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Astoria, Or., October 15, 1896.

The work being done by the New Journal, "Our Animal Friends," is attracting much attention all over the country. The prevention of cruelty to animals is taking a scientific turn. In the January issue of this journal appears a synopsis of the article written by Sir Benjamin Ward Richardson on "Biological Experiments," which is well worthy of the careful study of every teacher and parent in the land. Too much stress cannot be laid upon the education of the young in matters humane.

One of the yellow dailies (Examiner-Journal et al.), says the New York Tribune, has just exploited a new infamy. It sent a woman to ask questions of a murderer on the scaffold and to describe the actual hanging in death. This woman climbed upon the scaffold, put various questions to the condemned man, and saw his body sink through the trap. She writes of her sensations as she gazed upon the form of the murderer dangling at the end of the rope. What do decent people think of the woman who did this and of the newspaper which hired her to do it?

The signing of the ordinance yesterday by Mayor Taylor, prohibiting expectoration on the streets and in public places cannot fail to meet with general approval. Much fun has been poked at the council for passing such an ordinance, but it will be found here, as in Eastern cities, that such a law is highly conducive to the health and cleanliness of any city. That a lady should be compelled to go blocks out of her way to avoid passing a cigar store or saloon, in front of which the sidewalk is so filthy from the expectorations of a crowd of loafers that it is disgusting, is sufficient reason for the passage of the law.

"Who shall persuade coming ages," asks a writer in the Chicago Times-Herald, "that the busiest city in the world harbors women who pursue whist as the chief duty of life; who screw up their household finances to the highest posible point in order to pay an expert $3 an hour for instruction in its sacred code; who meet over card tables at 9 o'clock in the morning, hurry up their marketing and hush up their children in order to attend whist luncheons at 1, come home again with vexed and wearied brains to sit silent at dinner, absorbed in regrets for leads unreturned and signals unanswered, and wind up the unregenerate day by lingering over a whist table until midnight.

Mr. Prater, of St. Louis, who has studied the cornstalk scientifically, thinks that within a few years the farmers of the country will be receiving from $15 to $25 per acre for their cornstalks. Mills will be established in the South and other parts of the country, he says, and pretty nearly the whole crop of cornstalks—at any rate, that part of the crop which is grown on farms contiguous to railway lines—will be used in the mills. The market for the manufactured products is already made, as the products will be staple articles in constant demand. Of the products that may be evolved from the matured cornstalk—the stalk which has borne its grain—Mr. Prater enumerates cellulose, celluloid, smokeless gunpowder, lacquer, cattle feed, roofing material, and a material that will answer every purpose of papier mache. Green stalks, he says, are rich in glucose, and will yield "a better quality and a finer sugar with less expense than can be made from the cane of Lousiana."

Speaker Reed's hope of confining the extra session of congress to the consideration of a revenue bill has been defeated by the failure of a number of the annual appropriation bills. The two houses failed to agree upon the general dificiency bill, while the sundry civil, the Indian and the agricultural appropriation bills were passed too late to allow the president time for their consideration and he therefore refused to sign them. President McKinley has called the 55th congress to meet in extra session on March 15, and the new house will have to take up these appropriation bills anew, which will necessitate the appointment of at least some of the committees, in addition to that on ways and means, and probably will lead to the appointment of all and the taking up of general business. All of the bills which failed were filled with objectionable items and it should be an advantage to have them reconsidered by men who may have more sense of responsibility than was shown in the outgoing congress.

Have you any "grit?" Give some to the chickens.

The early hatched pullets should all be laying now.

It is a mistake to waste soft feed by throwing it on the ground.

It pays best to use eggs for hatching from hens over a year old.

Whitewash and coal oil—put them in the hen house and keep the lice out.

Feed the hens with a varied diet and with the necessary eggshell material.

A cock that fights his mates every time they feed is not a good breeder.

OUTWARD BOUND OREGON GRAIN FLEET—1896-7.

(Revised and Corrected every Friday)

