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WEATHER REPORT:



CLOUDY

Brother Gardner And Limekiln Club

His Words of Advice to Fellow Members—Tells a Story About Brudner Shindig.

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WHEN the routine business had been disposed of at the last regular meeting of the Limekiln club Brother Gardner arose in his seat and said: "I haven't feelin' bout things as I would like to feel. I've got de feelin' on me dat de cul'd people ob dis kentry an gwine to smash in spite ob all dat kin he said or dum. Ebery day when I walks out I cum home wid an achin' heart. Ebery time I pick up a paper and sot down to read I am made to wonder what has got into de cul'd race dat it ain't actin' so."
"I was in a feed stob de odder evenin' to buy some co'n fur my chickens. I has bin acquainted wid dat feed stob man fur ten years, and we like each other. He has nebbber catched me ill-n'm' my pockets wid co'n when his bill-



"HE AND A CUL'D WOMAN WAS SITTING ON A DOAHER."

was turned, and he has nebbber looked down on me kase de Lord made me black instead ob white. We was talkin' away and respectin' each odder when in busted Giveadan Jones. He was all togged out in patent leather shoes and a red necktie, and he proceeded to swell on his chest and call dat feed stob man Tom and q'ler him to send up 10 cents' worth of mashed oats in a hurry. You'd hev thought Brudner Jones owned de aird and dat de hull United States was gwine to tip ob if he didn't git dem oats mighty quick. He felt himself bigger'n a brick house and ob mo' importance dan a governor, but arter he went out dat feed stob man called him all sorts o' names and predicted dat he'd come down to aird wid an awful smash he'd de year was out. He wasn't impressed or imposed on a lottle bit.
"Some few weeks ago Brudner Shindig Watkins had de griefness to lose his wife. She was his third wife, but when his club learned de sad news it

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time right bout just de same as it was, had been his first. It sorrored. It brought flowers. It chipped in \$50 in cash. Mo' dan fifty of us attended de funeral. When we returned from de sad occasion we patted Shindig on de back and told him dat de loss was her gain and dat dere was no cloud widout its silver lining. You all remember how broken up he was. Some of us said dat he would neber rekiver from de blow.

"A day or two ago, only six weeks arter de calamity, I was walking thru Chipewauk valley, and I stumbled upon Brudner Shindig. He and a cul'd woman was sittin' on a doahster. He had his arm around dat woman, and her head was laid on his shoulder. When any one tells you dat de white folks own all de rapid transit business in de kentry you jest remember dis case.

"Three months ago Brudner Pickles Smith lost his mother by death. She wasn't no wuss and no better dan any odder man's mother. Pickles had our sympathy, and we chipped in \$25 in cash besides. Next thing we heard of him he was arrangin' wid a marble man to git a \$300 monument for de ole woman. He wanted de genuine article, and he wanted an angel wid her wings spread on top. He wanted somethin' to beat de white folks, and he would have had it and been fifty years payin' for it if I hadn't happened to meet him while he was on his way to clench de bargain.

"Brudner Phosphate Nickerson blacks stores and does whitewashin', and his average airings are \$10 a week. He licks clus to a white man who aims \$30. Common sense would tell Brudner Phosphate dat he was no society swell and wasn't called upon to put on de frills. Common sense would tell him dat \$30 will go three times as far at \$10. He don't listen to common sense, however. He and his wife are tryin' to outshine dat white family. Dey hev ice cream and angel's cake. Dey buy a bushel of taters to eat. Dey hev a telephone in de house. Dey swell out on Sunday mawnin's and try to git de front pew at church. I don't know of two bigger fools in all de land, and de next time Brudner Phosphate comes to my house to borrow a dollar of me I shall institute proceedin's to make his heart ache.

"Oder dar by de stove sots Sundown Jackson. When he moved up yere from Albany five years ago he was a mighty sensible man. He told me dat he had

sot down and figgered it out dat de white folks had de bulge on all odder races and dat it was no use to kick. He jest wanted room to lin and git along. He didn't want to git in nobody's way. He kept to dat course for three years and was a success. I hev heard a dozen white men speak in his praise. About two years ago Brudner Sundown changed his mind. He reckoned de time had come to begin to crowd to de front. He begun to swagger and talk big and wear two watch chains, and tonight he jest imagines dat he is carryin' dis hull kentry on his shoulders. You listen to what I say. Dar's a lion in Brudner Sundown's path, and sooner or later we'll hear of a calamity and set out to look fur de remains.

