

Wis. The latter sawed soft white pine, while the Tacoma mill sawed on heavy and tough fir, which constitutes our principal lumber. The Port Blakely mill responded to this with a cut of five hundred and seventeen thousand feet, and thus stands at the head of the list on this coast.

KNAPPA, OREGON.—One of the busiest points on the Lower Columbia is Knappa. It has large timber interests, and is a splendid location for saw and planing mills. Eleven logging camps, representing many thousand dollars of annual expenditure, make that their headquarters. Fine farms are being developed in that vicinity. The timber lands, when cleared, make splendid ranges for stock, grass growing luxuriantly wherever seed is scattered. The soil is fertile and yields well under cultivation. Much fine stock is being introduced. The tide lands skirting the river are being improved by the fishermen. One enterprising man has undertaken the culture of cranberries. He has imported several barrels of plants from Boston, and set them out in the marsh lands along the river. If his enterprise is a success, it will lead to the improvement of other marshes, since there are thousands of acres adapted to the business. Knappa has a commodious hotel, and will erect a Presbyterian church this summer.

MULLAN, IDAHO.—The new mining camp of Mullan is situated on the south fork of the Coeur d' Alene river, about twenty-two miles from Wardner, and at about six hundred and fifty feet greater elevation. The town is situated on a beautiful level tract of some two hundred and fifty acres, about one hundred and fifty of which have been already cleared off, and the remainder is being cleared as fast as possible. There are five canyons putting into the Mullan prairie, the streams coming out of which combine to form the South fork, which flows through one edge of the prairie. In all of these canyons are rich leads of galena silver. So far, only two ledges have been thoroughly prospected. The Central is in about one hundred feet, and the Hunter about four hundred feet, with very satisfactory results. The population of Mullan is something over five hundred, and people are going in rapidly. The prospects of the place are very favorable and the population will be greatly increased in a short time. Should a railroad be built to Wardner, it will doubtless be extended to Mullan in a short time.

FISH HATCHERIES.—The last Oregon legisla-

ture appropriated \$10,000.00 for the establishment of a fish commission, whose duties should include the maintenance of a salmon hatchery on some tributary of the Columbia, and one on Rogue river. On the latter stream there is one already in operation, which will receive assistance from the commission. The major portion of the appropriation will, of course, be spent along the Columbia, whose importance in the fishing interests of the state overshadows all others. A few years ago, a hatchery was established on the Clackamas, but was abandoned. This spot has been selected, by the commission, for the site of the main hatchery, and the old buildings are being repaired and new ones erected. The work of spawning will probably not be commenced until about the first of August. It will require more money than the amount of the appropriation to maintain this for two years, until the legislature can again be appealed to, but the canners and fishermen will, no doubt, cheerfully contribute all the means required, since it is acknowledged by all that such an institution is of vital importance to the fishing industry of the Columbia.

OREGON LANDS FOR SALE.—A compilation of the numerous tracts of land for sale at the rooms of the state board of immigration, shows the following totals, by counties:

Multnomah, -	8,828	Polk, -	3,280
Tillamook, -	1,890	Umatilla, -	9,826
Lane, -	27,800	Marion, -	39,650
Morrow, -	1,050	Yamhill, -	33,260
Douglas, -	109,780	Josephine, -	10,230
Jackson, -	12,300	Grant, -	1,250
Klamath, -	6,800	Linn, -	36,200
Baker, -	6,800	Benton, -	56,800
Clackamas, -	18,500	Coos, -	1,500
Columbia, -	8,780	Crook, -	860
Clatsop, -	3,286	Gilliam, -	1,300
Union, -	3,780	Wasco, -	32,890
Washington, -	31,260	Total, -	467,900

With the exception of about thirty-six thousand acres, all this is arable farming land; a large proportion of it in cultivation at this time, and fairly well improved. Very few of the farms in this list are occupied by the person offering to sell. Many of them are parts of donation claims, farms taken for debt, a second or third place that has come into the possession of the present owner, in one way or another. It is safe to say, that, in point of fertility of soil, character of improvements, convenience to market and transportation, the lands embraced in this list will average with the great proportion of farms in this state. Many of those on record