Rains Damage Hops.

Oregon Notes.

The Inland Telephone Company has a rew of men engaged in stringing extra

wires between La Grande and Wallowa

Word comes from Typh Ridge that Wal-

ng larkspur and wild onions.

shaft to a greater depth.

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extensive scale.

J. S. Looke has been awarded the con-tract to haul 2000 tens of gypsum for the Oregon Lime Company from the gypsum mine to the company's works at Lime, three miles from Huntington.

Charles McAllister has purchased over 8000 yearling wethers at prices ranging from \$1.60 to \$2. The purchases were made near Antelope and Shanko, and in Gilliam and Klickitat Counties.

T. J. Clark, who fives near the poor farm, north of Salem, met with a dis-tressing accident Tue:day. He was in the act of readjusting a gopher gun when the weapon exploded. His left hand was

It is reported from the Sterling mine, on Forest Creek, Jackson County, that

A skimming station will be operated in connection with the Ashland creamery, It will be situated 10 miles east of Ash-

land and will be maintained for the ac-commodation of ranchers in that vicinity who intend to engage in dairying on an

It is reported that Messrs, Shook and

Stanley will soon resume work on their Deer Horn lode, formerly known as the

Blizzard, says the Gold Hill News. This is a good vein, carrying a heavy percentage of sulphurets of iron, all contain-

ing pay value.

The Deep Gravel Mining Company, Incorporated, with G. W. and W. J. Wimer

managers, has assumed control of all the mining property heretofore owned by Wimer Bros. & Co. at Waldo. The revenue stamps on the deed of transfer amounted to \$100.

Amos Wilkins had a narrow

from drowning in the McKengle River, be-

horse he was riding got in deep water and was unable to swim. With consider-

able effort. Mr. Wilkins succeeded in get-

able effort, Mr. Wilkins succeeded in getting the horse to shore.

Hotchkiss & Collenbach, of Harney County, sold to W. A. Leith 1000 head of wethers at \$2 50 per head. They sold the remainder of their band of sheep, 1000 ewes, to A. C. Goldforth, of Welser, at \$2 75 per head. Mr. Leith also purchased

a large number of wethers from Whit-tier Bros. and Porter, Jones & Test.

Monday afternoon, as the north-bound overlaind train reached Marion, the brakeman discovered a tramp on the trucks of one of the cars and ordered him off. The tramp became offensive, and

finally drew a revolver on the brakeman and threatened to shoot him, but as a chowd was drawing around he became alarmed and fied across the country.

Cleadith Lawrence Oard, aged 14, a nephew of James H. Oard, who lives on Rock Creek, 11 miles east of Harney, was dragged to death Monday of last week.

Oard was riding one of the work horses in the corral. The horse balked, and on being urged began to jump. The boy was thrown off, his foot was caught in

the stirrup and he was dragged to death. Friday afternoon, as Thomas Barger was driving into town from his home near

ESSESSOR SAYS INCREASE IS ABOUT 15 PER CENT.

This Will Make Valuation of County About \$1,000,000 Greater Than Last Year.

SALEM, May 22—Charles Lembcke, Assensor of Marion County, is pursuing the same policy as was yesterday announced by Assensor McDonell, of Mult numbh County, and will this year make material advances in valuations. In speaking to an Oregonian representative today. Mr Lembcke said that the exact the county of t today. Mr Lembcke said that the exact percentage of increase could not yet be determined, but the returns from field workers thus far indicate that the total taxable property in Marion County for 1861 will be 15 per ceof greater than in 1860. This will be pisasing news to the large majority of the property-owners, for the valuations as shown by assessment rolls, have gone down, and the tax levies have gone up until it appears to ment rolls, have gone down, and the tax levies have gone up, until it appears to strangers that the property in Marion County is laxed 4 per cent. To raise the valuation and reduce the levy will add nothing to the burdens of the people, and will make a far better statistical showing for the information of those contemplat-ing an investment in Marion County property. A if, nor cent inpresses in valuaproperty. A 15 per cent increase in valua-tions wid amount to \$1,059,357, and will place the total valuation at \$8,190,048, or higher than it has been since 1856. That actual values have gone down

since 1881, every one knows, but that the valuations are not what they should be is also patent. In some cases property is ascessed at about what it would sell for at forced sale, but in many other cases it is valued at ridiculously low figures. A small advance all over the county and a counterable increase in certain classes of property will make a fair distribution of the burden. The rise and fall of valuations in Marion County.