SAILED	FLAG.	NAME.	TONS.	CLEARED FOR	ARRIVED.	CENTALS.	VALUE.	SHIPPERS.	RATE
August 3	Am bark	Sonoma	998	Vladivostock		A		Portland Flour Mills	
11	Ger ship	Caesarea I	1249	Port Natal	Nov. 26	B		Sibson & Kerr	
29	Br ship	Sutherlandshire	1349	Liverpool	Dec. 21	C 20,086	18,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	
31	Br ship	Clackmannanshire	1482	Algoa Bay	Nov 26	D 21,181	20,000	" " "	
Sept. 7	Br ship	Brunhilda	1290	Cork	Jan 13	43,130		" " "	1 5s 9d
14	Br ship	Harland	1680		" 25	58,060	55,300	J R Cameron & Co	1 11s 3d
22	Br ship	Antiope	1413		Feb 1	44,200	41,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	1 11s 3d
25	Br bark	Pilmore	1286	Hull	Jan 31	79,722	75,000	Sibson & Kerr	1 10s 0d
26	Br bark	Dunloesin	1265		" 30	8		Portland Flour Mills	1 12s 6d
Octbr 3	Br bark	Sussex	1212	Silloth	Feb 9	41,023	41,023	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	1 11s 7d
8	Br ship	Lord Shaftesbury	1273		" 14	78,445	70,000	J R Cameron & Co	1 11s 3d
9	Br bark	Estiscourt	1113			F		Portland Flour Mills Co	1 12s 6d
9	Br ship	Clydesdale	1322					" " "	1 10s
9	Br bark	Gulf Stream	1278			61,362	61,362	Sibson & Kerr	
11	Br bark	Chipiona	1199			49,053	48,000	Balfour, Guthrie and Co	1 11s 3d
12	Br ship	Brynhilda	1409		Jan 31	42,075	42,500	" " " "	1 10s
12	Br bark	Macgowan	1397			48,618	51,500	Sibson & Kerr	1 8s
19	Br ship	Riverdale	1113			43,004	44,250	" " " "	1 11s 3d
22	Ger Ship	Henriette	1705	Cork		82,100	85,000	G J R Cameron & Co	1 11s 3d
22	Br bark	Astoria	1429	"		57,075	57,200	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 1s 3d
23	Br ship	Doddsdesque	1469	"		49,480	61,800	J R Cameron & Co	£1 11s 3d
24	Br bark	Andrada	2144	"	Feb 16	58,965	65,000	Sibson & Kerr	£1 11s 3d
26	Br bark	Gaheom Castle	1367	"		86,585	93,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 10s
26	Br ship	Sierra Estrella	1436	"		56,008	60,000	Sibson & Kerr	£1 11s 3d
Nov. 5	Br bark	Java	848	"		G 13,955	15,000	Portland Flour Mills	£1 10s 9d
6	Br ship	Anceley	1501	Cork		H		Portland Flour Mills	£1 10s
6	Br ship	Fulwood	2118	"		83,244	70,000	J R Cameron & Co	£1 11s 3d
6	Br ship	Menmuir	1491	"		71,836	80,000	" " "	£1 10s
6	Br ship	Durbridge	2121	Liverpool		54,360	57,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 11s 3d
7	Br ship	Naresbrs	1270	Cork		81,057	100,000	Sibson & Kerr	£1 10s
9	Br bark	Haydn	1325	Cork		42,934	50,000	A Berg	£1 11s 3d
10	Br ship	Sheslin	1847	Cork		50,621	55,000	Portland Flour Mill	£1 11s 3d
10	Br bark	Chelmsford	2197	Cork		62,197	73,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 10s 9d
17	Br bark	Nithsdale	1355	Cork		85,734	102,500	Sibson & Kerr	£1 10s
17	Br ship	Ben Lee	2 04	Cork		60,490	75,000	J R Cameron & Co	£1 10s
17	Br ship	Melanope	1608	Cork		83,717	108,000	Sibson & Kerr	£1 8s 9d
18	Br ship	Peleus	1943	Cork		70,311	92,500	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 10s
23	Br ship	Pentheslies	1663	Plymouth		75,939	92,500	J R Cameron & Co	£1 11s 3d
23	Br ship	Inchcape Rock	1493	Cork		52,991	68,228	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	
21	Br bark	Linden	1079	Durban		52,780	68,800	J R Cameron & Co	£1 11s 3d
21	Br bark	Potsdatch	2130	Cork	I 11,240	15,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 8s	
22	Br bark	Tweedsdale	1493	"		84,382	116,750	" " "	£1 10s
24	Br ship	Eurasia	1828	"	J 24,110	32,500	Portland Flour Mills	£1 11s 3d	
26	Br bark	Kenyon	1176	"		62,322	86,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 10s
Dec. 3	Br bark	Cabul	1307	Falmouth		30,762	53,061	G W McNear	£1 10s
5	Br bark	Crofton	1195	Falmouth		45,421	70,000	Sibson & Kerr	£1 8s 9d
6	Br bark	Procyon	1095	Cork		45,742	68,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 8s 9d
13	Br ship	Perseverance	1770	Cork		73,022	101,500	Sibson & Kerr	£1 10s
16	Br ship	Royal George	1404	Cork		68,062	91,500	" "	£1 10s
22	Ger bark	Magdalene	1281	Cork		47,778	63,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 12s 6d
1	Br ship	Co. of Haddington	1866	Cork		42,167	57,792	A Berg	£1 10s
17	Br ship	Yallori	1498	Cork		60,422	73,328	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 10s
17	Br ship	Cambrian Princess	1250	Falmouth		45,762	65,000	" " "	£1 10s
22	Br bark	Zanita	1326	Falmouth		44,885	60,000	J R Cameron & Co	£1 11s 3d
20	Br ship	Dowan Hill	1867	Liverpool		60,975	81,500	Sibson & Kerr	£1 10s
22	Br ship	Vanduara	1918	Falmouth		75,500	113,000	Balfour Guthrie & Co	£1 10s
24	Br ship	Rockhurst	1400	Falmouth		65,081	86,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 9s 9d
25	Br ship	G. W. Wolff	1663	Bristol		49,563	65,000	Sibson & Kerr	£1 10s
29	Br bark	Rolle	878	Cork	K 49,719	75,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 12s 6d	
Jan. 8	Br ship	Hawksdale	1723	Falmouth		28,760	42,000	J R Cameron & Co	£1 10s
3	Br ship	Chamouni	1859	Cork		61,600	82,000	" " "	
8	Br bark	Lord Elgin	1179	South Africa		29,560	42,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 5s
9	Br ship	Drumburton	1773	Cork	L 46,093	65,500	Balfour, Guthrie Co	£1 10s	
11	Br bark	Midas	1822	Cork		66,269	88,480	Balfour, Guthrie Co	£1 5s
13	Br bark	Highland Forest	998	Cork		54,650	70,000	Sibson and Kerr	£1
15	Br ship	Larnach	1435	Algoa Bay	M			Portland Flour Mills	£1 12s 6d
22	Br ship	Agnes Oswald	1380	Algoa Bay	N 33,500	60,000	Balfour, Guthrie & Co	£1 7s 6d	
22	Br bark	Beeswing	1304	Cork	O 7,142	11,000	" " "	£1 15s	
23	Br ship	Hutton Hall	1899	"		57,304	61,000	J R Cameron & Co	£1 8s
Feb 14	Br ship	Machrihanish	1641	"		70,560	92,000	" " "	£1 11s 3d
17	Br bark	Candidia	1144	"		55,900	83,000	P C Elevator Co	18s 9d
	Br bark	Abrystwith Castle	1095	"		40,320	55,000	J R Cameron & Co	18s 9d
	Br bark	Heathfield	1334	"			66,000	J R Cameron & Co	17s 6d
						60,772			

