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THE HEADLIGHT GROWLER.

A Few Observations for the Benefit of the Public.

Why didn't Tillamook get ahead of Portland and announce a great carnival this fall? See how excited the hay-seeds would have been coming to Tillamook from all parts of the state with their pocket jangling with gold and then going home broke. That's what the carnival in Portland is for.

It is reported that Tillamook city is to have another saloon, which will duplicate them since the prohibitionists held their convention in this city last spring. It's a fact, gentlemen. Please don't hold any more cold water conventions in this city if the saloons are to be duplicated every time you do so.

If the honorable board of city fathers don't arrange for electric headlights this winter in the residence portion of the city, begorrah, we'll have to put our fighting pants on and turn the rascals out, for the printer's devil is the only imp who can navigate at night without having one leg on the sidewalk and the other down in the mud. Now don't think the editor is three sheets in the wind when going home at night if he does run full but into a person who cannot penetrate the blackness of the night. We see none of the councilmen reside in these dark districts.

The Oregon Press Association holds its annual meeting at Ashland next month, and we are wondering if the citizens of Tillamook city and county would like to extend an invitation to the association to hold its meeting next year in Tillamook? The Oregon Press Association is always handsomely entertained on these occasions, and it is as well to mention that wide-awake cities in the state are very anxious to be selected. We think, after the association has visited this county, people on the outside would not be heard to inquire: "Say, where is Tillamook?" Here's a splendid opportunity to help advertise Tillamook. And why not embrace the opportunity?

Because women were too loud in their headgear they were criticised, and now they have taken to go to church bare-headed clergymen are scolding them for it. All the information the Headlight can give on this new fangled idea of bonnetless, hatless and capless women, it will cause a sigh of relief from many a hen-pecked husband that there will be no more military bills to take away his breath. It, then, must be unfashionable for ladies to wear headgear, or at least until another fad takes place, which may make the dimensions of ladies hats to cover, what shall we say, an acre of land. But, of course, we do not expect to see Tillamook ladies aching to go out calling without the latest fashion from Paris adorning their head.

How's this for a old line life company? It refuses to pay Mrs. Maude Geary, of Corvallis, Or., widow of the late Captain W. Geary, who was killed in the Philippine Islands, the \$5,000 for which his life was insured in the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society of New York. See the difference. When the United States was at war with Spain, it was decided by the supreme lodge of the A.O.U.W. that if any member of that order was killed in defending Old Glory his beneficiary certificate would be paid. That was before this country had fought a battle, and the boys belonging to the A.O.U.W. who went to the front know full well that this promise would be kept. And it was kept, and no widow, as in the case at Corvallis, had to appeal to the courts.

Mr. E. A. Chamberlain writes in regard to the army worm: "The ichneumon lay their eggs in the eggs, larvae and pupa of other insects and thus destroy great numbers of them. The young ichneumon feed upon the substance of the body, but attacks no vital parts, so that the insect does not die till the ichneumon is ready to enter the pupa state. This is quite the reverse of the big fish eating the little ones, but as Hudibras said, 'Great fleas have little fleas which bite 'em, and these again still smaller fleas, so on ad infinitum,' and accounts for the small white larvae in the cutworms, also for

the large number of dead worms and the little pupae about the size of a small wheat grain attached to or laying near them fastened together by a fine web. About four-fifths of all the worms examined I find have the ichneumon in them."

Portland appears to be very anxious to develop the coal mines in this and the adjoining counties for the purpose, no doubt, of helping manufacturing industries in that city. No one can find objection to that, but what about Tillamook developing its coal mines when Tillamook bar is improved? Our industrious citizens have made a success of dairying, and when the bar is improved so that the other resources of the county can be developed, there will be plenty of vessels to carry our lumber, coal, dairy and other products to market. Coal is just as valuable to Tillamook as to Portland, and if factories can be established in the vicinity of the bay so much the better for this county. We have not much faith in the people of Portland developing the Nehalem coal mines, for when wese tons upon tons of freight coming into this county from San Francisco, which trade rightly belongs to Portland merchants, surely it cannot be that that city has taken a tumble to itself and overcome its conservative conservatism.

Mr. Francis I. McKenna, who was in looking over the prospect of developing the coal in this county for the Portland Board of Trade, writes: "I hope the people of Tillamook county will make an effort to develop the natural resources of that county by prospecting the country thoroughly, and thereby attracting the attention of people who have money to invest. We believe that you have one of the best counties in the state. The abundance of your natural resources entitles you to a railroad, but a railroad is not likely to come to your city unless the people make an effort to have one built." We are repeatedly told by visitors what we all here have known for years, that Tillamook has more undeveloped resources than any other county in Oregon. But of what use is it if it cannot be manufactured and shipped to market? Then they go outside and begin talking about a railroad. As we have repeatedly stated, the improvement of Tillamook bar and bay is more imperative to the county than a railroad. All will admit this who have business sagacity, for it would be much more profitable to ship on vessels than on a railroad having a monopoly of the business. Hence, when the bar is improved and shipping is regular and adequate for the commerce of the place, there will not be such a great necessity for a railroad outside of the dairying industry.

