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WILL ARRIVE IN OREGON

ABOUT SEPTEMBER 24.

Mrs. Weathered and Her Nine Hawaiian Girls Now in California-- An Interesting Letter.

Editor Independent.—In my last letter I promised to write of the greatest active volcano in the world, but my time has been crowded full and I will have to wait until later. Am now at sea with my nine girls. We left Honolulu September 4, at 5 p. m. There were hundreds of people at the wharf. We were driven to the boat in a six-horse tally-ho. The girls were dressed in white, wore large Alsha hats and around their necks and draped over their dresses were dozens of beautiful leis (garlands of flowers). This custom is only seen in Hawaii. The natives by dozens are on the streets daily and at wharfs with armsful of leis. At the departure of every steamer they do an immense business. The more popular you are, the more leis you receive. Friends often strive to outdo someone else in presenting a leis of choice blossoms. My nine girls were simply covered. They could hardly walk up the gang plank. Of course there was much weeping. Two thousand miles across the ocean seemed a long separation from relatives; yet the parents were all proud that their daughter was one of the honored. As they told me good-bye and said "take good care of my daughter," I felt more than ever the great responsibility of protecting these young ladies on this their first trip from their native land. The lovely presents bestowed on me by these hospitable people certainly endears them more and more to me. They are so kind, gentle and affectionate. Their appreciation is something wonderful.

It was, indeed, a grand sight when the S. S. Sierra slowly moved from the dock. Hundreds of faces gazed up at the nine girls as they stood on the upper deck weeping, yet all glad they were going. Handkerchiefs waved, and the Royal Hawaiian band played "Aloha" and "Auld Lang Syne." Leaving Honolulu in the evening gives one an opportunity to view the wonderful colorings of the sunset, and as it casts its beautiful rays over thousands of acres of waving cane, through valleys and on mountain tops, it is a picture beyond the brush of an artist. Honolulu harbor is one that impresses the tourist and it lives in memory as one of the most picturesque in the world.

The nine girls are certainly enjoying themselves on this floating palace. During the day they play all kinds of games on deck, even baseball. Nettings are fixed up and the passengers play tennis, cricket and other games. There is a large passenger list. People from all over the world. They are all glad they are fellow passengers with the Honolulu girls. We have concerts every evening. The girls play their Ukalele (native instrument) also the piano. Every meal is like a big banquet in a first-class hotel, several long tables crowded and every one happy. The girls have made a lot of nice friends and are very popular.

We will reach San Francisco tomorrow. Will spend a few days there and on Saturday we go to Sacramento to attend the state fair and leave Sunday for Los Angeles. We will try very hard to reach Salem on Saturday, the last day of the Oregon state fair. It will limit our southern California tour and there is so much being prepared for us, it looks doubtful about our reaching Oregon before September 24 or later. We will spend more time in Oregon when we do reach there, than in any other state. We have had a smooth trip yet we are all anxious to get on land again.

EDVTH TOZIER WEATHERED.

Poultry Wanted.

I will pay market price in cash for all kinds of chickens, hens, turkeys, ducks and geese. J. Lenz, Hillsboro, Ore.

Time to Quit.

"You smoke 30 cigarettes a day?"

"Yes, on the average."

"Yet you don't blame them for your run down condition?"

"Not in the least; I blame my hard work."

The physician shook his head and smiled in a vexed way. Then he took a leech out of a glass jar.

"Let me show you something, he said, 'bare your arm.'"

The cigarette fiend bared his pale arm, and the doctor laid a leech, black leech upon it. The leech fell to work busily; its body began to swell; then, all of a sudden, a kind of shudder convulsed it, and it fell to the floor, dead.

"That is what your blood did to that leech, said the doctor as he took the little corpse between his finger and thumb.

"Look at it, he said, quite dead, you see; your blood has poisoned it!"

"I guess it wasn't a healthy leech in the first place," gasped the cigarette smoker, sullenly.

"Wasn't healthy, eh? Well, we'll try again," said the doctor, as he clapped two leeches on the young man's thin arm.

"If they both die, said the patient I'll swear off; or at least I'll cut out 20 cigarettes of my daily allowance."

Even as he spoke the smaller leech shivered and dropped on his knee, dead; and a moment later the larger one fell beside it.

"This is ghastly; said the young man, "I am worse than the pestilence to these leeches."

"It is the empyreumatic oil in your blood," said the doctor. "All cigarette fiends have it; smoke reasonably, and this oil will disappear, and you will be no longer deadly to the leech. Furthermore, your appetite will return; you will sleep better and your muddy color will clear up; it is not hard work that has brought these troubles down on you, but hard smoking."

