

SURPLUS ON HAND

THE STATE FAIR WAS AN UNQUALIFIED SUCCESS.

In Spite of Decreased Attendance the Management Has a Full Treasury on Hand.

The management of the state fair has about closed up the business in connection with this year's meet, just closed, and a very satisfactory state of affairs is found to exist, in spite of the fact that the attendance was not as large as in former years.

Receipts: Cash receipts \$8,543 76, 12 tons hay at 35c (on hand) 217 90, Notes secured for race entries 150 00, Sight draft, for race entries, on collection 35 00, Due for unpaid race entries 717 50, Total \$9,698 26

Disbursements: General warrants drawn \$1,094 85, Speed warrants drawn \$,719 00, Total \$1,813 85, Surplus \$84 41

The gate receipts for the eight days were \$1,766 less than during the fair of 1898. This was caused by the lateness of the harvesting of grain and hops, which kept many hundreds of farmers, as well as people from the cities, busily employed in the harvest fields and the hop yards, gathering the crops, and necessarily cutting down the attendance at the fair materially.

Had the fair been held a week later, when the crops were practically out of the way, the receipts would have averaged \$100 per day better, as a result of the increased attendance of the hop pickers and farmers, and a handsome surplus, approximately \$2000, would be in the hands of the state fair board, but, under the circumstances, the board can congratulate itself on the results obtained, and the future of the institution is now assured.

THE S. & P. COAST RAILROAD.

Salem Chamber of Commerce Takes Action on Communication from Projectors of the Road.

The board of directors of the Salem chamber of commerce held a meeting at their office in the opera house building.

The most important business demanding the attention of the board was the consideration of a communication from the attorneys representing the Salem & Pacific Coast Railway company, relative to the future of the road, which it is proposed to construct from the west end of the Willamette river bridge to Falls City, a distance of about 2 1/2 miles.

The board named a committee, consisting of Messrs. F. R. Anson, C. P. Bishop and H. G. Sonnemann, to reply to the communication, suggesting that a meeting be arranged at the earliest convenience between the projectors of the road and the members of the local chamber of commerce.

The officers and members of the chamber of commerce are especially gratified with the action taken by the board of United States engineer pertaining to the Oregon City canal and locks, and their purchase by the government. The organization realizes that this much desired and popularly demanded course on the part of the engineers, was due in a large degree to the indefatigable labors of the secretary of the chamber, Henry B. Thielson, who labored with intense earnestness in the gathering of useful data and the compilation of statistical tables, showing the amount of freight, etc. and the several counties that would be directly benefitted by governmental acquisition of the locks.

Notwithstanding the much earlier discovery of the principle of the pendulum, the principle was not applied to clockmaking, in England, at least, till the 17th century. Hence the long cases did not come into use till comparatively late in the history of the evolution of the clock.

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TO BUILD A CRIB PIER.

Proposals to Do the Work on the Green Ferry Bridge.

Bids for the building of a crib pier under the Green's Ferry bridge, over the Santiam river near Jefferson, were opened at Albany yesterday afternoon. They were as follows:

Royal & Son \$625, D. W. Harding 777, George D. Redinger 799, J. B. Tillotson 889

A FINE ENGINE.—Frank Martin, who was engineer for the W. H. H. Darby threshing outfit, in the Waldo hills, is again at his post in the Ferry foundry, as machinist, having come in yesterday. During the past thirty-five days the Darby Advance machine threshed about 84,000 bushels of grain. It was run by a large Advance engine, which Mr. Martin named the "Dewey" owing to its powerful and efficient work. Mr. Martin speaks in high terms of the treatment extended him by the owner of the threshing.

LOANS APPROVED.—The state land board held a brief session at the capitol yesterday morning, for the purpose of considering a number of applications for loans from the irrevocable school fund. The board approved nineteen applications, the loans thus made aggregating \$24,600; and those rejected—two applications—amounted to \$675. The papers in the case of the approved applications will be promptly completed, and the loans made.

A HIGH AVERAGE.—Amos W. Long, of this city, who was one of the class taking the civil service examination at the local postoffice, for the grade of carrier, on the 5th ult., his general average had been marked at 85.50. He is entitled to an appointment on probation. His name is in order on the eligible register.

