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## EDITORIAL COMMENT

In another column The Herald offers a special inducement to its patrons for Wednesday, May 5. One dollar is too good to be passed over. You can't get as good a paper anywhere else for one dollar. Better attend to it at once. Send it to your relatives back East. You will find it the best means of interesting them in your country.

We regret that our correspondence had to be thinned down this week. So much work came in and being a little short-handed it was impossible to get it all in, so we had to leave out some of the less important items. We hope this will not occur very often, for we understand how discouraging it is for a correspondent to think up a lot of good stuff and then not have it used. You will have to forgive it once in a while, however.

Our Gresham Commercial Club is enjoying a season of prosperity. The meeting Tuesday evening was a fine one. High interest will inject a new life into things. With oil, gas, mineral springs, alcohol manufacture, better streets, cleaner lots, market day and incidental matters to attend to, each evening a week is almost too much crowded. But it is better to have too much to do than not have enough to do to keep up an interest.

Things are moving very favorably for the Market Day. The committee in charge is having considerable interest shown in the preparations. An auctioneer has been engaged. All persons having property to sell or exchange will be able to do so at very reasonable rates, and if they wish, to make private exchanges they may do so. Let every one add something to the interest by bringing something to exchange, new or old. Of course, it should have some money value. However, we often have articles around us that are of no money value to ourselves, but they may be of considerable value to some one else that is in need of just such an article. Tell your neighbors about it and come for a full day. Bring some one with you and prepare for a good time, big dinner, meet your friends, renew acquaintances, go home happy.

Denatured alcohol has come to stay. If you have any doubt about it write to the Trade Magazine Association, 59-61 Park Place, New York, and you will get their "Future of Denatured Alcohol." Better enclose a 25-cent piece, as they are having a good many calls now. If you want still further information, write to the Department of Agriculture at Washington and they will send you further information on the subject. It is evident that the government officials are doing all they can to develop an interest in the subject. Among merchants the main question seems to be "where can we get the alcohol?"

It may appear to some that this is all a bit, that the new will wear off and that the old fuels and oils will hold away. Germany has been using it for years. Going for alcohol is as common as going for oil in this country. They say that it is safer, cleaner, cheaper and less offensive than oil. As a fuel for cooking it compares favorably with hard coal, except that the coal is likely to cost the most. But the coal will not produce a greater number of heat units, requires more space for storage, is dirtier, leaves the ashes to be disposed of and is a source of bad odors and dust. On the average, \$1 worth of alcohol will go as far as the coal and be far more satisfactory.

The list of useful inventions using alcohol as a fuel include heaters, coffee kettles, chafing dishes, cook stoves, irons, soldering irons, coffee roasters, lamps of all sorts, tourists' quick lunch heaters, motors of all sorts. In fact, wherever gasoline can be used and with more safety. It has already been used to drive wagons, carriages, pumps, plows, mowers, motor-cars, launches, and in an unlimited number of other ways. It enters into the preparation of varnishes, stains, dyes, powder, some sorts of cloths, medicines, vinegar, flavoring extracts and so on almost without end. The opportunity of its use and production thus seems to be almost unlimited.

We have noticed several allusions recently to the similarity in the excesses exhibited by the fastidious civilized white woman and her less cultivated sisters. For a long time we have been accustomed to pity the "poor (dwell on the poor) Chinese girls," who have their feet bandaged to prevent their development, yet our own ladies wear high-heeled shoes that tilt their bodies forward in unnatural positions that produce nervous troubles of all sorts. They wear narrow-toed shoes that produce corns, twisted toes and untold agony; that rack mind and body and help to hasten the lines of worry and age; that dispels the fair face and distorts the body. They wear shoes that for protection are about

indefinite period and no one would be any better, wiser or more reasonable. We are just what we are, and the savage, or the Chinaman, or the pagans of the South Seas are no more deserving of criticism than we. They wear what they wear for looks. Do you do any better?

## Experience Raising Potatoes.

(Pacific Homestead.)

I farmed for about ten years in the Aroostook valley—the great potato growing section of Maine, where the quality of the tuber beats the world.

Having raised potatoes a dozen years in Oregon, I think I can say I never tasted better than we can grow on the cleared forest land here in Columbia county, after the land has had time to get well ripened.

I believe the potato to be a safe main crop for the small farmer, taking one year with another, as the crop is never a failure and the market usually good.

The best potatoes are raised on well-drained land that has been in clover at least two years. Plow in the fall, then disk both ways and harrow. During the early part of winter manure well, hauling the manure directly from the stable to the field. Early in the spring cross plow and then put on the spring-tooth harrow and thoroughly pulverize the soil. Let stand three or four weeks and harrow again when the ground is fairly dry.

The seed should be plump and firm, well-developed tubers, but not large; about the size of a hen's egg is best. Cut once lengthwise and sprinkle well with land plaster.

Plant in furrows, made by a one-horse plow, 32 inches apart; seed 16 to 18 inches in the row—one piece in a place; cover five inches deep. Now harrow the ground again and once or twice more before the plants are high enough to be injured. Cultivate when about six inches high. Go over the field once with a hand hoe. Cultivate again, then put on the horse and "hill up."

