# FAVORS LAND LEASING

STRONG VIEWS OF A PROMINENT CATTLE-GROWER.

F. C. Lusk, President of the National Association, Visits Portland-Why He Pavors Lensing.

F. C. Lusk, of Chico, Cal., president of the American Cattle-Growers Association. at the Portland. Although a resident

and what it hopes to aid materially in accomplishing, among other things, namely, the passage of a wise and prudent law by Congress authorizing the leasing of the public range in the arid land states. "The association is a new one. It was

temporarily organized by leading cattle-men from the states and territories west of the Mississippi, at Salt Lake, last Winter, and its final organization was perfected at its first annual convention. held in Denver in March. That city was selected as its permanent headquarters. | Works Well Elsewhere. because it is regarded as the practical center of the cattle business of the great West, it is purely a cattle-growers' as-sociation, and formed to advance every interest of this great and pioneer industry. No other kinds of stockmen are admitted. It is an association of individuals and not of state and county associations. In its deliberations the owner of a small band of cattle has the same voice and vote as the owner of 25,000. It started with a large membership, and is receiving numerous daily accessions. It now includes practi-cally all of the representative cattle-growers west of the Missouri, and hosts of small growers. The membership and attendance at its conventions of the latter class is especially desired. Its convention at Denver last March by a nearly unanimous vote passed a strong resolution in favor of leasing the public range lands, and a committee was ordered to draw a bill to be presented on behalf of the asso-ciation in both houses of the next Congress. The bill is now in process of con-struction, and will be given to the public as soon as completed.

#### Prvors Land-Leasing.

Mr. Lusk is a strong advocate of landleasing, and, known to be such, was elect-ed president of the association at Denver. response to questions as to the condition of public opinion on the proposed measure, the reasons in favor of the law and the probable features of the proposed

"Public opinion is largely formed by those directly interested. In the conven-tion at Fort Worth, in January, 1990, of the National Livestock Association, a body composed of the owners of all kinds of stock, sheep predominating, a resolu-tion favoring land-leasing was passed. A bill providing for it was introduced in Congress that Winter, and the subject at once became a general theme of discussion. Public opinion in the arid land states mostly affected appeared adverse. This was caused by the owners of the in-numerable bands of migratory sheep, who naturally oppose it, and by the small cat-tlemes, who, not understanding the pro-posed measure, feared that they would be frozen out by large cattle or sheep-men monopolizing the leases. But in the past year and a half events have followed so rapidly on the ranges, and the facts became known, that public opinion has changed with great rapidity on the subject. In Colorado, for instance, the change is almost absolute. The cause of this change will be perceived by the answer to the questions you ask as to the reasons for the law, and a general knowledge of its proposed features.

owing of cattle on the ranges of the men fought the Indians in starting their plant. The company I represent in Har-ney County, in this state, lost all of its buildings, much of its stock and the lives of some of its employes in the Indian out-break in 1878. There is no such thing as migratory cattlemen. The nature of the business prohibits it. They must have a fixed habitation, a ranch a land plant fences, buildings, hay fields and means to protect and care for the cattle in Winter. These have been the growth of 20 years or more, and vary all the way from the ranch worth \$5000 up to the in ent of \$1,000,000 on every dol which and all their cattle, full taxes are paid to the local county. They now find everywhere that countless migratory bands of sheep, a majority in the hands of Basques and Portuguese, who are not citizens, and pay no taxes to the local ounty, and have no ranch or landed headquarters anywhere, swarm all over their ranges, up to their fence lines, and not only drive and run their cattle out, but are also utterly destroying for all time the feed on the range.

