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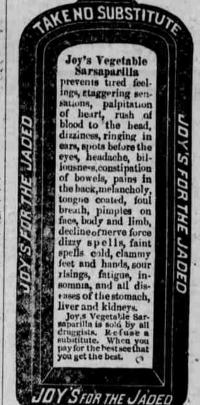
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INTERESTING NEWS NOTES FROM VARIOUS PLACES.

The Great Northwest Furnishes Some News of More Than General Interest - Development and Progress in all Industries - Oregon.

Malheur has a school district named Fighting Seven." The Bandon broom-handle factory

has started up again. Sheepmen of Grant county are taking their sheep to the hills.

A Umatilla reservation farmer will have 1,500 acres in grain this year.

Two eagles were caught in a trap set for coyotes near Grant's Pass last

The public schools in Albany for February had an average attendance of 565 and an enrollment of 603.

The whole cost of assessing Washington county for the year 1895, including field and office work, was only Fishermen predict there will be no

high water in the Columbia this year, and anticipate a poor fishing season in consequenc Brownsville is one of the few towns

in the state where no city tax is paid. That city has decided electric lights are not absolutely necessary just yet.

There is said to be a good prospect at Astoria for the location of the railroad depot at Smith's point, in case negotitaions for the Scow bay site fail.

The mill company's boom at Pittsburg, in Columbia county, was broken by a freshet, and between 150,000 and 200,000 feet of logs went down the river.

A petition was circulated and signed in St. Helens last week and forwarded to Senator McBride to be presented to congress asking for an appropriation for the improvement of Scappoose bay.

A man in Brownsville is putting out 3,000 fruit trees, the majority of which are prunes. Almost seventy varieties of fruit are represented, and being placed in good soil will doubtless grow to be an excellent orchard.

The Exploring Syndicate of Mines and Mining in the United States, the French syndicate that has been buying mines in Eastern Oregon, made the first payment on a placer claim in the Burnt river district, a short distance from the town of Bridgeport.

Several hundred cranberry plants have recently been received by persons on the Nehalem beach. Wild cranberries have grown there for many years and there is no doubt that, with proper cultivation, an immense crop of the tame variety can be raised.

J. H. Houston has been buying furs at Klamath Falls for the past three months and is now ready to make one of the finest shipments that has ever been made from Klamath. His lot of furs consists of martin, mink, wildcat, Oregon Central & Eastern skunk and badger, and the whole will bring him in a neat little sum.

The Ashland woolen mills are shipping blankets to San Francisco as fast as they can be turned out. An order for 1,000 pairs of vicuna blankets for a big San Francisco firm is now well along. A portion of the goods has been delivered, and they are so satisfactory that the firm desires to increase the order to 3,000 pairs at the same price.

The taxroll of Lane county for 1895 has been turned over to the sheriff. It shows the following: State, county and school tax, \$108,881.28; poll tax, \$2,891; Lebanon poll tax, \$148; Leb-anon city tax, \$959.98; Halsey city tax, \$148.63; Sodaville city tax, \$98.78; Scio city tax, \$39.21; special school tax, \$8,386.15; total, \$122,120.98. Of the school tax, Albany's share will be \$3.685.

The East Oregonian is informed that the buyer for the abattoir at Linnton will come into Eastern Oregon next week for the purpose of purchasing a large number of horses to be shipped to Linnton, to be killed for canning. The buyer made this statement to the East Oregonian's informant, saying he had positive orders to proceed at once and commence finding suitable horses at a price cheap enough to justify purchasing them.

The searching parties that went out to search for D. J. Woodward, the missing toll-gate keeper, have returned, and are of the opinion that Woodward has perished in the snows of the Blue mountains. The Elgin searching party found a pair of snow shoes, but whether they belonged to Woodward is not known, though all doubt now remains that the missing prosperous condition.

A thrifty dairyman, near Ashland, has figured up what he has realized on a half-blood Jersey and Durham cow in the last nine years. He finds that from the butter and cream and the sale of ten calves she has raised the not include any allowance for the skim milk that during that length of time has fattened a good many hogs. The cow is now 12 years old and apparently as valuable as ever as a money-maker.

is difficult.

Work has been commenced on a Methodist church building at Chinook, Pacific county.

The firemen of Walla Walls have de- improvements.

OUR SISTER STATES cided to organize teams at once to take FIELD. FARM. GARDEN

The Scattle capitalists who are putting in chlorination works on the Upper Cle-Elum are moving in their machinery

The Washington academy at Colville, bas just closed its second term The people are much gratified at the success of this school

Columbia county commissioners have ordered 1,000 ounces of strychnine for distribution to the farmers for poisoning squirrels. The general opnion in Eastern Wash-

ton, D. C., where he will endeavor to

homes or work. In Whitman county during the month of February there were 14 judgments granted, 26 foreclosure actions brought; nine marriage licenses issued six returns, two divorces granted, 28 births and five deaths returned.