The assessment as made by the As-sessor in 1990 were about the same as in 1839, but the County Court made a straight cut on all real property of 10 per cent, leaving the total as shown in the fore-

Marion County finances are in a satisfactory condition, and there is every probstillity of reduced tax levies, even at the same valuations. The present county ad-ministration has made moterial reductions in expenses without lessening the tions in expenses without lessening the public service, and there is reason to believe that the county will be entirely out of debt within another year. With the interest charges out off, the cost of running the county government will be less and the burden to the taxpayers lighter. While to individual instances the advance in valuations may be criticised, the property overs as a whole will appear to the county of the property the property-owners as a whole will ap-prove the policy of Assessor Lembcke in increasing the assessment. From un-official sources it is learned that a number of counties contemplate making higher valuations this year. This is probably due, in no small degree, to the new assessment law which takes effect next Spring. Under the provisions of that law each county will bear a speci-fied portion of the burden of state taxes

The two lodges of Odd Fellows in this

city last night decided to bear the expense of preparing a corner stone for the new Federal Building, and to lay it with the usual lodge ceremonies. June 1.
George Griswold has been appointed receiver of the Salem branch of the Labor Exchange, which went out of business several years ago. He will sell the property valued at about \$2500 and distribute erty, valued at about \$2500, and distribute proceeds among creditors

### PROMINENT SALEM MEN ARRESTED Farmer and Business Man Charged With Criminal Assault.

SALEM, May 21.—H. T. Bruce and Ray Gilbert, prominent residents of this city, were arrested tonight on a complaint sworn to by A. H. Damon, charging them with committing a criminal assault upon his daughter, who is alleged to be under the age of 16 years. The defendants were taken before Recorder Judah, and released under \$500 bonds each to appear at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning for pre-liminary hearing.

county, and is at present receiver of the five years on the Salem Sci Gilbert is a member of the firm of Gilbert & Baker, and is a son of A.
N. Gilbert, ex-superintendent of the penitentiary. Damon is an expressman who
has lived hore for a number of years.
The filing of this complaint has been

anticipated for several days, and the mat-ter has been widely discussed through-out the city and has been commented up-on indirectly by the local press. Dis-trict Attorney Hart came to Salem yes-terday to investigate the charges, and told those interested that he would he here. old those interested that he would be here on official business May M, when he would examine the witnesses. The prosecution bases its charge upon the age of the girl. and not upon the use of force.

## TUKON IS NOT OPEN.

Imrge Amount of Freight for Dawson ls Held at Lebarge.

WHITE HORSE, Y. T., May 12.—(Spe-ial correspondence.) - Notwithstanding reports to the contrary, the Yukon River is not open below Lebarge, but the daily clearance of ice is expected. Many shows and a great quantity of freight have been passed as far as Lebarge.

since the White Pass & Yukon route has solved the problem of take and rapid nav-igation, as far as White Horse,

Body of Man Found in River. The body of a Dawson freighter of the name of Slack was discovered in the Yukon River this morning. There is little doubt that the man was murdered about seven months ago. The police are work-ing on the case. It is commonly known that Slack had a quarrel with the man with whom he was last seen, and it is probable that the murderer will be run down. About how in cost the person of the dead freighter.
G. C. M. fown. About \$100 in goin was found on

## FEEDING OF CALVES.

Dairy Expert Smith Explains the Skim-Milk Problem.

