JIM HAM SAYS NO

Would Refuse to Serve as Governor of Washington.

NOR WILL HE RUN FOR CONGRESS

Says Rogers Is the Logical Candidate to Succeed Himself-Ex-Congressman Will Help.

OLYMPIA, Wash., May 25.—"You may may," said ex-Congressman James Hamilton Lewis to a reporter today, "that Mr. Lewis most emphatically states that he in no sense of the word a candidate for gubernatorial or Congressional honors. I am not out of politics. I hope never to be out of politics while it seems to be for the good of my party that I remain in. But I am no candidate for these

First-I cannot bring myself to accept "Second—I shouldn't be elected this Fall.
"Third—I should refuse to serve if I was nominated and elected.

nominated and elected.

"I only want to five a quiet life and practice my profession, to redeem myself financially."

As to the probability of Governor Rog-

era' renomination, he said:
"I have always looked upon Governor Rogers as the logical candidate to succeed himself. That is, I have so considered.

ered him heretofore." Asked as to what he meant by "herefore," he said:
"Oh, well, up to a year ago," and would

not answer more explicitly.
"I am not spending my time fixing up political slates, but I am quite confident Thomas M. Vance will be the unanimous choice of his party for Attorney-General. Further than this I have paid no atten-

Mr. Lewis started in to eulogize the sent Fusion administration as desira-when his attention was called to the that in some instances the state offi-"Yes," he admitted, "some queer speci-mens did boll up at the last general elec-tion."

"But," he added, "I wish you would quote me as saying, James Hamilton Levels will swing into line gracefully this coming campaign, and use his best en-deavor for the success of the Democratic

CONSIDERED HOP SITUATION.

Stockholders' Meeting Called, and Committee Named to Reduce Crop. SALEM, Or., May 25.—The directors of the Oregon Hopgrowers' Association held a meeting in Salem this afternoon and dled a meeting of stockholders to be

seld at Woodburn, June 28.
At the meeting of hopgrowers, held after the directors meeting, there were present representatives of growens in Marion, Polk, Yamhill, Clackamas and Washing-ton Counties, William Egan, H. B., Thielson, J. F. Woods, James Winstanley and J. R. White were appointed a com-mittee to formulate a contract and secure eignatures of growers agreeing to a plan for the regulation of the production of hops. If 75 per cent of the acreage can be secured in this movement, a meeting be secured in this movement, a meeting will be held to determine what further action will be taken. Even though 75 per cent of the acreage in Oregon should be secured, the movement might still be abandoned, if the scheme should fall of

Deeds Said to Be Fraudulent. A suit was begun today by Ada Strong to set uside as fraudulent two deeds by hich George H. Jones conveyed property which George H. Jones conveyed property to his wife and to his daughter, Mary Parker, and her husband, G. J. Parker. The plaintiff has a judgment against Jones, rendered July 7, 1886, for \$257. The deeds alleged to be fraudulent were ex-ecuted July 24, 1897, and recorded June 16, 1896, the same day that action was begun from which the judgment resulted. The tract conveyed to Mary Parker and husband is 125 acres near Mehama; that conveyed to Mrs. Jones is in South Salem. e value of the property is about \$5000, nes was a wealthy ploneer resident of

Rain Does No Good Now. Heavy rains have been falling all day. The weather has been cold and windy The weather has been cold and windy. Fruitgrowers express the opinion that if this kind of weather should continue much longer the fruit crop will be injured. Farmers continue to make complaints of grain turning yellow. The sheep shearing which began during the day or two of fair weather the first of the week has

Capital City Brevities.

The T. S. Townsend Creamery Company yesterday received the machinery formetly used in the plant at Nehalem. The machinery was rhipped several weeks ago, but was delayed by low water on the Ne-halem bar. When the Nehalem machinery shall have been placed in position, the capacity of the plant here will be double

pancy by the Sciem Hospital, will be

paney by the Sciem Hospital, will be commenced next Monday.

State Superinterdent Ackerman left for The Bullee thi) evening. Tomorrow night he will deliver an address before the graduating class of the High School there.