"To illustrate, our company pays into the treasury of Harney County a very large sum annually for its and the state's benefit. Yet hundreds of thousands of migratory sheep pour in that county in the Summer from Idaho, Nevada and ewhere, and utterly devastate the range and retire in the late Fall, without con fributing one dollar to the county tax fund; but, on the contrary, lessen is taxroll by cutting in two the amount of cattle and sheep its residents could carry and pay taxes on if the migrafory sheep bands were kept out, although that county has ample range and feed for all the stock it could own and Winter. In these cases it is not a free range, because the cattle will not graze where sheep are, and the header with his dog readily drives them off if they attempt it. The statistics furnished by the Agricultural Department show just what such a sate of affairs leads one to expect—that the cattle are rapidly decreasing in the trans-Missouri States, and territories. For instance, in the last 10 years over 50 per cent; in other localities, 66 per cent. and in some places even more; hence the price of beef is constantly advancing, and has now reached a point that in the Eastern cities makes it a luxury to the com-

#### mon people. Much Bloodshed Now.

"Another reason of great importance for such a law is that the ranges are open battle-fields between sheep and cattlemen and also between sheepmen themselves. In these battls last year the homicides were numerous. There have been many this year, three in one fight a short time ago. One here can have no idea of the intensity of this feeling on he ranges of Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, New Mexico and other states. In many localifies small cattlemen see their homes and ranches of 20 years' standing invaded By the vast bands of migratory sheep, and they have organized and established dend lines, and are guarding them today rifles; but the sheepmen come to the edge, hesitate perhaps a time, and then say: 'We have the legal right to cross; our sheep have eaten it clean behind us, and we must cross.' And they do. Then comes bloodshep, homicide and the law openly violated. Each side shoots as well as the other. It is obvious this cannot go on in a civilized country, and nothing can stop it but a lease-hold law "But the controlling reason for the passage of this law is that the range, with its capacity to furnish mest food for the country, is being rapidly destroyed. This destruction has advanced during the past

two years with lightning rapidity. Already there are large districts in Nevada, Utah and Wyoming where the destruction is an accomplished fact, and nothing grazes where large flocks of sheep and bands of cattle once fattened. The im-mense increase of the migratory sheep in the past few years has brought the question to a focus. The effect of destroyas it does all the willows and small brush on the little mountain streams, is not only to ruin them, but the meadows in the valleys below, which are practically all in private ownership. The snow ceases to lie in the brush and comes down gradually, feeding the meadows until haying, but comes all at once in the early Spring and then the meadow dries and wastes of California, Mr. Lusk's principal customers interests are in this state. He is general manager of the French-Glenn grasses made on the hills, without removing the soil finding the sod gone, moving the soil finding the sod gone. "Inasmuch as my cattle interests are in Harney County, in this state, I with deep deposits of sand and destroying "Inasmuch as my cattle interests are all in Harney County, in this state, I with deep deposits of sand and destroying with deep deposits of sand and destroying its value. The same causes have destroyed immense areas of valuable lands for of the Caucasus and the Pyrenees. A sudden freshet in February last in Southern Harney County and Nevada brought down from the hills immense quantities of silt, and buried roads and meadows in many places more than a foot deep, and to a degree never known before by the oldest inhabitants. For the destruction of the ranges with all its future consequences, no human being can sug-gest any practical remedy, except its

Works Well Elsewhere. "We are frequently asked if it will not be difficult to frame and administer such a law in a manner that will do justice to all. By no means. Such laws exist in Australia and Texas with satisfaction to every one. Texas owns all its public lands. Both jurisdictions found themlands. selves confronted with the same difficulty we are now in, and adopted the only remedy-a wise lease law. In each place the stock business is now on a permanent sheep or cattle he can carry without in-juring his lease-hold. Nothing could inluce either Texas or Australia to abrogate its lease laws and throw open its ranges to the old condition of overstocking, consequent destruction, and continual battle and violation of law. "The law will be for all, sheepmen as well as cartlemen. Many sheepmen favor

it, and are just as anxious for its passage as cattlemen. This is especially so of the sheepmen who have a fixed habitation, a ranch where they cut hay and care for sheep in Winter. I am in receipt of daily communications from such men, who tell me that while they know they cannot join the American Cattle-Growers' Asociation, they favor such a law and want to aid in its passage in every manner possible. The whole situation was adequate ly summed up a few weeks ago by one of the most prominent sheepmen in Wyoming, who said that he realized that the time had now come that every one who owned sheep or cattle on the public range must have the ability to control a definite portion of it by lease.

