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## AN IMPORTANT MEASURE.

There is perhaps nothing before the Legislature that more requires legislation at this time than the enactment of a good road law. The present law has been tested to the satisfaction of the people and found to be worse than useless. There is annually expended thousands of dollars in money and labor, and the results are anything but satisfactory. Senator Myers has introduced a bill in the Senate which seems to us entitled to favorable consideration. It provides for the election of the road supervisors and an annual tax to be levied on all property, no indebtedness to be deducted, of three mills, and this fund to be set aside for a road fund, to be distributed in a similar manner as is now the school fund. A levy of three mills will raise a large sum of money, and if properly used, will soon make good roads throughout the State. There is nothing in which the farmer is so much interested as he is in having a good road over which to haul his products to market, and there is probably no country in which good roads are so difficult to make, owing to the long rainy season, as Oregon. Yet they can be made good, and once properly made, will be easily kept in repair. But the annual patching up which has been done with the labor and money so far has made poor progress towards giving us good roads.—Standard.

The great ferry between Europe and America is getting to be more and more like an ordinary river ferry in the regularity and certainty with which the steamers cross the ocean, and efforts are now being directed to a still further reduction of the time of the passage. It is said that two vessels are to be built next year in England for the express purpose of carrying passengers, and designed to make the voyage from Liverpool to New York in six days. There are steamers now that can very nearly do this, but only under favorable conditions. The new ships are to be fitted to do it with a full degree of certainty. There is another proposition that seems likely to be carried out, for the reduction of the time of water passage, the organization of a combined line of railroads and steamships, the latter serving as ferry boats between extreme points of land, and making the passage in three or four days. Travelers who do not like sea voyages could then travel by rail from Philadelphia or New York to Newfoundland, thence by ferry to Ireland, and from there by rail and other ferries to all parts of the United Kingdom and continent.—Philadelphia Ledger.

A story of a Kentucky orator is told by the Louisville Courier-Journal. He had received \$100 for defending McLarens, and only \$10 from Ragg, who was on trial for the same indictment for larceny. Closing his appeal to the jury, he said: "And may it please you, gentlemen of the jury, when the last trumpet note is sounded, and the quick and the dead arise in the presence of the Awful Judge, on that final day, when the earth and the seas melt away, the angel of the Lord will be seen kneeling before the throne exclaiming, 'McLarens is innocent! McLarens is innocent!' and suddenly remembering his ten-dollar client, he added in a subdued voice, 'and also Ragg!'"

The purity and elegant perfume of Parker's Hair Balm explain the popularity of this reliable restorative.

## Pacific Coast Names for Vessels.

It is only of late years that the names with which we are so familiar on the north Pacific coast have been given to vessels. Now and then a vessel could be found, like the old bark Oregon, that bore such a name, but they were far from common, and were a strange exception to the rule that seemed to call for the bestowal of names peculiar to the country east of the Rocky mountains. Now, as intimated before, a very different rule exists, and builders seem to delight in giving Pacific coast names to the fairest craft sent out of their yards. For instance, the State of California, the Oregon, the Columbia, the Queen of the Pacific, the Amatilla, the Walla Walla, the San Pedro, the Tacoma, are the names given in the last three years to as many ships built in eastern yards for the heavy steam traffic of the western slope of the country. The name Tacoma is now borne by a tug boat, a full-rigged sail ship, and an immense steam collier. Alaska is the name of a schooner, a steamship and a vessel of war. California was carried by three vessels simultaneously at San Francisco not long ago. And now we have the deep-water ships Astoria, Henry Failing and Henry Villard, to say nothing of the Covlitz, Klickitat, Makah and other vessels bearing the Indian names of Washington Territory. We confess to a feeling of satisfaction at the change, and shall be disappointed if many more new vessels are not similarly named in the future.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

The activity of volcanic action in the Snake river lava beds near the line of the Oregon Short Line railroad, says the Idaho Statesman, is driving many of the graders from the work. In an area of about 22 square miles, at short distance apart, smoke and flames of peculiar odor, color and shape, issue from the chasms and seams in the lava. The irritating, sulphurous vapors in themselves, cause many to quit work, while the unusual agitation of the boiling springs and the general commotion all over the fields of lava, has caused a superstitious fear to take hold of many of the railroad hands, and they are leaving the section, terror-stricken. The whole area has the appearance from a distance of being afire.

This story of strange practice is told of a Kansas lawyer: The law requires that a person must be 21 years old before he can preempt land. When one comes to ask if he can evade this law and have his boys who lack some years of being 21, "prove up" some land, the attorney smiles serenely and says: "Of course; certainly; it is the easiest thing in the world! And when the time comes to make out the papers the attorney marks with a piece of chalk on the floor, "21 years old." He places the affiant on the floor standing on these words, and has him swear that he is "over 21 years old."

