Curious Oaths.

When a Chinaman swears to tell the truth he kneels down, and a China saucer is given to him. The following oath is then administered: "You shall tell the truth and the whole truth. The saucer is cracked, and if you do not tell the truth your soul will be cracked like the saucer," then he breaks the saucer. Other symbolic variations of the Chinese oath are the extinguishing of a candle or cutting off of a cock's head, the light of the candle representing the witness' soul and the fate of the cock symbolizing the fate of a perjurer.

In certain parts of India tigers' and lizards' skins take the place of the Bible of Christian countries, and the penalty of breaking the oath is that in one case the witness will become the prey of a tiger and in the other that his body will be covered with scales like a lizard.

In Norwegian courts of law the prelude to the oath proper is a long homily on the sanctity of the oath and the terrible consequences of not keeping it. When the witness is duly crushed by the sense of his fearful responsibility the oath is administered while he holds aloft his thumb and fore and middle fingers as an emblem of the trinity.

In an Italian court the witness, with his right hand resting on an open Bible, declares, "I will swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth." The Mohammedan takes the oath with his forehead reverently resting on the open Koran. As takes his "Bible" in his hand and stooping low, as if in the presence of a higher power, slowly bows his head until it touches the book which to him is inspired.

Incertain parts of Spain the witness when taking an oath crosses the thumb of one hand over the forefinger of the other and, kissing this symbolic, if primitive, cross, says, "By this cross I swear to tell the truth."

Experts Report Small Shortage.

Pendleton, Ore.—The experts now auditing the counto books are declared to have found a small shortage in the clerks office. However, according to Expert Beckwith, there has been no failure on the part of any one to turn over money received; but there has been failure to charge for some things which, under the law, should have been charged for. Also, he says that subsequent findings may offset the shortage that has been found.

Under whose regime the irregularities come will not be divluged, nor will the amount of the deficiency be made known at present. The work of the experts extends back to 1898, when Ben Burroughs was county clerk. Following him, W. D. Chamberlain served two terms, and was succeeded by Clerk Frank Sailing, who has now been in office more than a year.

It is not thought the shortages found will amount to any great sum, but the whole facts will not be known until the work of the experts is completed and a report is made to the County Commissioners.

Bandits Get Away From Posses.

Seattle.—In a downpour of rain, with three Texas bloodhounds, three posses are in the woods north of Green lake hunting the bandits who held up the Great Northern train near Ballard Monday night. The dogs, it is reported at noon, are unable to strike any trail, owing to the wet weather, and the opinion is growing that the men are now openly walking the streets of Seattle.

Whether or not the cutting of the telephone wires at Kirkland has any connection with the flight of the robbers has not been determined.

The Pinkertons are believed to be working on the theory of their departure by water, but no official statement will be given out by any of the agency officials.

General Manager Waring of the Great Northern Express company has made his official report to the company, showing that $704, mostly in gold, was secured. Of this sum $346 was from Seattle and the balance from Tacoma.

A Dangerous Liquid.

A gold bottle stood on the chemist's table. "In that bottle," he said, "my hydrofluroic acid is kept. Hydrofluroic acid is used in glass etching. The etching on glass thermameters is all done with it. It is colorless. It looks like water, but a drop of it on your hand would bore clean through to the other side like a bullet. Its inhalation is sure death.

"Hydrofluoric acid can be kept safely in gold bottles alone. Sometimes bottles of india rubber, of lead, or of platinum are used. None of these, though, is as safe as gold.

"Even when this acid is in a gold bottle precautions must be taken with it It is volatile, and hence a paraffin covered plate must be clamped tight over the bottle's mouth; also the temperature of the room must not rise over 60 degrees or the gold bottle will burst.

"This acid, whose sole use is in glass etching, is probably the most dangerous thing in the world to work with. The steeplejack, the lion tamer and the driver do not take their lives in their hands to half the extent the glass etcher does when, with his gold vial of hydrofluoric acid, he etches the scales of our thermometers."—Bulletin.

City Council.

The common council met Monday evening in regular monthly session. Minutes of past months meetings read and approved with slight alterations.

A petition for a pipe line and fire hydrant at the corner of the old A. G. Knox property was presented and on motion referred to water committee.

The recorder was instructed to prepare an ordinance for the surfacing of 5th staeet with crushed rock the full width of the street one half block each side of Main street.

The recorder was instructed to prepare an ordinance for the repairing of Main street by the laying of a coat of ½ inch crushed rock 4 inches deep, 16 feet wide and tapering from that down the full width of the street to extend from the railroad to the bridge.

The mayor instructed the marshal to order all hitching racks on surfaced streets removed as the horses hitched at these racks are digging great holes in the streets.

The resignation of Lincoln Taylor from the office of city engineer called forth considerable comment but was finally laid on the tabl until next meeting.

On motion the health officer was instructed to look into the matter of unhealthful conditions about the city and compell a general cleaning up. This was brought about through the presence of several fever cases in the town just now.

The finance committee mad a report on the regular monthly bills, which report was duly accepted by the council and warranss ordered drawn by the recorder for the payment of same. The warrants were as follows.

Grey Printing company, $3.50; Cottage Grove Electric Company, $190.80; W. A. Cunningham, $1.50; C. W. Burrows, $29.; Enos Crowley, $3.25; D. E. Underwood, $60.; G. B. Pitcher, $60.; L. P. Bennett, $1; C. W. Burrows, $9.; W. S. Bennet, $37.; J. E. Young, $9.33; L. Taylor $75; J. H. Warner, $1.50; Geo. Lea, $400.

Geo. Lea asked for some money on his water contract but on account of his bond not being signed by the full number of guarantees necessary to complete same, the council deferred allowing payment until such boud was completed.

