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Weep Not for Salem.

This is the live city of the Willamette valley.

The Journal Saturday will publish a large free edition for distribution at the Lewis and Clarke fair.

Salem and Marion county, and the adjoining counties of Polk and Yamhill are the Paradise of Oregon.

They have the finest crops, the prettiest woman, and brainiest men and the best cities and towns on the Pacific coast.

In the midst of this Paradise sits Salem, the capital of Oregon. In spite of some drawbacks, that time only will remove this city grows and prospers.

A city that can on three-days' notice get up a Fourth of July celebration with five thousand people on the streets and everybody happy, and well entertained is alive and getting more alive.

Publicity to Hangings.

There is no denying that too much publicity has been given to executions. This meant the hanging set for next Thursday.

The passage of a law that such administrations of the death penalty shall take place inside the prison wall was a step in the right direction.

But after that has been done it is still better to have the death penalty go into effect with as little of the sensational as possible.

It is not the highest compliment to our civilization that we must take away human life to satisfy the demands of law and justice.

But while this concession to imperfect social conditions must be made let it be stripped of the expansive details as far as public safety will permit.

It is to be hoped that the attendance of a crowd, and the publication of last statements, and conversations with the prisoner will be reduced to a minimum.

A decent respect for the living should spare them these details of misfortune in its last extremity. It may at times be kind to be cruel, but in this instance it is a kindness to all concerned to omit the cruel details that attend any execution.

The officers of the law, the officers of the prison, and members of the condemned man's family, are really all who are entitled to be present. This newspaper will certainly try to set a new pace in reporting such events as briefly as possible.

Criticism of the Bible.

The press reports tell of 101 clergymen of the Church of England sending out a circular for the starting of a new crusade for THE "HIGHER CRITICISM" OF THE SCRIPTURES.

In response to their action over 1700 clergymen of the same church have signed a document asking for the application of the so called historical basis to the interpretation of the Holy Bible.

The "higher criticism," it is alleged has already been applied 'with advantage to faith' to the Old Testament, and it is now asked to be applied to the New Testament.

The declaration of these clergymen announces in advance that whatever may be the issue of the criticism the faith of the church will stand unmoved. THEN OF WHAT USE THE APPEAL TO THE "HISTORICAL BASIS?"

It would seem that in matters of faith only the highest understanding should be appealed to in order to make clearer the basis of faith, and the more sure the foundation for the apprehension of spiritual truth.

"The historical basis" has not yet been successfully applied to settling the problems of history, and the salvation of souls is not dependent on knowing what kind of clothes the Saviour wore, nor the color of his hair.

The historical basis of criticism can never be successfully applied to the exposition of the Scriptures, which record the struggle of humanity to get hold of spiritual truth, or the only

truth and principle that underlies all government and all human relations

Why not set the mills of criticism to grinding out and ascertain if possible the 'Historical Basis' for all the kinds of theology in the world? Why attack the historical validity of a book manifestly not considered a mere record of historical events?

The Bible will stand the light of higher criticism MUCH BETTER THAN WILL BE THE INVENTION OF THE THEOLOGIANS. Indeed the only danger lies in attempting to interpret the Bible from the standpoint of a materialistic basis of criticism, when "the things of the spirit are apprehended by the spirit," according to Paul.

Reform in the Schools.

The effort of Chairman Condit, of the Salem school board to make the city superintendent more directly accountable to the board is a proper one, and should be adhered to. The resolution requires the city superintendent to make a monthly report to the board of his own work and how his time is expended, and also to make recommendations to the board. If properly enforced by the board and lived up to by the city superintendent, this cannot but accomplish great good. It is plain to be seen, however, that such an order will be used by members of the board at some future time to harass the city superintendent, if they were so disposed.

In the interest of the Salem schools, which should hereafter be numbered among the best on the Pacific coast, it is to be hoped nothing of this kind will ever develop, and, in fact, the real purpose of this resolution must be to eliminate personal differences. The people of this school district, and more particularly the school board are entitled to the fullest knowledge of the work being done in our schools, and this method has a wholesome tendency in that direction. While it may place a little more work on the shoulders of the city superintendent, this monthly report also affords that official an opportunity to be better understood and protect himself with the board and the patrons of the district. In the interest of good schools, let us all hope that this new reform will work out for the best.

