ROBS AND BINDS HER

Masked Man Then Sets Home of Woman on Fire.

RESCUED BUT HAS CLOSE CALL

Robber Proceeds on His Way From Ferndale, Wash., and Holds Up a Girl—Believed to Have Escaped on a Bicycle.

WHATCOM, July 9.—A masked man entered the home of James Gifford at Ferndale, eight miles north of this city, at 11 o'clock today, seized Mrs. Gifford from behind, bound and gagged her, took $140 from her purse, which he afterward threw in the fire without getting $100, set fire to the house directly above where she lay, locked the doors, and made his escape. The woman managed to get the gag out of her mouth, and dragged herself to a window, where her screams brought help before she was burned. The house was entirely destroyed.

The man who committed the crime started northward toward the international boundary line, eight miles distant. On his way he robbed a young girl of a package which she was carrying, and then disappeared into the brush. He is believed to have a bicycle, and to have made his escape into British Columbia. A posse searched the entire surrounding country this afternoon without result.

AFFECTS MANY HOMESTEADERS.

New Ruling Regarding Payments on Siletz Land Entries.

OREGON CITY, July 9.—Assistant Commissioner W. A. Richards, of the United States General Land Office, has made an important ruling that affects many homesteaders who have entered upon land in the Siletz Reservation. In all other portions of the Oregon City land district homesteaders are required to pay $2 50 an acre for all excesses on land embraced within the limits of a railroad grant, and $1 25 an acre on excesses outside of this limit. This payment must be made at the time the land is entered upon, and the commissions on 160 acres must also be paid at that time. Under the ruling of the General Land Office homesteaders in the Siletz Reservation will not be required to pay for excesses or commissions on the same unless the homestead is commuted, which is very often done. On commuted entries 2 per cent commission must be paid on the purchase price of the land, and this amount must be paid at the time the entry is commuted.

Report of Land Office.

The quarterly report of the Register and Receiver of the United States Land Office was completed today. For the first time in the history of the office fines were collected for depredations on public timber. Seventy-eight dollars was received from this source. The summary of the quarterly report follows:

Homestead entries	185
Acres embraced in homestead entries	27,719.10
Final homestead proofs	32
Homestead acreage proved up on	4,350.51
Timber filings	112
Timber proofs	82
Commuted homesteads	49
Acreage disposed of in cash sales	11,678.46
Amount received from cash sales	$40,810 81
Fees and commissions	4,377 67
Total amount received for the quarter	45,188 48

Bibee to Assume Office July 15.

George W. Bibee, who is to be the new Receiver of the Oregon City Land Office, has received authority from Washington to turn over the Sheridan Postoffice to his bondsmen, who have placed John Sanders in charge of the office. Mr. Bibee will receipt to Receiver William Galloway July 15, and commence his duties on the following day.

TO WATER 6000 ACRES.

Baker City Men Form an Irrigation Company.

BAKER CITY, July 9.—One of the largest irrigation schemes that any section of the state can boast of has been inaugurated by some of the business men of this city. The plan is to make use of the waters of some of the smaller streams to irrigate a body of 6000 acres of land north of the Lower Powder River, between Clover and Goose Creeks.

The local company has employed County Surveyor C. M. Foster to make a careful survey of the land in this vicinity, and, if possible, locate several reservoir sites. Mr. Foster has been duly appointed by the State Land Board as the official surveyor of the board for this part of Oregon. Walter S. Love has been named as the appraiser of land. Mr. Love is an experienced reservoir man and knows the value of a large body of stored water during the dry season. Mr. Love constructed a large and successful reservoir out on what is known as Pritchard Flat, almost alone, and now he is irrigating a large farm of what is known as bench land, that is exceedingly fruitful.

The new corporation that proposes to build a reservoir at some convenient place, to water the large body of arid land mentioned, is sure of success, once it gets the water on the land, because the bench land is the richest and most productive land in this valley, when properly irrigated. The engineer in charge says that by the expenditure of a comparatively small sum of money, all this rich land can be brought under profitable cultivation.

Danger of Clerks' Strike Removed.

The trouble between the Retail Clerks' Union and the merchants has been settled at last. For a time there was a good prospect of a strike, which would probably have involved other union labor people. An agreement has been reached whereby the stores will all close at 7:30 P. M. from now until January 1, and after that the closing hour will be 6:30.

