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THE PIONEERS.—Pioneer Day at the Exposition brought together many of the old pioneers who reside in Oregon dates back to the early forties when there was but little evidence of civilization and Portland was a "howling wilderness." Naturally when the "old boys" met each other their minds wandered back to the dangers, hardships and sufferings they endured while journeying to the "promised land." A flood of reminiscences is the result of the meeting, and many of the stories told by these hardy old pioneers sound like fiction and tax credulity of the listener. There appears to be considerable controversy over the identity of the argonaut who drove the first team over the Barlow road across the Cascade range of mountains and there are several claimants; but the distinguished honor, but the preponderance of evidence seems to favor the claims of Mr. E. H. Gant, now a resident of Bellevue, Yamhill county, Oregon. Mr. Gant is a gray-headed typical old pioneer, whose adventures would fill a large sized volume and be interesting reading for the rising generation. Mr. Gant drove two yoke of oxen over the Barlow road early in July, 1846, and was followed by William Goodrich, now of Dayton, Oregon, and William Savage, of Williams, in the order named. Leavens, of Amity, rode Mr. Gant's horse to Foster's place, about ten miles from Oregon City.

A PROGRESSIVE SOCIETY.—Those who miss the sessions of the Alka-Hesperian society every Saturday evening cheat themselves out of a season of real pleasure and instruction. Their meetings this year so far surpass in interest and eloquent debates any previously held in several years, and the members who attend regularly and take part display such marked improvement as at once establishes the important benefit to be derived therein. Last Saturday evening the proposition was discussed, "resolved that the single tax theory is subversive of our present form of government," the affirmative of which was sustained by Frank Davey, W. M. Kaiser and M. C. Starr, while the negative was ably argued by W. J. Arey, J. H. McNary, N. S. Gaylord, John O'Shea and L. H. McMahon, of the Woodburn Independent. The chairman, Wilson, thought the affirmative had the best of the argument and so decided. Next Saturday evening the proposition will be debated, "resolved that the bible should be read in the public schools." W. M. Kaiser being leader on the affirmative and J. H. McNary on the negative. This will be a lively discussion, and all are invited to hear it at the hall in State Insurance block.

HARVEST HOME.—The exercises at the Christian church on last evening, were very pleasant and interesting. The children's harvest home concert was of a very interesting nature and elicited considerable applause. The altar was surmounted by a handsome banner composed of woven ivy and fern on which was woven with snowy white embroidery the words, "What Shall the Harvest Be." Arranged about the room were numerous bunches of grain, specimens of fruit, vegetables, etc., etc., used to illustrate the words of the pastor in a few remarks as to what the harvest will be. The concert consisted of numerous recitations and solos by a number of little boys and girls. Each and every one of the little folks did admirably well. The exercise by a class of little girls and also a class of small boys, especially given and every participant well understood his or her part. The evening exercises were well received by the large audience.

AN EDITOR CANED.—When the senior editor of the Albany Democrat went home Saturday evening about 9 o'clock from a meeting of the O. F. encampment he was considerably surprised to find his residence filled by fifty or sixty of his Albany friends, old and young. As it was his fiftieth birthday the truth soon became apparent. He had been surprised in a genuine old-fashioned manner. An evening was spent in a manner only experienced at the homes of newspaper men. Not a single cry for "copy" was heard during the evening. A feature of the evening was a flowery speech delivered by Mr. W. C. Tweedale, followed by the presentation to Mr. Stiles of a handsome gold-headed cane on behalf of the guests. The JOURNAL extends congratulations to Bro. Stiles and wishes him many returns of such events.

DEAD DRUNK.—This afternoon Marshal Ross arrested a man for being drunk and disorderly and took him to the jail. The man who is a stranger in this city was completely paralyzed with whiskey and had to be hauled to the city bastille on a truck.

INSANE MAN.—Thos. Fisher was brought to the asylum to-day. He is fifty-six years of age, and this is his first commitment. He is violent at times, and imagines that that some one has stolen property from him.

FINE HOGS.—Mr. John W. Gilbert received this morning from the East two thoroughbred hogs, and will take them to his farm, on Lake Lashish, where he will raise the stock. They are fine looking animals and will make fine pork.

