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CITY AND COUNTY.

The price of The Observer is \$1.50 per year. Five cents for six months. 30 cents for four months—but if paid in advance we accept \$1.00 in full for one year. Shorter terms than one year 125 cents per month.

Farm hands in demand.

Helo, Fossil; about next week.

P. O. DeMoss has located a ranch on John Day.

F. E. Brown and wife were in the Dalles last week.

Telephone connections were made with Prineville on the 23.

W. B. McCoy is successor to Wm. Hoggard in the Martin building.

Murphy & Campy sold E. G. Messenger 3 sets of harness last week.

Carl Peets reports Jerry Caldwell and 29 others at Wind River when he left.

Sunday was such a lovely day that but few left home for the cooling shades at Harris.

Headaches, sallowness, falling sensations, liver troubles. Hudyan cures; 50c., all druggists.

Moro city charter will be found on 49 pages of the session laws of 1899, beginning on page 959.

T. R. Barnes, the Wasco master-mechanic is in Moro putting flues into S. S. Hayes' new residence.

The Union Warehouse Co. are re-building at Biggs. The farmers will probably not build now at that point.

C. C. Long has made a good photograph of the Sherman county court house, now in process of building.

J. M. Filoon burned his hand badly with a fish line running through it. Geo. N. Bolton got the fish line at last.

John Holman has converted his orchard into a veritable chicken park, surrounded with high wire fencing.

Mr. and Mrs. Erskine have returned from Seattle. Mr. E. was quite sick for three weeks, and is glad to get home.

Prof. I. M. Walker and wife of Albany, are guests of Rev. J. M. Morrison, visiting Sherman county in the interests of education.

A large boiler and engine for the Prineville water and electric light plant is here to go hence, in all 9000 lbs. of freight.

Pupils, and Rutledge school children, are happy in the thought that Miss Ward has consented to return and resume teaching next fall.

Mrs. Oscar Nelson, and an interesting little daughter, from Butte county, Cal., are visiting Mrs. J. M. Dunahoo. Miss Katie Cramer is also a visitor.

J. C. Williams and Miss Carrie E. Davis were married on the 1st, by Rev. Nickelson, in Hood river valley. Long life and happiness, Carl, to you and yours.

C. H. Toms is entertaining hosts of visitors at his lovely home on the DesChutes this summer. His time is taken up now fruit and berry picking, marketing etc.

A grand display of electric pyrotechnics, accompanied by resounding artillery of the heavens, in other words a regular down east thunder and lightning storm, visited Sherman county the evening of the 28th followed by a brisk shower, which the parched earth deliciously sipped.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B., and Miss Ida Mowery, entertained Mr. and Mrs. Dakin, Prof. and Mrs. Dakin, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. DeMoss, and D. C. Ireland, at an ice cream social last Wednesday evening. Prof. Dakin and wife are Minnesota teachers, returning from the great educational convention in California.

The little Dutch boy who stepped the leak in the dike with his finger saved his country from overwhelming destruction. You have read about him in your school readers, how he was walking along the dike when he heard a faint sound of trickling water, and knew at once that a leak had sprung in that great embankment which saves Holland from the devastations of the hungry sea. It was early in the night, and no one was near at hand. The leak was small when he found it, but he knew that the action of the water would enlarge it long before morning, and wash away the entire embankment, inundate the country and destroy his own and thousands of homes. So he bravely put his finger in the crevice, and kept it there all the long night through, until help came and the opening was properly stopped. He had saved his country.

Equally insignificant is the entrance of disease into the human system. The beginnings of the most terrible ailments are so small they can be easily stopped at the start. Your health is a dike which keeps down the matter how slightly there is an opening for disease to enter. If the opening is not watched, it will grow larger, until the sweep of disease overwhelms you, and health and perhaps life is destroyed forever.

Fortify your health with Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and you can defy ill health. You can make your health as strong as a bulwark that disease cannot find a crevice through which it can creep. Taken in time, Dr. Pierce's remedies prevent greater and more serious troubles, and make them strong.

Constitutional causes and aggravates many serious diseases. It is specially cured by Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

ALL KINDS OF GOODS RISING.

The Great Northern Furniture Store of The Dalles Still Selling at the Old Prices.

We are now in a position to sell you goods cheaper than before. Since we opened a store in Portland we are getting our goods from the east in car load lots and we are buying larger quantities to supply the Portland and Dalles stores.

We carry now three lines of steel ranges, among them the best steel range made in the United States, known as the Charter Oak steel range, everyone knows that it is the best range made. Besides we carry the Cleveland and Born steel ranges.

Prices very low, from \$25 up.

