

IS GOING ON UNCEASINGLY

Building and Improvement is the Order of the Day in Salem

GREAT SHORTAGE OF DWELLING HOUSES AND COTTAGES IN THE CITY AND PROPERTY OWNERS ARE EXERTING EVERY EFFORT TO SUPPLY DEMAND.

The great building and improvement movement in Salem is going on apace. Many obstacles have been in the way of prospective builders all along during the early part of the building season...

One cannot walk, drive or ride in any part of the city or suburbs but what he can see on every hand either a new house being built, an old one being remodeled and enlarged or a house or barn being overhauled, repaired and repainted.

The following are only a few of the many items picked up by the way-side, to illustrate the truth of the above:

The Santiam Ditch.

The most important and most extensive repairs made in the vicinity of Salem during the past week was the work done by the Salem Flouring Mills Co. on their Santiam ditch.

The repairs on the Waller dam above the woolen mills was a difficult task. About thirty-five loads of rock, gravel and cement were dumped in to stop the leak and make it permanent.

At the Shilton end of the ditch a force of twelve men and six teams were at work all the week, repairing leaks and cleaning drift from the mouth of the ditch and last night at 5 o'clock Manager Babcock ordered the water turned in at Stayton, and today Mill Creek will assume its natural proportions again.

It Resembles Stone. The handsome new sheet-iron building which Walter Morley recently built to accommodate his growing business has just been treated to a coat of gray paint and now resembles in every particular a fine stone building.

Handsome New Cottage. Hughes & Wildman, the contractors, are building a handsome one-story cottage for Ellton Shaw on his lot on Asylum Avenue.

Extensive improvements are being made at the Salem Hospital in the way of providing additional rooms, etc. An operating room is being built on the first floor, which is an important improvement in itself.

By the improvements under way an additional bedroom will also be provided, making a total of twenty-five in this rapidly growing institution.

The sisters of the Academy of the Sacred Heart have a force of workmen employed building a cement sidewalk along the school grounds on Cottage street.

Improvement will increase the value of the property to a considerable extent.

Running by Steam.

The Salem Water Works have been running the past week with steam as a motive power, on account of the repairs being made in the Santiam ditch, and the water company took advantage of the opportunity to repair the big turbine wheel.

Real Estate Business.

The week just closed showed a marked increase in the business transacted in the Marion county recorder's office.

The realty transfers filed for record yesterday aggregated the consideration of \$10,896, as follows: J. W. Schmidt, et al., to Louis Winkler, 50 acres in t. 6, s. r. 1 w. w. d. \$3100

Frank P. Talkington, et ux., to J. A. Moser, 65.52 acres of land in s. 22, t. 7, s. r. 2 w. w. d. 2620

Total \$10,896

FACTS ABOUT FOLKS.

Here are some "results" stated by Dr. Arthur MacDonaid as facts established by the observation of scientists and printed in a government document:

First born children exceed later born in stature and weight.

Healthy men ought to weigh an additional five pounds for every inch in height beyond 61 inches, at which height they ought to weigh 120 pounds.

Boys grow more regularly than girls. Children born in summer are taller than those born in winter.

Dull children are lighter and precocious children heavier than the average child.

Urban life decreases stature from five years of age on.

Traunt boys are inferior in weight, height and chest girth to boys in general.

Red and yellow are visible at greater distances than green and blue.

The memory which acts quickest acts best.

Great men, though often absent-minded, have strong memories on the lines of their interests.

Sweet is tasted best on the tip of the tongue; sour on the edge, and bitter at the base.

Mental images themselves constitute the motive, the springs of action, for all we do.

Moral action in child life is more a matter of imitation than intellect.

Girls show less interest in material things than boys, and admire the aesthetic more.

Rapid readers do their work better as well as in less time, and retain more of the substance of what is read, than slow readers.

Blushing comes from shyness and fear; it is unnatural and morbid, and is greater in women than in men.

In estimation of measurement men are more accurate than women.

Those who have endured the most hardship in life are usually the least sensitive to pain.

Dull children are the most unruly, and unruly children are the dullest.

AN ALL AROUND COMPLIMENT.

