

STATE AND GENERAL NEWS.

The City council of Baker City has authorized the construction of a sewer system.

Portland collected \$23,630.55 license in the quarter ending Dec. 31.

The Lane County tax levy is two mills lower this year and the valuation is 20 per cent higher.

An organization known as the Oregon Information Bureau was formed in Portland recently. They have \$10,000 at their disposal.

Baker City is to have a new city hall, to cost \$30,000.

Medford has outstanding warrants of \$39,525.60. And a total debt of \$70,133.98. This was reduced the past year \$1,307.67.

The Salem State man hits Charley Fulton on the caput with the remark that the latter has some stoing to do as well as Mr. Geer. The Statesman cites the fact that Clatsop County, Mr. Fulton's home, gave the Republican state ticket 600 majority last June, excepting to Furnish, who got only 100. Mr. Fulton received 150 popular votes in June for United States Senator, while Mr. Geer received 45,000. Ergo, according to the logic of the Statesman, Mr. Geer's claims upon the office are exactly 300 times more forceful than the claims of Mr. Fulton; quoderat demonstrandum.

The government is having a large contract of revetment work done on the Willamette river near Independence. \$30,000 will be expended on this piece of work.

Hillsboro levied a 10 mill tax on all taxable property in the city limits.

John Dure, of Lebanon, Linn county committed suicide at noon Friday by blowing the top of his head off. It was premeditated suicide. He was 50 years of age.

Miss Cathrine Crawford of Albany, aged 81 years died from a stroke of apoplexy Thursday.

The Painters Union in Portland have demanded a raise from \$3.00 to \$3.50. The master painters, or contractors have refused to grant the demand.

Multnomah County has a debt of \$518,324.49.

Herbert Mundell a boy who robbed the post office at Ukiah, Oregon plead guilty and was bound over.

Newburg will vote on whether cows are to run at large or not on Monday.

Grants Pass woman's club are trying to have Brooker Washington lecture.

President Roosevelt will be asked to lay the corner stone to Eugene's new high school building.

The government has leased the dredger at Portland and will operate it on the Columbia and Willamette rivers.

Thirteen applicants were before the state medical board this week for examination. They will be asked twenty questions, ten in surgery and ten in anatomy.

Wm. Castleman, a lineman at Portland, was recently dropped 40 feet from a treetop. He escaped without serious injury.

The new factory at Forest Grove is nearly ready to begin condensing milk. The new factory is 100 x 185 feet two stories high and has a basement 50 x 50 feet. It will require 4000 cows to supply the demand.

Two new mining companies have been formed to operate in the Blue River district.

Lane County's tax levy is 2 1/2 mills for state and school purposes.

Thirty tons of Oregon exhibits will be shipped to the Japan exposition from Oregon next week.

Old brewery burned at Grant Pass Wednesday morning.

License or no license was decided by the Mayor's vote at Ashland Wednesday night when his majesty made that city a wet town.

Baker County contains 161,115 sheep. The sheep in this county consume from 15 to 20 thousand tons of hay and requires the attention of 300 men at \$40 per month per man.

Thirty or forty cases of small-pox in the vicinity of Thoretton, Lane County is causing the citizens considerable alarm. More new cases are breaking out every day.

The members of the junior class decided to dispense with the idea of producing a college annual, which is the established custom at the Eugene school, and raise \$100 to set aside as a loan fund, and spend the interest in buying a complete work of some author and dedicating it to the U. of O. Library.

James Hayes, a wealthy pioneer citizen of Bent n County, dropped dead at his home on Oak Creek, Thursday morning. At the time of his death he, with his hired man, was engaged in killing hogs in his back yard.

In Foster school district a sharper induced the school board to sign a warrant for \$113. He persuaded two of the members of the Board to sign a statement regarding a chart that was to be placed in the school. It was afterwards discovered that they had signed school warrants to the tune of \$113, which he presented to the School Clerk, who cashed them and the agent got away.

Ninety-four marriage licences were issued in 1902 in Coos county.

The Tax levy at Medford is 11 mills. Ashland has several cases of small pox.

The Marion County Bar association is petitioning the legislature to reduce the fee for printing briefs to 50 cents a page. It is one thing to lead a horse to water but you cannot always make them drink. The printers are not as thirsty as some of the attorneys may think.

Departures by Arcata for San Francisco today: Miss A Jenise, Miss E Jenise, Ms Dummitt, Miss M E Wilson, Albert Sale, J J Sullivan, W R Jephcott, W E Cleghorn, E Gundlefinger, F E Hiteb, F J Dangle, John Dimmitt, C F Andrews, Mrs Reedy, Mamie Reedy, J A Morrison, J A Ham-block, W C Barrows, W Bullard, C C Langloise, Mary Cleghorn, A Rolla, A Costella, J Malbray, B Anjory, G Geavoy Chas Eckerbloom, C W Douglass, Frank Wickman, and 7 in the steerage and refused 25 more passengers.

Steamer News

Advices from Portland to W. T. Merchant, agent for the Alliance, are to the effect that the Homer did not sail from Portland yesterday, but would be delayed longer than was at first supposed.

