

CAPITAL CITY NEWS.

Recital of the Daily Doings Compiled From Various Sources.

Happenings Over the City and News From the Country.

When Oregon Became a State.

Oregon was admitted as a state on the 14th of February, 1859. News thereof was received in Oregon on the arrival at Astoria of the steamer Brother Johnathan, from San Francisco, at 4:30 on the morning of March 15th. The news came to San Francisco by overland mail, which left St. Louis on the 14th of February and arrived at San Francisco on the 10th of March.

On Tuesday, March 14th the news was received at Oregon City. There was no telegraph lines or daily mails in Oregon. Communications were maintained up and down the Willamette valley almost wholly by boats on the Willamette river. No boat was to start from Canemah to Salem that day, and it was supposed that the people at the capital would like to hear the news. Accordingly, about noon that day, a young man named Stephen Senter, then living at Canemah, started on horseback for Salem, spreading the news as he went. Little interest was manifested in it by the people. But the state officials, who had already been elected and were waiting to take office, were greatly elated by the news. They had been waiting nearly a year, with many apprehensions as to the result. Oregon had not populated to justify her admission in the union as a state. By the next succeeding census the total was only 52,465.—Guard.

To Secure Immigration.

A writer in a Portland paper says the true way to secure immigration and make a country prosper is to be able to sell land at a fair price and cut up great farms into small ones. The money to be made here in Oregon by agricultural pursuits cannot be made by trying to farm on a large scale but by selling off land in small tracts, especially land that is located near towns, suited for fruit growing. One man can make money off twenty acres because he can do much or most of it without hiring, and by gardening, small fruits and orcharding, his crops will be of the remunerative kind. Even if engaged in ordinary farming it is possible to make more clear money off a quarter of a section than has been made from a whole section as commonly done. Diversified farming is all that can pay. To grow wheat after wheat will not pay.

Are Oregonians Easy?

Strangers say that we are the most quiet civil people they have ever met with. They think we take the world very easy and are a little too much inclined to keep things in the same style. They remark that nowhere do they meet so many old settlers and natives—all the old folks got here in the fifties and all the young'uns were born here. In nearly all the Missouri valley states the young folks have just arrived while the old ones are just coming on. But we think we can see a difference beginning to show itself. New faces are becoming more common. If the new-comers are as honest and clever as the old residents it will be a happy thing for the country.

These Railroad Commissioners.

Governor Penoyer has appointed Colonel N. B. Knight of this city to fill the vacancy caused by the declination of C. P. Church to serve on the railroad commission appointed by the governor under the old law, which he maintains is yet in force. Colonel Knight has filed a bond which has been approved, with A. Bush, George Williams, J. J. Murphy and J. J. Dalrymple as sureties. The legality of the commission will be tested when the secretary of state refuses to draw the warrants for the pay of the commissioners. At the end of this month a writ of mandamus will be issued and the whole question will be brought to court.

Avery and Corea.

Corea, the lunatic who is in the asylum here and claims to have shot the romancing adventurer, Avery, is slowly regaining his reason. It is learned from his ward guard that he immediately recognized the wounded man upon the occasion of his visit to the asylum. As Avery approached the building Corea was looking out the window and saw him and exclaimed, "My God, there's the man I shot."

SMALLPOX AT THE ASYLUM.

One Case Develops, But a Spread Is Not Probable.

Last night a case of smallpox developed at the state insane asylum. The afflicted one is a patient from Yamhill county, George M. Alberts, who was committed on January 7th last.

There is no danger of a spread of the contagion, as all of the patients have been vaccinated within the past few months, and the strictest measures of quarantine have been enforced since the first appearance of the disease in this region six months ago.

As yet the sick man has a very mild attack, and we are assured there can be no spread, as immediately upon his illness having taken its present turn, he was removed to the asylum pest house. The ward in which he was confined was at once fumigated and sealed.

It is unlikely there will be another case, as all precautions have been taken, but should any be discovered, they will at once be removed to the pest house.

We are assured there need be no cause for alarm, as a general smallpox epidemic cannot run its course among a body of thoroughly vaccinated, cleanly, and quarantined people.

As in all matters of general importance, the CAPITAL JOURNAL will be found alive to the interests of the people, and will sift to the bottom and keep the reader truthfully posted.

A Budget for Patrons.

The lecturer of the O. S. G., J. Simpson, will address the members of Salem Grange on next Saturday, the 16th, on subjects of interest to the order.

The open meeting at Turner on the 9th was well attended, and the lecturer "brought down the house" several times. Colonel Shields also addressed the meeting, and his remarks showed the impress of talents not yet dead, and a thorough sympathy for the producing class.

On the 14th the state lecturers will hold forth at Jefferson, and on the evening of the 15th at Squirrel Hill. Let patrons not forget these appointments, and be present with friends.

A New River Craft.

