

NEWS OF THE STATE

The Soio creamery is expected to be in operation by April. Sixty-six colonists from Iowa were reported at Salem Saturday.

Artesian water has been struck at a depth of 30 feet on a farm near The Dalles.

Brownsville is one of the few towns in the state where no city tax is paid. That city has decided electric lights are not absolutely necessary just yet.

The year's enrollment of the Salem public schools is 2,840. The average daily attendance for the year was 1,333 and there are 312 enrolled in private schools.

A landslide in a ravine on Portland heights last Sunday completely wrecked the home of Donald S. McDonald. His sixteen-year-old daughter and a nephew, Daniel Campbell, were killed.

Umatilla's county court refuses to offer bounties on squirrels or to furnish poison to the farmers for fighting the pests, on the ground that the state law does not authorize such action regarding squirrels, though other animals are expressly mentioned.

There are 1060 patients in the insane asylum. During February 24 new patients were received, four died and 19 were discharged. There are 124 officers and employes and it cost \$4,475.73 to keep the institution running; \$371.59 was spent for meat alone.

It is estimated that the milk from fully 1,000 cows is delivered to the three creameries at Tillamook per day, to say nothing of the milk used in private creameries and dairies. A total of 30,000 pounds per day for the three creameries is about the highest receipts for the last season.—Tillamook Headlight.

Fred Paul, the young man of Walla Walla, who left that city last week in rather an abrupt manner in order to keep from fulfilling a matrimonial engagement, and whose whereabouts has since been a mystery both to the interested young lady and the young man's parents, has been found at last on the Umatilla reservation.

On Myrtle creek, about 15 miles above the town of Myrtle Creek, there was recently found a pair of horns about 30 inches long and six inches in diameter at the base, in a petrified condition—the remains of some prehistoric mammal, as they were buried 18 or 20 feet deep in an old channel ages ago.

Says the Curry county Gazette: "A couple of grey eagles have for some time been living high on spring lamb on the ranges hereabouts. Last week Lou Miller got a shot at them on the Edson place, getting one the first time and the other the day following. Dead lambs are now not so numerous, though a wildcat is said to be gathering them in occasionally."

H. A. Barr, who left Eugene for Alaska writes from some point on the coast: "Bain is falling as I have never saw it fall before, and the ship's thermometer down to 7 below, and the wind just howling; snow on a level seven feet deep. We have great appetites. We are now waiting for a small steamer to carry us up the coast and river to Dyes, which is 115 miles, and will cost us \$10 per man. From Dyes we will load our sleds with 540 pounds each; then each man take a sled and begin our tortuous trip over the snow and ice to a creek (American) 50 miles below Forty-Mile, a distance of 800 miles, and, if we have good weather, will get there about May 25. Three thousand men are expected to go there this spring."

For some weeks there has been a story current stating that Inez Mercer was the victim of a mock marriage in an amateur theatrical performance in Portland about a year ago, and that just before the performance, R. B. Wescott, the man who was to be the bridegroom in the play, got out the necessary papers to make it legal, and the man who performed the ceremony was a man who had legal authority to do so. When she discovered this she procured a divorce on the grounds of fraud, bringing in as a witness W. C. Isaacs, who claimed to have been present. Wescott wanted revenge and had Isaacs arrested for perjury, as it has been found by reference to hotel registers that he was in San Francisco at the time. It has also leaked out that Miss Mercer is a variety actress and that the mock marriage did not take place on the stage, but at a beer and ham sandwich banquet after the show was over. Miss Mercer is also under arrest at San Francisco on charge of perjury.

