

ABOUT THE CITY.

"All same Plouth July 8-clockes!"

Postmaster Hare is learning to write Chinese.

The regular meeting of the Forum has been postponed to next Friday night.

There is a murder trial going on in South Bend. It is the well known Gordon-Kelly case.

People in the city are saying that the county court room at South Bend is not a palace of comfort.

The officers of the steamer Telephone report bright sunshine yesterday from Portland to Tongue Point.

Addison Jewett, one of Astoria's oldest residents, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Ferrel, last night aged 60.

Aaron Munson, of Winona, Minn., wants to find out the whereabouts of Civilian Munson, aged fifty, dark and tall, who was in Astoria eight years ago.

Mr. Fulton returned from South Bend yesterday. He won his case for Phil D. Barney, who has been declared auditor of the county. Oysterville, score one.

The remains of Henry Powell were borne to the grave yesterday afternoon from the Presbyterian church, a very large number of friends paying their last tribute of respect.

The pilot bill becomes a law today. But everything is covered with a thick film, for nobody here knows yet the exact terms, and the pilots are wondering what they ought to do about it.

Krauss, the man who was rescued from the ocean off Cape Horn several weeks ago, has been falling gradually and he now lies very ill indeed at the hospital. There is very little hope of his recovery.

The Epworth League will give a literary and musical entertainment this evening. The vice-presidents of the different departments of work will present papers giving an outline of their various lines of duty.

The cannerymen were in session all day yesterday but failed to come to any definite conclusion. The feeling seemed to be general that a combination would be effected and the matter will be finally settled today.

An alleged Presbyterian minister, who came to town from Lewis county last week, is in the dual business of peddling stoves and writing poems to widows. He says he is trying to raise a mortgage on his farm.

Suits were commenced in the circuit court yesterday by Wiley B. Allen and J. Q. A. Bowley, executors of the will of Louis Wilson, against J. H. D. Gray for \$206.97, goods sold and delivered, and Astoria Box Co. vs. J. H. D. Gray to recover \$285.35.

A suit was commenced in the circuit court yesterday by Henry F. Nurnburg against Mary F. Lehmann, Charles Goddard, Hiram Brown, and H. A. Smith to recover the sum of \$3,700 and interest, and to foreclose a mortgage given by defendants on lots 5 and 6 in block 27, blocks 35, and 405 in Adair's Astoria.

China gin was flying around yesterday very freely and some of the sailors in port were not slow to accept the generosity of the Mongolians. Two tars started in making New Year's calls about ten o'clock in the morning and kept it up till three in the afternoon when the liquor seemed to have got so good a hold on them that they had to be escorted home by sympathizing friends.

They have a man in the Washington legislature who knows how to express himself. In explaining his vote he indulged in this climax: "You may hang Puget Sound on a tall tree to dry; you may place Mount Rainier on a nail kept unbacked the belly-hand of eternity, but you will never get me to vote for a man I do not believe entitled to a seat in this house."

In the office of the secretary of state at Salem Wednesday articles of incorporation were filed as follows: Franklin Fruit Land Co., of Portland; capital stock \$15,000; Odd Fellows' Temple association, of Portland, capital stock, \$100,000; Incorporators, A. G. Walling, W. A. Wheeler, W. Y. Nasters, Gravel Ford Creamery association, of Coos county, capital stock, \$10,000, Incorporators, J. D. Barklow and others.

One of the apprentices on the ship Heleneas was a daily enquirer at the express office for a small box which he seemed very anxious to get. Tuesday the ship sailed and yesterday a small tin box addressed to Andrew Larson came to the express office and from its appearance there is little doubt that it contained a piece of wedding cake. This was the secret of the little fellow's anxiety, and now he will have to sleep with hard tack under his pillow and try to dream of his future bride without his coveted package.

Thomas Ogle, of the firm of Ogle Bros., the well-known sheep-growers, says the East Oregonian was lately surprised by the receipt of a government check for \$300 in payment of his Indian deprecation claim. He had heard nothing of the claim for so long that he supposed it had been filed away among the archives and forgotten. Mr. Ogle had a horse and a lot of clothing stolen by the Indians in 1878. B. P. Ogle has as yet received no intelligence in regard to his claim, which is a large one, the amount being \$4,100. his home on Bear creek and much stock and hay were destroyed.