FESTIVAL CELEBRATIONS.—The annual harvest festival celebrations of the Salvation Army throughout the United States are generally acknowledged a success, and the approaching harvest gathering promises to beat the record. The local corps will observe that occasion from September 30th to October 3d inclusive.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Steady Progress Being Made in the New System of Communication.

Dr. Peter Stiens, a Russian scientist, who has been experimenting for some years in connection with the perfection of a system of telephoning without wires, claims to have devised an apparatus by means of which persons may converse as easily and distinctly as by wire telephones, from London to Antwerp, or even from London to New York. Dr. Stiens promises to give a demonstration of his system on the river Thames. Pending the testing of these extraordinary claims, it is satisfactory to know that steady progress is being made by Marconi—in a perfectly unostentatious way—in wireless telegraphy. In some recent naval maneuvers in English waters, two ships were fitted with the Marconi system of signaling, one the Europa, and the other the cruiser Juno, on which was Sig. Marconi himself. The admiral of the fleet gave the order that the Juno should get in touch as quickly as possible with the Europa. Signals were sent out, and instantly a message came back from the Europa that she had reached her convey, and was on the way back to communicate the news to the flagship. When the Juno received this message she was more than forty miles from the Europa, and more than seventy from the admiral. There is a tendency to believe that the possible benefits of the new system have been much exaggerated, but its ability, which has now been thoroughly established, to supply a speedy cruiser, thirty to fifty miles distant from the rest of her division, with means for signaling the enemy's approach, stamps it as of immense value. Neither flags nor semaphores can be relied upon at this long range, and when the weather is foggy the steam siren cannot generally be trusted over one or two miles. The immense faith which the British government seems to place in Marconi's ability, judging from the unstinting help which it has given him in the carrying out of naval and other signaling experiments, promises to be fully justified.

ADVENTURES OF A WEDDING RING.

In Germany the custom still prevails that wives should give their husbands a wedding ring at the nuptial service in return for the one they received from the man they have accepted.

Married women being generally superstitious as to the removal of their own wedding rings, it will surprise nobody to learn that Teuton dames are very touchy as regards the respect paid by their spouses to the token of bondage they have accepted. If it be removed from the wedding finger and carried about in the waistcoat pocket or purse, were to be the husband should he be unfortunate enough to be discovered.

A story comes from Berlin about a certain pouter of Meissen, the loss of whose wedding ring utterly destroyed for a time the domestic peace of his home. At last, however, he was able to vindicate his character. His wife was receiving money at the till one day, when a lady customer walked into the shop.

"Have you lost your wedding ring?" she asked of the pouter.

The eyes of the jealous wife were fixed upon him. He boldly replied in the affirmative.

"Well," said the customer, with an artful smile, "here it is."

The wife glared.

THE CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET

For the June and October Terms.

THIRTY-FOUR CASES READY

Awaiting Action in the First Department—Court Will Convene Next Monday.

(From Daily Sept. 27th.)

On Monday morning, October 2d, at 9 o'clock, department No. 1 of the state circuit court for Marion county, will be convened by Judge George H. Burnett, in accordance with the provisions of the June term of the court. During the week some of the cases now on the docket will be disposed of, and the docket cleared as much as possible, when the June term will be adjourned sine die.

On the following Monday, October 9th, at 9 a. m., the October term of the court will be convened, for which occasion the venire of jurors, recently drawn, will be in attendance.