David Chambers died at his home on Chambers prairie, near Olympia of heart complications. He was promi-nently associated with the early history of Washington. Since 1848 he had resided on his farm east of Olympia, where he amassed a considerable fortune fattening stock.

Expert Cation, who was appointed to examine the city official's books of Walla Walla, has submitted his report to the city. The report is from June , 1886, and shows a total deficit of \$3,471, divided between the city treasurer and two ex-marshals. The shortages, so the report says occurred through negligence on the part of the city clerk, who collected the delin-quent taxes for the marshal.

Thousands of acres have been planted to grain in Garfield county the past wo weeks, and many farmers are well nigh through their early seeding, says the East Washingtonian. The ground is said to be in excellent condition, and on the pasture lands the grass has been coming on rapidly. The recent indications are that this is to be a productive year, and that the state of Washington will make such a record in growth and prosperity as will bless her people with abundance and plenty.

The loggers of Chehalis county have organized a temporary Loggers Protective Association. A committee was appointed to confer with the millmen of the harbor and, if possible, agree with them in the selection of a man who would be acceptable to millmen and loggers alike for appointment as government sealer of logs, the inten-tion being to entirely do away with private scaling of logs, all concerned to scept as final the figures of the sealer who may be so agreed upon.

Idaho.

d George F. Ly Lewiston, Nez Perce county.

The postoffice at Leyburn, Shoshone county, has been discontinued, and its mail hereafter must be sent to Fraser. In Fremont and Bingham counties recently a rabbit drive was had and

nearly 1,200 rabbits were killed in one A patent has been granted to James B. Perkins, asignor of one-half to P. Flannery, of Lewiston, Idaho, on an

animal trap It is said on good authority that the woolen mills of Desert, Utah, are soon to be moved to Orchard, about thirty miles from Boise.

from Blackfoot to Challis, Bryan postoffice has been ordered to be supplied without any change in the distance of the route. Bryan is between the Blackfoot and Arco. The order be-

came operative March 2. Harry B. Hall, ex-treasurer of Shoshone county, has been sentenced to one year in the penitentiary for embezzling county funds. Hall was treasurer of the county and cashier of a bank which quires more protein than a fattening failed, and in which Van B. DeLash- ration. mutt, of Portland, was one of the principal owners. County funds were in the bank. All except \$1,500 was re-covered by the county. Hall was tried for embezzlement for failing to pro-mal and build up a lighter frame work. duce that sum.

Montana.

Several rich copper veins have been discovered east of Dillon, Mont.

The annual report of the Boston & Montana Mining Company for 1895 indications pointed that way. Little shows that this concern is in a most

mines from Montana and British Co- when only nine pounds were offered lumbia for the majority of this class of there were none left over. Rolling the ore and there are a number of ship- potatoes in the grain was found to be ments reported each week.

are full of prospectors and a number to state at the present time, the actual amount foots up \$995, or an average of over \$110 per year. This is the actual cash return easily traced, and does of very good discoveries have already money value of potatoes in the producpast few weeks in the Nez Perce can- than their present market price, of yon, which give good indications for about ten cents per bushel. proving valuable.

A syndicate from Butte has taken up Young animals should be watched the Madison river three miles east of Red Bluff which they propose to utilize in generating electric power for various uses in the different cities of Montana, and especially Butte. The papers have all been filed with the proper suthority and it is said that fully \$25,000\$ will be expended this summer in building dams and other necessary improvements.

Young animals should be watched and attended to with as much care as any crop on the farm receives, but not always are.

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It is claimed by writers in the East that it costs one cent to produce an egg. On the farm in the West, a writer such original said that fully says, it is not believed that it costs more than half as much, which would afford a profit at the lowest market figures.

FLOUR—Net cash prices: Family extras, \$4.00@4.10 per barrel; bakers' extras, \$4.0 200,000 miners inches of water from Recent rains have so swollen the in generating electric power for vari-Yakima river that fording at any point ous uses in the different cities of Mon- It is claimed by writers in the East

USEFUL INFORMATION CONCERN-ING AGRICULTURE.

Farmers Must Meet Competition in the -Feeding Potatoes to Dairy Stock-

Miscellaneous Notes. Farmers begin to realize that they must meet the new order of things. We have the markets of the world and The general opnion in Eastern Washington is that the recent cold snap did no damage other than slightly injuring fruit trees that were far advanced.

Colonel L. S. Howlett, commissioner of arid lands, has gone to Washingbetter grades of improved stock and secure the passage of a bili granting the dairying North America stands next to government arid lands outright to the the Euopean countries.