We also carry the cast iron Charter Oak stoves and ranges, prices ranging from \$6 up.

We carry a large line of carpets ranging in price from 30 cents and up per yard. We sell all kinds of furniture, bedding, crockery, granite ware, tin ware, and hardware.

Prices the lowest. We have hard-wood bed room sets from \$10 and up.

We have a complete line of white enameled iron beds from \$3.50 and up.

When you are in town don't fail to come and learn our goods. We are anxious to sell goods. You can save money by buying your household goods from the Great Northern Furniture Store at The Dalles, Oregon, East End, opposite Mrs. Obars Hotel.

Kent Comments.

Dave McCalvey is busy breaking horses.

Mr. McCulloch, who bought the Comstock ranch, has fenced it.

Ed. Merchant drove another lot of cayuses to Moro last week but he shipped out of the county. We are glad to see them go.

G. W. Spoonmore has broken up a team by loss of one of his best horses. Isn't it queer that the best one in the team always goes first?

Pearl McCune sold his hay standing and has emigrated to a more genial climate. All things considered this is about as good as any.

Having is turning out better than was expected. Another year Kent will support a good threshing outfit judging by the black soil turned over this year.

Mr. J. F. Shrive presented her husband with a daughter on the 23d Mother and child doing well, but it has caused John so much ado that he may be a long time recovering.

Miss Ragdale accompanied by her mother, was at her ranch overlooking affairs last week. It is currently reported that the next visit will be with her—h—h—but you mustn't be too hasty about printing reports in circulation.

Teacher's Examinations.

Writing to Supt. Ragdale State Supt. Ackerman says: It is probable that applicants for state papers can write on all the branches that they will take in three days. However, the program has been made out for four days, and applicants may use their judgment as to the three-day limitation. Following is the program arranged for state papers: Wednesday—Pennamath, history, spelling, algebra, reading. Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, bookkeeping, physics. Friday—Physiology, geography, mental arithmetic, composition, physical geography. Saturday—Botany, plane geometry, general history, English literature, psychology. For county papers: Wednesday—Pennamath, history, spelling, Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar. Friday—Geography, mental arithmetic, reading, psychology. No examination in Oregon school law will be required for either class of papers, unless applicants are graduates of chartered institutions.

Fresh ripe blackberries, at Brooks.

Try the Majestic Wash at Jess Landry's.

If you want a loan on your farm for a long time at a low rate of interest apply to T. A. Hudson, the Dalles, Oregon.

Dr. Lloyd D. Ideman will be absent from his office in Moro for the coming two or three weeks, but will be here on Sundays, to attend any calls that may be made upon him by persons in need of his services.

City ordinances published today are of general interest. It is understood that the sale of the water works to the city includes Jas. Tomlin. The bonds are taken at par, at 6 per cent interest, payable semi-annually, and have 15 years to run.

Miss Mary and Rose Callaghan of Dufur have taken complete control of Uncle Tom's handsome cabin, at the Rutledge ranch, for this summer. Had we known they were the ladies there we'd surely have stopped to rest our horses when we came that way.

Mrs. Starkey and daughter, who have been visiting Mrs. T. Vanlandingham, return to their California home next Monday. Mrs. S. has been delighted with her trip to Oregon—the only disappointment being that the only disappointment being failure to scale the summit of grand old Hood—a feat simply delayed for another visit.

John Mathias, a well known stock dealer of Pulaski, Ky., says: "After suffering for over a week with diphtheria, and my physician having failed to relieve me I was advised to try Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and have the satisfaction of stating that the half of one bottle cured me. For sale by A. D. Bolton & Co."

Protect Our Food.

The doctors inform us that alum is a poison, and that alum baking powders should be avoided because they make the food unwholesome. Prominent hygienists, who have given the matter most study, regard these powders as an evil that should be suppressed by state action. In Minnesota and Wisconsin alum powders are not permitted to be sold unless they are branded to warn consumers of their true character, while in the District of Columbia the authorities have under the direction of Congress, adopted regulations to prohibit the use of alum in bread altogether.

Are not the people of other states as well as those of Minnesota and Wisconsin, entitled to warning of a danger which is apparently menacing them at close hand, and is not the whole country entitled to absolute protection, as the people of the District of Columbia are protected, by legislation which is entirely prohibitive?

Until we can have protection in the form of a statute, how can our state boards of health, state analysts or food commissions better serve the public than by publishing in the newspapers from time to time the names of the baking powders which they find to be made from alum?

Meantime, it will aid the housewife in designating the alum powders to remember that all powders sold at twenty-five cents or less per pound are of this dangerous class. Pure cream of tartar powders are usually sold at from forty-five to fifty cents a pound.