"A vital feature of the new law will be protection by preference right to lease to actual residents and owners in a county, this to cut off all possibility of foreign syndicates coming into a county and renting the land away from the local resident stockmen. The bill will be fully safeguarded against any such star-routing. Another equally important feature will be the prohibition against leases being put up at auction. Many small stockmen have been justly and naturally fright-ened by the suggestion that the leases would be put up to the highest bidder, and realthy corporations thus secure them The auction feature will be prohibited and a fixed reasonable rent established. The most important feature that the proposed law will contain will be a provision adequately protecting the small stockowner, and assuring his right to a full proportionate share of the ranges in his respective county. This must and will be plain and emphatic. No bill will ever pass the Congress of the United States that does not contain the three principal features above named in un-Growing of cattle on the ranges of the arid states is the ploneer industry, commenced and brought to a high state of perfection many years before sheep were there at all. Most of the older cattlemen fought the Indians in starting their neighbor, giving the preference to the actual stockgrower in each county, and pro-hibiting any auction of leases, and it is generally circulated, that all opposition to the measure will vanish from the stock countles, except from the owners of migratory sheep bands.

"It is wisely proposed that the bill shall require the Federal Government to donate each state the rentals received in it to be used for works to promote irrigan by storage of flood waters. question is one of supreme importance to every state having arid lands. Careful estimates place the amount to be thus yearly used at \$10,000,000. It will be rered that at the last session great river and harbor bill, carrying an appropriation of \$63,000,000, was defeated by an arid land state Senator because the East would not consent to include a paitr; \$400,000 for promoting irrigation in the arid states. Wiht such a bill as we propose, the East will be relieved from that burden, ample sums for this great work will be provided, and hand in hand will go the preservation and improvement of the ranges, with the storage of the flood waters for constantly increasing irrigation."

# BISHOP SCOTT COMMENCEMENT

#### Eight Graduates Will Receive Diplomas Today.

Scott Academy will take place at 11 o'clock this morning, in the chapel of the Academy. These eight graduates will receive diplomas:

Harvey Houston, of Missoula, Mont. Thomas W. Ross, of Astoria; Wilmer D. McCully, of Joseph; Harold W. Roy and Ralph S. Hahn, of Portland; Dafoe Sherk, of Huntington; Percy A. Cupper, of Monument, and Henry E. Westbrook, of Smith River, Cal.

Bishop B. Wistar Morris, as rector of the Academy, will present the diplomas to the graduates, and Dr. Hill will read his 23d annual report. Dr. John J. Sell-wood, of Sellwood, one of the early pupils under Dr. Hill's administration, will ad-

dress the graduating class.

The commencement dance took place tast night, at Parson's Hall, and was attended. The dance card contained 18 numbers, with two extras,

# Headworks and Reservoir

PORTLAND, June 18 .- (To the Editor.) -How high above Portland is Bull Run water taken? What elevation is the Mount Tabor reservoir? How tall a stream does the fountain there INQUIRER.

The headworks on Bull Run River are 710 feet above the base of city grades; reservoir at Mount Tabor, 402 feet. The fountain at the reservoir throws a jet 125 feet high.

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# BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Buby is Cutting Teeth,
Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy
Mrs. Winslow's Southing Syrup, for children
teething, It soothes the child, softens the gumes
allays all pain, curse wind colic and diarrhoes

PORTLAND NEAR HEAD OF LIST AS A WHEAT EXPORTER.

Ship Incheape Rock Coming From Antwerp-H. Hackfeld and Alsterschwan Secure Their Crews.

