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WHEAT MARKET.

Wheat is again reaching out for the dollar mark, says the Oregonian, and, while it is not making the great bounds that distinguished the first rapid advance of a few weeks ago, it is steadily moving toward a higher plane of prices. In Portland Saturday it again reached the 80-cent limit, from which it dropped back about two weeks ago, and it has again passed that mark and Valley wheat is quoted at 81 cents, with Walla Walla bringing 78 cents. These figures probably mean more than dollar wheat did a few days ago; but notwithstanding that, the fact a bushel of wheat can buy a great many things, there is still a prospect for its buying even more before the year is out or before another crop is on the market. * * * There is but very little wheat changing hands at the present time, and the amount still in the hands of the growers is variously estimated at from 35 to 60 per cent crop—the former figure probably being the nearest correct. When wheat advanced to a figure that netted the inland growers 50 cents a bushel at the nearest railway station, they disposed of a large amount, and it is the movement of that wheat that is now taxing the railroads and enabling Portland to surpass all previous records as a grain shipping port. The total crop will fall short of that of two years ago, but the indications are favorable for Portland shipping as much or more grain than was dispatched from there in that banner year. This is on account of the failure of the Sound to retain the business which formerly went there. The disposition of the growers to hold their wheat has had a tendency to cause dullness in markets, and there is but little business in this direction. Exporters have ships enough to handle their wheat, and wheat enough to fill the ships they have already chartered, so that they are now bidding up prices on the cereal, but are calmly awaiting developments, and announce their willingness to pay a dollar a bushel for wheat as soon as export values will warrant it; but in the meantime they are not particular about loading up for speculative purposes. At the same time, many buyers express the belief that the price will go still higher, and are not inclined to blame the growers for holding on, although 80 cents a bushel is a highly remunerative figure for the grower.

BRYAN CONGRATULATES.

"Senator Jones has just informed me that the returns indicate your election, and I hasten to extend my congratulations. We have submitted the issue to the people, and their will is law." Mr. McKinley telegraphed in response: "I acknowledge the receipt of your courteous message of congratulation with thanks, and beg you will receive my best wishes for your health and happiness."

The men most deeply interested in the election have exchanged the above friendly greetings. This is a good example for the followers of each and should be heeded by the people.

Thousands of men and women breathe, move and live—pass off the stage of life, and are heard of no more. Why? None are blessed by them; none could point to them as their means of redemption; not a line wrote, nor a word they spoke, could be recalled, and so they perished; their light went out in darkness, and they were not remembered more than the insects of yesterday. Will you thus live and die? O man, live for something! Do good, and leave behind you a monument of virtue that the storms of time can never destroy. —Dr. Chalmers

Roseburg Review: After all the Oregonian's talk about Mayor Pennoyer "Bryanizing" the Portland police force, it is known now that for the first time in many years the police were kept out of politics and the toughest wards in the north end of the city gave McKinley majorities. Special deputy sheriffs recruited among the thugs of Portland did considerable dirty work, but the dreaded policemen of Mayor Pennoyer remained neutral.

The election is a thing of the past. Its fruits, whether good or bad, will be shared alike by the people. No straw should be put in the way of the new administration. We all want the good times that have been so faithfully promised, to be soon realized. The victors have a big contract in hand. We hope, for the people's sake, that it will be speedily fulfilled.

It is reported that Mr. Hearst, proprietor of the San Francisco Examiner and the New York Evening Journal, will start a daily paper in Portland, soon after Jan. 1, 1897. It is to be hoped this report is true, as the people of this state need a daily paper with an editor who can hold the Oregonian level—and Mr. Hearst is the man who can do it.

The Oregonian of November 4, says: "Yesterday's election was a most emphatic indorsement of two public servants—Cleveland, the retiring, and McKinley, the incoming president. The one leaves to history a record of which the most exacting ambition might be proud; the other enters upon an opportunity the most aspiring hopes might welcome."

The legislature meets early next year, then the fun will begin. Political sores were nicely healed temporarily for the election of McKinley. Then they will reopen with renewed irritation. A senator is to be chosen. The emigrant from Mars may be naturalized by that time and the contest will go merrily on.

The Wasco News pointedly says that when it comes to boorishness and bad language, the Oregonian is so far ahead of Tillman that he may be voted a polished gentleman. The Oregonian talks about such men doing injury to parity. If such is the case the Oregonian has done the republican party irreparable injury.

One more election and then the people of the city will have a much needed rest from politics. City officers will be chosen next month. We have abundant material out of which to make good officials. Let capable and honest men be chosen.

Coquille City won the county seat of Coos county over Empire City by a majority of 550. Thos. Buckman, populist, defeated J. W. Bennett, gold democrat, for representative by five majority. They tied last June.—Roseburg Review.