ATTEMPTED PRISON DELIVERY.

A Daring and Bold Attempt to Escape From the State Penitentiary—The Scheme one of Nerve.

One of the boldest and one that required all the nerve possible, attempts to escape from behind prison walls was brought to a halt at the State penitentiary on Friday noon last.

The plot was a deeply laid one and had it not been for one of the convicts it would have probably been a successful one. At any rate it required a considerable amount of nerve to undertake the job.

It seems that Frank Watson, aged twentythree years, who is up from Wasco county, for seven years, on a charge of larceny from a dwelling, and who has just served a little over one year of his time, decided that prison life did not suit his fancy, and he determined to make his escape if possible. He placed into his secret his chums, two other convicts, Wm. Goolsby, who was in for one year from Wasco county, for larceny, and John Dougherty, who is up for five years for burglary. Dougherty is the man who burglarized Hon. D. P. Thompson's house in Portland, and he yet has four years to serve. He then decided to work some avenue of escape, and during last May began operations.

They selected as their base of operation a place near the dynamo, in the warehouse. When the prisoners were taken to work in the morning it was quite dark sometimes, caused by fog and smoke and the three prisoners took advantage of this and when unnoticed they raised a board up from the floor and the two placed Dougherty under the floor.

He tunneled away and was released from his place of work in time each day to answer to roll call. All went well for several days until a prisoner by the name of Geo. H. Robinson discovered the plot and informed the shop guard that something was going to happen and put the officers on the watch. The officers decided to watch the three and let them get caught in their own trap. The work of tunnelling under the building went bravely on for a couple of months, all taking a hand at the work until they stopped operations for some cause and did not resume work again until about three weeks ago.

Thursday night it was decided that, as the tunnel had been completed to the race, that Frank Watson, the seven year man, should try and make his escape. Accordingly Friday morning Watson was secreted under the floor and when the roll was called at noon it was found that one man was missing, only 218 answering instead of 219, the number that came to work in the morning.

Search was made, and the plank raised, and there on the ground laid Watson. He was dragged out. It was discovered that he had prepared well for the escape as he had with him two pairs of drawers, a coat, a can of corned beef and several such articles. He was prepared to live in this place about four days with the food he had in store, and as the tunnel ran to the water ditch, he could stand his situation well. It was his intention, as soon as night came on to escape from under the building, and try and scale the wall and escape.

Goolsby's time expired on Friday and it was the intention of Goolsby to return to the prison at night and assist Watson to escape, after which Dougherty was to try the same avenue of escape. Goolsby was given 24 extra time for participating in the affair and the extra time for good behavior will be knocked into a cocked hat on the other gent's record.

The prisoner, Robinson, was placed as a trusty to-day as a reward for his faithfulness. Robinson has always been a well behaved prisoner and his time should be shortened.

Resolutions of Respect.
WHEREAS, It has pleased the All-wise Providence to visit our lodge with the chastening hand of death, whereby we are deprived of the earthly fellowship, influence and pleasure, association of our dear brother, E. J. Humason.

Resolved, That we, members of Capital Lodge, I. O. G. T., No. 11, hereby express our recognition of Brother Humason as having been one of our most valued and faithful members. Kind hearted, manly and true in all the relations of life, and an earnest adherent of the principles of our noble order, and

Resolved, That we sincerely mourn the loss of our friend and brother, thus cut off in his early manhood, when his field of usefulness had just broken into view, and that we respectfully tender our earnest sympathy to his bereaved relations, and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minute book of the lodge and that copies of the same be handed to the papers of the city of Salem with request for publication.

CENTER STREET RAILWAY.—The Salem street railway is now building a line of street railway up Center street, which is to be finished within twenty days. This is a very good move, as many school children are made to ride to and from school, and it is also one of the most traveled streets of our city, and will surely pay the company. It goes into a portion of the city where it is very thickly settled, and it will be patronized very well by the resident portion of that part of the city.

RIVER NEWS.—The Modoc came up from Portland this morning and started on her return trip immediately. She brought about thirty tons of general freight and took back about twenty tons. Among the freight brought in was a large amount of furniture for our furniture dealers. The recent rains have not raised the river yet but it is thought that it will begin to have an effect by this evening. The Modoc made a very good trip with Captain James Smith controller.

