

NEWS OF THE STATE.

Hay is selling for \$11 per ton at Oregon City.

David Dove, of Independence, has raised 10,000 bushels of potatoes this year on 25 acres.

W. A. Barnes, of Weston, had 12 acres of wheat that approached previous good yields. It gave him 50 bushels per acre this year.

E. S. Craven, of Newburg, has cut 100 tons of red clover from 22 acres this season, and the same piece is now making a third growth sufficient for good fall pasture.

Pat Kine, of Umatilla County, raises on an average 200 pigs annually for market, and finds a ready sale for them in Pendleton, the price at present being 54 cents per pound.

W. S. Vandenberg, the Coos County Populist, who came so near defeating Representative Tongue in the spring of 1896, has rented a ranch in Southern California and gone to work.

A McMinnville girl sent 15 cents to a Chicago firm who advertised a "recipe for softening and whitening the hands." Here it is: "Soak them well in dish water three times a day while your mother rests."

Owing to so much timothy hay being shipped out of the country around Forest Grove, the farmers say the price per ton will easily reach \$15 in the home market before the winter is over. The price now is \$13 a ton.

Jennie Smitson has received a draft from the S. P. Railroad Company for \$12,224.30, the same being given her by the Lane County courts in payment for damages sustained in having her legs cut off by a passenger train.

At Pendleton, prices offered for wheat vary greatly. Local mills are paying 48 to 50 cents per bushel for No. 1. Exporters are offering much lower figures, and claim that farmers are receiving more than the market warrants.

Weesley January has started for the Big Elk country to gather fir burrs or cones, says the Corvallis Gazette. He is in the employ of a Silverton man, who has a contract for 1000 sacks. It is conjectured that they are to be used for medicinal purposes.

Many farmers in the Willamette valley are reported to be investing in dairy stock from the fact that, while wheat brings less than 50 cents a bushel, creamery butter is worth 25 to 30 cents a pound, and in some instances home-made butter of extra quality brings 25 cents.

The new crop of wheat now being threshed in Lake County is bringing good prices, 90 cents and \$1 having been paid already. It is expected that \$1.25 per bushel will be paid before the season shall be over. There is quite a demand for wheat this year, and the crop is only average.

Talk about versatility, an Oregon sawmill man recently sold his business and is now studying for the ministry.

What Makes the Home?

Not the house, however fine it may be; not its furniture, pictures and appointments. The wife and mother makes the home, and to speak of going home means to go back into the shelter of the mother's love and care.

And when womanly life is the mother's strength, the home-life suffers. The food is not cooked as she cooks it.

Everywhere the lack of wife supervision and motherly thoughtfulness is apparent.

What a change, then, when this wife and mother comes back to take her old place in the family. Thousands of women who, because of womanly life, had been shut out of home life and home happiness, have been enabled to once more take their place in the family after being cured by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It establishes regularity, dries weakening drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness. It makes weak women strong, sick women well.

"I commenced taking your 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Golden Medical Discovery' about the 10th of last December, one year ago," writes Mrs. Eliza Wright, of Mountainview, Howell Co., Missouri. "I have been very slow about writing to you, although I am thankful I am here today and have the privilege of saying I thank you a thousand times for your kind advice. I can truthfully say that it was through your kind advice and your medicine and the will of the Lord that I am living today. I am in better health than I have been for three years. I have taken one-half dozen bottles of each medicine. I am able to do my washing for four in family, and all my housework, cooking and milking. In fact, I feel like a new woman."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation and its almost countless consequences. They do not react on the system nor beget the pill habit.

Another Oregon lumberman's letter head announces as a side line, "first-class brick and tile, fired ground and older made to order." A hard elder press is certainly an excellent addition to any modern mill.

Many Willamette valley farmers who are convinced that profitable wheat growing is a business of the past are reported to be preparing to engage in stockraising.