The rich find reported to have been made a few days ago in Quartz Gulch, near Robinsonville, says a Baker City telegram, will recall to old timers an incident which occurred over 20 years ago. Two miners became involved in a quarrel over a location, and one of them was killed. The killing must have been unprovoked, for the survivor, was taken to Canyon City, indicted, tried and hanged. Before being led to the scaffold, he offered to take the sheriff to a place where he said he had uncovered an immensely rich quartz ledge. The sheriff looked upon the offer as a ruse on the part of the condemned man to obtain an opportunity to escape, and refused it. In due time the man was hanged, but the dying prisoner's declaration found an echo in the ears of many a prospector. Among those who were most persistent were the Stearns brothers. Al Geiser, who came to town last night, reports that Albert Stearns and Andy Larson, after a patient search for five years, have at last found the ledge. Further developments are expected shortly.

Retrenchment has gone on in the management of the Oregon Pacific until at the company's headquarters there are but four occupants: Manager Stone, Traveling Freight and Passenger Agent Mayo, Dispatcher Abbey and the office boy; four all told, with Mayo and Abbey each absent more than half the time. The greater part of the day the only occupants of the headquarters building are the manager and the office boy. Once the same offices sheltered and the same road nourished a general manager, an assistant to the general manager, superintendent, an auditor, a paymaster, a dispatcher, with stenographers galore; to say nothing of a swarm of engineers, clerks and hunkies, numbering something like thirty. Along the line retrenchment is like-

wise in vogue. On the roadmaster was bestowed the title and the duties of master mechanic, and the man who had been master mechanic was ordered to report to his new superior officer. This the late master mechanic refused to do, and he is now open for another engagement. Besides these drastic measures of railroad reform the pay of every employe along the line—conductors and engineers excepted—was subjected to cut.

From Eden Precinct.

THE LAND OF QUAILS. EDITORS MAIL—Some weeks ago I saw in your paper an article by "Farmer" in which article it was stated that quails had been trapped hereabouts in numbers, thirty at a clip; and a hint to the transgressors of the law to look a "little out." Later on I saw a notice in the paper of another article, presumably from Eden precinct, in regard to quails, but could not be published on account of being signed only by "Subscriber." I was not the author of either of said articles, but I am a citizen of this, our glorious Eden. But to the point—trapping quails—From time immemorial it has been the habit of the small boy to gather some little sticks, and with his own little hands, make for himself a little trap and set the same in some out-of-the-way fence corner. With what eagerness the little fellow baits and tends that trap, and with what great expectations of joy and delight he looks forward to the capture of his first bird, and when he has him, how he bounds away to his dear mamma, at every stride feeling himself a sportsman of such dimensions as to stand fully "six feet, three in his stocking feet." It seems that Eden has been no exception to the rule. The small boy has been in evidence here. The facts, as I have gathered them are about as follows: Some little school boys are together, each boasting of his prowess as a sportsman. One little fellow had caught six in his trap, one and two at a time. Another little fellow had caught so many; another, in all during the past year had caught thirty-five. Now, whether any, or all of these birds, were caught "in season" or "out of season," I do not know and I doubt very much if "Farmer" knows either. My little boys have had no traps out, not because they were afraid of being reported by "Farmer" or that they even knew that there was such a law in existence but, as I take it, they did not think about it, or were too lazy to make them and put them out. But it is to be hoped that "Farmer" will not crush these youthful sportsmen. Spare the little fellows. Perhaps they too may some day become a great and good "Farmer."

W. M. SMITH.

TEMPERED WITH ELECTRICITY.

Italian Invention of Interest to Wine Makers and Wine Drinkers. Italian wine merchants have reason to congratulate themselves on the introduction of the electrical process for the aging of wines, in the wine-producing provinces of Italy. The process, says the Pittsburgh Dispatch, is said to render possible extraordinary modifications in the bouquet and body of the vintage, and the suggestion has been made that it might be employed with advantage in the correction of faults frequently apparent in California wines, arising from the richness of the soil on which the grapes have been grown.