The South Bend case was tried yesterday before Judge Langhorn at South Bend. Mr. R. K. Boney appeared for the defendants and Mr. G. C. Fulton for D. O. Parmeter, the plaintiff. Mr. Parmeter asked that Barney as county auditor and clerk of the county commissioners be restrained from carrying out the result of the balloting for county seat and offices. The court held that the petition could not be granted; that the plaintiff could not go behind the return and that the action of the county commissioners was judicial and binding. The case will be immediately appealed to the Supreme court.

Dr. J. B. Mahana, of Sunnyside, president of the Single Track Railway company, says the Oregonian, proposes to erect an elevated car line on East Taylor street from the river to Sunnyside. He presented the project to the attention of the Sunnyside Improvement association at its last meeting, and the members were greatly interested in the statement made. He presented an array of facts and figures in relation to the line to show that it is perfectly feasible. Among other things he said he had obtained the signatures of a number of property owners on East Taylor street to the city council for

a franchise on that street, which will be presented to that body in a short time. The track will be constructed fourteen feet above the grade of the street.

A meeting of the creditors of Parker & Hansen was held in County Clerk Trenchard's office yesterday. A majority of the creditors were represented, but no final decision was made of an assignee. W. W. Parker had the weight of the votes on his side and H. G. Van Dusen was nominated as his opponent. County Clerk Trenchard decided that Parker could not vote the amount of his own debts for himself, to which his attorneys objected. A transcript of testimony and proceedings will be submitted to Judge McBride on Monday at the opening of the Circuit Court and the assignee will then be appointed.

Sloux City, "the Corn Palace City of the world," is arranging to hold another of its unique and peculiar festivals this year. The date of opening is fixed for September 20th, continuing until October 18th, 1893, and the management promises attractions that shall far surpass anything heretofore presented. It is expected that many of the thousands who will attend the World's Fair can be induced to extend their visit to Sloux City and view the marvels in cereal decoration which will be so perfectly shown, and at the same time gain a correct idea of the greatest corn producing territory on the globe.

Some one has imposed upon the Portland Telegram about that awful experience of deer hunters freezing to death near Sloux Creek falls during the storm a few days ago. Writing on this subject from Mehan, F. W. Hull says: "I think the narrative is a canard, false from beginning to end. Whoever set such a story afloat intended a false personification of myself (in my opinion). Still there may be a person by the name of F. W. Hull in Alachua or Marion county. I think not. I do not know of three hunters as named in said relation; nor the old bachelor trapper Wolf; nor have I heard of any such calamity happening to any hunters at all this season."

The members of the Oregon State Breeding and Speed association held a meeting Wednesday night at Salem and raised the capital stock of the association from \$2,000 to \$5,000. The next meeting will be held on July 4th, 5th and 6th, and there is already every indication that the meeting will be a success. On Saturday, Feb. 25th, the association will meet again when officers will be elected and a committee be appointed to prepare a speed program. It has been decided to conduct a colt show on the 5th, and premiums amounting to \$100 will be offered for colts. It is likely the North Pacific Breeders' association will go to Salem for a meeting some time in August.

The late cold snap, says the Oregonian, was very unpleasant while it lasted, but it will prove beneficial in many ways. For the past four years there has been a total absence of natural ice in the market here, and as this has been one of the best ice producing winters known to the oldest inhabitant, everyone interested in the ice business has endeavored to lay in a full supply. Every available house in The Dalles and along the Upper Columbia has been filled to its utmost capacity. Many who complain bitterly of the cold snap will, when they are eating ice cream and drinking mint juleps, and feasting on watermelon filled with champagne frappe next July, thank their lucky stars because of the ice.

The last rock has been dumped on the jetty, and work has been suspended for the annual repairs, and general overhauling. About one month will be consumed for this. The barge have all been removed. Young's river and four of them will receive entire new decks. Bids are being asked by advertisement for 100,000 tons of rock with the privilege of double that amount. The latter quantity will be required, but it hinges upon what congress will do in the way of appropriation before a contract can be made. It only requires about \$175,000 more to complete this great work, which has proved one of the most successful engineering feats of the character ever undertaken, and the money should be forthcoming at once. If there should be a year's delay in securing the appropriation the cost of completion would in all probability be double what is now required. The last soundings made by the Manzanita when changing buoys showed thirty and one-half feet of water on the bar.

