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### NEWS OF THE STATE.

The average price paid by Mr. Van Sickle, at Huntington last week, for 1600 sheep, was \$2 a head.

Governor Lord is of the opinion that county officials have no right to withhold the taxes due the state.

The orchards and shade trees in Clarkents County ware greatly dim.

Clackamas County were greatly da aged by the high wind of last week.

Hay is scarce in the Wallowa valley. Not long ago it was selling at \$2 a ton, but now brings from \$8 to \$10, with a demand that exceeds the supply.

A curfew ordinance has been intro-duced in the Pendleton council, chang-ing the age to include all minors under eighteen, instead of fifteen, as at pres-

A large cherry tree in Dayton, three feet in diameter, was blown over by Wednesday's storm. This tree bore a ton of fruit in one season. It was set out 45 years ago.

Last fall Eastern oysters were planted at Ysquina bay and the mortality among the cysters has been slight during the winter. The ovatermen feel

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Articles of incorporation have been filed at Salem, which incorporates the Tribune Publishing Company, with head office at Portland. The capital stock is \$50,000 and the incorporators are Robt, Glenn, Fred Dunham and E.

Frank Love, of Roseburg, has gone cast, it is said, to take possession of his share of a fortune left by an aunt. There is a rumor to the effect that the catate left is large, something like

John Grille and another boy by the name of Mathews were examining a pistol in Roseburg the other day. The pistol, which was in the hands of Mathews, in some way was discharged, and the ball struck a suspender buckle that Grille was wearing, and glanced off, doing no damage.

The state board of agriculture met at Salem last week. The members claim that the act which created the board carried with it the appropriations for its use, but Secretary Kincaid stated that no warrants would be drawn for the agricultural societies unless he was compelled to issue them by a mandate of the court.

date of the court.

Tax money is not coming into the state treasury at the rate it was this time last year. Last year there were some outstanding warrants and enough money was received by April 15 to issue a call for their redemption. There are no outstanding warrants now, and all money paid into the state treasury, with the exception of a small amount, will be useless to the state.

Some time ago Mrs. Sol. Abrahams, of Roseburg, went to Baltimore to undergo an operation for the removal of an internal cancer. She has written her husband that doubts are entertained as to her ability to withstand the operation, and that it would not be undertaken for less than \$5000. Last Thursday was the day set for the operation, but it was postponed.

The Portland signal service office

The Portland signal service office eports the highest wind in that city The Portland signal service reports the highest wind in that city isst Thursday morning since the weather bureau was established is 1870, with the single exception of the great storm and hurricane of January 8, 1890. The velocity of the wind was 55 miles an hour, taken from the Oregonian tower, 216 feet above the ground. The 1880 record of 54 miles was taken from an elevation of 108 feet and would have exceeded the one of and would have exceeded the one of the work of the control o and would have exceeded the one of this year if it had been taken at an equal height.

The county school superintendent, of Lane County, has adopted a system of grading the public schools throughout the county and will put the system into operation as soon as possible. All of the schools in the county will follow a schedule of work, the same grades in all of the schools being engaged on the same work at the same time. In this manner pupils will be carried through a prescribed course and in the event of changing from one district to another, the same work can be followed without interruption.

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The severe freeze of last November is said to have damaged the prune or chards of Benton County ninety percent. The damage is almost universally a strip of "winter kill," two inches wide or more, and extending often the entire length of the tree.

Samples of the bark stripped from the trunk show it to be dry and dead, though no discoloration appeared on the outer surface, and the only way of detecting the damage, is by inserting a knife blade between the bark and the trunk of the tree.

Samples of the bark stripped from the following are given as the average figures for the white race:

The "lifting power" of a youth of 17 detecting the damage, is by inserting a knife blade between the bark and the trunk of the tree.

will Dill and Frank Jamison, of Klamath Falls, who have been trapping at Diamond peak, stopped in Harrisburg last week, on their way home. They said that they had been in the vicinity of Diamond peak since October 25, 1896, and were forced to come out, as they had run out of provisions. They are their last meat January 1, and lived on bread and potatoes since that time. The snow is now fifteen feet deep there, and has driven most of the game out. It was not until they reached Harrisburg that they learned that McKinley had been elected president.

dent.

