

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

From present indications, grain in this county was not injured by the late cold weather.

As per request of the county school superintendent, we send a copy of THE INDEPENDENT to all those school clerks who are not subscribers. Every clerk should become a subscriber to his county paper.

Messrs. Morgan & Barnard have opened a real estate agency in Hillsboro. Persons having land for sale are asked to consult them.

George Lakin committed suicide at Milwaukie, Oregon, Tuesday morning by cutting his throat during a fit of temporary insanity.

The snow has all departed, and we are getting the "pined for rains."

An explosion in the Wellington mines, in British Columbia, last Tuesday, resulted in the death of seventy miners.

The First Baptist church of Hillsboro, has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The incorporators are W. H. Black, R. D. Malone and J. H. Fleming.

It is now known that more than one thousand people perished in Nebraska alone during the recent blizzard. The loss of life throughout the territories and states east of us is appalling.

W. P. Graham was granted a divorce from Priscilla Graham last Tuesday, in Multnomah county. They were married in this county June 27, 1880.

During the heavy rains of last Tuesday night, the Tualatin river at this place rose four feet.

Joseph Bishop, 70 years of age, was sent from Multnomah county to the asylum this week.

Last Saturday was the coldest day ever known in Minneapolis. The thermometer registered forty-eight degrees below zero.

Mrs. Garfield, mother of the late lamented President Garfield, died at her residence in Ohio last Saturday, aged 86 years.

The republican central committee is called to meet in Portland, February 22.

William Chalmers, Jr., has sold his half Clyde stallion to Mr. Moss, residing fifteen miles from Sprague, W. T. The price paid was \$225. Mr. Moss is a breeder of Shorthorn cattle and draft horses.

The breaking up of the ice gorge in the Willamette at Portland has caused heavy losses among mill men by logs being carried away. Following are the names of those sustaining damage and the amount of loss of each: Gor. Penoyer, \$20,000; Geo. W. Weidler, \$15,000; Smith Bros. & Co., \$3000; Jones & Co., \$3000; Hogue, \$1000; total loss, \$42,000.

During the water famine in Portland yesterday, caused by the bursting of a main, John Matthews, well known in Hillsboro, now a waiter in Java Coffee restaurant, lost a gold watch and chain in the streets at Fifth and Morrison streets, while attempting to draw a bucket of water. Johnny will take his decorations straight after this costly episode.

Mr. Will Becow is visiting his parents in Hillsboro.

Anilla Straight, of Heppner, Or., who disappeared from the Catholic convent at Salem January 11, was found drowned in Mill creek last Saturday. An inquest was held upon the body last Sunday, which resulted in a verdict of suicide by drowning while temporarily insane. She was 17 or 18 years of age, and of a melancholy disposition.

A letter from Tillamook county says on December 26th the highest tide ever seen there struck the coast. Five feet of water stood where tide water had never been seen before.

According to the Tacoma Ledger, in speaking of the territorial militia, the annual muster shall last "not more than three nor less than six days." Lucid!

Dr. John W. Dodge, who died at his home in Middleborough, N. Y., December 25, was formerly a resident of Hillsboro, and practiced dentistry while here. He had many friends in this county and throughout the state.

In a recent letter to his family in Hillsboro, Mr. C. T. Tozier writes that the thermometer is forty degrees below zero at Delta, Idaho, with plenty of snow. The miners are jubilant over the prospects of an abundance of water in the summer for mining purposes.

THE INDEPENDENT is receiving a great many new names. Now is the time to subscribe. Only one dollar and fifty cents a year, cash in advance. Pay up and take advantage of the present reduction.

The thermometer registered fifteen degrees below zero at the Dalles during the coldest day of the recent storm.

A letter just received from Lone Rock, in Eastern Oregon, states that the thermometer indicated thirty degrees below zero on the coldest day in that county. The snow was only about six inches deep in the valley.

Two cases of smallpox were reported at the Portland police station last Friday, says the News.