The docket for the two terms of the court has been completed, there being thirty-four cases now ready to be acted upon by the court. Aside from this there are several persons awaiting the action of the grand jury. Following are the cases now on the docket:

- W. S. Mett, plaintiff, vs. John Hansen, defendant; action for money.
State of Oregon, plaintiff, vs. Willard Birchard, defendant; rape.
D. W. Travis, plaintiff, vs. A. Garner, defendant; appeal from justice court.
J. L. Stockton, plaintiff, vs. D. A. Mattison, defendant; action for money.
E. H. Flegg, plaintiff, vs. Orville Dodge, defendant; action for money.
L. H. McMahan, plaintiff, vs. Canadian Pacific Railway Co., defendant; action for money.
Petruella Dusham, plaintiff, vs. Wilson H. Stubbings, defendant; action for money.
F. H. Lechler, plaintiff, vs. A. D. Hall, defendant; appeal from justice court.
F. H. Lechler, plaintiff, vs. O. Pomeroy, defendant; appeal from justice court.
F. H. Lechler, plaintiff, vs. C. C. Hall, defendant; appeal from justice court.
Clas. E. Hart, plaintiff, vs. John W. Auna, et al., defendants; action for money.
C. F. Yergee, plaintiff, vs. John E. Marple, defendant; action for money.
J. A. Downing, plaintiff, vs. Charles Lutz, defendant; action for money.
I. S. Leonard, plaintiff, vs. J. D. Brown, defendant; action for money.
H. Lendon, plaintiff, vs. F. B. Weider, defendant; action for money.
W. T. Jenks, plaintiff, vs. G. E. Farr and Luella Barr, defendants; action for money.

In the matter of the estate of John Sutton, deceased; appeal from county court.
Thomas Pomeroy, plaintiff, vs. F. E. Woodard, defendant; action for money.

In the matter of the estate of W. J. Hurten, deceased; appeal from county court.
J. H. Shuster, plaintiff, vs. Herman Borchert, et al., defendants; action for money.

Elizabeth Newby, plaintiff, vs. J. F. Markley, defendant; action for money.
E. J. Cass, plaintiff, vs. W. H. Egan, defendant; action for money.
R. H. Knox, plaintiff, vs. John Morgan, et al., defendants; action for money.
F. H. Jonjere, plaintiff, vs. Theo. Butin, defendant; action for money.

In the matter of the estate of J. L. Parrish, deceased; appeal from county court.
J. M. Morley, plaintiff, vs. Grant Davis, et al., defendants; action for money.
Mathias Butala, plaintiff, vs. Frank Enz, et al., defendants; action for money.

Goodale Lumber Co., a corporation, plaintiff, vs. L. A. Stanton, defendant; action for money.
J. W. Thornburg, plaintiff, vs. Jacob Krebs and Joseph Becker, defendants; action for money.
W. T. Jenks, plaintiff, vs. James Cusick, et al., defendants; action for money.

Brooks Irvine, plaintiff, vs. George T. and Eliza C. Albee, defendants; action for money.
L. J. Davenport, plaintiff, vs. Fred Dase, defendant; action for money.
Euser-Schwetter Hop & Mt. Co., plaintiff, vs. P. P. Goulet and Homer Goulet, defendants; action for money.

The jurors to sit in the court during the October term, were drawn by the sheriff and county clerk about a week ago. Following is the list of the men so drawn, together with the precincts in which they reside, and their occupations:

- George Custer, E. Silverton, merchant.
John A. Weid, Jefferson, farmer.
A. L. Ark, Howell, farmer.
H. H. Humphreys, Sublimity, farmer.
A. R. Finley, Prospect, farmer.
B. E. Garner, E. Salem, farmer.
John Murray, Butteville, farmer.
A. Klein, Salem No. 2, merchant.
J. H. Lamb, Sublimity, farmer.
W. S. Mitchell, Sublimity, farmer.
Bent Tinaglead, W. Silverton, farmer.
Theo. Nolf, Englewood, merchant.
J. C. Mills, Englewood, farmer.
M. J. Egan, Brooks, farmer.
W. M. Charrington, Salem No. 2, photographer.
J. H. Kots, Howell, merchant.
M. Benjamin, Gervals, farmer.
P. P. Goulet, Brooks, farmer.
W. M. Sigmund, Yew Park, blacksmith.
S. B. Starrett, E. Silverton, farmer.

J. M. Eskew, Mehama, carpenter.
W. S. Lafore, Turner, farmer.
Jose Goodman, Gervals, merchant.
A. W. Lueger, Yew Park, farmer.
C. A. Dunnigan, Garfield, farmer.
R. C. Halley, Yew Park, farmer.
John Girardin, Turner, farmer.
Walter Stephens, Howell, farmer.
T. L. Golden, Salem No. 3, farmer.
L. S. Winters, Prospect, merchant.
John G. Van Wagner, Prospect, laborer.