The O. R. & N. have long been in need of an extremely light draught steamer for the Upper Willamette. When the water reaches its lowest stage it becomes necessary to tie up their boats, while the Oregon Pacific with their steamers reap a harvest in the grain and flour trade, their boats being able to ascend the river when the former company's boats cannot. The carpenter work on the new steamer will be finished by April 1st, and it will be ready to be placed on the upper river route as soon thereafter as the vessel can be completed.

The School Election.

The school election yesterday was very quiet and a rather small vote was polled. There was no well organized contest. For director there were 410 votes cast, of which Leo Willis received 159, A. E. Strang 248. For clerk there were 429 votes cast, of which David Simpson received 219, Henry Shomaker 209. Mr. Willis will be succeeded by Mr. Strang as director. Mr. Simpson will act as clerk for the ensuing year.

The O. R. & N. Strike.

The strike of the engineers, mates and pilots of the river boats of the O. R. & N. continues and it is probable it will be extended to include the ocean steamers. The strike affects the tow boats and as the ocean steamers have to be turned around by them it is not unlikely that they will be tied up. The strike is felt here by the taking off of the Occident and Isabel.

Affliction of Horses.

In the mountain districts the horses are suffering with an affliction which is called mountain fever by some and alphtheria by others. In the neighborhood of Mehama most of the horses are sick, but very few deaths are occurring.

Measles and Rash.

Quite a number of children in different parts of the city are laid up with the measles. Not a few are confined to their beds with scarlet rash. Neither of these maladies result seriously among children, hence no alarm need be felt.

A Runaway Day.

Monday was the premium day of the season for runaway horses, there being four runaways within the space of a very few minutes. No persons was injured, but several had very narrow escapes or were pretty thoroughly scared.

THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

They Arrange The Speed Program For The Fall Race Course.

At the late meeting of the State Board of Agriculture the speed program for the fall races was arranged. It consists of fourteen races, and is as follows:

SPEED PROGRAM—FAIR 1859.

TROTTING.

1-3 minute class; purse, \$500. All horses entered must be Oregon or Washington bred.

2-3-year-olds; entrance \$40-\$250 added. 3-40 class; purse \$500.

4-5-year-olds, best 2 in 3; entrance \$50-\$300 added.

5-220 class; purse \$800.

6-225 class; purse \$800.

7-230 class; purse \$500. Entries and first payment must be made May 1st; second payment July 1st.

RUNNING.

8-2-year-olds, 10 1/4 mile; entrance \$50-\$250 added.

9-1 1/4 mile; purse \$800.

10-Oregon Derby, 3-year-olds; 1 1/4 mile; entrance \$50-\$400 added.

11-1 1/8 mile dash; purse \$500.

12-3/4 mile dash; purse \$400.

13-Handicap, 5-8 mile dash; purse \$400.

14-Handicap, 1 mile dash; purse \$300.

Entries in all running races close with payment of 10 per cent of purse on Sept. 10th—except Nos. 13-14, in which entrance and 5 per cent. must be Sept. 10th, and balance before race.

The executive committee was authorized to have stables constructed, for use of speed department, near the race track. These will cost \$1400.

The executive committee as selected is composed of the following named members of the board: J. T. Apperson of Oregon City, John G. Wilson of Salem, J. B. Looney of Jefferson, V. De Lashmutt of Portland, and Wm. Galloway of Yamhill.

The finance committee is composed as follows: S. K. Bulck of Roseburg, John G. Wright of Salem and Wm. Wilkins of Eugene.

Mr. Wilkins was appointed to make a collection of grains and grasses for exhibition at the fair in September.

John G. Wright is to make collection of fruits and vegetables.

There were but very few changes made in the premium list for the fall meeting. Where any were made it was an increase over the premiums paid during previous festivals.

The fair for 1859 is already an assured success. The premium lists being more liberal and extensive, the exhibitor will with better heart prepare their collections of fruits, grains, vegetables and farm products.

The New Game Law.

As considerable inquiry is being made in reference to the changes made by the last legislature in the game law, applying to deer, we give the following synopsis: "It is made a misdemeanor to hunt, kill or pursue any deer or elk at any time between the first day of November and the first day of August. Also to sell or destroy deer or elk for the purpose of obtaining their hides, horns or hams. Also every person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, who shall sell or offer for sale, or transport, or carry for the purpose of barter or sale or exchange, the hide or skin of deer or elk, or who shall sell or offer for sale or have in his possession or buy or offer to buy any elk or deer during the time above specified. Upon a prosecution it is made prima facie evidence of guilt for the accused to have in his possession any deer or elk, or their hides, when it is unlawful to kill the same. The penalty for violation of the law is by fine not less than \$10 nor more \$300, or imprisonment in the county jail not less than five days nor more than three months, or by both fine and imprisonment."

A Seasonable Hint.

Genuine new buckwheat flour, and a fine article of table syrup, at the Grange store, 128 State street, Salem.

A Japanese Student.