Tax the Express Companies.

How the Oregon legislature can have overlooked the express companies all these years in Oregon is a mystery.

They have no passes to give out to head off legislation.

They have escaped almost entirely. Business men who are readers of the Atlantic Monthly will be particularly interested in the opening article of the July number. It has to do with the relations of the express companies to the railroads and to the public. Its aim is to set forth the reasons for the wide-spread demand for greater publicity in the transactions of these companies. The article is written by Frank Haigh Dixon, an expert on transportation problems.

The next legislature should see to it that they pay for the privilege of doing a princely business in Oregon.

But will the people be foolish enough to leave so just and important matter to the altogether too-easily corrupted legislature.

The initiative and referendum is the only weapon by which these tax-gathering machines can be reached.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c.

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CHILDREN CRY FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA.

SANTA FE TRAIL STORIES

Reminiscences of Pioneers on Road--Incidents of Two Fast Rides

Members of the Early Settlers' association of Missouri, who, with a party of city officials from Kansas City, have recently been attempting to locate the original route of the Santa Fe trail, which is to be marked, seem to have settled the location of the road as far as the old Harris house at Westport, Mo.

Among the older men of the party on the trail the other day an odd bit of history came out, says the Kansas City Star. When Westport became a flourishing town it felt the need of a more convenient route to the river landing, so a rock road was built reaching as far into Kansas City as Twelfth street. In those days Kansas City had about the same relation to Westport that Independence now holds to Kansas City, except that the Westport merchants had to come to Kansas City to get their freight. So the big town built the road, a sort of toll road, running mostly on the west side of the old Santa Fe trail.

The trail was not at all easy for speedy traveling, but S. C. Ragan took a swift trip over it once. He was driving three yoke of oxen down the hill north from Twenty-eighth street when lightning struck a tree just behind the wagon. The oxen ran all the way to Kansas City as fast as six frightened cattle could run.

J. S. Chick told of a little fast riding he did in his time on the trail beyond Westport. He fell in with four Mexicans who had mules to sell, or said they had. "They were drinking some of their Mexican drinks," he said, "and wanted me to drink with them. I objected."

"Not to a little whisky?" W. R. Bernard suggested.

"I did not say I objected to a little whisky. I did object to taking their Mexican drink with them when I was already suspicious of them."

"The mules were supposed to be out on the trail a few miles in Kansas. We set out to find them. They were not where the Mexicans first said they were, but they said we would find them a few miles farther away. Then they rode two in front of me and two behind. It was an uncomfortable place for me. They knew I had money to buy mules with. I thought I knew they were thieves and out throats, and I soon lost interest in their mule story figuring on how to leave them behind. I finally got a chance and started my horse on a run to a settlement near. I soon distanced the Mexicans, and I never saw the mules. I don't know of any one else that ever did."

It is a curious fact that war has been a factor in the making of Kansas City. It was the war between Texas and Mexico that made the Santa Fe trail. Commerce with Mexico was carried on by ships across the gulf of Mexico until that war. Then Texas put out some privateers that made the trade dangerous, and it was started overland by ox teams. Goods were sent by way of Kansas City and Santa Fe into central Mexico, keeping too far west and north for the Texans to do any damage. Afterward when the United States took up the war the trade continued to go overland, and to this day goods are shipped to Mexico through Kansas City.

Every one knows that the civil war and the troubles that followed sent the Texas cattle trade into Kansas City territory instead of east by water or across Louisiana, and every foreign war strengthens the Kansas City mule market as well as the flour and meat trade. J. S. Chick said that it was the war between Texas and Mexico that made the Santa Fe trail and laid the foundation for the city that has helped to outfit or provision every war that has been fought since in every part of the globe.

"The party of city officials and members of the Early Settlers' association who attempted to locate the old Santa Fe trail the other day came pretty near the original route, as I remember it," said James Hunter. Mr. Hunter is a notary in Westport, where he has lived continuously for many years.

