

Trees In California

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My home is in Orleans, California, and red-wood is one of our largest trees in the northwestern part of California. Its diameter is from ten inches to thirty feet, and its height is from one foot to two hundred and seventy feet.

The loggers do not cut any tree that is less than ten feet in diameter. They pull the logs out of the woods with bull donkey engines. It pulls one log at a time and shoots the log down the hill side down where they can get to them with wire cables haul it to the railroad track, and from there they load the logs on the train and take them to the mills. Some of the logs are so large that they'll have to be split the log in the middle. Each from four hundred to seven hundred dollars according to size. It takes the choppers about two days to cut down one tree, and takes nearly two days to saw one cut. And the choppers get from eighty to one hundred and twenty dollars per month and the sawyers get from sixty to eighty-five dollars per month.

And we also have several other kinds of trees, such as white and red cedar, sugar pine, white pine, fir, spruce, oak, madrone alder, cotton wood, black and white oak, tan bark and live oak and maple tree.

Red and white cedar are our next largest trees; they grow to about fifteen feet in its diameter. They also cut them down to make lumber and shingles out of them. The sugar pine are also cut down for lumber and the oak madrone, maple alder, cotton wood are cut down for fuel. The cedars are cut for posts. The people go out on the hill and cut down the tan-bark oak trees and

peel off the bark and sell them for twelve dollars per cord. The bark is used for tanning sole leather.

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. met in its usual place last Wednesday evening and had an interesting meeting. Following is the program: Opening song, "The Wondrous Cross;" Prayer, Eugene Williams; Song, "Sometime we'll Understand;" Roll call, responded by Bible verses; Song, "Nearer My God to Thee;" Address, "The Progress of Association;" Albert P. Garry; Song, "Yield Not to Temptation;" Miscellaneous business; Song, "Only Remembered;" Closing prayer, Martin J. Sampson.

Many of the members made suggestions when the program for business was called. We decided to give a "Fellowship Luncheon," as one of the members suggested, to open our new hall. Each of us have to "chip in" nickels (5 cents), and still it is to be an interesting affair. There will be all kinds of games, one of which will be the feature of the evening, "Hot hand;" it is a game that all association men are fond of. The Quartette will appear again and show us how well they sang at Salem last Sunday.

Y. W. C. A.

The members of the Y. W. C. A. met in their usual place of meeting. The president was in charge of the Sunbeams so Bessie Chilouquin presided over the meeting. Opening Prayer, Miss Bowman; Hymn, Pull for the Shore, Members; Roll Call, Responded by Members with Bible verses; Song, There is a Land; Bible Reading, 23rd Psalm; Seasons of prayer; Song, God is Love; Talk, Miss Bowman; Song, While the Days are going By; Watch-word.