

NEWS OF THE WEEK

STATE.

Rust is showing in Albany wheat. A Pendleton dryhouse burned. Loss, \$3000. Astoria has had 7 1/2 feet of rain this year. Empire City had a \$20,000 fire Sunday night. Estella Flannery killed herself at the Saloon Asylum. Tillamook county farmers' institute is in session. Rains have delayed hop picking in many parts of the state. Sunday's rain was general over Oregon. Hall at Pendleton. Thomas Rand was mortally wounded by another miner at Silver King mine. Lake county has 23,381 cattle and 90,864 sheep. Giant monolith quarried at Dallas. Miss Dement, of Myrtle Creek, was robbed of over \$400 as she left a store. A new town will be started by the Booth-Kelly Company on the Mohawk river.

PACIFIC COAST.

Many burglaries at Yakima. Puget sound guns will be tested by the government soon. Marble is said to have been discovered in Skagit county, Washington. Detective Ford has sued the city of Olympia for reward for arrests. Private McVeigh, sentenced to be shot at San Francisco for murderously assaulting an officer, will have a life term of imprisonment instead. Czarina's big log raft is at Frisco.

GENERAL.

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, asserts that expansion will prove the salvation of the cotton industry. Sampson does not want to retire. Admiral Watson has not asked to be relieved. Englewood, S. D., is threatened by forest fires. Nine persons drowned in the Maumee river near Toledo, Ohio. A silk ribbon trust is organized. Captain Carter contends that the court martial which tried him was prejudiced. New England silverites eulogize Aguilardo and denounce the administration's war policy. Forty-two thousand veterans will march in the G. A. R. parade at Philadelphia. Dallas, Tex., democrats will give a dollar dinner. Bryan will be there. Yucatan Indians now refuse to pay taxes in Mexico. McKinley will not be able to come to the Pacific coast this fall. Mark Hanna is hastening home from Europe to take part in the Ohio campaign. The Pennsylvania railway has bought the Baltimore, Chesapeake & Atlantic railroad. Bioger Herman is now back in Washington. Kid McCoy knocked out Thorn in the third round in New York. Sampson was asked to be relieved from command of the Atlantic squadron. The Keosauqua maintained a speed of 34 1/2 knots on her trial trip.

FOREIGN.

The Transvaal is now believed to be on the eve of a conflict. The army will probably take possession of all ports on Luzon. Dewey, at Gibraltar, says the war in the Philippines should end during the next dry season. General Jimenes landed at Puerto Plata Tuesday and was received with great rejoicing. Labori has appealed to Emperor William and King Humbert for information in the Dreyfus case. The situation in the Transvaal is now at the snapping point. Governor Imbert, of Puerto Plata province, San Domingo, is asked to resign in favor of General Cocco. Iowa and Tennessee regiments are the only remaining volunteers on Luzon. The czar and czarina are at Copenhagen. The Boers will stand or fall by their last decision. The French senate has assembled to try conspirators. Germany has bought a large tract of land in Brazil. China's reply to Italy's demands is unsatisfactory. The French government is preparing for trouble when the end of the Dreyfus trial comes. Minister of War De Gallifet expresses opposition to secret sessions of the Dreyfus court. The Beer war party is in control of af-

airs in the Transvaal. War is expected any moment.

An American interviewed at Atlanta, Ga., knows much about the inside of the Dreyfus case, and says Esterhazy is the guilty one.

Accuses Otis of Perjury.

CHICAGO, September 4.—The Times-Herald says: "Charges of perjury and subornation of perjury have been filed against General Elwell S. Otis, commander of the American army in the Philippines, with President McKinley by Frank P. Blair, one of the counsel for Captain Oberlin M. Carter, late government engineer at Savannah.

Counsel Blair declares that at an early date he will also file charges of perjury and subornation of perjury against Judge Advocate Colonel Thomas H. Barr with President McKinley. Colonel Barr appeared in the famous trial of Carter for the government. General Otis was president at the Carter court-martial.

CURTAIN RAISERS.

"The dramatic breakfast" is the latest fad in New York.

John Phillip Sousa has completely recovered from his recent illness.

London is to have the first view of Sarah Bernhardt as Hamlet. Dighly Bell is rehearsing "Joe Hurst, Gentleman," a play by Mrs. Hodgson Burnett.

Nell Burgess has returned to America and will go into vaudeville with Louise Thordyke Boucicault.

Perosi, the priest composer, has been appointed director of music at the Sistine chapel by Pope Leo XIII.

Minnie Palmer, the veteran soubrette, shortly returns from Europe to make her debut on the vaudeville stage.

Walter Jones is now sole manager of the "Yankee Doodle Dandy" company. He will produce it in small eastern towns.

