

The Oregon Scout says: Senator Mitchell has introduced a bill appropriating \$150,000 to build a Postoffice at Salem. The Senator, like the rest of his party, is in favor of getting rid of the surplus. Salem has about as much use for a \$150,000 Postoffice as Union has for a Colossus of Rhodes to span Catherine creek.

The fund for a monument to General Ulysses S. Grant has reached the sum of \$120,000, which is at least \$40,000 more than is actually needed. For the last three meetings there has been no quorum of directors present; and the next thing we shall hear from it will be that the treasurer is living at Toronto or Montreal and "waiting for the thing to blow over."

There are about 1,500 miles of railroad in Oregon, aggregating 90 tons of rail to the mile, or a total of 135,000 tons, which being taxed \$17 per ton duty amounts to \$2,595,000. The average life of a steel rail is 10 years, which divided into \$2,595,000, shows that over \$260,000 is annually taken out of the pockets of the Oregon shippers for the benefit of East-ern rolling mills.

Hon. Binger Hermann, Oregon's congressman, is a trump. He has the gratitude and thanks of the people of Lake county for his untiring and unceasing efforts in our behalf. He is a "stayer," and don't know how the word, fall, is spelled. We like him, and believe that he should be encouraged by the people he benefits and labors for.—Lake County Examiner.

A Washington correspondent asserts that indications are not wanting that a strong Mormon lobby is at work to secure the admission of Utah as a state at this session of congress. No opposition of consequence is expected, except in the senate, and republican senators upon the Pacific coast are counted upon to support the bill. If this scheme is attempted the Mormons will simply find out that they have counted without their host.

Senator Vest, of Missouri, in his speech opposing the Blair educational bill, argues that crime and illiteracy do not go together. To show this he compares southern with southern and northern with northern states, deeming that a fair way, and somewhat adroitly makes a specious showing; but it appears by an analysis of the question on a fair basis, that crime does bear a close relation to illiteracy. If it does not, our millions spent for education had better be diverted to some other and more profitable use.

At the present time organized labor seems to be its own worst enemy. Such organizations may be useful and helpful, but when a few men can take it upon themselves to say when thousands of other men shall or shall not work, it is time for those who respect themselves to resist. If there is ever a time to strike, it is certainly not when snow covers the earth and biting winds blow over empty flour barrels and small piles of coal. The Reading strike, by which nothing was or will be gained, is an illustration and is surely the beginning of the end of the Knights of Labor as a potential factor in directing the labor interests of the country. This will also probably mark the removal of Powderly as a factor in the labor problem, besides convincing many people that no wrong exists, that labor centralization will not exaggerate.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN ON TEMPERANCE.

In our contest with the liquor traffic, we should be encouraged by the views of great and noble men. We therefore publish Lincoln's own words on the cause of alcohol:

Of our political revolution of 1776 we are justly proud. It has given us a degree of political freedom far exceeding that of any other nation of the earth. In it the world has found a solution of the long-pondered problem as to the capability of man to govern himself. In it was the germ that vegetated, and still is to grow and expand into universal liberty of mankind.

Turn now to the temperance revolution. In it we shall find a stronger bondage broken, viler slavery committed, a greater tyrant deposed; in it, more of want supplied, more disease healed, more sorrow assuaged. By it no orphan starving, no widow weeping; by it, none wounded in feeling, none injured in interest; even the drunkard and dram-seller will have glided into other occupations—so gradually as never to have felt the change, and will stand ready to join all others in the universal song of gladness. And what a noble ally this to the cause of political freedom! With such an aid its march can not fail to be on and on, till every son of earth shall drink in rich fruition the sorrow-quenching draught of perfect freedom. Happy day when all appetites controlled, all matter subjected, mind, all-conquerable mind, shall live and move the monarch of the world! Glorious consummation! Hail, fall of fury! Reign of reason, all hail!

And when the victory shall be complete—when there shall be not a slave nor a drunkard on the earth—how proud the title of that land which may truly claim to be the birthplace and the cradle of both these revolutions that shall have ended in that victory! How nobly distinguished that people who shall have planted and nurtured to maturity both the political and moral freedom of their species!

TOLD BY THE ENGINEER.

BY CHARLES NEWTON HOOKS, AUTHOR OF "THE TRAIN DISPATCHER," ETC.

(Written for the Oregonian.)

There were two trains waiting for the special on the side track at Morley's.

The engineers, conductors, brakemen and firemen had deserted their charges and were gathered in a little group beneath the trees beside the station.

The two engines, so closely together that their pilots almost touched, were softly purring to themselves, magnificent illustrations of dormant power.

