

Cannonading to produce rain has been tried in the semi-arid sections of the West until those in charge of the experiments have been convinced that there is nothing in it. Prof. Willis Moore, of the Weather Bureau says: "The great process going on in the atmosphere are conducted on too large a scale to warrant any man or nation to attempt to control them. The energy expended by nature in the production of a hail-storm, a tornado, or a rainstorm exceeds the combined energy of all the steam engines and explosives in the world. It is useless for mankind to combat nature on this scale." Explosives are being used in France, however, and horticulturists over there are of the opinion that they do much good.

The date for the second annual Harney county fair has been set for the week beginning September 16 and ending September 21, both inclusive. New features have been added which will make it more popular this year than last. We are authorized to say that the premiums on farm produce and stock will be larger than last year and those particular industries will be the main features. The business men of Burns certainly see the benefit of this annual fair and there is no doubt that all will respond liberally toward making it a greater success than ever. It depends on the energy and interest of our business men.

The wool growers of the interior should make it a point to be in Ontario on June 25th and meet the wool buyers here. At that time it might be advisable for the growers to form an association and pool their wool for sale as has been quite successfully and profitably done by the growers of Wyoming and Idaho, where associations were formed at Rawlins, Mountainhome and Caldwell. Assurance has been given that quite a number of wool buyers will assemble in Ontario on June 25th, and it would undoubtedly prove to the interest of the growers to meet them here on that date.—Ontario Argus.

The visit of F. H. Newell, chief hydrographer of the Geological survey, to Eastern Oregon next month is hailed with much satisfaction by the farmers. That it will be of great benefit to this particular section, there is no doubt. With the assistance of the government and the water properly utilized we could irrigate a large portion of this valley which is all that is necessary, ordinarily for an abundant crop. We call attention to the proposed method of irrigation on our first page.

Our age is revolutionary. Even such an old proverb as "love laughs at locksmiths" has been discredited by a Paris mother who kept her daughter locked in a room for twenty-five years to prevent her marriage to an undesirable lover, and by an Oakland father, who prevented an elopement by having his daughter arrested for vagrancy.—Stockton Mail.

At Salem last week Judge Hamilton in the circuit court gave judgment on the presentment submitted by the grand jury in the case of George W. Davis, clerk of the board of school land commissioners in 1890, who was charged with a shortage of \$31,000 in his accounts. The court held that the case is outlawed. As a result the grand jury dropped investigation of the case.

While there has been a disposition among our taxpayers to "kick" at the high levy of the

past few years, all will feel better to learn that a call has been made by the treasurer for all county warrants registered prior to June 14, 1901. It will come easier next year.

A western editor said that silver buckles on garters were becoming fashionable and that he hoped "to see more of them." His wife sued for a divorce, and the only woman in town who had silver buckles on her garters cowhided the editor until he was as raw as a potato.

If everyone will do their best to make the Fourth of July celebration a success we will have a grand time. Don't go at it in a half hearted manner. Give our neighbors in this section of the country the best time of their lives.

Vol. 1 No. 3 of the Pacific Miner, a journal devoted to mining, reached our table this week. It claims to be the only periodical in Oregon devoted exclusively to the treasures of the earth.

Some of the grain crops in this section that were so badly knocked out by the recent frost are recovering and it is thought that a very good yield will be realized yet.

The Cubans have accepted the "Platt Amendment," not, perhaps, because they wanted to but because they couldn't help it.

Paragraphs With Points.

The Georgia watermelon is about to make the people forget the race problem and all other troubles.

The Tennessee moonshiners are adopting more civilized methods. They are getting into the grand juries.

Count Waldersee is to be received at home with great eclat. The pink tea hero goes in Germany all right.

It is fortunate for the King of Italy that he is not compelled to pay space rates for the name of his new baby.

The attempt to find some middle ground in the Chinese matter doesn't do away with the desire for the real estate.

Missionary Ament doesn't approve of the word "loot." It does sound a trifle harsh for missionary work.

