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Polo, the Spanish minister has pocketed his passport and gone home by way of Halifax.

The ticket that will be voted in Portland at the state election in June will be almost as big as a horse blanket.

The republican state convention put up a good clean ticket from top to bottom. The people will do the rest in June.

The nomination of T. T. Geer for governor by the republican state convention has taken the wind out of the sails of the three party party.

Geer was nominated by acclamation. His election will not be exactly unanimous but that he will get there is generally conceded.

With a good ticket in the field the republicans stand an excellent show of winning the election in Yamhill county at the June election.

Next week will be a good week for the county seat boarding houses. The three party party holds its convention on Monday and the republicans on Saturday.

Fred Grant has offered his services to the government in case of war. Let's see, there was a man by the name of Grant in the civil war who was pretty well known.

The outlook for J. G. Hadley securing the republican nomination for county recorder is quite favorable. Mr. Hadley is well qualified to fill this office and the party can't do better than to nominate him.

The May number of the Delineator which is called the commencement number, presents the usual combination of fashions and literature that has so long distinguished this publication. With each change of the seasons all up to date ladies want to see The Delineator before making their purchases.

The Cuban bill as passed by both houses of congress will be found on the first page of the Graphic. The president signed the bill on Wednesday and immediately notified Spain that unless the demands of the United States were complied with within three days our army and navy would move on the Spanish in Cuba.

It now rests with Spain to say whether we shall have war or not, and at the time of going to press it looks like there was no likelihood of Spain yielding to the demands of our government. Up to the time when final action shall be taken there will still be room for hope of a peaceful settlement of our difficulties, yet the thread of hope is growing exceedingly weak.

J. B. David's name has been favorably mentioned in connection with the republican nomination for state senator and Clarence Butt has also been spoken of for representative. It is not likely that the names of both these gentlemen will be presented to the county convention to be held next week, but either of them would serve the people of Yamhill county with the strictest fidelity as a member of the state legislature.

At the republican state convention held in Astoria last week the following nominations were made:

Governor—T. T. Geer, of Macleay, Marion county.

Secretary of state—F. I. Danbar, of Astoria, Clatsop county.

Superintendent of schools—J. A. Ackerman, of Portland.

State printer—W. H. Leeds, of Ashland, Jackson county.

Attorney-general—D. R. N. Blackburn, of Albany, Linn county.

Justice supreme court—F. A. Moore, of Columbia county—the present chief justice.

M. D. Markham, of Forest Grove, who was nominated for state printer by the state prohibition convention held in Newberg last week declines to accept the nomination. In his letter to the executive committee he says:

"While I am a prohibition man, I am not a prohibition voter. Hence I wish to most respectfully decline the nomination.

"My reasons for not being a party prohibitionist are: "First—That we have two leading parties, one of which, in my judgment, is advocating principles which, if carried into effect, would be ruinous to our government, hence it behooves every good patriotic citizen to see that his vote is not thrown away, but cast for the party that stands for what we think is an honest government, and not a repudiation of any of our contracts.

"Second—Because your national convention in 1896 was made up of two elements that proved that they had the great money issue at heart above prohibition, hence divided.

"Third—My plan for doing prohibition work is for every true temperance prohibition Christian voter to go to the primaries of his own party and try to elect good temperance men for your delegates, and if you are not strong enough to carry your primaries you are not strong enough to carry an election; then you run no risk of throwing your influence toward any other than a stable government, with an honest dollar; provided, however, that you vote for the party who advocates those principles, which I think the most of you would."

Hawaiian Letter.