"Doc," said the young man, regarding the three dead leeches thoughtfully, "I half believe you're right."

Tell Mother.

It was a message brought back by the sea after the Columbia went down. It came in a bottle, cast up on the beach, and on the paper inside was this tale of a tragedy: "Lost Raft, Columbia. Tell mother at — street, St. Louis."

When the sea yawned for the life on the drifting raft, and as death hovered near, the thought was "tell mother." When the lurid glow of the conflict is on, when shot and shell, destruction and death are all around, the message that comes from the battlefield is always "Tell mother." With the besotted wreck of a once fair manhood in his last extremity, with the blackest hearted criminal on the scaffold, with man ever when a pall of inextricable hopelessness is all around, the inevitable message that is whispered is "Tell mother."

Our mothers may feel sometimes that their sphere is narrowed. They may cherish longings for a life of broader scope, with more of the privileges that are given to men. But when the last great balance is struck and the ledger closed; when the figures of individual influence are totaled and the question finally determined of who it is in this world that is given privilege to exercise the widest and deepest of all influence and to be queen majestic in the affairs of human life, the answer will be "mother."—Portland Journal.

Millinery Opening.

Ladies, you are invited to Mrs. Bath's Millinery Opening next Tuesday and Wednesday, September 24 and 25. A beautiful line of the latest fashions in millinery will be on display, and a practical milliner from the city present to show this pretty and up-to-date stock.

Notice to Contestants.

Contest votes for Queen will close Thursday, September 26th, at 2:30 o'clock p. m. All votes must be in the hands of the executive committee at said time. Address, Executive Committee of Fair, Hillsboro, Oregon.

E. B. TONGUE'S LORD LOVELACE

WINS FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS

At the State Fair Ground in Three Straight Heats—This Race Was the Event of the Day.

Salem, Or., Sept. 16.—In three straight heats, E. B. Tongue's Lord Lovelace won the 2:12 pace for a \$500 purse at fairgrounds track this afternoon.

The race was the event of the day at the track, the interest in the contest being due largely to the fact that Lovelace was competing against two Washington horses and one from California. The result was wildly cheered by a good-sized crowd in the grandstand. The first heat was paced in 2:18 with Frank Child's Sherlock Holmes second, L. S. C. Schell's Bonnie M. third and W. S. Harkey's Develletta fourth. In the same order the horses made the second heat in 2:17½. The third was also made in 2:17½. Bonnie M. was a poor second, Sherlock Holmes third, and Develletta distanced.

The only other race of the day was the 2:18 trot, for a purse of \$500, won by Al Phillips' Van Norte, George A. Kelly's Packline second, J. S. Crane's Hank third; time, 2:27. The second heat of this race was won by Packline in 2:27, with Van Norte a close second.

Specimen Freight Rates.

A railroad can make or break a town. It is not an individual enterprise and for that reason should be more nearly in the control of the state than it is. Walla Walla lost a valuable factory not long ago for the reason it could not survive and pay the freight rates charged. It happened to be a patent medicine factory and needed bottles which must be bought in the east. A carload was ordered and Walla Walla was delighted over the prospects of having a payroll in the town. When the bottles arrived it was found the freight charges from some point in Indiana was 85 cents a hundred and 99 cents from Portland to Walla Walla.

It is not necessary to carry merchandise to Portland from the east in order to get it to Walla Walla, but the railroads demand that it be done so that the terminal rate may apply and also the local rate from Portland back to the interior point of destination. What was the result? Walla Walla lost the factory. —East Oregonian.

The Weather.

The first two days were warm and sunny. The temperatures fell during the middle of the week and heavy frosts occurred in the southern and eastern counties on Friday and Saturday mornings. In the plateau section of the state the temperature was several degrees below the freezing point and the frosts were very injurious. Sunshine continued and the afternoons were moderately warm until Saturday, when cloudiness increased and by Sunday morning rain was falling in the northwestern counties. The rain spread during Sunday afternoon and by Monday morning it had become general throughout the greater part of the state. The rain of Sunday and Monday occurred after most of the correspondents had mailed their reports and consequently but little mention is made of it.

When God gives a man a wife and six children, He has done a good deal for the fellow. But when he gives him a society woman and a poodle dog, He has done him up. These society women look upon children as a nuisance. I have had some society women shake hands with me and I would as soon shake hands with a dead fish tail. I wouldn't give one of your sock-darning women for all the society women in the country. Between cutting off the tops of their dresses for the ball room and the bottoms for the bicycle, these society women will soon have no clothes left.—Sam Jones.

Try the Independent telephone for long distance.

When the fish trust is put on trial will it demand a jury of fishermen, so that it may be tried by its peers.

