TRAMP KILLS FAMILY

He Beats Members Insensible With a Hatchet.

TWO WILL DIE AND OTHERS MAY

Ransacks Farmhouse After His Deed, Secures $11 and Flees—Injured People Not Found for Two Days.

SALINAS, Cal., Dec. 10.—Simon Graves, a prominent farmer, and his wife, together with George Allen, a 14-year-old boy, whose home is in San Francisco, and George H. Allbright, farmhand, were brutally assaulted by a tramp last Monday night. George Allen and Allbright will die. The physicians say there is but little hope for the recovery of Mrs. Graves, and that the condition of Mr. Graves is very serious.

On Monday evening the tramp appeared at Mrs. Graves' door and asked for a drink of water and food and for permission to stop in the barn. Graves sent young Allen with him to the barn. The boy carried the light. When outside the tramp grasped his arm, took the light from him and threw him down, after which he secured and bound and gagged him with ropes which he had at hand. Arming himself with a hatchet, the tramp went to the barn and attacked Allbright, fracturing his skull. The tramp then returned to the boy he had bound and inflicted wounds with the hatchet. Returning to the house the tramp attacked Graves, who was armed with a 32-caliber revolver, which he fired twice at the tramp, missing him both times. The tramp wrenched the pistol from Graves and fired one shot into his breast. When Graves fell to the floor the tramp bound him and struck him two heavy blows on the head with the hatchet, rendering him unconscious. Mrs. Graves, in another room of the house, heard the shots and came to the rescue of her husband. The tramp felled her with a blow from his hatchet and beat her into unconsciousness. Then the would-be-murderer ransacked the house, emptying every drawer, evidently in the hope of finding a considerable sum. He secured $11 and fled, at the same time taking a shotgun, which he afterward threw away by the side of the road.

The injured people were not discovered until noon today.

EXCURSION TO EUROPE.

Pendleton Scandinavians Leave 40 Strong to Join Others.

PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 10.—A party consisting of 40 Swedes and Norwegians, mostly from Umatilla County, started East last evening from this city on the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company's line. At Chicago they will join a larger party en route for New York, whence they sail on the Urania for Europe. The steamer will carry about 1000 of these Scandinavian excursionists. After visiting the old country they will return to the United States, bringing many of their friends and relatives with them to settle here.

Much Snow in Umatilla County.

While there is no snow in Pendleton it is very deep in other portions of Umatilla County, especially in the Blue Mountains and foothills. Weston and Athena report good sleighing. At Fletcher's sawmill, near Weston, the snow is five feet deep and logging has been suspended. At the head of Rhine Creek snow is three feet deep, while at Camas Prairie and Meacham the snow is several feet deep. Stockmen expect a very severe Winter and aged Indians predict much cold weather. The Umatilla River here is bank full, and should a chinook wind prevail very high water will result.

Election at Adams.

At the city election in Adams yesterday the following officers were elected: B. A. Marquis, Mayor; J. E. Cherry, Treasurer; J. E. Stanfield, Recorder; F. B. Wilkes, Marshal; William Baker, J. O. Hales, James T. Lieuallen, A. B. Stone and J. A. Winn, Councilmen.

Prohibitionists Carry Milton.

At Milton there was a very exciting contest between the prohibitionists and the saloonmen, in which the former were victorious. The city officers elected were: S. A. Miller, Mayor; G. W. Ingle, Recorder; Robert Vanell, Marshal; N. A. Davis, Treasurer; G. E. Berry, John Frazier, C. B. Tolen, W. A. Bannister and J. D. Hays, Councilmen.

Peculiar Larceny Case.

Ira Rose was brought in from the reservation and landed in the County Jail yesterday on a charge of larceny, committed under rather peculiar circumstances. Several weeks ago Rose, who is a young man, hired a horse and saddle at Adams and came to Pendleton, where he traded the saddle for a revolver and some cash. Then he rode the horse bareback down the river, traded the hired horse for another, stopped at the B. F. Kidder ranch six miles below town, told one of the Kidder boys he had a warrant for his arrest, but accepted a saddle as security for young Kidder's appearance at court in Pendleton the next day. On Kidder's arrival here he found there was no warrant out against him and proceedings were commenced against Rose. Constable Lieuallen found him Monday at Thorn Hollow on the reservation, where he had just sold his horse to a squaw for $5 and was on foot. The constable secured the horse back from the squaw, returning her the $5, and brought Rose here yesterday. Several other charges besides these mentioned will be preferred against Rose.

