FIRE OVER BIG AREA

Clackamas County Farm Lands Devastated.

COUNTRY NOW BARE AS A FLOOR

Forest Fires Are Fanned by High Winds, and, Finding Their Way Into Grain Fields, Are Causing Heavy Damage.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Thousands of dollars' worth of property has been destroyed by the forest fires raging within a radius of 10 miles of this city yesterday afternoon and last night. Four distinct fires have appeared, and the total loss is very large. By far the greatest fire was between Schubel and Clarke's, and many miles of farming country have been burned as bare as a floor. The blaze started near Moehnke's sawmill and burned its way through for several miles, and subsided in a measure when the wind went down last night. The farmers in the vicinity of Clarke's are in danger of losing their property if the wind springs up.

Robert Ringo, who lives near Clarke's, was in the city today, and gave a detailed account of the fire. He drove past ruins of many houses and barns on his way to the city. Mr. Ringo said that it was not known how the fire was started, but it could easily be seen how it spread so rapidly. Nearly all of the farmers had stacked their straw close to their barns and other buildings. The stacks would catch fire first, throwing burning brands on the roofs of the houses. The strong wind would catch the flames and sweep them through the fields of stubble.

The loss of Edward Hornshuh exceeds $5000. He lost his house, costing $1500; barn, costing $700, and granaries, machines and his whole crop of hay. Last July his insurance expired, and he did not renew the policy, so his loss is complete.

The dwelling and barn of Mike Moehnke were completely destroyed. Other losses are: Fred Moehnke's barn and contents, including hay crop; Bluhm's barn and contents, including crop of hay and large quantity of harness; George Rogers' barn, crop of hay and 400 bushels of grain; Westley Hill's barn and contents; Massinger's barn, hay and crop of grain; Ernest Guenther's barn and contents; Chris Hornshuh's barn.

Still another fire appeared last night on the middle Portland road just north of Gladstone Park. Last Spring the Supervisor slashed out the road to a width of 60 feet, and left a fringe of trees on each side. Late last night some miscreant set fire to the brush, and the residents of Gladstone turned out to fight the flames, getting them under control about 11 o'clock. This morning they broke out again. The wind from the north spreads the flames to the river side of the road. This fire is now practically under control.

The fire which destroyed Dixon's house and some stock last night has gained no headway since then, and there is nothing to fear unless the breeze from the north freshens.

FOREST FIRE IN TILLAMOOK.

Destroying Timber and Menacing Farmhouses.

TILLAMOOK, Sept. 9.—Forest fires are raging east of this city. A big fire was burning fiercely all Sunday night on the Wilson River, about eight miles from here, and where the new fish hatchery is being put in. So fierce had the fire become that the people living in the vicinity came to this city yesterday for safety. Another fire was burning in the foothills, and being fanned by a strong east wind caused considerable damage. In the neighborhood of the Red Clover Creamery, on Trask River, the fire spread rapidly and it was only by dint of hard work that a number of farmhouses and barns were saved.

A party left this city yesterday to assist in fighting the fire and their services were very valuable to the farmers, some of whom took the precaution to move the furniture from their homes. The smoke was dense in this city yesterday and ashes fell for miles around, while the air was hot. The stage with the mail was unable to get through from here last night, and the incoming stage had to cross a burning bridge.

Reports this morning from Wilson River state that two fires are now burning fiercely, with a strong wind. The fire is in the green timber, and should the present dry weather continue considerable timber will be destroyed. It is impossible to get within half a mile of the fire on Wilson River, the smoke and heat being so intense.

One of the fire wardens who came in from the Wilson River last night says his party detected a fire in the mountains Sunday, and by the time they reached there it had covered 20 acres. He is under the impression that some one has been setting out fires, but could find no trace of persons doing so. The present northwest wind will drive the fire into the mountains, while should it change to the east it will place Tillamook County in danger as well as Tillamook City.

FIRE IN CORVALLIS.

Early Morning Blaze, With a $3200 Loss.

CORVALLIS, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—The saloon of Ben Woldt and a building adjoining, formerly a blacksmith shop, were destroyed by fire at 2 o'clock this morning. Save the cigars and a few bottles of liquors, the entire contents of the saloon were destroyed. The fire had great headway before the department arrived, and all the latter could do was to save adjacent buildings.