In the U. S. circuit court Judge Deady has made a ruling favorable to defendants in the case of the United States vs. Ball, Daniel and Powell, of Yamhill county, on trial for violation of timber laws. Judge Deady decided that, whether the timber was wrongfully cut from the land or not, the United States having recorded final proof condemned the action of defendants. The case will be carried into the supreme court.

Ayer's Pills cure constipation, improve the appetite, promote digestion, restore healthy action, and regulate every function. This medicine is pleasant to take and gentle in its operation. See article in Ayer's Almanac.

The car shops of Albina were visited by a \$50,000 fire on Wednesday evening of last week.

The Canadian Pacific Railroad company is contributing toward building up Vancouver. It is erecting a new fine opera house at a cost of \$100,000.

A Forest Grove lover, who addressed a love-scented letter to the object of his affections, asking the young lady to become his partner through life, inscribed on one corner of the envelope, "Scalded proposal." The result was he was awarded the contract.

By a recent order of the general land office, all applications to file under the homestead and timber culture acts must be accompanied with a non-mineral affidavit, or the application will be rejected. Also, citizens of foreign birth who wish to file on land must furnish record proof of their citizenship, or declaration. These are recent orders which settlers will do well to heed.

Wm. Howard, of Laid canyon, lost 150 head of sheep this week. They were in a shed and the snow drifted over and smothered them to death.—Union (Or.) Scout.

Miss Lizzie Rodysberg, of Portland, visited Hillsboro last Monday, accompanied by Mr. Bert Tozier, who is well informed as to the truthfulness of the report that he is soon to lead a charming young lady to the altar. Thanks extended for cake; THE INDEPENDENT offers congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Meek will give a ball at their residence, three miles north of Hillsboro, on St. Valentine's eve. Every one is invited. Good supper and first-class music will be a feature of the ball. This will be the event of the season. Tickets, \$1.50.

R. W. Crane will hold an auction sale of stock and household furniture at his farm, near Cornelius, February 23rd.

In this issue appears the card of Dr. W. P. Via, a new arrival to this county, who has located at Forest Grove.

County School Superintendent Vincent was in Hillsboro Sunday and Monday, returning from the local institute held at Forest Grove last Saturday.

Spencer Harrington and family have gone to Yaguina bay, where they will take charge of a dairy farm.

Attorney Roe, of Portland, who had business in Vancouver Monday, walked over and crossed the Columbia on the ice. It is a cold day when he gets left.

Vancouver Independent. Mr. Roe is a Washington county boy, a graduate of Pacific University, and like Messrs. Harvey W. Scott, Geo. H. Durham, H. Y. Thompson, Milton W. Smith and a score of other men educated and reared in this county, is coming grandly to the front.

E. A. Bailey, of Winthrop, Maine, fattened and recently sold in the Boston market twenty-three grade Herefords at 7 1/2 cents per pound, dressed weight. They averaged 1500 pounds each, and returned to the seller \$112.50 each. This shows a commendable difference between improved and common breeds of cattle for beef purposes. The latter do well to reach \$30 or \$40.

Secretary McBride, acting as insurance commissioner, gives notice that he will not authorize the Continental Life Insurance company, of Hartford, Conn., to transact business in this state during the year 1888 until it shall show that it has an unimpaired, paid-up cash capital of \$300,000. This notice is given because the insurance commissioner of Connecticut has reported that the capital of said company is impaired.

Grand Medal awarded to "Davies the Photographer," for the best display of photographs, Mechanics Fair, 1887. Gallery, Cor. First and Taylor Sts., Portland, Ore. \$10.00.

The Oregon & California railroad has filed with the county clerk a trust deed to the Union Trust Company, of New York, conveying their railroads, station houses, wharves, depot property, etc., in the state of Oregon. The document is a sort of a contingent mortgage; that is to say, the O. & C. can issue bonds under it to the extent of \$30,000 a mile for standard gauge track, and \$10,000 for narrow gauge, the total amount not to exceed \$20,000,000. This action is simply one of the steps agreed upon in the terms under which the O. & C. sold out to the Southern Pacific Company. It will probably be only a short time when the O. & C. will be out of the hands of a receiver and will be opened by the new purchaser.—Oregonian.