Six carloads of Fellenberg prunes were sold in Salem last week by the Willamette Valley Prune Association at the price fixed by the association, on the basis of 34 cents for the four sizes, in 25-pound boxes, or 3 cents in bags. On this basis the first size, 30 to 40 to the pound, will bring 54 cents in 25-pound boxes, or 54 cents in bags, with a half-cent drop for each smaller size.

There is brisk demand for cavalry horses in Lake County and every available horse is being rounded up and broken to ride for the market. There will be fewer horses on the ranges in Lake County this winter than for many years. It is understood that the German government is also scouring the country for horses and as it uses mares as well as horses, the ranchers can sell out pretty close. High prices are offered.

Four alleged "specialists in the treatment of troublesome diseases" have been working the farmers of Wasco County. One of them—acting as agent—hunts up a suffering man and "contracts for a cure or no pay." Later one of the "doctors" insists on having a note as an evidence of the patient's good faith. In this way, they secured a number of notes. The sheriff has helped several farmers to get back their paper before it passed into the hands of innocent purchasers.

A team belonging to James Schaffner, a farmer, took fire Sunday evening, in Roseburg, and ran away on Mill street, dashing into a lighter vehicle, in which were P. J. Muir, a groceryman, his wife and little child. The frightened horses actually climbed into the buggy, trampling the occupants under their feet. The child's skull was crushed, causing death in a few minutes, and Mrs. Muir is seriously but not fatally injured. Mr. Muir escaped with a few scratches and bruises.

A recent wedding at Shedd station was that of George Dow, aged seventy-two and Loretta Lester, aged fifty. The Junction Times says it was the sixth time in his career that Mr. Dow had led a blushing bride to the altar, and the third time that the bride had taken nuptial vows. Present at the ceremony was the daughter of the groom, who had twice witnessed her father married, one of the ceremonies being that in which her father married her own mother, from whom he had previously been divorced.

Huntington's Will Filled.

NEW YORK, August 24.—Collis P. Huntington's will was filed today. To his wife, Arabella D. Huntington, the railway king gave the mansion on Fifth avenue, valued at more than \$2,000,000, and two-thirds of his great interests in the Southern Pacific company. The next name mentioned in the will is that of Archer M. Huntington, the adopted son. Had he been the magnate's own son he could not have fared better. As he is of an artistic temperament, he will get the valuable pictures upon the death of Mrs. Huntington, besides the family mansion. He also receives large money bequests. Henry E. Huntington fares still better, as he gets the rest of the Southern Pacific holdings. He also gets a large residue because of the trust reposed in him by his uncle. Wall street now believes H. E. Huntington will be the next president of the Southern Pacific.

The Princess Hatzfeldt, the adopted daughter, receives \$1,000,000 in money or securities, but it is held for her during her lifetime by the Union Trust company of New York. The article of the will directs that the "money which is to be received under the will by Princess Hatzfeldt or any other married woman shall be to her sole use as her estate from the control and engagements of her husband, and not liable for his debts."

The estate has been estimated as worth from \$27,000,000 to \$50,000,000. Those in a position to know best put the figures at \$35,000,000.

Guy O. Schrader, 19 years old, of San Diego, committed suicide by taking morphine. During the evening he sent a note to a friend announcing his purpose of ending his life. She notified the police. When the officers reached Schrader's room they found him just breathing his last.

Captain Alfred Williams, who shot and killed William Martin at Stockton on the night of August 1st, for which he was held to answer without bail, has been admitted to bail by Judge Budd upon habeas corpus proceedings, in the sum of \$25,000. Judge Budd filed a lengthy opinion in support of his action. Williams thinks he will be able to furnish the amount.

William Loutitt, a resident of Stockton, was accidentally shot and instantly killed by the accidental discharge of a shotgun while hunting quail near Palmdale.

G. F. Clough of Merced was shot in the stomach by a rifle he had been using at Salinas, and is in a most critical condition. The bullet penetrated his stomach and has not yet been extracted. Clough was shooting a Belgian hare and laid the rifle on a box. It fell and was discharged.