Big Reservoir for Waterworks.

The city will begin the work of constructing the Goodrich Creek reservoir at once. This is a reservoir to be used in connection with the city waterworks. When completed it will have a storage capacity of 500,000,000 gallons of water, an amount that will provide all the water Baker City will need during any dry season. The reservoir will be located in an almost inaccessible place. All of the materials will have to be carried in on pack-horses.

ORGANIZE FOR PROTECTION.

Miners Propose to Stop Taking Up of Mineral for Timber Land.

GRANT'S PASS, July 9.—The Miners' Protective Association was organized in this city last night. The completion of the organization is of considerable importance in Josephine County, as it marks the first decisive step the Southern Oregon miners have taken in their fight against the so-called Eastern "timber grabbers." The wholesale manner in which timber lands have been and are being taken up in Josephine County has aroused the indignation of the miners, who allege that much valuable mineral lands are being taken up as timber. The first work of the Miners' Protective Association will be to make a thorough investigation of the matter and protest the timber claims that are judged unfair.

Scores of Eastern timber men have been in the mountains of this section continually since the early Spring, and every available timber tract is being taken up. The miners assert that much land is being taken up as timber that has not enough trees on it to fence it, the sole object of the locator being to get possession of the mineral land. It is feared that much harm will be done the mineral industry of Southern Oregon by so much mineral land being "tied up" by the timber men.

The plan decided on by the association at its meeting last night is to appoint a competent judge, whose duty it will be to examine all claims as they are located by the timber men, and protest them when he believes they are more valuable for their mineral than for their timber. The funds of the association are to be used in defraying the expenses of the judge, and in furthering the interests of the miners and mining industry of Southern Oregon.

CLATSOP COUNTY FINANCES.

Total Indebtedness is $71,975 — Report of Treasurer.

ASTORIA, July 9.—The semi-annual financial statements of County Clerk Wherity and Treasurer Thompson for the six months ending on June 30 were submitted to the County Clerk today and referred to the experts. The report of the Clerk shows the financial condition of the county to be as follows:

Liabilities—	
Warrants outstanding, Jan. 1	$81,700 61
Warrants issued since	27,524 91
Total	$109,225 65
Warrants paid	40,450 47
Balance	$68,775 05
Estimated accrued interest	3,200 00
Total indebtedness	$71,975 05
Resources—	
Cash in general fund	$12,484 94
Cash in Nehalem road fund	1,867 08
Delinquent taxes	1,783 57
Total resources	$16,175 59
Excess of liabilities	$55,799 46

The Treasurer's report shows the receipts during the six months to have been as follows:

Cash on hand, January 1	$11,720 77
Receipts since	137,351 50
Total	$149,072 27
Disbursements	113,833 52
Balance on hand, June 30	$35,238 75

WATTERSON WON'T TALK.

Nothing to Say on Politics—Enthusiastic Over Canal.

SPOKANE, July 9.—Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, arrived from the East this morning. He is on his way to Portland and other Pacific Coast points on a vacation trip. He refused to discuss Presidential candidates, saying:

"I might as well talk about the crops of 1904 as to talk about Presidential candidates. One man's guess is as good as another's."

He spoke enthusiastically of canal prospects, saying: "The isthmian canal will completely revolutionize the country's progress."

Oregon Mining Stock Exchange.

PORTLAND, July 9.

Today's quotations were:

	Bid.	Asked.
Alaska M. & M.	...	11
Bronze Monarch	...	18½
Caribou	...	8
Crystal Consolidated	18½	20
Chicago	...	8¼
Cascade Calumet	...	4
Gold Hill & Bohemia	...	10
Huronian	...	3
Lost Horse	...	25
Oregon-Colorado M. M. & D.	...	50
Sumpter Consolidated	...	4
Sweden Copper (Gtd.)	...	90
Winnipeg (Ltd.)	...	10
Vesuvius	...	25
Judson Rock	...	5

SAN FRANCISCO, July 9.—Official closing quotations for mining stocks:

