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OREGON NOTES

Interesting News From Different Parts of the State.

A statement given out by the War Department shows that all but \$7377 of the claim of Oregon of \$40,258, for outfitting her volunteers during the Spanish War, has been paid.

The shearing of the half million Lake county sheep will be finished in about a week, after which it is expected the local wool market will open at about nine and a half. The Lake county clip of 1901 is said to be a superior quality, long fibre, clean and heavy.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Cobb crossed the Cascade Mountains by the Sautiam route about 10 days ago. They found snow for 10 miles, and it averaged about five feet deep. At times they had 12 horses hitched to one wagon. It took them four days to cross the summit. They tried the McKenzie route, but failed.

A Portland lawyer will test the state barber law on the point that the word "barbering" in the title of the act is not found in any dictionary, therefore does not sufficiently describe the business sought to be prohibited on Sundays. While there is no question as to the meaning of the word, and the intention of the legislature, laws have been set aside on flimsier pretenses.

The anti-nickle in the slot law is at last a dead letter in Oregon. In the circuit court for Marion county Monday the one suit that had been brought to suppress these machines was dismissed. In a very few minutes thereafter practically all of the machines in town were running full blast. A placard on the machines announces that a cigar is given with every five cent piece deposited in the machine.

The cold wave which swept over Eastern Oregon this week did great damage to fruit and vegetables. From the Burnt River and Eagle Valley districts, where the best fruit and vegetables in the state are grown, the report comes that the greater part, if not all, the fruit is destroyed, and that most of the garden produce is ruined. In some places the temperature was as low as 23 above zero Tuesday night. In Baker City the Weather Bureau thermometer registered 29 degrees, and some thermometers went down as low as 24 degrees above zero.

Malheur county and a good portion of Grant and Baker will be formed into a parish and placed in charge of a Catholic priest soon. Rev. Father Kraemer has been appointed by Archbishop Christie to take up the work of that parish, and have headquarters at Ontario. Father Kraemer's jurisdiction will include Malheur county, Huntington, Express, Bridgeport and Connor creek in Baker county, and Canyon City, Susanville and the John Day river country of Grant county. This is a large territory and will cause the priest in charge to travel much.

S. A. Heilner, of Baker City, sold all of his wool last Friday, which he bought last year and this, over 500 sacks, or about 175,000 pounds, at a figure which averaged 9 1/2 cents per pound. This is the largest single sale of wool ever made in Eastern Oregon. This deal breaks the proposed woolgrowers' combine, which it was proposed to form at a meeting of the growers of Eastern Oregon to be held in Baker City early in July. Mr. Heilner, being

the largest holder of wool in this section, his participation was necessary to make the combine successful. The wool was sold to Eastern dealers.

A Cottell, who lived on a ranch about 12 miles from Durkee, in Baker county, died suddenly June 6. The body was taken to Durkee, and Coroner Snow called. It was brought out in the evidence before the Coroner's jury that Cottell and a party of friends, among whom was Stella Mead, a notorious character of Baker City, had been indulging in a prolonged alcohol and morphine spree, from the effects of which Cottell died. The verdict of the Coroner's jury was death from alcoholic and morphine poisoning. A few weeks ago Stella Mead was married to a man by the name of Kesler, who committed suicide in a few hours after the ceremony was performed, as a result of an alcohol and morphine debauch. The Mead woman was recently confined to the insane asylum at Salem, and has only been out a short time.

A thrifty Dutch Flat farmer, of the Populist persuasion, tried a little game on the County Clerk, says a Dalles paper. One day a week before the farmer brought to the Clerk's office one ear and part of the scalp of a coyote, which he claimed he had killed on his place with strychnine. He was allowed the bounty of \$2, although the Clerk was in some doubt as to the legality of granting it when one ear of the scalp was presented. His suspicions that there was some crookedness at the bottom of the business were fully verified the other day when the same farmer brought in the head of a coyote, with one ear and the surrounding scalp missing. Of course, he had a story to account for the missing ear, but it didn't work with the Clerk worth a cent, and his palpable attempt to cheat county out of \$2 fell through.

Thurston Pettjohn was arrested by Sheriff Conleton Monday at Powell buttes, says the Crook County Journal. Pettjohn is wanted in Linn county for horse stealing. An attempt was made last spring to arrest him and his partner near Sweet Home which resulted in the wounding of his partner who confessed and implicated Pettjohn who hid in the hills around Sweet Home until the snow got in shape so that he could cross the mountains when he crossed into this county. He was headed for the Silver Lake country and no doubt would soon have joined some of the rest of the gang that operating in Eastern Oregon. Horse stealing has become very fashionable this spring and some of the thieves have been very lucky, but this may prove a warning to the gang to quit, if not some extreme measures will no doubt be taken by the stockmen.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

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REPLY OF GOV. GEER

His Views on a Third Term for President McKinley.

