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THURSDAY,.....August 8, 1901

Business is quiet with everybody except the ice man.

While Heppner is building a road to Ritter, the John Day road proposition should not be lost sight of.

Another half a second has been clipped from the trotting record by Cresceus, the great stallion. The time is being gradually reduced.

1300 men were initisted into the Woodmen of the World, Ssturday evening in Portland. The popularity of beneficiary orders is growing.

Eastern Oregon is now getting the tail end of the Eastern hot wave. The thermometer is lingering around the 100 mark in the shade. While it is a little hot for comfort, it is good harvest weather.

Heppner should spare no pains in welcoming the delegates to the Oregon Wool Growers' Association which meets in this city in the fore part of September. It will be an important business meeting in which all should take an active interest.

The Elks' Street Fair and Jubilee at Spokane, September 10 to 24, promises to be one of the most interesting events in the West this season. In connection with the Interstate Fair, Spokane ought to be able to royally entertain the thousands of guests that will be there.

"It will be a fight to a finish. No quarter will be given. We are prepared to spend all the money and time necessary to wipe out the Amalgamated Association in all of our mills." The above are the words used by the steel trust, in a message sent from the head of the big concern. It looks like it would be a fight to a finish.

One of the longest and direst sentences ever pronounced upon a criminal is probably contained in the decision of a judge in Naples, who inflicted recently upon an Italian adventurer, who pleaded guilty to and was convicted of sixty four different forgeries. The judge figured up the penalties and officially sentenced the prisoner to 1088 years of solitary imprisonment.

To get some idea of the value of irrigation, Phoenix, Ariz., is a sample. Not many years ago, the site of Phoenix was a desolate sagebrush desert. Now there is a city of 25,000 people with property at an assessed valuation of $10,000,000, principally due to irrigating ditches or canals. During the last ten years, Arizona has opened 545 miles of irrigation ditches at a cost of $1,508,469, but the territory would not part with the system for ten times this amount.

The report of the coal product of the United States for 1900, just made public, shows that the United States is by far the greatest coal producing country in the world. The output of Oregon was 58,864 short tons, as compared to 86,888 tons in 1899. The Washington product increased from 2,029,881 tons in 1899, to 2,474,093 tons in 1900. The total output for the United States in 1900 was 269,064,281 tons, an increase of 15,324,289 tons over the year preceding.

There is an editor in Pasco who in addition to writing editoriols, local matter etc., acting as typo and devil, is also deputy sheriff, constable, street commissioner and chief politician of Franklin county. A few days ago he climbed into J. J. Hill's private car and talked so enthusiastically to the great railroad king about irrigation that he aroused that important person's interest in Franklin county and the editor says the public will soon again turn its eye on Pasco.—Ex.

The Oregon State Fair opens at Salem, September 23, and closes September 28. The management seems to have taken on new life this season. There have been great improvements at the fair grounds and extra inducements are being offered for agricultural exhibits and stock shows. There will be a good field of horses, and the speed events will be an interesting feature. The State Fair this Fall will undoubtedly be the best meeting ever held in Salem.

Germany controls a large district in Eastern Africa, comprising about 384,000 square miles and containing a population of about 8,000,000 natives. It lies wholly in the torrid zone, but mostly at an elevation of from 3000 to 6000 feet above sea level. It is very productive and the German Government offers great inducement to settlers. Good roads have been built from the coast far into the interior, and railroads are projected to traverse the whole colony. There is no doubt that in coarse of another generation German East Africa will be an important contributor to the supplies of the world.

Last year the corn crop of the United States was 2,105,000,000 bushels, which at 38½ cents, the price then quoted, made the value $810,425,000. The drouth this year is expected to cut down the yield about 505,000,000 bushels. But the 1,600,000,000 bushels, at the present price, 56 cents, will make this season's crop worth $896,000,000, or more than $85,000,000 above the value of last year's crop. This is not so disastrous a failure for the corngrowers as might easily be imagined.—Ex.

The ancient Modoc tribe has dwindled to 77 members, mostly women and sick or diseased children. The recent death of a Modoc brave has left only thirteen able-bodied warriors, who will never go to war again. From the most savage and indomitable of fighters they have lost all ambition for anything but their Government supplies, and, while virtually prisoners of war on a small reservation, they are left unwatched. The spirit of the old days has gone, and nobody will ever hear of a story about "the last of the Modocs." The ancient Rogue River tribe has dwindled even more. It formerly numbered thousands, in the valleys and mountain fastnesses of Southwestern Oregon. The remnant of the tribe, now on the Siletz reservation, numbers only thirty-seven.—Ex.