Alta	$0 05	Mexican	$0 45
Andes	5	Occidental Con	16
Belcher	9	Ophir	1 25
Best & Belcher	22	Overman	26
Caledonia	1 00	Potosi	22
Challenge Con	17	Savage	4
Chollar	7	Seg. Belcher	3
Confidence	55	Sierra Nevada	24
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 35	Silver Hill	40
Crown Point	3	Union Con	18
Gould & Curry	4	Utah Con	6
Hale & Norcross	35	Yellow Jacket	14
Justice	5		

NEW YORK, July 9.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

Adams Con	$0 20	Little Chief	$0 11
Alice	40	Ontario	7 87
Breece	50	Ophir	1 15
Brunswick Con	5	Phoenix	6
Comstock Tunnel	5	Potosi	18
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 25	Savage	4
Deadwood Terra	1 00	Sierra Nevada	20
Horn Silver	1 25	Small Hopes	40
Iron Silver	80	Standard	3 00
Leadville Con	3		

BOSTON, July 9.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 23 50	Parrott	$ 27 00
Allouez	2 25	Quincy	130 00
Amalgamated	62 87	Santa Fe Cop	1 75
Bingham	31 50	Tamarack	178 00
Cal. & Hecla	570 00	Trimountain	95 00
Centennial	17 50	Trinity	11 75
Copper Range	52 50	United States	19 00
Dominion Coal	132 75	United Copper	34 75
Franklin	10 50	Utah	20 00
Isle Royale	12 50	Victoria	5 75
Mohawk	40 25	Winona	4 50
Old Dominion	19 00	Wolverines	55 50
Osceola	60 00		

Cyanide Plant for Kalama Mine.

KALAMA, Wash., July 9.—A 50-ton cyanide plant for the Darnell Mining & Milling Company arrived in this city today from Denver, Colo., and will at once be hauled to the mine, which is located within the corporate limits of Kalama. For three weeks a large force of men has been excavating for the building, which will be 88x80 feet, with long sheds. The mining company has just finished putting down a half mile of 2-inch water pipe, bringing water from a big spring back of town for use at the mine. The company expects to have the machinery installed and the plant in operation in about 60 days. The ore from the Darnell mine runs about $14 a ton in gold and 8 per cent copper.

Finances of Clackamas County.

OREGON CITY, July 9.—The annual financial statement of Clackamas County has just been completed by the retiring Clerk, E. H. Cooper. The net indebtedness of the county is $92,421 96. Warrants drawn on the County Treasurer outstanding and unpaid total $111,839 64, and the estimated amount of interest accrued thereon is $10,020 31. The total indebtedness of the county is $121,859 95. There is in the hands of the County Treasurer applicable to the payment of county warrants $10,154 12. The total amount of warrants issued during the fiscal year was $66,428 89. The total amount of road warrants issued was $31,740 43.

Bad Accident to Hunter.

FALLS CITY, July 9. — Ralph Henry, while out hunting in the timber with his gun cocked, received an accidental discharge of the contents. James Wright, who brought the word to Falls City and came for medical assistance, stated that the bullet entered under the chin and came out about the nostrils, practically the entire front of the face being torn away.

Insane Patient Escapes From Asylum

SALEM, July 9.—M. L. Kane, an insane patient received at the asylum last January from Portland, escaped from the asylum several days ago and has not yet been found. He picked a lock at the asylum farm, where he was confined, and drove away with a horse and buggy belonging to J. H. Henderson. Search is being made for him.

New Deputy Fish Warden.

ASTORIA, Or., July 9.—Master Fish Warden Van Dusen this evening announced the appointment of A. J. Webster, Representative-elect from Clackamas County, as Deputy Fish Warden, to succeed Henry Bultman, resigned.

If you have never used Carter's Little Liver Pills, go at once to the nearest drug store and get a vial. They will surely please you. Don't forget this.

PLANNED OUTBREAK IN '99

TRACY AND MERRILL HAD FIFTY MEN IN PLOT AT THAT TIME.

Smuggling Arms Into Penitentiary Not Difficult—Some of Weak Points of Prison.