But the tempering of wine is only one of many uses to which electricity is now put in the wine-producing industry. In an establishment in Algeria, where the Arab labor was uncertain and unsatisfactory, a generating plant has been erected for doing the whole work. The plant consists of a compound dynamo and a steam engine. The current from the dynamo is utilized for lighting purposes, and for the operation of seven electric motors, ranging from two to ten effective horse-power. One motor drives a one-ton crane, which lifts boxes of grapes from the ground floor to the beating room; three motors operate the beaters and presses; and the remaining three are coupled direct to the centrifugal pumps, which keep the must moving in the tanks.

The work of the electric motors is extremely variable, and consequently there is much fluctuation in the load of the generating dynamo. All trouble, however, in the lighting circuits is obviated by a perfect system of regulation.

—The holly in Germany is called Christ-dorn, or Christ's thorn, the legend being that it was of this plant that the crown of thorns was made; in France the honor is assigned to the hawthorn, which is there called the noble thorn; in Spain the legend assigns the honor to the bramble; and an old Scotch legend makes the crown to consist of thistle blades; while in the folklore of England the climbing rose is said to have been the plant selected by the persecutors. —A star, says Sir Robert S. Bell, is a mass of matter heated to such an extent that its effulgence is perceived far and wide. But this heated condition is exceptional, and though it doubtless lasts millions of years the temperature must finally sink to that of space, where it will remain through all eternity unless again kindled by accident into temporary luminosity. The normal and ordinary state of all the matter of space is cold and non-luminous, and therefore invisible to us.

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NEWS OF THE WORLD.

THE GIST OF THE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS AS TOLD BY TELEGRAPH.

Interesting Items From Europe, Asia, Africa and North and South America, With Particular Attention to Important Home News.

Stockton will offer a tract of 20 acres of suburban land for a site for the Wilmering school.

H. K. Hansen lost his way while on a trip to the top of Mount Tamalpais and was 24 hours without food.

The trial of John T. Jones, indicted with James Heney for robbing the Carson mint, has begun at Carson.

W. W. Hamilton broke the world's mile bicycle record at San Diego a few days ago. His time was 1:39 1-5.

The Republican county convention at Springfield, Ill., endorsed Senator Cullom for the nomination for the presidency.

President Cleveland has declared in favor of John G. Carlisle for the head of the Democratic ticket in the coming presidential campaign.

Doctor James T. Ghiselin, a retired army surgeon, who served as medical director with General Sheridan during the war, died recently at San Francisco.

"Healer" Schrader was brought to Chicago by Meyer Samson to cure his 18-year-old brother Andrew of paralysis. Schrader failed to give relief and left the city.

Coleville, a small mountain town in Mono county, Cal., the center of supplies for the miners and ranchers of the Anselope valley, was recently swept away by fire.

German manufacturers propose to publish a periodical in Japan to advertise the products of Germany. If good results follow the experiment will be tried in China.

The Santa Rosa mine at Ferris, Cal., has closed down and the company, which owns it has filed a petition of insolvency. The mine was thought to be very rich, but the company paid no bills.

Ex-Congressman Glover of St. Louis has secured judgment for \$150,000 for libel against the American Casualty Insurance company of Baltimore. The company published Glover's name in a list of embezzlers.

A great ice gorge was formed on the New York Central and Hudson River railroad tracks between Albany and Hudson. The road was covered with ice ten feet high in some places. Traffic was suspended for 24 hours.

Ex-Superior Judge Armstrong of Sacramento died a few days ago of dropsy. He began business as a blacksmith, but studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1855. He was a native of Indiana and came to California in 1852 at the age of 18.

Cardinal Satolli, Dr. Orban of the Catholic university and Rev. Father Francolon of Manitou, Colo., have left Santa Fe, N. M., for Denver. The cardinal's stay in New Mexico was the occasion of many public functions, school entertainments and dinners.

A Paris special says: A startling solution of the Panama canal problem is presented as a possibility in the near future. This is in the form of the consolidation of the Panama canal company and the Nicaragua canal company. An agreement to this effect has been signed by the Panama company.