A—13,335 obls flour, value $41,000. G—19,933 obls flour, value $55,000 also 4400 ctls bran. C—Also 84 tons bran, value $1,100, and 49,642 cases salmon. D—Also 15,000 bbls flour, value $39,000. E—Also 23,746 bbls flour, value $65,302. F—20,875 bbls flour, value $60,000. G—Also 17,500 bbls flour, value 54,000. H—16,630 bbls flour, value $63,000. I—Also 13,965 bbls flour, value $33,000. J—Also 9,505 bbls flour, value $30,500 and 250 tons bran, value $2,500. Also 50 tons of shorts, valued $700, 100 tons of bran, valued $1400, and 6,275 bushels of barley, valued $4,000. L—And 3571 bbls flour, value, $20,300. M—17,115 bbls flour, value, $73,600. N—Also 8229 bbls flour, value $40,000. O Also 20,571 bbls flour, value $87,000.

Duck feathers sell at 40 cents per pound. Goose feathers bring double the amount.

When a man owns a blooded horse he is always careful of its health. He looks after its diet and is particular that the feeding shall be regular and right. While he is doing this it is likely as not that he is himself suffering from some disease or disorder. When the trouble gets so bad that he cannot work he will begin to give himself the care he gave the horse at the start. Good pure, rich red blood is the best insurance against disease of any kind. Almost all diseases come from impure or impoverished blood. Keep the blood pure and strong and disease can find no foothold. That is the principle upon which Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery works. It cleanses, purifies and enriches the blood, puts and keeps the whole body in perfect order; makes appetite good, digestion strong, assimilation perfect. It brings ruddy, virile health. It builds up solid, wholesome flesh (not fat) when, from any cause, reduced below the healthy standard.

A mixture of two parts lard to one of kerosene oil, thoroughly applied, will remove the rough, scabby formation on the legs of fowls.

When people are obliged to take medicines they want that it shall give quick relief and not add discomfort to their sufferings. Three reasons why people who suffer with Constipation and Biliousness should take Simmons Liver Regulator: "It is Better than Pills, it does not gripe; it gives quick relief, and does not weaken, but strengthens and refreshens the whole system"—J. R. Hiland, Monroe, Ia.

Don't think bantams are too small to be of any account. Give them proper care and they will lay more eggs than a good many of the larger breeds.

VESSELS ON THE WAY TO OREGON.

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PORT SAILED FROM AND NAME.	CAPTAIN.	TNS	RATE.	CONSIGNEES.	DAS OUT
LIVERPOOL—					
Br ship Blythswood		1027	100A1	Balfour, Guthrie Co	
(-Br ship Reliance	Robinson	2498	100A1	Meyer, W. & Co	140
Br ship Glen Lea		1300	100A1		98
NEWCASTLE, N. S. W.					
Br ship Glenelvan	Kerr	179	100A1	J. Laidlaw & Co	69
Br bark Solkerkshire		1192	100A1	Sibson & Kerr	55
PORT PIRIE—					
Br ship Port Jackson	Hodge	2132	100A1		
ANTWERP—					
Br bark Cumbrian	Griffiths	1093	100A1	Taylor, Young Co	
Br ship Euphrosyne		1739	100A1	Balfour, Guthrie Co	
HONGKONG—					
Br st Mount Lebanon	McLean	1555	100A1	O. R. & N Co	41
HAMBURG					
Br bark Norma		1069	100A1		

REFERENCES Iron

1-Nov. 8th, 1 8, 30 W.

Total tonnage on the way—11 009. Same time in 1896—41,922. Same time in 1895—25 200