MARION, May B.-The farmers in this vicinity came to town last Saturday to hear the address of C. L. Smith, expert dairyman from Minnesota, who was adcarryman from Minnesota, who was advertised to talk on delrying and diversified farming, at the schoolhouse, in the afternoon. Mr. Smith related the plain story of how the dairy industry, in the past 10 years, has changed the condition of the farmers in his state from that of having to borrow money, to the thrifty condition that they are in today, with plenty of money in the banks, it being an sxcaption for the farmer there to find it necessary to mortgage his farm for money to carry on his business. After Mr. Smith had finished speaking, the question of feeding caives on akim milk came up for discussion, which was an-swared by him as follows: "After the calf has sucked the cow

opce, the next feed, six or eight hours afterward, should be a quart of new milk will meet in this city May 28-21. About 100 from the cow, gradually increasing the delegates are expected to attend.

quantity of new milk so that at the end of the first week the calf is getting three quarts of new milk at each feeding. Then begin adding skimmed milk, a teacupful at a feed, until the amount of the feed reaches four quarts. After this, be-gin substituting skimmed milk for new milk at the rate of about one-half a plut each time until at the end of the second mink at the rate of about one-mair a pint each time until at the end of the second week you get it on to skimmed milk, feeding four quarts night and morning. Always warm the milk to 30 degrees, and put it into a clean pail. Put the calf in a stanchion to feed it, and when four weeks old give it a tablespoonful of oats, after it finishes its milk each time, gradually increasing so that at the end of the second month it will be getting a half pint of oats a day. Whole oats are better than any ground feed."

The Southern Pacific Company is doing excellent work along the line by bringing to the attention of the farmers in the Willamette Valley, in a practical way, the improved methods of agriculture which have proved most successful in the East; and, as one of the farmers who heard Mr. Smith at Marion expressed it, the information obtained in this way is

the information obtained in this way is worth thousands of dollars to the farmer

Traveling Freight Agent Lounsbury, of the Southern Pacific, was with Mr. Smith and took part in the meeting by discussing the matter of markets for creamery products, and freight rates

NEW OFFICERS OF REBEKARS. Mrs. Nellie Gustin, of Portland, Pres-

ident of Oregon Assembly. BAKER CITY, Or., May 23.—The Grand Assembly of Rebekahs of Oregon, in ses-



Mrs. Nellie Gustin.

sion here today, elected officers as follows: President, Mrs. Nellie Gustin. Portland; vice-preident, Mrs. Nellie Portland; vice-preident, Mrs. Nellie Un-german, of McMinnville; warden, Mrs. Florence Atwood, of Baker City; secre-tary, Mrs. Ora Cooper, of The Dalles; treasurer, Mrs. Nora Barnett, of Athena.

Action Against Millowner Dismissed. OREGON CITY, May 23.—I. V. Trullinger, proprietor of the Union Mills' aw mill, has agreed to build a chute that will dump the sawdust away from the waters of Canyon Creek, He was to have had a hearing before Justice McAnulty today on a charge of dumping saw-dust into the creek, preferred by the deputy Game Warden, but proceedings were dismissed on his paying the accrued costs and promising that the offense would not be repeated.
Two sales of acreage property at good

prices in Clackamas precinct was consummated today. Paul Spionskowski sold five acres of improved property to Anna E. Rice, who represents a family just arrived from the East, for \$900, and Fanny Woodmansee disposed of five acres in Clackamas Riverside to a Yamhiii Coun-ty man for \$1150.

Notes of Corvallia.

CORVALLIS, May 23.—The County Court has decided to turn over about \$250 balance of last year's bicycle fund to clubs in various parts of Benton County for expenditure in improving bicycle paths. John Clark, who has been serving a sentence in the County Jall for embezzle-ment of the funds of his employer, was released today. He was taken back into the service of his ex-employer, B. W. Harris, who swore out the complaint for his arrest, and by whom he had been employed for several years.

Death Not Unnatural. EUGENE, May 23.-John W. Sapping-field, single, aged 43, died at his home,

four miles north of here, last night, from pneumonia. Today, as the result of a re-port that medicines had been given which hastened his death, the Coroner summoned a jury and held an inquest. The jury returned a verdict that death resulted from natural causes. Small Fire at Baker City.

BAKER CITY, Or., May 23.—A fire broke out in the home of Patrolman Fred Johnson, yesterday forenoon, about 10:30, and before the fire department could respond the contents of the house were destroyed and the building badly damaged. There was no insurance on the contents, but the building, which belonged to William Eb-lin, was insured for \$400.