The American branch of the Salvation Army has defected from the parent organization of England. This is the outcome of the removal of Ballington Booth as commander of the American branch. Ballington Booth and his wife will organize an American Salvation Army.

Charles W. Dana, a prominent man of San Luis Obispo county, died recently. He served a term as a Republican in the assembly at Sacramento. He was city clerk of San Luis Obispo at the age of 31 years and mayor for two years. Dana also served as county clerk for 18 years.

The trial of the suit of the city of Los Angeles against A. E. Pomeroy and others for the condemnation of lands on the Providencia ranch for the erection of headworks for the city water works is in progress in the superior court. The amount of land required by the city is about 100 acres, for which the defendants ask \$1,500,000. They at one time offered to sell the land to the city for \$85,000 and it was refused. The case involves one of the most important questions to the city that have ever been taken into the courts there.

Edward de Haven of Elmira, Cal., by his guardian, will sue the Southern Pacific company in the superior court of Bolano county for \$50,000 for injuries received last year and alleged to have been caused by negligence and carelessness of the railroad company. The boy is 18 years old and with other boys was riding in a wagon when the horses became unmanageable and ran across the railroad track. De Haven jumped from the rear of the wagon and in so doing fell on the rails in such a manner that both his arms were crushed by a passing train. Amputation was rendered necessary. The boy says no warning or signals were given of the approaching train.

A terrible fight between 15 officers and four outlaws occurred in Ray county, Oklahoma, sixty miles southwest of Perry. The officers had the outlaws surrounded in a cave for two days and a fight was in progress for that time. The officers hid in the clefts and behind trees and kept firing on the cave. The robbers fought hard and whenever an officer showed his head a bullet sped by it. The sheriff's posse ran short of ammunition and a courier was sent to Cloud Chief for a new supply and more men. When last heard from three officers had been wounded and it is supposed one outlaw was killed. Fifty men have started for the battle ground and the outlaws have no avenue of escape.

GENERAL WEYLER'S ULTIMATUM.

All Cubans Who Do Not Swear Allegiance Will Suffer.

Captain General Weyler, commander of the Spanish forces in Cuba, has issued a proclamation which reads: Harassed by our troops, beaten and demoralized, the rebel forces in the provinces of Pinar del Rio and Havana are retreating east. The moment has arrived to pursue with all activity and vigor the small parties, more bandits than insurgents, remaining in said provinces, and to adopt the necessary means to attain greater and more immediate success. The authorities of the towns are given 10 days in which to make lists of the people in their localities who are in insurrection. Those who fail in presenting themselves within 15 days of the publication of this proclamation, their properties will be seized and subjected to civil administration, for which a board will be appointed.

If rebel parties have robbed, sacked, burned or committed other crimes besides rebellion the authorities shall inquire into the part taken by them. Rebels in the ranks and also neighbors remaining in their houses helping these shall receive a corresponding penalty. Rebels not responsible for other crimes who surrender to the nearest authority in either province within 15 days will not be molested, the military authorities keeping a list of those thus presenting themselves, those previously pardoned, those who have committed other crimes and those who have deserted official positions, which shall be placed at my disposal; those presenting themselves with arms, with a special recommendation if made collectively, and all those presenting themselves after the expiration of the time placed by my disposal.

Planters, estate-owners and others within said provinces who facilitate with money the elements of whatever class, except they have been compelled to do so by pressure, which must be proved in an undoubted manner, will be considered unfaithful for supporting rebellion.

FIVE THOUSAND ITALIANS KILLED.

Disastrous Engagement in Abyssinia. The Cabinet Resigns.

All Italy was in an uproar last week over news received from the Abyssinian campaign. The Italian forces were defeated at Adowa and between 5,000 and 10,000 soldiers were killed and wounded. When the reports of the massacre reached Italy the whole populace became frantic with rage at the government. Mobs resorted to violence in all the principal cities and towns, and the government ordered out troops. The reserves of the class of 1875 have also been brought into active service, which increases the number of Italy's soldiers by 80,000 men.