City Superintendent of Schools E. D. Resaler, of Eugene, and Professor French, of the Monmouth Normal School. spent the week risiting the state educa-tional institutions at Salem. They were necompanied by Superintendent Ackerman.

State Treasurer Moore today received a remlifance of \$15,896 from Lane Coun-ty, which sum pays that county's 1899 state taxes in full. A partial payment of \$5000 was also received from Douglas

GRAIN CASE UNSETTLED. Bank Declines to Surrender Re-

celpts, Though So Instructed. COLFAX, Wash., May 2.—The case of Mrs. Petty against C. W. Tracy et al., of Portland, is still unsettled, the Second National Bank, which holds the wheat reccipts, refusing to surrender them to Mrs. Petty, although G. W. Ford, who acted as Tracy's agent in the matter, has instructed Tracy's agent in the matter, has instructed the bank that the receipts are properly Mrs. Petty's, since the check given her has not been henored. Ford says his arrangement with Mrs. Petty was that he should hold the wheat for her, making such advances as were necessary, and says that the receipts were never left with De France to be deposited in the hank as collateral. The bank contends that the wheat receipts that the wheat receipts were given it as collateral, for pre-existing indebtedness, and reports notification by its Portland respondent that Tracy will probably able to resume business in a very

WOOL IS NOT MOVING.

Sales Expected to Be Made About the First of July.

PENDLETON, Or., May 25,-With 1.000. ands of wool in the warehouses of ton, scarcely a sale has taken place yet this season. Judging from the state-ments made by buyers and sellers, it is improbable that selling will begin before the first of July, after which it is thought hat the clips will move out promptly. Last Winter, Eastern buyers made mu-

nificent offers for all the clips of this section. All the sheepmen of Wallowa County accepted the offers, and contracted to deliver their clips at about E centre period. It is stated that not more than two or three clips in that county were unsold when the Winter flurry was over, The wool production of that county is very large.

LAMEVIEW FIRE.

Cision of the judges was unanimous for Hawley and two to one for Miss Hurm. It was a very successful centest, and the decision is generally considered satisfactory.

REMAINDER OF LIST OF LOSERS IN LAMEVIEW FIRE.

The wool production of that county is very large.

The quality of the wools that have shown up thus far is superior to any that have ever before been seen in Eastern Oregon or Washington. The fiber is superb, and the fleeces are much heavier than usual, not by reason of more dirt than in former years, but because the sheep grew more pounds of wool than ever before. The growing season from the time the wool was removed from the sheep's back a year ago until the shearing came on this Spring was so continuously favorable, with no cold snang to cause breaks in the fiber that it was inevitable that a superior grade of wool would be that a superior grade of wool would be

Few Buyers Have Appeared.

THE DALLES, Or., May 25.—The wool crop of Eastern Oregon is fast being ware-housed. The city will be unusually large, and the quality the finest for years, the staple being unusually long and well grown. As yet few buyers have appeared, and no prices have been set for the season in any extensive deal. The anticipated loss to The Dalles of the wool trade by the to The Dalles of the wool trade by the competition of the new town of Shaniko is not appreciably feit. In fact, several large clips from Gilliam County, heretofore marketed in Arlington, are being hauled direct to The Dalles this year, and even the deliveries at Shaniko are almost entirely being shipped by the Columbia Southern for market here.

WERE WARNED IN TIME. Fishermen Get Out of the Way of Another Gale.

ASTORIA, May E.—At 8 o'clock this morning, Local Weather Observer Johnson notified both lifesaving crews at the mouth of the river that another gale from the southwest was coming up, and for them to warn the fishermen to get to where of anters with their hours. The places of sufety with their boats. The different cannerles were also informed, and a number of steamers were sent out by them to call the fishermen in. By 10 o'clock the gale made its appearance at the mouth of the river and blew with great force. No report has yet been made that any damage resulted from the gale. Reports from the Lewis and Clark and Young's River districts state that the recent wind storm did a vast amount of damage to the fruit of that locality.