Here is a specimen of humanity who has no fit place of abode, either on carthor in hades. The Salem Statesman of Saturday says: "Mrs. George A. Spencer, of Portland, was yester-day discharged from the asylum, she having recovered from her mental disease. Her husband came here to meet her and to escort her home, and, during the forenoon, while awaiting the time for the north bound train, he "looked upon the wine while it was red," and was in a state of beastly intoxication when the time for his departure arrived. The poor woman, in stead of being looked after by the brute of a husband was compelled to care for him and with the assistance of kindly-

inclined bystanders succeeded in land-ing the fellow aboard the train." immediately "give ourselves away," as

inclined bystanders succeeded in landing the fellow aboard the train."

The end of the first quarter, when it is customary to pay off the state help, has arrived and because of the legislation of the state help, has arrived and because of the legislation of the state help, has arrived and because of the legislation of the content of the demands there is much speculation as to the outcome. The secretary of state is of the opinion that he has no right to andit claims for which there has been no appropriation made for their payment and has issued no certificate of indebtedness. Claims presented have been filed and listed in the secretary of state's office and duplicate copies therefore issued to those desiring them for the benefit of claims ants. A San Francisco firm now offers to buy \$400,000 worth of state claims at par if the secretary of state will first pass upon them as auditor. The secretary is not disposed to be arbitrary in the matter, but is rather anxious to do whatever lies within his power to aid those he considers legitimate state oreditors in getting their claims cashed. He has decided he will issue certificates if that will help matters, but it is not clear to the secretary that he has power to audit claims. "If I have," he says, "no legislature is needed to make appropriations."

LAST OF THE OLD CAPTAINS.

LAST OF THE OLD CAPTAINS Capt. Tom Leathers, of Mississippi River

The death of Capt. "Tom" Leathers—
"Old Pushtamaha," as he liked to be called, after one of his early friends, called, after one of his early friends, a Choctaw chief—removes the last and greatest of the old Mississippi river steamboat captains and closes the final page in that part of the history of the southwest, says Harper's Weekly.

It was 60 years ago, during the "flush" times of river boats, that Capt.

Leathers went into the steamboat busi ness—the era of big and fast steamers and of gay life on the river, and the

era, also, of river gamblers, and races, wrecks and explosions.

From the very start he was "the big man" on the river, the builder of seven steamboats, all named Natchez, and each grander than its predecessor. A firm believer that the Mississippi river afforded the best means of travel and transportation for the eatire "Valley," he stuck to his boat, like "Jim Bludoe," to the very end. It was a brave fight, but very much like that the plucky Texas bull put up against the first locomotive that invaded the state Capt. Leathers ran his boats against the railroads long after it was a forlorn hope and when it meant a steady loss, season after season. He gave the rail-roads a great deal of trouble, fought every proposition for a bridge over a navigable atream and every other franchise asked for by them, and sunk most

of his money in the struggle,
And so, when he was killed by a
"scorcher" the other day there were 25 carriages of pall-bearers at the funeral for every man who had ever been in "the river trade" turned out to honor

#### THE KICK OF A RIFLE. A Point Not Always Considered in Buying

When a man gets a rifle for big-game shooting he sometimes forgets to consider one of the most important pointsthe kick. A gun which uses 70 grains of powder and 500 grains of lead caves a weak man's shoulder in and makes the flesh black and blue. If the man has more pluck than sense, he contin-ues to use the big gun in spite of the discomfort, and thereby sometimes ruins

When one of the big bore, big charge,

not know it usually, until some time they are standing nicely balanced on a

aries to a large extent in different indi-

the phrase runs, if not by bitter speech at least by look and manner; yet re-flection frequently brings the keenest

feeling or feeling will rule us. It is a good servant, but a bad master. Our loving women's hearts are like the fire of the domestic hearth—the light of the the when duly controlled warming the whole house, but if the fire be not kept in its subordinate place what a conflagration ensues!—N. Y. Commercial Advertiser.

### NEW YORK'S SANITATION.

The Infant Mortality During the Hot Spell Was Remarkably Lew.

The appeal to the public conscience told at last. With that attack in the churches, which has not been without blame, the new era began. That year (1879) a public competition evolved the fect, but an immense improvement on the wicked old barracks. The sanitary reformers got the upper hand, and their work told. The death rate came down slowly. It is to-day, at the end of 30 years, quite 25 per cent. lower than when the health department was or ganized, and New York has been re-deemed from a reproach for which there was no excuse, for no city in the world has such natural opportunities

for good sanitation.