Sunday School Convention. GRANT'S PASS, May 22.—A Sunday school convention for Josephine County will be held here May 28. Rev. C. A. Dotson, of Portland, field worker of the Oregon Sunday School Association, will

deliver one or more addresses. Miss Millspaugh, state secretary of the Bap-tist Young People's Union, will also be

Payments on State Taxes. SALEM, May 23.—Gilliam County today settled her state taxes for 1900 in full by paying a balance of \$1054 53. Gilliam also paid her bounty tax, amounting to Lane County made a payment of \$15,

the latter awaiting the arrival of the first Dawson-bound steamer.

Lake Bennett is not yet open, but that is of little concern to the 1901 Klondiker.

Good Progress on Irrigation Canal. MEDFORD, May 22 .- Work on the Fish Lake irrigation ditch is progressing sat-isfactorily. About 20 miles of the right of way, 20 feet wide, have been cleared,

The constructors are increasing their force as rapidly as possible, and expect to have water in the vicinity of Med-

Graduating Exercises. ASHLAND, May 22.—Ashland public schools close for the year this week. Tonight, at Chautauqua Tabernacle, occurred the graduating exercises of the
class of the High School, which numbered
15, eight boys and seven giris. An audience of 1500 people was present.

For Observance of Memorial Day. FOREST GROVE, May 23.—Extensive preparations are being made for the ob-servance of Memorial day at this place. Speeches will be made by Professor R. L. V. Loman, of Pacific University; Cot-onei J. B. Eddy and Rev. J. W. Spangler.

Normal School Regents. SALEM, May 23.—Governor Geer today appointed S. B. Eakin, of Eugene, a member of the Board of Regents of the State Normal School at Monmouth, to succeed E. C. Pentland, resigned,

More Pay for Postmaster. WASHINGTON, May M.-The postmas ter at Bonneville, Or., will be allowed \$40 per annum for making up malls for the office at Cascades, Wash. This allowance begins July 1.

Meeting of State Grange.

SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT ON THE LOWER COLUMBIA.

legarded as Beginning of Large Rus to Start When Flood in River Subsides.

ASTORIA, May 23.-The run of fish in the Columbia River for the past two days has shown a slight improvement, but many of the fish caught—the traps, average small. It is believed, however, to be the beginning of a large run to start when the flood in the river subsides.

IN SAMPSON CREEK DISTRICT. Prospects Are That Several Valuable Mines Will Be Developed.

ASHLAND, Or., May 23.—Considerable development work is being done on some quartz claims in the Samson Creek disdevelopment work is being done on some quartx claims in the Samson Creek district, with results which indicate the making of other valuable mines in that section, like the Free Silver or Barron. On the Shepard claim, known as the Bogus, a cross-cut has been driven into the mountain 180 feet. This taps the ledge about 120 feet below the outcrop, and cuts ledge matter for 12 feet, and the further wall is yet to be reached. There is galena in the croppings, and the owners expect to strike that kind of ore before reaching the other wall. It is believed this ledge matter will prove to be some 25 feet in thickness. The ledge is of the same nature as the Barron ledge, of which it is thought to be an extension. The filling is a blue and grayish matter, heav, ify impregnated with sulphides. Many assays have been made from ore taken along the cross-cut, and the values run about 32 80, 39 and 312 50 gold per ton, with some silver. The galena in the croppings is a high-grade ore.

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A tract of 80 acres at the big bend of Samson Creek has been purchased to prospect for gold, and another tract of 40 acres has been bonded from Mrs. Barron for a like purpose. The country is pretty well covered up, and its exploration for gold-bearing ledges, of which there is much surface evidence, presents difficuities similar to those encountered in certain districts in the Cripple Creek sec. tion, where in some instances the ground was plowed and scraped off to locate the

Gold Standard, Near Jacksonville. An important mining property known as the Gold Standard, two miles west of Jacksonville, is being operated by J. W. Opp and T. J. Williamson. There is sufficient development to show, apparently, an ore body of permanence and magnitude, though much of it is low grade. There is, however, considerable ore that would be rated as high grade. The vein is from two to six feet wide, and is all developed by tunnels so far. There is one tunnel of 130 feet, and lower down a crosseut tunnel of 110 feet, which taps the ledge cut tunnel of 110 feet, which taps the ledge at a depth of 100 feet. On this level there is a drift of 110 feet, and an upraise of 100 feet for ventilation. There is another lower tunnel in about 50 feet. Samples of ore from a 450-foot shoot give \$38 gold and one ounce sliver per ton. From a 240-foot shoot ore has been obtained which gives an assay value of \$40 gold and 1½ ounces of sliver per ton. There is a road built to the mine, and a five-stamp mill, with assay offices, on the property for prospecting the ledge. There is free gold in the upper tunnel, but in the lower the ore is all base. The owners have built two miles of ditch, drawing water from Jackson Creek. The property comprises five claims.