RUNS DOWN BURGLAR.

Albany Man Discovers House-Breaker and Gives Chase.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—A man giving his name as R. W. Harris was arrested in Albany late last evening, charged with larceny from a private dwelling-house. Shortly before bedtime A. L. Ramsey heard a suspicious noise in his fruithouse, and upon investigation discovered some one there appropriating some of the good things which had been stored away for Winter. Seeing that he was discovered, the thief fled, with Mr. Ramsey in hot pursuit. After a lively chase, during which a number of fences were hurdled, the culprit was overtaken with some of the stolen goods in his possession.

Harris was arraigned before Police Officer Van Winkle this morning, and upon pleading guilty was bound over to the Circuit Court. He considered his offense as trivial, saying he was hungry, and was merely meeting the demands of his appetite. Harris claimed to hail from Kansas City, Mo. He has been around Albany for a day or so.

TO DIVIDE JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Work in Baker County Necessitates Another Judge.

BAKER CITY, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—There is a movement on foot to divide the Eighth Judicial District, consisting of the Counties of Baker, Union and Wallowa, into two districts. Union and Wallowa will constitute one district and Baker County will be constituted a judicial district by itself, if the plan as at present contemplated is carried out.

The reason for the change is that the district is so populous that there is too much for one Judge to do. There is enough business in Baker County to keep one Judge busy all the time.

There is no disposition to complain about Judge Eakin, as has been intimated in some quarters. The members of the bar of this county are generally well satisfied with him on the bench.

Judge Eakin lives in Union County, and in creating the new district he would naturally be assigned to the district consisting of Union and Wallowa Counties, unless he should change his residence to Baker County.

The membership of the bar are generally favorable to the creation of the new district. A bill will be introduced in the Legislature early in the session, and it is not expected that there will be any opposition to its passage.

DAVIS DEFALCATION CASE.

Tried in Supreme Court—Has State's Claim Outlawed?

SALEM, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The case of the State of Oregon against George W. Davis, ex-Clerk of the State Land Board, and his bondsmen, was tried in the Supreme Court yesterday. Davis, having defaulted in the sum of $30,000, the state brought suit on the bond to recover the amount thereof, $5000. It was stipulated that the defalcation took place prior to January 1, 1895. Davis went out of office in July, 1896. The action was begun June 22, 1901. The defense of the bondsmen was that the statute of limitations had run against the state's claim, that the cause of action was one created by statute, so that the claim outlawed in six years, and that the state was bound by the adoption of the report of an investigating committee in 1895, in which it was reported that Davis' accounts were correct and that all funds had been accounted for. The lower court held that the claim was one upon which an action is barred after six years, and the cause of action having accrued more than six years prior to the filing of the suit, the state could not recover. The state appealed the case, and in the Supreme Court urged that its claim is upon the official bond, which, being a sealed instrument, does not outlaw until 10 years have elapsed. The principal question in the Supreme Court will therefore be whether an action for the defalcation of an officer is an action upon a cause created by statute or an action upon a sealed instrument.

Fair Board Adjourns.

The State Fair Board adjourned today until the latter part of February, when a meeting will be held for the purpose of revising the premium list. A committee composed of George Chandler, J. H. Settlemier and G. A. Westgate was appointed to make estimates of the improvements that will be necessary at the fair grounds during the coming year.

Prisoners From Grant County.

Two prisoners were received at the Penitentiary today on commitments from Grant County. They are: J. A. Crisman, sentenced to 12 years for manslaughter, and Ah Kim, sentenced to two years for trespass on a mining claim.

Basket-Ball at Salem.

Willamette University girls' second team will play a match game with the Salem High School next Saturday. The game will be played in the University gymnasium.

Fishery Report for November.