The January 7th issue, the first of the year 1888, of the Library Magazine, contains the following interesting article: The First Chapter of Genesis, by Prof. W. Gray Elymire. Captured Brides in Far Cathay, from Blackwood's Magazine. The Time it Takes to Think, by J. McK. Cattell. Kinglake's Invasion from the Pall Mall Gazette. Mr. Donnelly and Shakespeare, from The Athenaeum, and others. Send subscriptions direct to John B. Alden, publisher, 393 Pearl street, New York, and 216 Clark street, Chicago.

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A man's character is like a fence; you cannot strengthen it by whitewash.

Nature needs an immense quantity of quills to make a goose with; but a man can make a goose of himself with one.

Vice-President Oakes, of the Northern Pacific railroad, has refused to reduce tariff rates on ores from the Cour d'Alene mines to Portland.

The value of discipline was fully illustrated the other day in Chicago, when a schoolhouse caught fire, and the thousand children, not until the usual signal, gathered together their wraps and books, and quietly marched out of the burning building, without accident or harm. If it had been a thousand adult people in a theater or church, a large number of them would have doubtless been crushed or burned to death.

Three persons were committed to the state asylum last week, as follows: R. F. Tweedy, of Umatilla county; Carl Houston, of Multnomah, and George W. Branson, a pioneer of Yamhill county.

T. L. Masters and John Benson have bought E. P. Seylor's drug business, and look charge of the same on the 18th.

We believe the success of their business will depend entirely upon themselves as it is a good stand and is known to have made money for its former proprietor.

We earnestly wish the boys success.—Goldendale Sentinel. The above gentlemen are well known in this county. Mr. Masters lived in this county for many years, and has many friends here. Mr. Benson married a daughter of Mr. Robert Imbrie, in this county, a few months ago.

Bishop, the mind reader, has left Portland for California. According to the Oregonian, he left behind a number of unpaid bills. That paper further says: It is never surprising to find the merely curious, the vacant, the idle, making those of those who have the gift, as Hamlet says, of "Amazing the faculties of eyes and ears," but when a lying citizen, men like Judge Deady and Judge Williams, lend countenance to performances like those of Bishop, and by their interest in them show that they regard them as of value to mankind and worthy of encouragement, there need be no surprise that the practice of the mountebank flourish all over this world.

A married man in Hillsboro refused to go out with his wife one evening not long since, saying that he had an important Masonic meeting to attend, but would not be gone long. He came tumbling home about two o'clock in the morning and stealthily crept into the house and to the bedside where his wife was sleeping. After getting his clothing off, ready for bed, he imagined that his wife was waking up, so he began rocking the cradle, which stood near the bed, as though he had just got out of bed for that purpose. His wife, after he had been rocking about twenty minutes, raised up and said: "Come to bed, you old fool; I have the baby here." He went.

Scientific American: The moon will be totally eclipsed on January 28. The phenomenon will be generally visible throughout North and South America, Europe, Asia and Africa. The conditions for observation will be specially favorable, as the spectacle will neither be obscured by clouds, nor will the moon be obliged to sit up late in the evening, or get up early in the morning for a view of the interesting exhibition. The moon enters the earth's shadow before sunset, but when the total eclipse begins, at 5 h. 30 m. p. m., it will be dark enough to watch its progress through the most interesting stage. The moon will not be entirely lost to sight when totally immersed in the earth's shadow. She will shine faintly, with lurid, copper-colored light, thus giving an unearthly aspect to the surrounding landscape.