There are but four ports in the United States that have shipped more wheat dur-ing the first 11 months of the cereal year now drawing to a close than has been ipped from this city. Two of these ports id the Oregon metropolis by less than 800,000 bushels, and the second port of the list got out but little over 1,000,000 bushels more than was shipped from this city. San Francisco, which stood in fifth place a month ago, has dropped back to sixth place, and Philadelphia is in ninth place. Portland has shipped nearly one-ninth of all of the wheat that has been exported from the United States for the cereal year July 1, 1900, to June 1, 1901. These statements are from the figures presented by the Government Bureau of Statistics in its monthly summary, which has just been issued.

The total shipments for the first 11 months of the cereal year were as fol-

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	Boston and Charlestown	13,477,289	10,111,418
	Portland	12,689,633	8,140,941
	San Francisco		9,344 - 10
	Puget Sound		2,262,1,52
	Baltimore		7,238,448
	Philadelphia	6,412,557	7,238,448
	Superior	2,313,944	3,704,273
d	Newport News	1,711,399	874,033
	Duluth	835,034	2,571,834
	Mobile	75,662	50,239
	Norfolk and Portsmouth	199	40,504
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#### DOWN WITH THE SHIP.

Hope for the Crew of the John Me-

Donald Is Abandoned. All hope for the safety of the crew of the American ship John McDonald has been abandoned, and it is now believed that all hands went down with the ship. On the confirmation of the report that the vessel had been sighted a short dis-tance off San Francisco, it was thought that some of the outward bound ships from this Coast might have picked up the crew and taken them to Europe. As all of the ships which left the Coast at that time have reported out, nothing further can be expected from that source. The John McDonald was in command of Captain Seymour Watts, a cousin of Captain James Watts, of this city. She was en route from Baltimore for San Francisco, with a cargo of coal, and her loss is at-tributed to spontaneous combustion of

the cargo. With Captain Watts as mate was Wilder Murphy, who was for a short time in command of the American ship Shenandoah, a vesse, which seems to be a hoodoo for her skippers. Captain Eben Murphy was in command of the big ship when he returned to Portland to stand trial for alleged cruelty to a half-witted sailor on the American ship George Stetson. Murphy was innocent of the charge, but the persecution affected him to such an extent that it brought on an attack of the brain fever, and he died before Murphy, secured him the position as mas of the big ship. He took her up to t Blakeley, where she loaded lumber Australia. With the assistance of for Australia. Mate Harvey he made a rattling run down to Australia, but, unfortunately, his sucoodes red, and was relieved of his ommand at Sydney. Harvey was promoted, and brought the big craft up to San Francisco in 51 days. He also made a fast run back to Sydney, but on returning on his second trip jumped overboard temporarily insane, and drowned. The big ship is now in com-mand of Captain James Murphy, father of the unfortunate mate of the John Mc-

# DELAY WAS SHORT.

H. Hackfeld and Alsterschwan Sc. cure Crews With Little Difficulty.

The German bark H. Hackfeld, the last of the trio of ships in port to finish loading was cleared yesterday by Kerr, Gifford & Co. for Queenstown or Falmouth for orders, with 70,608 bushels of wheat, valued at \$42,361. With the Hackfeld it was a case where the last was first, for both the Alsterschwan and the Nivelle finished ahead of her, but have not yet cleared. The Hackfeld needed but three men, and, as it was comparatively easy to secure that number, she was hustled out ahead of the others. The Alster-schwan secured her crew last evening, and the two ships were delayed but a vessels that have been hung up in San Francisco. The Nivelle will probably se-cure the remainder of her crew today. Captain Steven is well ilked by his sallors, and a ship with a good reputation experi-

# PLAGUE-STRICKEN SHIP.

Crew Sick With Scurvy and Scor-

plons Swarmed the Deck. NEW YORK, June 18 .- A dispatch from Philadelphia to the Times says that the trans-Atlantic steamship Crown Point, from Philadelphia to London, fell in with the German bark Planet, the decks of which were awarming with scorpions, the captain and crew of which were sick with scurvy, the first officer dead and the sec-ond officer too ill to take any part in the navigation of the vessel. This was May 14, in latitude 40.35, longitude 12:30. Sec-ond Officer Bryant, of the Crown Point, was put in charge of the stricken bark, and worked her into Queenstown harbor May 28. Captain Buskenneth, of the Planet, was stricken May 12 with scurvy He was unconscious when the Crown Point fell in with the bark. He did not regain consciousness, and died before the bark reached Queenstown. The second officer died May 24.