"I happened to be in Snyder's grocery a few evenings ago when Brudner Bromo Larikins walked in. I was dar to buy a pound of brown sugar and a quarter of a pound of thirty cent tea. I was dar to do it in my humble way and not crowd anybody else. I was talkin' wid de grocer 'bout de Panama canal and how it would benefit de world at large when Brudner Bromo come bustin' in and ordered four pounds of white sugar, half a pound of de best tea, real Java coffee and a hull sack of flour. He called de grocer Jim, and he called me governor, and he strutted up and down and told about bein' out in de kentry to see a 200 acre farm.

"Was I deceived? Was dat grocer deceived? Was de lame woman who came in wid a pitcher to buy a pint of milk deceived? No, sah. We all knowed dat if Brudner Bromo's debts was paid he wouldn't have 'nuff left to buy a pint of peanuts. We knowed dat his ole hoss has a mortgage on it and dat all de furniture in his house was bought on de installment plan. We jest looked upon him as a wind bag and an ass. I hadn't gwine to say anything directly to him tonight, but I'm sayin' dat once night when he's swellin' up and down de street and axin' small boys if dey hev seen anything of his chauffeur and auto he will suddenly bump into me. Two minits later he will be on his way home on a board and wonderin' whar he am at.

"I wanted to find Brudner Downton Johnson de odder day and ax him if he had any coon grease to spare fur my butes. I knowed he worked in a wood yard, and while I was on my way ober I was jined by a white man. I nebbber jine a white man ob my own accord, but if dey jine me I feel duly honored. It happened dat he was gwine to de same wood yard. When we got dar de boss happened to be out, and Brudner Downton was so 'shamed ob bein' seen at work dat he began to swell around and claim dat he was de boss. He didn't want white folks to know dat he labored wid his hands. He's behind in his rent, in debt all ober and couldn't b'nd a funeral ober a cat widout borrowin' de money, and yet he felt dat it would degrade him to be seen at work! I didn't gib him away, but I know what dat white man thought ob him.

"I tell you, my friends, dat things an gettin' what you might call bastifereous. De cul'd man wants to git ahead too fast. Because he's got his foot on de ladder he wants to rush right to de top at once. He wants to swell out and to swagger and to be what he can nebbber be. He hain't deceivin' anybody, not even himself. He's jest playin' de fool, and if he keeps it up a few years longer he'll reap de reward. He'll come down off de roof wid a smash end a smash, and it will be fifty years befo' he gits ober his back ache." M. QUAD.

No men... feel that de really living was no work to do.

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M. E. CHURCH
Preaching Sunday morning and evening. Sunday school at 9:45. Epworth league at 10. Prayer meeting Thursday evening.—A. C. Blackburn, pastor.

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Preaching Sunday morning and evening. Sunday school at 10. Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.—C. H. Davis, pastor.

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Preaching Sunday morning and evening. Sunday school at 10. Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Prayer meeting Thursday evening.—D. J. Becker, pastor.

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Preaching Sunday morning and evening. Bible school at 10. Senior Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Bible class and prayer meeting Thursday evening.—A. C. Corbin, pastor.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH
Preaching Sunday morning and evening. Sunday school at 10. Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Prayer meeting Thursday evening.—N. W. Sager, pastor.

MARKET REPORT.

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Wheat, a bushel, \$1.
Barley, a ton, \$25.
Oats, a bushel, 45 cents.
Flour, a sack, \$4.35.
Corn meal, \$2.50 a cwt.
Potatoes, a bushel, \$1.
Butter, a pound, 15 cents.
Lard, a pound, 14 cents.
Beans, a pound, 15 cents.
Hams, a pound, 16 cents.
Shoulders, a pound, 12 1/2 cents.
Eggs, a dozen, 17 1/2 cents.
Chickens, a dozen, \$3.50.
Dried fruits, a pound, 6 @ 15 cents.
Beets, a pound, 2 cents.
Turnips, a pound, 2 cents.
Cabbage, a pound, 5 cents.
Onions, a pound, 3 cents.
Beans, a pound, 5 @ 8 cents.
Corn meal, a pound, 3 cents.
Hay, a ton, \$5 @ 85.

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	Arrives at Albany	12:15 p. m.
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	Leaves Corvallis	1:45 p. m.
	Arrives at Yaquina	6:30 p. m.
Trains to and from Detroit:		
No. 3—	Leaves Albany	7:30 a. m.
	Arrives at Detroit	12:30 p. m.
No. 4—	Leaves Detroit	1:30 p. m.
	Arrives at Albany	5:30 p. m.
Trains for Corvallis:		
No. 5—	Leaves Albany	7:45 a. m.
	Arrives at Corvallis	8:35 a. m.
No. 10—	Leaves Albany	2:32 p. m.
	Arrives at Corvallis	3:30 p. m.
No. 6—	Leaves Albany	7:35 p. m.
	Arrives at Corvallis	8:15 p. m.
No. 12—	Leaves Albany	12:30 p. m.
	Arrives at Corvallis	1:30 p. m.
Trains for Albany:		
No. 7—	Leaves Corvallis	6:30 a. m.
	Arrives at Albany	7:30 a. m.
No. 9—	Leaves Corvallis	12:45 p. m.
	Arrives at Albany	1:30 p. m.
No. 11—	Leaves Corvallis	6:40 p. m.
	Arrives at Albany	7:30 p. m.
No. 13—	Leaves Corvallis	11:30 a. m.
	Arrives at Albany	12:15 p. m.