SALEM, July 9.—The attempt, although unsuccessful, of some unknown man to enter the Oregon Penitentiary at midnight Monday shows once more the weakness of the institution Oregon has provided for its felons. While the prison is sufficiently secure against outbreaks by prisoners, unaided, the ease with which guns may be passed over the walls at night is almost beyond belief. It is surprising that an attempt to free the prisoners was not successful before Tracy and Merrill escaped a month ago. It was learned today that Tracy and Merrill planned an escape three years ago, and that 50 prisoners were in the plot. Had the scheme been kept secret, probably 50 or more prisoners would have left the Penitentiary at that time, leaving behind them more than three dead guards. One of the prisoners gave the Penitentiary officials a word of warning, and while the details of the plan were not learned, the escape was prevented. Tracy and Merrill were the ring leaders and were kept in restraint for some time afterward. Profiting by experience, they took no one into their confidence in this adventure, but made their flight alone.

The Prison Yard.

The prison yard is enclosed by a brick wall 16 to 18 feet high. The prison itself forms a part of the wall on the west side. The prison lawn is inclosed with a steel paling 16 feet high, the steel rods being bent over at the top and barbed in fishhook fashion. The gate through the paling fence is open nearly all day, but no entrance to the rear prison yard is ever open except when a steel door on the Southern Pacific sidetrack is opened to admit a car. When visitors or prisoners are admitted from the front yard to the rear yard, they are first locked in a small room and then the inner door is opened, so that locked steel bars always present a barrier against an escape through the gates or doors.

But the precaution used in arranging the gates has not been employed in guarding against such intrusions as resulted in the death of three guards and the escape of Tracy and Merrill.

Everything in Escapes' Favor.

To one who visits the prison yard now and examines all the conditions which were in favor of rebellious convicts, it would seem that Tracy and Merrill could not have had things more to their liking if they had ordered all the arrangements themselves. The prison yard is pentagonal in shape, with a guardhouse at each of the five corners. The longest wall is about 400 feet in length. The guards pace back and forth along a walk built on the outside of the wall about 3½ to four feet from the top. Thus a guard's body is unprotected down to the waist. By crouching down on the walk he can protect his whole body, or all but his head and shoulders, while firing over the wall. The guardhouses have wide windows and furnish little more protection than the open wall.

The Way to Get Into Yard.

On the north side of the wall is built a wagon shed, the roof of which extends up against the wall, reaching nearly to the walk on which the guards pace their beats. The lower edge of the roof comes just above the top of the wooden gate in the barn yard. A man can therefore climb on top of the gate, step up on the shed roof and run up the easy slant of the roof to the top of the wall. With a rope ladder he could then let himself down into the prison yard. Just inside the wall, not far from the shed, is a huge pile of molding boxes about 8 to 10 feet high, a pile of pig iron, and a building used for storing coke. A few feet further from the wall is the nearest of the stone foundry shops where the convicts made their break. A man entering over the north wall would have the protection of the pile of boxes almost as soon as he touched the ground.

About 20 feet from the prison wall on the east is an old barn not now in general use. In this men could secrete themselves while arranging an ascent of the wall on that side, and by means of a ladder or rope they could ascend to the top of the wall, dropping down on the inside in the rear of the shops. A run of about 50 feet would bring them into the shelter of another pile of molding boxes, stacked up about 20 feet from the shops.

On the outside of the south wall, where the strange man appeared last Monday night, there is no means of temporary concealment except a freight car standing a few feet away on the side track, and the brick buttresses which extend out two feet from the wall at intervals of about 20 feet. A man dropping down into the yard from the south wall would find his first place of concealment in a row of blackberry vines about 75 feet from the wall.

Not a Hazardous Undertaking.

As there are no guards on the walls at night, and as there was prior to the escape only one guard in the shop yard, it is apparent that scaling the wall and hiding a rifle in the shops would be a not very hazardous undertaking. Unless discovered when ascending or descending the wall, the intruder would have almost constant concealment and could intrench himself behind a pile of boxes, one of the buildings, or a pile of logs, in but a single bound. There can be no doubt that some ex-convict scaled the wall and secreted the rifles in the foundry, where Tracy and Merrill were accustomed to work, and that they were expecting the assistance.