There is some probability that "Rupert of Hentzau" will be given in London next season with James K. Hackett as the two Rudolfs.

Julia Arthur has secured the American rights to Emile Bergerat's "Plus que Reine," in which Jane Hading will appear soon in Paris.

Two actresses and one actor of New York, with liabilities of \$122,000 and scarpins and stage jewels as assets, have been adjudged bankrupts.

Yvette Guilbert, who has been suffering from rheumatism, declares her affliction is a blessing in disguise, as it prevents her from using superfluous gestures.

Paul Potter is at work upon a romantic drama of the Anthony Hope-Stanley Weyman type, and Madeline Lucretia Ryley is putting the finishing touches to a play which has an English poet of a century ago for its hero.

Most of the successful plays of late are dramatizations of novels. Among them may be mentioned "The Manxman," "The Christian," "The Little Minister," "Under the Red Robe," "The Prisoner of Zenda," and "Rupert of Hentzau."

EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

The word "hustle" has been adopted in Havana without change. There is no equivalent in Spanish.—Allegany Record.

The Alabama girl who has married a convict can congratulate herself on one thing; she knows where her husband is nights.—New Orleans Picayune.

Kansas is one of the fortunate states on the state debt question. She is out of debt save some \$649,000, and this she owes to her school fund.—Topeka State Journal.

England must depend on this country for its food supply. Consequently this hunger for a close alliance may have its origin lower down than the heart.—Philadelphia Times.

So, in the opinion of Emperor William, Great Britain should whip France in six days, but about whipping Germany the emperor is wise enough to maintain a very discreet silence.—Baltimore American.

A St. Louis woman is suing for divorce because her husband hung her out of a fourth story window by the heels. If he had let her drop, she wouldn't have sued. Some men are so very inconsiderate.—Kansas City Star.

The old brass bargains check must go. Several railroad lines have already substituted clean, attractive cards for the unattractive, dingy pieces of brass, and other roads will soon follow this commendable example.—Troy Times.

With the ambassadorship to London, the ambassadorship to Berlin, not to mention the Turkish mission and the Spanish mission, the state of New York ought to be reasonably happy.—Boston Herald.

NOTES ABOUT CUBA.

Three out of four Cubans are illiterate. Cotton plants grow 13 feet high in Cuba. The average Cuban is short and sparely built.

Cuban ladies smoke long and strong cigars. The Cuban's pet word is "manana" (tomorrow).

Area of Cuba is 46,000 square miles. It counts 350 rivers.

The present population of Cuba is estimated at 1,000,000.

Cuban soil produces three to five crops of vegetables a year.

There are 1,000 miles of railroad in Cuba—one mile to every 1,000 people.

Cuba's rainy period is from May to October. Her dry time covers the rest of the year.

Cubans have been paying \$25 per capita in taxes under Spain exclusive of local taxation.

The Cuban woman is a beauty and marries at 15, at 30 is a portly matron and at 40 is old.

The Cuban gentleman dresses in linen and creases his trousers at the sides. The Cuban holds up his trousers with a belt.

The Cuban business man gives only four hours a day to business, sleeps from noon to 2 p. m. and spends the other 18 hours in eating, resting and social pleasures.

COMMENTARIES.

Matters Concerning Local Everyday Affairs Noticed by the Courier-Herald Reporter.

Mayor Latourette has secured a pledge from Oregon's representatives and senators to use their best efforts to secure an appropriation to erect a public building in Oregon City for the use of the postoffice and United States land office, also a free mail delivery. This is a move in the right direction, and a timely recognition of Oregon City's needs. Ten years ago the writer advocated the erection of a government building here for the postoffice and land office in the Enterprise. The need now is more urgent than ever for a federal building and free mail delivery, and Oregon City should secure this if she expects to keep in the front rank of the procession.

The public generally has but little concern as to fill the place of the third member of the water commission, but they do object to the two rivals scrambling over the place at the expense of the country.

A local attorney says that a new procedure will be adopted in cases filed in the circuit court that will save the expense of docket fees. For instance, if John Smith wants a divorce from Susan Smith, the suit will be entered thus: "State of Oregon, John Smith, relator, vs Susan Smith; suit for a divorce," etc.

Will Neizer won laurels for himself and the local team in baseball circles this season. While on the Sound every team that secured his services as a pitcher, scored victories. Neizer will be heard from next year.

A Conservative Verdict. "He died through his own exertion, with some slight assistance from his neighbors," was the verdict of an early day coroner's jury in Ellsworth county after it had heard testimony to the effect that the vigilance committee had made a horse thief climb a ladder against a telegraph pole and jump off with a rope around his neck.—Kansas City Journal.

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