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MANY explanations have been offered why Eastern immigration has not in recent years been attracted to Oregon in greater numbers than it has. A quarter of a century ago the flood-tide of immigration poured a continuous stream of home seekers into the Willamette valley and Eastern Oregon, but during the last half decade the migratory current has turned southward and the broad prairies of Texas seem to be the promised land towards which the anxious emigrant is turning his weary footsteps. Oregon has a better climate than Texas, is never failing in its crops, has greater diversified resources and is a much more pleasant place to live, but Texas has cheap land. This is her drawing card. Good tillable land that will produce wheat or cotton can be purchased at \$15 and \$20 an acre. Land in Oregon is double that price, and the Eastern home seekers know this to be the case. Climate alone cannot draw immigration. Home builders want cheap land and they will seek it where it is to be had. Whenever the lands of the South and Southwest command as high a market value as it does on the Pacific coast then, and not until then, will the flood-tide of immigration again turn towards Oregon. Western Oregon has an incomparable climate, rich and fertile soil, marvelous resources in minerals, timber, agriculture, horticulture and stock raising, and the day is not distant when it will be the most prosperous commonwealth on the Pacific slope, if not of the United States.

The S. F. Examiner in discussing the opening of the Baltic and North sea canal closes with the following pertinent remarks regarding the era of modern canal building: "The ship-canal builder is making short cuts for navigation all over the world, but the greatest cut of all still remains as a challenge to American enterprise. The city of Manchester has spent more on a waterway designed merely to save thirty or forty miles of railroad transportation than the entire estimated cost of the Nicaragua canal. The city of Chicago is spending half as much on a drainage channel as would be required, according to the figures of the engineers, to unite the Atlantic and the Pacific. The work which Germany is just celebrating has been done at more than half the supposed cost of the Nicaragua canal. In order to save vessels the trouble of steaming around a peninsula two or three hundred miles long. The Isthmus of Corinth has been pierced to spare a couple of days' sailing, a canal is about to be cut across Cape Cod for a smaller object, and New York has just celebrated the opening of another which will spare vessels bound from the Hudson for Long Island sound the arduous necessity of going around Manhattan island. Yet a canal which, as comparatively small cost, would save a detour around a continent, shorten voyages by three months and revolutionize the commerce of the world, remains unmade."

The "Native Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers for Polk County" effected permanent organization in this city Wednesday evening. The purpose of this organization is to perpetuate the history of the Oregon pioneers, the fame and good name of the noble men and women who first blazed the road to the Pacific Northwest and made possible the magnificent civilization which exists here today. The sons and daughters of Oregon are already rallying to this organization. Jackson county has an organization of some 300 members, Douglas county has a membership of about 400, and other counties are coming to the front. There is no good reason why Polk county should not enroll a large membership, and it is hoped that every native son and daughter of Polk county who are of legal age will become a member of the organization.

The annual government report of the mineral resources of the United States for the year 1894 reveal some interesting facts. For instance the decrease in the production of iron amounts to \$24,687,838, and silver has fallen off 10,000,000 ounces. The production of gold has increased \$3,559,000, and the petroleum export is over 100,000,000 gallons more than in 1893, while the total value of the product of stone of all kinds increased from \$38,885,573 to \$57,002,102.

The Seattle superior courts have a unique damage suit on their hands. Mrs. Harry Fraser brings suit against Paul E. Page to recover \$20,000 damages for causing the death of her husband, for which offense Page was recently acquitted. The damage suit is said to be the first of its kind ever brought in Kings county, and is attracting a great deal of interest. It is brought under the section of H. B.'s code which reads: "When the death of a person is caused by the wrongful act or neglect of another, his heirs or personal representatives may maintain an action against the person causing the death."

The Argentine republic is rapidly becoming the great rival of the United States in the production of wheat. In 1892 Argentina exported only 6,500,000 bushels of wheat, but in 1894 her wheat exports amounted to 24,000,000 bushels. The cheap labor of that country enables the farmer to sell at a low figure and then realize a small profit. Precisely what effect the wheat supply from Argentina is going to have upon the future price of that cereal cannot be foretold, but that it will be very considerable is evident.