Snap Shots from Wasco.

Mrs. J. S. Amos of Rufus was a visitor in our city last Friday.

Mr. Taylor of Indiana arrived last week and is visiting with W. M. Barnett.

Mrs. D. S. Young has been quite ill the past week but is now convalescing.

M. A. Leslie is employing himself these hot days in digging a well on his residence property.

Thursday night J. W. Armsworthly had a severe attack of pneumonia and at the present is still quite weak.

Mrs. T. J. Robnett is at present visiting with her brother Wm. Walker and lending her assistance in caring for Mrs. Walker who is very sick.

We notice some improvements being made in the south ward. Clayton's cottage is being treated with a coat of paint which adds materially to its appearance.

E. D. McKee has neatly fitted up one of the lower rooms of the Draper building and has been busy the last few days in opening his stock of druggists supplies. We bid him welcome to our midst.

Last Friday Justice Marsh was occupied in a preliminary examination in the case of the State of Oregon vs. Boaz Vanlandingham on the charge of assault with a dangerous weapon. The state produced its evidence and Mr. Vanlandingham waived examination and was held to answer in the sum of \$250.

Epworth League Musical.

The Spalding Chapel Epworth League entertained a large number of friends at J. F. Belshes one evening last week. One double quartet and two other quartets were present, made up of good singers from the vicinity. Misses Jessie Thompson, Alma Newton, Edith Belshes, Mary Thompson, Stella Belshes, Messrs Henry Reece, Roy Howard, Robert and Charles Belshes participating. Recitations were rendered by Stella Belshes, Edith and Roy Hulse. There were lots of ice cream and lemonade left over.

Female, complaints, sallow complexion, headache, nervous disposition; Hudyan cures; all druggists.

J. B. McGrath, after a residence of 17 years in this vicinity, has removed to the Dalles, having recently acquired the Richmond Stables there. His old time friends should remember where to find him, they will be made welcome there.

The Rev. W. P. Costley, of Stockbridge, Ga., while attending to his pastoral duties at Ellenwood, that state, was attacked by cholera and died. He says, by chance I happened to get hold of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and I think it was the means of saving my life, it relieved me at once. For sale by A. D. Bolton.

Small-pox is closing in. Condon is reported. Get vaccinated. Authorities agree on the merits of vaccination as a preventive, and with the disease within 70 miles of us, and if reports be true, pretty well distributed all over Eastern Oregon, it would appear to be the part of wisdom for everybody to vaccinate at once.

About one month ago my child, which is 15 months old, had an attack of diarrhoea accompanied by vomiting. I gave it such remedies as I could find, but it did not seem as though any thing gave relief we sent for a physician and it was under his care for a week. At this time the child had been sick for about 10 days and was having about 25 operations of the bowels every 12 hours, and we were convinced that unless it soon obtained relief it would not live. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was recommended, and I decided to try it. I soon noticed a change for the better, by its continued use a complete cure was brought about and it is now perfectly healthy. C. L. Boggs, Stumptown, W. Va. For sale by A. D. Bolton & Co.

INTERESTING ALASKA LETTER.

The Reindeer are a Perfect Success. Other Places than Dawson.

Following are extracts of general interest from letters received by City Auditor J. M. Barry, from his son in Birch Creek Digging, Massachusetts, Alaska.

For weeks during mid-winter we had not seen the sun, and it was during the months of March and April, this May 7th, that it made its appearance above the horizon. Each day, by walking down to the mouth of the Dall river about noon, I could just see it peeping above the hills, away to the south.