The loss on the building is estimated at $1200; insurance, $750; contents, $2000; insurance, $750. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

Fire Near Forest Grove.

FOREST GROVE, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Fire on the mountains near here is destroying a good deal of timber and is filling the atmosphere with smoke.

CLARK COUNTY FIRES.

Big Blaze in Woods East of Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Considerable damage has been done throughout the county the past week from forest fires. Yesterday's heavy wind caused the fires to spread rapidly, and but for the efforts of fire-fighters several homes would have been destroyed. No serious loss is reported.

Quite a severe fire raged yesterday east of the garrison, about a mile from this city, and the Kearney School building was reported in some danger. A fire call was sent to the Fire Department, but owing to the heavy wind prevailing the Chief did not think it advisable to take the engine outside the city unless more alarming conditions arose.

MARION COUNTY PRUNES.

Crop This Year Ripening Earlier Than Usual.

SALEM, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—The harvesting of the prune crop this year will begin earlier than usual. The picking of prunes on the F. Kurtz orchard, north of this city, will begin Thursday, and Mr. Kurtz, who operates a large dryer, expects to start up his plant on the following Monday. Mr. Kurtz estimates that his crop will equal 75 per cent of the average yield, this estimate taking into consideration the several varieties that he grows on his place. He reports that he will have a full crop of the Petites and Silver varieties, while his Italians will fall considerably short of the average yield.

The Salem Cannery Company will not operate its evaporating plant this year, but will ship to its canning plant in Portland all of the fruit that can be purchased in the Salem market for shipment.

LANE COUNTY HOPS.

Crop of Six Thousand Bales the Finest Ever Harvested.

EUGENE, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—This morning several of the most important hopyards of the county began picking, and now the harvest is on in earnest. Thousands of men, women and children are camped near the various yards, and are at work early every morning taking care of the finest crop of hops that ever grew in the county, and at the same time providing themselves with spending money to buy needed articles. It is not unusual for a family to make $6 or $8 per day, which is quite an item. No shortage of help has been reported from any yard, and all will save their entire crop if only the weather remains favorable for the next two or three weeks. The ruling prices for picking are 40 cents per box where the nine-bushel box is used, or 80 cents per 100 pounds where the hops are weighed.

The crop of the county is now estimated at about 6000 bales. Buyers from the East have been here during the past few days, and say they have never in their experience seen such sights as are presented in the yards of this county.

M'MINNVILLE HARVEST CARNIVAL.

Old Yamhill to Make Exhibit of Her Famous Products.

M'MINNVILLE, Sept. 8.—(Special.)—The citizens of McMinnville and Yamhill Counties decided to hold a harvest festival and veterans' reunion September 25, 26 and 27. A large tent will be used for exhibits, also the entire floor of the Burns building, which will be a great advantage in case of bad weather. The Chemewa Indian Band has been secured. Governor-elect Chamberlain, Governor Geer and Congressman Tongue will probably be here and address the people. Yamhill County will be searched for material for exhibits, and it is expected that this will be the most successful affair of the kind ever held here, as ample funds have been secured, and the various committees are hard at work, and will leave nothing undone to make the occasion a success.

WASHINGTON SCHOOL CENSUS.

Shows an Enumeration of 167,902 for the Year 1902.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—State Superintendent Bryan has just finished computing the enrollment of pupils in the public schools for the year 1902, and the enumeration of school children as returned by the school census takers. The results show an enrollment throughout the state of 126,645 pupils as against 123,391 in the year before, and an enumeration of 167,902 for the year 1902 as against 152,541 for 1901.

The principal reason for computing these figures at the present time is that the State Board of Equalization may fix the rate of taxation for school purposes. The law provides that a tax shall be levied which, when added to the interest accruing from the permanent school fund, shall aggregate $10 for each school child in the state, providing that the tax shall not exceed 5 mills on the dollar. Last year, to raise the school tax, the board had to place the limit of 5 mills, and the indications are that it will again be necessary to fix the rate for school taxation at the limit.

WILLAMETTE CHAUTAUQUA.