In outline and perimeter the Independence pig is beginning to assume an appearance. Not satisfied with being the center of attraction for picnics, bicycle tournaments, speed exhibitions and general business activity has captured the annual G. A. R. encampment for next year.

Officers Elected.
 Clover Leaf Lodge No. 41 Degree of B-ekah, elected the following officers Tuesday evening: N. G., Mrs. E. T. Henkle; V. G., Mrs. F. P. Myers; R. G., Miss Sophia Goff; treasurer, Mrs. J. D. Irvine. The installation will take place Tuesday evening, July 9.

Popular Lecture.
 Rev. J. R. N. Bell will lecture at the Presbyterian church Monday evening on a popular topic. A fifty cent lecture for 10 cents. Don't fail to attend. Rev. Mr. Bell ranks high as a popular lecturer. He brings wit, humor, a keen intelligence and a large store of well digested information to bear upon every topic that he discusses. We bespeak for Mr. Bell a full house.

Patriotic Services.
 Programme for next Sunday morning at the Congregational church:
 1. Doxology.
 2. Lord's Prayer.
 3. Responsive Reading.
 4. Hymn.
 5. Prayer.
 6. Anthem, "God Bless Our Union."
 7. Scripture Reading.
 8. Solo, by Mrs. Patterson, "The Star Spangled Banner."
 9. Address by the Pastor, "Patriotism, or Our Country's Flag."
 10. Hymn, "America."

Permanently Organized.
 Pursuant to adjournment the "Native Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers for Polk County" convened in open session Wednesday evening and effected permanent organization. The following officers were elected: President, J. T. Ford; 1st and 2nd vice president, C. G. Coad, of Dallas, and Jay P. Lucas, of Monmouth; recording secretary, M. L. Dorris; corresponding secretary, Nell M. Hill; treasurer, Mrs. A. M. Hurley. A committee of three was appointed on by-laws, it was also voted that the president appoint an executive committee to be composed of one or more members from each precinct in the county. On motion the meeting adjourned to convene at the city hall on Wednesday, July 24, proximo.

A Daily Steamboat Line.
 Captain Graham, of the steamer Altona, has now completed his plans for a daily steamboat line between here and Portland. The Altona will operate on the lower Willamette and the little steamer Gray Eagle will ply between Independence and Mission Landing where the two boats will form a junction. It is hoped that the new arrangements will be in operation by next Sunday. The Gray Eagle will leave here every morning at 6:30, Sunday excepted. It is a matter of considerable importance to the business of this city and adjacent points to have river traffic the year around, and we are quite sure that our people appreciate Captain Graham's efforts in affording them a cheap line of transportation. If the new venture is a success, and Captain Graham is quite certain that he can navigate the river at its lowest stage, it means hundreds of dollars saved to the farmers and business men in the matter of low freights. All year round river navigation is something this section of country has long needed.

Assessor Beckett was in the city Wednesday. He is practically through with the assessment this year, having only a few fragmentary details to gather up. Mr. Beckett informs us that he is assessing property about 10 per cent under last year's assessment. He furthermore says that it is difficult to collect poll tax this year, which shows a scarcity of money among the masses.

Rev. D. V. Poling and wife, of Albany, were visiting in this city Wednesday and Thursday.
 Misses Essie Robertson, Jessie Damon and Lottie Middleham are attending the Turner camp-meeting this week.
 Jas. O. Davidson and B. F. Burch start for the Belknap springs tomorrow, to be absent perhaps a month.

Patriotic service at the Congregational church next Sunday morning, but no service in the evening as the pastor will be at Rickreall.
 Jake Fetzer drew the lucky ticket in the bicycle raffle at Griffith & Patterson's Wednesday evening. Jake's prize only cost him 50 cents, but he made a nice little pick up by selling it to the original owner for \$35.

Tuesday and Wednesday of this week were the hottest days of the season, and if old Sol continues pouring down his heat at this rate our town will soon be depopulated, for everybody will go to the coast in search of a fresh breeze.

