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AN EDUCATIONAL CITY.

All this month of June has been given up to closing exercises of the various educational institutions of our city.

No city in the Northwest has such a grand array of musical, literary and professional schools as the capital of Oregon.

All of them are supported out of individual enterprise and demand for better education of the young by their parents.

None of the Salem institutions get state aid or a dollar of public taxes. All of them are taxpayers, directly or indirectly.

The only educational institution this city supports by public taxation is the public schools, and that is a good investment.

The public schools must do the preparatory work for all the institutions of higher education, and they cannot do it too well.

For every dollar spent in the public schools there are ten dollars brought to the city and expended on the higher institutions of learning.

Merely from a cold-blooded cash business standpoint the reputation of having the best public schools in the state is profitable for Salem.

From a moral and industrial standpoint the public schools are well worth supporting, as that point was well made in the speech of one of the girls, who argued that additional years in the public schools took boys and girls out of competition with the wage earner.

THE RAINS HAVE COME.

Ever since Sunday showers have fallen over Western Oregon, and, taken altogether, they have come as a great blessing.

The way they fall, this is the land of joy and gladness, for all our moisture comes down as the small rains referred to in Scripture.

The greater rains that deluge and sweep death and destruction before them are not known in Western Oregon, and our sympathies go out to other communities that have suffered cloud-bursts and floods.

The rains will stop now about the middle of the week, and all crops will grow to maturity by leaps and bounds.

The rains have come in the nick of time to save a shortage in the berry and cherry crop, and the danger of drouth, if there ever was any danger, is now happily past.

All the gardens and small fruits be benefited, and the fall and spring grain will be doubled in product as a result of the showers.

Cleveland declines regularly in advance to be a candidate, but it is not a dangerous decline.

"Mastery of the 'Dowser.'"

In an interesting letter published in last week's Speaker, Lord Farrer calls attention to the mysteries in which the time-honored calling of the "dowser" is still enveloped. The "dowser" is, of course, endowed with the rare sense of being able to detect the presence and locality of the underground streams of water, and the illustrations supplied to Lord Farrer of the practical value of this accomplishment fully corroborate the mass of testimony that has been collected from time to time.

The inference to be drawn from Lord Farrer's observations is that the hazel twig usually employed as an index is by no means a necessary part of the dowser's equipment, and that the sense which warns him of the presence of water is most probably equivalent to the instinct that guides the birds and animals of the desert to their drinking places.

As a matter of fact, the hazel twig has been tested as often as planchette, and will "dip" in the hands of the merest novice, if persevered with for some time. The results, too, are usually as misleading as those obtained by the use of the heart-shaped board. But the instinct of the born "dowser" would appear to be a most valuable one, and capable of further development, if properly understood and directed.

"Voodoo" Doctor on Trial.

Philadelphia, June 16.—George F. Hossey, the negro "voodoo" doctor, who, with Mrs. Catharine Danz, is charged with the murder of William Danz, the woman's husband, was arraigned for trial today in the court of Oyer and Terminer.

It is alleged that Hossey furnished to Mrs. Danz powders, which she gave to her husband, and which resulted in his death. The defense, it is said, will be that the powders were for the purpose of curing alcoholism, from which the man was suffering.

Every thief would like to keep himself unspotted.

SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT

Annual Meeting of the District Held Monday Night

A Cash Surplus of About Ten Thousand Dollars at End of the Year

The attendance at the annual school meeting at the city hall Monday evening was small. There was no business of importance to transact, except the submission of the annual report of the clerk of the board, which was read and adopted.

The clerk's statistical report for the year ending June 30, shows that there were 1240 male persons in the district between the ages of four and twenty years, by the last census just completed, 1285 females, and a total of 2525, showing an increase over last year of 125. There were 36 teachers employed in the schools this year, of which number five were males and 31 females. The whole number of days attendance during the year was 202,867; the average daily attendance, 1179; six school houses in the district; nine months of school taught during the year; 1500 legal voters under the \$100 property qualification; 900 library books on hand, 596 of which were purchased during the year. The annual financial report shows the following:

| Receipts. | |
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| Cash on hand June 16, '02 | \$10,795.83 |
| District tax | 20,041.02 |
| County school fund | 9,730.90 |
| State school fund | 3,794.50 |
| Rate bills and tuition | 64.00 |
| Tax redemption and delinquent taxes | 116.48 |
| Total | \$44,511.83 |
| Disbursements. | |
| Teachers' wages | \$17,027.62 |
| Fuel and supplies | 1,883.71 |
| Reps and improv grounds | 921.52 |
| Principal and interest of bonds and warrants | 12,813.97 |
| Insurance | 42.92 |
| Clerk's salary | 150.00 |
| Janitors' salary, etc. | 1,509.00 |
| Total | \$34,352.05 |
| Value of school houses and grounds | \$100,000 |
| Value furniture and apparatus | 12,000 |
| Insurance on houses and property | 52,200 |
| Average monthly salary, male teachers | \$ 70.40 |
| Average monthly salary, female teachers | 43.84 |
| Hon. E. M. Croisan being the only candidate in the field, and having received all of the votes cast, 60 in the four wards, was declared director, to fill the vacancy caused by the illness of M. L. Chamberlain. | |

Will Not Sew on Ascension Day.