The monthly report of Master Fish Warden H. G. Van Dusen shows receipts for the month of November amounting to $144 50. During the month 2,000,000 Chinook salmon eggs were procured from the United States hatchery on the lower Clackamas River, and sent to the state hatchery on Salmon River. Over 1,000,000 eggs procured from the same source were taken to the Umpqua. This was done because the state's supply was short and the Government hatchery had more than it could take care of.

Chinese Chicken Thief.

Joe Soon, a Chinese merchant, was today sentenced to three months in the County Jail for chicken-stealing. He stole four dozen chickens from residents of Englewood.

NEW NORTHWEST PENSIONS.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 10.—Pensions have been granted Northwestern people as follows:

Oregon—Originals: James K. Parker, Roseburg, $6; James Downing, Montavilla, $6; Maxwell Ramsby, The Dalles, $8 (Indian Wars); Charles F. Declercq, Kubli, $8; George E. Noah, Roseburg, $8 (war with Spain); Thomas T. Foster, Brownsville, $6; Peter Kyniston, Blue River, $8; Alexander Campbell, Bay City, $8. Increase, reissue, etc.: Albert A. Mead, Greenville, $10; John M. S. Smith, Cove, $2; George W. Downing, Medford, $10; Charles P. Darling, Falls City, $12; David A. Vangarder, Hulit, $8; Henry Platts, Oswego, $8; Augustus B. Miller, Ashland, $8; James W. Harden, Silverton, $10; William Rehtz, Port Orford, $12; Jeremiah L. Groat, Central, $12; William Mayfield, Spikenard, $10; William W. Wetsler, Portland, $8. Widows, minors and dependent relatives: Mary F. Massey, Amos, $8; Sarah E. Marsh, Portland, $12 (war with Spain); Olive L. Slegenfehr, Jefferson, $8; Nancy M. Orndoff, Wasco, $8; Ann E. Huntly, Eugene, $8.

Washington—Originals: Samuel C. Lucy, Seattle, $8; Norman McLeod, Cheney, $12; John A. Phalon, Bossburg, $6; La Fayette G. Allen, Battleground, $8; Zaphna L. King, Soldiers' Home, Orting, $6. Increase, reissue, etc.: John T. Starkey, Whatcom, $8; Frank W. Pringle, Orting, $12; John W. Hartew, Conconully, $12; David S. Elsey, Sunnyslate, $12; Francis Newman, Green Lake, $12; Christopher C. Stanley, Asotin, $14; Joseph Dickerson, Seattle, $8; Frederick Flahaut, Seattle, $12; Clay C. Scaright, Seattle, $10; Stephen K. Grover, Damon, $12; Elias Hellums (dead), Olympia, $12 (Mexican War). Widows, minors and dependent relatives: Euretta J. McDonald, Issaquah, $8; minor of William B. Townsend, Puyallup, $10; Bella Curry, Spokane, $8; Eliza Hellums, Olympia, $8 (Mexican War); Matilda R. Lucas, Chehalis, $8.

Idaho—Originals: Gaylord Griswold, White Bird, $6; Norman W. Jones, Alamo, $8.

New Northwest Postoffices.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 10.—A postoffice has been established at Gross, Columbia County, Wash., to be supplied by special service from Dixie. Rufus M. Gross has been appointed postmaster.

On December 15 the postoffice at Adell, Chehalis County, Wash., is to be discontinued.

After December 31 special service from Goldendale to Alton, Klickitat County, Wash., will be discontinued, as the office at Alton is to be abandoned.

The postoffice of Wilson, Lewis County, Wash., has been moved three miles to the east, and William E. Leonard appointed postmaster.

Durkee Odd Fellows Instituted.

BAKER CITY, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Durkee Lodge, No. 163, I. O. O. F., was instituted at Durkee Saturday afternoon and evening by a select team from Baker City Lodge, and a company of about 20 members of the order from this city. The lodge was instituted with a charter membership of five members during the afternoon, and in the evening 23 candidates were initiated, this portion of the work continuing until 4:30 o'clock Sunday morning. An elaborate banquet was served at midnight.

Fuller Has New Position.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Dec. 10.—F. A. Fuller has resigned his position with the Boston & Montana Smelter, and will leave January 1 to become superintendent of the Nichols Chemical Company's copper smelter, on Long Island, opposite New York.

REBELLION GAINS HEAD

CHINA TRAVERSED BY ARMED BANDS OF BOXERS.

