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Recent Search for Water in the Northwest.

irrigation in parts of the West, School buildings would be destroyand the success which has attend-ed. ed its practice, has naturally led to The fire was discovered in the a close inspection of large tracts of land which are now desert wastes, Bickers says he has no idea how. in the hope that they may also be the fire started. The engine room brought under cultivation. Many is on the first floor of the industrial and beaters? thousands of acres of desert land building, and in the same room as in the arid sections are remarkably the boiler for the steam-heating fertile and capable of furnishing plant and the dynamo for the elechomes for large populations which trie light plant. A night watchmay become centres of thriving in- man is employed at the building. dustries if only water, their great and the fire was discovered by him need and absolute necessity, can before it had made great headway. be procured. The small annual With the aid of the fire-fighting rainfall and the still more serious apparatus, which was cut off by lack of rain during the critical crop the fire, no attempt could be made growing months, have kept these to fight the fire in the industrial lands as poor pastures or even bar- building, and it was only by heroren deserts. Fortunately the arid ie work that the fire was prevented sections are seamed by numerous from spreading in the main buildlofty, forest clad and often snow ing. The Salem fire department capped mountain ranges from responded promptly to the call for which flow the purest streams, aid, but the fire was under control Thus the streams and rivers, and before its arrival. There are about the underground or artesian well 120 boys confined in the institution. waters, where they exist, have be- and about 12 employes live at the come the privotal factors on which main building. The work of the rest the agricultural development institution will be seriously hamof immense sections of the West; pered until the damage can be retheir waters must be brought to paired. the land before it can be produc-

In view of these facts the investigations of two parties, among Ruth, Captain Inman, struck a others, of the United States Geolo- snag in the Willamette, off Corvalgical Survey, which were engaged lis, at 5 o'clock last Tuesday mornin studying the water resources of ing, and sank within two minutes. the Northwest, will be of interest. A number of passengers were in Prof. Israel C. Russell, who has their berths on board, but all es- or month, been working on the great lava caped in small boats, with no worse covered section of southern Idaho damage than bad fright. The bow reports the discovery of an artesi- of the Ruth is 40 feet from the east an basin over a hundred miles in shore, and in six feet of water. The length, whose western limit though stern is out in the channel, and is undertermined, lies in the vicinity surmerged to the bottom of the of Nampa and Caldwell near the cabin windows. In the hull there Oregon border. The land which is a hole, supposed to be 30 feet pages fully illustrated, containing also a can be supplied with water from long and four feet wide. The snag this basin lies along the Snake holds the boat fast, and keeps the River and in Bruneau Valley, a stern off the bottom. A stream of tributary to the Snake on the

this locality already and there are indications of artesian water also of dried prunes, shipped by Lang record of the world's advancement durnear Shoshone. In connection & Co., of Portland, and a carload ing the last century, \$3 00. with his investigations Prof. Russell collected a large amount of information relative to the agricultural and timber resources of the return to service. Most, if not all region which are considerable.

The other party, under Mr. F. H. Newell, the chief of the Division of Hydrography of the Geological Survey, made an extended reconnoissance of northern Oregon with reference to the water supply of that section. They penetrated into the wilderness of central Oregon along and to the head of the Deschutes River and turning to the eastward skirted the northern portion of the great Harney and Malheur deserts into which the mountain ranges to the north send many streams. The party was much impressed by the opportunities of development in central and eastern Oregon.

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Bad Fire at Salem

The industrial building of the State Reform School, about three Holiday Excursion Rates. Special miles from Salem was destroyed excursion tickets will be on sale to by fire between 1 and 2 o'clock last and from all Columbia Southern Wednesday morning. No one was injured. The loss will reach \$25,- 24th., 25., 30th. and 31., 1901 000; insurance, \$8000. For a time and Jan. 1st. 1902; good returning The steady increase in the use of it seemed as if all the Reform until Jan! 3rd, 1902 inclusive, at

engine room, Superintendent

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