27 PER CENT. DIFFERENCE.

Tests Showing the Strongest and Most Economical Baking Powder.

Some valuable tests have been made by the Government chemists as to the practical strength and usefulness of baking powders. Efforts are continuously made to introduce inferior baking powders, the statements being published that they are as pure, or as strong as the "Royal." Such powders are sold to consumers at the same price as the pure Royal, but being deficient in strength, are more expensive in use, besides making inferior or unwholesome food. These low class powders are frequently exposed by the public analysts. Publications have recently been made by the Price Baking Powder Co., the obvious purpose of which was to rid themselves of the exposure of the inferiority or low test of the baking powder which they manufactured.

The tests by the Government chemists and also by Prof. Chandler, of the New York Board of Health, revealed the fact that Price's powder contained twenty-seven per cent. less strength than the "Royal."

When compared in money value, this difference would be as follows: One pound can Royal Baking Powder worth 50 cents; One pound can Price's worth 36 cents.

The public are indebted to the Royal Baking Powder Company for the fight they have been making for years past to break up the practice of substituting cheap, phosphates, lime, etc., as cheap substitutes for cream tartar, as well as short weights and low test in baking powder, and it is hoped that the "stop thief" cry will not prevent that company from continuing the exposure of all who are engaged in the nefarious business of palming upon the public cheap or inferior baking powders at the same price at which a pure and wholesome article is sold.

The Royal Baking Powder has the commendation of almost all noted chemists in the country for its purity and freedom from every substance of an injurious nature. Its manufacturers will receive the support of all consumers for the fearlessness of their crusade against all manner of food frauds.

A BADLY SCARED.—This morning Lee Steiner, Gibson & Singleton's drug clerk, sent the little Chinaman, Cue, to his room, in the Morse building and told him to clean things up. He wanted him not to molest a gun that stood against the wall. "Cue" had not been at work long until bang! bang! went the report of a gun overhead. Mr. Steiner ran at once to the room, expecting to find "little Cue" scattered over the floor, but when he reached the scene of excitement, Cue had tumbled over in a faint and was the worst scared Chinaman in the world. The contents of the gun are safely stowed away in the side of the wall now. The noise succeeded in badly frightening the occupants in the dressmaking shop next door and for a time considerable excitement prevailed. Velly nelly kille me" was all that could be got out of Cue who is this evening around the streets as pale as if he had had six months sickness.

A BLOODY AFFAIR.—There was quite a bloody fighting affair near Woodburn yesterday. It seems that in coming up from the landing yesterday morning a couple of men engaged in a quarrel and one struck the other on the side of the head inflicting a deep and dangerous wound. The affair grew out of an old difficulty and may result in the death of the assaulted victim. Full particulars have been delayed as a reporter was detailed this morning to repair to the scene of the trouble and obtain full particulars but up to the time of going to press no word has reached the office. The affair took place in a baggage or express car on the train and no little excitement prevailed for a short time. The party who did the terrible deed has not been arrested as yet learned.

ANCIENT WORKS.—While digging a trench by his house, which is on the site of the old aboriginal Astor fort, yesterday, says the Astorian, Robt. Carruthers came across the lines of the old magazine built in eight hundred and ever so few, and unearthed some ancient spikes which once held the walls of the magazine together, and which were quickly seized upon as relics by those present.

CHANGE OF COLOR.—In a few weeks the postage stamps are to be changed in color and size. The colors will be as follows: One cent, ultramarine blue; four cent, chocolate; five cent light brown; six cent, vermillion; ten cent, medium green; fifteen cent, steel blue; thirty cent, black; ninety cent, orange. The old two cent stamp will be cut down about one-fourth smaller, and be of a metallic red or carmine color.

GETTING IN SHAPE.—Mr. Gilbert, the newly appointed postmaster has been busying himself at the post office to-day, and is getting onto the combination by the first of the month, when he expects to take official charge.

WILL SOON BE READY.—The work of fitting up the office of the State Law and Tax commission is about completed and the readers of the JOURNAL may look for an announcement from this firm in a few days.

