

## CAMAS PRAIRIE, NORTH IDAHO.

The broad and beautiful Camas prairie opens out before you as you set your back to Craig's mountains, and look toward the south-east. The straight road in your front leads from you to Cottonwood, Grangeville and Mt. Idaho. What a beautiful stretch of rolling prairie land! Where is there richer soil, or finer prospects? Towards the right is the "Snake country." The Salmon, which flows north-westerly, empties into the Snake not more than twenty miles to the southwest. The Cottonwood, heading near by, runs easterly into the curvilinear Clearwater, twenty miles off; and the Rocky canyon creek, close by, shoots out South-west to join the Salmon; while White Bird makes its remarkable canyon, and empties into the Salmon, a few miles further up that river. This country is as well watered as Eden, and as fertile as any garden which has been much longer under cultivation.

One hundred thousand bushels of wheat have been harvested here this season, nearly all of which is surplus, as most farmers have the crop of 1880 still on hand. With a railroad tapping this section of the country it would produce more grain than all of the Walla Walla valley and Eastern Oregon combined.

Thos. Burgen, of Chamberlain Flat, W. T. has about 25 acres of meadow land which he has mowed for 18 consecutive years getting a good crop each year, but this year he has raised two crops, the second crop being equal, if not heavier than the first, standing 3 feet high and over, so heavy in fact as to lodge in some places.

A FARMER on Whidby Island, W. T., harvested a field of wheat which averages 60 bushels to the acre, and a field of oats which yielded 103 bushels to the acre.

Five acres of volunteer grain, the property of H. Rausche near Pomeroy, W. T. yielded 220 bushels, an average of 44 bushels to the acre.

P. C. JAMES, near Knox's Butte, Linn county, raised about 200 tobacco plants this year, which he claims to be as good as any he ever raised in his former home in southern Illinois. The only fault that parties claiming to be experts find with this tobacco is that it is fiery in taste, but others say that this can be overcome in curing.

A splendid article of limestone from the kiln at Puyallup, W. T., is now being used at the Oswego (Oregon) Iron Furnace.

Cattle buyers are plentiful in Eastern Oregon. As high as \$17.00 per head, is being paid for two year olds.

THE *Albany Democrat* is responsible for the statement that Frank W. Smith, of Linn county, raised cabbages, each of them nearly 50 lbs in weight, and onions measuring from 16½ inches to 1½ feet in circumference, and averaging 1½ lb each in weight.

TO FARMERS AND FRUIT GROWERS.—It gives us pleasure to call the attention of farmers and fruit growers to the card of Mark Levy, appearing in our columns this issue. He is a gentleman we have known from boyhood, and can cheerfully recommend him to those who have fruit or produce to dispose of as a reliable, conscientious business man. He has been in the commission and fruit business in Sacramento, California, from boyhood, and now comes here, believing that he can not only do a profitable business for himself, but be the means of saving thousands of dollars to this State by creating a market abroad for many of our fruits which are now rotting for want of a market. Mr. Levy's business connection with the largest shippers in California and the East enables him to market fruits and produce to advantage. Fruit growers and farmers in general can receive many valuable hints by corresponding with or calling on Mr. L. at his salesroom, No. 122 Front street, near Washington.

THE OREGON TAX LIST.—A neatly printed and most carefully compiled pamphlet, bearing the above title and published by David & W. G. Steel, of this city, has made its appearance. It is published in monthly parts, and when finished will form a complete list of the tax payers of this State, the amount of their assessment and their indebtedness. Every business man ought to have this list, as none can well afford to be without it.

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MR. ZIMMERMAN, well known here, has sold his interest in the Roseburg Foundry to Dr. Bunnell, and the firm now is Bunnell & Frazer. They have superior facilities for making all kinds of castings, and will be pleased to correspond with parties needing anything in their line.

THE Metropolitan Hotel at Roseburg, under the present proprietorship of M. A. Canan, has been entirely renovated, and such improvements made that it can now be considered one of the cosiest hotels in Southern Oregon. The rooms are clean and the table well supplied with wholesome and substantial fare.

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