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TRAFFIC STATISTICS.

The passenger traffic statistics of Chicago during the fair are simply astounding. They show that the railroads carried nearly ten million people to and from Chicago. The Northwestern alone carried 2,700,000 and the C. B. & Q. 2,300,000 and the Milwaukee and St. Paul the next highest, 622,000. The suburban lines of Chicago carried 24,385,643. Of this number the yellow "cattle cars" of the Illinois Central carried 18,178,893, at 15 cents a head. The street car lines and elevated road carried 215,750,173. The south side lines carried 116,248,779. The World's Fair steamships carried three millions. Possibly in all these fares and the millions expended on board, room, in admissions to the gates and incidentals inside and up town, is a partial explanation of our hard times. Chicago has been the country's mite box for six months and millions have gone into it. There has been an unprecedented concentration in a given time, when we could least afford it, of millions of money in one place. It did not go there through the ordinary channels of commerce and travel, but under extraordinary and temporary conditions. Chicago drew on the whole nation and the whole nation responded. The fair has been an ally of hard times, and the end of the fair stops the drain and re-establishes normal relations between Chicago and the rest of mankind. It may check Chicago's stream of prosperity, but it will be a relief to her vasalage. Chicago's loss will be the country's gain.—Walla Walla Statesman.

A JURY of twelve men have decided that the Chinese rioters are not guilty. Whether the law and evidence warranted this decision or not we are not prepared to say. From the evidence we heard we are inclined to think a large part of them were guilty and should have been made to bear the part of the heavy expense to which the county has been put on account of their lawless acts. It is to be hoped, however, that the lesson they have received will be a benefit to them and to any one else who will think for a moment he can take the law in hand by committing depredations of any kind in Union County in the future.—Oregon Scout.

The initiative and referendum would be a safeguard, as is outlined in the following paragraph from the Political Economist: "There is no danger to any legitimate interest from a free and untrammelled uprising and movement of the people. It is a well known fact that the masses of the people are always conservative, cautious, and slow to act. The danger always has been from self-constituted inflammatory leaders, and fortunately this movement can have none."

A FEARFUL gale swept over the English Channel for several days last week and the list of disasters on the English coast is appalling. Many vessels have gone down and hundreds of deaths are reported.

A History Condemned.

The Boise City Post of the G. A. R. has denounced in the strongest terms the use of Ellis' United history in the public schools, and the state text book commissioners will be asked to remove the objectionable book from the list. Grand Army men claim the history not only contains glaring inaccuracies in its statements concerning the civil war, but is prejudiced and unloyal and unfit to put in the hands of children. The book is said to praise confederate generals and has passed almost unnoticed such men

as Grant, and contains other slurs on Union soldiers which the veterans take seriously to heart.

An Essay.

The following essay was written by one of the language class pupils in the Adams school. The writer is eleven years old.

THE BAT.

The bat has a body like a mouse and looks like a winged mouse. It has large ears and strong, large wings. It has claws on its wings. It flies rapidly, and likes darkness. It sleeps all day, sometimes hanging with its head downward and sometimes with it upward. The bat eats insects and fruit. It has four large front teeth; the other teeth are small.

Bats are found in hollow trees, caves, under roofs of houses and in old buildings.

There is a bat called the vampire bat, which sucks the blood of persons while they are sleeping. Its wings, when spread, are from five to six feet from tip to tip.

AGNES MCKENZIE

Right, You Are.

There is a class in every community who want an editor to indulge in personal criticisms that would gratify their jealousies, spites and vanities, but which would probably result in considerable pecuniary loss to the editor, yet they are unwilling to assist the newspaper to any extent. They want the editor to fight their battles for them, but are unwilling to furnish any of the "munitions of war" in the way of patronage which will keep the paper going. Again, it is a very common occurrence for reports to be brought to our sanctum that so and so stole a horse, killed a steer, or run in some stray sleep, and demand us to ventilate the affair, but caution us not to mention their names in connection with it. In such instances this paper gives but little attention to such reports.—Long Creek Eagle.

Defining a Newspaper.