Anybody, in some sort of a way, can pay a compliment. But it is the country editor who has this sort of thing down to a fine art.

Observe, for example, how a Kansas editor takes in the whole family in the following notice:

"A handsome girl baby—which is not to be wondered at, considering its mother—came to Jim Brown's house, and will stay until she finds a better fellow than her dad, a thing that will take her many years to do. And Grandfather Fletcher steps high, while Grandmother Fletcher smiles like the good soul she is."

THE TEMPERATURE.—The maximum temperature for the 24 hours preceding 2 p. m. yesterday was 66 degrees Fahrenheit, and the minimum for the same period 56 degrees.

The stage of the river was 1.5 feet above low water mark.

All cannot play golf, but the humblest may carry a few sticks in a canvas bag and look solemn.—Saturday Evening Post.

NO DEPENDENCE IN THE BULLETINS

People of Rome Losing Confidence in Doctors

THE RAVAGES OF DEATH

Have Accomplished Every Design Except to Part the Soul From the Body—Life Sustained by Stimulants Only—Disease of the Body Has no Effect on Mind

ROME, July 12, (12:10 a. m.)—"I think he will live to be 100," said an Italian priest in the courtyard of the Vatican last night as he read the latest bulletin regarding the Pope's condition.

"I don't believe the bulletins," said another. "I don't either," chimed in a third, "but it does not do to say so here."

These expressions accurately represent the differences of opinion exhibited by those who have to rely for information regarding the Pontiff's illness on the official bulletin.

Cardinal Satolli, in conversation with a representative of the Associated Press, said that life was only kept in the tired body of the Pontiff by the constant use of powerful stimulants, and other persons equally reliable who saw the Pope yesterday and who had seen him in the previous days of his illness, agree with Cardinal Satolli, in saying that death has made all its ravages, save the separation of the soul and the body.

Yet the doctors announce to the public that Pope Leo's general condition is satisfactory.

An explanation of the apparent contradiction lies in the fact that the doctors expected his Holiness to die long before this, and now are exercising in their bulletins the excess of caution and comparative method of expression which is incomprehensible to the lay mind.

Moreover the extraordinary vitality of their patient has so to speak, annihilated every medical theory held by the doctors in Italy. In private the doctors only disagree as to the number of days the struggle will last.

Appointed a Coadjutor. Rome, July 11.—Though science still may be unable to save Pope Leo in his present illness, it has, at least, afforded him a practically painless day.

Since Saturday morning his Holiness included in his pontifical routine peaceful sleep, the duration of which gave rise to some alarm, several visits from his doctors and audiences with four or five Cardinals.

For a man of his age in perfect health, this Saturday would not have been an idle one.

The tremendous superiority of the Pontiff's mind over his frail frame can be judged from his actions yesterday regarding Monsignor Volponi.

Tired of the insistent excuses made by those who were trying to conceal from him the fact of Monsignor Volponi's death, by saying that he was ill, Pope Leo exclaimed, "Then we must appoint a coadjutor," and he thereupon solemnly declared that Monsignor Marin should act as assistant to the man who was buried on Friday.

Counting His Chickens. Rome, July 11.—Cardinal Oreglia is credited with the intention of not leaving anything at the Vatican untouched during his short period of supreme power, when, after the death of Pope Leo he will be Cardinal Camerlingo until the new Pope is elected.

It is known that he has already decided that even the work necessary to build the cells for the conclave and walling up of the entrances, etc., shall not be done by the regular papal architects and engineers, but by a person enjoying his confidence and that he has selected an outsider, Engineer Ross, with whom he has already conferred regarding the matter.

He has also chosen Controller Rossi De Gasparis to supply all the necessities such as food, medicine, services of barbers and doctors, etc., required inside the conclave. Naturally, these measures taken by Cardinal Oreglia while the Pope is still alive, are much commented upon.

Death is a Lottery. Rome, July 11.—The great scourge of the Italian people is the lottery, which is in the hands of the Government and which turns millions into the treasury every year.

People buy tickets in the lottery at all times and their investments are much heavier when an event out of the common takes place. Then they resort even to the pawnbrokers to obtain money with which to buy tickets.