# IS A BIG CARRIER.

British Bark Nivelle Carries 71 Per Cent Over Registered Tonnage. The British bark Nivelle, which cleared yesterday, carries one of the largest car-goes for her tonnage that has left here on a saffing vessel this season. She has on a sailing vessel this season. She has aboard 287 long tons, on a net register of 252 tons. Her carrying capacity is accordingly 71 per cent greater than her net tonnage. A few of the French ships which have loaded here carried slightly larger cargoes, but very few of the Britishers have made a better showing than that of the Nivelle. On her present trip she has aboard 1262 bushels more than ahe carried when she loaded here two years.

of the sailing vessels clearing from here have exceeded her in carrying capacity.

Incheape Rock From Antwerp. Messrs. Taylor, Young & Co., Portland agents for W. R. Grace & Co., have received advices of the engagement at Antwerp for Portland loading of the well-known ship Inchcape Rock. The vessel is now at Antwerp discharging a cargo of Oregon wheat, and as soon as she fin-ishes discharging she will commence load-ing outward. She comes by way of Port los Angeles, and will bring a typical Ant-werp cargo, of which cement forms the principal item. The Incheape Rock left here late in January, and made a good outward passage of 125 days. With ordi-nary good dispatch at Antwerp she should reach Portland before the end of the year and may have the distinction of year, and may have the distinction of loading two cargoes in one year.

Poltalloch Will Sail Thursday. ASTORIA, June 18.—A letter was re-ceived this morning from Captain Young, of the British bark Poltalloch, in which he stated that he expected to leave South Bend. Wash., with the vessel Thursday for Esquimait, B. C. There the bark will be taken out on the marine rallway, and, after inspection, have her underbody painted. She will then be taken to Portland, where she will receive some needed repairs before she takes on a cargo of grain.

Domestic and Foreign Ports. ASTORIA. June 18-Condition of the bar at 5 P. M., smooth; wind, west;

weather, cloudy.
Hoquiam, Wash.-Arrived June 17-Schooner Orient, from San Francisco for

San Francisco, Ju-e 18 .- Ar: ived - Steam. er San Juan, from Panama; barkentine G. S. Wilder, from Hono ulu; bark Annie Johnson, from Hilo; ship S. D. Carleton, from Kahului; bark Mauna Ala, from Honolulu. Sailed-Ship Falls of Clyde, for Hilo; steamer Columbus, for Valparaiso; bark Edward May, for Honolulu; steamer Acapulco, for Panama. Port Los Angeles—Arrived June 16— Steamer San Mateo, from Nanaimo.

Seattle-Arrived June 17-Steamer City of Topeka, from Dyea. San Francisco, June 18.-Arrive!-Stram. er Columbia, from Portland, Or. Salled -Schooner Ruth E. Godfrey, for Cape

Nome.

New York, June 18.—Arrived-Werra, from Naples: Ethlopia, from Glasgow.

Liverpool, June 18.—Sailed-Yangtse, for Vancouver, B. C.

Boulogne-Arrived June 17-Potsdam, from New York for Rotterdam, and proceeded.

Plymouth, June 18.—Salled-Pretoria, from Hamburg and Boulogne for New New York, June 18.—Salled—Lahn, for Bremen and Southampton; Georgic, for Liverpool; Georgian, for Liverpool, Naples—Salled June 15—Georgia, for

St. Nazaire-Sailed May 21-French bark Bourbaki, for Portland. Valparaiso-In port May 1-British bark Mayfield, for Portland.

