

FROM THE MISSISSIPPI TO THE COLUMBIA.....

AND DOWN THE COLUMBIA TO THE SEA

CHAPTER IV.

I now recall to mind a long march across a dry and level plain, thickly set with greasewood and sagebrush, through which the breaking of the road was very heavy work for the somewhat jaded teams, and where the boys walking behind the wagons were frequently under the painful necessity of sitting down and pulling the thorns of the prickly pear out of their toes. This evening we traveled until late at night, probably 10 o'clock, and camped as near as we could to Snake river—for the river bed was in a groove cut more than a quarter of a mile deep in the plain.

In the morning we could see the river from our camp, so far down that it looked like a small stream. The slope down to the river was very steep, but there was bunchgrass in abundance, and some of our cattle were grazing along the river. Some boys were rolling rocks down this slope into the river. They did not seem to consider the danger to the cattle below them, and were enjoying the sport of seeing the large stones bound down the long and steep declivity and plunge with a tremendous splash into the water, sometimes throwing water 25 or 30 feet high.

How long this sport had been going on, I had not noticed, not having been invited to take a hand, but it was going on when the train was ready to take up the line of march. Just at that time a boy by the name of Wayne Hembree had started a large stone which went with the velocity of a cannon ball in the direction of a yearling calf grazing near the foot of the slope, and just as the rock struck the calf, Wayne was heard calling it to get out of the way. Of course the calf was killed as dead as if it had been struck by a bolt of lightning.

We were now approaching the Salmon Falls in Snake river, and heard the roar of water a long time before we saw them. The first sound that struck my ear seemed to jar the earth like distant thunder. As we approached, many Indians were seen, and long lines of something of a red color which I thought were clothes hung out to dry attracted my attention. As we came nearer we found that those lines were salmon which the Indians were drying in the sun.

The company made a halt here, and many Indians visited our camp, bringing fish, both fresh and dried, which they exchanged for old clothes. A number of them strutted around in their newly acquired garments, seeming to enjoy their absurd appearance as much as we did, for when we would laugh they would laugh and jabber among themselves. They were almost naked, some of them quite so. When one would get a garment, he would put it on at once. A naked Indian would cram on a shirt and step around as though he thought himself in full dress; another would seem delighted with nothing on but a vest; another big buck with only a hat on would grin and seem as pleased as if he were dressed to kill. This was grand sport for the children, and the Indians did not seem to object to our fun at their expense. The fish, no doubt, were very acceptable to the emigrants, as they had none before, except at Bear River, where the men caught an abundance of large trout.

In getting away from this place, we had a narrow escape. We had to follow the "Devil's Backbone," it may have been a mile or more—a very narrow ridge, with a gorge a thousand feet deep on the left hand, and a sheer precipice on the right down to Snake river, which looked as though it might be a mile away on a perpendicular line.

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The river was so far away that it looked like a ribbon not more than four inches wide. The danger was so great that no one rode in the wagons. At many places there was not a foot to spare for the wagon wheels between the bottomless gorge on the left and the precipice down to the river on the right. It is said in the Bible that "Straight is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life; but wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat," but this Devil's Backbone was worse than either, for it was both narrow and crooked, and it was hard to tell what it might lead to. But we passed it safely, and again were slowly tramping over a broad and level expanse of greasewood and sagebrush.

One afternoon, somewhere in that level country, when there were only father's three wagons in the party, (I think there had been a dispersion and confusion of tongues soon after passing the Devil's Backbone, and father had pulled out, preferring to face the dangers of the wilderness alone rather than Civil War) far off in an easterly direction we could see horsemen coming toward us. When we first saw them, the ponies did not look larger than grasshoppers and there were only a few of them visible, but directly more appeared in sight and the number continued to increase until the plain was swarming with them. They approached in a gallop and gathered into a hoard as they came nearer. They did not whoop nor gesticulate as they approached they were not painted, and had no weapons in their hands. They did not slacken their pace until they had completely surrounded our little party; they were in such great numbers and crowded so closely about the wagons and teams that we could not move on. But they were very friendly, and we learned in some way that they were visiting us to see white women and children, for they had never seen any before. They peered into all the wagons from the ends and both sides, and caught hold of the wagon covers and raised them so that they could look in.