Naturally the Pope's illness could not be overlooked, and yesterday thousands of dollars were spent in this way, the favorite numbers being fifty-eight for the Pope, twenty-six for the disease, and fifty-nine for the Cardinal.

It is computed that if all these numbers had won, the Government would have lost \$100,000. However, none was successful, so the money came out of the pocket, who, with characteristic elasticity of spirit, are already saying that the numbers are evidently those of next week and are anxiously watching the phases of the Pontiff's illness, so

that they may be able to make wagers with what they consider a show of security.

Pope Leo XIII (Joachim Pecci) was born in 1810. After the completion of his education, at a time when Italy was in a disorganized political position, he was intrusted with the position of delegate to Benevento.

A few years later he was made bishop of Perugia. In 1843 he became titular archbishop of Damietta. On the death of Pope Pius IX in 1878 he was chosen Pope, and at his own request was called Leo XIII.

He has been associated with more works of enduring importance than any living sovereign or any Pope that ever lived.

How Popes Are Elected. The selection and crowning of a Pope is a very ceremonious affair, and an event that concerns the Catholic church throughout the world.

From the moment a Pope dies until his successor is crowned, the Vatican may be said to be in a state of fervid excitement.

On the death of a Pope it is the duty of the Cardinal camerlingo to formally ascertain that fact. He does so by knocking thrice on the door of the Pope's bed-chamber. Getting no answer, he enters and taps thrice with a silver mallet on the dead man's forehead, and thrice calls his name.

No response coming, the camerlingo declares to the world that the Pope is dead.

The body is then embalmed, and after mass has been said over it in the presence of the Cardinals it is removed to St. Peter's, where it lies in state for nine days, when the funeral proper takes place.

The next step is the selection of a new Pope. He is chosen by the conclave, a body or committee composed of Cardinals and other high church dignitaries.

They occupy special quarters in the Vatican, isolated from the rest of the world and from the outer world by the walling up of every door and window and aperture. Each Cardinal has a separate room, which is drawn by lot.

With their servants they muster about 200 souls. All these men are sworn to secrecy. While the gathering lasts they are forbidden all intercourse with the outside world. They even cook their own food in a common kitchen.

One of the first duties is to choose three scrutators to count the ballots. The canons really define three kinds of election—by inspiration, by compromise and by ballot.

Election by inspiration takes place when "all the Cardinals, as if by the inspiration of the Holy Ghost, proclaim one candidate." As they never do this the Pope is always chosen by ballot or vote.

The ballots, when open, are about four inches long and three inches broad. In the first or upper section the Cardinal writes his name; in the middle the name of the candidate whom he proposed; in the lower section some motto from the scriptures.

Two ballots are taken daily, in the morning and afternoon, until some candidate receives the requisite two-thirds vote of the members present.

The duration of the conclave depends on many considerations—personal ambition, political intrigues and factional jealousies. That of 1860 lasted 104 days; that of 1878, when the present Pope was selected, only three days.

The moment the decision is declared the lucky Cardinal dons the papal robes, the masons tear down the plaster wall before one of the balconies from which the Cardinal dean proclaims the selection to the expectant throngs beneath, as, for example, in the case of the present Pope: "Cardinal Pecci has been chosen, and he takes the name of Leo XIII."

Coronation Ceremony. Then comes the coronation ceremony. It takes place in the morning, commencing with a procession, headed by the Swiss guards, and ending by the new Pope, wearing a golden mitre, carried aloft on the sedia gestatoria, above his head, flanked by the sabelli (the great fan of ostrich and peacock feathers), the whole surrounded by noble guards with drawn swords.

As the Pope enters St. Peter's, or the Chapel Sistine in the Vatican, where the coronation takes place, as the choice remains with the Pope, he is stopped three times by one of the clerks of the chapel, who, kneeling, sets fire to some wax on the point of a three-pronged stick, exclaiming, in loud and mournful voice, "Holy Father, thus passes away the glory of the world."

Having descended from the sedia gestatoria, the Pope proceeds to the altar and, after a brief prayer, commences the introit of the mass, which on this occasion is celebrated by himself. At the end of the confession he takes his place on the throne on the left side of the altar, while the first Cardinal-bishop recites the three customary prayers over him.