I left the Grail on Dall river on April 3d, traveled 300 miles behind a dog team to Circle city making it in 74 days. We have no darkness now, weather mild, Chinook winds blowing. We reached Fort Yukon 47 hours from Dall river, April 3d. Ft. Y. once boasted a United States troop, but the barracks are now forlorn and tumble-down. A short pole is standing in the fore ground where once floated the United States flag. The town is on the left bank of the river, on a low headland subject to over-flow. The North American Trading and Transportation Company have a store and trading post here. About 50 log cabins are strung along the river bank. Lots of Indians. The natives have developed into all the culture of chewing gum, squirting tobacco juice and drinking whiskey. The "fair sex" especially delight in smoking brass and tin pipes. Even the dogs snap and snarl at you. Such is Fort Yukon, exposed to bleak wind from the flats of the river during winter, and mosquitoes from out the flats in summer. April 10th, 11:30 a.m. we stopped for lunch. The most comfortable place we could find was the sea side of a snow bank. Slushy coffee, Cudahy canned meat and cold flap jacks constituted our meal. At 5:30 p.m. we had the dogs loose and supper going. We stopped at a wood camp and excitable German. Most Germans are slow and easy-going, but this fellow was just the reverse and not likely to let the dollars slip by either. His charges were \$1 per bunk—but Pete, who has an eye to business, said: "O, get out; we won't give you \$4. I'll tell you what we'll do: we are just coming back from the Yukuk and are pretty hard up—\$2 is the size of our pile do you want it? That was very much, he said, but at the same time he blinked his eyes and held out his hand. Perhaps he took pity on us. All returning Yukukers who were in that stampede, were known to be invariably broke, and also looked upon as a little off their balance. Likely this dutchman put us down as last named—anyway, he relinquished the whole place to us, and slept in a cabin near by. There were 4 sleeping bunks and worth the dollar per bunk. I slept in a roomier sleep before and Old Bar, could hardly be got up in the morning—said he was going to camp right there for a week. At this place the Arctic Express Co. have a cache and tent.

Five miles out that morning we came to where the steamer Robert Kerr was lying. Here I met several of the boys with whom I became acquainted coming up from Seattle on the Moran fleet. Sam and I went into the Grail and had a steaming cup of coffee and white bread and butter. It supplied a long felt want, even if that just before had breakfast. We had just stepped at a camp of about 60 Indians from Fort Yukon, out on a hunting expedition. The sight of moose meat hanging in the trees would make a hungry man's eyes moisten and to add to that to see large juicy steaks frizzling over the fire made ones' mouth water. The Indians; kids, dogs and all, welcomed us heartily and we were made to feel right amongst them. They gave long some moose meat at 50c per lb worth every cent of it. The farther up the river one goes the more intelligent the Indians are. They are well dressed some of them better than the average miner. The pilots in the summer generally receive \$200 to \$250 per month and winter provisions, so they can afford to wear a nigger ring and \$60 suit of clothes. The girls are well dressed and frills but the kids are underdressed and we were glad to make their acquaintance and buy some of them at 50c per lb. I secured a large liver for \$2.50, which was simply delicious. The next night we reached Circle city, 300 miles from Dall river, in just 74 hours actual traveling time. That night we had supper in a restaurant at \$1 per head. Circle city is situated on the right bank of the Yukon, which is much higher here than at Fort Yukon. The river makes a large bend and the town is about half way in the circle. It is the largest log cabin town in the world. Several of the buildings are two stories high. The principal concerns are the Alaska Commercial Co with McQuestion & Cos big sign on the front, the N. A. T. & Co., Ames & Wilkins, McGrath & Post. These firms handle groceries and provisions and general merchandise. Then there is one restaurant, a jewelry shop, opera house, newspaper, The Yukon Press, four saloons and gambling houses.

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The 2d night we camped at Porcupine, mouth of Porcupine creek. Here we learned that L. T. McMenis U.S.A., who had started across from this point for the head waters of the Tanana river on a surveying expedition for the government, had lost 6 reindeer that he had with him. The party stopped one day for lunch letting the deer browse in the brush still hitched to the drags in which were all the provisions, blankets, etc. A herd of caribou came over a hill, and away went the reindeer, drags and all, to join them. The L. T. was forced to turn back. The head herder, who has charge of the herd at Porcupine, thinks he can recover the runaways. He is a Norwegian by birth, his four assistants are Laplanders, direct from their native sod. They receive the munificent sum of \$250 per annum and grub, from the government for their services. The reindeer are certainly a success on the Yukon, if they would only use them. They make 50 to 60 miles a day over any kind of trail, or no trail at all, in any weather, drawing 200 lbs. The moss that grows all over Alaska seems to be splendid feed for them. The herd below here is fat and looks fine. Moss is gathered when frozen and they require very little of it. From what I can learn they are just the animal to handle the mail with. It would require a station every 60 or 70 miles, at which moss enough may be gathered in one week by one man in the summer, to last the whole winter season.

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To the Public.

The Oregon Trading Co., Wasco, are now made sole agents for the Hodge Headers in Sherman County, Oregon.

ACME HARVESTER CO., per O. M. Scott, Mgr.

On account of lateness of the season, and danger of flood, we request that all parties desiring Headers will address us at once. We are prepared to take care of all orders for Hodge No. 2, or New Chain Drive Headers. Late improvements make the 1899 machine the finest Hodge Header ever put out by the manufacturers. OREGON TRADING CO., Wasco, Oregon.

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The Price of Brick.

B. F. Hoover has fixed the following scale of prices for brick at the kilns in Moro or Wasco:

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