The forenoon program for Wednesday's exercises at the Normal commencement last week was inadvertently omitted by our correspondent. He regrets the omission equally with us, but is rather late now to publish the program.

An intellectual treat will be afforded our citizens next Sunday in the discourse to be delivered by Rev. J. R. N. Bell at the Presbyterian church. Rev. Mr. Bell is an easy, fluent speaker and always discusses his subjects in an intelligent and convincing manner.

Rev. L. D. Driver met with a serious accident Tuesday evening on his farm near Eugene by being gored by a bull. The animal threw Driver against a barbed wire fence, goring him frightfully and lacerating his flesh on the bars, but he is not considered dangerously injured.

Mr. Orio Turner and wife, of Oakland, Cal., arrived in this city Wednesday afternoon. Young Mr. Turner is a son of Rev. J. M. Turner of this city, and his visit is a pleasant surprise to his parents. He reports times very dull in the golden state, and will probably make Oregon his permanent home.

A beautiful astronomical phenomenon occurred late Tuesday evening. The crescent moon and the planet Venus were in conjunction, the brilliant star gleaming just above the upper horn of the crescent. The star apparently moved in an arch around the upper corner of the moon to the northward, and each maintained their relative positions until they sank behind the coast range.

An embryo fire started in the shed in the rear of Rosendorf & Hirschberg's store building Wednesday evening, and only for its being promptly discovered might have resulted seriously. It is supposed to have started by some one carelessly throwing the stub of a cigar among the dry debris in the shed.

Ernest, the 13-year-old son of Mr. Eli Johnson, while performing on a trapeze accidentally fell and fractured the left forearm just above the wrist. Surgical aid was promptly called and the fracture skillfully reduced.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder.
 Assorted Gold Medal Milkwater Fair, San Francisco.

DALLAS.
 Crops of all kinds look well around Dallas.

Several people from this city are attending the teachers' institute at Monmouth this week.

Rev. Parsons, P. E., of the M. E. church, preached in Dallas Sunday.

There has been considerable work done on the roads in the vicinity of Dallas this season.

R. H. Chapen moved out of the Dallas hotel Saturday.

The new road between Independence, Monmouth and Dallas will soon be ready for travel, shortening the distance between these points about one and a half miles.

Rev. J. L. Futrell and family returned Saturday from Tangent, and report a very successful meeting.

While several of our town boys were practicing on the bicycle track Tuesday evening, their wheels accidentally came in collision and a headlong tumble to the ground was the result.

The 4th of July celebration which was to have been held at Dixie, has been changed to Dallas by order of committee.
 The revival meeting at Liberty will continue over this week. A great harvest is expected to be reaped.
 It would be a good idea for the owners of the Dallas woolen mills to convert that structure into a fruit cannery. By so doing they would open up a market for the fruit crop of Polk county.
 GROVER.

Quite a number of the graduates of '93 and some of the seniors went to Falls City Tuesday for a picnic. They report a pleasant time.
 Thirteen of the class of '89 indulged in a banquet Tuesday evening and thoroughly enjoyed it.
 The members of the Alumni gave their annual supper at the dining hall Wednesday evening. As there were a goodly number of old students present, they had a fine time and enjoyed their reunion.
 Most of the students left for their various homes today, thus leaving Monmouth almost forsaken. What a quiet place it will be for the next two months.
 Prof. Wann and wife buried their baby last week. They have the sympathy of their friends in their affliction.
 Miss Lottie Grounds has been quite sick but is now improving, much to the satisfaction of her many friends.
 Miss Mabel Cressey left today for Newport.
 Jay Powell contemplates a trip to Albany the latter part of this week, and will return next Monday.
 Al Bentley is trying his skill with the hammer and nails, by re-shingling part of the roof of their present residence, he will also freshen the entire building by adding a new coat of paint.
 The Summer Normal opened Monday with a goodly number in attendance. They think they will have a very interesting and profitable time.
 Quite a number of the citizens of this place are at Turner attending camp-meeting.
 Prof. Swann went to Crawfordville last Friday to visit relatives.
 Frank Lucas did himself much credit in the solo he played Tuesday evening, at the graduation of the advanced class.
 Quite a force has been at work for the last week on Dr. Doughty's new house. It will soon be completed.
 Prof. Ginn close his fourth term of music lessons at Calvary church Monday evening. There were between 80 and 100 visitors present. The Prof. is having great success with his class teaching.
 John Murphy and family went to Turner Tuesday morning.
 Friends from Lane county are visiting at James Tedrow's.
 Many members of the Evangelical church will go to Jefferson to camp meeting the last of this week.
 We understand that Prof. Shipley has secured the Perisidale school for the coming year.
 G. M. Frost is expecting to teach a summer school in Clackamas county. Success to him.
 HEN & REX.