## Object to Strong Medicines.

Many people object to taking the strong medicines usually prescribed by physicians for rheumatism. There is no need of internal treatment in any case of muscular or chronic rheumatism and more than nine out of every ten cases of the disease are of one or the other of these varieties. When there is no fever and little (if any) swelling, you may know that it is only necessary to apply Chamberlain's Liniment freely to get quick relief. Try it. For sale by Gresham Drug Co.

as practical as paper; light uppers and soles that do not protect from heat, cold or dampness; that tire the feet, by their conformity to the surfaces upon which they tread.

The Chinese girl goes bareheaded. Our women go bareheaded, wear hats, bonnets—any old thing that strikes their fancy. The same woman that wore a heavy winter hat down town this mild forenoon, attends the show devoid of covering. If she wears a hat it may be an inverted wash bowl, a wagon wheel or brimless turban that offers no protection from the sun's fiercest rays, the wind's cutting blasts or the rain's drenching downpour. It is a wonder that half of the women are not blind. Today she goes on the street throat and breast bare, and tomorrow she wears a choking fur boa, with the temperature in the one case at 40, in the other at 85. The Chinese woman distorts her feet; the white, cultured Caucasian, her waist, to the point that she reminds you of a mammoth wasp, a deformity that outclasses every known instance in civilized or savage society and that brings distress not only to the immediate victim of the practice, but to every descendant of those who practice such actions.

We are accustomed to criticize savage finery, tattooing and such other expressions of artistic taste in uncivilized society. The Indian is a savage to our minds because he likes such toggery. He wears a ring in his nose or ears or on his ankles. We wear the same style of gold in our teeth for looks, as bracelets, pins, buttons, necklaces or chains. The main difference is that the white man appreciates the values more than the savage. Our women decorate themselves with feather plumes; so did the savages of Mexico in the days of Cortez. But they went one step farther; they made useful and beautiful clothing from the feathers gathered from the bright covering of their native birds. Only a year ago our women were wearing just such a handful of feather as you could have gathered from any old hen's back and they thought them beautiful.

Well, we might go on thus for an

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## A BLOCK OF STOCK costing only \$1500 a few years ago, is now WORTH \$1,750,000

Was found in an old trunk in San Francisco. That was Telephone Stock. If it had been Stock in one of the original Oil Companies it would now be worth four times as much, or \$7,000,000.  
John D. Rockefeller buys all Stock, first and always—a rich man's way of making money. You must make money in this same way or you are doomed to a life of toil. You are living directly over an immense Oil Lake. We know it to be a fact. Read our expert's report. He is only one of the many who have examined this field. We report the same conditions are here as in Pennsylvania, Kansas, Texas, California and Alaska.  
Oil and gas have been struck at Ontario and Dufur on the east. Salem diggers on the south are very much delighted with results so far. Gas has been struck at Astoria on the west at 120 feet, while in Alaska the Guggenheims are spending thousands of dollars in oil promotion and have struck oil in many places.

## Gresham is in the Heart of the Pacific Coast Oil Fields

You believe it and we know it for we have paid out our good money to find out for sure

## EXPERT'S REPORT

Portland, Oregon, March 29, 1909  
Gresham Oil & Gas Developing Co. Inc.  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Sir:—

In compliance with your request to make an examination relative to oil in the vicinity of Gresham, Oregon, I hereby submit to you the following report as the result of my investigations:

The general appearance of the Gresham vicinity would indicate it as being the bed of a sea in past ages, the soil is light with sand and gravel interlacing it throughout the surrounding hills.

The hills have eroded in places exposing to view shells of all kinds, petrified wood being found shows at one time a vast forest flourished in abundance. The underlying formation consists of clay, sandstone, white calcareous hills, ocelliferous concretions and underlying these clays comes a layer of oil sand which is full of life.

A spring of water oozes out of the ground alongside of the road, and shows a peculiar jelly, which is found in all oil fields, especially the Mono Lake Field in California, where it is not as abundant or as thick as at Gresham.

In concluding I will say I have examined the oil fields from Bakersfield, Cal., to Valdez, Alaska, and have not the least hesitancy in saying that you have as good showing for oil as any undeveloped oil field I have ever seen.

Yours respectfully,

(Signed) E. F. HEILLERE,  
Expert of Mining.

## OFFICERS

The officers of the Gresham Oil & Gas Developing Co., are: Mr. J. C. Lewis, President, with the Pacific Construction Co. Mr. L. D. Smith, Vice-President, manager for Robinson Clothing Co.; Mr. Robert Ashby, Secretary-Treasurer, with Pacific Blower Co.; Mr. N. L. Shafer, Manager, member of Add-Men's League.

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# MARKET DAY GRESHAM, Wednesday, May 5

Under Management of Gresham Commercial Club.

We extend to all a hearty invitation to attend Gresham Market Day and take advantage of the opportunities offered to buy, sell or trade Stock, Produce, Machinery or Other articles.

An Auctioneer will be on hand to sell on commission if desired. The Band will play during the day and a fine dinner served.

The merchants are arranging for special Bargain Sales also. Shelter will be furnished if the weather is inclement.

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Your Help

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Market Day  
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