Commander Peary is almost never at home when it is time to vote, and yet he is all the time thinking of the poles.

An inventory at long range of the effects of Nikola Tesla, the inventor, reveals only a large steel tower and a scrapbook.

There are 30,000,000 children attending the public schools of the United States which looks as though it will be a long time before there is an appreciable diminution in the population whatever may be the popular sentiment on the question of race suicide.

County Judge Goodin is here superintending the work being done by the county on Pacific Avenue. A space 12 feet wide is being plowed and scraped to a depth sufficient to make a good base for the crushed rock which will be put on in layers and rolled. There will be three grades of the rock and if it is put on as intended it should make a splendid piece of road and one that will last for many years.—Forest Grove Times.

In Massachusetts a state commission has come to the conclusion that automobiles are much harder on the roads than horse-drawn vehicles, and the motor vehicles are now subjected to a much heavier tax. The fee was formerly \$2, but it has been raised to \$5. The automobile owners have all paid this amount, but they are getting together under the auspices of the Massachusetts State Automobile Association for the purpose of testing the law.

Cords and tassels for sofa pillows in all colors, both in cotton and silk; new at Mrs. I. Bath's.

The most desirable hitching strap is one which gives the horse plenty of freedom and at the same time takes up the slack, preventing the animal from becoming entangled in it. A very simple apparatus for this purpose is being placed on the market in the shape of a piece of pipe of suitable length with the means at the ends of securing it to the stall. The upper end has a roller, over which the hitching strap or rope passes, and is secured to a weight moving in the interior of the pipe.

September turns the green leaves brown and folks are coming back to town. Fresh oysters too you'll soon find here for 'tis the season of the year.

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THE OREGON FRUIT INDUSTRY

AN ACTIVE INTEREST SHOWN

The Southern Pacific Doing Much Toward Promoting and Stimulating Fruit Growing.

"C. A. Malboeuf, district freight agent of the Oregon Lines, was in Eugene on Thursday. In an interview a Register representative learned that Mr. Malboeuf's mission at this time is to arouse the valley to the importance of fostering and developing the fruit industry, whereby canneries will be in greater demand and growers will reap higher reward for their industry. Mr. Malboeuf said that already there is widespread activity in the fruit business in the Willamette Valley the increased output having started expenditure of fully \$250,000 in building new canneries and enlarging those now in operation. When we consider that not over 50 cars of canned fruit will be shipped out of the valley this year, we can readily see the opportunity ahead for expansion of this industry into one of the largest and most profitable in western Oregon. The Southern Pacific has taken up this industry with a vim, as it did the dairy business several years ago, and has grown rapidly and is still expanding.

"The present season," said Mr. Malboeuf, "has been noticeable for one of the biggest crops of berries and cherries on record. Favorable conditions throughout western Oregon have made the yield a large one. Within the past two years, the people of the valley have planted large numbers of blackberries, loganberries, raspberries and other fruit roots, largely with the view of marketing the fruit in Portland. The very large yield this summer exceeds the most sanguine expectations, and the Portland market was oversupplied. Nearly 1,000 tons of cherries alone were shipped from the Willamette Valley to the Puget Sound canneries, as the western Or-

gon canneries could not handle the crop.

ENCOURAGE THE INDUSTRY. "Realizing the conditions, and with the desire to encourage an industry so well suited to the climate of western Oregon, the Southern Pacific Company is fostering in every way the cultivation of small fruits and the establishment of canning establishments. The result will be a more extensive cultivation, and the dividing up of large farms into smaller tracts. Many of the canneries that will be established will be built and operated on the co-operative plan. It is the intention of the Southern Pacific to aid in every way in the introduction of the best varieties of small fruits and to assist their cultivation by scientific methods.

"This work is bringing result. A number of canning establishments will be erected within a short time. At present there are two fruit canneries at Portland, and others at Salem, Springbrook, Eugene and Ashland, and others have been started this year at Grants Pass, Brownsville, Monmouth and Lebanon. The Salem plant is to be enlarged, the Eugene cannery has been improved, and the arrangements have been made to establish another large cannery at Salem and another at Newberg.

"All sections of the valley are awakening to the possibilities of fruit growing in connection with the canning industry and by next spring it is likely that \$500,000 will be invested in canneries throughout western Oregon.

"The output of canned fruits on the Southern Pacific lines in this state, outside of Portland, during 1906, was less than 50 car loads. This year the output is larger, and by next year there should be nearly 100 carloads for shipment to the Eastern markets. Within the next five years, shipments of tinned fruits from western Oregon should amount to 1,000 cars a year.

A COMPARISON

"There is quite a contrast with California on the fruit output. Cal-

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