KEEPING IN LINE.—The Bon Ton restaurant is keeping up in style with the fast growth of Salem. It is becoming the favorite eating place in the city.

WILL APPEAR SOON.—Considerable news matter has been laid over to-day unavoidably but will appear during the week.

FINE WEATHER.—During this fine weather you should call at Gilbert & Patterson's for your groceries.

FOR RENT.—Two neat furnished rooms, for rent; centrally located. For particulars call at this office.

PURELY PERSONAL.

Mr. F. C. Baker was a passenger for Portland today.

Rev. P. S. Knight returned home today from his trip up the road.

Dr. F. A. Bailey has resigned his position as Regent of the State Agricultural college.

Mr. E. Merwin, of Independence, is visiting at the residence of his daughter Mrs. J. Vanduyne, on Court street.

Supreme Court.
SALEM, Oct. 28.

Joseph Marin, resp., vs. Multnomah county, app.; appeal from Multnomah county; judgment reversed with directions to the court below to dismiss complaint; opinion by Thayer, C. J.

Thomas Callahan, resp., vs. The Willamette Valley railway company, app.; appeal from Multnomah county; judgment of the court below affirmed with ten per cent damages; opinion per curiam.

FISH, FISH.—The Baltimore fish market on Court street is the place to get your fish, poultry and game.

Painless dental operations at Dr. T. C. Smith's, 99 State street.

Ringling Noises.

In the ears, sometimes a roaring buzzing sound are caused by catarrh, that exceedingly disagreeable and very common disease. Loss of smell or hearing also result from catarrh. Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier, is a peculiarly successful remedy for this disease, which it cures by purifying the blood. If you suffer from catarrh, try Hood's Sarsaparilla, the peculiar medicine.

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A CLEVER SWINDLER.

He Takes Contracts to Build Houses, and Gets Money in Advance.

TACOMA, Oct. 27.—A number of prominent business men of the city have been victimized by a clever swindler known as Lucius Reynolds, who disappeared during the past week. He arrived in Tacoma last spring in an "utterly broke" condition, and sought employment as a carpenter of a contractor noted for his sympathetic disposition and desire to give the needy assistance. The newcomer soon evinced enterprise by taking contracts on his own account. Hansen, jeweler, Cohn, the merchant tailor, W. Frazer, cashier of the Tacoma National bank, T. D. Yarrington and others gave him contracts as he took them at lower prices than other builders. Upon plausible excuses he obtained advances beyond the work accomplished, and, by getting in debt to material men, was enabled to escape, upon a pretense of receiving a telegram from a sick wife in New York state, with between \$6000 and \$8000. When last heard from he was at Portland.

David Pardon's Body Found.

SEATTLE, Oct. 27.—The body of David Pardon, a well known steamboat man who so mysteriously disappeared from the steamboat State of Washington of which he was chief engineer, on the trip between Seattle and Tacoma last Sunday night, was found on the beach at Alki Point early this morning. The discovery was made by C. A. Johnson of the Alki Point Brick and Stone Company. The body was partly decomposed although the features were perfectly recognized. It is supposed that Pardon fell from the steamer opposite the point where the body floated ashore, and that he was struck by the paddle, otherwise being an excellent swimmer he might have reached the shore. Pardon's son Harry, living at Portland, was today notified of the discovery.

The pension rolls now bear 484,000 names, calling for an annual distribution of \$100,000,000.

Iowa raises more corn than all the distilleries in the world can manufacture into alcohol.

European railroads are fenced in, have no grade crossings, the engines have neither bell nor head light, and the engineer must stand.

No chess contest, properly played, should ever end. It should always be a draw. If it is not it is because one of the players have played badly.

Minute and interesting experiments have lately been made proving the popular idea that the sensitiveness of the retina diminishes outward to the periphery, to be incorrect.

A steer which seems destined to a circus life is exhibited at Pmlico, Md. It is four years old, fourteen feet in length, seventeen hands high and weighs 4000 pounds. Not content with being a curiosity as to height, the steer has added the feature of double joints in his legs.

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References: Lincoln Land Company, Lincoln, Neb.; Capital National Bank, Salem, Oregon; G. L. Lewis, Secretary of State, Lincoln, Neb.

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E. S. SWOFFORD,

City Tax Collector.