"Them two engines standin' so close together," remarked Engineer Jim Thomas, "reminds me of a little hap-penstance when I was runnin' on the—"

"Well, go on and tell us about it," remarked the conductor, "you know you're acclin' to it."

"Well, it's somethin' I don't tell much," rejoined the engineer, "and I don't know whether you'll believe the story or not, and I don't care much, either, for it's true just the same."

"Frank Larkin used to be my fireman in those days, and together we did keep the No. 262 lookin' pretty bright, and got some mighty good time out of her, too.

"One session we used to bring up the limited every other night and run back on accommodations. 'Twas a sort of split up run, but it was the best we could do then, and we had to be satisfied."

"The limited had to do some all-fired good runnin' to make her connections, and we used to have to watch every hook and crook to keep from being delayed any. But Frank was a good one to make steam, and we took considerable pride in keeping up to schedule time. Well, one night, as we was goin' round the Big Tree curve between Lamont and Garlands, Frank was shoveling coal down from the top of the big pile in the tender. Just as we rounded the curve I heard a terrible shriek. I looked around, and Frank was gone. He had forgotten to brace himself for the curve, and had been dashed from the tender to the ground."

"I stopped, ran back, and found poor Frank lying beside the track, apparently dead. We put him in the baggage car and took him home; I got leave of absence and for two weeks Frank's wife and I watched by the bedside where the poor lad lay delirious.

"The doctors said from the first he couldn't get well; most we could hope for was that his mind would clear up enough so he could recognize us before he died; but the boy lay there and raved, and screamed, and talked to himself, and was all the time flaggin' trains and firin' up, and livin' over the awful fall; but though his poor little wife most cried her pretty eyes out, Frank would only stare at her with wild glassy eyes, and motion her away, when she would speak to him, and call him pet names, and try so hard to arouse a spark of recognition.

"Well, one night I had sent the poor wretched little woman to bed, Frank was rambling along in his usual way, but did not rave quite so much as usual. He lay quiet a long time, and I had almost got to nodding in my chair, when he suddenly says quite natural like, "Bill! Oh, Bill!" I ran to his side. He seized my hand, "Good-bye, old man," he said. "My orders are through—don't forget me—I'll watch over you and the old 262 as long as you bang together. Good-bye. Now call Lizzie, my darlin'."

"I ran from the room, but when I got back there wa'n't nothin' for that poor little heart-broken creature to look at, but just the dead body of one of the noblest boys the Lord ever nipped off before his life was hardly begun.

"Well, we laid Frank away, and I had the old 262 draped in black for months. I had another fireman assigned me, and though he did as well as he could, he never could be quite the same to me as poor dead Frank.

"One night we was bringin' up the limited as usual, and of course, had the right of the road. Nothin' seemed to work right that night somehow; we started out late, and then the engine acted up and wouldn't make steam good, and we didn't make up a minute, though we pushed the old engine for all she was worth.

All through the run there had been some things on my mind that made me feel blue, a sort of foreboding of trouble. When we left Lamont we had made up about five minutes, and I prepared to rush things. Just as we were pullin' out, the operator handed me an order not to pass Garlands until light engine No. 383 arrived, and then we lit out for all we was worth. But some way I felt uneasy every time I would pull the lever to let her out a peg, though there wa'n't no particular reason for it.

"Just the same, we was streakin' along nigh unto fifty miles an hour when we went to the Big Tree curve. I don't know what made me look around, but somethin' did, and I hope I may never make another run, if there didn't stand Frank on the pile of coal in the tender, looking straight at me as natural as life.

"I almost jumped off my seat in the cab, when in an instant he threw up his hands, and fell off with that same awful shriek he gave on the night he was killed. Involuntarily I threw the engine over, and turned on the brakes, and not a darn second too soon either, for when we got around the curve there was the headlight of that 383 only about two train lengths away, and by the time we could stop the pilots was as nigh together as them are out there, as close as ever I want to have."

"The operator had made a mistake on the light engine's order, and written Lamont instead of Garlands.

"My fireman said he didn't see or hear anything of the form on the tender, but I know it was Frank just the same, and I know he came to warn me around, and I know he was warnin' over me all the time, and I feel safe when I pull out sharp on a nasty night, because I know if there's any trouble Frank will be right on hand to put me on my guard; but here comes the special, and as soon as she's by, if you'll back your train up a little, I'll draw over that middle switch and get out of the way."

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

For the first time since May, 1885, the Supreme Court of the United States sits with a full bench.

Hon. L. Q. Lamar dominated the judicial side on Wednesday, and a crowded court room witnessed the simple ceremony incident to his introduction into office. The ex-Secretary sits at the extreme left of the Chief Justice, this being the place assigned always to the Justice last appointed. As Mr. Lamar himself expressed it, he considers this the crowning honor of his life.