C. E. Hoskins in Rural Northwest. To the Editor: Most Globe trotters in writing from the Hawaiian islands speak of things of a public nature, such as hotels, manners of traveling and curiosities in general until such letters

are expected. I hope in my little writings for your valuable paper to speak most of the industries as yet undeveloped; of the quaint and queer, the strange things which could not exist in any part of the United States, on account of climatic and soil conditions. If I write some things that may appear to sound like untruths, I wish to say, I do not vouch for the truthfulness of them, but here where I can see all the conditions, must say that I have met with but very few are incredulous. In company with Mr. Tenny (an old settler as guide and a traveler from Chicago), we started out this morning for a walk in search of information. The day was warm, even for our linen clothes. We walked along the streets viewing the beautiful flowers and foliage of colored-leaved plants, some planted in such thick, tall hedge that the passer-by could hardly see the large buildings or ample grounds. In fact we seldom could see the lawns and like all human nature we soon found ourselves saying how much more beautiful each piece would be if the old wall or hedge was taken away. I think it is hard to find more beautiful grounds than in Honolulu, where all kinds of trees, vines, plants and flowers will grow day and night 12 months in the year, and that too under the worst kind of neglect as you shall see.

In this walk we passed some of the finest and best kept places, but by chance we stopped to talk to an old man painting a tall picket fence, who told us his name was Craft. We found him a well informed and pleasant old gentleman who said he had 350 kinds of fruit trees besides many kinds of plants, all growing on two acres of land. I do not doubt his word, for in all my life I have never seen such an overgrown bramble—the picture of neglect, that in California would be called a hot-bed for insects and fungous diseases of all kinds. Yet I found only the black scale and a brown aphid.

His fruits were mostly mango, pomelo, grapefruit, lemon, lime, and fig, with one or two trees each of many strange fruits found in other tropical climes. He said that many of his pomelo trees would bear him \$25 per tree each year. They bear three crops and sell very high, and yet they are grown only occasionally in the yards. The same may be said of the orange, lime and lemon. One may stand at the wharf and see from each incoming steamer hundreds of boxes of these fruits brought from China and California and sold here. The reader may ask why is this? The answer will be, we are growing sugar and don't have time for little things like orange or lemon growing.

FROM THE COUNTY PRESS.

Reporter. When H. C. Burns got his pet macaw he predicted he would rapidly learn to talk. The contrary has proved true—he absolutely refuses. He heard so much of it he became disgusted. The bird occasionally hears the scream of the macaw at the Hotel Yamhill, and it jumps around in a way that seems as if he thought he was back in his old Brazilian home. The bird at the hotel is over thirty years old, having been in Mr. Dutton's possession 32 years.

F. S. Harding has become the loudest agent for Wells Fargo & Co's express. C. W. Talmage Jr. will probably take a position with the company in Portland.

D. V. Olds of West Dayton precinct is a republican candidate for the office of county clerk. Mr. Olds has been considered in this connection before, and it is believed that he would poll a strong vote if nominated. There is going to be an embarrassment of riches in a choice of a candidate for this office.

The Masonic cemetery association is preparing to put in a water tank on the west side of the cemetery for use in irrigating and beautifying the grounds. The pipe was laid last season from the Hemlock spring, a mile west of the grounds, and it only remains to dig out and wall up the spring and make the water run. A spot of ground 40 feet square about the spring, cost the association one hundred dollars.

Republican County Convention. A republican county convention for Yamhill county, Oregon, is hereby called to meet at the court house in McMinnville, Oregon, on Saturday, April 30th, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following officers, to-wit: State Senator, two Representatives in the legislature, County Clerk, Sheriff, Recorder of Conveyances, County Judge, Treasurer, Assessor, School Superintendent, County Commissioner, Surveyor and Coroner, and one Justice of the Peace and Constable for each of the Justice of the Peace and Constable Districts in Yamhill county, Oregon. The convention will consist of 171 delegates apportioned as follows:

- Amity 8
Creek 8
Bellevue 4
Carleton 4
Cheerum 4
Dundee 4
East Dayton 11
West Dayton 11
Lafayette 9
North McMinnville 9
South McMinnville 11
North Newberg 12
South Newberg 12
North Sheridan 7
South Sheridan 7
William 11
West Chehalis 6
Whiteson 8

The committee recommends that the primaries be held in the several precincts at 1:30 o'clock p. m. on Wednesday, April 27, 1898, and that each primary elect a precinct committee to act as such for two years. It is desirable that all republicans attend such primaries and participate in the election of delegates. By order of the republican County Central Committee.