Standing in the northwest corner of the shop where they worked, Tracy and Merrill could draw a bead on any of three of the five wall guards, and were protected from a return fire. After killing Shop Guard Ferrell they fired at the guards at the west and northwest posts and then rushed out the rear door of the shop. Here they were partly protected by a pile of boxes and began firing at two guards on the east wall. When these guards jumped from the wall Tracy and Merrill went inside the shop and brought out a ladder used by the foundry employes when oiling the high shafting. When they emerged with the ladder they came in range of the guard on the southeast corner and were exposed to a fire for the first time. A few shots from this guard made them turn their course to the north wall, where Tracy set up the ladder. While doing this they were out of range of all the guards except the one on the northwest corner, and Merrill, protected by a pile of boxes, kept firing at this guard. As soon as he reached the top of the wall, Tracy shot Jones, the guard at the post mentioned, and then they had no opposition to their escape. By running to the north wall they had put the shops between themselves and the guard who had fired at them from the southeast post. They were under cover nearly all the time, while the guards were exposed. By a few rapid shots they drove two guards from the wall and kept the others guessing where they were. The rapidity with which they changed their positions gave the impression that the outbreak was general and that a considerable number of the convicts were armed.

After a run of about 100 yards, the convicts reached some low brush along the bank of Mill Creek, and a half mile away they struck heavier brush, which afforded concealment. Not knowing how extensive the uprising might be, the prison officials could not send any of their force in immediate pursuit of the two men who had escaped.

Need of Changes Apparent.

While all was going along peacefully at the Penitentiary, there was no apparent need of changes which would afford better protection against an outbreak, but the manner of the escape of Tracy and Merrill leaves no doubt that radical changes should be made. The attempt of some unknown man to enter the prison yard Monday night, just one month after the escape of Tracy and Merrill, serves to emphasize the need of changes.

It has been stated since the escape of Tracy and Merrill that the prison guards are not properly armed. Superintendent Lee says the guards are armed with 30-30 Winchesters, the same style of rifles carried by the escaped convicts. The guards were probably neither as quick nor as accurate in their use of rifles as Tracy and Merrill, but their chief disadvantage was that they were exposed to the sudden attack of a concealed enemy.

SAWMILL FOR ASTORIA.

San Francisco Man Will Build Plant With 100,000 Feet Capacity.

ASTORIA, July 9.—A deal was closed today whereby George W. Hume, of San Francisco, purchased from Van Dusen & Co. a tract of land comprising 500 feet of water frontage in Alderbrook, adjoining the old Scandinavian cannery, for a mill site. Mr. Hume wired this afternoon for his millwright, and will begin at once on the construction of a sawmill with a capacity of 100,000 feet per day. The price paid for the site was $4000, and a portion of it was raised by the citizens.

Boy Run Over by Wagon.

Joseph Anderson, the 5-year-old son of Alfred Anderson, was run over by an express wagon last evening, one of the wheels passing over his chest, breaking two of his ribs and injuring him internally. He was not expected to live through the night, but he is resting easily this evening, and there is hope of his recovery.

EIGHTEEN CENTS FOR HOPS.

Salem Dealer Offers This Top-Notch Price for Two Crops.

SALEM, July 9.—H. J. Ottenheimer, Pacific Coast representative of Lilienthal Bros., of San Francisco, confirms the report published in today's Oregonian that 18 cents is being offered for contracts for hops of the year 1902. This is 2 cents better than has been specified in contracts thus far recorded. Mr. Ottenheimer offered 18 cents for two crops, and is in the market contracting at that price. The steady advance of prices is causing great elation among those growers who have not contracted, and many of those who gave contracts at from 10 to 12 cents are regretting their lack of foresight.

MANY HOP LICE IN LANE.

Growers Expect to Have More Trouble on This Score Than Usual.

EUGENE, July 9.—The hopgrowers of Lane County now expect lice to be more troublesome this season than usual, and create greater damage to the crops. From all the yards in this vicinity are coming reports that the lice are appearing in much greater numbers than is customary. Spraying is now general. The reason given for the unusual abundance of the lice this Summer is the weather. The recent cool and moist weather has been unusually favorable to the propagation of the pest.

Editor Accused of Theft.

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 9.—A special from Dawson says: Joseph Andrew Clark, editor of the Klondike Miner, has been accused of the theft of $750 by E. O'Donnell, a former partner. On his preliminary examination, Clark was committed for trial and the magistrate bound the plaintiff over in the sum of $1000, stating that he would not allow the case to be settled out of court. Clark was released on bail.