Annual Stockholders' Meeting to Be Held Next Tuesday.

OREGON CITY, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Willamette Valley Chautauqua Association will be held next Tuesday, September 16, in the Courthouse in this city, and will convene at 2 P. M. for the purpose of electing a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, and five directors. These, with the four officers, constitute a board of nine directors, who transact the business of the association. This year's assembly netted a profit of about $400, and there is now existing a debt of only $200. Should next year's assembly be as successful as this year, the association will be free from debt for the first time in several years. The present officers of the Chautauqua Association are: President, Professor W. C. Hawley; vice-president, C. H. Dye; secretary, H. E. Cross; treasurer, Thomas F. Ryan; board of directors, W. C. Hawley, T. F. Ryan, E. E. Charman, C. H. Dye, George A. Harding, Dr. W. E. Carll, H. E. Cross, Mrs. Robert A. Miller, Mrs. William Galloway.

School Teachers Lose Case.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Miss E. May McKenzie and Miss Rose R. Turner, who sued the state for salaries as instructors at the Cheney Normal School, have lost their case in the Superior Court of Thurston County. The Board of Trustees of the Cheney Normal School elected Miss McKenzie and Miss Turner instructors for the term beginning September, 1900, but later reconsidered their action and refused to employ them. They sued the state for $1500. The court holds that the election of the teachers without a formal acceptance on their part on the entering into of a contract does not bind the state.

Baker Schools Prosperous.

BAKER CITY, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Superintendent Churchill, of the city schools, reports that the total enrollment for the opening day of the city schools yesterday was 1069, which is an increase of about 100 over last year's enrollment.

There are 110 students in the High School this year. Several new teachers have been added to the faculty, and taken altogether the schools in this city were never in a more prosperous condition.

STABBING AFFRAY AT ELMA.

Two Men Fight Over a Gambling Game.

ELMA, Wash., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—An ugly cutting affair occurred in the Dewey saloon Sunday evening. George Anson, a shingle man from Porter, became involved in a quarrel with William Leybold, the proprietor, over a gambling game, when Leybold knocked him down. Anson in turn stabbed him in the right breast, the right hip and on the back of the neck. Cuts on the breast and neck were found to be quite serious. He was taken to the hospital at Aberdeen.

At a preliminary trial held yesterday before Justice Hines, Anson was bound over to appear for trial in the Superior Court with bonds fixed at $400.

CHILD BADLY SCALDED.

Boiling Water Falls on Its Face and Neck.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Hazel, the 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Fitzwater, who reside near Lebanon, Linn County, was seriously scalded at the Horst hopyard on Dove's Island, near Independence, Monday evening. The child was brought to the Salem Hospital today for treatment. At the time of the unfortunate accident the little one was sitting beside the stove, when one of the legs became dislodged and, in turning over, the contents of the tea-kettle filled with boiling water were thrown on the child's face, neck and shoulders. The child is badly scalded and her recovery is not probable.

FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD.

In another part of this paper appears an advertisement wortny the reading, as it's for the public good. It tells of a free distribution of Doan's Kidney Pills, a remedy for kidney ills. Read it, and call at Laue-Davis Drug Company, Thursday, September 11.

UPHOLDS TEN-HOUR LAW

WASHINGTON SUPREME COURT DECLARES IT CONSTITUTIONAL.

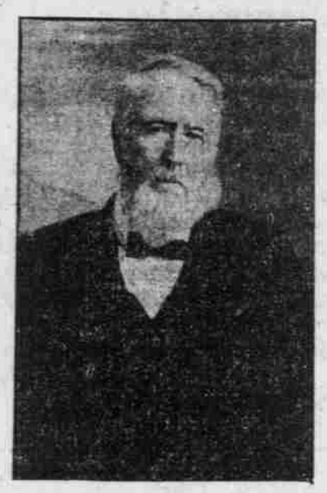
Hours of Labor for Women Employes in Mercantile Establishments Restricted to Ten Hours.

OLYMPIA, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—The Supreme Court handed down an opinion today upholding the law of 1901, which limits to 10 hours each day the employment of females in mercantile or mechanical establishments, laundries, hotels and restaurants.