No effort should be spared to make our city public school much more attractive than heretofore, and that can only be attained by securing wide-awake teachers, who soon give a school a good reputation, consequently parents are desirous to have their children attend such a school, even if they have to come from outlying districts and reside in the city to do so. In carrying out the desires of the patrons, the directors of Tillamook school have been fortunate in engaging a principal who comes highly recommended and with the best of credentials, and we trust it will not be necessary to make a change in the principal for a number of years. Parents can do much to make the duties of teachers much more pleasant and successful if they would not listen to the tattle of their children and coincide

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with them. There must be discipline in our public schools, and it cannot be too rigid upon children who disrespect and disobey their parents, in fact, upon those who never had the discipline in the home from their parents they should have had. Every citizen should take a pride in the public school and strive to advance it as much as possible. We do not think it will be long before the citizens of Tillamook will demand a first class public high school in this county. It is necessary, even now, and if the advance studies being taught in this city's public school is instrumental in bringing this sentiment about so much the better. But it would be necessary, to establish public high schools in each county, for the school law to be amended so as to provide for their maintenance. We have digressed some, but such an institution of learning, away from all sectarian influences, would be a move in the right direction, for why not educate our children right at home in a county public high school?

The Tillamook Water Company has the last few months come in for a rare lot of unjust criticism. Probably the reason for this is quite a number of citizens did not favor the city paying the company rent for fire protection, thinking that the time had arrived when the company, for the valuable franchise it received and the liberal amount of rent the city had paid in the past, that the city should receive water for fire protection free of charge in the future. The water company is of a different opinion and plainly tells the city if it wants water in the future it will have to pay rent for it, although, we understand, the company in future years will be willing to reduce the rent to a much smaller amount. The city must have water for fire protection and cannot get it from any other source, unless the city puts in its own water system, and as that would take several years before that could be accomplished, it would leave the city in a bad predicament to wait until then. First, it was contended that the water was impure, but those who imagined so produced no analytical test to prove it. The next bugaboo was the pipes would give out and the city would be without water. Now it is contended, and especially by those who use water motors, that there is insufficient pressure. The company contends otherwise, claiming the reservoir is kept full, consequently the pressure must be the same. The cause of this last complaint is easily explained. The water company has allowed several parties to put in home-made water motors, their great characteristic being the enormous quantity of water it takes to run them. Therefore, when all these motors are running, people sprinkling the street and using water freely in houses as well, of course there will be less force, for one of these motors reduces the pressure fifteen pounds. It does not take very much water to run a properly constructed motor, as all can readily see if they will take the trouble to compare the small amount of water it takes to run the motor in the Headlight office to that of the stream required to run home-made motors. It is hardly right to keep criticising the water company for conditions which existed when it bought the system, and which have existed since the system was first put in. We believe the water company is doing what it can to furnish the city with plenty of pure water for consumption and for fire protection as well, and in making a contract with the city it is only doing what every citizen would do if they owned the system—that of making the best possible terms. The purity of the water and the pressure are two distinct features, and when either of these fail to come up to the requirements then it will be time to jump onto the water company. We do say this, however, to disabuse people's minds that if the city is being supplied with impure water, the city council should now order an analytical test, for it gives a city a bad name to have such reports circulated about, especially to those who contemplate buying property or sending their children to school in this city. It is a libel upon the city and upon the water company to say the water is impure unless it can be substantiated. Until recently the citizens prided themselves that Tillamook was being supplied with plenty of wholesome, pure water, and as far as we are able to judge the city is getting that right along.

Real Estate Transfers.

J. P. Allen, by sheriff, to E. G. E. Wist, lot 4, in block 10, Tillamook City.
 U.S. to Eugene M. Keys, Nw ¼ of sec. 25, tp. 1 S, R. 8 W.
 W. D. Stillwell to Fred C. Skomp, Nw ¼ of sec. 25, tp. 1 S, R. 8 W.
 Emily B. Stewart to Ema Leach, lot 5 and W ½ of lot 6, in block 4, Tillamook City.
 Henry Tohl to Nick Drostoff, lot 6 block 4, Tohl's add. to Niehalen.

Political Drift.

It has been discovered that Adlai Stevenson's strong point is his ability as a story-teller.

New Yorkers are agreeably surprised to find the acting mayor, one Guggenheimer, championing public rights against corporations. It is a rare experience there.

John J. Woolley, prohibition candidate, proposes to beat, this year, Bryan's long-distance campaign record of 1896. Fortunately water tanks are numerous along the route.

North Carolina is a democratic state having a republican governor. Minnesota is a republican state having a democratic governor. Governors will be elected in both this year.

The left hind foot of a rabbit, captured in a graveyard, in the dark of the moon, has been shipped from Washington to Candidate Bryan. That settles it. There is no need of tapping democratic air tanks.

There are some democrats so innocent as to believe that the pugnacious Bird S. Coler, controller of New York City, can get the democratic nomination for governor without Dick Croker's consent. They are novices in bossful politics.

A clever correspondent of the New York Sun points out that Bryan uttered a truth when he said "the republican party puts the dollar before the man because," he writes, "when it puts a dollar before a man who has earned it that dollar is worth 100 cents."

Governor Roosevelt, unlike most men who are public speakers, objects to dictating to a stenographer what he intends to say. When he does not speak from notes he writes out with his own hand and with many* corrections his whole speech and then has it carefully typewritten.

The pleasant little village of Indianapolis is doing quite well, thank you, in the convention line. The notification doings, the gathering of the anti-imperialist, the independent convocation and several assemblages of secret orders have started a boom as has not been known in years.

Since the Kansas City convention twenty-nine Minnesota democratic newspapers have deserted the ticket and declared for McKinley. Since the last presidential campaign the republicans of that state have gained fifty-four newspapers, while the democrats have a net loss of twenty.

Joseph Maloney, one of the socialist candidates for president, is a machinist in Lynn, Mass. He is a native of Fall River, R. I., and 40 years old. He works at his trade.

The number of Bryan and Stevenson campaign banners and transparencies displayed from the Tammany hall headquarters is much in excess of the record of 1896.

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