Heavy rainfalls have lately prevailed in the region surrounding this city, and the effect has been to greatly assist mining operations, and there is no doubt whatever that the output of the season will be largely increased on account of the surplus of water at present obtained.

Wireless Telegraphy in Alaska.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 9.—R. Pfund, an electrical engineer, has arrived here on his way to Alaska, for the purpose of establishing a wireless telegraphic system between the Yukon River and the fort at Bates Rapid, on the Tanana River, a distance of 195 miles. The line, which will be constructed under the direction of Chief Signal Officer Greely, will be completed by October 1. On his return from the North Mr. Pfund may take measures to establish a station near the Golden Gate so that wireless communication may be had with vessels on the Pacific.

Child Drowned While at Play.

ABERDEEN, Wash., July 9.—While playing with some companions on the landing stage at the city dock yesterday afternoon, little Hattie Demeree, the 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levant Demeree, fell overboard in the Wishkah River and was drowned. Her playmates were powerless to save her, although her brother Harry, a lad of 6, nearly lost his life in an attempt to rescue his sister, and the cries of the frightened children, though they brought instant aid, were not in time to prevent the sad accident.

Evangelical Lutheran Conference.

SILVERTON, Or., July 9.—The conference of the Pacific district of the Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran Church of America met at the First Lutheran Church here today. Rev. O. Grousberg, of San Francisco, presided. Rev. C. J. Nielsen, of Hayward, Cal., was elected temporary secretary. Election of permanent officers was postponed until tomorrow. The conference will be in session one week.

Liquor Monopoly Abolished.

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 9.—A special from Dawson says: The permit system which has heretofore allowed the control of the liquor traffic of the Yukon to pass into the hands of a favored few has been abolished. The abolition of the system occurred at the hands of the Yukon Council, which is now in session.

County Auditor Resigns.

ABERDEEN, July 9.—The Auditor of Chehalis County, Harry B. Martin, tendered his resignation to the Board of County Commissioners yesterday, having decided to abandon politics for business. Deputy Sheriff Duncan Campbell was at once appointed to fill out the unexpired term.

Supreme Court Orders.

SALEM, July 9.—The following orders were made in the Supreme Court today:

Augusta Larsen, respondent, vs. The Order of Washington, appellant; appellant allowed until July 31 to file brief.

State of Oregon, respondent, vs. S. W. Simmons, administrator, appellant; ordered that appellant's time to file abstract be extended 30 days.

Two Men Drowned in Alaska.

VALDES, Alaska, June 30, via Seattle, July 9.—Ole W. Johnson, of Sheridan, Wyo., one of the flagmen for the surveying party of the railroad company, was drowned June 28 while crossing a glacier stream north of Valdes. Thomas Kennelly, of Pocatello, Idaho, was drowned June 7, while crossing the Kotsina River in a canvas boat.

Traffic Through Oregon City Locks.

SALEM, July 9. — During the three months ending June 30, steamboats and barges made 343 trips through the locks at Oregon City, carrying 4151 passengers, 307,236 feet of lumber, 8,311,501 feet of logs, and 6213 tons of freight.

Fatal Shock to Lineman.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 9.—Robert K. Burns, a young lineman, who recently arrived in this city from Chicago, was instantly killed by an electric shock today while running a wire.

BIG LUMBER PLANT SOLD

$3,000,000 PAID FOR SISKIYOU COMPANY'S HOLDINGS.

Include Much Valuable Timber Land, Large Sawmills and 50 Miles of Railroad.

ASHLAND, Or., July 9.—Negotiations for the sale of the Scott & Van Arsdale Lumber Company's property, in the McCloud region of Siskiyou County, which have been in progress for several months, have been completed, the purchase price being $3,000,000. The purchasers are the Carpenter Land Company, of Dubuque, Ia.; the Hixon Sash & Door Company, of Merrill, Wis.; Curtis Bros., of Clinton, Ia.; and Walter Alexander and Stewart Bros., of Wausau, Wis. The property includes, besides 115,000 acres of timber land, the McCloud River Railroad, the McCloud River Lumber Company, the Siskiyou Lumber Company and the Siskiyou Lumber & Mercantile Company. There are, including spurs, about 50 miles of track on the railroad, which runs from Upton to McCloud; lumber yards at Ash Creek, McCloud and San Francisco, and a lumber yard and box factory at Upton. The mills connected with the enterprise cut about 400,000 feet of lumber per day, most of it being sugar and yellow pine.