Rebels Loot a City, but Flee on Approach of Troops—Pirates on West River Capture Rice.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 10.—The steamer Empress of India, which arrived this morning, brought news to the effect that insurrection has broken out in the southwest of Chi Li, where a large number of rebels have assembled, carrying banners inscribed:

"Kill the officials and save the people."

The troops have been sent against them.

The Boxer movement in Szechuan continues, but both the insurgents and imperial forces have lately been holding aloof from each other.

Reports from Katangsi indicate a recrudesence of insurrectionary trouble in that province. The rebels are said to have attacked Kweichou. The famine in this province is causing many to join the revolt. The Kwangsi rebels, who had crossed into Kwang Tung, captured and looted the City of Fenchuen, killing many of its people, but when two battalions of troops were sent by the Taotai of Chaching Fu they fled, abandoning their loot.

Piracy is increasing on the West River. During the drought which destroyed the rice crops near Canton, the benevolent associations of that city, aided by the Chinese government and subscriptions from Chinese in America, bought large amounts of rice at Wuhu and Chinkiang, which was sent to Canton to be sold cheap to the poor. The ships were pirated, however, on the way to Canton, and the greater amount of their cargoes taken. During the attack on the rice boats several were killed, one of the victims being Mr. Evans, a Crimean War veteran in the service of the British Consul at Canton, who was traveling on a junk.

Chinese native papers tell of an intrigue being planned at Pekin for another coup d'etat similar to that of 1899 for the appointment of an heir apparent. The Universal Gazette, of Shanghai, says the intrigue is to be carried out on the 12th moon of the Chinese year (January), and this paper protests that such a step would involve China in serious trouble.

From Japan news is brought of a royal marriage on November 26, when Prince Yamashina was married to Princess Tadashige, daughter of Prince Shinzu Tadashige, of Satsuma.

According to mail advices from Shanghai by the Empress of India, the funeral ceremony of the late Liu Kun Yi, Viceroy of the Liang Kiang Provinces, was carried out with eclat at Nanking. There was a large fleet of warships present, four British, two German, two French, one American—the Helena—one Austrian, one Japanese and several Chinese vessels.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDY COURSE.

President Campbell, of University of Oregon, Preparing Same.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Dec. 10.—A very important work is being done at the university at present in the preparation of a complete manual of the course of study for the high schools of the state. The manual issued by the Department of Education of the state, and now in use by most all of the public schools, is complete in its discussion of the work of the grades up to and including the eighth, but the manual simply outlines the courses of the grades of the high school, without giving directions, suggestions, etc., for actual carrying on of the work. Taking the outline of the courses as given in the present manual as a basis, President Campbell, with the heads of the respective departments of the university, is working the schedule out in detail, endeavoring to formulate a complete course of study that will be uniform throughout the state. The present growing conditions of the high schools demand that particular stress should be laid upon the arrangements and methods suggested that they might be most serviceable to the schools as a whole with their limited facilities in instruction and apparatus.

The registrar of the university has sent letters of inquiry to the different high schools asking for an outline of their work, the number of grades included, and whether or not they were following the outline of study as laid down by the State Department of Education. The responses received were very encouraging, although not all of the schools have replied. A number of the schools are doing the full four years of work, as is known over the state. But it is surprising to find that in almost every district of any size some advanced work is being done, even if it is in only the first or second year. In almost every case the schools are adhering to the outline of courses suggested by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The step taken by President Campbell has received the hearty approval of the State Board of Education. The pamphlet will be published some time during January.

HONOR CABLE COMPLETION.

Invitations in San Francisco for Reception of Steamer Silvertown.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—Four thousand card invitations have been issued for a reception to be given aboard the big cable-laying steamer Silvertown, off Folsom-street pier between 12 and 4 o'clock tomorrow. A tugboat will convey the guests between the landing and the Silvertown, which is lying about a half-mile off shore.

Friday forenoon, weather permitting, the shore end of the cable that is to reach out from San Francisco to Honolulu will be laid, and made fast to the Western end of the continent. Then the Silvertown, with enormous tanks of the big, powerful and extremely well-insulated cable, will start slowly steaming across the Pacific paying out the cable that is to give San Francisco telegraphic communication direct with Honolulu.