The committee that has in charge the arrangement for the celebration of the Fourth of July here feel very much encouraged in what they have already accomplished. In addition to securing the cruiser Philadelphia, the officer in command of the troops at forts at the mouth of the river has accepted an invitation to bring his men here on that day and take part in the parade. This afternoon a dis-patch was received from The Dalles stating that the citizens of that city had chartered the steamer Regulator to come to Astoria on that day.

The British bark Galgate, that arrived in from Shanghal last evening, made the passage in 27 days. Tals is believed to be the record passage.

Quotations of Mining Stocks SPOKANE, May 25.-The closing bids for mining stocks today were:

SAN FRANCISCO, May 25.—The official of ing quotations for mining stocks today were. Alta \$600Justice \$Alpha Con \$4 Mexican Andes 50ccidental Con Belcher 200ptil Best & Belcher 200ptil Best & Belcher 200ptil Best & Belcher 200ptil Caledonia 155 Savage Challenge Con 14 Sierra Newada Chollar 20 Sirver Bill Confidence 70 Standard 60n Colom Point 90 Sirver Bill Crown Point 90 Crown 90 Crown Point 90 Crown Point 90 Crown Point 90 Crown Point 90 Crown 90 Crown Point 90 Crown Point 90 Crown 90 C SAN FRANCISCO, May 25.-The official clos-.....80 60

NEW YORK, May 25.-Mining stocks today closed as follows: Constant Silver 67 Union Con 17 Ostario 57 25 Crown Point 7 Ophir 54 Con Cal. & Va. 1 20 Plymouth 13 Deadwood 50 Quichsitver 1 20 Gould & Curry 12 do pref 7 50 Hale & Norcross 18 Slerrs Nevada 25 Homestake 56 00 Standard 3 60 Iron Silver 67 Union Con 17 Mexican 25 Fellow Jacket 14

BOSTON, May 25.-Closing quotations

To Handle Chehalem Valley Fruit.

Newberg Graphic A Chicago man named Hess, who is at the head of the company which ewas the large fruit farm north of town, which is under the management of A. C. Churchill, has just spent a week here looking after the interests of the company. While here he and Mr. Churchill purchased ground on the north side of the railroad track near the saidtes running to the brick factory. that at present or about 1600 pounds of butter per day.

Rev. H. A. Barden, of Portland, has been secured by the local G. A. R. to deliver the principal address at the memorial exercises on Decoration day. The exercises on Decoration day. The exercises in the evening will be held in the First M. E. Church.

The work of remodeling the Orphans Home building, preparatory to its occupancy by the Selem Hospital, will be

Junction City Notes.

JUNCTION CITY, Or., May 25.—The Junior Epworth League, of this place, gave an entertainment in the Methodist Episcopal Church has evening, the collection to be used for the benefit of the familie in India.

Rev. J. B. Goddard, evangelist, of Free-ort, Ill., began a series of revival meetport, Ill., began a series of revival meet-ings in the Presbyterian Church here this

The weather continues to be a series of contradictions of surahine and showers. The continued rain is detrimental to the

Full-sown grain, Oregon Notes.

W. W. Crawford, the windmill man, recently sent his friend, the famous Homer. Davenport, some Oregon quail, says the Albany Democrat. The train on which the quail were going was wrecked in New York state, and all the quail excepted to the fields. Now Davenport wants some more.

William Marriott, of Eugene, has received a letter from his brother Frederic, who resides at Staffordshire. England, stating that farmer colonists of that vicinity would like to secure a large tract of land, probably 10,000 acres, to locate on. The colony known as the Stafford-shire investment Company, has, the letter states, 540,000, or \$200,000.

The jury in the case of J. T. Nosler, administrator, vs. the Coos Bay Railroad, returned a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$350. The claim was for \$500 damages for the death of Mrs. Nosier, plaintiff's mother, who was killed in October, 1857, by the wagen in which she was ridling being backed over a grade on the county road, adjoining the railroad Plaintiff claimed that the grading of the railroad had made the county road

The Oregon Telephone Company has made arrangements for the immediate construction of a telephone line to Tilla-mook City from North Yambill, and will push the line to completion as rapidly as the material can be had. A switch-board connecting it with the main line will be put in at North Yamhill, and

Much of the Property Carried No Insurance-Further Details of the Catastrophe to Come.