The act was held to be unconstitutional by the Superior Court of King County, and also by the Superior Court of Snohomish County. The cases were consolidated under the title of the State of Washington, appellant, vs. A. G. Buchanan, respondent. The defendant is manager of a Seattle department store, and the complaining witness was Mrs. W. A. Smith, a clerk therein.

The information charged, in substance, the violation of the act referred to. To this information a demurrer was interposed upon the ground that no offense was charged, which demurrer was sutained by the court. The appeal was taken from such judgment and ruling.

DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN OREGON CITY MAN.



Ira N. Baker

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Ira N. Baker, who died August 31 of creeping paralysis at the home of his son-in-law, H. Blankenship, at Willamette, has been a well-known figure in this locality for the past nine years. He was born in Ashe County, North Carolina, October 4, 1828, and came to Oregon in 1874, settling in Lane County. In 1883 he came here, and with his son, B. F. Baker, who died about six months ago, purchased a farm of 320 acres near the mouth of the Tualatin for $5000. In 1892 this property was sold by the Bakers to the Willamette Falls Company, a branch of the Portland General Electric Company, for $25,000, and was platted as the town of Willamette. Mr. Baker is survived by a wife and three children—David M. Baker, of Cottage Grove; Mrs. C. P. Blankenship, of Sacramento, Cal., and Mrs. H. Blankenship, of Willamette.

In 1861 he enlisted in the Confederate Army under General Marshall, and served in the Kentucky campaign. His son-in-law, H. Blankenship, at whose house he died, fought on the same field against him, serving under President Garfield, then a Colonel in the Union Army. After two years in the Confederate service Mr. Baker went over to the Federal cause, and entered the West Virginia State Guards, commanded by Colonel Ferguson. During the war he met Mr. Blankenship, and a warm friendship sprang up, which soon ripened into intimacy, resulting in the marriage of Mr. Blankenship to Mr. Baker's daughter. The Confederate veteran and the Union veteran had been together for 35 years.

NO DELAY, SAYS GEER.

Alleged Outrage on Chinese Is Being Investigated.

SALEM, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Following is a statement from Governor Geer, replying to a Washington dispatch in this morning's paper stating that the Government authorities had received no answer from him:

"I received notice from the State Department at Washington on the 29th of August that no steps had been taken to apprehend the parties who attacked the Chinese at Baker City on the 8th inst., and stating that complaint had been made by the Chinese authorities. The department requested that measures be taken 'with a view to the prompt apprehension and punishment of the guilty parties,' etc. The same day I wrote to District Attorney Sam White, of Baker City, of the complaint, and directed him to proceed at once with the necessary measures which would lead to a thorough investigation.

"This fact was printed in the papers, and, meeting the eye of District Attorney Miller, of Malheur County, he at once took the necessary steps in the matter without hearing from me, being cognizant of the fact that the outrage was committed in Mormon Basin, which is in his county.

"I have on file in this office a letter from Mr. White acknowledging the receipt of my letter of August 29, in which he says that complaint was made to him at the time, but that since the affair was in Malheur County, he at once notified the Sheriff of that county and requested him to investigate it. The Sheriff informed him that he was unable to find anything other than that four or five white men had started a fire in Chinatown, held up some of the Chinese and looted the stores, that the men were masked, and could not be identified.

"Attorney Miller is vigorously looking into the affair, and will no doubt discover the guilty parties and bring them to trial. There has been no delay whatever since the notification was received at this office. I notified the department at Washington by mail the same day the request was received, but since the letter must have been delayed or miscarried, I today sent another notification by wire."

SENSATION IN HORSETHIEF CASE.

Jim Baisley Reiterates Statements He Formerly Declared False.

BAKER CITY, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—The sensation in the Manny Howard trial today was the statement of Jim Baisley, who was the main witness for the prosecution at the first trial. He swore that he was present at the time and saw Howard and Meldrum change the brand on the stolen mare by what is known as the "picking" process. Last Fall Baisley made a sworn affidavit to the effect that he was bribed by Robert Palmer, the prosecuting witness, to swear that he saw Howard and Meldrum change the brand, and that his testimony was false. Baisley was arrested on the charge of perjury at the time, but later was released. Today Baisley reiterated his first story and said it was true.