State.

There will apparently be almost as for high grade beef, mutton, pork, great a rush to the Nez Perce reserva- horses and dairy products, and we have tion this spring as there was last fall. a great and growing home trade in our Many will return to their claims, and own cities. All our markets are much others will go in the hope of finding more exacting than in former days, and we must produce superior quality or be content to take scrub prices. The markets demand greater quantity and better quality of the high grade, early maturity sort, from good grade cows and pure bred sires, but where can we get the high grade cows? Now we marketed most of them when we quit breeding; and as to bulls, there are but few breeders, and the Western breeders are taking all the bulls at better prices than our farmers think they can pay; but as there is no way to breed good beef animals other than to use good, pure bred sires the sooner we get them, the quicker we can get into market.

New Onion Culture.

The new culture consists simply in sowing the seed in greenhouse, hotbeds or elsewhere and then transplanting to the open ground, as cabbage or other plants. By selecting the right varieties, there is claimed for this method a larger yield of better quality and with ess labor than by any other method. There are several varieties of foreign origin that take well to this method of culture, but the Spanish King or Prize Taker is by far the best and most attrative of any of the varieties we have teste... This variety resembles the large Bermudas.

The seed may be sown from the middle of February to the middle of March, and the transplanting done when the soil will permit. The plants are taken up by loosening the soil un-der them first with a trowel or stick. By trimming off parts of the tops and roots we are enabled to set plants more rapidly and better. Do not trim severely, but with a bunch of plants in one hand and with a single stroke of the knife we take off just enough of the top so that the plant will stand erect when set, and at another stroke enough sprangly roots are taken off so that we can do much better work. To set the plants a round stick about an inch in diameter, sharpened to a point, answers the purpose very well. With this make two or three strokes to each plant. First, a straight hole, into which the A restoration and increase in pension plant is placed and held with the left

plant is placed and held with the left hand. A second time the dibble is inserted, about an inch from the plant, pointed toward the plant at an angle, and then pushed toward the plant, thus compacting the soil about the roots; then another light stroke to fill up the hole. When properly set, plants cannot be pulled out by the tops. Aim to set the plants when the soil is moist.

By this new method of cultivating, says an Eeastern paper, is avoided the most tedious part of the cultivation, that of the first two weedings, and most of the cultivating is done with the wheel hoe. Aim to cultivate with this every week or ten days. One thorough weeding by hand ought to suffice. One of the best tools for this work is an old table knife. What hoeing is necessary after this is usually done with a narrow-bladed hoe.

Plant is placed and held with the left hand. A second time the dibble is in-like@12c per pound; hams, picnic, 7½c; breakfast bacon 10½ (2102; dry male sides, 7½ (28c; died beef hams, 12 (28c; pure, in tins, 9½ (210c; pigs' feet, 40, 43.25; kits, 41.25. Oregon smoked hams, 10½ (2 per pound; pickled hams, 8½ (2; control pound; pickled hams, 8½ (2; control pound; pickled hams, 10½ (2; dry salt sides, 7½ (2; becon, 10½ (2; dry salt sides, 6½ (2102; pigs' feet, 40, 43.26; boneies hams, 7½ (2; becon, 10½ (2; dry salt sides, 6½ (210c; pigs' feet, 40, 43.26; boneies hams, 7½ (2; becon, 10½ (2; dry salt sides, 6½ (210c; pigs' feet, 40, 43.26; boneies hams, 7½ (2; becon, 10½ (2; dry salt sides, 7½ (2; In the Star mail service operating table knife. What hoeing is necessary row-bladed hoe.

Feeding Potatoes.

One of our experiment stations says that for dairy stock it is doubtful, when foods are as cheap as they are at present, whether it would pay to feed very large quantities of potatoes, be-cause a dairy ration necessarily re-

retry large quantities of potatoes, because a dairy ration necessarily requires more protein than a fattening ration.

Potatoes cannot be fed to young animals as safely as to more mature ones. If fed too large quantities they have a tendency to prematurely fatten the animal and build up a lighter frame work. With more mature animals, when the fattening period is largely a period of the addition of fat to the body, the potatoes can then be fed to advantage and more economically. In the feeding of large quantities of potatoes, no more should be fed than the snimals can comfortably dispose of in one day. In one of the digestion trials, when ten pounds of potatoes per day were offered, the pig refused about half of them; when only nine pounds were offered to an employ the pounds were offered. man has perished. Woodward was a Mason in good standing and the order find it necessary to draw on the lead the pounds of potatoes per day were offered, the pig refused about half of them; another way of encouraging a large The hills around the Rabbit district amount to be eaten. It is impossible

Young animals should be watched

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Dealers in early vegetables and fruits reported a good shipping trade the past week, and other produce markets enjoyed a satisfactory city busi-ness. Receipts of fruit and green prormers Must Meet Competition in the fluctuating, with the average price a World's Markets—New Onlon Culture triffe higher than reported last week. In poultry and dairy produce quotations were mantained. No changes are reported in groceries.