It is a library. It is an encyclopedia, a poem, a history, a timetable, a romance, a guide, a political resume, a ground plan of the civilized world, a low priced mul-tum in parvo. It is a sermon, a song, a circus, an obituary, a shipwreck, a symphony in cold lead; a medley of life and death, and a great aggregation of man's glory and his shame. It is, in short, a bird's-eye view of all the magnanimity and meanness, the joys and sorrows, births and deaths, the pride and poverty of the world—all for a few cents.—Ex.

Cheap Rates Anticipated.

There is a likelihood of a lively rate war between the Union Pacific and the Southern Pacific during the progress of the Mid-Winter Fair. The Southern Pacific announces that it will make a round-trip rate of \$25 between Portland and San Francisco. The Union Pacific has not yet come to the front with any statement as to what it will do in the way of rates on its steamers, but it is hinted that the company will not only meet the Southern Pacific figures, but go them one better. The Northern Pacific will also, no doubt, make a rate that will be worthy of consideration.

Another Editor in Trouble.

The editor of a paper at Storm Lake, Iowa, is now hiding in a swamp near that place in consequence of the way he mixed up the report of a cattle show and a concert. His paper said: The concert given last night by sixteen of Storm Lake's most beautiful young ladies was highly appreciated. They sang in a charming manner, winning the plaudits of the entire audience, who pronounced them of the finest breed of shorthorns in the country. A few of them are of a rich brown color, but the majority are spotted brown and white. Several of the heifers were able-bodied animals, and promise to prove good property."

Died From Dropsy.

Mrs Mary J. McGuire died at her home near Walla Walla, from dropsy, Nov. 7, and the remains were interred in the Blue Mountain cemetery the following day, in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing friends. Mrs. McGuire was born in Pennsylvania, and at her death she was aged 53 years 7 months and five days, and leaves three sons and three daughters to mourn her loss. The deceased came to Walla Walla county 1862 and was well and favorably known throughout Eastern Oregon.

WORLD'S FAIR JURY.

Grants Highest Award to Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—On the analysis and recommendation of Dr. Wiley, Chief United States Government Chemist at Washington, and greatest living authority on food products, the World's Fair jury today gave the highest award to Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder for strength, purity and excellence. This conclusively settles the question of superiority. Dr. Wiley rejected the alum powders, stating to the World's Fair jury that he considered them unwholesome.

A Public Inquest.

The residents of Long Creek, says the Eagle, were treated to a little sensational affair Monday afternoon, and for some time indignation was at a boiling heat in many of the heretofore quiet homes of that city.

Upon the discovery that a thief had effected an entrance into the Keeney saloon building and stolen about \$75 worth of groceries and clothing, a warrant was obtained for the search of every residence in town, regardless of the moral standing, manner of living or previous condition of servitude of the occupants of its many homes. This warrant, regardless of its legality—for as a matter of law, we believe it to have been illegal—was carried by parties who at the time were not sworn officers under bond, and who had no more right by virtue of said warrant to enter the private homes of this city than the judge of any court has to inflict the death penalty without trial.

The people of Long Creek class themselves as law-abiding citizens, and approve of adopting means to suppress theft and lawlessness, but do not care to be classed as a band of thieves in order to accomplish such an object.

To All Our Readers.

We print a coupon in this issue entitling everyone who buys the paper to a reproduction in oil colors of the great floral panel-picture "An American Beauty," painted by the artist of the world-famous "Yard of Pansies" and "Yard of Roses." This superb present, worth \$5.00, is copyrighted and cannot be purchased of picture-dealers at any price. It is 20 inches high, and will fit upright narrow spaces admirably. Be sure and get a coupon entitling you to this magnificent gift.

Iron Ore.

Quite a large vein of almost pure iron ore was discovered a short time ago in the Jenkin's Hill district, twelve miles northeast of this city, says the Baker City Epigram. Upon examination it proved to be the character of ore used for "fluxing" in smelting galena and other base ores. Should a smelter ever be operated in this county, and we think it only a question of time when such an enterprise will be in existence, this ledge will be a valuable piece of property. The discoverers, Messrs. Jenkins, Chaplin and others located it last week and will develop it next spring.

After the Portland Mercury.