The British lost 25 officers and 709 men in South Africa during the month of May, and they have yet to face Web Davis' book.

Paris has a new sensational newspaper called "The Butter Plate." It will probably be able to omeomargarine the community.

Some of these days Mr. Dowie will get a jolt that will cause him to wash off his Elijah make-up and scoot for the tall timber.

There is a man down in Texas that is not engaged in the oil business. Some men will do almost anything in order to be exclusive.

The latest Georgia mob showed a wide streak of cowardice as soon as it was fired upon. Those who kill defenseless creatures are usually cowards.

Lord Kitchener is justified in feeling bad over the manner in which the Boers persist in responding to the encores for the last ditching portion of the program.

After depositing a proper number of drinks beneath their belts, those London banqueters fell upon each other's necks and effected a very touching Anglo-Saxon alliance.

Bright Boys Started in Business.

The publishers of the famous big illustrated weekly newspaper, PENNSYLVANIA GAZETTE, are now placing representatives at every post office in Oregon, and they desire to secure the services of capable hustling agents in each of the following towns in Harney county: Burns, Drewsey and Harney, and in such other towns as are not already supplied. The work is profitable and pleasant. A portion of Saturday only is required. No money whatever is required. Over 5000 agents are doing splendidly. Everything

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CONTEST NOTICE.

U. S. LAND OFFICE AT BURNS, OREGON. May 25, 1901.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Nannie Byerley, contestant, against Charles C. Kirkland, T. C. entry No. 68, made August 11, 1890, for not only a new section 8, tp 24 south, R. 32 east, by Charles C. Kirkland, contestee, in which it is alleged that the said Charles C. Kirkland has not complied with the law respecting timber-cultivation, in any manner; that he has not resided upon the lands nor cultivated the same, and is now a non-resident of the state, and has not planted the same to seeds or cuttings, said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m., on June 29, 1901, before Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon.

The said contestant, having, in a proper affidavit, filed May 25, 1901, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

Geo. W. Hayes, Register.

Advertisement for 'The Old Martin' featuring an illustration of a man and text describing the product's benefits.

Advertisement for First National Bank, Caldwell, Idaho, featuring a decorative border and text about banking services.

Advertisement for Royal Baking Powder, featuring a crown logo and text about its quality and availability.

Advertisement for O.R.&N. Oregon Short Line and Union Pacific, featuring a logo and text about train schedules.

Table with columns for 'Depart for', 'Time Schedules', and 'Arrive from', listing various routes and times.

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Text listing agents and contact information for the railroad schedules, including A. N. Hoar and A. L. Mohler.

Advertisement for bicycle wheels, featuring an illustration of a bicycle and text for 'The Eldredge' and 'The Belvidere' models.

Text advertisement for 'Wanted - Trustworthy Men' seeking individuals for a business venture.

Advertisement for P. H. Gray, General Merchandise, listing various goods and services available.

Advertisement for Burns Sawmill, listing products like Rough Lumber, Dressed Lumber, and Rustic and Flooring.

Advertisement for Ontario, Burns & Canyon City Stage Line, listing routes and fares.

Advertisement for Blacksmith & Wagonshop, listing services and contact information for Shelley & Foley.

Advertisement for Farney Livery Stable, listing services and contact information for Robt. Irving.

Advertisement for Harney Valley Brewery, listing products and contact information for Woldenberg & Berg.

Advertisement for E. O. D. C., Headquarters at Ontario, Oregon, listing services and contact information.

Advertisement for Joe Tupker, Blacksmithing and Horseshoeing, listing services and contact information.

Advertisement for Patents Guaranteed, listing services and contact information for Victor J. Evans & Co.

Advertisement for \$1000 Reward, featuring an illustration of a man and text about a reward.

Advertisement for Harney County Live Stock, listing various animals and contact information.

Advertisement for various livestock and services, listing names and details.

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Advertisement for Ferry's Seeds, featuring a logo and text about seed quality.