Nearly a year ago George Plamondon was brought down from Albany and committed to the penitentiary on a sentence of one year for larceny. Young Plamondon was submitted to prison discipline, and it did not disagree with him till an event happened several days since which threw him off his mental equilibrium and has rendered advisable his institution to the asylum, of which institution he has once or twice before been an inmate. At the time mentioned several Catholic priests were making a visit to the prison, and young Plamondon asked permission to speak to them, which was granted. He told the priests his story, and wound up by pitifully asking one of them for three dollars, to buy some underclothing, and the good father, unable to resist the appeal, gave it to him. George was thrown into ecstasies of delight by the receipt of the donation, and a return of his former attacks of insanity followed.—Statesman.

An Aged Pioneer gone. Mr. Alvin T. Smith, who died at his residence in Forest Grove last Sunday at noon, was the pioneer settler of Oregon.

He was born in East Haven, Conn., Nov. 17, 1802. Sometime in the '30's, he moved to Illinois, living in Mendon, and working as a carpenter in Quincy. In 1848, having recently married, Miss Raymond (an aunt of H. C. Raymond of Gaston), he with his wife came out to Oregon, stopping the first winter at Lapwai. Coming to the Willamette valley in the fall of 1841, he erected his cabin under a large fir tree on his future donation claim. Mr. Smith resided continuously on the claim until sometime in the '60's, his wife dying about 1838. Sometime during the '60's he returned to Connecticut, but returned again to Oregon after a few years absence. He suffered a great deal for several years from disease, the result, he thought, of slight injuries received some 20 years ago. The deceased was a thorough christian, and a man who would not knowingly allow himself to countenance any kind of sin. He was one of the incorporators of the Tualatin Academy and Pacific University at this place and, until enfeebled by age, was an active christian worker, being spiritually interested in the bible cause. He leaves a wife and one adopted daughter. L. C. WALKER.

School Exhibition. The exhibition at Leisy's schoolhouse came off on the evening of Friday, January 20th.

As there was plenty of snow and sleighing, quite a large crowd was in attendance. The schoolhouse was crowded to its utmost capacity, and it is rumored that several sleigh loads were compelled to withdraw from the same as there was not even standing room for them to occupy. There was quite a large number of pieces, and some of them quite lengthy and they were all rendered in a most judicious manner, judging from the applause that went up from the audience. The best order was maintained during the entire evening, and all went home well pleased with the entertainment. Much praise is due to Miss Wilcox, the teacher, for the able manner in which the exercises were conducted. GRANOR.

County Teachers' Institute.

Forest Grove, January 21, 1888.

Institution was called to order by County Superintendent Vincent; Miss Geiger favored with an instrumental solo. The attendance of teachers was small, owing, probably, to bad weather.

T. T. Vincent gave object of institute; also, reasons for the indifference to the institutes. Appointed Chas. Crocker reporter to paper, and Mrs. Etta Kane, critic.

Methods of Recitation, was introduced by J. J. Johnson, who gave his methods of class recitation. Believes in reviews; teachers should be practical, etc. Hawes spoke of methods as practiced at West Point.

Mr. C. Walker did not concur with anything said by previous speaker. Related anecdote of Thos. Beecher on bible class. Superintendent Vincent doesn't believe in teachers telling pupils what they should learn from text book. Chas. Crocker spoke of another method, called "The Yes and No method." Prof. Garrison doesn't believe in making concessions with laziness. Mr. Wilks related incident.

Recitation, by Miss Rebecca Myers, rendered in good style. "Practical Measurements"—introduced by Prof. Hawes who spoke at some length. Gave many valuable hints on subject.

Mr. Moore introduced subject of Music in schools. Thinks one day in week should be set apart for it.

Institute then adjourned for noon, with music, song by Misses Geiger, Smith and McDonald, and Messrs. Moore and Wood.

Opened at 2 o'clock with music, by Miss Geiger. Recitation, by Osburn Bonn, "My Troubles," which was well delivered.