LAKEVIEW, Or., May E.—The follow-ing individual losses, in addition to those reported yesterday, were suffered in the fire of Tuesday night, the total being now testimated at \$35,000:

F. D. Smith, loss \$300.
D. J. Wilcox, loss \$1000; insurance, \$500.
H. Schmink, total loss; insurance un-

L. P. Conn. loss \$250. Lakeview Drug Company, loss \$200; no

E. Lake, loss \$500; no insurance. Harr's & Sublette, loss \$300; no insur-

J. W. Howard, loss \$5000; insurance, J. W. Holder, loss \$4000; insurance, \$2000. C. U. Snyder, loss \$4000; insurance, \$2000. K. M. R. Barry, loss \$500. Ahistrom Bros, loss \$8000; insurance,

Charles Graves, loss \$690; no insurance. L. B. Whorton, loss \$590; no insurance. W. D. Coulter & Co., loss \$500. T. J. Magliton, loss \$2000. Beach & McGarry, Examiner plant. ose \$2500; no insurance. Mrs. S. D. Coulton, loss \$1500; no insur

Hart & Beach, loss \$800; insurance, \$500.

Mrs. Neilan & Miss Maxwell, loss \$250; no insurance.

— Hudspeth, loss \$300; insurance, \$500.

C. H. Duniap, loss \$1000; insurance, \$500.

Dr. F. E. Smith, loss \$500; no insurance.

Henkle & Turpen, loss \$1000; no insur-

Hong Sang, loss \$300. Whorton & Fitspatrick, loss \$1000. Commercial Hotel, loss \$5000. Bieber & Field, loss \$5000; insurance,

J. A. Vergnelle, loss \$800, Odd Fellows, loss \$2000; insurance, \$3000. Masonic lodge, loss \$2200; insurance, \$1800. Town Hall, loss \$500; no insurance. A. O. U. W., loss \$2500; no insurance. Woodmen of the World, loss \$2300; no Ancient Order of Foresters, loss \$150; no

J. C. Oliver, loss \$800; no insurance. Post & King, loss \$100; no insurance. Telegraph office, loss \$200.

TEACHERS FOR OREGON CITY. Most of the Corps Re-elected-Two

Positions Left Vacant. OREGON CITY., Or., May 25.-The board of directors of Oregon City school district elected the following superintendent and

teachers tonight:
City Superintendent, H. D. Wilcox; principal of Barclay School, Miss Addle Clark; grade teachers, Miss Laura Beattle, Miss Hattle Cochran, Miss Harriet Bray, Miss Sadie Crase, Miss Gertrude Finley, Mrs. D. H. Glass, Miss Gertrude Neftger, Miss Erma Lawrence, Miss Marjorie Caufield. Miss Nettle Walden; supernumerary, Miss Hazel Plisbury. The principal of the Eastham School and one primary teacher will be selected later. The salary of city superintendent was reduced to \$120 per

The Board of Trade committee, composed of nine business men, appointed to sug-gest or prepare a plan for the establishment of a commission house in this cit,, held a meeting at the Council chamber last night. Chairman Frank Busch pre-sided, and C. G. Huntley was elected secof 22 retary. On motion these two with E. G. Caufield were named as a committee to confer with Portland commission merchants in reference to establishing a branch house here. It was af first the littention to form a company of local 23 business men for the purpose, but the majority of the committee thought best to have the management in the hands of experienced men. As an inducement for some Portland house to establish a retary. On motion there two with E. G. some Portland house to establish a branch here for the purchase of farm prod. ucts, the business men will make con-cessions equal to the rent of a building for a year, and give the enterprise their moral support. It is claimed that an establishment that would buy all the pre-duce offered for sale here would be of great benefit, as the retall merchants would get their supplies from the com where they please after getting the money for the products.

Delegations from Meade Post, G. A. R., and the Relief Corps, held memorial ex-ercises at St. John's Parochial School in the forenoon, and at the Parkplace School this afternoon.

NO BONDS ARE NECESSARY.