The Republican Senators used all their efforts short of a caucus d'etour to defeat his confirmation, which was secured, after a long and bitter struggle, by virtue of the votes of three of their number, Senators Stanford, Stewart and Hildreth. Doubtless these three Senators had prepared themselves for the severe censure of their leaders. Mr. Hildreth's vote only cost two of them—Mr. Hildreth's vote being expressed because he is himself a Southerner, like the new Justice.

Mr. Lamar's advancement to the Supreme Bench is of special significance, inasmuch as he is the first ex-reeb so honored. It is understood that his friends were surprised and disappointed that so few Republicans voted for him in his favor.

Washington is getting to be known as the convention city. There are but few weeks in the year that we do not have at least one convention of some sort here, but this week the record has been broken. We had six distinct conventions, and four were in session at one time. Among these were the American and Shipping League; an association organized for the purpose of attempting to restore our lost merchant marine service; the National Board of Trade, the object of which is set forth in its name; the National Tobacco Association, which did a most notable thing in declining to make any recommendations to Congress and the United States power's Association. The latter protested against any disintegration of the present tariff.

On Monday the Senate Committee on Territories will hear arguments on the proposed annexation of Northern Idaho to Washington Territory.

A great majority of the petitions received by Congress are the work of silk cranks; but one which arrived this week is certainly the work of a level-headed fellow. It asks that the Postal laws be changed so as to prevent the sending of blood and thunder novels, and sensational story papers through the mails at second class matter, at one cent a pound. It also calls attention to the fact that the postage on school, law, scientific and religious books is eight cents a pound. It does seem to be a discrimination on the part of the government in favor of the laud.

The several bills for establishing a Government Postal Telegraph Service are being vigorously urged upon Congress, and there are surface indications that a good lobby is being used by retail parties. By the way, it's somewhat curious, that on this subject, or at least that part of it which makes the Government control the telegraph lines, Jay Gould and the Knights of Labor are in accord; but it's externally probable that these views would diverge very widely in any attempt to practically inaugurate the service. Dr. Surin Green, President of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and Mr. Gardner U. Hulbert, of this city, are making arguments on this subject before the Senate Committee on Postoffice and Post roads, on Friday.

The Bar Association of the District of Columbia has sent a circular letter to all the bar associations throughout the country, suggesting that delegates be elected to attend a meeting in this city May 22nd next, for the purpose of organizing a National Bar Association.

Speaker Carlisle will be compelled, so says his physician, to take several weeks rest before resuming his duties.

CRANFORDSVILLE.

January 30th.

The Webfooters are happy again.

Miss Rhoda Keeny, of Halsey, is visiting friends at this place.

Mr. Shackelford has purchased for his daughter the house and lot formerly owned by J. F. Venner.

T. A. Lewis has returned to Albany to work at his trade for a short time. He has rented his old stand here again, which he will open in the spring.

Rev. D. C. McFarland, assisted by Elder Craig, held their regular quarterly meeting here last Saturday and Sunday. The attendance was light, owing to bad weather.

I understand the band boys have ordered some new catches music which they intend to practice up for the coming campaign. The candidates would do well to call on our boys for aid during the next year's campaign.

Owing to some irregularity of the mails we do not receive any of the county papers here until Monday. I think it is the fault of the Narrow Gauge railroad. It would have been a blessing to the people of the Willamette valley if it had never been built. If a person orders anything from Portland, he can not tell when he will get it. It may take a week, or it may take a month, or it may take a year.

Some of our merchants have their goods shipped to Halsey.

O. P. MATTERS.—The Yaquina Post says: The matter of dispute between the O. P. and contractor Bennett, doubtless will result in a lively little tussle at law, but it will not hinder for a moment the rapid construction of the road towards Boise City. At least two of the largest railroad contractors on the coast are now ready to bring in their immense plants and commence, as soon as the weather will permit, the work of grading and track-laying. The coming promises to be a busy as well as an eventful season, and it will witness the extension of the Oregon Pacific across the State, and possibly to Boise City.

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THE MARKETS.

LEBANON, OR., February 3.

Wheat—44c per bushel.

Oats—40c per bushel.

Flour—\$6.50 per barrel.

Potatoes—65c per bushel.

Butter—25c per dozen.

Eggs—30c per lb.

Lard—80c per lb.

A.P.M. 10c per lb.

Apples, dried—75c per lb.

Pears, dried—10c per lb.

Prunes, dried—10c per lb.

Hams—15c per lb.

Shoulders—45c per lb.

Bacon—10c per lb.

