide by the council's orders, the mayor concurring, and thus advance the interests of Pendleton, even if one's personal feelings have to be suppressed and one preferences ignored. It is not possible to please everybody, and it is best to place authority by vote of the people and allow those chosen by the majority to exercise it as the law provides.

It is a waste of time and energy to keep alive hopes that have to be buried in the end and to attempt to continue Heathman as marshal and Beam as recorder in spite of the council's action, is to fly in the face of law and add embarassment to failure.

It is a hopeless, empty undertaking. It is time to call the curtain down.

A DESERVED REWARD.

Mr. B. Campbell, for many years the head of the traffic department of the Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company has been selected by Mr. Stubbs to be assistant traffic manager of the Harriman lines, with headquarters in Chicago. If ever a brainy man deserved promotion it is in this instance.

Mr. Campbell has been in the service of railroads ever since he was a boy. He knows the rights of a railroad and he respects the rights of the people. He is a sterling, honest man in every way, forceful, resourceful and untiring. He is, on top of all this, a trained business man. His eparture will occasion a loss to Oregon and the O. R. & N. He has served both the state and the compony as traffic director. The spirit of the railroad corporation toward Oregon can be attributed to his influence to a large degree. He is a quiet, unassuming, democratic gentleman and his successor in the place he leaves will have a difficult post to fill and it will be a great compliment if he meets the duties of the office with equal satisfaction and ability.

CONDITION OF THE STREETS.

The streets of Pendleton have been neglected for lo, these many years. Property owners have been allowed to improve them or not as they chose, and hardly have the property owners ever acted together, with the result that there is no regularity in the streets and little in the sidewalks. These "marks of the country town" should be eliminated and a good time to begin is this year.

Because of circumstances over which no one had control, Webb street, the best thoroughfare in the city, is in a deplorable condition and made worse every day because of the uses it is put to and the fact that the railroad track in the middle of it is away above the level of the street, forcing travel on both sides of it, which is fast destroying all semblance of a street. Work on Webb street should be commenced and carried to a finish without delay, and it should not be allowed to pass entirely out of mind that it is possible to take away the railroad track from the street and give the railroad other and better accommodations. There are citizens who could, if they choose, with the assistance of the council, bring about this very much desired state of affairs.

In any event Webb street should be put in order, and that right away. Its condition has been adisgrace to the good name of Pendleton for almost a year past.

THE ORIGIN OF NAMES.

The origin of names, even those of greatest importance, often depends on accidental circumstances, which it is impossible to trace to their real sources. England got its name from the Angles and France from the Franks; but the origin of the name of Rome is unknown. Jonathan Carver gave the name Oregon to the world; but how it came to Jonathan Carver no one can ever know. The name of Washnigton has been traced to a locality called Weyssng, in the north of England, as far back as the 11th century. Lincoln is Lindum Colony. The word is a mybrid of Celtic and Latin and the name is traced back to the Roman occupation of Britain.

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One of the most curious of these or similar inquiries relates to the maner in which the name America came to be applied to the continents of the western hemisphere. It is familiar enough the name is that of Amerigo Vespucci, the Italian navigator; but Amerigo never laid claim to the original discovery, and died without knowing that his name was to be thus immortalized. Amerigo did not "steal the name from Columbus." He was merely fortunate in the circumstances that bestowed it upon himself.

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Following the discovery of Columbus, Vespucci made several voyages —how many cannot be known, with certainty. Some say two in the service of the king of Portugal and two in the service of the king of Spain. Whetever the number of his voyages, they were made during the lifetime of Columbus, and the authority for them rests upon letters written by himself, which no longer exist in the originals. It is not even known ni But translations of these letters, in Buttranslations of these letters, in various languages obtained currency in Europe. A Latin version was put forth in 1507, by a cosmographer by the name of Martin Waldseemuller, at St. Die, an obscure town in the Vosges mountains, in the northeastern part of France. It was due to this little publication that the name of America, from Amerigo, was given to the western hemisphere. In that book are these words: "And the fourth part of the world, having been discovered by Americus, it may be called Amerige; that is, the land of Americus, or America." Again "Now truly, these regions are more widely explored, and another fourth part discovered, by Americus Vesputius, as may be learned from the following letters, I see no reason why it should not justly be called Amerigen—that is, the land of Americus, or America, tis discoverer, a man of acute intellect; inasmuch as both Europe and Asia have chosen their names from the feminine form."

