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THE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM.

Louis G. Clarke: The amendment offers a method of deciding the popularity and growth of reforms and new ideas in government at trifling expense.

Hon. Donald Mackay: This amendment will make every voter personally responsible for every law, because of which he will study public business more closely.

A. L. Mills: I heartily favor the Initiative and Referendum Amendment to the Constitution for many reasons; but, if for no other, because it will be possible then for cities and towns to make and amend their charters with out the consent or interference of any party machinery.

C. C. Loucks of Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen: The people of Switzerland have succeeded in making laws by the Initiative and Referendum under which Labor and Capital live in peace, and I believe we shall be able to do as much under the same system in Oregon.

Hon. Jonathan Bourne, Jr.: I favor the Initiative and Referendum Amendment because it is certainly safer to trust to the wisdom and integrity to the majority of all the people on important questions rather than to a partisan majority of the Legislatures, who, past experience proves, sometimes make appropriations and laws that are very unwise and unjust.

Chas. E. Ladd: Referring to proposed amendment of Section 1, Article IV, of the Constitution of the State of Oregon. It is my opinion that this amendment will give the people the power to make or repeal any law, by the Initiative, and to hold up and veto almost any law proposed and passed by the Legislature; and will leave no excuse for holding a Constitutional convention.

Governor Geer: If the Referendum amendment is adopted by the people, and made use of after adoption, it will be helpful all around as a restraining influence over careless Legislatures. Even if not often brought into requisition, the fact that it is a part of the State Constitution, ready to be used as a check against ill-advised legislation at any time, will justify its adoption.

William Foley: Since my recent sojourn in Switzerland, I am an earnest advocate of the Initiative and Referendum. The three million people of that prosperous little nation enjoy more real happiness and contentment than any other country in Europe.

J. N. Teal: I favor the adoption of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oregon, popularly known as the Initiative and Referendum Amendment, on many grounds and for many reasons. The fact that this power is reserved in the people will unquestionably have a decided tendency to discourage vicious legislation, for if an act is passed and the people are dissatisfied, by petition they can require its reference to them before it becomes effective, and if they then permit it to go into effect, they can have no one but themselves to blame.

The British government has imposed a six month's isolated quarantine on all dogs imported into England, and this will result in a virtual exclusion act. The purpose is to stop the introduction of dog diseases.

Of Interest to Dairymen

Editor of Coquille Herald, Dear Sir: In 1887, fifteen years ago, I sojourned the most of a year amongst the people of this county. At that time the lack of development and the want of energy that existed was like a wet blanket on my feelings as to the county's future prospects. I talked dairy business to every rancher with whom I made acquaintance and urged them to get into that line and they would be sure to make a comfortable living and lay by some money for the benefit of their families.

The dairy cow, however, frequently goes as high as two dollars worth of product for one dollar's worth of food and many a cow has been known to give two dollars and fifty cents worth of products for one dollar's worth of food consumed.

Most herds fall far short of such a high return. The reasons may be summarized as lack of breeding, improper or insufficient feeding and lack of judgment and management.

Every dairy herd should average over fifty dollars worth of products per cow per year. If your herd is not giving you such a return you are not doing it justice. Possibly every individual in the herd is not a number-one dairy cow, but do you know which are really doing good work and the relative merits of the different cows?

I will put you on to a sure line to follow and if you do so you will very soon know your cows. You must keep a daily record of the milk yielded by each cow. This will only take about a half minute per cow per day and it will at once create a feeling with the milkers to make the yield as large as possible and this they all know is done by rapid, clean and careful milking.

Thus by keeping a record you have started a competitive interest in the milkers and the cows milked steadily by the same milker will soon show an increased flow of from two to ten per cent according to the cow, the better the cow the greater the income.

If you ever sell cows the ability to give an accurate milk record, will generally speaking, raise a cow's value and facilitate the sale. Especially is this true if she is a pure bred. Further the returns from such cow in any herd, place you in a position to easily select for breeding. In almost every herd are found "boarders," cows that pay a very low price for their food, leave no profit, and frequently are kept at a loss. They should be detected and fed off for beef. Keeping a milk record is a sure way to discover them.

To the breeder of pure bred stock of any of the milking breeds, Jersey, Gurnsey, Ayrshire or any of the milking short horn strains, the daily milk record should be quite as important as the breeding record. I will venture the prediction that in a few years time from now every breed putting forward any claims as a dairy breed will be making a speciality of milk records. The reasons are very obvious, beauty of style color and conformation are very important and where the breeder makes his money in some other line than ranching he may be able to keep animals for the looks alone.