The large steam schooner Prentiss was to sail in her place, but will return to Portland from this port instead of going to San Francisco. The Homer, which has accommodations for passengers, will take passengers for San Francisco, but her sailing date is not fixed.

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WOMAN frequently has a finer ear, a more delicate sense of touch and of smell than man, because her skin is finer, because she does not smoke or at least does not abuse tobacco.

WOMAN IS THE FIRST TO RESPOND TO CERTAIN IMPRESSIONS. SHE IS THE FIRST TO CRY WITH FEAR OR ENTHUSIASM, THE FIRST TO REDDEN FROM SHAME OR WRATH, THE FIRST TO LAUGH, THE FIRST TO WEEP WITH TENDERNESS OR FROM PAIN, THE FIRST TO SPEAK IF QUESTIONED.

It is rare that a woman does not interrupt any one who is talking. Education sometimes succeeds in overcoming this weakness, but in general the need of responding to an impression received is stronger than reflection or education. THE ALMOST ABSOLUTE INCAPACITY OF WOMEN TO KEEP A SECRET ALSO DEPENDS UPON THIS ORGANIC DEFECT OF THE FEMINE NERVOUS SYSTEM. They say that when one of the nerve cells is under tension it experiences an imperative need to expand.

Fear is one of the most irresistible of automatic emotions. This emotion is usually more readily produced and more intense among women because they have less control over their thoughts. There is a feminine timidity which sometimes gives place to a virile courage, to the most admirable courage.

FREQUENTLY A WOMAN IS AFRAID OF A MOUSE, BUT SHE ASCENDS THE GIBBET WITH HEROISM. SHE CRIES AT THE SIGHT OF A SERPENT, BUT SHE TOSSES HERSELF INTO THE FLAMES TO SAVE HER CHILD.

Woman's fear is largely a matter of education. Men from infancy are encouraged to be bold, brave. Women are indulged in the most unreasonable fears. Men tell her that they like a timid woman; this because they like to defend her from danger and because they like to assert their virility before her.

If in man the desire to conceal his emotions so as not to appear weak predominates, with woman the desire to be beautiful makes her think she is so. In his own peculiar mimicry man always says, "I am strong!" And woman always wishes to say, "I am beautiful!" These words are different, but the principle at bottom is the same, for man's first power is courage and woman's first power is beauty.

EXPERIENCE, INTELLIGENCE, EDUCATION, HAVE TAUGHT WOMAN THE INFINITE VALUE OF MIMICRY. COMPARE THE WAITS OF A CHILD WHO WISHES TO BE TAKEN TO THE THEATER WITH THE WEEPING OF A WOMAN WHO WISHES TO VANQUISH THE RESISTANCE OF A SWEETHEART.

The two creatures weep equally and for a similar reason, but with what difference in their methods and resources! What poverty on the one hand; what riches on the other! The beautiful woman caresses her sweetheart with a smile full of tears. With each palpitation of her muscles, each caress of her fingers, each undulation of her bosom, she emits an appeal to compassion that finally little by little leads her sweetheart to her feet and binds and conquers him like a prisoner, like a slave.

What a sublime genius of mimicry is concealed in that little, flexible and graceful body which paralyzes and fascinates the big body of man!

A WOMAN WHO WEEPS IS POWERFUL. THE WOMAN WHO WEEPS BEAUTIFULLY IS ALL POWERFUL.

Spoke Too Soon.

Alexandre Dumas was one day the guest of Dr. Gistal, a leading practitioner in Marseilles. After dinner, while the coffee was being handed round, the host requested the great novelist to enrich his album with one of his witty improvisations. "Certainly," replied Dumas, with a smile, and, drawing out a pencil, he wrote under the eyes of his entertainer the following lines: Since Dr. Gistal came to our town To cure disease casual and hereditary, The hospital has been pulled down— "Ye flatterer!" here exclaimed the doctor, mightily pleased, but the poet went on: And I have made a larger cemetery.

Must Have Been.

First Chapple—I wonder now, Chelle, how the donkey ever came to be used as the emblem of stupidity? Second Chapple (with a yawn)—I don't know. I'm sure, dear boy, must have been before our day.

Warm Advice.

Author—Oh, well, if you don't choose to publish my story I have other means in the fire. Publisher—Oh, you have? If I were you, I'd put this story in with 'em.

Hackneys and Dachshunds.

Hackneys of skyscraping knee action are to some extent freaks in horsemanship of little more real value to mankind than dachshunds, the shamed or dwarfed among dogs. The little child who said of this ridiculous playfooted, bowlegged caricature of the canine race that it must have been born under a bureau hit the mark exactly. The nose suiting cloud capping horses that try to throw their front legs over their ears at every stride are grotesque aberrations from sound and admirable types. They and the dachshunds should disappear together.—New York Tribune.

Over a Game of Chess.

An awful example of the risks to be encountered by those who play chess with adversaries of uncertain temper is recorded in the "Annals of the Four Masters." Two kings of Irish provinces began a game on the best of terms, but he who got the worst of it seized one of the rooks and flung it with such force at his royal opponent that it entered the brain and killed him on the spot.

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