All of the above trains connect with Southern Pacific trains both at Albany and Corvallis, as well as trains for Detroit, giving direct service to Newport and Breitenbach Hot Springs. For further information apply to G. R. F. NEVINS, Gen. Pass. Agent, Albany, Oregon, or R. H. LING, Agent, Corvallis.

PREDICT WOOD FAMINE FOR DALLAS.

Not Near Enough Wood Cut to Supply the Fall Demand.
Prevailing High Wages Makes Labor Seek Other Employment
Our City Will Have to do on One Fourth of the Usual Wood Supply.

According to the opinion of those who should be particularly well informed in the matter the city of Dallas will have to during the winter of 1907 get along on about one fourth of her usual wood supply. For the first time in the history of the town wood will be a high priced and a scarce commodity. Both oak and fir wood have until now been plentiful and at a fair price. Almost all of the residents of the hills near town have employed their spare time during the winter in cutting wood, and during the spring, summer and fall at their convenience haul it into town for delivery to their regular customers. Until the last year or two more wood was generally cut than was needed, and it was stacked up on some vacant lot to be sold to new people who moved in during the winter and to those who neglected to lay in enough to fully supply their needs.

Now, according to Messrs. Black & Cochran, all this is changed, and not nearly enough wood will be on hand to

supply the demand. These gentlemen are by far the largest wood dealers in town, and presumably know whereof they speak. They buy extensively from the farmers and sell to the customers as it is engaged. In conjunction with their wood saw, they manage to make a good thing out of the wood trade, and have by strict attention to business and fair dealing, worked up in the last few years a most desirable patronage.

It is estimated that it took last year to supply the city's demand for wood some 5,000 cords, and this will probably be considerably increased during the present year. There is no such supply in sight anywhere, in fact it is thought that not over 2,000 cords have been cut in the adjacent territory. The main reason for the scarcity of wood this year is not lack of the raw material, but want of men to cut it. The high wages now existing has caused laboring men to seek other means of employment, and even farmers have found it more profitable to buy themselves at other things than cutting wood. That additional wood will be cut during the summer is very doubtful, as nearly every

one has something else to do. Oak wood is now selling in Dallas at \$4 a cord and fir at \$5, and it is very probable that the price will go even higher than this even before the fall hauling is over.

Consumers have an idea that the regular supply of wood will come in later, and that it will be plentiful and lower in price after hop picking is over. This Mr. Cochran says is an entirely wrong conclusion, as his firm stand ready to pay the present price for all the wood he can get hold of in order to supply contracts already made. This firm is now shipping four carloads of wood to Portland, for which they receive \$4 a cord found on board at Dallas, and if available he could just as well sell 100 cords as what he did contract for with dealers in the metropolis. A car load of wood contains from 10 to 12 cords.

At the existing cost of labor the present price of wood is probably fair enough, but to those of us who have always been used to plenty of it at much lower prices, it seems like burning money. That it will go down we have no hope of.

SUMMER EXCURSION.

Special Rates and Train Service to Newport for Season of 1907 via Corvallis & Eastern Railroad.

Hotels, resorts and attractions at Newport are now open for the season, and indications all point to this famous "Oregon Coast Resort" being more popular this season than ever before.

A decided innovation, bound to be a source of great satisfaction to visitors and add greatly to the popularity of this fast coming "Oregon Coast Resort," will be the opening on July 3rd of the Newport theatre, for the summer season by a high class Stock company, made up of some of the best Stock actors on the coast, to include various members of the well known Baker Theatre Stock Company of Portland. A series of the best stock plays available will be produced during the season with frequent change of bill.

About July 1st there will be opened to the public one of the largest and best equipped skating rinks in the Northwest, containing 12,000 square feet of floor space. The rink will be kept open continuously day and evening except during bathing hours.

These two attractions will divide honors with visitors in filling a long list of want for some place to while away the evenings after the close of our door attractions.

This company, as well as the Southern Pacific company and Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, have now on sale season tickets to Newport from all points in Oregon at greatly reduced rates. These tickets can be purchased daily and are good for return until October 1st 1907.