The immense stride it has taken was measured by the mortality during the unprecedented hot spell of last summer. It was never so great, as, indeed, there never was an emergency like it since records were kept. During the ten days it lasted the heat claimed many more victims than the last cholera epi-demic during its whole season. Yet, be-yond those killed by the direct effects of the sun, the mortality was singularly low; the infant mortality—ever the finger that points unerringly to the sore spots in a community, if any there be was so noticeably low as to cause a feeling almost of exultation among the sanitary officials. And it was shown by comparison with earlier hot spells that the population yielded more slow-ly to the heat. Where it had taken two or three days to reach the climax of sunstroke, it now took five. The people, better housed, better fed, and breathing clean air in the clean streets. had acquired a power of resistance to which the past had no parallel. The sanitarians had proved their case.— Jacob Riis, in Century.

### EFFECT OF MUZZLES.

Their Enforced Use Slas Changed the Breed of London Dogs.
The muzzling order has now been so

long in operation that one is able to see its practical results, at all events so far as London is concerned, says the London News. They are really very remarkable, especially from a point of view not likely to be immediately taken.

The supremacy of the fox terrior is gone. One misses the little, vivid white spots that moved about so quickly and made streets and thoroughfares gay, and, it must be admitted, noisy. Most of these dogs were mongrels, and, being of no appreciable value, and probably of no clearly defined ownership, they passed quickly in a wholesale way into the lethal chambers. London is rid of them, but at all our towns the white terrier with the odd markings is still in the ascendant.

On the other hand, here in town we the Irish and the Scotch. These are as yet pretty pure; they keep rather to themselves, after the manner of the provincials, but in a couple of years mongrelism will assert itself, and London will be overrun. Asit is, the hardy little Aberdeen, with his long body, short legs and nondescript markings of black and gray and mustard, holds the street, and the Irish terrier loafs about, social and easy-going.

They are both excellent in their own way, but, for all that, one misses the sharp, quick vitality of the fox terrier. Even as a mongrel he seemed to concentrate in his active little body all doggy qualities, especially fidelity and hatred

# WHIMS OF WATCHES.

Hang Up Your Timepiece at Night If You Value It. To most people the whims and caprices of a watch are a deep mystery. One very common cause of the watch caning or losing is the disposition that is made of it at night. If you wear a watch next to your body during the day and put it on a cold marble mantelpiece at night, or in fact anywhere in a cold room, the watch is sure to either gain or lose.

Everybody knows that the proximity of a dynamo will magnetize the steel parts of a watch and ruin it for the time being. A watch may be affected by electricity without the owner having been near a dynemo. The amount of electricity in some people is so great that it can seriously affect the steel parts of a watch. A downtown watch maker told a reporter that he often had examined watches which were very slightly magnetized. He used to de-magnetize them and return them, at the

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to go near a dynamo. When a man has the same trouble, with his watch con-tinually it is a proof that the static electricity in his body has affected the

The watchmaker said that dark peo The watchmaker said that dark peo-ple are more likely to affect their watches in this way, and women more so than men. The amount of electrici-ty in the body is, of course, very slight, but very little is required to affect the delicate works of a watch. Persons of high classics over the course. high electric organization should wear a watch with a steel case if they hope to have an accurate time-piece.

watch should never be laid hori-A watch should hever be laid hori-sontally at night, but should always be hung upon a nail. Change of position will not affect a mechanically perfect watch, but such a watch is yet to be

It is well known that a watch will stop for some unexpected reason and go on again all right if it is given a slight jolt. The same trouble may not occur again for years. This is an acci-dent to which all watches are liable when carried around on the person. It is due to the hairspring stud or the regulator pins. The cause is a sudden jump or quick movement, such as getjump or quick movement, such as a ting on a moving car. A jolt is given to the balance-wheel and hairspring and the sanders the catching possible. The this renders the catching possible. The jolt must come at a particular fraction of a second during the revolution of the balance-wheel, otherwise the spring will not eatch.—N. Y. Journal.