Financial Statement Shows That Centralia May Still Contract Debt. CENTRALIA, Wash., May 25.-At last night's adjourned Council meeting, Councliman John T. Jones, who was recently appointed for that purpose, made a re-port on the financial condition of the city,

showing the following:

.\$42,539 67 . 42,000 19

Assets over and above Habilitles.\$ 494 46 The Council is empowered to create an indebtedness of 1% per cent on the last assessed valuation, which will amount to The object of this investigation is to

ascertain whether or not the Council can issue warrants for electric light repairs to the amount of \$1300 without bonding the This matter came up a short time ago. upon the question of purchasing a new dynamo for the electric light plant. It was then believed by many that the city had reached its limit of indebtedness, and

therefore the only course open wa hold a special election and issue bond PROGRESS OF THE CAMPAIGN.

Mid-Road Populist "Reasted" the Democrats and Fusion Movement. THE DALLES, Or., May M.—Ex-Congressman M. W. Howarn, of Alabama, and J. B. Osborne, of Georgia, Middle-of-the-Boad Populists, addressed a large meeting here last evening. The audience was made up largely of Democratis, who were apparently filled with consternation at the flerce stacks made upon the Democratic party. The speakers attacked the fusion with the Democratis savagely, and declared the opinion that the result of the Fall election would show a rehabilitation of the Populist party, as it was before contaminated by association with the old party. The meeting was a surprise to all who attended, as from the meager advertising the speakers had received little was THE DALLES, Or., May M .- Ex-Contising the speakers had received little was

Republicans at Forest Grove. FOREST GROVE, Or., May 55-An en-husiastic Republican meeting was held

thusiastic Republican meeting was held in Vert's Hall last night. Hon. M. L. Pipes, of Portland, delivered the main address. Senator E. W. Haines and Hon. B. P. Cornelius and others made short specches. The Hillsboro band was in attantion.

WON GOLD MEDALS.

The Annual High School Debating

Contest at Boise. BOISE, May N .- An oratorical contest for the De Lamar medal was hold at the will be put in at North Yamhill, and from Tillamook the line will be continued the public schools. Jesse B. Hawley up the coast to Seaside, where it will connect with the Portland, Asioria and Eleanor A. Hurm (senior), the secand or Hesse & Sturges prine. The de-

Several years ago Captain De Lamar de-posited 850 at 16 per cent interest, and the interest is used every year in procur-ing a gold medal, which is given to the pupil of the High School who makes the hest oration. Hesse & Sturges give a second medal, also of gold. Those partici-pating this year were: Mabel F. Mitchell, Walter F. Bates, Eleanor M. Hurm, Louis F. Sidebotham, Jesse B. Hawley and Fay Roker.

CHINOOR SALMON IN WILLAPA.

They Enter There by Mistake, and s Trap Is to Be Built for Them. SOUTH BEND, Wash., May M.-Dan Markham, of liwaco, proposes to put in a fishtrap in Wiliapa Harbor, near the a mantrap in wimapa Harbor, near the entrance, to see if he cannot cate he chinook stilmon. It has been known for years that the Columbia River saimon have often come into Williapa Harbor, mis-taking the entrance for the Columbia River, and after remaining in the bay a short time have apparently gone out again. The bay has never been thorough-ty prospected for Spring salmon, and should this theory prove correct, it will be a great thing for this county.

With the sale of the Northwestern Lumber Company's mills at South Bend and Knappton to the Simpson Lumber Company, the tug Astoria, which has here-tofore traveled on Gray's Harbor, comes to South Bend, and will hereafter tow exclusively on Willapa Harbor, greatly improving the tug service here.

Fire started in the house occupied by T. G. Grubb this morning when no one was in, probably from a defective flue. The fire quickly spread to the houses on either side, and inside of a half hour on either side, and inside of a hair hour four were in ruips. A fifth was torn down by the firemen when it was found that there was not sufficient home to reach to the fire. The houses were occupied by T. J. Grubb, J. Holecek, Herman Myers and the family of S. H. Bell, Mr. Bell being in Sumpter, Or. There was no insurance.