At Portland, Saturday District Attorney Hume arrested A. P. Mason, and B. P. Watson, proprietors of the Sunday Mercury; Jerry Maxwell foreman; Pressman Kennedy, Route Agent Simpson and Solicitor Senofsky, on a charge of publishing obscene literature. Fifty-six news boys were also arrested but released. Their papers were taken away and the entire edition in the office seized and the forms piled. Mason and Watson had an examination on Tuesday and were held under \$3000 bonds to appear before the grand jury.

Government Control of Railroads.

Before the end of the week, copies of a new petition emanating from Spokane, will be scattered all through the western states for signatures. The petition is addressed to congress, and asks that immediate steps be taken and vigorously prosecuted for the purchase by the government of all the property and franchises of the Union Pacific and Northern Pacific railroads, and that said roads be owned and operated by the general government in the interest of the people.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the books and accounts of the blacksmith business of Willert & Taft, Ed. Taft, and Taft Tolbert & Co., have been sold and been placed in my hands for collection. My instructions are to collect.

All persons who are indebted on said books must settle at once. I have no time to make personal duns, and shall consider that any one who does not call inside of two weeks and either pay or make arrangements to pay soon, does not intend to pay unless forced. I shall proceed accordingly.

W. T. GILMAN.
Nov. 10th, 1893.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, October 23rd, 1893.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Umatilla county, at Pendleton, Oregon, on December 2nd, 1893, viz:

FRANK ENGLISH.
He claims for the S E 1/4 Sec 20 T 5 N R 35 E W M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Walker, J. Alexander Walker, Lawrence Hutchinson and George Carmichael, all of Weston, Oregon.
B. F. WILSON, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, November 15th, 1893.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before H. J. Bean, Com. U. S. Circuit court at Pendleton, Oregon, on December 25th 1893. Viz:

ELBERT A. MANN.
He claims for the S W 1/4 Sec 20 T 4 N R 35 E W M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: (Witnesses take notice) Abraham D. Leedy and John Scott, of Letia, Ore.; J. J. Galshier and Archibald McKinnon, of Adams, Ore.
B. F. WILSON, Register.

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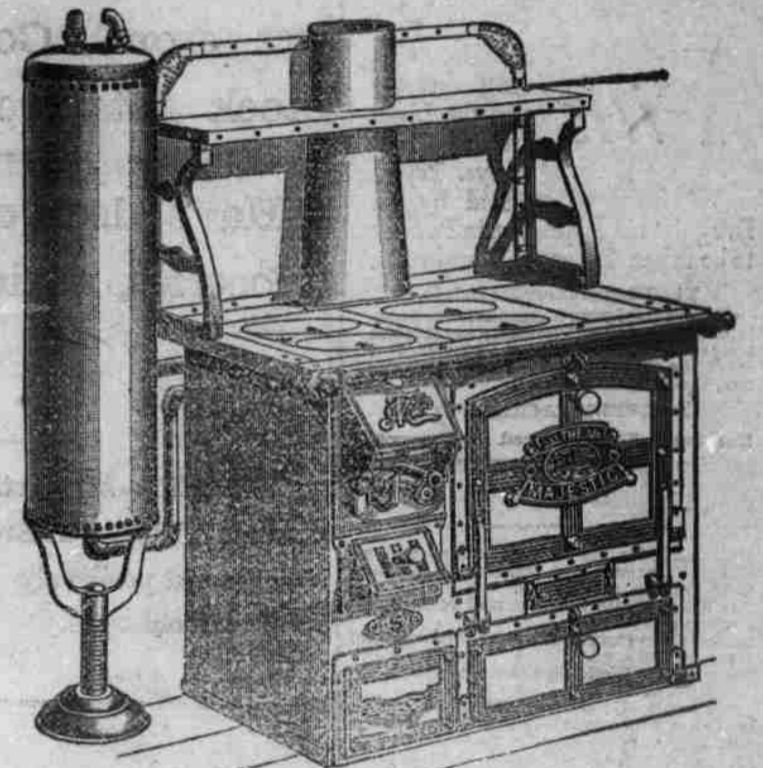
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