Those who ranch for money must look to the profit side of everything. With the dairy rancher, handsome is as handsome does, therefore in building up your herd you must combine production with beauty and style. Take up this line I have suggested and you will find it the most important step for improvement that you have ever made.

Another Pioneer Laid to Rest

Again it becomes our painful duty to chronicle the departure of another of our old, respected and beloved pioneers, Uncle Bird Vowell, of this city, who had a slight stroke of Apoplexy in February, and who suffered a heavier stroke a week ago; Friday, failed to rally and passed away on Wednesday of last week. He remained consciousness up to within a few hours of his death, and was administered to by the members of his family.

The deceased was born in Putnam county, Indiana, July 12 1826. On December 23, 1847, he was married to Miss Mary Ann Nosler at the same place. In 1848 they moved to Jasper county, Iowa, and in 1854 to Polk county, in the same state. Two years later they moved to Nebraska, and from there to Jackson county, Missouri in 1866, from whence they moved to Coos county in 1871, and have resided on the Coquille river ever since.

To this couple were born seven children, three of whom with his faithful wife survive him. Mrs. J. S. Hayes, of this city, Mrs. Glenn Cox, of Bandon, and James Vowell, of Riverton.

Mr. Vowell's life is an open book, honored and respected of all men whose good fortune it was to know him.

The funeral took place at the Masonic cemetery on Friday, attended by a large concourse of sorrowing friends. Peace to his ashes.

Archbishop Corrigan Dead

New York, May 5.—Archbishop Michael Augustin Corrigan died at 11:05 o'clock tonight, aged sixty-two years. The death of the Archbishop came as a great surprise and shock to those in the Archepiscopal residence. It was more so to the general public, for the last bulletin of the day was that so certain were his physicians of improvement of the patient, that there would be no more bulletins tonight. Up to 10:30 there was no evidence of a collapse.

About 11 o'clock, however, the nurses at the bedside noticed a change. The physicians were telephoned for. At the same time the Archbishop's two brothers were summoned to the room, as well as a number of the priests. In less than a quarter of an hour the prelate was dead.

(Marshfield Sun.)

George Campbell is chief engineer on the steamer Alert.

James L. Ferrey is able to be around after a brief illness.

Al Wyman caught a ling cod at the Cape last week that weighed 38 lbs.

The keel for the new schooner has been laid in the Marshfield shipyard.

Gorn.—At Empire City, May 7, 1902, to the wife of T. H. Barry, a daughter.

The schooner at North Bend is about ready for the water, but a date has not as yet been set for the launching.

A. W. Neal is driving the piles for the Ice and Cold Storage plant, which is expected to be in operation July 1st.

The services of Miss Nellie Brown have been engaged to teach the South Slough public school, which opens this week.

Mrs. L. J. Simpson, who has been very low with typhoid fever, is still in a critical condition, but everything is favorable to her early recovery.

Captain Reed has returned from San Francisco and expects to start work shortly on the schooner in the shipyard. Captain Ackerman has retired from the company of builders as managing owner.

C. H. Merchaut, who has been quite ill, is gradually improving and with his wife intends to leave for San Francisco on the Alliance. They expect to be absent some months and will travel, visiting the Hawaiian Islands and other points of interest. W. T. Merchant will look after the business end of the affairs of Dean & Co. during his father's absence and P. L. Phelan will have supervision of the saw mill and logging camps.

A splendid dairy farm of 40 acres fronting river, 30 acres bottom all cleared, with high land for buildings, nice springs by door, excellent buildings. Furniture, tools, team of horses and harness, 11 cows and other cattle, cream separator, hogs, etc. all go for \$2500 to make quick sale. R. D. Sanford, The Coquille Real Estate Men.

IN EMBRACE OF FIRE

Volcano Belches Forth Its Flames And Destroys a City

Paris, May 9.—The Minister of Marine is in receipt of the following cablegram sent from Fort de France, Island of Martinique, last night, by the commander of the French warship Suchet:

"I have just returned from St. Pierre, which was completely destroyed by an immense mass of fire, which fell on the town about 8 o'clock this morning.

"The entire population, about 26,000 souls, is supposed to have perished.

"I have brought back a few survivors, about 30.

"All the shipping in the harbor was destroyed by fire.

"The eruption continues."

It is supposed that most of the inhabitants of St. Pierre were killed. The neighboring parishes are laid waste and the residue of the population of St. Pierre are without food or shelter.

The commander of the Suchet reports that on Thursday the entire town of St. Pierre was wrapped in flames.

His officers went ashore in small boats seeking survivors, but were unable to penetrate to town.

They saw heaps of bodies upon the wharves, and it is believed that not a single person resident in St. Pierre at the moment of the catastrophe escaped.

The governor of the colony and staff colonel and wife probably perished. The extent of the catastrophe can not be imagined.