Hiogo-Salled May 29-German bark Nal, for Portland. Hamburg-Arrived June 16-British ship Westrate, from Seattle. Callab-In port May 15-British bark Baroda, for Portland. Naples-Arrived June 14-Moyune, from

Tacoma and Seattle via Nagasaki, Hako-date, Hong Kong, etc. Plymouth, June 18.-Arrived-Patricia. from New York for Hamburg. Loverpool. June 18.—Arrived—Belgenland... from Philadelphia; Cambriman

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# EASTERN MULTNOMAH.

Masamas Securing Teams for Trip to Mount Hood.

GRESHAM, Or., June 18 .- The Mazamas veyances in this section for the trip to Mount Hood which leaves Portland on A notice has been circulate here, which will undoubtedly means of getting several good rigs for the trip.

On Its Journey. Gresham's old schoolhquse is now well on its way to its new location, where it will serve as a lodge hall. It will be tirely remodeled and put on a concrete foundation. It will be situated in a grove which will be an ideal place for its new owners, the Grange, to hold their meetngs and pientes.

Work on the new building will com mence this week, the contractor, John Brown, having secured the material and engaged a force of carpenters. The bids for the structural work ranged from \$5972 down to \$3460, at which figure the contract was let after the plans had been revised so as to get the lowest bid within the architect's estimates.

Cutting Clover Crop. Clover cutting is now on in full swing among the farmers who have silos. Oth-

ers, too, are cutting an early crop, with the expectation of getting a second good one, if the cutworms will only leave the fields alone. If the worms should come be free from them and of excellent quality. The yield promises to be very heavy. Appointed Forest Ranger.

Richard Beagle has been appointed a forest ranger by Commissioner Hermann, upon the request of the Portland Water Committee. He and another will be as signed to duty in the Cascade reserve, be tween Bull Run and Government Camp. Mr. Beagle was a ranger last year and did effective work. He will go to his post of duty the last of this month.

Brief Notes. Professor Lance, assisted by Dr. H. L. Power, instituted a tent of Maccabees at Palmer on Saturday evening last, with 29 charter members.

Salmon fishing has begun again on the Columbia between Rooster Rock and the Lower Cascadez, the water having fallen sufficiently to allow the fishermen to use

Shattuck Bros., of Gresham, have been appointed agents for this section by the Sellwood Sub-Board of Trade, to solicit subscriptions toward the purchase of City View Park for the use of the Lewis and Clark Centennial.

The new crossroad between the Section Line and Rev. J. H. Wood's place, half a mile in length, was opened for travel today. It shortens rural mail route No. 2 considerably, having been opened principally for its benefit

# MORE LOW RATES.

Portland to Cincinnati and return, \$78 50. Tickets on sale July 1, 2 and 3, good for return until September 1; stop-overs en route. City ticket office, Third and Wash-

# CANADIAN PACIFIC.

Special Rate Notice. larger cargoes, but very few of the Britishers have made a better showing than that of the Nivelle. On her present trip she has aboard 1282 bushels more than ahe carried when she leaded here two years ago. While most of the steamers which left here this season have carried larger cargoes than that of the Nivelle, but two

ing Grain and Advancing Growth of Hops, Corn and Potators.

PORTLAND, June 17.—The cool spell which overspread Oregon June 1 continued aimost uninterruptedly until the afternoon of the 14th, when a welcomed change to warmer occurred, and the following Saturday, Sunday and Monday were bright, warm, sunshing days, that proved very beneficial in receipter warm and advancing beneficial in ripening grain and advancing the growth of hops, corn, potatoes and gagdens. The maximum temperatures the growth of hops, corn, potatoes and saydens. The maximum temperatures during the week in Western Oregon ranged between 56 and 54 degrees, and the minimum temperatures between 40 and 60 degrees. In Eastern Oregon the maximum temperatures between 50 and 50 degrees, and the minimum temperatures between 50 and 50 degrees, and the minimum temperatures between 50 and 50 degrees, and the minimum temperatures between 50 and 50 degrees, and the minimum temperatures between 56 and 54 degrees. Light frosts occurred in some of the most elevated districts and the damage done by them was confined to small spots here and there and was not extensive. The fore part of the week was showery in the northern grain crop through to maturity.