J. W. HOBBS, JAMES McCART, Secretary, Chairman.

For Sale.

Good young horse—broken, single, double and to saddle. Two wagons, size 21 and 3 inch, or will exchange any or all of above described for cows or young cattle. C. S. CALKINS, Newberg, Oregon.

Reading for Children. From the time the little one is old enough to say "mama tell me a story," impressions are made on the mind that may last through a life-time. A few good stories told to a child very soon become favorites, and called for over and over again. Some one has said that "It seems as though this characteristic of childhood were designed for the young soul's protection, and its significance should be heeded. It is a desperate mistake to fancy that anything but the best in literature is safe to offer to the very young child." Even to a child as young as four years the story of the life of Christ can be given in such a way that there will be the oft repeated call, "tell me the story of dear Jesus when he was a little baby and lit le boy." In the same way other Bible stories may become so interesting to the child that in after years it will become a delight to become better acquainted with the Book of Books.

The young mind is always so active that it is going to be filled with something, and if we do not satisfy it with that which is good and helpful it will of necessity pick up whatever comes in its way and too often the material is that which leads to a life of wickedness. In the words of another "taste and tendency are so easily made or marred that a child's associates among books should be few and choice. We should not willingly permit a little one to be mixed with mental weaklings; yet we see, without anxiety the intimate association of children with feeble-minded books." If we as parents could take the time to read with our little ones and to interest in that which is of interest to them, advancing step by step with them as the years go by, it surely would help us to know the thought and intent better, and we could keep them very close to us through life. I have in mind one mother, a very busy woman, who read in this way with her children and I know of no parent who holds a dearer place in the hearts of their children, and today they are as free to talk with her of their errors as of their joys and pleasures. If we could thus keep in touch with our children we would know on our part that the foundation for mental culture was properly laid. On their part there would be no desire to steal away secretly to read what is known as trashy literature, and only such reading matter as could be openly laid on the table would find its way into their homes.

Reading is one of the avenues by which the child's mind is reached and fed. Some books may awaken the mind to a new interest that will develop into a study in after years; or even the reading of a good story, written by some standard author, may change the mind of a young person very materially. We believe it is often easier to help a young person by handing them a good book to read that gives the thought which we wish to impress, in an entertaining way, than to argue the point. It is not necessary that the library shall be at large in order that the mind may be fed for we know that "character is made, not by the many books one reads, but by the few one loves to read."

We find in nature all about us that which will be of interest to a child to study. Longfellow says in a poem to one of the great scientists: And nature the dear old nurse, took The child upon her knee, Saying: "Here is a book. Thy Father has written for thee."

"Come, wander with me," she said, "Into regions yet untried, And read what is written in the manuscripts of God."

And whenever the way seemed long, Or his heart began to fail, She would sing a cheerful song, Or tell a more marvelous tale.

How many of our children can tell us just how the spider makes his web or how many kinds of silk it uses to make it; or how the wasp makes its house for the baby wasp; or how many rooms Mr. and Mrs. Cray have in their wonderful find in the Nature readers called "Seaside and Way-side," a description of such things as these given in language so simple that a very little child can grasp it. We find also the following books recommended:

"Martin's story of a piece of coal;" "Chambers story of the stars;" "Archibald's story of the earth's atmosphere;" and "Morgan's story of electricity."

One writer who had a good deal of experience in noticing children's readings says he has always found the two stories "Uncle Tom's Cabin" and "Black Beauty" of interest to children. She advises stories of happy, sunny childhood in sheltered homes, of simple country pleasures, of home life where there is obedience without an overmastering evidence of control.