The defense offered the affidavit which he made that the first story was false. The prosecution objected to the affidavit, but the court admitted it. In regard to the affidavit, Baisley swore today that he was drunk at the time he made it, and that he was given $20 for the service rendered and told to leave the country. He swore also that on February 3 last he received a letter in which was inclosed a piece of rope and a warning to make himself scarce.

PECULIAR SALEM CASE.

Suit to Recover Money on Piano With Undetermined Ownership.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—George C. Will, a local music dealer, today began suit against Zodoc J. Riggs, a druggist of this city, to recover $60 together with costs and disbursements. The plaintiff alleges that on July 26 last Riggs purchased a piano from him for $290, agreeing to pay $50 upon delivery of the instrument and $10 per month until the balance was paid. Will represents that he delivered the piano and fulfilled his part of the contract, which Riggs has ignored. He demands judgment for $50 advance payment and initial installment of $10, together with interest charges.

The facts in the case are that Will delivered the piano to Riggs, who claims that the sale was conditional upon his approval and acceptance of same. Riggs subsequently returned the piano to Will's place of business, alleging that it was unsatisfactory. Will refused to receive the instrument from the drayman, and the piano was deposited on the sidewalk in front of an adjoining business house.

That evening, no one having laid claim to the orphan piano, the city authorities took the same in charge and carted it to the City Hall, where it will remain until the pending controversy as to ownership is determined. Riggs has engaged attorneys, and the case will be vigorously contested in the courts.

PENDLETON BANK SUED.

Man Claims Stock Formerly Owned by Portland Savings Bank.

PENDLETON, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—J. T. Milner has brought suit against the First National Bank of Athena, asking the Circuit Court to decree him the lawful owner of 50 shares of the face of $5000 of the capital stock of the bank, together with the dividends earned by the stock since 1894. This stock was originally owned by the Portland Savings Bank, but was declared forfeited six years ago because of the failure of the Portland bank to pay assessments on the stock and the same was then sold. Milner claims this forfeiture and sale to have been illegal, and that the purchaser at the time of the sale secured no title.

TRACY REWARD CLAIMANTS.

Goldfinch and Sheriff Gardner File Belated Request.

SALEM, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—A claim to the Tracy reward money was today received in the office of Governor Geer from George E. Goldfinch, Sheriff J. H. Gardner, of Lincoln County, and five deputy Sheriffs of that county.

Governor Geer has notified the claimants by letter that it will be necessary for them to file with Secretary of State Dunbar any claim they may have against the state for the Tracy reward money, and to substantiate the same by affidavits setting forth their right to the reward. Until then no official consideration can be given the claim. No affidavits accompanied the claim that was filed today.

The claim to the reward was dated August 28, but was not mailed at Davenport until September 7, the day following the payment of the reward to the Creston posse. The claim did not reach Governor Geer until today.

TO INVESTIGATE FAY CASE.

Governor La Follette to Get at the Circumstances.

SALEM, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Governor Geer today received a letter from Jerry C. Murphy, private secretary to Governor La Follette, of Wisconsin, stating that, in compliance with the suggestion of Oregon's Chief Executive, a letter had been addressed to the District Attorney of that state, requesting him to make a statement within his knowledge as to the facts under which the extradition of C. L. Fay, of Portland, was made. It was upon the application of this District Attorney that Governor Geer honored the requisition of Governor La Follette for the extradition of Fay, and when it appeared from affidavits that were received from Portland that Fay was not in the State of Wisconsin at the time of the alleged offense, Governor Geer requested that an investigation be made of the circumstances that attended the procuring of the warrant of arrest for Fay, as to whether or not he was imposed upon.

GILBERT BANK CASE.

Claims for $110,000, With $11,000 Cash Assets.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Claud Gatch, receiver of the Gilbert Bank, today filed in the Circuit Court a report of all claims existing against the bank prior to April 23, 1901, the date upon which the institution suspended business.

The report shows that claims against the bank prior to the date designated had been filed within the time specified by the court, to the amount of approximately $110,000. The time for filing claims against the bank expired some time ago. Since that date, claims to the amount of $1453 79 have been placed with Receiver Gatch. There are also other claims against the bank that have not yet been presented.