MUSICAL NOTES.

Electra Gifford, an American girl, who was once a church choir singer in Chicago, has, after two years' study in Paris, been engaged for a season of opera in Europe, and during the next eight months will sing such roles as Marguerite, Juliette and Lachme in Amsterdam.
In speaking of color in music, Lavignac says that to him the instruments of the orchestra present the following hues. The flute, a blue blue, pure and lustrous as the azure of the sky; the oboe, green, a rather cruel tint, the clarinet, with its warm sound, a red brown; the horn is yellow; the English horn, with its sadness and resignation, is violet; the trumpets, clarions and trombones are gradations of crimson; the cornet, a very ordinary red; the bassoon, with its sombre, feeble and timid timbre, a dark brown; the percussion instruments make black holes in the mass of sound; the roll of the side drum is grayish, and the triangle is silvery, while the violin possesses almost the whole gamut of the musical colors; the 'cello graver and darker than the violin, and the viola, the same, but seen through a mist.

BLANCHARD IS AT DALLAS

(From Daily Sept. 28th.)

The mystery surrounding the sudden disappearance of C. H. Blanchard, of Corvallis, in this city on last Saturday evening, has at last been explained. Chief of Police D. W. Gibson yesterday received a letter from Blanchard. The letter does not indicate where it was written but bears date of the 25th inst. In the communication, the writer makes inquiry concerning his dog and states that he is anxious to recover possession of his faithful companion. The letter included a thorough description of the missing canine and the agreement of the owner to pay all of the charges that have been incurred in caring for the animal since last Saturday. He further requested that the dog be sent to his address at Dixie but from a telephone communication received last evening from Dallas, it is learned that Blanchard reached that city during the day and had secured employment in the livery stable of Sam Ray, who was an old schoolmate of Blanchard's. The Statesman's informant said Blanchard was apparently in the best of health and seemed perfectly rational.

Upon making inquiry for the dog last evening, Chief Gibson learned that the animal had not been seen since the noon hour. It is presumed that the dog has instituted a search for his master.

On Sunday afternoon, a man answering the description of Blanchard, called at the residence of W. W. Walker on Twenty-fourth street. He acted in a demented manner and his conversation was of an abstracted and disconnected nature. He ascribed as his reason for entering the premises that he had noticed a dog in the yard that he thought belonged to him and then explained that he had a dog, of which he thought a great deal, which, together with some blankets, he had left down town somewhere on the preceding night, and that he had been unable to again locate them. He appeared to be much broken up over the loss of his dog but did not seem to mind the forfeiture of the blankets. He departed with the remark that he would "go home," and resumed his tramp on the highway.

Mr. Walker thought nothing of the incident until he read Tuesday's Statesman, containing an account of Blanchard's disappearance and he naturally concluded that his Sunday caller was the man for whom the police authorities were searching. The incident was reported to Chief of Police D. W. Gibson.

The man's statement regarding his dog, to which he was so much attached, as he admitted to Mr. Walker, is corroborated by several spectators who saw Blanchard, while badly intoxicated, refuse \$15 cash for the dog. The officers, assuming that the man was still alive, abandoned their search for him on Tuesday, after having very carefully dragged Mill creek, in which stream it was naturally supposed the man had drowned.

PROPERTY SALES.

Real Estate Changes, As Shown by the County Records—A Large Mortgage Filed.

In the department of records, at the Marion county court house, yesterday, two deeds were filed, by which real property, valued at \$900, was transferred. In addition there was filed a real estate mortgage for \$1,500, and a satisfaction of a real estate mortgage for \$100. Following are the deeds filed: Matilda M. Kirk to Peter P. Kirk, the "Delome" place in the town of St. Paul, w. d. \$ 600. James W. Jory and wife to John M. Bigler, lot No. 5, in block No. 31, in Oxford addition to Salem, w. d. \$ 600.