Clarence Mackay, the young president of the Cable Company, who is here in expectation of the consummation of the project of laying a trans-Pacific submarine wire, which was the great latter-year hope of his father, the late John W. Mackay, gave a supper at the Palace Hotel last night to the officers of the Silvertown and the staffs of the different corporations connected with the cable project.

REDEDICATION OF CHURCH.

Archbishop Christie Will Preach at Oregon City Next Sunday.

OREGON CITY, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Next Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock St. John's Catholic Church, to which an addition was recently constructed, will be rededicated. Solemn high mass will be sung, and the pastor, Rev. A. Hillebrand, will officiate. The sermon will be preached by Most Rev. Archbishop Christie. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock confirmation services will be held and 55 people will be confirmed into the church. Among those to be confirmed is Mrs. E. D. Kelly, and the class is made up of children and grown persons. Several of the Catholic clergy from various portions of the state will be present, including the president of Mount Angel College and the president of Columbia University.

Two Weeks' School Vacation.

The Board of Directors of the public schools of this city have decided to give the teachers and pupils two weeks' vacation, beginning one week from next Monday. The teachers will receive no pay except for Christmas day and New Year's day, and will be required to make up the balance of the time before the expiration of the school year. The decision of the board is very pleasing to the teachers whose homes are in other places and who desire to spend their vacations with their people.

Simon P. Romig.

WELL KNOWN IN LA GRANDE.

LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Simon P. Romig, who died at his home in La Grande Sunday, December 7, at the age of 71 years, was a pioneer resident of this section, and was a well-known and highly respected citizen. Mr. Romig was born in Trenton, O., November 11, 1831. In 1853 he removed to California, and in 1858 married Miss Rebecca Kincaid, of Suisun, Cal. He brought his wife to this valley in 1863, where they have resided since. He is survived by his widow and three children—James K. Romig, of La Grande; E. E. Romig, of La Grande, and Mrs. Josie Gilham, of Townsend, Mont. Mr. Romig was a prominent Odd Fellow, and that lodge had charge of the funeral services.

Albany News Notes.

ALBANY, Dec. 10.—At the regular meeting of the City Council the question of paving First street was again considered. No bids for brick paving have been received. Mr. Howard Whiting, of the Smythe & Howard Company, of Portland, addressed the Council in the interest of his company, advocating laying a pavement of wood blocks treated with carbolineum avenarius. No definite action was taken.

The United Artisans, of Albany, have elected the following officers for the ensuing term: A. J. Hodges, master artisan; Mrs. W. H. Holman, superintendent; Mrs. G. D. Montague, inspector; L. W. Ross, secretary; F. M. French, treasurer; Bert Westbrook, senior conductor; Mrs. S. A. Landes, master of ceremonies; Mrs. Bert Westbrook, junior conductor; W. H. Holman and Mrs. J. B. Leatherman, field commanders.

Company G, Fourth Regiment, O. N. G., of Albany, held its annual election of officers in the Armory last evening. There were several spirited contests, the younger members of the company endeavoring to elect officers from among their number, and by concerted action the youngsters were successful. The officers elected are: Company clerk, R. E. McKechnie; treasurer, C. H. Stewart; armory committee, E. R. Huston, W. L. Marks, O. B. Stalnaker; finance committee, Lieutenant C. W. Wallace, Walter Bilgers, A. E. Alexander; membership committee, R. N. Terbet, R. G. Hackleman, A. B. Coates; historian, F. B. Wise. The company is in a prosperous condition, and is doing excellent work.

Isaac Banta, who murdered Frederick Morrison, his foster-son, a telegram concerning which appeared in The Oregonian today, from Valdez, Alaska, was a former well-known resident of Albany. While residing here he invented a machine for separating and saving fine gold from the sands of the seabeach, and went from here to Alaska.

Frank Hatcher, whose name appears in today's Oregonian as the principal in an arrest for stealing nickels from a telephone box, is well known in Albany, where he lived for a number of years. His reputation here is not good, he, with his brothers, having figured conspicuously in a number of petty thieveries. Young Hatcher was a leader of a gang of young hoodlums, which existed in Albany some years since for the purpose of petty thieving and making trouble in general for the Police Court and officials.