Next topic, "How can tardiness be prevented," was introduced by Chas. Crocker. Prof. Marsh thinks in some places this subject is made too much of and in others too little. An understanding should be had between parents and teacher. Garrison explained methods as followed in Seattle. He thinks the opening of school should be made attractive by music or other exercises. J. J. Johnson gave his views why pupils are tardy. Subject closed.

Recitation, by Nellie Williams, well rendered.

Mental Arithmetic was introduced by Prof. Marsh. Thinks it one of the most important studies in our common schools; time to begin when pupils are quite young. Do not insist too much on reasons. General discussion ensued, in which Prof. Hawes, Prof. Garrison, Vincent, Walker, Wells and Wilks took part.

Solo, by Miss Smith. Intermission for reporter to take names of teachers present, which resulted as follows: Forest Grove—J. W. Marsh, J. J. Johnson, Mrs. Etta Kane, Mrs. J. M. Robb, Jerome Wells, Miss F. G. McConnelly, Miss E. Brown, Miss Zula Warren, Miss M. D. Jackson, J. Garrison, B. H. Moore. Gales creek—Miss Josie Shearer. Greenville—Mr. Wilks. Farmington—Miss Eva Millar. Middleton—T. T. Vincent. Hillsboro—J. D. Hawes, Chas. Crocker. Total attendance, 16.

Selection, by Miss Edith Smith, which showed Miss Smith to have had good training in reading.

"Which method is preferable to teach a beginner to read—the a, b, c, or the phonic or word method—and what are the relative merits of each?" Mrs. Kane introduced this subject. Prof. Marsh favors the phonic method.

Recitation, by Miss Blanche Garrison, was spoken in clear and distinct tones, showing careful training.

"How can the effects of alcoholic beverages, and narcotics be best taught in our schools, and how much time each day should teachers be required to devote to this subject?" Introduced by Mrs. Hoexter, who thinks the teacher should explain the bad effects of alcohol and narcotics on the blood, brain, etc., of the system. Prof. Hawes thought the moral training could be best taught at home, under a good mother. General discussion, in which Mr. Wilks, Johnson, Vincent, Marsh and Hawes took part. Supt. Vincent called for report of critic, which was brief.

Closing remarks by county superintendent.

Music, "O, The Merry Harvest Time." The next institute will be held at Hillsboro, in the latter part of February.

SEVENTY-THREE YEARS MARRIED. Can any Couple in Oregon or Elsewhere Beat this Record?

Thomas J. Wilkes, of this county, has written the following letter to the Oregonian, which will be of interest to our many readers. The aged couple referred to are among our most respected pioneers:

With all due deference to the venerable couple at Albany, mentioned in Sunday's Oregonian, I must inform them that they are not the oldest couple in Oregon. My grand-parents are, I believe, the oldest couple on the Pacific coast. They live at Greenville, Washington county. Peyton Wilkes was born in 1791, and so will be 97 years old next May. He is one of the few pensioners of the war of 1812. His wife, Anna Wilkes, is 91 years old, and they were married in 1815 (to June I think). They came across the plains in 1845, and settled in Washington county in 1846. They were both born in Bedford county, Virginia, came to Indiana about 1820, and to Missouri in 1839. So in following the Star of Empire they kept ahead of the iron horse until he overtook them at the "jumping off place." They have three sons living, twenty-seven grandchildren, forty-one great grandchildren and eight great-great grandchildren living.

Grandfather is one of the boys yet; and lest he calls my father the old man, and bids fair to reach a hundred, and I will say that if they live to celebrate their diamond wedding the old pioneers of Oregon shall be invited, and we will make them welcome at the old homestead. If there is an older pioneer in Oregon or an older couple in the United States we should like to hear from them.

FOREST GROVE NOTES.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

E. C. Showers, who has located at East Portland in the law business, is in the Grove for a few days.

Mrs. J. F. Ellis has been appointed agent in this place for the Century organ, which is handled by Mr. Wiley B. Allen, of Portland. The instrument is a most elegant design, and certainly surpasses any organ we have ever listened to, in purity and clearness of tone. The instrument has been introduced on this coast only within the last few weeks, and offers the latest improvements at what seems, to say the least, a remarkably reasonable price.