The condition of Fall grain is not as

Willamette Valley it is becoming spotted, and complaints of fields turning yellow are more numerous than heretofore. The grain aphis has again made its appearance in the upper portion of the valley, but it has not as yet done much damage. In Umatilla, Baker and Union counties Fall wheat in low places and hollows was killed by the frosts of June 4 and 5, and some has been cut for hay or else plowed under. The crop, as a whole, however, continues promising, and with favorable weather from now on will yet prove an average one. Haying was begun, with yields above the average, both as to quantity and quality. Gardens are backward and frosts Wednesday morning in International Navigation Company, about Southern Oregon injured considerable. Southern Oregon injured considerable garden truck in Josephine and Jackson counties, and also hurt corn and some fields of alfalfa. The first cutting of al-falfa has also been injured by frost in Eastern Oregon, but the stalk is vigorous and there is no reason why the second cutting should not be up to the usual average. Hops continue doing nicely and

the yards are generally free of lice. Reports regarding fruit vary widely. In some sections the trees have all they can carry, while there are many orchards that will not produce sufficient fruit to pay for its being gathered. Cherries have been injured by the rains, and straw-berries are slow in ripening. In the Powder River valley all fruit suffered severely, and throughout Eastern Oregon there will be a general shortage over last year's yield of prunes and apples. WILLAMETTE VALLEY.

Wilsonville, Clackamas County, Charles F. Wagner,—Grain looking well: warmer weather needed. Fall-sown grain is headed; bluestem wheat is very nearly out of blossom. Spring grain looks fine, but needs warmer weather. Clover hay will be ready to cut as soon as the weather

Wheatland, Yambill County, A. P. Magness.—Fall wheat is not looking well, the cold rains having checked the growth. Spring grain looks well. Potators doing nicely. Hops are fine; no lice. Gardens are growing slowly. Cherries are beginning to ripen. Heavy crop of apples.

Butteville, Marion County, James P.
Feller.—In spite of cold weather, Fall and

Spring grain are doing well. Hops in good condition; no lice yet. Berries of all kinds abundant. Clover is ready to cut and promises well. Gardens growing rapfdly Suver, Polk County, O. A. Wolverton.— Fall wheat is spotted and does not look well generally. Spring grain is making a fairly good growth, but needs some warm weather to make it grow. Fruit of all

kinds doing well. Pastures are affording an abundance of feed. Albany, Linn County, J. W. Propst .-Still rainy, but warmer, Spring grain growing nicely, but is not of a good color. Gardens doing well; weeds growing. There will be plenty of fruit of all kinds. Grass fine. Stock in good condition.

Cottage Grove, Lane County J. H. Hull.-First part of the week rainy and cool. Crops growing well. Summer fal. lowing continues. Fruit doing well. More sunshine needed to make corn grow.

COAST DISTRICT. Warrenton, Clatsop County, R. Abbott.-The past week has been cold and cloudy, with light rains. A spell of warm sunshine is wanted to make crops grow. Corn, beans and squashes are not doing well. Early potatoes are one month be-

Seal Rock, Lincoln County, O. D. Clark, The week has been wet and too cold for gardens to make good growth. Meadows look well, but the grass is not as tall as common, Fruit badly damaged. Sheepshearing progressing very slowly; heavy clip. Stock fat; range fine. There have been no cold winds,

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY. Boyd, Wasco County, J. W. B. Haveley. -Fine rain Monday night: best rain for several years. Plenty of wind; somewhat cool. Saturday cloudy and warm. So slight damage to heavy grain by wind, Weston, Umatilia County, Maud M. Baker.-Wheat makes good growth, but considerable harm from the late frosts

is reported. The 0.80 of an inch of rainfall greatly benefited vegetables, especially cabbages and potatoes. Prunes. early pears and cherries promise large cherries will soon ripen. Strawberries are not doing as well as usual, owing to frost and rain, Douglas, Morrow County, J. A. Trued-

son.—Heavy rain fell Tuesday and Wednesday; Thursday morning very windy. Fall grain is looking fine; Spring grain is heading. SOUTHERN OREGON.