"I came to what is now Westport with my father in 1834," said Mr. Hunter. "I was then eight years old, and we had removed from a farm near Independence, where we settled when we came from Kentucky. I grew up and went to school in the first log school house near a spring about a quarter of a mile from what is now the Wornall road. When J. C. McCoy laid out the town of Westport

he told my father he would give him a lot at what is now the southwest corner of Shawnee street and Westport avenue if he would start a store there. My father built the store on the ground, and we ran it together until 1856.

"From 1850 until the time of the war 500 wagons a day went over this trail from May until June. Going out of Westport the first camp on the trail was just beyond the old Wornall homestead, near Indian creek. The exact route of the trail may be a matter for personal recollection, but we can never differ as to the location of the watering places on the trail. I can name today all the watering places between here Kansas City and Council Bluffs. This was the last settlement in the days of the wagon trains until Fort Union was reached."

Lewis and Clark Edition Saturday.

The Daily Capital Journal Saturday will be at least 16 pages, and will be devoted largely to showing up the industries and resources of Salem, the Flower City of the Western Oregon Paradise. There will be press work done Friday night and all day Saturday to get out so large an edition for free distribution at the Oregon and Marion county headquarters of the Portland exposition. Get in your best thoughts about our city and surrounding country, and let us show the world that we are alive.

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Excursion Rates.

During the Lewis and Clark Exposition the O. C. T. Co. will make a rate of 75 cents to Portland, round trip \$1. Tickets good for 10 days. Boats leaving daily.

MRS. JOHN H. ALBERT INJURED

Steam Gives Out in Automobile on Heavy Grade, and It Upsets

Mrs. John H. Albert was seriously injured in an automobile accident last evening. It happened just across the bridge in Polk county, and, while Mrs. Albert's injuries are serious and painful, it is not thought that they are dangerous. She will be confined to her bed for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Albert and Mrs. Harry G. Albert were out riding yesterday evening, and in order to test a new hill-climbing apparatus which Mr. Albert had just put on his machine, they started up the side road which leads from the Wallace road up to the old abandoned rock quarry, about half a mile west of the big bridge. When nearly up the hill the steam gave out, the machine stopped, and began to back down the hill. Realizing his danger at once, Mr. Albert tried to throw on the emergency brake, but this would not work. As the machine was gaining velocity every instant, and as the road was very narrow, he decided to steer it so that it would back up on the uphill side of the road, and thus stop. It was going too fast, however, and, instead of stopping, mounted the embankment, rolled over on its side and threw the occupants out into the rock road. Mr. Albert and Mrs. Harry Albert escaped without injury, but the elderly lady received a fracture of the collar bone, lower jaw, and three ribs, besides numerous bruises and injuries.

The accident happened about 8 o'clock and a cab was immediately summoned from the city, and Mrs. Albert was removed to her home as quickly as possible, where medical assistance was summoned. Although her injuries are painful, she spent a surprisingly easy night, and her physicians are very hopeful. Mrs. Albert is about 60 years of age, and has been in very delicate health for a long time. That she escaped from instant death is miraculous.

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CASTORIA The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of J. C. Perry

CROP BULLETIN

The past week has been favorable for normal growth, notwithstanding it averaged cooler than usual. Haying is now general, and, although considerable hay was cut and lying in fields when the rains of early part of the week occurred, no great damage ensued, and the crop promises to be unusually heavy and of excellent quality. Fall wheat continues to fill nicely and its harvest will begin in about ten days or two weeks. Fungus diseases and insect pests are more troublesome than usual at this season of the year. Spring wheat in portions of the Willamette valley is badly infested with aphids, but otherwise its condition is promising. Oats are affected by a red rust fungus, which is causing much apprehension. Barley is ripening nicely. Corn, gardens, potatoes, field onions and sugar beets continue doing well. Many lies are reported in the hop yards, especially those situated near the river bottoms, and preparations for extensive spraying have been made, which will be put in operation if the present warm and bright weather does not cause their disappearance. Berries are plentiful, and other fruit has made satisfactory advancement.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of J. C. Perry



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