State University Notes.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The Glee Club of the university met yesterday and elected the following officers: President, Harvey B. Densmore, '03; vice-president, Thomas L. Williams, '03; secretary-treasurer, Earl R. Abbott, '05; manager, E. Rea Norris, '03. It is not likely that the club will take a tour this year.

The assembly was addressed this morning by Mrs. Lillian Cole Bethel, of Columbus, O. Mrs. Bethel, in an informal manner, gave the students a very practical lesson in parliamentary law. It was announced that Superintendent Ackerman would be present and address the students, but he postponed his visit until after the Christmas holidays.

Will Start Paper at Pilot Rock.

PILOT ROCK, Or., Dec. 10.—A complete printing plant for the publication of a weekly newspaper at this place has arrived here. The new publication will be known as the Pilot Rock Record and will be devoted very largely to the stock interests of Umatilla County. The publishers of the Record, Brown & McManus, are old newspaper men, and well known to the people of this section. They are at present publishers of the Adams Advance. The Record will make its first appearance Friday next.

Fined for Throwing Ice Snowballs.

BAKER CITY, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—A number of young boys were up before Judge Bentley yesterday morning to answer to the charge of malicious mischief. They could not resist the temptation to pelt sleighriders Sunday afternoon with snowballs. Not content with the ordinary soft ball, they soaked their snowballs in water so that they were as hard as rocks. Judge Bently fined them $5 each, but suspended the execution of the sentence during good behavior.

Funeral of Mrs. Cummins.

JUNCTION CITY, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The funeral of Mrs. E. E. Cummins, of this city, occurred in Eugene this afternoon. Mrs. Cummins went to Eugene last week to receive medical treatment, and died Monday after a lingering illness. She was aged 53 years, and was a resident of Junction City many years. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Sadie Hurlburt, and two sons, Byron and Roy, and a large concourse of friends.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

OUR FISHERIES FOR 1902

SUCCESS OF ARTIFICIAL PROPAGATION NOW PROVED.

Recommendations of Master Fish Warden Embodied in His Annual Report—More Money Wanted.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Master Fish Warden H. G. Van Dusen's annual report to the State Board of Fish Commissioners is a model of neatness and good business form. It consists of more than 100 full typewritten sheets, and makes a very complete showing of all operations in the Department of Fisheries for the year 1902. The financial statement shows that $11,486 25 was expended from the hatchery fund in the year, leaving a balance of $16,996 44. It is estimated, however, that work in hand December 1 would reduce that balance by $3872. Balances in special hatchery funds aggregate $3368 63. Of the Legislative appropriation of $3200 for salaries and expenses of the Master Warden and deputy, an unexpended balance of $1786 15 was reported for December 1.

The following statement of the proved results of artificial propagation introduces the report:

"The Spring fishing season in the Columbia River this year, while not remarkable in comparison with some of the seasons before the river was depleted by over-fishing, yet it was a very market season, in that it has settled the much-mooted question whether artificial propagation could be made a practical success, and has eliminated the possibility of the industry ever becoming extinct as long as proper streams are maintained in which to liberate the young fry, and the grand old Pacific, with her vast feeding banks and grounds, remains as she does, right at our doors, ready to receive and feed and care for the young salmon until they reach maturity.

"As a result of the experiences of the past two seasons, all opposition to the advantages of artificial propagation has been overcome, and it is now a recognized fact, even by the most skeptical, that the salmon product in our rivers can be limited only by the number of young fry liberated from our hatcheries. If anything was needed to convert doubters to a belief in the efficiency of hatchery work, it was the large run of salmon near the close of the season, their size, their color and general condition, and the many marked salmon, due principally to the work of the Kalama hatchery, by the State of Washington, and of the Little White Salmon hatchery, by the General Government, during the season of 1898-99.

"The first actual test of the efficiency of the hatchery work was had last year, when artificially propagated salmon entered the river in great numbers toward the end of the season, blocking the canneries for three weeks and turning into a successful season what gave promise of being a most disastrous one. The gratifying supply of the present year was even more of a practical demonstration of the utility of the artificial work, and the hatchery work is now praised on all sides.

