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PROVIDENCE IN OREGON.

"I never advise a man to leave his own town," he said to the small crowd surrounding him at the Union Depot the other day; "but if any of you are bound to change localities, Oregon is the country to go to. I am on my way back there, and there's nothing you can ask about Oregon that I can't tell you." "How's the climate?" "Superb. It's never too hot nor cold. Providence watches the weather out there like a hawk." "Lots of Indians?" "Yes; but they can't do any damage. Providence always gives the settlers ample warning, or else leads the red men into a trap." "Some hard cases out there, aren't there?" "Not very hard. When a man gets too bad Providence kills him off." "How did you lose your leg?" "I was a hack-driver, as the conversation flagged. 'I'll tell you about it. I've mentioned Providence and Oregon in the same breath, and I want to prove that there is a special dispensation out there. I was going up the Delos road to a grist mill one day last September when I found a four-ounce bottle of chloroform in the road. About a mile further on I met a grizzly bear as large as a steer. I had no weapon, and I knew I was boxed up. To run was useless, and no living man ever looked a grizzly out of countenance. I always try to make the best of every situation, and when I found myself cornered, I opened the bottle of chloroform and inhaled sufficient to make me unconscious, while in this state the bear made a breakfast of my left leg, and I never felt one single twinge of pain." "There was a sensation in the crowd and all pressed nearer. "When I came to, the bear had disappeared, and just at that time the Red Valley coach drove up; providentially, two of the passengers had fallen over a precipice, so that there was room inside. When we got to Brown's hill we found a surgeon there who had been chased in by Indians that very morning, and he fixed me up in an hour. I saw the hand of Providence all through it, as plain as I see the hotel over there." "Did Providence get that cork leg for you?" "Certainly it did; I lay in bed two months, and when I took the stage-coach for Portland we came across the body of a poor stranger who had been murdered by highwaymen. He had a cork leg and it was my fit. This is the identical leg, and let me add in conclusion that I haven't begun to give Providence and Oregon half their just dues." —Free Press.

The Palouse Gazette says: "We have lately talked with a great many immigrants, who have been looking for homes in this county. They all complain that all the land is claimed by some one, and they seem to be very indignant that the old settlers should endeavor to smuggle so much of the land. One man said to us: 'I have traveled for three or four miles without seeing a house, and yet every foot of that land was claimed by some one. When I enquire of an old settler for vacant land, he generally says there is none in this vicinity.' Unless something is done at once to induce people to abandon these 'dummy claims' and give the immigrants an opportunity to get a home, we are going to turn the tide of immigration away from the Palouse country. Hardly one acre in fifty in this part of the country is being put to any use, yet the land hunter is sent away because everybody says, 'there is no vacant land here.' Either make use of the land or let some one have it that will."

There are at the present time 154 petitions on the dockets of the district courts throughout the state praying for a divorce. In 100 of these cases the plaintiff is a woman.

Salmon Train Proposed.

A well known cannery man has been making efforts during the past week to get up a train load of Columbia river salmon, of twenty or thirty cars, and make it the first through shipment from Portland over the Northern Pacific. He says large dealers in New York are holding back with their orders until the completion of the road, so as to save the freight between Astoria and San Francisco. The company propose in case a train load is offered, to label each car suitably, to give it precedence over all other freight and send it through on a fast schedule. There is peculiar fitness in the suggestion. Salmon is strictly an Oregon product, and a train load of the royal food, as it passed through St. Paul, Chicago, Pittsburg, Philadelphia and other railroad centers en route to New York, would attract no little notice. Our informant says that he has no doubt the suggestion will be followed, particularly as no expense to shippers is attached.—Oregonian, 23d.

Major Roman, the Indian agent for the Flatheads, tells a good story showing the effect on the aboriginal mind of the modern methods of railroad building. While the Northern Pacific company was negotiating with the Flatheads for the right of way across their reservation, an old Indian noted for his shrewdness came to the agent and said he hoped the bargain would be closed and the money paid over before the track got to Bad Rock, an enormous rocky promontory jutting out into the Pend d'Oreille river, a few miles north of the reservation line. This rock had given the Indians a great deal of trouble, and in their journeys northward they were obliged to get over it by a precipitous trail. The old Flathead was sure the railroad would have to stop there. Major Roman told him to go down and see how the railroad would get by Bad Rock. He went and saw an explosion of 600 cans of giant powder, which threw the whole rock into the river, and opened the roadway around the promontory. The Indian returned and told the agent that he was ready to believe anything a white man might tell him. Since he had seen the mountain jump into the river he thought white men could do anything.—Northwest.

When the red Indian suffers at the hands of the white man and is unable to obtain revenge at the time, he usually "takes it out" of the next pale-face he comes across. This kind of vicarious atonement is regarded by civilized men with wonderment. The inquiry is general as to how any person gifted with good sense could suppose that a wrong could be atoned by the maltreatment of an innocent person. But are we wholly free from adjustments of that character ourselves? Juror Field, in Dublin, who has been persecuted by some of his fellow citizens for discharging a public duty, has been awarded £3,000 damages by the government. But the government does not pay him the money itself. It simply assessed the damages on the city where the juror resides. It follows that all citizens, good and bad, have to pay for the violence of a few. The men who disapprove, as well as those who applaud the wrongful acts, have to make a vicarious atonement.

"Can the Old Love?" is the title of a novel. That's generally the way of it. They can the old love as soon as it becomes the least bit old and put it away to keep, while something a trifle fresher is brought out for daily use.

Nothing is better for whitening garments, particularly those that have become yellow from being laid aside for several months, than a teaspoonful of borax dissolved in the rinsing water.

Sherman W. Platt of Newtown, Conn., a farmer, about 35, fell into a deep sleep in his bed just before Christmas, and lay in it, without rousing, till the last of January. Toward spring he manifested an inclination to move, but did not open his eyes, and during three months ate scarcely enough to sustain life. In March the family succeeded in getting him dressed, and in April he walked a little, but during all this time he never spoke. He was cured for like an infant. After awhile he scented his way to the pantry, and now he moves from his chair to the cupboard shelves, sleeping between his meals. His lethargy has lasted 220 days.

There is an organized movement on foot in Washington to make General Sherman the next Republican presidential candidate, with the idea that his war record will elect him. General Sherman is a grand old man, with the most brilliant war record in the north, but it is about time that the war should cease to be a reason for the election of the candidate. The curse of the country, north and south, would be removed if there were no more war generals to come to the rescue of corrupt or purely sectional politicians.



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