CAN'T COMPETE WITH AMERICA.

There was a largely attended meeting in Vienna on Wednesday, at which a resolution was adopted appointing a committee to wait on the Austrian Minister of Commerce and the Provincial Governor, begging them to interdict American houses from embarking in the shoe business in Austria. It is difficult to foretell what will be the result of this agitation, which, by the way, seems to be the outcome of the peculiar attitude assumed by Count Goluchowski: who, as long ago as 1897, urged that it would be necessary for European states to cooperate with each other in a struggle for existence with the United States. It is quite certain however, that the incident will be seized upon by the advocates of the so-called reciprocity treaties to enforce their argument that this country must abandon the protective system if it wishes to enlarge its trade with European countries. The free traders, who will urge such a course, will, however, carefully conceal the fact, which this movement against American shoe dealers makes perfectly clear, that the Austrians and other Europeans who are objecting to the introduction of the products of the United States do not do so on the ground that we are treating them unfairly. They are opposed to their importation because they perceive that they will displace articles produced by themselves.

Count Goluchowski has expressed himself several times on the subject of American competition, but in each instance he refrained from charging that the United States was acting unfairly. He could not have made such a charge without gross inconsistency, for his own country imposes as high duties on imports as this, and the balance of trade between Austria and the United States has been almost invariably in favor of the former country. He simply plants himself on the proposition that the resources of the United States give this country so great an advantage over Europe that any attempt of the latter to compete would prove disastrous. The shoemakers merely echo his ideas when they protest against the establishment of American shoe firms in Vienna. They are opposed to American shoes, and no bargain to admit into the United States at a lower rate of duty, or freely, the bijoutry manufactured by Austrians would satisfy them. They do not believe that an extension of general trade will help them, and they know that the introduction of American shoes into Austria will probably result in depriving them of the opportunity to earn a living.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Literary Notes

From the recently published and entertaining biography, "Richard Croker," by Alfred Henry Lewis, is taken a striking story of dark ways in New York politics, which appears in the Argonant for August 5, 1901. The reminiscence pictures the manner in which John Scannell avenged the murder of his brother Florence, who was a victim of the Tweed ring.

The best portrait which has been published of Governor Taft, of the Philippines, appears in The Outlook for August 3. It is a full page reproduction of a painting owned by the Yale Club of New York. ($3 a year. The Outlook Company, 287 Fourth Ave., New York.)

From the letters of a self-made merchant to his son, now appearing in The Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia: Baron Munchausen was the first traveling man, and my drummers' expense accounts still show his influence..... Adam invented all the different ways in which a young man can make a fool of himself, and the college yell at the end of them is just a frill that doesn't change essentials .... It's the fellow who thinks and acts for himself, and sells short when prices hit the high C and the house is standing on its hind legs yelling for more, that sits in the directors' meetings when he gets on toward forty.

Antelope boasts of a street sprinkler.

Senator John P. Jones of Nevada, has been investigating his Southern Oregon mining properties.

Buyers are offering Hood River apple growers $1.25 a box for apples to be delivered in the Fall.

BOSTON WOOL MARKET.

Boston, July 6.—There was a good business recorded in the wool market this week. The demand for wool continues good, and the tone is strong. The market continues to show an absence of speculative feeling, sales made being to supply the present need of manufacturers. The supply of wool available is large, the curtailed consumption by the mills during the last week allowing considerable surplus to accumulate. The activity of the mills during the past few weeks has cut into the surplus, but, with the new clip coming upon the market, there is no scarcity of general supplies. Quotations:

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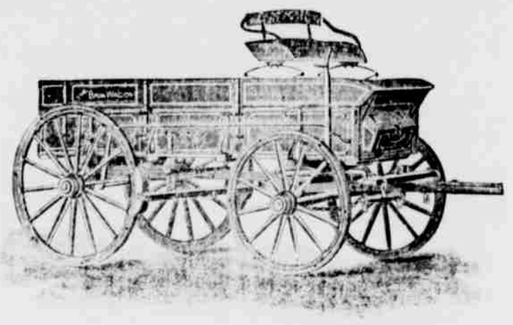

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