At the Willamette University may be seen diligently studying for a general English education and for the ministry a full blooded "Japanese." His name is Okawa and he prefaces it with the American cognomen Henry. He is a native of Tokio, Japan, and came to California three years ago. In San Francisco he became a convert to christianity and is now fitting himself to go and preach the religion to his countrymen. He is intelligent and studious, and is rapidly mastering our language. Already he speaks it quite understandingly.

A Good Cup of Coffee.

Is a great attraction for a restaurant. The coffee drawn from Hellenbrand's Patent Coffee receptacle is one of the many Great Attractions of his eating parlors. Thousands of cups of his excellent coffee are sold every week. And as for oysters and meals he cannot be equaled in the state.

THE MOUNTAIN PASS.

Who Are Those Engineers And What Are They About.

The pass over the Cascades, through which the Oregon Pacific is projected and surveyed, and where it is expected the work of construction will be pushed about May 1st, seems to be in dispute.

From a gentleman who came down from the mountains this morning, we learn of the continued attempt of a body of engineers to capture the coveted pass. Our informant had seen a man who had just returned from near the scene of the strife. He said that there were twenty-five civil engineers, with their accoutrements, camped in the region of the pass, which they say they propose holding. They are either of the Wasbush route or of the Chicago & Northwestern. This is as much as we were able to learn from him. He is confident the Oregon Pacific does not feel easy over the situation affairs have taken, and thinks they will hurry and build their line through the pass.

One thing is quite certain, and it is that at least two or three new transcontinental lines are seeking a direct route to the coast, and this pass promises to be a big point—the bone of contention. Whether or not the Oregon Pacific holds the pass, it is evident some line will be constructed through it, and that at once.

Avant Couriers.

There are in the city to-day two gentlemen from the East who are looking up locations for colonies. One gentleman is from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and represents twenty-five families who are ready to come to Oregon to live and have intrusted to him to find their location. The other gentleman is from Canton, Dakota, and is looking in advance for thirty families. Immigration is sure to come and Oregon will get her share. Come to Salem to live.

Assault and Battery.

Recorder Conn's court this afternoon is hearing evidence in the case of Tong Wong vs. John Allen, for assault and battery. The former is a cook at May's restaurant; the latter a waiter. Tong Wong, as his name would indicate, is a heathen, and his complaint is that the colored waiter forcibly struck him on the head with a glass goblet, causing an indurment in said head and thereby spilling celestial blood, which flowed freely.

On the River.

Three steamers were at the docks here this morning. They were the U. S. Engineers' snag-boat Willamette and the O. P. steamers Hoag and Bentley. The former went down this morning and the latter up. Freight is lively and the river is once more approaching an easy boating stage.

Sales in Mill Addition.

This morning lots in the new mill addition met with lively sale. Squire Farrar and Joseph Myers were the purchasers of eight lots at \$2050 and T. J. Cherrington of three at \$750.

LOCAL SUMMARY.

—Sells circus will "do" the valley cities in June.

—Circuit court is in session this week at Albany.

—May 1st is set as the time for active work to begin on the O. P.

—The new mill addition consists of exactly three blocks, or twenty-four lots. I. A. Manning has the sale of it.

—This morning R. D. Peters purchased through Thomas & Payne lots 3 and 4, block 6, in North Salem consideration \$325.

—Ex-Senator Slater is recovering from his recent serious illness and hopes are now entertained for his complete recovery.

—Julius Jacobs, sentenced from Portland to a penal term of two years, for larceny, is a late arrival at the penitentiary.

—Father Bennett, well known in Salem, where he formerly lived, has been very sick at his home in Mehama, but is now on the road to recovery.

—Farm of 130 acres, 1 1/2 miles S. W. of city in Polk county, 45 acres in cultivation, balance timber, good spring of living water; very slightly, only \$30 per acre. Two corner lots in North Salem near the school house at \$150 each, and big list of bargains not mentioned.

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\$1600—Quarter block on Chemekete street. Centrally located.

—MILL ADDITION—

Lots in MILL ADDITION; on Commercial and Front Streets; Only six blocks from the Bank Block. Prices very low for a few days. Street Railway construction on North Commercial street to begin at once, which will pass through Mill Addition. An Ice factory is to be located near this addition soon. Good water. Frontage on two sides. Natural drainage. Choice building sites. Ask for prices.

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\$2500—House and lot on Church St. A more desirable location cannot be found in the city. Hard finish throughout.

\$200—Corner lots in North Salem, near line of Street Railway. Inside lots \$150.

\$7250—4 1/2 blocks adjoining the Woolen Mill site. Good house and barn, house has eight hard finished rooms. Good well of water. Well set to fruit and fine garden land.

\$4500—Ten acres on Howell Prairie road adjoining Parrish's addition to Salem. Good house and barn and large orchard, small fruit etc.

\$1750—Five acres on John Baker road.

\$550—Quarter block on Commercial St., South Salem.

\$800—Quarter block in South Salem, good house, orchard and barn.

\$4250—13 acres on Howell Prairie road 1 1/2 miles from town. House, barn and orchard. No finer garden land around Salem than this place.

COME IN AND SEE ME.