There was a host of them around the wagon I was in, lifting the sides of the cover and peeping in at mother and us children. We were not afraid of them, for they all looked pleasant and much interested. Some were squaws, riding astride of saddles with very high horns before and behind. Some of the squaws had infants encased in sacks made of dressed hides, with a board attached to support the back of the child. The babies looked like the cocoons of some kinds of insects, and were swinging from the front horn of the saddle like a holster pistol. There was nothing to be seen of the papoose but its little round chubby face.

While they were crowding about our wagon, a squaw with a youngster hanging to her saddle-bow was trying to get a peep into the wagon when another horseman swung his horse against the child, which commenced crying. This drew forth such a volley of Snake lingo that the offender suddenly lost all interest in the show and got away from there in a hurry. Besides a desire to see women and children, it seems these Indians wanted tobacco, which was given to a few who appeared to be "big Snakes." We were not detained by them more than thirty minutes. They rode away, and we traveled on.

We passed through the Rocky Mountains on our way, but when

or where I am not able to say. I do not remember climbing mountains until we came to the Blue Mountains. We must have reached the divide or backbone of the Rocky Mountains by a very gradual ascent of hundreds of miles. The descent, though, was not so regular, for I remember going down several very steep and long hills.

When we arrived at Boise river, we were again with a considerable company. The river was about 100 yards wide, quite rapid and too deep to ford, though the banks were low and not precipitous. The crossing here was difficult and very dangerous, and one man was drowned. When we had crossed the river we were at Fort Boise—another Hudson Bay post.

It was probably while camping in the neighborhood of this fort that we children were surprised and delighted to find beads, generally small and white in color, in ant hills. We picked up many of them, but, while searching for more, presently came to a place where the ground was white with them, and, looking up, discovered that we were under a broad platform raised on posts and that the platform above our heads was thickly strewn with corpses of Indians. We knew then where the beads had come from. Many of the bodies were yet rolled up in blankets and robes. Some had been torn into fragments by carrion crows and other scavenger birds, and skulls and other bony parts of the body lay bleaching in the sun. A few bodies had fallen to the ground. After this ghastly find, we did not tarry long, for the shades of evening were now creeping along the ground and the Bannock, Shoshone, Crow or Black-foot spoons may have been already congregating to hold their nightly "wake" in this Golgotha. We fled to camp, with the jack-rabbit speed of barefoot, backwoods children, to report our strange discovery and exhibit our beads. We were greatly disappointed that our report did not create a sensation in camp and decidedly grieved when the "old folks," (father was 35 and mother 27 years of age) did not admire our beads, but scolded us for having them and made us throw them away. I don't remember another time on the plains when I thought the old folks made such fools of themselves as they did on this occasion.

(Continued Next Week)

Carey F. Martin, a prominent attorney of Salem, attended Circuit Court in Dallas, Monday.

Rev. J. M. Green, pastor of the Baptist Church, went to Portland, Wednesday morning, to attend the Evangelistic Conference to be conducted for four days by Dr. Chapman, of Philadelphia. Mr. Green will return tomorrow (Saturday) evening, and will fill his pulpit Sunday, both morning and evening.

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GOOD WORDS FOR DALLAS

McMinnville College Basketball Team Anxious to Arrange Game With Dallas College.

The McMinnville College basketball team has begun active practice, and is anxious to arrange a game with Dallas College at an early date. The McMinnville correspondent of the Evening Telegram says: "From the present outlook, the team will be the best in the history of the school. There seems to be a great deal of interest taken by the men and it shows itself in the fact that they report to practice in such large numbers. A game had been partly arranged with Dallas College, for December 18, but the athletic council of McMinnville College would not permit the game to be played on account of a certain local college function which occurs on that evening, in which some of the players are required to take part. It is hoped, however, that a game may be arranged with Dallas later in the season, as the Dallas players are the most sportsmanlike team the local men have ever met."