(Baltimore Sun.)

Sewing was practically suspended in York, Pa., on Thursday, because of an old superstition that she who piles a needle on Ascension day is in danger of being struck by lightning. Many of the shirt factories in the city worked short-handed, and some were compelled to shut down because of this superstition. Tailors found it impossible to keep women garment makers at work, and so did dress-makers. A bolt of lightning would have had to come from a clear sky, as the sun shone fiercely.

Good Outlook for Crops.

Winnipeg, Man., June 16.—The government official bulletin reports crops in all sections of the province of Manitoba seem under most favorable conditions, and the outlook for a large crop most promising. The season is two weeks earlier than heretofore. The Manitoba wheat acreage is increased about 20 per cent. More cattle were introduced during the winter, and dairying is rapidly becoming an important industry. The dairy season opened well, the factories commencing operations early in May. The increased acreage in Manitoba is likely to be exceeded in the Northwest territories, as a large portion of the immigration last year went to that section of the country.

Anticipation.

(Denver Republican.)

If Boston can have such a glorious time on Emerson's 100th anniversary, what a dizzy whirl there will be at the Hub when the 150th centenary arrives.

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This famous remedy does for the stomach that which it is unable to do for itself, even if but slightly disordered or overburdened.

In the sky comes the star of health to the weak and weary despondent dyspeptic, curing all stomach troubles and digestive disorders.

Kodol supplies the natural juices of digestion and does the work of the stomach, relaxing the nervous tension, while the inflamed muscles and membranes of that organ are allowed to rest and heal. It cures indigestion, flatulence, palpitation of the heart, nervous dyspepsia and all stomach troubles by cleansing, purifying and strengthening the glands, membranes of the stomach and digestive organs.

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Bottles only, \$1.00 Size holding 2 1/2 times the trial size, which sells for 50c.

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Beet Crop Is a Failure.

Word is received from La Grande that the entire beet crop of the Grand Ronde valley is this year a failure, owing to the unusual drouth existing there. None of the fine rains which so benefited this section of the country touched the Grande Ronde, and, as there is little irrigation there in the beet fields, half of the seed has not even sprouted. It is understood that the wheat crops have not been much affected, but the loss of sugar beets will be seriously felt.

A nice line of window shades at The Fair Store. Lowest racket prices.

Wanted Particulars.

(Chicago News.)

"I always smile when misfortune overtakes me," said the clerical-looking passenger.

"That's a good idea," rejoined the hardware drummer, "but what do you do when it overtakes you in a prohibition town?"

Strong's Restaurant.

Come and try our refreshing meals at Strong's restaurant, open day and night.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

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Reduced Excursion Rates.

On and after June 1, 1903, the Southern Pacific, in connection with the Corvallis & Eastern railroad, will have on sale round trip tickets from points on their line to Newport, Yaquina and Detroit at very low rates, good for return until October 10, 1903. Three day tickets to Newport and Yaquina, good going Saturdays and returning Mondays, are also on sale from all East side points, from Portland to Eugene, inclusive, and from all West side points are also on sale to Detroit at very low rates with stop-over privileges at Mill City or any point east, enabling tourists to visit the Santiam and Breitenbush as well as the famous Breitenbush Hot Springs in the Cascade mountains, which can be reached in one day. Season tickets will be good for return from all points until October 10, 1903. Three day tickets will be good going on Saturdays and returning Mondays only. Baggage on Newport tickets checked through to Newport; on Yaquina tickets to Yaquina only. S. P. trains connect with the C. & E. at Albany and Corvallis for Yaquina and Newport. Trains on the C. & E. for Detroit leave Albany at 7 a. m., enabling tourists to the Hot Springs to reach there the same day. Full information as to rates, time tables, etc., can be obtained on application to Edwin Stone, manager C. & E. R. R., Albany; W. E. Conan, G. P. A. S. P. Co., Portland, or to any S. P. or C. E. Agent. Rates from Salem to Newport \$5.

Summer Engagements

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First National Bank Building, Salem, Oregon.

The first term will open May 4th and continue seven weeks. The second term will open June 22 and continue till the August examination. Classes will be formed in all branches required for state and county papers, also in Latin, Short-hand, Typewriting, Elocution and Drawing. The tuition for each term will be \$6 with an additional fee for each of the last five branches. More than 500 teachers of Oregon bear testimony to the success of the school. Address J. J. Kraps, Salem, Oregon.

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