Oakland, Douglas County, J. L. Hunt,-The week has been warm and Summerlike, and vegetation has advanced rap-Grain in general looks well, but in idly. some fields the wheat is dying in spots and as this occurs in the more advanced fields, farmers are apprehensive that it may later be the fate of all. Cherries ar ripe and plentiful. Alfalfa and other early hay is being cut; yield fair.

Murphy, Josephine County, J. S. McFadden.-Very destructive killing frosts on the 13th and 14th; cloudy part of the week and warmer on Saturday. Some in-dications of rain. This has been a disastrous week for vegetables and corn, but It is too early to know how much grain and fruit have been hurt.

Talent, Jackson County, George Alford. The week ended warm; cold first few lays. Corn is making slow growth. Gardens doing well. Some early barley is ripening. Late grain needs rain. hay is being cut, Fruit doing fine.

PLATEAU REGION Richland, Baker County, G. S. Binheimer.—The weather has been cold and blustery, with some cold rains and frost; considerable fruit was killed and most all gardens. Some are replanting and others think it is too late. Haying will com-mence in two weeks, with fair prospects. Keno, Klamath County, B. E. Kerns,-The past week has been almost too cold for crops of all kinds. Heavy frosts have damaged the first cutting of alfalfa con-siderably. A copious rain, with warm weather, would be of great benefit just Fruit has been damaged but very little by frosts,

EDWARD A. BEALS.

Maryland Witches

Journal of American Folk-Lore Over the great copper kettle on night n old man remarked, as he stirred its seething, wholesome contents, that we

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did not hear much of witcheraft nowadays, but when he was young there was a good deal of that business going on. His own father had been changed into a horse, and ridden to the witches' ball. All the witches, as they arrived, turned into beautiful ladies, but he remained a horse, and so far and so fast was he ridden, and so sore and bruised was he the next day in his own proper person, that he could not do a stroke of work for two weeks.

Aunt Susan well remembered this ad-

venture of her father-in-iaw. Her own father always kept a big bunch of sweet. brier switches hanging at the head of his bed. And many a night she had heard him "elashing away at the old witches that wouldn't let him sleep."

Progressive farmer has about improved the sweetbrier off the face of the cartin. But old beliefs are not so easily uprooted, as the following story will teatify: When Grandmother Elier was young she had a cow of her own raising, of which

the week was showery in the northern portion of the state, and, except in portions of Southern Oregon, there is now ample moisture in the soil to carry the grain crop through to maturity.

The condition of Vall grain is not as The condition of Fall grain is not as stood on her four legs, eating like promising as it was last week. In the hound. Witches can't stand asafoetida.

#### THE ELECTRIC CITY.

Visiting Editor Writes of Buffalo Exposition.

BUFFALO, N. Y., June 13 .- (To the Editor.)—The delegates to the National Edi-torial Association from Oregon and the West were "Cirown off at Buffalo" the evening of the loth. The good citizens are trying by every means to satisfy our cu-

800 editors from all parts of the United States were taken on a steamer to Ni-agara. On arriving there, a most bounteous lunch was served. Owing to the great crowd, much confusion was the result, and only those in time for first table received fair treatment.

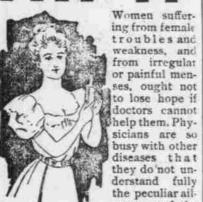
The exposition is not completed in any sense of the word. They are placing ex-hibits, painting, laying pavements and breaking ground on every hand. Ore-gon's exhibit, in charge of Mr. Dosch, is credit to our state. Mr. Dosch tells me he had more grain than was needed, and it was "loaned" out to various states to help beautify their exhibits. The best comes from Oregon.

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