CHALLENGE FOR BOAT RACE. To Take Place on Burrard Inlet-News of Vancouver, B. C. VANCOUVER, B. C., May Z.-Robert

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 25.—Robert N. Johnston, the oarsman, who has been in active training for some time past, has issued a challenge to row John L. Hackett, late of Rat Portage, but now of Seattle. The challenge cails for a three-mile race with a turn, for \$1000 a mide, to be rowed on Burrard Inlet, on or before July 15.

The garrison at Esquinait is being strengthened aumerically from month to

are garrison at assummant is being strengthened numerically from month to month. A detachment of 107 officers and men arrived by special train today, and later sailed for Esquimalt. They came straight through from Chatham, England. The Wellington Colliery Company, at the head of which is James Dunsmutt, a candidate for Parliament, in the election candidate for Parliament, in the election to be held next month, is advertising for 500 white miners and helpers for the Wel-lington extension and Comox mines, to supersede all the Chinese now employed in the mines.

An overturned fishing boat was picked up today off Point Atkinson under circumstances which indicate the holiday to have closed with death for the former occupants. The boat was floating on its side, the mast stepped and the sail double-reefed, indicating that a strong breeze had been blowing when it last received attention. There was a sack of clothing under the seat, and all the arrangements of the boat indicated that its occupants had been thrown out to their death by the capsizing of the craft in a sudden equall.

LOGGER KILLED HIS WIFE. Then Shot Himself, and Is Probably

Fatally Wounded. TACOMA, May 25.—Frank Reed, a logger, shot and killed his wife this evening and then shot himself. Reed is probably fatally wounded. Mrs. Reed was lying on the bed in a friend's room at the Cleveland House, and sent for her husband, complaining that she was sick. Reed came into the room, and after a few words of pleasant conversation whipped out a revolver and shot his wife and then tried to kill himself. The couple have been frequently arrested for quarrel-

Another Rural Mail Route

H. J. Ormsby, special agent, has been looking over the proposed free rural de-livery route starting from Newberg. It runs east from town to J. M. Wright's place, thence north past the Smith, Hoskins. Blair and Churchill places, and west on the north side of the valley, until
the Walker farm is reached; where a
turn to the north is made, taking in
the West Chehalem and Dewey postoffices, both of which it is proposed to
discontinue. Leaving Dewey the route
takes the lake road until the head of the
valley is again reached when it consess valley is again reached, when it crosses valley is again reached, when it crosses over and returns by the south side road to Newberg, making a route of 20 miles in length. Mr. Ormsby expreshed himself as pleased with this route, which will accommodate something like 120 families, and said that he would recommend that it be established the first of July.

A route from Dayton has just been inspected which will receive Mr. Ormsby's indorsement. Only four or five free rural delivery routes are in operation in Orgon.

delivery routes are in operation in Oregon, but Mr. Ormsby thinks petitions will be sent in for several more routes in the next few weeks, as the interest in free rural delivery is becoming general.

End of Term of Court.

Articles incorporating the Gold Rim Min-ing Company were filed in the office of the County Auditor today. The incorpora-tors are: Representative C. J. Moore, of Skamania County; Z. S. Russell, of Van-couver, and W. E. Jones, of Portland. The capital stock is 1000000, and the head capital stock is \$1,000,000, and the head office is to be at Vancouver. The objects of the corporation are to acquire, own, hold and develop mines in the Bald Mountain mining district, in Skamania County, and such other mining claims and property as the company may acquire, and to purchase and sell such mines and issue full paid-up stock in payment thereon.

The Columbia River at this point has fallen about 12 inches this week, and all danger from high water sufficient to overflow bottom lands or cause any conside able amount of damage to crops is be-lieved now to be past. The highest point registered by water here so far was 12 feet 8 inches.

Captain James A. Goodin, Regimental Adjutant of the Seventh Infantry, will leave for Seattle May 30 in command of a detachment of 77 recruits intended for that portion of the Seventh Infantry or-dered to take station in the new depart-ment of Alaska. These recruits came to Vancouver Barracks with a battalion of the Seventh from Fort Wayne, Mich.