In addition to season tickets, this company and Southern Pacific company have placed on sale at reduced rates popular week-end three day tickets, good from Saturday to Monday, for the benefit of those who cannot advantageously secure season tickets, but who desire to make frequent short interval trips to the beach during the summer.

This company will also, commencing Sunday, June 30, provide special Sunday excursion trains from Albany to Newport and return, and have on sale one day excursion tickets at reduced rates for this train.

Passengers holding season tickets or three day tickets, can travel going or returning on Sunday excursion trains. For information relative to rates, trains, etc., see tariffs file at stations for public inspection, or refer to any agent of Corvallis & Eastern R. R. company, Southern Pacific company or Oregon Railroad & Navigation company.

G. R. F. NEVINS,
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CITY DADS MEET.

A Number of Improvements Ordered and Claims Allowed.

The city council met last Monday evening with all the officers and councilmen present except Councilmen Sibley and Van Orsdahl.

Through the committee on health and police reported several nuisances, and the marshal was ordered to abate them.

Claims allowed:
Observer, printing, \$31.50
Oscar Heyler, fees, 30
J. M. Sears, labor, 11.00
Wagner Bros., 1.35

The bills of Lynch & Son and the water company were referred to the finance committee for investigation. Blyden & Sparks made application for liquor license, but as they had failed to comply with the ordinance regarding time limit, it was not acted upon.

The hearing on the sidewalk improvement business was closed, and a new street, bearing set for August 5th, on account of some errors in description that crept into the first publication.

An ordinance providing a new city plat and regulating street grades, etc., was introduced.

On motion of Cosper a warrant of \$13.75 was ordered to pay interest on money borrowed of D. J. Riley and also a warrant to pay \$75 of the principal owing him.

In paying interest on water bonds recently a mistake was made in the figuring of \$20, and a warrant was ordered drawn to make up the deficiency.

On motion of Coad the city attorney was instructed to prepare an ordinance regulating plumbing.

On motion of Coad the auditor was instructed to notify the different agents for rock crushers that the council would set on August 5th to inquire into and peremptorily decide upon the merits of their different crushers.

The marshal was instructed to see that town hoodlums cease annoying the business meetings, and to arrest and jail the next offenders. Also to see that the curfew ordinance is complied with.

It appearing to the council that only a few dog tax licenses had been granted out of the many dogs in town, the marshal was instructed to see that the law was complied with at once.

The auditor was instructed to publish notice to property owners of proposed fixing of street grades.

Mr. Cutler was given further time to remove Mrs. Smith's awning posts.

Councilman Stratton was granted leave of absence from the next three meetings of the council.

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W. C. T. U. SPACE.

Mrs. Chloe Butz, Editress.

Judge Samuel R. Artman will lecture at the First Christian church in Salem, on Friday, July 19th, on Unconstitutionality of Saloon Licenses.

Henry Moorehouse relates a true incident that occurred in his native town. He says, in a great meeting in Lancashire where it was the custom to invite sinners to the "penitent form," there was a poor wretched drunkard. As he was going out, some one asked him to remain. "You don't think I can be a Christian?" said he. "If do," have the pledge anyone, I've signed it twenty times, and never will again."

"No matter; go and kneel with the others and we will pray for you." As he was kneeling the chapel door opened, and a poor little girl put her pale face inside. She had on no bonnet; her clothes were in tatters, and the rain dripped from them in little pools at her feet. She was afraid at first to come into the light, and warmth out of the storm, but the man at the door drew her in. "What do you want, little girl?"

"Please, sir, I heard as my father was coming in here, and I came to see. Why that's my father! What's he doing?"

Then permission being given, father, pater, went the little bare foot up the aisle to the penitent form. She knelt down beside her father and put her arms about his neck and said, "Father, what are ye doing here?" "I'm asking God to forgive me for my badness."

"And if he forgive you, shall we be happy then?" "Yes." "Shall we have bread again?" "Yes." "Will you never strike us again?" "No." "And will you stay here until I bring mother?"

"Yes." Out she went into the storm, and soon came back with a wretched looking woman, who had a tattered shawl over her head, and this poor wife went and knelt down by her husband and prayed: "O God! save me, too. O God! save me, too! And God heard and saved them all. Afterward a friend called on this family and remained to tea. They had a neat home, with plenty to eat and wear.

Trio Celebrates Birthday.
Friday three gentlemen, Messrs Geo. Eyre and E. H. Anderson, of Salem, and W. L. Gilson, of Dallas, met by chance at the shoe store of Mr. Eyre, and although strangers to each other, soon discovered that they were all from Illinois and also that it was the birthday of each, whereupon they repaired to an ice cream parlor and dined together.—Statesman.

This office has orders in for 300,000 hop checks. We will begin printing them about August 1st. If you will need any, please place your order as soon as possible.

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