J. H. Mulkey, a prosperous farmer of Monmouth, was a county seat visitor, Monday.

County Clerk U. S. Loughary issued license to wed to Isaac W. Compton and Alice L. Bridges this week.

J. C. Morrison, foreman of Horst Brothers' hop ranches on the Willamette river, was in Dallas, Wednesday.

The National Livestock Association will meet in Portland January 12, 13, 14, 15, 1904. Everyone engaged in this industry are invited to attend. The reduced price of livestock and other matters make this meeting of special importance.

Dr. J. B. Loughary, of Seattle, who was tendered the office of superintendent of the Western Washington Hospital for the Insane has declined the position. Private business interests prevented his acceptance. Dr. Loughary was at one time a practicing physician in Dallas.

"The Roses' Honeymoon", by John W. Bratton, is a new instrumental composition by this popular composer which might be called a song without words. It somehow breathes the atmosphere of romance, roses and moonlight. The publishers M. Witmark and Sons expect it to make a success equal to Mr. Bratton's "In a Cozy Corner."

Mrs. August Ohms died at her residence about two miles west of Monmouth, Tuesday, of dropsy. Mrs. Ohms' parents came from Germany while she was but a small child and settled in Iowa. She received her education in the public schools of that state, and after her marriage came to Oregon. She leaves a son and two daughters, her husband having died several years ago.

John Briedwell, aged 72 years, died at his home west of Amity on Sunday, of heart failure. Mr. Briedwell was born in Indiana, moving to Iowa in 1852 and coming to Oregon with his wife the following year. He settled in Yamhill county, where he has resided ever since, meriting the respect and esteem in which he was held by those who knew him best. Four boys and two girls are left to mourn his death.—McMinnville Reporter.

The Falls City public school, in charge of Prof. H. C. Seymour, Miss Lydia Campbell and Miss Jessie Bryant, is making splendid progress in its work. Oscar Ellis, of the eighth grade, made an average of 99 1/2 per cent in his studies for the month of November. Francis Luckey, Maude Montgomery and Fern Raymond, of the ninth grade, made averages over 98 per cent. The number of pupils enrolled for the month was 126; average daily attendance, 121; times tardy, 6; number of visitors, 10; pupils neither absent nor tardy, 87.

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AID GOAT INDUSTRY

Annual Shows at Dallas Promote Interest in Improvement of Angoras.

Rural Northwest. The enterprising citizens of Dallas, Oregon, are now making arrangements for the coming annual Oregon goat show to be held in that city. The date will probably be fixed so as to immediately follow the meeting of the National Live Stock Association, on or about the middle of January. It is proposed to hold a sale this year in connection with the show. Those interested will see that no goats are admitted for sale except registered stock of merit. It is not expected that a large number of goats will be offered as the breeders will not expect at this sale to receive as much as they would charge at private sale. The sale will be made absolutely a bona fide one and every goat offered for sale will be actually sold even if the price is but a small fraction of the real value. A sale conducted on this line will every year prove a greater attraction. The shows at Dallas have been improving from year to year and are doing a great work in promoting interest in the improvement of Angoras. It is hoped that all the leading breeders of the state will be represented this year.

Rev. A. A. Winter, of Dallas, passed through Corvallis Monday on his way home from Alesia, where he held services on Sunday.—Corvallis Gazette.

Dr. Jay Tuttle, of Astoria, has been nominated by the Republicans of Clatsop county as a candidate for State Senator to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Senator Fulton. The special election will be held December 16.

The city election in Salem, Monday, resulted in a victory for the full Republican ticket with the exception of one candidate for Councilman in the Seventh Ward. Frank Waters, the Republican candidate for Mayor, was elected over Rev. P. S. Knight, the Citizens' nominee, by a majority of 138. The result of the election was a great surprise to the Citizens, who had figured that with the aid of Independent Republicans, Prohibitionists and Democrats they would sweep everything before them. The Democrats, however, did not endorse the mix-up, and many of them voted the straight Republican ticket.

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MEANS MUCH TO OREGON

Lewis and Clark Fair, is Favorably Commended to Congress by President Roosevelt.