We are all anxious to see a permanent prosperity, and the people are capable of doing much toward it. It may be predicted that the McKinley administration will see the necessity of increasing the currency.

The people of California have put the stamp of disapproval upon Huntington, railroad "boss," and Johnson, his concubine, by defeating Johnson for U. S. senator, on November 3.

R. P. Bland, (Silver Dick) was elected to congress again this year from the eighth Missouri district. Jerry Simpson goes back, having also been out two years.

The election is now over. Let us all, democrats, populists and republicans, put our shoulders to the wheel and do something for suffering humanity.

After McKinley is inaugurated political heads will soon begin to drop off.

It was a neck and neck race between Palmer and Levering.—Review.

OUR THIRD EYE.

Scientists Claim That We Have an Extra Optic.

This Recently Discovered Organ Exists Also in Vertebrates of the Lower Order—Where It is Located.

Recent researches prove that man and all vertebrates seem to possess the rudiments of a third eye. This discovery is not only very interesting, but also remarkably instructive, since the rudimentary third eye of a man has, by one of the most noted philosophers of modern days, been looked upon as being the seat of the soul.

As organs by proper use develop in strength and perfection, so they become weak by lack of use. If for many generations an organ should remain without use, its structure in time becomes simpler and more imperfect. If such a process continues throughout ages, an organ, by constant disuse, will become reduced to a mere rudiment of what it was in the species using the same. Thus, species of birds that only walk and run, but never fly, have only rudimentary wings, as the ostrich; while in the eagle and the albatross the wings are seen in a state of perfection.

Now, in closely examining the skulls of certain lizards, it was found that near the top of head, under the dark, opaque skin, and often in the very bone, an almost perfect eye exists, although no ray of light ever could reach it. This eye shows a crystalline lens, a retina of very complex structure and an optic nerve; in fact, all the essential parts of a perfect eye. But being covered by the opaque skin of the animal it is absolutely useless. If this optic nerve is traced to the brain it is found to connect the eye with the so-called pineal gland of the brain. This pineal gland is, of course, in no sense of a word a real gland, but a definite portion of the nervous tissue of the brain, invariably located just back and partly over the cerebrum, and in front of the rounded brain-mass which generally is considered to correspond to the corpora quadrigemina in a man.

This third eye of the spotted lizard is called the pineal eye, on account of the nerve connection of the retina with the pineal gland. Now, while in certain lizards this highly developed eye is useless because it is covered by opaque skin, and in others even deeply bedded in bone, it would seem probable that in an earlier stage of development this pineal eye was not rudimentary, but in constant use. A very slight modification would accomplish this—namely, the transparency of the skin covering the eye. This is exactly the condition of the normal eyes in reptiles to-day; the skin covers them, but it is transparent where it passes over the eye. In the skulls of some of the gigantic reptiles of the earlier age of this globe, paleontologists have long ago found a large round perforation. Probably this was the socket of the third or pineal eye of the ichthyosaurus, the plesiosaurus and the labyrinthodon.

But a much more important conclusion must be drawn from this discovery—namely, that in all vertebrates, even including man, the traces of this third eye remain to-day. The pineal eye of lizards being connected with the large pineal gland of the same it would seem that the pineal gland itself is but the nerve center or optic thalamus for this third eye. In all reptiles and amphibia the pineal gland is large; so it is also in fishes. In higher animals the cerebrum develops very much, overgrowing the more posterior portions of the brain. By this preponderance of the nerve mass the pineal gland becomes covered by the cerebrum and assumes more and more rudimentary forms. But it remains with obstinate pertinacity. It is even always present in man—though here only of the size of a pea and rudely resembling a pine cone in shape. It seems also degenerated in structure, having hardly any nervous tissue. These facts of form and structure have given rise to its name, that of pineal gland.—Popular Science Monthly.

Bees in the Champagne.

A curious incident occurred at Ascut recently. While a large number of luncheon parties were enjoying the delights of an open-air repast in the gardens behind the grand stand, a great swarm of bees settled down on the guests around a table in a corner. They buzzed and buzzed everywhere. Ladies had bees in their bonnets and gentlemen found their hats turned into striking likenesses of "Catch-em-alive-ohs." Some of the swarm settled on the cold saloon, and other members of it tumbled into the champagne cap. In fact, the bees created the greatest commotion among the ladies and gentlemen in that quarter of the grounds. They were gradually drawn off the luncheon party by a gentleman to whom occurred the happy idea of treating them to a little music on a metal tray under a tree. After the tapping and tinkling on the article had continued for two or three moments, the queen bee settled on the branches above to listen to it, and was at once followed by all the swarm. It was an extraordinary sight to see hundreds of the insects hanging like great black and gold clusters on the tree while the tinkling continued. It ceased with the luncheon, and the bees did no more harm.

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