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GENERAL NEWS.

Perry Mason, an attache of the British legation at Washington, is under arrest in Chicago charged with trying to steal a typewriter.

Bishop Phelan, recently deceased at Pittsburg, left an estate of $500,000, all willed to Bishop Canevin, trust, to be expended at his discretion for charitable purposes.

The government authorities have definitely concluded not to make any changes up or down in the scales of wages paid by the government to laborers and mechanics during 1905.

The steamer Northwestern pounded to pieces on a reef off the Virginia coast, and 80,000 gallons of Texas petroleum went into the sea. It was a tank steamer and all the tanks were crushed in.

All the heavy business firms of Cincinnati have united in a complaint against the coal trust to the United States attorney general and demanding its investigation, alleging a combination to raise prices.

The mines of Rossland, B. C., during 1904 yielded 343,325 tons of ore, valued at $4,400,012.50. The total tonnage of the camp since it was first opened, 11 years ago, has been 2,020,193, valued at $30,216,354.

The agents of the Cudahy, Swift, Hammond and Armour companies in Montana have been arrested by orders of the attorney general of that state, charged with conspiracy in fixing the prices of prepared meat products.

NORTHWEST NEWS.

Seven of Roseburg's 12 saloons closed at midnight December 31. They were in Deer creek precinct, which went dry, while the remainder of the city went wet.

Gus Tuylen was found dead in Seattle, supposedly of heart disease. A post mortem disclosed that he had been poisoned, and the problem now is, was it suicide or murder?

Additional teachers and apparatus and an increased curriculum for the Sumpter schools caused a levy of 20 mills to be voted there at a recent special meeting for school purposes.

From the village of Oakland, Douglas county, was last week shipped to San Francisco 8600 pounds of dressed chickens, turkeys and geese. The poultry industry of that vicinity is great.

During 1904 there were in Seattle bank clearances to the amount of $222,217,399.34; building permits aggregating $7,778,922; real estate transfers to the amount of $19,485,895; and there was spent on street improvements, $1,513,735.

Governor Chamberlain has pardoned Frank James, a young Englishman sentenced to five years imprisonment last October for assault with a deadly weapon in Portland. James is dying of consumption and can hardly survive a return to England, a journey which he will undertake at once.

Some new recommendations have been added to the report of the state land commissioner, of Washington, in which he suggests that the legislature enact a law making it a crime for bidders to enter into collusion against the state at sales or at the leasing of state lands.

The state of Washington has sold the Desdemona Sands in the lower Columbia river, under an application made by a Tacoma man. The state of Oregon also claims title to the same lands, and passed title to them several years ago, the Columbia River Packing association being the purchaser.

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ENDLESS SUMMER

LETTER FROM J. H. WOOD, AT LONG BEACH, CAL.

Graphic Description of California Cities and Scenes—Mecca of Umatilla County People is Most Beautiful Winter Climate on the Earth—Los Angeles Vividly Described.

The following interesting letter from Long Beach, Cal., is published in this week's Weston Leader.

It is from J. H. Wood of Weston, and is interesting to Umatilla county people, because so many of them now winter in Southern California:

Long Beach, Cal., Dec. 20, 1904.

To the Editor of the Leader:

I started for San Francisco November 27 on the steamer Columbia. The voyage was nice enough until we crossed the bar and were tossed about upon the heaving bosom of old Ocean. With the rocking of the boat a queer sensation seized upon me—often described in the case of others, but never understood until one himself experiences it. I could not and did not eat a single meal until we arrived at San Francisco, December 3—six days of fasting and emptiness. I was faint and dizzy for two days after I got ashore, and when I entered a building it seemed to rock like a ship.

San Francisco is a lively place. It buzzes and hums with its congested populace, like a hive of busy bees. It is all jammed together—the residence districts as well as the business center—the streets are narrow and the street car system poor. Soon after arriving I was rudely awakened at midnight. My bed shook and the windows rattled. It was an earthquake—and one sufficiently shocking for me.

I took a trip to Oakland with an excursion crowd and traveled about 84 miles for $1. After crossing the bay I took a street car at Oakland and went out to Berkeley. I never before saw such magnificent buildings as comprise the state university, and they are surrounded by a beautiful landscape. The grass and trees are green, flowers a-bloom, and one is reminded of summer time at home. The university has 2800 students, and William Randolph Hearst gave this great institution a theater that seats 10,000 people.

Going to Piedmont I saw the finest park of its size, I presume, in the world. It contains about 40 acres, lavishly beautified. At Hayworth, about 15 miles from Oakland down the bay, I saw the best orchard I had ever looked upon. The soil there is very rich and is valued at about $500 an acre. I refrained from buying a quarter section.

My next jaunt was to Los Angeles, about 500 miles south of San Francisco. We traveled through San Joaquin valley, 200 miles long and 140 wide. They call it a farming country, but I could see nothing to justify the description. The improvements seemed to be many years old and the buildings had a hard times look.

Crossing a mountain range at night we dropped down upon Los Angeles in the morning. As nearly as I can see, the soil around Los Angeles is all sand. It doesn't look as though it would sprout black-eyed beans, even with irrigation, and they are short of water around Los Angeles. They have to irrigate by means of artesian wells. Los Angeles has about 140,000 population and is kept up by the people who go there to winter. It is a dirty town, and I got out of there and went to Long Beach, 16 miles south of Los Angeles.

Electric cars run from Los Angeles to Long Beach every 20 minutes, and the "angels" come here on excursions every Sunday from ten to fifteen thousand strong. Its normal population is about 8000. Long Beach is a nice, quiet place of recreation—a clean city and a "dry" one, where you cannot buy a glass of beer. The city water is artesian and tastes of sulphur. It's good for a person—better than beer, perhaps. There is a bath house here containing a pool of salt water fresh from the ocean, and of course, one can also take a dip in the sea itself. Summer weather obtains here in mid-winter. The mercury registers 75 above in the middle of the day. But two inches of rain has fallen in a year, yet they raise all kinds of vegetables and fruits on irrigated land, and the trees never drop their leaves nor change their dress of green. Strawberries and cream form a noteworthy and delicious portion of my daily menu.