PARKER.
 Wm. Fuqua was doing business in Salem one day last week.
 Bob was so high minded last Sunday that he carried his 10(c) on his arm.
 The caterpillars are beginning to nibble the ash trees in this vicinity. They are rapidly stripping the trees of leaves.
 Lewis Holmick is sacking and shipping wheat. There is about 12000 bushels in the warehouse to ship.
 Mrs. Atha Parsons, of Albany, was visiting her aunt, Mrs. G. W. DeBord, this week.
 If a wind storm ever comes up and catches the ladies out with those parachute sleeves they wear,

Mrs. Mary Hinkley
 Frederika, Iowa.
Goitre 31 Years
Tenacious Chronic Case Gives Way to Hood's Sarsaparilla.
 "Thirty-one years ago, after dangerous illness, my neck began to swell. It did not give me any trouble, except the deformity, for many years. About ten years ago it commenced to pain me and it took me I would have
Terrible Choking Spells.
 Even my people thought my last hour had come. I read of a lady in Kalamazoo, Mich., who had been cured of goitre by Hood's Sarsaparilla and immediately began to take this medicine, using several bottles. My neck measured 21 inches last
Hood's Sarsaparilla
Cures
 May against 18 inches now. It is a wonder and astonishment to my friends and neighbors, for I was growing worse all the time and no one thought I could live through the winter. All thought a cure impossible as I am 84 years of age."—Mrs. MARY HINKLEY, Frederika, Iowa. Take only Hood's.
Hood's Pills cure all liver, bile, indigestion, headache, etc.
 they will undoubtedly be blown out of existence.
 Mrs. M. Shives and daughter, of Buena Vista, took the south bound train Monday for the bay.
 There was preaching here last Sunday by Rev. Tarrage.
 A Christian Endeavor society has been organized here.
 W. P. Bradlev has fifteen acres of wheat almost ready for the sickle. This is a new variety which, it is proved to be a good yielding wheat, will be an advantage to the farmers.
 A queer competition on day was held by one of the juveniles of our school.
 LITTLE JOKER.

LUCKIAMUTE.
 The merry click of the sickle is again heard in the hay fields.
 Your Survey correspondent has the faculty of keeping his mind closed to facts and open to fancy's idle dream.
 Geo. Steele and the Bagley Bros. have purchased a new threshing outfit, a 12 horse power engine and a 40x62 separator. The boys are preparing to do some threshing this season. They now have two large J. I. Case agitator separators, one outfit will operate in the Lewisville country and the other will be run in this section.
 W. H. Grant, of Bridgeport, has 25 acres of the best hops in the county. Wick is a successful hop-grower.
 "Darky" has struck the true lead, and Jake is going to follow it up sharply.
 A lot of rude boys disturbed the peaceful repose of some of our neighbors along the Luckiamute road the other night by the reckless discharge of fire arms.
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Could Not Sleep.
 Prof. L. D. Edwards, of Preston, Idaho, says: "I was all run down, weak, nervous and irritable through overwork. I suffered from brain fatigue, mental depression, etc. I became so weak and nervous that I could not sleep. I would arise tired, discouraged and blue. I began taking
Dr. Miles' Nervine
 and now everything is changed. I sleep soundly, I feel bright, active and ambitious. I can do more in one day now than I used to do in a week. For this great good I give Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine the sole credit.
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MONMOUTH.
 The wind blowing and the dust flying reminds us that summer is



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