"I trust that the Congress will continue to favor in all proper ways the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. This exposition commemorates the Louisiana Purchase, which was the first great step in the expansion which made us a continental nation. The expedition of Lewis and Clark followed thereon, and marked the beginning of the process of exploration and colonization which thrust our National boundaries to the Pacific. The acquisition of the Oregon Country, including the present States of Oregon and Washington, was a fact of immense importance in our history, first giving us our place on the Pacific seaboard, and making ready the way of our ascendancy in the commerce of the greatest of the oceans. The centennial of our establishment upon the Western Coast by the expedition of Lewis and Clark is to be celebrated at Portland, Oregon, by an Exposition in the Summer of 1905, and this event should receive recognition and support from the National Government."—From President Roosevelt's Message to Congress.

Members of the Oregon delegation, commenting upon the President's message, particularly praise his reference to the Exposition. Senator Mitchell said:

"I have read the message carefully from beginning to end. I regard it as a straight forward, business-like, sensible document, and I believe the recommendations of the President in the main ought to, and doubtless will receive the approval of Congress and of the people. Especially am I gratified at the cordial and earnest recognition and recommendation of the President in reference to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis, and the proposed Lewis and Clark Exposition to be held at Portland, Oregon, in the Summer of 1905."

Senator Fulton said: "I am delighted at the recognition of the Lewis and Clark Fair, and believe the President's indorsement insures the success of the measure."

Representative Hermann said: "No part of the message commends itself so strongly to the Oregon people as that which refers to the Lewis and Clark Exposition. The recommendation for the recognition and support from the National Government to this great undertaking will count for more than all efforts we could otherwise make before Congress. It is furthermore the highest introduction to all the Nation of the great event which is to occur in our state. The President in honoring the subject has honored our state and our people. Already since the reading of the message, various members have voluntarily expressed to me their determination to support the pending bill."

Representative Williamson said: "The message is long and I have not had an opportunity to read it closely. The President's favorable mention of the Lewis and Clark Fair is fortunate for our bill now pending, as it furnishes a basis of reference while the measure is under discussion."

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Fenton visited relatives and attended the Ben-Hur performance in Portland, Saturday.

Naomi Chapter, No. 22, Order of Eastern Star, elected officers for the ensuing year, Tuesday evening, as follows: Ella J. Metzger, W. M.; A. B. Muir, W. P.; Emma J. Belt, A. M.; R. E. Williams, treasurer; Libbie Muir, secretary; Almeda Fuller, cond.; Maggie Hayter, A. C.; Mrs. J. C. Gaynor, Oscar Hayter and Ed Biddle, trustees.

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Theodore Thompson Was Formerly Instructor at Chemawa Indian School.

Theodore M. Thompson, an old pioneer of Oregon, died Monday morning at his home on Cottage street, in Salem, aged 73 years.

Mr. Thompson was born in Pennsylvania and came to Oregon in 1852. He settled in Dallas, Polk county, and engaged in the harness making business. In 1864 he married Miss Stone, principal of the LaCreole Academy, of that city, and later moved to Salem, where he worked for many years as harness maker. He held a position for several years as instructor in harness making and saddlery at the Chemawa Indian Training School, which position he resigned about one year ago on account of failing health. He was suffering from heart disease and gradually grew weaker until the end came as the result of a complication of diseases at 2:30 o'clock Monday morning.

Deceased leaves a host of friends among the old pioneers of Salem, and was well known for his honest, upright dealings.

The remains were laid to rest in the Lee Mission cemetery, beside those of his deceased wife, who died six years ago.

The only relatives which the deceased leaves on the coast are a daughter, Mrs. M. C. Ferguson, and a grandchild.—Statesman.

J. W. Conner, of Sheridan, and Miss Mary Morgan, of Salem, were married in Salem, Monday.

Conrad Stafrin, manager of the Wilson drugstore, was a business visitor in Portland, Wednesday.

Y. A. Gray, of Independence, has purchased the feed store of J. A. Derby & Son and will move his family to McMinnville as soon as a dwelling house can be secured.—McMinnville Reporter.

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