Wheat Market.

There is practically no local wheat market. Receipts are small, offerings light and no trading reported. Dull-ness may be expected for the rest of the season. There is very little wheat in the country, and what changes hands from now on will make but little stir in the market. Prices are quoted as follows: Walla Walla, 50 to 600; Valley, 62 to 63c per bushel.

Produce Market.

FLOUR—Portland. Salem, Cascadia and Dayton, are quoted at \$3.15 per barrel; Golddrop, \$2.95; Snowflake, \$3.20; Ben-ton county, \$3.15; graham, \$2.90; super-fine, \$2.25.

fine, \$2.25.
OATS—Good white are quoted weak, at 27c; milling, 28@30c; gray, 22@23c. Rolled oats are quoted as follows: Bags \$4.25@5.25; barrels, \$4.50@7.00; cases,

\$3.75. HAY - Timothy, \$9.00 per ton; chest, \$6.00; clover, \$6@7; oat, \$5@6.50; wheat, \$5.50@6.50. BARLEY—Feed barley, \$14.00 per ton; brewing, nominal.
MILLSTUFFS — Bran. \$13.00; shorts, \$14; middlings, \$18@20.00; rye, 85@87c

per cental. BUTTER—Fancy creamery is quoted at 55c; fancy dairy, 45c; fair to good, 35c; common, 17%c per roll.

POTATORS—New Oregon, 25@30c per sack; sweets, common, 3%c; Merced, 3% per pound.

3% per pound.
Onions—Oregon, 60@90c per sack.
Poultry—Chickens, hens, \$3.50 per dozen; mixed. \$2.50@3.00 per dozen; ducks, \$3@4 50; geese, \$6.00; turkeys, live, 8@9c per pound; dressed 11c.
EGGS—Oregon, 12%c per dozen.
Chesse—Oregon nul cream, 14@15%e per pound; half cream, 9%c; skim, 4@6c; Young America, 10@11c.
TROPICAL FRUIT—Californis lemons, \$3.00@3.50; choice. \$2.50@3.00; sicily, \$6.50; bananas, \$1.75@2.50 per bunch; California navels, \$2.50@3.00 per box; pineapples, \$4@5.00 per dozen.
Oregon Vegetables—Cabbage, 1%c per lb; garlic, new, 7@8c per pound; artichokes, 70c per dozen; sprouts, 5c per pound; cauliflower, \$2.75 per crate, 90c@\$1 per dozen; hothouse lettuce, 40c per dozen.

FRESH FRUIT-Pears. Winter Nellis.

FRESH FRUIT—Pears. Winter Nellis, \$1.50 per box: cranberries, \$9 per barrel: fancy apples, \$1@1.75; common, 50@75c per box.

DRIED FRUITS — Apples, evaporated, bleached, 4@4½c; sun-dried, 3½@4c; pears, sun and evaporated, 5@6c plums, pitless, 3@4c: prunes, 3@5 per pound.

Wool—Vallev. 10c, per pound; Eastern Oregon, 6@8½c.

Hors — Choics, Oregon 4@6c per pound; medium, neglected.

NUTS — Almonds, soft shell, 9@11c per pound; paper shell, 10@12½c; new crop California walnuts, soft shell, 11@12½c; standard walnuts, 12@12c; ltalian chesnuts, 12½@14c; peans, 13@16c; Brazils, 12½@14c; peans, 14@16c; peanuts, raw, fancy, 6@7c; roasted, 10c; hickory nuts, 8@10c; communs, 90c per dozen.

coanuts, 90c per dozen.

Provisions—Eastern hams, medium.

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Merchandise Market Salmon—Columbia, river No. 1. talla, \$1.25@1.60; No. 2. talm, \$2.25@2.50; fancy, No. 1, flats, \$1.75@1.85; Alaska, No. 1, talls, \$1.20@1.30; No. 2, talls, \$1.90 @2.25.

Brans-Small white, No. 1, 21/c per pound; butter, Sc; bayou, 13/c; Lima,

BEEF-Gross, top steers, \$3.25; cows, \$2.25@2.50; dressed beel, 4@5½c per MUTTON—Gross, best sheep, wethers, \$2.75; ewes, \$1.50@2,25; dressed mutton, 4%c per pound.

Vall—Gross, small, 5@6c; large, 3 @4c per pound. Hous—Gross, choice, heavy, \$3.25@ 3.50; light and feeders, \$2.50@2.75; dressed, 31/4@4c per pound.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS