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Did the comet's narrative last month strike you comically?

An area of 3,030,000 acres of land previously classed as coal land in Oregon, Washington and Montana, was reopened to entry last week by the general land office.

Commenting upon The Observer suggestion that if nothing adverse should happen, "Mr. Sechler will have tons of Royal Anne cherries this season," The Chronicle says: "Yes; and he won't be the only one for there's an epidemic of cherry fever in the cherry city."

Shearing is now in progress, and a number of eastern wool buyers are in the country bidding. Coffin Bros sold 200,000 lbs for New Jersey at 18c (announced 17½c). Some smaller lots sold for 19c. Mills are anxious to buy all they can get and prices are more likely to advance than decline.

Referring to improvements of the Columbia river by the United States government Senator Ankeny says it will be possible to do more at the next session of congress than at the one just closed, from the fact that the surveys and data which they did not have at the last session will be available next winter.

A decision of the Supreme court of Minnesota has established the right of James J. Hill to issue new stock for the extension of the Great Northern Railway, without permission from the Minnesota railroad commission, and the state officials have had an important point in the constitutional law of Minnesota explained to them.

A tract of 26,240 acres of agricultural and grazing land that has been restored to settlement on the south fork of John Day river is a very inviting locality for the homeseeker. The climate is mild and the soil adapted to agriculture and fruit. When isolation is broken by settlement, and civilization tapped by transportation, the problem of a most desirable home in the Inland Empire will have been solved.

If one could not avoid making some sort of complaint about the Oregon climate, he might say that because the seasons are not so sharply segregated or differentiated here, as they are back east, we cannot appreciate or enjoy the coming of spring as people do there. This would be true. Much of our winter is so like spring that we are not very gallant to Etherial Mildness when she does put in a real and genuine appearance.

Senator Mulkey is much pleased that Ship Subsidy Bill was talked to death in the last hours of congress. "The other fellow" claimed it was a graft—they always do; but it's dollars to doughnuts that if the other fellows' graft had had a standing to win out the S. S. Bill funeral would not have occurred. Every republican in the senate, except Mr. Mulkey and Senator Clark of Minnesota, supported the measure. Senator Ankeny is confident that the bill pass yet, perhaps at the next session. We quite agree with Senator Ankeny, that a ship subsidy law is something that we of the Pacific Northwest especially should have, and think we shall secure it in time to benefit our commerce.

GOVERNMENT RECLAMATION.

The full importance of government reclamation is obtainable only by comparison. The 25 projects upon which the nation is now engaged, when developed to their full extent will add 3,198,000 acres to the crop producing area of the United States. Add to these 13 other projects which are held in abeyance, pending completion of the first mentioned, and which will reclaim 3,270,000 acres, and we have a grand total of 6,468,000 acres.

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This enormous area today is practically worthless. It returns revenues neither to the states in which it is located, nor to the nation to which it largely belongs. It is utilized only a short period annually for grazing nomadic herds that are driven over it. Potentially it is the richest, the most fertile and productive land in the world, and is capable of supporting in comfort an agricultural population as dense as can be found in any of the older settled parts of the country.

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By expending $60,000,000 on the engineering works now in process of construction, the reclamation service will reclaim a cultivated area equal to the total acreage in crops in the four states of Florida, Connecticut, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire. The diversified crops, enormous yields from irrigated lands, and the excellent prices for all farm products in the west warrants the assumption that this land will return annually an income larger than the farmers receive in the four states above named.

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For comparison, let us say that the revenues per acre will be the same. It is apparent that this reclaimed area will each year increase the value of farm products by $60,000,000. It will then add $232,000,000 to the taxable property of the people, and furnish new homes for 80,000 families on farms, in towns and villages.

James Steel, long known in Oregon banking circles, has been appointed state bank examiner, a position created by the last legislative assembly.

Genesee, Idaho, has closed its schools three times this winter (we guess its winter, yet the calendar isn't it), on account of contagious diseases; 1st the mumps, 2d measles, 3d chicken pox.

B. A. Gifford, the renouned scenic photographer of the Pacific North west, has contributed several of his pictures for reproduction in the Chamber of Commerce Industrial Magazine, which is to appear in a short time. Speaking about these views, Secretary Giltner says: "If the various counties would furnish such photographs we would be able to put out one of the best magazines published anywhere, so far as illustrations are concerned."

