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The signs of the times in Oregon point to a large increase of our population. Oregon has the best record of any State in the Union just now for crops, climate and absence of casualties.

The Interstate fair at Tacoma, Washington opened with great pomp and splendor August 28th at noon United States Senator Watson and C. Squire, of that state, touched the button which set the machinery in motion.

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Small news of telling a farmer what he should have these hard times. But as he has harvested his crop and finds it short he has

had a chance to see where tiling and manure would be a benefit. These things our land must have. We must feed our land if we want our land to feed us. Tiling costs some money, but manure we have got, as you see on many places. So we must put more work and care on our farms.

PARKER ITEMS.

Fugnas dwelling-house has a new roof.

Ted Baldia and family are visiting relatives here.

Cass Kays turned the hop-pickers loose in his hop yard Tuesday morning.

Lillie DeBold, has returned from Marion county, where she has been visiting her sister.

Those reported on the sick list last week are all about well except Henry Kerr, who is feeling poorly yet.

Lee Steeprow has returned from a weeks visit to his home in Alsea, where he has been doctoring a fellow on his thumb.

Wheat 33 cents, oats 23 cents and hops 7 cents and other things in proportion. These are the good democratic times we have been hearing of for so long.

TO PORTLAND AND RETURN.

What Was Seen in a Few Hours, Going and Returning.

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General Master Parker, Grand Chaplain Teas, Hon. Morrison and A. V. R. Snyder, of Dallas, attended the funeral of Hon. P. P. Gates, at Lafayette, on Sunday last.

Sheriff Plummer, after having given the jail a thorough overhauling and cleaning up, is having the ground floor of the lower story covered with a good coating of gravel.

Professor T. J. Jackson, formerly of this place, who graduated from the Monmouth Normal school this year, has secured the principalship of one of the Astoria public schools.

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A. M. Bailey, a well known citizen of Eugene, Oregon, says his wife has for years been troubled with chronic diarrhoea and used many remedies with little relief until she tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which has cured her sound and well.

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Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder Awarded Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair, San Francisco.

From the Hop-Yard. EDITOR WEST SIDE.-We arrived at Ed Dove's yard all right and after pitching camp took a stroll around to size up the situation.

OREGON IN THE EAST. Stands High in the New York Stock Exchange.

Mr. Albert Tozier, who left home last June as a delegate to the national editorial convention, held at Asbury Park, New Jersey, returned yesterday, after traveling fourteen thousand miles since that time.

Mr. Tozier is very enthusiastic in his description of the banquet tendered the "newspaper fellows." There were one thousand covers, costing \$5 per cover.

At the clam bake given in their honor at Long Branch, Mr. George B. Small, of the Baker City [Or.] Democrat, was awarded the prize for being the champion clam eater of the West.

"Crops are almost a total failure in the northern States, but Oregon makes the best showing on the New York Stock Exchange, being credited with ninety-six per cent of a crop, which exceeds any other State in the Union.

There will be much destitution this winter in the middle States. Those renting farms pay cash, and now there are no crops. Iowa, the great corn State of the country, will not have a third of a crop, and Nebraska will go less than that.

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is marketable, and are now buying corn to save the rest. It is not an uncommon thing to find a farmer with from one hundred to two hundred acres in corn, paying sixty cents a bushel for feed. Some of these ranches have had five failures in eighteen years.

"Farms have been abandoned in Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Kansas and Nebraska and the desertion has been so great in many localities that railroad companies have shut up their stations there.

Mr. Tozier says that if the Oregon and Washington transportation lines will give a low rate for the shipment of logs out here, thus inducing the northern farmers to buy from the eastern farmers having hogs and no feed, or feed them on shares, twenty-cent wheat will bring \$1 when turned into pork.

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