B. F. Blood, a former resident of the Grove, was in town this week.

A Union Bible society meeting will be held at the Congregational church next Sunday evening, beginning at 7 o'clock.

Mr. Bradley, who went to Yaguina from here about two years ago, is back again on a visit.

Forest Grove is having her periodical turmoil over the town election. It seems that Hiram Clark, the newly elected marshal, is not eligible to the office, not having lived here one year, as required by the charter. Mr. Clark, however, was elected and sworn in before the irregularity was discovered, and is able to say with good deal of confidence, "What are you going to do about it?" Unless he resigns, he can only be removed by the district court, which does not convene until March; by that time Mr. Clark will have resided in town the required length of time and would doubtless be immediately reappointed by the board. The vote for this officer was: Clark, 29; Keen, 17; Adkins, 13. The new board have no desire to contest Mr. Clark's right to the office, and as he has been duly elected and qualified, we presume no one else will take the matter up. The subject has been thoroughly discussed and has caused no small amount of excitement here during the past week. We might state that Mr. Jones, one of the newly elected trustees, is in the same boat with Mr. Clark.

It is amusing, at least, to read the criticisms of the woman suffrage bill recently enacted by the Washington territory legislature, in last Saturday's Oregonian. The editor admits that "it was endorsed by both party platforms," and then talks about the total unpopularity of the measure; does anyone suppose that both parties would eagerly endorse such an unpopular measure "as a mere catch bait" for votes? The fact that over 10,000 women voted at one election in the territory, ought to dispel the idea of "practically nullifying the law" by the lack of interest on the part of the women themselves. When the editor of the Oregonian states that "the sensible scheme for the annexation of a portion of Idaho to Washington territory has been blasted by this passage of the woman suffrage act," he makes a statement which he well knows will not bear analysis. The inhabitants of the "panhandle" of Idaho urged the passage of an annexation bill, and it was duly passed by congress while Washington territory had woman suffrage. The bill was vetoed by President Cleveland, not, however, on account of woman suffrage. The assertion that the passage of this act "will surely repel immigration" is merely an appeal to prejudice, and is utterly absurd.

If, as the Oregonian says, the woman suffrage plank in the party platform does not compel the members elected on that platform to vote for such a measure, then the party platform is indeed becoming worthless as a party policy, and the Oregonian may be understood as favoring this breach of pledge. The fact is, woman suffrage is favored by the best elements in Washington territory, and Governor Semple clearly followed the instructions of both political parties in signing the bill.

The question, "Resolved that congress should establish a postal telegraph system," will be discussed by the Gamma Sigma society this evening. Affirmative: Millar; colleague, Nelson; negative, Myers; colleague, Smith.

Grant Smith and Miss Rhoda Martin were married at Dilley last Sunday. Rev. J. W. H. Adkins officiating.

Sheriff Cornelius will meet the taxpayers of Forest Grove on next Tuesday, January 31st.

Alvin T. Smith, one of the early pioneers of Oregon, died at his home in this place last Sunday at 12:30 o'clock, at the advanced age of 82 years. Mr. Smith leaves a wife and one daughter, Mrs. C. Goodell, of Astoria. The funeral occurred from his residence, at 1 o'clock on Wednesday.

The members of the Baptist Sunday school will give a "christmas-sea-bath" in Vert's hall next Friday evening, February 3. Particulars next week.

The Forest Grove district school has received a new set of maps, which will be of great value in the school work.

Public rhetoricians were well attended last Friday afternoon, and were up to the usual standard.

The following notice was posted on a tree near the college building one day this week. "Found—a pocket knife, now in possession of the undersigned. The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges and take it away. Signed, W. N. Ferrin." As the professor prides himself on his muscle, it is doubtful whether "the owner" will care to undertake the last condition.