The Oregon State School Journal has been purchased by parties who are organizing a stock company. Its name has been changed to The Western Pedagogue. The State School Journal of Oregon, C. Elton Blanchard, a teacher well known on the coast, has accepted the editorship, and the prospects for the paper are better than they have ever been before. Mr. Blanchard is an educator and writer of long experience and has called to his support some of the best educational writers. The new organization has plenty of capital to push the enterprise to a success never before attained. The paper should, and will without the least doubt, receive the hearty support of the teachers and school officials of the state. Under these circumstances the organ will serve the school public to a valuable advantage. The March issue, the first number under the new management, will be mailed the last week of February. The home of the paper will now be at its former location, Corvallis, Oregon, "The Heart of the Willamette Valley," the seat of our Agricultural college.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing in the city of Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, between J. T. Hay and T. S. Cornelius, under the firm name of Hay & Cornelius, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All bills against the said firm will be paid either by Hay or Cornelius, and all moneys due the said firm can be paid to either. All accounts due the firm must be paid either by money or note by March 1st, 1893. HAY & CORNELIUS

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J. G. Blaine's First Big Speech.

This was nearly one-third of a century ago, in the memorable Lincoln and Hamlin canvass of 1860. For all I can learn to the contrary, it was Blaine's first regular campaign speech, which he was delivering in various parts of Maine—a set speech, no doubt, but delivered without notes and having all the appearance of spontaneity.

Blaine was only thirty years old and scarcely known to fame outside of his county. To be sure he had won some distinction as editor of "The Kennebec Journal"; as a rising and smart young politician, and as a delegate in 1856 to the National Republican Convention.

Hence, this particular address, which I heard him deliver in the Bridgeton Town House on the evening of July 6, 1860, and in which, in the many political parlance of the time, he "hooped 'er up, boys," marked an epoch in the career of the great Republican chief, which also furnishes an interesting and personal reminiscence.

His speech, in one respect, was not only odd but unique, in that he selected a passage of scripture as a text for his "political sermon." And this is how his speech opened, which I am able to quote correctly from memory:

"Mr. President and fellow citizens: It gives me great pleasure to see such a great gathering of the people here tonight; so many earnest, freedom-loving, loyal Republicans; an omen of Republican success, so pronounced and so inspiring as to thrill with joy and hope the whole Republican host throughout the length and breadth of our mighty land—from the rock-bound bay of Madawaska to the Golden Gate of San Francisco; from the wood-fringed shores of Lake Superior to the surf-beaten coast of the Gulf of Mexico. (Great applause.)"

"My remarks this evening will be devoted principally to a discussion of State issues in general, and to the life and sufferings of the Democratic firebrand, Mr. Ephraim K. Smart, in particular. (Laughter.)"

"Now, fellow citizens, I trust that I shall not be deemed sacrilegious—for no sacrilege is intended—if I select as a basis for my remarks, as a foundation for my humble political sermon, a passage from Holy Writ. The words of my text you will find in the seventh chapter of Hosea, eighth verse, and are as follows: 'Ephraim, he hath mixed himself among the people; Ephraim is a cake not turned.'"

"Yes, fellow citizens, Ephraim is a cake not turned, and now I propose to turn him!"

And such a turning! It was perfectly awful. Point after point, saying after saying, deed after deed, marking the political career of the vainglorious Ephraim K. Smart was taken up by "Professor" Blaine, dissected by "Doctor" Blaine, and satirized by "Speaker" Blaine. And when at the end of an hour or more he bowed and took his seat, there was a perfect Niagara of laughter, of hand-clapping and foot-stamping.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY BALL. Concomity Tribe No. 7, Improved Order of Redmen, extends an invitation to the public to attend a grand ball to be given Wednesday evening, Feb. 22, at Fisher's hall. Tickets may be obtained from any of the members.

THE PILOT BILL

Despite the opposition of the U. P., Campbell's Pilot Bill has passed, and once more our pilots will be enabled to make a decent living.

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