Placer Clean-Up Will Be Large. The clean-ups thus far made in the Jackson County placers are in the main better than usual. Reports indicate that the big Sterling placer mine will likely surpass all records this season. Opera-tions in the Ashland mine continue in good ore, A drift is being run on the 700. foot level, and the main shaft is being carried down. Below 700 feet there is a ledge of seven to eight feet, with about three feet of good pay rock. All the shoots from the 500-foot level down yield fine free-milling and generally high-grade

Quotations of Mining Stocks. SPOKANE, May 23 .- The closing quotation

	for mining stocks today were:
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BOSTON, May 23Closing quotations:
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Franklin ..... 76 50 Wolverines .... 56 2

Clean-Up of Placer Mine.

GRANT'S PASS, May 23.—B. E. Meredith, superintendent of the Wilson-Meredith placer mine on the Illinois River, came in yesterday with the season's clean-up. The amount could not be learned, but was reported more satisfactory than the previous year, when the clean-up was \$8000. The run of the mine this season was limited to three months.

NEW GRAND OFFICERS.

Oregon Odd Fellows Also Choos Newport as Next Meeting Place. BAKER CITY, May 23.—The following officers were elected by the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows of Oregon at today's seesion: Grand master, J. N. Nelson, of McMinnville; deputy grand master, Robert Andrews, of Portland; grand warden, Joseph Micelle, of Roseburg; grand sec-retary, E. E. Sharon, of Portland; grand treasurer, Byron E. Miller, of Portland; grand representative. Charles L. Palmer, of Baker City.

The next session of the grand lodge will be held at Newport.

Smallpox Scare at Athena.

It is reported that a smallpox scare has struck Athena. A report was spread Saturday that the children of Postmaster Githens were victims of the disease, and three physicians were called. After ex-amining the children the physicians said they were not prepared to give any den-nite opinion. They said that symptoms of smallpox existed, but said that in the initial stages of chickenpox the same symptoms existed. On Saturday evening, Mr. Githens, to take precautions if his children had the disease, to prevent its spread, moved his postoffice to the corner of Third and Jefferson streets, and that of the missing man. They recognise thoroughly fumigated the mail. On Sun. it from missing and filled teeth.

# day morning the family physician quarantined the postoffice building on Main street. Outside of these cases there are three homes quarantined at present, and the patients, Mrs. Kyle McDaniel, Mrs. L. A. Snydam, and a child of Mr. Alexander, are rapidly recovering. The quarantine on the home of J. A. Henry was raised Sunday, Mrs. Henry having fully recovered. The public school was closed last week, and all precautions are being taken to stamp out the disease. VANCOUVER NOT SATISFIED

WITH REPORT ON CONDITION OF SUSPENDED BANK.

Statement of Examiner Maxwell, as Given Out. Is Deemed Entirely Too Vague.

WOODBURN. Or., May 22.—The heavy rainfall has been injurious to the hop crop in this section. The vines have been especially healthy and vigorous until the recent rains, and with warm weather agon it is probable the damage will not be great. VANCOUVER, Wash., May 23.-The statement of the assets and liabilities of the First National Bank, of Vancouver, published in The Oregonian this morning, as given out by the Controller of the Currency, is far from satisfactory to the stockholders and depositors of the sus-pended bank. On the main questions, the report furnishes no relief or enlighten-ment whatever. The extent and nature of the alleged defalcations of the late president and cashier. Brown and Canby; Philomath will celebrate the Fourth of July.

8. L. Brooks, a stockraiser of the Sandridge, north of Imbler, lost his large barn by fire last week.

The Board of Directors of the Huntington High School has decided to have nine months' school this year.