From 1849 to 1869 Tom Thumb (Richard Garnsey), was known by all civilized nations as the most perfectly formed dwarf in the world, dense crowds flocking everywhere he traveled to see the little man of three feet stature. He died recent in his 75th year. When he left the stage he adopted farming as an occupation, and it is said that he proved himself a keen business man. His coffin was scarcely larger than that of a baby.

That dealers are reaping enormous profits by keeping prices at an exorbitant figure is the general impression among consumers of coal and wood. It would be wise precaution to guard against recurrence of a fuel famine next winter to begin preparations now for a new supply. The railroads will have plenty of time to transport it now, and cannot again lay the blame for shortage on the improvidence and neglect of dealers to order in time. This plan was urged upon dealers last spring; now we urge it upon the people themselves, independent of the dealer who perhaps threw you down last fall.

Lewiston and Tacoma saluted April Fool with dread apprehensions of an earthquake that did not show up. The Lewiston alarm was occasioned by numerous land slides and noises heard in the interior of the mountains which are explained by a mining expert to come from water having penetrated the immense lime deposits in the Lime point region, and escaping gas thro the water coming in contact with the lime formation. Tacoma and Seattle dread is explained to have its origin in many new channels formed by the floods of last winter. It is east to explain the phenomena when you know how.

The Barnett Deal Closed.

The deal spoken of in The Observer last week, whereby our fellow citizen, and pioneer in the business of Sherman county, Banker W. M. Barnett, was disposing of all his Wasco city holdings, including his banking business, flouring mills, grain warehouses, merchandise, stock and store buildings, together with other holdings, in the aggregate making a sum of nearly $130,000 in round numbers, was closed Saturday. We regret this transaction if it is to take Mr. Barnett and his family from the county. His successors, however, Messrs. Hamilton & Scroggins, of LaGrande, are said to be of a superior order of business men, and will not only continue the enterprises from which Mr. Barnett releases himself, but will introduce a First National Bank into Sherman county. We cordially greet them.

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Wireless System for Alaska.

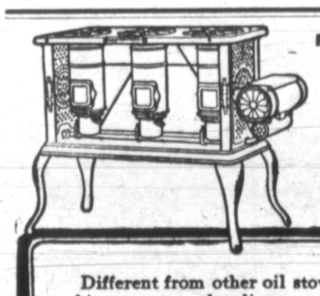
Col. Glassford, head of the Alaska cable system, has been notified from Washington that it is the intention of the government to install wireless telegraphy throughout Alaska. At this time the government is using the wireless with satisfactory results between St. Michael and Port Safety near Nome. It is only by means of this 100 mile stretch that Nome is reached. Stations will be established at Fort Gibbon, Circle city, Fairbanks, Valdez, Sitka, and all principal points in the northland.

Mysterious Theft of Ships Plans

About three weeks ago the plans of the warship Nebraska were stolen by Japan, or some other foreign nation none too friendly to this government, and though as mysteriously returned a few days since, may have been copied and now in the hands of an enemy. The Morans, builders, have no idea who the thief is. The book was taken from a private desk in the office of Supt. Fox. The Nebraska will soon go into commission from the Moran yards, and is designed to be one of the crack fighting pieces of the United States navy.

Eliminating Hitchcock Methods

Washington Dispatch: Secretary Garfield is slowly, but systematically, eliminating "Hitchcock methods" from the administration of the Interior Department. The most important reform now in contemplation is the elimination of "the practice of besmirching the characters of honest men." The Observer has no apologies for past comments. Mr. Garfield is perhaps as anxious as ever Old Hitchcock was to punish grafters and land thieves, but hereafter inspecting officials will be held strictly accountable for their reports, and whenever they attack the character or record of any man they must make good or get out of the service.



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Dam, Corona 23356, by Sandow 21144, by Clampin 13999 (29892), by Phenix 8849 (6883), by Fenelon 2682 (38), by Brilliant 1271 (755), by Brilliant 1899 (756), by Coco II (714), by Vieux Chaslin (713), by Coco (712), by Mignon (715), by Jean Le Blanc (739).

2d Dam. Babe 21146, by Pluton 10113 (19221, by Vaillant (404, by Prosper (893), by Decide (892), by Vieux Pierre (894), by Coco (712), by Mignon (715), by Jean Le Blanc (739).

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