### THE EARTH'S LONE COURSE. Our Troubled Secial Conditions Due to

Celestial Causes.
Lieut. A. C. Totten, whose fondness for astrological calculations and inferences is well known, declares that the trouble with current affairs is not due to the United States senate, the bicycle, the new woman, or the silver question, but may be accurately traced to the contortions of the heavenly bodies. He says, according to Harper's Weekly, that when too many of the planets get on the same side of the sun at the same trouble with current affairs is not due time it makes troubles for the earth. and that now, for the first time in the history of man, all the planets, except earth, are approaching coincident peri-helia, and within four or five years will be in line tugging away at the sun, while earth, alone on the other side of it, will have an exceedingly hard time, and will be the scene of all sorts of disasters and devilment. Earth will pull through, he thinks, after sore trials; after which he looks for "the literal rule of the returned Messiah," and the winding up of the confusions now formulating, at Jerusalem, which city, he believes, will cease to be trod-den by Gentiles, and will become the center from which right rule and justice are to spread over the earth.

Lieut. Totten is familiar with both

the Bible and the higher mathematics, and has a remarkable gift for stirring them up together into concoctions that give people bad dreams. He is a very disconcerting person and a chronic "bear," and his deliverances are well adapted to make timid believers realize their investments and take to the woods

## THE TICHEBORNE CLAIMANT. One of the Most Remarkable Trials in the History of British Courts.

The Tichborne trial began, says the New York Sun, in London, in the court of common pleas, on May 11, 1871; the case of Tichborne against Lushington, the defendant being trustee for Sir Henry Tichborne. The case was tried steadily until July 7; it then went over until November 7. On December 21 the plaintiff's case was closed and the case went over until January 15, 1873. The attorney general, for the defense, spoke 26 days; on March 4 the jury delined to hear any more, and on March 6 the plaintiff was formally nonsuited. The next day he was arrested for perjury, and on April 9 was indicted therename of Thom Orton. alias Arthur Castro. His trial began on April 23, 1873; the prosecution closed its case on July 10: the defense began on July 21 and closed on October 27. An adjournment was taken from Oc-tober 31 to November 27; Dr. Kenealy summed up for the defense from December 2, 1873, to January 14, 1874; Mr. Hawkins (now Rt. Hon. Sir Henry Hawkins, judge of the queen's bench) summed up for the prosecution from January 15 to 28, 1874; the chief justice charged the jury from January 15 to 28, 1874; charged the jury from January 29 to February 28; and on the last date the jury brought in a verdict of guilty.
Orton (Castro) was thereupon sentenced to 14 years' penal servitude at hard labor. He was released in 1878.

Gambling in India.

Amongst the Hindoos throughout the whole of India there is a holiday celebration in honor of Lakshmi, the goddess of wealth and good fortune, whereon gambling is universally regarded as a religious duty. It is known as the festival of lamps, and on that day all classes indulge in games of chance with shells, coins, cards, dice, etc., and with shells, coins, caros, the etc. and the future of the individual, whether good or bad, is looked upon as a forecast of his wealth or poverty during the en-suing year. The women take a most intense interest in the proceedings and, if fortunate, expend their winnings in the purchase of sweet-meats and fruits, as gifts to all their friends and relations, toys for the small children and fireworks for the boys. At Benares, their sacred city, as night approaches, small carthen lamps, fed with oil, are mansion, palace, temple and minaret visible. All vessels in the river are also magnetize them and return them, at the illuminated; so that the whole city is same time cautioning the westers not

Familiarity breeds contempt for danger, as well as other happenings. This is especially true in railroad life, where most horrible of deaths avails a careless step. A gentleman relates an incident of the kind, as seen in New Orleans. The transfer vessel of the South-ern Pacific was at its pier, and a locomoern Pacific was at its pier, and a locomo-tive was hauling cars up the short but steep grade to the dock. While the gentleman was watching this operation, he saw a switchman, with a lautern, step on the track right in front of the approaching locomotive. The engine came on, and just as its seemed the man and landed on the fender, out of dan ger. The slightest slip would have meant death of a horrible kind, and yet he took the risk 20 times a day. His pay could have hardly been worth the risk, but he never thought of that.

#### Real Estate Transfers.

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### flining Locations.

W L McClure and W F Shafer located Jan 2 he Crown Point quartz claim, Blackwell dis the Crown Point Quarte March 29, 7 and 60-100 is W Huston located March 29, 7 and 60-100 acres in Willows springs district.

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