Receiver Gatch reports that he has on hand $11,000 in cash of the bank's assets. He says the bank's total assets will approximate in figures $110,000. There will be no dividend declared of the funds on hand until ordered by the court.

RECEIVES EXECUTIVE PARDON.

Aged Oregon Murderer Leaves the Penitentiary.

SALEM, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Governor Geer this afternoon issued a full pardon to William F. Beckmann, who was sentenced to life imprisonment in the State Penitentiary from Douglas County in 1895 for the murder of his wife and his stepson. The application for Beckmann's pardon had the indorsement of the sentencing Judge, members of the jury that convicted him and also many prominent people of Douglas County. Beckmann is now 72 years of age. By reason of his advanced age, he has been a care at the prison for some time. He went to Portland today, and leaves Wednesday for Minnesota, where he will spend the remainder of his days.

Discontinued Postoffices.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—On September 30 the following Oregon postoffices will be discontinued: Glentena, Lane County; Lude, Coos County, and Tamarack, Umatilla County. Mail for the first-named will be delivered at Meadow, for the second at Gravel Ford and for the last at Weston.

Hophouse Burned.

TOLEDO, Wash., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Mr. Betty, living about one mile east of Toledo, lost his dryhouse and new warehouse by fire early this morning. Mr. Betty had a yard of about 20 acres of fine hops, with everything ready for the pickers.

GOVERNOR WHITEAKER ILL

SUFFERING FROM PARALYSIS AT HIS EUGENE HOME.

Entire Right Side of His Body Is Helpless, but Friends Have Hope for His Recovery.

EUGENE, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Ex-Governor John Whiteaker, the first Governor of the State of Oregon, suffered another stroke of paralysis last night and is now quite ill at his home in this city. He is improving some, but the entire right side of his body is helpless. His friends have hopes of his recovery.

PROMINENT OREGON MINER.

Colonel J. S. Crawford, of Grant's Pass, Dangerously Ill.

GRANT'S PASS, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Colonel J. S. Crawford, the well-known copper miner of Southern Oregon and Northern California, and a member of the United States Geological Survey at Washington, is seriously ill in this city, and but little hopes are entertained for his recovery. His son has just arrived from Philadelphia.

Colonel Crawford is the discoverer of the rich Diamond Creek copper mines, of Del Norte County, California, just south of the Oregon-California boundary, and which are at present creating much attention from mining men everywhere. Colonel Crawford is also the discoverer of copper electrum, a peculiar combination of copper, silver and gold, known and used by the Romans. This electrum is being mined from the Diamond Creek mines of Colonel Crawford in Del Norte County, California.

Captain Hopkins, of Pendleton.

PENDLETON, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Word has just been received of the death at Crab Creek, Wash., September 4, of Stephen A. Olney, better known as Captain Hopkins, aged 80 years. Mr. Olney was one of the first settlers of Eastern Oregon. He lived in Umatilla County many years, accumulated considerable money in the sheep business, and gave his name to Olney cemetery, in this city. He was a rather eccentric character, being given much to the writing of poetry, almost without provocation, and was a well-known contributor for many years to local papers.

COAL NEAR HEPPNER.

Little Information Is Slowly Leaking Out.

Elgin Observer.

The people of Heppner are now elated with the prospect of soon having a coal mine opened and in operation on the head of Willow Creek, about 25 miles southeast of that place.

A diamond drill that began going down prospecting for coal last January has now reached a depth of 700 feet, and was still in coal. This whole depth was not in coal; in its downward course the drill did not pass continuously through coal, but passed through 20 veins. The coal is said to be good quality, assaying 71 per cent of fixed carbon.

The company owning the find gives out that it will begin to haul coal by wagons into Heppner in a short time.

East Oregonian.

Word has just reached Pendleton to the effect that considerable excitement prevails in Heppner over the newly opened coal fields of the Willow Creek section, about 25 miles from that place.

An expert has been on the ground for more than a month in the interest of the Morrow County Coal Company, and now the O. R. & N. Co.'s expert, accompanied by an assistant, is there looking over the ground and taking notes of every indication of coal. Since the new diamond drill which has been operating for several months by the company, developing the coal resources, was started there has been gradual excitement growing among the people in the community, and the drill has gone down to a depth of 700 feet and still is in coal which is more than 71 per cent carbon, it is realized that the excitement is not a fake.