Total \$ 600. A clarinet and flute manufactured by John Jacob Astor, in 1759, are in the possession of the Musical Courier. The original Astor of four generations ago was a German, who established a factory for the manufacture of musical instruments at 26 Cornhill, London. He was the father of the John Jacob who settled in Baltimore upon coming to America and sold both musical instruments and furs there.

A cat is a Strand tavern in London has become intemperate through drinking wine spiced with water.

THE WHEAT IS BEING DRIED

Some of the Grain Not Badly Damaged.

INSURANCE ADJUSTERS HERE

The Cannery Evaporating Plant Has a Capacity of 10,000 Bushels Per Day.

(From Daily Sept. 27th.)

The scenes around the Salem Flouring Mills company plant yesterday were more lively than on the preceding day. An increased force of men was engaged sacking the grain and disposing of the charred ruins. A number of insurance adjusters, representing the various companies in which were insured the mill plant, warehouse and machinery, have arrived in the city and the work of adjusting the loss will probably be disposed of within a few days. Among the insurance representatives already in the field are: S. B. Stay, special agent for the London & Lancashire; J. L. Fuller, assistant manager of the Norwich Union; and J. O. Thomas, special agent for the Royal. C. D. Gabrielson, local agent for the Liverpool, London & Globe, had a policy for \$5,000 on the plant but the company's adjuster has not yet arrived.

Of the 110,000 bushels of wheat that was involved in the fire, only about 25,000 bushels were quartered in the bins of the mill building in which the fire originated. The walls of the three large bins in the north end of the mill were not very badly damaged by the fire and remain quite intact. The wheat contained within did not sustain the damage from fire and water that the grain suffered in the warehouse, and several hundred bushels of very good wheat is being sacked from these bins, the middle bin yielding some very excellent grain. This circumstance is very gratifying to those interested but it is improbable that any great amount, if any at all, can ever be used for flour, for the dense smoke has affected in a more or less degree every bushel on the premises. The force of men, that is sacking the wheat, was yesterday doubled and splendid progress is being made. Hundreds of sacks of wheat are piled about the ruined structures in huge stacks, the scene reminding the observer of a typical Minnesota wheat field in the midst of the harvest season. An ample supply of sacks has been received to permit of the work being prosecuted with vigor. The night force was larger than usual last night and much was accomplished, the crew working by the aid of temporarily stationed electric lights.

The task of drying the damp wheat at the Allen cannery on Twelfth street was begun yesterday morning. The plant has a capacity of 3,000 bushels and it requires three hands to properly dry the lot. By this arrangement fully 10,000 bushels per day can be handled.

The insurance men have selected Henry B. Thielson, secretary of the chamber of commerce, to represent the various companies in the handling and disposition of the grain in a clerical capacity.

CULINARY.

They were two housekeepers and, to judge by the business-like air with which they stopped about the market, good housekeepers. Of course they bought corn. "Yes," said housekeeper number one, while waiting for her change, "it's fine corn and I'll try not to spoil it in the cooking. Corn is one of the nicest vegetables we have, but it is very easy to spoil it by ignorance and over cooking. There is nothing so sweet, so delicate and delicious as an ear of corn properly cooked, and there is nothing more tasteless and unpalatable than corn when it has been boiled half an hour and perhaps left soaking in water. You shouldn't cook corn more than eight or ten minutes. I always put it in a good-sized boiler which contains just as little water as can be kept from boiling away in the time it takes to cook the corn. I place the corn in crosswise—any way so that it will not be packed solidly together, but will leave room for the steam to circulate about each ear. Then I put a tight cover on the kettle, and a clean dish towel over that, if necessary, to keep the steam in. You cook it for eight or ten minutes, and the result will be corn that is worth eating."

QUAINT EPITAPH IN WALES.

In a churchyard in Flintshire an epitaph in memory of Hugh Hughes, high sheriff in 1725, says of that worthy functionary that in private life "his manner was constantly to attend the public worship of by law established, heartily to declare against the unstart sect of the brainsick Calvinistic Methodist that would have taken men off from it; timely to compose differences between neighbors ere they become exasperated. By which behavior he was valued among his neighbors and when dead yet much lamented."

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