A pier 2000 feet long and ranging from 100 to 200 feet in width, reaches out into the ocean like a great arm. Its cost was $800,000.—J. H. Wood.

COMING EVENTS.

January 9—Oregon legislature convenes at Salem.

January 10-11—Oregon Historical Society, Portland.

January 10-14—National Livestock convention, Denver.

February 12—100th anniversary of the birth of Sacajewea's baby at Fort Mandan, with Lewis and Clark's expedition.

June 1, 1905—Opening Lewis and Clark exposition.

July 11-14—American Medical Association, Portland.

Spoiled Her Beauty.

Harriett Howard, at one time had her beauty spoiled with skin trouble. She writes: "I had Salt Rheum or Eczema for years, but nothing would cure it, until I used Bucklen's Arnica Salve." A quick and sure healer for cuts, burns and sores. 25c at Tallman & Co.'s drug store.

"Did Chimmie git many presents fer Christmas?"

"Did he? Sure! Why, he don't hardly know which ter smash first!"—Judge.

CHURCHES AND OUTLAWS.

Ancient Laws That Gave Shelter and Protection to Criminals.

In early times, when life and property were accounted cheap unless defended sword in hand, the church offered shelter and sanctuary to those who had occasion to fear the arm of the law. In the middle ages whoever crossed the threshold of a church was considered under divine protection and could not be arrested, while several churches and cathedrals still preserve the knockers used by those who had fled thither for shelter and claimed admittance. In some buildings the fugitive from justice sat upon a chair or stool, and the register of a church in Durham, England, covering a period extending from the year 1464 to the year 1524, included, besides other crimes, 195 murders and homicides, in which 283 persons seeking protection were concerned. To attempt to violate sanctuary by force was in those days a very serious matter, and when the outlaw decided to save his life by leaving the realm he did so in the following manner: "When a robber, murderer or other evil doer shall fly unto any church upon his confession of felony the coroner shall cause the abjuration to be made thus: Let the felon be brought to the church door and there be assigned unto him a port, near or far off, and a time appointed to him to go out of the realm, so that in going toward that port he carry a cross in his hand, and that he go not out of the king's highway, neither on the right hand nor on the left, but that he keep it always until he shall be gone out of the land, and that he shall not return without special grace of our lord the king."

PERSONAL NOMENCLATURE.

Ancient Names and the Modern System of Surnames.

Neither Hebrews, Egyptians, Assyrians, Babylonians, Persians nor Greeks had surnames, and in the earliest period of their history the same may be said of the Romans. In course of time, however, every Roman citizen had three names—the praenomen, or personal name; the nomen, or name of the gens or clan, and the cognomen, or family name, as Publius Cornelius Scipio. Conquerors were occasionally complimented by the addition of a fourth name, or agnomen, commemorative of their conquest, as Publius Cornelius Scipio Africanus.

It is impossible to state with any degree of certainty when the modern system of personal nomenclature became general. It has been stated that the practice of surnames began in Normandy and extended to England after the Norman conquest, but a document in the Cottonian MSS. quoted in Turner's "History of the Anglo-Saxons" contains reference to Hwita Hatte, a keeper of bees in Hathfelda; to Tate Hatte, his daughter, mother of Wulsige the Shooter, and Lulle Hatte, sister of Wulsige. The date of these records of the Hattes is not to be ascertained, but they were certainly written before the year 1066. So far as antiquarians have been able to discover, Hatte is the first surname whose existence can be traced in England. It is not improbable that the founder of the Hatte family was so called because of some unusual or noticeable headgear that he was in the habit of wearing.

Ancient Ventriloquism.

Ventriloquism was undoubtedly known both to the Jews and to the Egyptians. It was used by many persons for purposes of deception. The wizards who employed it declared that their "familiar spirit" resided in the abdomen, whence the voice was supposed to proceed. The Old Testament Scriptures abound with denunciations both of persons who had these familiar spirits and of those who went to seek their advice and assistance. They were treated as though they were in familiar intercourse with the evil one and according to Jewish law received no mercy. Instances, however, are very frequent in much later history of deception being successfully practiced by persons having this peculiar gift.

Carlyle's Picture of Rogers.

Carlyle gives this striking picture of Samuel Rogers, the poet: "I saw Rogers awhile ago at dinner with Taylor, a half frozen, old, sardonic Whig gentleman; no hair at all, but one of the whitest bare scalps; blue eyes, shrewd, and and cruel; toothless, horseshoe mouth drawn up to the very nose; slow, croaking, sarcastic insight, perfect breeding—statersoms where you are welcomed even with flummery; internally a Bluebeard's chamber, where none but the proprietor enters!"

Still One.

"Hello, Bill, old man! Well, well! I haven't seen you since the old days, when we used to run around together!"

"No, Jack. Ah, those old days! What a fool I used to be then!"

"I tell you, I'm glad to see you. You haven't changed a bit, old man."—Philadelphia Press.

His Long Wait.

Tommy—Oh, but all great men have smoked. Daisy—My dear boy, if you will only wait until you are great before you smoke I shall not complain.—New Yorker.

Not Her Role.

Edith—Why did you refuse him? Ethel—He has a past. Edith—But he can blot it out. Ethel—Perhaps, but he can't use me for a blotter.—Woman's Journal.

The man who makes hay while the sun shines is in a position to lend money to the fellow who writes poetry about it.—Philadelphia Record.

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