Experiments With Grass. PENDLETON, Or., May 25.—John F. Robinson, acting for the Pendleton Commercial Association, is conducting a series of experiments in growing Australian saltbush and bunchgrass on arid and semi-arid lands this Summer. He has sown seeds of numerous varieties on hill lands near this place, and has secured the co-operation of several farmers in the work. The grasses are all fried on dry lands which have only the natural water from the rainfall, and not, as in many of the experiments being con-ducted in other parts of arid Oregon, on bottom lands that will grow almost anybottom lands that will grow almost a thing in the shape of grass or grain.

Yambill County Notes.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., May 25.—The offi-cial ballots for Yambill County have been printed. The size and make-up are so printed. The size and make-up are some-what smaller this year than usual, the bailot being patterned after the sample sent out from the Secretary of State's of-fice. In addition to the regular state and county ticket, electors will also vote for or against stock running at large. This has been voted on at several past elec-tions, and stock has always been allowed to run at large. This time cattle may be

ard, but disallowed his counter claim for and bicycle paths, they will vote against damages against Rand. This was the last cattle being allowed to run at large.

Case on the docket, and the jury was The recent high wind did considerable. damage by blowing fruit from the trees, and, while the present rain will do no damage to crops, most farmers would be gind to have fair weather. All sowing is done, and crops are looking well.

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ASHLAND, Or., May 3.—The tenth an-nual commencement of the Ashland High School, which took place in the Chauschool, which took place in the Chau-tauqua tabernacle last night, created much interest, and was very largely attended. The class comisted of 13 graduates. The address was delivered by Dr. Frank Strong, President of the University of

The office of Dr. J. S. Herndon, on Har-gadine street, was destroyed by fire last night at 1 o'clock. The loss was about \$500; small insurance. Conrad Mingus, of Ashland. ASHLAND, Or., May 25.—Conrad Min-gus, an old and prominent resident of the Rogue River Valley, died at his home in

Expected Home From Philippines. INDEPENDENCE, Or., May 25.—Word has been received in this city that Claud Fryer, who was a member of the medica corps of the United States Army, and had served time in the Philippines, has been ordered discharged, and is expected home in a very short time.

Roanoke Sails for Nome. SEATTLE, May 35.-The steamer Roanoke sailed late tonight for Nome with 300 passengers. She is the famous gold boat of the North American Transportation & Trading Company.

Wheat Fully Headed Out. AMITY, Or., May 2.-A. Sheldon has a field of wheat near this place fully headed out. Crops generally are looking

The Cannon Firecracker.

Boston Herald. The bill that has been reported by the judiciary committee of the House, providing that no one shall sell or expose for sale any freerackers more than four inches long and three-quarters of an inch in VANCOUVER, Wash. May 25.—V. V. Rand falled to maintain his suit for 4250 damages against Loren Seward for alleged personal injuries. The jury brought in a verdict last pight in favor of Sew-

den and prohibited as a feature of Fourth of July jubilation, some limit ought to be placed on its size and deadliness. Fire-crackers of the size named as the maximum are surely noisy enough in their detonation for all purposes of celebration.

It is more important, however, that playthings loaded with dynamite, or yet more
perflous stuff, should not be sold at all.

This kind is manufactured in America, and This kind is manufactured in America, and manufacturers, no doubt, are ready to certify to their safety, if intelligently and skillfully handled. The same is true of the far less dangerous gunpowder plaything, yet every Fourth of July was followed by a long list of burnings, maintings and deaths before the new infernal machine was invented. Nobody's intelligence and skill can be guaranteed on the Fourth of skill can be guaranteed on the Fourth of July, nor can the discretion of persons who have feadly toys for sale. The Legislature can protect the public and it should do so. So conscious are the makers of these things filled with high explosive compounds of their character that we understand they attach a printed direction to each firecracker, to this effect: "Caution:

Do not hold in the hand or touch the cracker after lightly a the match." Box aged 78 years.

Deceased was born in North Carolina, came to the Pacific Coast in 1851, and to this locality in 1868. He left a wife and four children—Dr. Everett Mingus, of Marshfield; Frank Mingus, of Idaho, and Misses Clara and Dalsy Mingus, of this city.

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