Mr. Lea asked for $400 to apply on his street contract and same was allowed and a warrant ordered drawn.

A request was made that some crushed rock be laid on Fourth street next the railroad to complete the road beyond where the contract has called for. Mr. Lea stated that he would furnish some rock without cost.

Lincoln Taylor, city engineer presented his report on the water system, which was read and which showed some shortages of pipe made necessary by alterations in the orininal plans. After some little considerations the report was held for consideration.

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UNABLE TO LEAVE

Dr. Darrin will Remain in Eugene Until Nov. 12.

The crowds of sufferers still continue to throng Dr. Darrin's office at the Hotel Smeede in order to obtain relief, and he is kept so busy that it has been impossible for him to close up his practice to get away the 1st of October as he intended. The following are a few references from the cured, testifying to his successful methods of treatment:

Judge J. J. Whitney, Albany, deafness and ringing noises in the ear, cured.

J. D. Van Osdol's daughter' corner Commercial and Mission Sts., Salem, Or., discharging ears and deafness, cured.

Mrs. H. J. Allen, 179 Hamilton Ave., Portland, catarrah of the stomach and bowels, hemorrhages, etc., belfast, cured.

F. P. Sawtell, Independence, Wash., dyspepsia and kidney complaint, pronounced Bright's disease by some physicians, restored.

T. L. Williams, firm of Williams & Groat, 6 North Front street, Portland, deafness and ringing noises in the ears for years, cured.

G. F. Merriman, postmaster at Medford, Ore., writes his wife was cured of catarrh, bronchitis, and asthma symptoms 2 years ago.

A. B. Jones, Athena, Ore., neuralgia in the eyes for 15 years, cured 8 years ago.

Miss Nattie Durfee, Shaw, Or., deafness and granulated eyes, restored. Her father, C. R. Durfee, deafness 23 years cured.

Mrs. Beulah R. Ross, Salem, Or., stomach and heart trouble, disease peculiar to her sex; dispaired of ever getting cured; restored to perfect health.

Mrs. L. McPherson, Salem, Or., rheumatic neuralgia in the chest, indigestion, constipation, ulceration and hardening of the womb and painful mensturation, cured.

To the Editor:—For ten years I have been troubled with granulated eyelids and catarrhal conjunctivities. So much trouble did my eyes give me I had to wear glasses. Dr. Darrin examined my eyes and told me I did not need glasses and in one month he cured me. My address is Eugene, Oregon. I can be referred to any time.

V. J. BERNTZEN.

DR DARRIN'S PLACE OF BUSINESS

Dr. Darrin can be consulted free at the Smeede Hotel, Eugene, Oregon, until November 12 from 10 o'clock until 5 daily, evenings 7 to 8, Sunday 2 to 4.

This doctor makes a specialty of all diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, catarrah, deafness, bronchitis, lagrippe, heart, liver, bladder and kidney diseases, or those who suffer from apathy and indifference; also genito-urinary and skin diseases in either sex, such as blood taints, seminal weakness and lost vigor, varioclele and stricture.

Circulars and question blanks sent free to any address and correspondence solicited. Many cases can receive home treatment after one visit to the doctor's office. Batteries and belts furnished with full instructions for their use. Eyes tested and proper glasses fitted. Charges are only $10 a month for all who have heretofore applied and not taken treatment, or who may apply before Nov. 12.

Round Trip for One Fare

The Southern Pacific railroad has decided to make a rate of one fare for the round trip from Portland to all points in Oregon to as far south as Ashland, for visitors from the East to the Lewis and Clark Exposition, to enable them to look over western Oregon, that they may have an opportunity to locate or invest.

The tickets will be good for 15 days, with stop over priveleges. Holders of Exposition round trip tickets from the east can purchase these tickets this rate, it will depend upon the energy shown by the community as to the number of visitors secured.

This paper will accept wood in payment of subscriptions, where the subscriber will subscribe for one year in advance.

Farmers Take Notice, Now is the Time Sanders Disc Plows are Better than Moleboard Plows.

They are lighter draft. They never get hung. No ground is too stony, too rooty, too sticky or too hard to be plowed with a disc plow. There is no side draft. They will break up the hard pan that has been formed by other plows. They will plow deep and take the place of subsoil plows.

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The above tickets on sale daily between May 29th and Oct. 15th, and no stop overs allowed in either direction.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF S. P. TRAINS.

NORTH BOUND		SOUTH BOUND	
No. 13	11:53 p.m.	No. 11	3:05 p m
No. 16	2:02 a.m.	No. 15	2:21 a.m

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Time Table No. 4
To take effect April 2d, 1905.

East Bound — No 3—No 1 — 3 and 4 Tuesday and Sat only — 1 and Daily Except Sunday. — W. Bound — No 2—No 4

P.M	A.M	M	STATIONS	Elev	A.M.	P.M
2:30	7:30	0	Cottage Grove	671	11:10	5.15
2:50	7:50	3.2	Walden	710	10:49	5:05
2:55	7:55	5	Currin	737	10:44	4:59
2:59	7:59	6.3	Cerro Gordo	770	10:38	4:53
3:04	8:04	7.7	Baker	807	10:33	4:47
3:14	8:14	8.3	Dorena	841	10:30	4:44
3:17	8:17	9.5	Red Rock	891	10:23	4:39
3:20	8:20	10.6	Gravel Pit	901	10:20	4:35
3:25	8:25	11.3	Stewart	914	10:01	4:20
3:38	8:40	12	Star	1017	9:48	4:16
3:41	8:45	12.8	Rocky Point	1046	9:45	4:12
3:50	9:05	15.6	Red Bridge	1060	9:35	4:05
3:55	9:15	16.6	Wildwood		9:30	4:00
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