There is a great scarcity of salmon on

the Fraser river this year, although the fish have been more numerous on the Skeena. Several of the Fraser river cannery who had expected to pack 30,000 cases have put up only 2800 to 3000 cases. This gives an idea of what the pack has been so far and how much it will fall short on the whole season which closes at the end of this month.

The German ship Marie cleared from Vancouver, B. C., for London recently with the largest cargo ever loaded on any sailing vessel on the Pacific coast below decks. She carries 1,512,000 feet of lumber and did not put a single timber on deck.

Tom Martin and Barney Keegan upset a lamp while fighting in a room in the Hamilton House at Hamilton, Ravall county, Mont., and set fire to the building. Both were burned to death. The hotel and three adjoining hotels were burned. Loss \$30,000; partially insured.

Catherine Sohara, aged 32, was beaten to death with a hammer in her room on the second floor of 674 Second avenue, New York, some time Saturday. The woman's body lay in a pool of blood, face downward. Near by on the floor was a bloody hammer, and the rooms had been ransacked of everything of value. It is the opinion of the police that a thief entered the house and was surprised in his work by the woman, and that he killed her to prevent identification.

The fall of Peking has led Li Hung Chang to make a new appeal to the United States for peace.

The olive crop of San Diego county will be good.

The total wheat crop of Oregon, Washington and Idaho for 1900 is now estimated at from \$2,000,000 to \$5,000,000 bushels. This is a reduction of about 5,000,000 bushels from the earlier estimates. The wheat is said to be of a very fine quality.

POSSIBILITIES OF THE POSTAL SYSTEM.

Cheap Mail Facilities One of the Chief Factors in Our Prosperity and Progress.

"Common is the commonplace." The most valuable of civil benefits is such a commonplace matter that we scarcely give it a thought. It would take a winter on a whaler nipped in an ice floe to make us truly appreciative of the worth of the postal service. What a wonderful thing it is! Wonderful in its organization, with its vast machinery for the collection and distribution of letters, its railway mail cars, its route riders, the unflinching order and precision of its methods. Wonderful it is too in its results. It knits together families widely



separated. It carries across the sea some tender lover's message or perhaps a little flower picked from the daisied grave of an English churchyard. Every hour of every day the mail bag is packed with words which awaken love and laughter, and words which deepen the furrow in the cheek and dim the failing sight with bitter tears.

But with all this there is going on through the mail service a dissemination of human knowledge, a reaching out of human help which is one of the crowning blessings of our century. The correspondence schools led by Chautauqua, are sending to every village and hamlet the broader knowledge which is so eagerly craved by many who are shut in to the homely duties of a humble life. Without the mail system this plan of education would be impracticable.

Every mail, too, carries from the great centers, the advice of great physicians, which it would be impossible for the distant public to obtain were it not for the mails. Few people realize how many thousands of people depend on the mail service for medical treatment. Not long ago when some postal affairs were being discussed in connection with the erection of the new postoffice building in Buffalo, N. Y., some light was thrown on this subject by the statement that the mail by Dr. R. V. Pierce amounted daily to something over 1,500 pieces. Of course this is not a common case, because Dr. Pierce's relation as chief consulting physician to Buffalo's famous institution, The Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, makes his advice and that of his staff of nearly a score of skilled and experienced specialists much sought after, especially by women, to the treatment and cure of whose special diseases Dr. Pierce has devoted over thirty years of almost constant labor. But though this example is out of the ordinary, it may serve as an evidence of the amazing benefits reaped by the public from the mail service. It puts every outlying hamlet in touch with the most advanced medical specialism of the day. It gives at a cost of a two-cent stamp, the skill and experience that it has taken years to acquire. Literally at the cost of a two-cent stamp, since Dr. Pierce invites sick women to consult him by letter without charge. And this would seem to be one of the most remarkable services rendered by the postal system, perhaps the supreme service of all. For while it is a splendid thing to be able to shop in New York while living in Kansas, and a grand thing to be able to command the learning of great professors while working in the Michigan woods, it is a still grander thing that by means of this cheaply supplied service, men like Dr. Pierce, who have the disposition to be helpful, are enabled to place their skill and knowledge at the disposal of those who are being dragged down by disease, without the possibility of help from those about them. When one contemplates the vast and far-reaching benefits of the mail service, so richly touched upon in this article, it makes the familiar gray uniform of the postman the most glorious of all uniforms, for it is worn by the soldiers of the army of peace. It makes one feel like taking his hat off to the on-rushing mail train, and cheering the work and wisdom of Uncle Sam.