The company will retain its old name, and there will be no change in the officials, but the control of the corporation is vested in the new owners, who buy the $3,000,000 worth of stock in the company. G. W. Scott is president, W. W. Van Arsdale vice-president and general manager, and F. C. Youngberg secretary.

Buy Timber and Will Build Mill.

MEDFORD, July 8.—The Iowa Lumber Company, of Council Bluffs, Ia., has purchased 1500 acres of sugar, yellow and white pine timber of Beekman & Linn, of Jacksonville, and will commence at once the erection of two mills. The timber is situated one mile from Jacksonville. The work on the mills and the extension of the Rogue River Valley Railroad to the timber will be begun at once. The company will erect a box factory, either at Medford or Jacksonville. A strong effort will be made to secure it for Medford.

1902 Prunes Sold.

SALEM, Or., July 9.—Manager Gile, of the Willamette Valley Prune Association, reports the sale today of several cars of Italian prunes of the crop of 1902. The price to be paid is 5½ cents for the 30-to-40 size in 25-pound boxes, or a basis price of 2¾ cents in bags. This is the first sale of the season so far as known.

Nothing in Reports of Cattle War.

PRINEVILLE, July 9.—The numerous reports of large numbers of sheep having been killed on the borders of this county are largely imaginative. There is no war on between sheepmen and cattlemen, and none is probable unless the foreign sheep intrude on the cattle range that has been reserved for cattle only.

Rain Helps Hay and Grain.

PRINEVILLE, July 9.—The recent rains have brightened the prospects for grain and hay crops here. While there is an increased acreage over last year, the yield will hardly exceed that, on account of the hot winds that prevailed for several days previous to the rain.

Jury Charges Him With Murder.

ROSEBURG, July 9.—The Coroner's jury today brought in a charge of murder against Thomas Lovell for shooting Horace Roadman near Wilbur, Sunday. He will have a preliminary examination before Judge Thompson tomorrow.

Land Board Approves Loans.

SALEM, July 9.—The State Land Board today approved 35 applications for loans aggregating $32,150, and disallowed one application for $350.

THE DEATH ROLL.

Judge William Marvin.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., July 9.—Judge William Marvin died at his home in Skaneateles today, aged 94. He was appointed United States District Judge at Key West, Fla., by President Van Buren, and held court at Key West until 1863. It was a Union court, with the American flag floating over it, though every attendant of the court, from District Attorney to crier, joined in secession. After the war President Johnson appointed Judge Marvin provisional Governor of Florida. He was elected to the United States Senate, but was not allowed to take his seat, because negroes had not been allowed to vote. Judge Marvin returned to Skaneateles in 1868. He wrote several works upon maritime law and upon theological subjects. He voted for every Democratic President from Jackson to Cleveland, but bolted Bryan in 1896. Judge Marvin was the father-in-law of General Ludington, Quartermaster-General, United States Army.

Michigan Mining Man.

BUTTE, Mont., July 9.—Lawrence Carrigan, a prominent mining man of Hancock, Mich., died here today of pneumonia after an illness covering about a week. Mr. Carrigan came West from Michigan 10 days ago to look after some mining property in Idaho. The deceased was 55 years of age.

Duchess of Atholl.

ROME, July 9.—The Duchess of Atholl (who was the eldest daughter of Sir Thomas Moncrieffe) died last night while on her way from Italy to Switzerland.

Old Pottery Manufacturer.

NEW YORK, July 9.—James P. Stevens, one of the oldest pottery manufacturers in this country, is dead at Trenton, N. J., from heart disease, aged 62 years.

Charles H. Criss.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Charles H. Criss, a well-known member of the New York Cotton Exchange, is dead at Sea Bright, N. J., from Bright's disease.

Giant Geyser in Southern Mexico.

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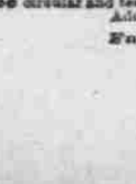

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