Then the Pope returns to the altar, kneels on the step, and while the first Cardinal deacon removes his gold mitre, the second Cardinal deacon invests him with the pontifical pallium. This garment is adorned with three black silk embroidered crosses, and constitutes the most sacred and important token of his office.

But to enumerate the ceremony at all fully would be too tedious. Needless to add, it is much more lengthy than the crowning of a temporal sovereign. The most interesting part of the whole proceedings, probably, is the

placing of the tiara upon the Pope's head by the first Cardinal deacon. It weighs three pounds, and is adorned with no fewer than 15,000 precious stones, of which 15,000 are diamonds. As the deacon places the crown upon the supreme pontiff's head, he exclaims: "Take this tiara, adorned with three crowns, and know that thou art the father of all princes and sovereigns, the ruler of the globe, and on earth the vicegerent of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, to whom all honor and glory for ever and ever, amen." The Pope then rises and, wearing the tiara, delivers a benediction which completes the ceremony of coronation.

FIERCE FIRE AT LINCOLN

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dropping from above. For fully thirty minutes the excited fire-fighters had no hope of saving the buildings, but their perseverance was finally rewarded. The heat was so intense where the men were working that some of their clothing caught fire, and bucketsful of the precious water was dashed upon them. Almost all of the shingles had been burned or torn from the roof.

Suddenly a large firebrand lit on the roof of the elevator, forty feet from the ground, and the shingles began burning brightly. No ladder could be found to reach the roof, and all hope was again lost, when Chester Abrams, frenzied with excitement, seized a pail of water and, mounting the shed with the assistance of a ladder, and scaling the wall for a short distance, gained the steep roof, and worked his way to the fire, still carrying the pail of water. The fire had gained some headway and threatened to drive him away, but he tore away the burning shingles with his naked hand to gain a footing, and with the aid of a rope which was thrown him, drew bucket after bucket of water to the roof until the last spar was quenched and the warehouses, involving a value, with the contents, of \$8000, were saved.

Mr. Abrams could not express his gratitude to the determined fighters, for their splendid work in checking the advance of the demon fire. He was especially thankful to the women, for to them more, if possible, than to the men, is due the credit of saving the warehouses, carrying water onto the roof from the well over 100 yards distant. Mrs. Alice Simpson, Mrs. Celia Walling, Mrs. C. Gerth and Mrs. Mary Terwillinger, especially exerted themselves, carrying ten gallons of water at a trip up the ladders and onto the roofs.

The dwelling house burned to the ground, leaving the family without a single article of clothing beside what they were wearing. The only article saved was an old armchair, Mr. Abrams' favorite for twenty years, which happened to be on the porch. The dwelling was built by Mr. Abrams in 1885, although he has since rebuilt and added to it, and he has made his home there with his family continuously since that time.

Besides the intrinsic value of the household goods destroyed, the treasures gathered during a life, time, and which could not be reckoned by money value, were swept away in smoke almost in an instant. One of the most valuable articles lost was a collection of eighty rare coins in a genuine carved sandalwood box, together with a large assortment of curios, knives, and swords collected by a member of the family in the Philippine Islands during the Spanish war.

Those who witnessed the fire commented upon the fact that they had never before seen a building melt so quickly by flame. Within ten minutes from the time smoke was first discovered, the entire house was a roaring furnace, flames bursting from every window, and from the roof.

In 1890 the store and contents belonging to Mr. Abrams was destroyed by fire, of incendiary origin, at 5 o'clock in the morning, entailing a loss of \$6000 and at that time the heat was so intense that several times the house caught fire, but was saved by spreading wet blankets on the roof and over the eaves.

TO FOLLOW THE CABLE. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 13.—It is reported that, beginning at an early date, the army transports plying between San Francisco and Manila will follow the route of the new trans-Pacific cable.

COMING TO VANCOUVER. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 13.—The Nineteenth Infantry left today for Vancouver Barracks, Washington.

American League. New York, July 13.—New York 3; Detroit 4. Washington, July 13.—Washington 4; St. Louis 2.