Coal Oil—15c per 5 gallon can or 22 1/2 per case.

What am I to Do?

The symptoms of Biliousness are unappreciated but too well known. They differ in different individuals to some extent. A Bilious man is seldom a breakfast eater. Too frequently, also, he has an excellent appetite for liquids but none for solids of a morning. His tongue will hardly bear inspection at any time. It is not white and furid, it is rough, at all events.

The digestive system is wholly out of order and Diarrhea or Constipation may be a symptom of the trouble. Alternate. There are often Hemorrhoids or even loss of blood. There may be giddiness and often headache and neuralgia or stiffness in the neck and the pit of the stomach. To correct all this it is not effect a cure try Green's August Flower. It cures biliousness and thousands attest its efficiency.

The reason why Ayer's Blood Elixir is warranted, is because it is the best Blood Preparation known. It will positively cure all Blood Diseases, purifies the whole system, and thoroughly builds up the constitution. Remember, we guarantee it. J. A. Beard, Druggist.

Moore's Hair Invigorator.

This excellent preparation for the hair, may be found only at the following places: H. Miller, Lebanon; Starr & Stanard, O. Osborn and M. Jackson, Brownsville; F. A. Watts, Sheela; C. Gray, Halsey. Sample bottles free. Call and get one.

If you would enjoy your dinner more, use Adon's Dyspepsia Tablets.

They are a positive cure for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Flatulency and Constipation. We guarantee them. 25 and 50 cents. J. A. Beard, Druggist.

There is nothing so valuable for throat and lung troubles, and that can be taken in any form of injury to the stomach, as "Mother Cary's Gumtree Cough Syrup." Try it and you will say so too.

J. A. Beard, agent for Lebanon.

At Night always have Ayer's Baby Soother at hand. It is the only safe medicine yet made that will remove all infantile disorders. It contains no Opium or Morphine, but gives the child natural ease from pain. Price 25 cents. Sold by J. A. Beard, Druggist.

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Oil and reliable Medicines are the best to depend upon. Ayer's Blood Elixir has been prescribed for years for all impurities of the blood. In every form of Scrofula, Syphilis or Mercurial disease, it is invaluable. For Rheumatism, has no equal. J. A. Beard, Druggist.

Insure your property in a home company—the Northwest Fire and Marine Insurance company, of Portland Oregon. A. R. Cyrus, agent, Lebanon Or.

Don't

let that cold of yours run on. You think it is a light thing. But it may run into catarrh. Or into pneumonia. Or consumption. Catarrh is disgusting. Pneumonia is dangerous. Consumption is death itself.

The breathing apparatus must be kept healthy and clear of all obstructions and offensive matter. Otherwise there is trouble ahead.

All these diseases of these parts, head, nose, throat, bronchial tubes and lungs, can be delightfully and entirely cured by the use of Boschee's German Syrup. If you don't get it, you will rarely, thousands and thousands of people can tell you. They have been cured by it, and "know how it is themselves." Bottle only 75 cents. Ask any druggist.

For Toilet Use.

Ayer's Hair Vigor keeps the hair soft and pliant, imparts to it the lustre and freshness of youth, causes it to grow luxuriantly, eradicates Dandruff, cures all scalp diseases, and is the most cleanly of all hair preparations.

Ayer's Hair Vigor has given me perfect satisfaction. I was nearly bald for six years, during which time I used many hair preparations, but without success. Indeed, what little hair I had was growing thinner, until I tried Ayer's Hair Vigor. I used two bottles of the Vigor, and my head is now well covered with a new growth of hair. J. W. Chapel, Peabody, Mass.

HAIR that has become weak, gray and color restored to it by the use of Ayer's Hair Vigor. My hair was thin, faded, and dry, and fell out in large quantities. Ayer's Hair Vigor stopped the falling, and restored my hair to its original color. As a dressing for the hair, this preparation has no equal.—Mary S. Hammond, Stillwater, Minn.

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I have been a great sufferer from Headache, and Ayer's Cathartic Pills are the only medicine that has ever given me relief. One dose of these Pills will quickly move my bowels, and free my head from pain.—William L. Page, Richmond, Va.

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Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Sold by all Dealers in Medicines.

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Boots. Boots.

Table listing various types of boots and shoes with prices. Includes items like Mens' Boots for \$5.25, Shoes for \$4.00, etc.

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to stick to it. We allude to the W. L. Douglas \$3.00 shoe, the W. L. Douglas \$4.00 shoe is a hand sewed welt shoe equal to any \$6.00 or \$7.00 to be had any place. The W. L. Douglas \$2.00 shoe for boys, we claim that you can get no better when price and quality is considered.

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