—Two business rooms for rent. W. T. York.

SORES and Ulcers

DRAIN THE SYSTEM, ENDANGER LIFE.

That old sore or ulcer, which has been a source of pain, worry and anxiety to you for five or ten years—maybe longer—doesn't heal because you are not using the proper treatment, but are trying to cure it with salves and washes. While these are soothing and relieve pain to some extent, no real, permanent good can come from their use, because the disease is in the blood and far beyond the reach of external applications.

A sore heals promptly when the blood is in good condition, but never if it is diseased. The tendency of these old sores and ulcers is to grow worse, spreading and eating deeper into the flesh. They are a constant drain upon the system, gradually but surely ruin the health and sap the very life. A person's capacity for work or pleasure is soon lost in the great desire and search for something to cure.

S. S. S. makes a rapid and permanent cure of old sores and ulcers, and is the only medicine that does, because no other can reach deep-seated blood troubles. Ordinary Sarsaparilla and potash mixtures are too weak and watery to overcome a deadly poison that has taken possession of the blood. Do not waste valuable time experimenting with them.

"Some years ago I was shot in the left leg, receiving what I considered only a slight wound. It developed into a running sore and gave me a great deal of pain. I was treated by many doctors, and took a number of blood remedies, but none did me any good. I had heard of S. S. S. highly recommended and concluded to give it a trial. The result was truly gratifying. S. S. S. seemed to get right at the trouble, and forced the poison out of my blood; soon afterwards the sore healed up and was cured sound and well. I now have perfect use of the leg, which was swollen and very stiff for a long time." J. H. McBRATIN, Lawrenceburg, Ky.

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PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED FROM THE WEEK'S DISPATCHES.

A Disastrous Storm at Nome in Which Lives and Property Are Lost—Chinese Quarter of Placerville Destroyed By Fire.

Walter E. Stone, a well-known character of San Francisco, committed suicide there some days ago.

Fire at Dinuba destroyed the principal building, a few days ago. The loss will be about \$20,000.

Charles A. Williams has been awarded damages amounting to one cent against the San Francisco Call. Williams was to have been married at San Francisco some two years ago and the paper wrote up his past life causing the engagement to be broken. Hence the suit.

Mrs. W. D. Vanciel of Milton, two sons and a niece were thrown from a buggy during a runaway. Mrs. Vanciel was severely bruised and one of the boys fatally injured.

There was a high gale on the Gulf of Georgia recently, and five overturned fishing smacks were found with the sails flat on the water about 15 miles from Vancouver. The occupants were undoubtedly drowned. Each boat contained from two to five fishermen, but their names have not yet been ascertained.

A representative of the United States government has been in Santa Ana valley for several days buying horses for cavalry purposes in the far east, and three carloads containing 70 head were shipped to San Francisco. The average price paid was about \$90.

Another of the immense log rafts constructed by the Robertson company left West Seattle in tow of the tug Tatch and Relief, bound for San Francisco. The raft is one of the largest ever built and contains about 800,000 feet of piling.

B. L. Dakan's house and barn in Glen canyon, Santa Cruz county, were destroyed by fire. It was caused by a defective flue. The loss is about \$5000, with but small insurance.

Martina Correa, an Indian, 112 years old, died recently at Santa Cruz county hospital.

City Assessor J. E. Ward has completed the work of assessing Visalia. The total valuation this year is in excess of 1899.

The Pioneer Woolen mills of Dallas, Or., has submitted a proposition for the removal of the plant to Santa Cruz. The plant would employ 200 hands and cost \$150,000.

