

CHOOSE MANY TEXT-BOOKS

OREGON COMMISSION LIKELY TO ADJOURN TODAY.

Ginn & Co. Again Get the Lion's Share—Table Showing Saving to People.

Stowell's Physiology—Silver, Burdett & Co. Thompson's Drawing Books—Heath & Co. Normal Music Course—Silver, Burdett & Co. Wells' Essentials of Algebra—Heath & Co. Allen & Greenough's Revised Latin—Ginn & Co. Daniels' Latin Composition—Ginn & Co. Collins & Danielli's Beginners Latin—Ginn & Co. Greenough & Kittredge's New Caesar—Ginn & Co. Greenough & Kittredge's Cicero—Ginn & Co. Greenough & Kittredge's Virgil—Ginn & Co. Barr's Cornelius Nepos—McMillan & Co.

SALEM, Or., July 10.—The Daily text-book law has accomplished the purpose of its enactment. The text-book commission, composed of five men appointed under the provisions of that law, have given every publisher an even chance in bidding for the sale of text-books in the public schools, and the American Book Company, which has heretofore had almost a monopoly, is yet without a single award. The text-books which have been the source of dissatisfaction have been left off the lists and what seems to be better books, at lower prices, have been adopted in their stead. For once in the history of text-book selections, politics has played no part in the choice made. An agent who came to Oregon and presented his books to the commissioners without spending a dollar for any man's influence has been successful over competitors who have been spending considerable sums of money for such aid.

Wells' Essentials of Algebra, Heath & Co., 10 and 15 cents straight; manual, 40 cents. Normal Music Course, Silver, Burdett & Co., three books at \$1.00; manual, \$1.25.

Greenough & Kittredge's New Caesar, exchange price, 60 cents; retail price, \$1.00. Greenough & Kittredge's Cicero, exchange price, 70 cents; retail price, \$1.00. Greenough & Kittredge's Virgil, Ginn & Co., exchange price, 75 cents; retail price, \$1.00.

WHERE SAVING WAS MADE. Under New Contract Books Will Cost \$725 Less Than Under Old.

SALEM, July 10.—The following table shows approximately the saving in the cost of text-books by the new adoption as compared with the old. Comparisons are made as far as practicable at this time. Brooks' Mental Arithmetic is not given, as the same book has been adopted at the same price. No comparison is made of music or drawing text-books, for they are not in general use in the public schools, and it did not appear from the record at hand, that the drawing books adopted are run in the same series as those now in use. It should also be said that this comparison does not necessarily prove anything, for there may be some reduction in the cost of material and workmanship in the books, as well as a reduction in the price. Neither does the table take into consideration the first investment in making exchanges. This simply shows the comparison of retail prices for books in common use in the public schools. The figures showing the number of books sold annually are taken from the tables of the American Book Company, as published in today's Oregonian.

FOREST GROVE BREVITIES.

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Comparative Prices.

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RUSH ORDERS ARE GIVEN.

Great Rogue River Irrigation Canal to be Completed Soon as Possible.

MEDFORD, Or., July 10.—The Fish Lake Ditch and Irrigation Company elected the following officers at its annual meeting: President, L. L. Hamilton; vice-president, Mahlon Purden; secretary and treasurer, L. C. Williams, of San Francisco; manager, V. T. McCray; director, Rutherford Fish Lake. The manager and superintendent of construction were instructed to push the construction of the ditch with all possible energy.

Eight miles of the ditch have been completed, beginning at a point on Little Butte Creek about 30 miles from Medford. The company will soon begin the work of connecting Fish Lake, which is 40 miles from Medford, at the base of Mount Pitt, into an immense reservoir covering 30,000 acres, with an average depth of 10 feet. The entire length of this ditch is to be 65 miles. The width at the bottom will be 10 feet, and the capacity about 10,000 miners' inches. About 11 miles from Medford the ditch will have a fall of about 100 feet, the 3,000 or more horsepower which will be developed by this ditch to be used for the purpose of ditching, protection against fire and other commercial purposes.

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BIDS FOR A NEW ROAD

TO BE OPENED IN VANCOUVER, WASH., TOMORROW.

Railroad Extension May Be Awarded as One Job or in Three Sections—Finish This Year.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 10.—Bids for the construction of a 15-mile extension of the Portland, Vancouver & Yakima Railroad are to be opened here Friday, July 12. A complete survey of the extension was made last winter, and the right of way has all been acquired. Bids will be received for the entire work or in three sections of five miles each. Contracts will only be let for building the roadbed, the work of laying the ties and rails being reserved to be done under the direct supervision of the company. The extension passes through a country fur-

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WANTS MINING CONGRESS PEOPLE TO VISIT EASTERN OREGON.

Will Send a Committee of Fifteen Citizens to Try to Get Delegates to Come.

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FISHING WITHOUT LICENSES.

Two Men Arrested and About Thirty More Said to be in Same Boat.

ASTORIA, July 10.—Deputy Fish Warden Bultman and Water Bailiff Wickman arrested two fishermen this morning for not having numbers on their boats, and also seized the boats and their contents, which included 34 salmon which were sold for the benefit of the hatchery fund of the state. The men gave their names as A. Lawson and O. W. Olsen and said that they worked for Harrington's Pillar Rock Cannery. He explained that their licenses were at that cannery. Bultman accompanied them to this cannery and there learned that they not only did not have licenses, but also that there were about 30 other boats working for the same cannery, that had no licenses or numbers. In explanation of this, Mr. Harrington stated he had written the Fish Commissioner of Washington, stating that he would pay the licenses when requested to do so. This is not apt to have much effect in a court in this state, as the men working for the cannery are not officers. The trial of the men has not yet been set.

Arrested for Catching Sturgeon.

A. Appel, a fisherman, was arrested for catching a sturgeon in the Pacific Ocean on a charge of having a sturgeon in his possession during the closed season. He was released on his own recognizance to appear for trial on July 15. He was arrested by Gillnetters Don Better.

The Gillnetters are beginning to do

considerably better, although the fishermen who usually make poor catches are still doing so. The high boat last night caught a sturgeon weighing 1400 pounds. He received 7 cents per pound for them.

Indiana Men Put in Fish Rafts.

Field Superintendent F. C. Brown has written the State Fish Commission from Pendleton, stating that he had talked with Superintendent Kurd, of Warm Springs Indian reservation, with reference to having the Indians put rafts in the Snake River, and after a little instruction they can eye the eggs for the state. It is probable that this plan will be approved by the Fish Commission.

SOLD OUT TO THE COMBINE.

Astoria Concern Gets Cash for Cannery—Other Plants Accepted.

ASTORIA, July 10.—John Nordstrom, secretary of the Alaska Fishermen's Packing Company, returned today from New York, where he went to attend a meeting of the Alaska Fishermen's Packing Company. He stated that the company had sold out to the combine of the 14 companies which sold out to receive all cash for its plant. The purchase price was made on the basis of two-thirds stock and one-third cash. The purchase price of his company's cannery, \$200,000, Mr. Nordstrom says, will be paid July 25, and the money has been expended for supplies and labor this season, amounting to about \$100,000, as it will be refunded about August 10, as it will be until that time to audit all the bills.

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pany was organized in this city about 1900, and was given a capital stock of \$200,