What Am I to Do? The symptoms of Biliousness are unhappily but too well known. They differ in different individuals to some extent. A Bilious man is seldom a breakfast eater. Too frequently, alas, he has an excellent appetite for liquids, but none for solids of a morning. His tongue will hardly bear inspection at any time; it is not white and furred, it is rough, at all events.

The digestive system is wholly out of order and Diarrhea or Constipation may be a symptom or the two may alternate. There are often Hemorrhoids or even loss of blood. There may be giddiness and often headache and acidity or flatulence and tenderness in the pit of the stomach. To correct all this if not effect a cure try Green's August Flower. It costs but a trifle and thousands attest its efficacy.

Value of The Creamery.

Does it pay to make creamery butter rather than dairy? Let us answer this question from the latest New York market report. The best dairy butter is quoted 25 cents, and the best creamery 34, a difference of nine cents in favor of the creamery. Deducting four cents, the highest price asked for making by the creameries, and it leaves five cents per pound clear in favor of the creamery. This is one-fifth of the cost of dairy butter. Is it worth while to make use of a system which will increase the income 20 per cent? But it does more than this, for from the New York price must be deducted the cost of transportation, and the cost of making at home, and it must be borne in mind that this "dairy butter" is not the home made butter, but the product of 15 or more cows, the milk of which is tended with special care, so that it costs as much or nearly as much as to make at a creamery. Counting it as costing the same as at a creamery, the gain is nine cents a pound, or more than one-third of the cost of dairy butter. This shows a gain of 25 per cent. Is this worth saving to the average farmer?

Death of Capt. Wm. Shaw. Capt. William Shaw, the widely known and venerable pioneer of Marion county, Oregon, died at the residence of his son G. W. Shaw, on Howell Prairie, January 20, 1888, at 6 a. m., of general debility.

"Uncle Billy" Shaw, as he was familiarly known, was born in Tennessee, on December 15, 1795, and he was therefore 92 years, 1 month, and 5 days old at the time of his death. At the age of 18 he enlisted with the United States troops for the war of 1812, and served during the two years of that struggle between the forces of England and his native country with great credit to himself.

Honey From Pears. A writer in a late number of Vicks Magazine, says that after reading an account of how they made honey from pears in Switzerland he determined to attempt something of the kind himself. Accordingly last season he took a basket of Sheldon pears of melting ripeness, and after pressing them first through a fine cheese cloth and then through flannel, he had about three quarts of the juice which he put in a stone jar and set it in a heated brick bake oven, over night, when it was allowed to simmer until the next morning, when after boiling the same about an hour, it was reduced to about a quart of delicious honey, which though not to be considered an improvement on that made by bees, was quite an agreeable variety from it, containing all its sweetness, with a perceptible flavor of the fruit. It kept perfectly sound through the succeeding winter, with its pear flavor even better than at first. Not a grain of sugar was used in the process, the honey being the pure juice of the fruit.

Older Than Oregon. The following was the state of the weather on the 15th, the mercury dropping below zero at the places named below:

Belgrade, Montana, 50 deg. Chicago, Ill., 16 deg. Lincoln, Neb., 18 deg. Omaha, Neb., 30 deg. Helena, Montana, 45 deg. Nebraska City, Neb., 35 deg. Albert Lea, Dak., 42 deg. Minneapolis, Minn., 40 deg.

At many other places the cold was intense, causing much suffering. A large number of deaths from freezing was reported on the 16th.

Pite Rheumatophthal Vat. "Have you seen my beautiful yacht?" "Have I seen your beautiful yacht?" "Beautiful yacht." "Beautiful yacht?" "Yacht! yacht! yacht!" "Oh! No! I have naught." "If it naught too naught, let's tracht down to the spacht where I keep my yacht." "I wacht that you have naught gacht a yacht. Great Naught! I'll not stir one fact. Your yacht is nothing but an old tub."

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