It seems that it was President J. J. Hill, of the Chicago, Minneapolis and Manitoba railroad, of whom Rufus Hatch lately wrote: "A gentleman residing in St. Paul was check clerk on the dock at \$35 per month not many years ago. He invested his savings in land, gained the confidence of English capitalists, and to-day he is president of the Manitoba railroad, and said to be worth \$6,000,000."

By the immense sale of St. Jacobs Oil we begin to realize that the world is not slow to recognize what is good for its ailments.

## Some Facts About India Wheat.

Not long ago we referred to the growing importance of British India as a wheat-producing country. It is doubtful, however, if Americans appreciate the gigantic possibilities of this new competitor in furnishing the wheat supply of the world, or Europeans the possible magnitude of the stores they may eventually draw from that source.

A correspondent of the Indian Daily News says that at a low estimate the Punjab country already produces 70 to 80 millions of maunds of 80 pounds each, annually, one-fourth of which amount is available for export. The yield can be increased to an enormous extent. On the "Bar," a tract lying between Morlon and Lehor, are two million acres of the richest soils, which may be easily made wonderfully productive by irrigation from the great rivers. Then there is the so-called "desert" between Jacobabad and Sibi, known as the "Put," on which there does not now appear a tree, and hardly a blade of grass—a territory of 2,000 square miles—all of which may be made productive by irrigation from the Nari river.

When it has completed its irrigating canals and cuts in the Punjab district, where 1,408,068 acres were reclaimed last year, the government will undertake the opening up of these new regions, and America and Russia will find all these millions of deserted acres waving with luxuriant wheat fields, and ready to pour their precious products into the lap of Europe.

It is well for American producers to keep in mind such facts as these, distant as the time may seem when they have a bearing upon American agriculture.

As we stated before, however, we shall not look upon it as a calamity in any sense, when American wheat no longer finds an outlet across the Atlantic, for a market for more concentrated products is by far a better market than the one that takes them crude and bulky as they come from the earth. Beef, pork, mutton, cheese, butter, wool, and manufactured goods, are the form of export that most enrich the people of an agricultural country.—Prairie Farmer.

## The Happy Past.

A seedy-looking fellow dropped into the city editor's room, and failing to borrow a half dollar, he begged to narrate his experience. "I used to be an officer of state, I did. I was sheriff and member of the legislature and constable and clerk of the courts and judge and a candidate time and again, and had a high old frolic, I did."

"I don't believe it," said the city editor.

"Why don't you?" "Because I have a letter here which says you are a thief and a liar, and a scoundrel and a villain, and a traducer and a perjurer, and a defaulter and a plotter, and a low-down brawler and a lover of all that is vile and wicked and dishonest and abhorrent to decent people, and a—

"Aha, stranger, go on and read that all over again and read it loud. It sounds like old times. It brings back the days when I run for office. It reads like an editorial in an opposition paper, and brings again to my memory that blessed period when I felt like I was somebody and life was worth living. Oh, glorious hours of my past, will ye ever come back to me?" and the tears rolled down his cheeks as the city editor pronounced again the magic words and then gave him a quarter to sober up.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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Mormon women are always expected to take their babies with them to the tabernacle services. The Mormons have solved the problem of keeping their congregation awake during the sermon.

**SYMPTOMS OF WORMS.**  
The countenance is pale and leaden-colored, with occasional flushes of a cucumber spot on one or both cheeks; the eyes become dull; the pupils dilate; an azzure semicircle runs along the lower eyelid; the nose is irritated, swollen, and sometimes bleeds; a swelling of the upper lip; occasional headache, with humming or buzzing of the ears; an unusual secretion of saliva; slinky or tarred tongue; breath very foul, particularly in the morning; appetite variable, sometimes voracious, with a growing aversion to the stomach; at others, entirely gone; flatulency in the stomach; occasional nausea and vomiting; violent pains throughout the abdomen; bowels irregular, at times constive; stools slimy, not unfrequently tinged with blood; belly swollen and hard; urine turbid; respiration occasionally difficult and accompanied by hicough; cough sometimes dry and convulsive; anorexia and disturbed sleep, with grinding of the teeth; temper variable, but generally irritable. Whenever the above symptoms are found to exist,

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**Equalization of County Assessment.**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Assessment roll of property liable to be taxed in Clatsop County for the year 1882, will be completed by the first Monday in October, 1882; and the County Court pursuant to law has fixed that day as the time for all persons interested to examine the same at the County Clerk's office in the Court House in Astoria, in said county, and to note objections thereto if any there shall be.  
W. W. PARKER,  
County Assessor for Clatsop Co., Or.  
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