Henry Brauer was bound over to the grand jury at Pendleton last Saturday. The charge is larceny from a store.

The Inland Telephone Company has a the amount of the deficiency which the stockholders will be required to make good and the nature of the securities good and the nature of the securities stven as good, doubtful and worthless securities in the statement are only a few of the vital points which the de-posits and stockholders have been expect-ing to be made clear by the Controller, and which they feel they have a right to know. Receiver Maxwell adheres strictly to his policy of silence on matters per-talning to the affairs of the bank, and declined to discuss the report or give declined to discuss the report or give any additional information concerning it. He said the department at Washington is in possession of a complete report of the condition of the bank, and it rests entirely with it what facts are to be sive. ace Fargher, one day last week, lost 20 head of sheep that were poisoned by eat-

Ing larkspur and wild onions.

The city of wool of over 90,000 pounds belonging to William Smith, of Hay Creck, recently shipped to Arlington from Bialock, was sold last week at 10 cents.

R. D. Sanford last week sold to R. S. Tyrrell the John Flanagan ranch, on the river three miles below Coquille. The tract includes 250 agres, and the price was \$6500. out for publication.

The statement that his application for the receivership of the bank had been filed with the department, Mr. Maxwell said, is news to him. No definite action has been taken by either the stockholders or depositors as to the course to be pursued in connection with the bank. The seneral impression is that no definite plans can be outlined until a fuller and more definite statement is received. It is reported from Gold Hill that Measurs. Houck and Haff have taken a lease and bond on the Bowden ledge and will put up a hoist and sink the main

Memorial Day Programme. Arrangements have been made for the observance of Memorial day in this city by Elisworth Post, G. A. R., and the Woman's Relief Corps. There will be a street parade by the Twenty-eighth In-fantry, commanded by Colonel Moth Hooten, Company G. National Guard of Washington, members of the G. A. R. and civic societies, to be followed by an address at the City Park by Chaplain C. C. Bateman. The ceremonles attending the decoration of the graves of veterans will take place at \$:30 A. M. Schools to Hold Closing Exercises.

Schools to Hold Closing Exercises.

The public schools of this city are preparing for the close of the school year, which will occur May 31. The graduating exercises will be held in the Auditorium on the evening of June 1.

The State School for Defective Youth will close for the year May 29. Closing exercises will take place at the Institution for the Deaf and Blind tomorrow evening. Contracts are to be let for construction of a large flume at the Chloride mine, says a Baker City dispatch. Air compressers and other equipment for developing the property more rapidly and effectively will be installed in the near further.

evening. Suit for Damages. piping was commenced earlier last Fall than usual, and has been prosecuted with-out a stop up to the present time, and will be continued for two months to William Smith has commenced action in the Superior Court against the La Center Lumber Company, of La Center, Wash, asking for \$300 damages for alleged in-juries received while he was in the em-ploy of the company. The complaint alleges that while in the employ of the company, plaintiff was compelled to cross a plie of saw-dust to which fire had been set, and that on one occasion his feet broke through the thin unburned surface of the pile into the burning portion un-derneath, as a result of which he was severely burned.

> ACTED WITHOUT RIGHT. Officials in Letting Bridge Contract Without Soliciting Bids.

CHEHALIS, Wash., May 22.—Judge Rice yesterday held that the Lewis County Commissioners had no right to let a contract for a new wagon bridge across the Chehalis River at Adna, six miles west of here, without having advertised for bids for its construction. The old Board amounted to \$100.

A complete hoisting equipment for deep sinking at the Grizzly-Goldbug mine has been received, says a Sumpter paper. The engine is of 35-horse power and the boiler of 50-horse power. The machinery weighs 26,500 pounds. It will be forwarded and installed at the mine as speedily as possible. of Commissioners contracted for a bridge at a point several miles further up the river, just before retiring from office. The new board did not think the bridge contracted for was necessary, and as the indebtedness limit on the bridge fund had been reached, got the bridge company to alter its contract so as to build a new bridge at Adna to replace an old one there. Louis Pittman and William Was-son secured an injunction to restrain the board from carrying out the contract on low Coburg, recently. He was driving a bunch of cattle across the river and the horse he was riding got in deep water the Adna bridge, setting up that the law competitive bidding, where all may en-

BETTER THAN TEXAS OIL. Deposits Found at Bruceport, on Willapa Harbor.