The crater of Soufriere, in the British island of St. Vincent, 100 miles south of Martinique, has also been active the past few days, and smoke from it were visible from St. Lucia, and distant detonations audible at Dominica, Antigua, St. Kitts and Guadeloupe, in the French West Indies here. It is reported that the volcanic craters on Dominica are showing signs of activity.

Washington, May 3.—Commissioner Hermann of the General Land Office today decided an important case, which affects the grant of public lands to the Coos Bay Military Wagon Road Company.

The grant was made by act of March 3, 1869, and a withdrawal was ordered March 31, 1871, the lands being listed last in 1884. John F. Bull-ck a homestead settler, made his entry on March 3, 1898, upon an odd section within the Company's grant, and the Commissioner decides that while this tract would ordinarily inure to the grant of the railroad company, yet as said company has received an excess of lands, more than sufficient to satisfy the grant, and its listing of this homestead tract is held of cancellation. He, therefore approves the homestead entry.

London, May 6.—F. Bret Harte the American author, died suddenly last night at the Red House, Camberley, near Aldershot, from hemorrhaging, caused by an affection of the throat.

Harte had been suffering from swollen tonsils since December last, but did not consider the attack to be serious. A week ago he went to visit friends at Camberley and was present at lunch, as usual, yesterday. He suddenly became ill in the afternoon, went to bed and died in a few hours. His end was peaceful.

Bert Hart will be buried Thursday at Frimley, in Surrey.

Deep sorrow at his loss and admiration for his work are expressed in the lengthy obituary notices, the sketches of his life and the editorial articles upon his death which are published in the London papers.

Rome, May 9.—According to a letter received here from Turin, King Victor Emanuel was attacked by a workman while walking yesterday.

His assailant, the latter says, was arrested before doing the king any harm, but subsequently escaped.

Seattle, May 9.—Extradition papers for David Thomson have been received.

He is wanted in Glasgow, Scotland, for wrecking a building and bank association and embezzling \$200,000.

"A neighbor ran in with a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy when my son was suffering with severe cramps and was given up as beyond hope by my regular physician, who stands high in his profession. After administering three doses of it, my son regained consciousness and recovered entirely within twenty-four hours," says Mrs. Haller, of Mt. Crawford, Va. This Remedy is for sale by R. S. Knowlton.

The petrified hoof of a horse has been found in a coal mine at Chester, Illinois, at a depth of ninety feet below the surface, showing that the horse species existed earlier than has been supposed.

Real Value of Milk

An impression prevails in many localities that the butter and cheese value of milk are two different things, the former depending on the percentage of fat which the milk contains and the latter on the total solids. There is a sense in which this is true, but practically it is not the fact. Some experiments in one of the experiment stations, the results of which are only confirmatory of former tests, show that the yield of cheese per pound of fat is somewhat greater from poor milk. For example, it was found that three per cent milk would make 2.85 pounds of cheese for each pound of butter fat, while four per cent milk made 2.60 pounds per pound of butter fat. But while in this sense the cheese value of poor milk would seem relatively greater than rich, inasmuch as a pound of fat in the former makes a greater weight of cheese than the latter, the difference in the value of the cheese when made more than compensates for the difference in weight. The excess made by the pound of fat in poor milk is a skim milk excess purely, and it is the poorest kind of skim milk at that. Milk rich in fat can be made to yield as great a weight of cheese per pound of butter fat as the poor milk, either by adding skim milk to it, or by partially skimming it, but the cheese, when made, will not have the same market value as if made from whole rich milk. Cheese yield, therefore, is as unfair a measure of the value of milk in a cheese factory as it is in a creamery, and numerous tests have shown that the fairest method of paying for milk, even in a cheese factory, is on the basis of its fat percentage.—Iowa Homestead.

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Hopping Cough

A woman who had experience with this disease, tells how to prevent any dangerous consequences from it. She says: Our three children took hopping cough last summer, our baby boy being only three months old, and owing to our giving the Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, they lost none of their plumpness and came out in much better health than other children whose parents did not use this remedy. Our oldest little girl would call lustily for cough syrup between whoops.—Jessie Pinkey Hall, Springfield, Ala. This Remedy is for sale by R. S. Knowlton.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. (DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR) Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon; April 18, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made before L. B. Hazard, County Clerk of Coos County, at Coquille City, Oregon, on June 2, 1902, viz: SAMUEL M. BOWAN, on H. E. No. 2773, for the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 33, T. 24 S., R. 13 West.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: C. C. Hall, of Coquille City, Oregon; Marshall Stead, of Arco, " W. M. Hummel, " " F. M. Miller, " " J. T. BRIDGES, Register.

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