Salem, Or., June 6.—Governor Geer today received the following telegram from the Chicago American:

"Will McKinley be the first President to have a third term?"
"Have conditions so changed that a third term is advisable?"
"What do declarations by such men as Senators Depew, Kearns and Hanna seem to indicate?"
Governor Geer sent the following reply tonight:

"I do not believe McKinley will be the first President to have a third term, nor that the man is born who will. For many reasons McKinley will rank in history as one of our greatest Presidents, but no combination of circumstances will make it necessary for him to be seriously considered by any one as a third-term candidate. I have no idea that he has ever thought so himself. No matter how conditions might change in this country, the proposition that no man should serve a third term would still be the best public policy. The declarations of the prominent men you name indicate nothing more than a desire to be sensational along the line of learning public sentiment on the question. There can be no doubt as to what the public mind will say upon this subject. I have the highest possible opinion of President McKinley, but necessity does not and will not exist for the departure from the established custom of the country upon the question of a third term."

"T. T. Geer, Governor."

JOAQUIN MILLER RICH.

Went to Beaumont, Tex., Before Oil Discovery.

Letters have been received at Eugene by relatives of Joaquin Miller, formerly of Canyon City and the first county judge of Grant county, that he has made a fortune. It seems that a few months ago he became tired of his California home and started to Texas with the idea of hunting a new residence, no particular section being in view. At any rate he "got off the cars" at the then village of Beaumont, just before the oil discovery at and near that place, and close by purchased 1000 acres of land at a nominal figure. Since then the great gushing wells have been discovered and there are several on Mr. Miller's ranch. The discovery has made him very rich, probably a millionaire, and he is happy.—Canyon City Eagle.

A Rain Maker.

Here is a good joke on Dr. V. C. Cook, who lives across the river from The Dalles. On Tuesday of last week he was lamenting to an old Indian medicine man that no rain had fallen to make crops grow and that there would be no grain raised this summer, whereupon the Indian asked how much the doctor would give for a good rain. "One hundred dollars," said the doctor. "Very well," responded the Indian, "I'll go make it rain, you give me hundred dollar." The doctor assented, and the Indian repaired to his wigwam, smoked himself and offered up prayers to the god of rain. Rain began falling Wednesday night and by Thursday was pouring down in torrents. The next day Mr. Lodian appeared at the doctor's house and demanded his

pay, declaring that he had brought the rain. The doctor is somewhat sceptical about the Indian having produced the rain, but doesn't know how to get out of his bargain.—Times-Mountaineer.

A CURIOUS WILL.

A rather peculiar will was made at Oregon City several years ago, while later developments in the character of a legate singularly have fitted themselves to the legal document. Under the terms of the will two brothers McNamara, minors, heird valuable property at Oregon City with the condition that should either of the brothers fail to bear a good reputation on arriving at the age of twenty-one the other should heir all the property.

One of them has proved a hard customer, having been an inmate of the State Reform School, also serving time in Washington and Multnomah county jails. He is now in jail at Hillsboro on the serious charge of larceny from a store. It seems that the testator had reason to mistrust the boy, else made a good guess.

The girls this summer, are to wear the net waist, a garment so gauzy and transparent that one can see every pulsation of their dear little hearts. One who has inspected these new-fangled waists turns himself loose as follows:

"The shirt-waist man and the net-waist girl go hand in hand today, and all the people year after year keep throwing their clothes away. The coat and vest we laid to rest and where is the fleecy shawl? And clothes get thinner and fewer—what will be the end of it all? Oh, what will the shirt-waist man take next from the things he has to wear? And what will the net waist girl throw off her shoulders now so bear?"

The shirt waist man and net-waist girl go rollicking down the way. Have we started a thread that is going to end in the old fig leaf, some day?—Ex.

Persons who are familiar with the country are of the opinion that the Southern Pacific, besides tapping rich timber belts and gaining other local business, will make the Klamath Falls Klamath road part of a main line which will ultimately connect with the Columbia Southern. This will give a road from Eugene on the California coast to Biggs on the O. R. & N. on the Columbia River.—Grass Valley Journal.

It is reported at Klamath Falls that Southern Pacific surveyors are examining the route of the proposed railroad from Klamathon, Cal., to Klamath Falls, and that a permanent survey will begin early in June.

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

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