SOUTH BEND, Wash, May 23.—An analysis of the oil seepage found at Bruceport, on Willapa Harbor, goes 62 per cent of Hluminating oil, and considerable parafine, showing that it is better than the fuel oil found in Texas and California.

City Will Levy Poll Tax. Unexpected demands have depleted the city treasury, and the Council decided last night to levy a poll tax of 12 to tide over the city until next Fall, when a new property tax can be made. There has been no poll tax here since 1831. A tax on vehicles will also be levied, \$10 on two-horse vehicles, and \$5 on one-horse wag-ons. A proposition to establish a system of monthly fines on gambling and other vices did not meet with favor.

been found guilty of desertion by a general court-martial. He will be dishonorably discharged, forfest all pay due him, and be confined for one year at hard labor

on Alcatras Island.

Joseph I. McMullen. First Sergeant of Troop H. Sixth Cavalry, has been appointed to a Second Lieutenancy in the regular Army. William S. Barriger, a private in Troop H. Sixth Cavalry, has been appointed a Second Lieutenant. Both officers have been assigned to the Twenty-eighth Infantry. Canala William Hart. officers have been assigned to the Twenty-eighth Infantry. Captain William Hart has been ordered to Chicago for temporary duty during the absence of Lieutenant-Colonel Abiel L. Smith, deputy Commissary-General. Edward Gottlieb, exclectrician Sergeant in the artillery, has recently been appointed to the rank of Second Lieutenant and assigned to the Twenty-eighth Infantry.

CAME TO WASHINGTON IN 1852. The Late Mrs. Elizanbeth Christ, of

Vancouver. VANCOUVER, Wash, May 23.—Mrs. Elizabeth Christ, whose death occurred here Monday, was a well-known plones of Clark County. She crossed the plains from Missouri with her father, Valentine from Missouri with her father, Valentine Proubstel, in 1852. She being at the time a girl of 3 years. In 1852 she married Henry Christ, then a struggling young farmer, today one of the foremost and best-known citizens of Clark County. An evidence of the high regard in which the deceased was held in the community was the larve attendance of her friends



Mrs. Elizabeth Christ.

Eastern Star, and Washington Lodge of Masons, of which the deceased and her husband were members.

ROYALTY ON KLONDIKE GOLD. Canada Has Received About \$2,000, 000 From Placers.

SEATTLE, May 23.—An official state-ment received at Dawson from Ottawa shows that up to the first of this year the total royalty collected from the Klondike placer mines by the Canadian Government amounts to \$2,040,192 cl. The statement also contains the information that the total revenues received by the Canadian Government from Yukon Territory since 1896 amounts to \$4,376,573 16. This includes receipts from royalties, customs, public works, fisheries, fees in various departments, land sales, rentals, timber dues, placer grants, sales of miners' certifi-cates and the like.

The excess of receipts over expenditures

of the consolidated fund since 1896 until the first of this year is \$679,382. With the public works capital added to the expend-itures, the excess of receipts over expend-tures is \$128,508.

MURDER IN FIRST DEGREE. Second Verdict in the Hamilton Case the Same as the First. NEW WHATCOM, Wash., May 23.—Af-ter being out about 15 minutes, the jury in the Hamilton murder trial tonight brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree. This is the first verdict in-flicting capital punishment rendered in this county since statehood. Hamilton was tried here on a change of venue from Skagit County, where he was tried and sentenced to death last year. The Su-preme Court granted him a new trial,

lowed. Lieutenant-Governor McBride was the counsel for the prosecution.

Hamilton's true name is Alfred Hawhins. He killey D. M. Woodbury in Anacortes, September 7, 1899, because he refused to throw up his hands when ordered to. Previous to this. Hamilton had chased the Marshal all over the city with a revolver, and had him cornsed, with his hands up, when Woodbury appeared on the scene and received his

Ohlo Delegation at Tacoms. TACOMA, May 23,-The members of the Ohio delegation in Congress were the guests of Tacoma this forenoon. They were greeted by members of the Ohio Soincluding Congressman Cushman clety, including Congressman Cushman and other prominent citizens, and given and other prominent citizens, and given an excursion about the harbor, landing at Point Defiance Park. Luncheon followed at Whitwerth College, President F. B. Gault being the head of the Ohio Society. A ride through other parks and the residence portion of the city concluded the morning diversion. The guests left at 1 o'clock for Seattle by steamer.