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Hylacompylus says he made his Latin version from the French. Italian, Spanish and Portugese versions also existed. They seem to have eminated from a common source, and not from each other ;therefore it is not conceiveable that there were no genuine originals. But the claim of a hemisphere for Amerigo's name was not made by him; it was made for him. It is perhaps the most remarkable instance in history of so great fortune and renown.

The name America passed very slowly into use among the English. No copy or version of the Amerigo letters was published in England, and there is no record of them there till after the lapse of a long period. Curiously enough, the first mention of Amerigo in England was in a play written and published at an early stage in the development of English dramatic literature. This play bears the title of 'Interlude of the Four Elements." It belongs to the type known as "moralities," or moral plays—and their form was one of the steps or stages through which the English drama passed in its progress to its perfection in the Elizabethian ear. A morality was a play enforcing a moral truth or lesson by means of speech and action of characters which may be personified as abstractions—figures representing virtues and vices, qualities of the human mind, or conceptions in general. The lesson which the play was designed to teach was the advantage of the pursuit of science. First, Humanity goes through a course of astronomy, and after an interval of relaxation, resumes his studies on the subject of the rotundity of the earth, under the guidance of Experience, a traveled cosmographer. But Ignorence intervenes with his medly, and in the end, (which is imperfect). Nature is left giving counsel to Humanity to continue his studies. The play is a genuine curiosity of the early English drama. It contains an illusion to the discovery of the West Indies and America, "within this twenty year"; and it is believed to have been written about the year 1519—some eighty years before the beginning of the great dramatic career of Shakespeare. Little was said, however, in English literature about America for a long period. The all-embracing Shakespeare names America but once, and that is in "A Comedy of Errors,' 'a play probably of composite anthorship, in which Shakespeare's part is not definitely defined. He has only two other allusions that belong with certainty to America. One is "still-vexed Bermoothes" (Bermudas); the other is a mention of Mexico in "The Merchant of Venice." The discoveries of the Cabots, sailing under the English flag, begining early in the history of American expeditions and extending to the death of Sebastian Cabot, about the year 1557—though they gave England the title and footing in the western hemisphere that she asserted in later years—were attended with comparatively little interest at the time; for England could not do much till overthrow of the Spanish Armada in 1588 opened the way, as Bacon expressed it, to her "commandment of the seas."

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This sort of inquiry is much pursued in our time. Our American institutions of learning are devoting large effort an increasing effort to all subjects relating to the history and antiquities of America. Sources of information that once were passed over without curiosity or interest are now eagerly explored. Every historical society and every college is endeavoring to make a collection. Numerous private individuals are making constant effort to collect materials. The new interest awakened in the history of Ooegon has set a price, in most cases a high one, on books and documents which till recently were almost without quotable value. The body of literature that might be called "Oregonana'" is not small, but competition for it is making it scarce. Carver's Travels, Meares' Voyages, the Narratives of Franchere, Townsend, Ross, Cox, Dunn, White and others are no longer easy to find; and even the missionary accounts of Samuel Parker and Gustavus Hines, that found few buyers fifty years ago, are now scarcely obtainable. Vancouver's Voyages have advanced to a great price, and every version of the expedition of Lewis and Clark is in great demand, including the lasest one, that of Dr. Elliot Coues, whose notes make it the best of all. This fine addition, however, when published only ten years ago, found at that time hardly any sale. Now, the person is fortunate who can find the volumes.—H. W. Scott, in the Portland Oregonian.

The New Jersey assembly, after a long and humorous debate, passed the mosquito extermination bill by a vote of 48 to 9. The bill appropriates $10,000 to the state experimental station for the purpose of making a scientific investigation of the habits, origin and breeding places of the mosquito and their relation to malarial and other diseases.

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