Now that the railroad company has interested itself and has sent out its chief mineral expert, it is conceded that there is more in the report of a coal find than at first dreamed of. Not only has the railroad company been looking over the ground, but it has made proposals to buy the field at a fabulous price. The company's inspector made such a favorable report that he has caused the company to want the field, and want it badly. Whether or not the deal will be made is not known, but it is thought that the field may pass into the hands of the O. R. & N. Co. at any time.

Activity at Helena Mine.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Large amounts of high-grade ore from the Helena mine are being hauled by freight teams to the terminus of the railroad and shipped to the Tacoma smelter. The 10-stamp mill is in constant operation, crushing the free-milling ores from the upper tunnels. A large amount of this ore is very rich and gold can be seen in the same. The Musick 10-stamp mill is also in constant operation and is yielding handsomely for the company.

Prolific Petite Prunes.

SALEM, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Dr. J. F. Cook, who owns a 30-acre prune orchard south of this city, today brought in a branch from one of his Petite prune trees which was a foot in length and held 42 prunes. Dr. Cook will this year have one of the heaviest crops of prunes ever raised in this vicinity.

Lieutenant Allison Assigned.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Lieutenant James B. Allison, of the Seventh Infantry, has been assigned as aid-de-camp on General Randall's staff at Vancouver Barracks.

Enters Insane Asylum.

SALEM, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Luella M. Olson, aged 30 years, was today received at the asylum from The Dalles. The woman is possessed of a fear that she will kill her children.

Received at Penitentiary.

SALEM, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Tom Clay Garden was received at the penitentiary today from Umatilla County, under sentence of two years for obtaining money under false pretenses.

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For three years after my marriage I felt peculiar bearing-down pains such as I had never experienced before. I tried different remedies but found it was only money wasted. I then consulted a physician who treated me for two months and then said my ovaries were diseased and that I would never get well unless I had an operation. I knew that would mean that I would never have a child and I dreaded the ordeal. I changed physicians but found this did not help me any, and I was in despair.

My sister-in-law then visited me and when I told her of my trouble she said: "If you had used common sense and Wine of Cardui you would not have been in such a plight." She had used it in her own home and it had carried her through three times when she had children. I sent for some at once and took it faithfully and now find to my great joy that it was all she claimed for it. New strength and with it new hope came back to me and it seemed as if every dose gave me new life. Within three months I was changed from a dragged out mortal weary of life to a hearty, healthy woman full of ambition and life. No operation was needed and better than all I became the mother of a little girl, the pride and joy of the household. I have had two other children since without a particle of trouble. I am well and never take any medicine but Wine of Cardui. I only write that other poor sick women could know of this life-giving medicine and would take it without spending time and money on doctors, who don't cure.

Mrs Frank Grosvenor.

WINE OF CARDUI, the simple remedy which Mrs. Grosvenor advises you to take has transformed her from a sick, discouraged woman to the bright, happy, healthy person you see in this portrait. Instead of languishing on a bed of sickness Mrs. Grosvenor is now equipped for any duty of womanhood. There are some chronic cases which no medicine can cure but nineteen out of every twenty sufferers today may have the health Mrs. Grosvenor has if they will only take the Wine of Cardui treatment as Mrs. Grosvenor took it. This vegetable Wine regulates the menstrual flow, making this important function both healthful and painless. The bearing-down pains which make life a torture stop when Wine of Cardui is used and the terrible smarting pains and the inflammation cease. Though powerful in correcting the irregularities of menstruation. Wine of Cardui is a very mild medicine. Any woman may take it without a doctor's supervision, although doctors often give it to their patients when their own remedies fail. This Wine of Cardui treatment is taken quietly at home. No embarrassing private examinations or offensive operations are necessary. If you secure a bottle of Wine of Cardui and begin taking it today you will feel health returning before the month is up. Why not secure a dollar bottle of Wine of Cardui from your druggist at once? Do not accept any other medicine but the Wine of Cardui treatment which Mrs. Grosvenor writes about.

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