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SCARED BY AN AUTOMOBILE

Mr. Gustave Mitzner's Driving Horse Ran Away and Killed Itself

RECKLESS DRIVER OF MACHINE REFUSED TO STOP OR SLACKEN HIS SPEED AT REQUEST OF MR. MITZNER—OFFENDER OF LAW STILL AT LARGE.

The first accident of a serious nature to be caused by an automobile, occurred about 2:30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, when the horse of Gustave Mitzner, who resides near Marion, became frightened at one of the machines, ran away and killed itself in the final mix-up.

Mr. Mitzner and his little boy were driving out of town on their way home when they met an automobile a short distance beyond the Penitentiary. The machine was approaching at a high rate of speed and when the horse began showing signs of fright, Mr. Mitzner got out of the buggy and tried to quiet him. He also signalled to the chauffeur to stop, but the latter paid no attention and came on at a thundering rate. The horse became unmanageable and reared and pitched until Mr. Mitzner was obliged to release his hold upon the bit, when the horse, now in a frenzy of excitement, went galloping down the road at a furious gallop. He ran for about one-half mile when, in trying to climb a steep embankment near the Sol Durbin place, the buggy toppled over and dragged the horse with it. When found the horse was lying upon its back stone dead, having either died as the result of internal injuries or of fright.

The buggy escaped without much damage, but Mr. Mitzner, in letting go of the horse, fell and the buggy passed over him severely, if not seriously, bruising his ankle. The boy, who had climbed out of the buggy in the early stage of the affair, escaped unhurt.

Mr. Mitzner came back to Salem and swore out a warrant for the arrest of the automobilist, but, as he was unable to give a good description of the man, Constable Lewis has not been able to locate him and serve the warrant. The officers are still on the lookout for the reckless driver with strong hopes of being able to land him sooner or later. Should they succeed in catching him it is pretty certain that he will be made an example of for the drivers of these machines are becoming quite reckless of late, especially on the streets of the city, and several serious accidents have been narrowly averted.

As a result of Mr. Mitzner's misfortune, another accident came near taking place, for Mr. Wm. Evers, who drives the hack for the Mute School, was driving a team from the city to the school when the team became frightened at the dead horse and overturned buggy, alongside the road, and had not the harness broken, letting the tongue of the buggy drop, another runaway, of a more or less serious nature, might have taken place. As it was, the team tore around so viciously that Mr. Evers was dragged out of the buggy and had to let go of the reins and, although the team ran a short distance down the road, it was stopped with no damage done.

PERSONALS. Chas. Becke, Jr., of Aurora, spent Sunday in Salem.

Frank Derby returned last night from a short trip to Portland.

Rev. H. A. Ketchum and family departed yesterday morning by steamer to attend the Chataqua at Gladstone Park.

Mrs. J. W. Meredith, Miss Pauline Adams and Miss Jeannette Meredith went to the Chauquaqua, near Oregon City yesterday.

Geo. Weeks, who is now employed with the Hazelwood Creamery Company, of Portland, came up on the overland last night.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Riley and daughter Coriane, formerly of this city, but now of Portland, are visiting for a week with friends and relatives here.

Miss Bertha Clough went to Portland yesterday morning to visit relatives. She will also visit in Oregon City before returning home two weeks hence.

Mr. T. C. Davidson left for Newport this morning, where he will visit for a week or ten days with his daughter, Miss Mary E. Davidson, who is spending the summer with Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Thomas.

Miss Nellie Ringo, of Salem, is at the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. J. Smith and will remain in the city for a visit with her brother, Dr. R. E. Ringo, who is associated with Dr. Smith—Pendleton East Oregonian.

John Shound, the tailor in the Opera House block, who has been down with typhoid fever, is up and around again, though somewhat weak. He will be in his shop and ready for business in about three weeks.

Misses Emma and Cecelia Lt Chapelle left Saturday morning for Salem and Seattle, where they will spend the summer. The ladies are connected with the Ursuline Indian schools and are away on their annual vacation.—Pendleton East Oregonian.

A. W. Giesy, the insurance man, was in Salem yesterday and Sunday. He will leave for Pendleton this morning. Mrs. Giesy and the boy are comfortably in their cottage at Long Beach.

Mrs. M. J. Atwood returned last night from a few days' business trip to Chehalis and other Western Washington points.

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