We find in biography much that is of valuable interest to children. The lives of successful men and women, within their comprehension, gives an impulse to childhood to make the best of life. Many of us who are older perhaps can trace our first impulse to be good and true to the reading of the life of some one that gave us an insight to the way in which they overcame difficulties and temptations.

Hawthorne's "Biographical Stories" gives in an interesting style short sketches of Benjamin West, the Quaker artist, Sir Isaac Newton, Samuel Johnson, Benjamin Franklin and others. There are so many books of biography representing so many different lines that it is not difficult to find something which will appeal to a child's best nature.

Some one says: "It is impossible to begin too early to recite poems to a child. The music of lyric ought to be as good as a tune to the slumber. It requires faith to begin with the little ones, but in whom shall we have faith if not in them. Their possibilities are wider than they ever will be again. Your boy at five may be doing it. If he does he shows traits which have indicated a score of things he can never be. At twenty the list of his possibilities is still smaller, and it keeps on decreasing as time goes by.

But at five the range of them is boundless. It is the poetic age and it ought to be nourished with its natural food. A few volumes of poetry, notably Longfellow will serve. But he will gladly exchange the jingling rhymes of Mother Goose for the "Rain in Summer," "The Day is Done," and "The Bridge." Give the children his lovely little songs and add Whittier's "Barefoot Boy," "Tennyson's Sea Fairies," Poe's "The Bells," Holmes "The opening of the Piano," and the nature descriptions in the introduction to both parts of Lowell's "Sir Lancelot." Also in Eugene Field's little book "With trumpet and drum," we find many interesting things for children. MARY E. MOSEBORN.

prove injurious than frosts. The correspondents are uniform in their expressions of the favorable and beneficial weather conditions.

Fall and winter sown grain are making good growth. Early spring grain has made marked growth during the past week. Plowing for summer fallow continues. Spring seeding is practically finished. The correspondents all report a greatly increased green acreage as compared with last year. The average of hay crops also has been increased. As the water in the rivers is not expected to be high in June, the hay lands along the Columbia river bottom are being seeded for hay. The farmers are about four weeks ahead in their work as compared with last year. Corn planting continues, and garden making will be about completed this week.

Fruit prospects continue most excellent. Fruit bloom has commenced to fall in the southern counties. Apple and quince trees are coming into bloom. The pear, cherry, prune, and plum trees are literally a mass of blossom, and unless very materially thinned by frost, hand pruning must be resorted to. There is now no doubt that the March frosts did injure the peach, almond, and apricot buds; to what extent the injury extends, is yet to be seen. Expert fruitgrowers claim, however, that unless more injury results, the peach, almond, and apricot crops will be good.

Towards continue to be worked. The tops are making good growth. Lambing continues, and it is reported to be with little or no loss. Sheep shearing is in general progress and excellent clips are reported. The weesches with most excellent prospects for crops of all kinds. Rain would be very beneficial in the southern counties. B. S. PAGUE.

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A report is in circulation that a party of hunters recently discovered a gold-bearing ledge on the southeast side of Mary's Peak. Many persons who have prospected the Coast Range believe there is considerable gold somewhere on the peak, and that in time it will be uncovered. Several legends concerning Mary's Peak gold are handed down from the early civilization of the country. One is that in the dim past, a party of prospectors took out a large quantity of gold by means of sluices on Shot Punch, a stream which flows westward from the peak. A story is also told to the effect that when Fred Robison conducted a sawmill in Corvallis his workmen at various times discovered nuggets in the ends of sawlogs that had come out of Rock creek, one of the Mary's river tributaries, which heads on the mountain, the supposed being that the gold was embedded there when the logs would strike the banks on their way down the stream. Tradition so says that the early settlers on Rock frequently found gold nuggets in the crops of chickens which had fed along the banks of the stream. More recently the formation in which is located the Dutton mine, in Linn county, is said to be traced to the peak.—Corvallis Times.

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