Centralia Brevities. CENTRALIA, Wash., May 23.—The Fer-rier murder trial, which was set for May

27, has been indefinitely continued. GUILTY OF DESERTION.

Private at Vancouver Must Serve
One Year at Alcatraz Island.
VANCOUVER, Wash., May 22.—Frank
Murphy, of Troop H, Fourth Cavairy, has

# Bad Coughs

There are hundreds of cough medicines which relieve coughs, all coughs, except bad ones! The medicine which has been curing the worst of bad coughs for sixty years is

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Now you can get a trial bottle of Cherry Pectoral for 25 cents. Ask your druggist.

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Three sizes: 25c., 50c., \$1.00.

Good Government League. They are charged with violating the Sunday-clos-ing law by keeping their saloons open on that day. The cases will be heard Ex-County Auditor J. M. Troughbar has leased the Wingard Bros.' shingle mill,

Report Is Denied.

west of this place.

EVERETT, Wash., May B.—Colonel W. E. Rapson, of the uniform rank, Knights of Pythias, denies that Brigadier-General Plummer interfered with the coming of uniform ranks by stating the 1300 prise offered by the Everett Lodge was a bluff. "I have letters," said Mr. Rapson, "from Mr. Plummer that prove this report to be faine, as the General requested me to ex-ert myself in getting the uniform rank here for competitive drill."

ASTORIA CHARTERS STEAMER. It is to Make Daily Trips From Cathlamet to That Place.

ASTORIA, Or., May 23.—The committee recently appointed by the Astoria Progressive Commercial Association to secure a steamer to make regular daily trips from Cathlamet and way ports to Astoria completed its work this after-noon. A monthly subsidy of 1525 for three months has been secured, and a contract signed with Captain Harry Hasiam to place the new steamer Vanguard on the run. Beginning June 1 this steamer will leave Cathlamet every morning, except Sunday, at 7 o'clock and returning leave Astoria at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. It is believed the steamer will be self-supporting from the start, and that a large amount of additional trade will be rought Astoria by It.

Was John Mattson, of Pendleton. The boatpuller who was drowned by the capatizing of a boat on Peacock Spit yea-terday afternoon was John Mattaon, a young man about II years of age, who is said to have come from Pendiston shortly after the opening of the fixing senson. When the boat overturned, Mattana managed to climb on to it, but was son managed to climb on to it, but was washed off by the breakers before he could be reached by the life-saving crew. His body has not been found.

Will Take Oregon City Position. Nebo Damico, formerly connected with the local Postal-Telegraph Company, has accepted the management of the office of the company at Oregon City. In the Justice Court this evening, C. C. Rosenberg, editor of the Lannetar, a Fin-nish paper, was held under 100 bonds to appear, before the grand jury on the and a change of venue to this county fol-

> Man in London Trying to Trace the Estate of Wealthy Banker,

LONDON, May 'ZL-H. H. Giffrey, eginiative clerk of the United States, in here endeavoring to trace the estate of William Baskett, supposed to have been William Baskett, supposed to have been a London banker, and said to have recently died, leaving £5,000,000, the principal heirs being the Basketta; of Polk County, Oregon. A stary purporting to have originated in London and giving details of the death was printed in a Salem, Or., paper, Gilfrey is unable to find the slightest trace of Banker Baskett, and the death of a man answering the description has not been recorded at Somerset House, the office of the registrar of births, deaths and marriages. trar of births, deaths and marriag

Delegate to Mining Congress. SALEM, May El-Governor Geer today appointed Jehn T. Grayson, of Baker City, and J. K. Romig, of Union County, delegates to the fourth annual mining congress, to be held at Boise, Idaho, in

For Reduction on Cost of Lights. WOODBURN, May 21-A petition is being circulated here asking the City Council to annul the electric contract, or if this cannot be done, secure a reduc-