A. O. Bogue, a traveler reached Bakersfield last week suffering from smallpox. He was placed in a post house.

Louis Palumbo, a native of Italy, aged 50 years, died recently at Fresno from cancer of the stomach. His was a notable case by reason of his having had a portion of the stomach removed in the French hospital in San Francisco to cure him of the cancer. The case was considered a surgical triumph. For nearly a year after the operation he was able to labor, and digested his meals as if the stomach were whole.

A well-developed movement is on foot at San Diego to establish an iron foundry there.

Mill Valley, Marin county, has voted to incorporate.

Rev. S. P. Whitney, a pioneer Presbyterian minister of the coast, died at his home in Santa Rosa. He has been pastor of many churches in the state, including Olivet church in San Francisco. Mr. Whitney was born in New York 65 years ago. He leaves a wife.

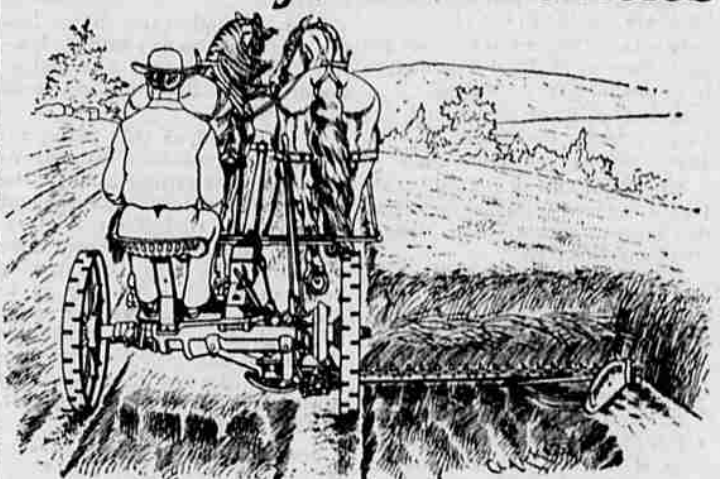
O. M. Judy, a prominent sportsman and business man of Redley, died as the result of an operation for appendicitis. He had a national reputation as a crack wing shot.

J. W. Lorbeer, a railroad man of Honolulu, was murdered there recently by a drunken relative. He formerly lived at Pomona.

An early morning fire completely destroyed the Chinese quarter of Placerville recently. Thirty-three buildings, four of which were brick, were burned to the ground in less than an hour. The large laundry of Uero Brothers was slightly damaged. The loss will probably reach \$20,000, and the insurance is light.

Several market hunters were caught in San Francisco last week with young quail in their possession. They were arrested and fined \$25.

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MEDFORD, OREGON.

The steamship Tacoma, from Nome recently report the most disastrous storm ever known at Nome. The storm raged for five days, beginning August 7, and the beach for miles is strewn with wreckage, and 20 bodies of those lost in the storm had been washed ashore when the steamer sailed. The storm began August 7 with a heavy gale blowing on the beach, and increased in violence until nothing could stand before it. Large steamers weighed anchor and put to sea for safety, while schooners and sailing craft and small boats dragged their anchors and went ashore, only to be dashed to pieces. More than 30 craft, besides a large number of small boats, are piled on the beach in fragments.

Charles Baunor, a merchant and millman of Milltown, Skagit county, was murdered by robbers about 200 yards from his store. His body, with his pockets rifled, was found with the skull broken and bloody. A cudgel near by was evidently the murderer's weapon.

Jornado Merced, a Mexican peon, died at Bakersfield recently from a knife wound received Tuesday night at the hands of another peon named Reyes. Reyes escaped and is supposed now to be well on his way to Mexico.

E. S. Van Meter, chairman of the Populist County Central Committee, was stabbed at Fresno by Cliff Corlew, a well-known resident. The affray occurred on the street, and the result shows that the affair was the outcome of political irritation on Corlew's part.

The trial of John W. McNeill, charged with the murder of his nephew, J. W. McNeill, will be commenced at Susan in the Superior Court on September 18th.

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