Accumulating to the popular demand Premier Crispi and his cabinet have resigned. Police and soldiers guard the chamber of deputies at Rome from the mobs which form daily. Great crowds also gathered around Crispi's residence and threatened his life. Many encounters between the police and the people resulted. In the interior towns the outbreaks were worse than in Rome.

Spanish Riots Continue.

A Madrid cablegram says martial law has been proclaimed in Valencia. A mob of 10,000 people indulged in an anti-American demonstration and had an encounter with the police. After being twice attacked by the infuriated crowd the gendarmes fired a volley which scattered the rioters. One gendarme was killed by a pistol shot and three civilians were badly injured. The governor, acting under imperative orders from Madrid, declared the province under martial law and further rioting will be severely dealt with.

At many smaller towns rioting continues daily. The shipowners of Seville have offered to the government 50 steamers to put to any use the authorities may deem expedient. Some of these steamers are trading in England.

The Chamber of Commerce of Granada has issued a circular note inviting all Spanish merchants to discontinue their commercial relations with the United States and to cancel their policies of insurance issued by American companies. Many of the merchants have already done so.

Several Spanish subjects, who were acting as American consular agents, have resigned as a protest against the attitude of the United States toward Spain.

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In regard to the establishment of a street railway postal service in San Francisco. Wilson has requested Postmaster McCoppin to furnish him with facts as to the length of time it will require to construct a temporary building in order to start such a service, and states that as soon as a building is completed the postal service on street railways will be commenced.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

Violent Acts of Lawbreakers and Losses by Fire and Accidents.

Dick Pond went to sleep on the railroad track near Pendleton, Or., while drunk and was run over and killed.

Lawyer X. N. Steeves of Portland, convicted of manslaughter, has been granted a new trial by the Oregon supreme court.

A three-story building in course of construction at Coulterville, Cal., was blown down during the recent storm. No one was injured.

Governor Hastings of Pennsylvania has fixed May 7 as the date for the execution of H. H. Holmes, who committed several murders.

William Kittinger, a wood chopper of Woodward, Pa., is imprisoned in his house by a mob which wants to hang him. Constable Bainer tried to arrest him and the officer was shot and killed.

The dead bodies of a gray-haired man and a baby were found in a barrel in an alley in Hyde park, Chicago, by a ragpicker. Both bodies were frightfully mutilated.

Diana Pacheco, aged 18, and Edward Mack, aged 20, ended a romance with a tragedy at Oakland. They could not marry and they decided to die together. Mack shot the girl and then fired a bullet into his own heart.

William Rockefeller, the multi-millionaire president of the Standard Oil company, intends to build a palatial residence in New York city.

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Final Settlement.

NOTICE is hereby given that Belinda C. Davis, executrix of the last will and testament of W. T. Davis, deceased, has this day filed her final account as such executrix and the county court of Jackson county, Oregon, has set the 15 day of April, 1896, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. for hearing any objections, and said final account should not be approved and the executrix discharged.

BEILINDA C. DAVIS, T. Davis deceased. Executrix of the last will and testament of W. T. Davis, deceased. Medford, Ore., Feb 15, 1896.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land office at Roseburg, Oregon, February 25, 1896. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before J. E. Neil, county judge of Jackson county, Oregon, at Jacksonville, Oregon, on April 11, 1896, viz:

On homestead entry No. 5526 for the 2 1/2 of NW 1/4, and N 1/4 of SW 1/4, sec 8, T. 31 N., R. 3 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: E. McCall, Henry Gordon and J. S. Brown, all of Prospect, Oregon, and G. Samuels, of Central Point, Oregon.

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On homestead entry No. 5972 for the N 1/4 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4, sec 34, T. 31 N., R. 3 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Clemons, of Central Point, Oregon, A. H. Boothby and S. S. Aiken, of Prospect, Oregon, and Joseph Buck, of Leeds, Oregon.

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