"The pack of the present season was 25 per cent more than that of last year, with the quality fully up to the average, which meant an additional $500,000 to those directly interested in the product. This was very flattering, inasmuch as it was due entirely to the result of artificial work carried on by the different departments during the season of 1898-99, when the Oregon, Washington and the United States Fisheries Department, all told, did not expend the sum of $25,000 for it."

Salmon Climb the Falls.

Proof that salmon succeed in getting over the Falls of the Willamette, at Oregon City, by means of the Pennoyer fishway or otherwise, is given in the following:

"The McKenzie River we worked this year for the first time, and we succeeded in getting 651,000 eggs, and that, with a few minor alterations, another year may double these figures. This is not much of a showing as far as the number of eggs secured is concerned, but it demonstrates what can be done without a fishway at the falls at Oregon City, and gives a fair idea of what we might expect with a good and substantial way provided. The stream is a natural spawning stream, and the eggs secured were from the very choicest variety of the Chinook family, and there isn't a question about their being of the early variety, for no other was ever known to get over the falls. With a proper fishway provided over these falls, the stream could always be relied upon for 5,000,000 eggs, and exceptional years 10,000,000 need not be uncommon."

Mr. Van Dusen recommends an appropriation of $5000 for a suitable fishway at Willamette Falls.

Dams and Irrigating Ditches.

Regarding the injury which dams and irrigating works bring to the business of propagating salmon, the report says:

"The matter of harnessing the waters of our different rivers by the immense dams that are being built across them for power and milling purposes is sure to jeopardize the fishing industry of this state, for, as a general thing, they are building across the most desirable salmon-breeding streams that we have and across streams on which we already have salmon-hatching plants located that have cost the state and private individuals thousands of dollars, and upon the protection and maintenance of which one of the most important of her industries depends.

"Irrigating ditches are becoming so numerous and so extensive all over our state that, they will soon be the most serious affairs that the salmon and other anadromous species of fish will have to contend with if proper laws and regulations are not provided governing the matter and defining absolutely under what conditions our people may be privileged to take the waters from the streams for such purposes.

"As it is now, no consideration or regard is given the matter by the ditchman; he is simply privileged to tap the stream as he pleases and take the water from it without regard to any other interest. This should not be, and proper regulations and restrictions should immediately be placed on the matter, and if the water so much needed to foster the young salmon, one of the greatest food products this state has ever known, is to be taken by the ditchman for agricultural purposes, he should be willing to comply with wise regulations and restrictions, whatever they may be. In this respect it is not necessary to impose unnecessary embarrassments or restrictions upon the matter, but proper protective regulations and restrictions should be required.

Punishment of the Dynamiter.

"The law punishing a dynamiter should be made very severe for, a small stick of dynamite exploded, with malicious intent or otherwise, in any of our waters and especially among a batch of hatchery salmon, is a very serious affair, and the perpetrator of such a crime should be punished with nothing short of a term in the penitentiary.

"At our hatcheries, and especially with the Salmon River hatchery, which is on a tributary of the Sandy River, it is becoming very common every year for us to find more or less of our salmon with dead eggs in them; last year we kept a correct account of the salmon at this hatchery, and of the 443 early salmon taken for spawning purposes, 20 of them had been dynamited and their eggs were all dead, which goes to show that an enormous destruction can be accomplished by such a small missile. The concussion need not necessarily kill the salmon or fish in order to destroy the spawn, neither need the salmon be in the immediate vicinity, for experts and those that have given the matter attention claim that the concussion will destroy the spawn in a fish fully 1000 feet away if the fish be near the spawning period.

In view of the fact that collections on fish licenses have for various legitimate causes run down from $15,313 in 1893 to less than $11,000 this year, thereby seriously crippling the hatching operations of the state, the Master Warden suggests a revision of the schedule of legal licenses so as to raise more money from the packers, requiring of them about 3 cents for each case of salmon put up, and also a readjustment of the licenses paid by dealers, putting them in 21 grades with licenses ranging from $10 to $700, the higher figure being for the dealer who handles up to 1000 tons.

It is recommended that the law protecting black bass be repealed. But the Legislature is cautioned against yielding to the pressure for repealing the present law for the protection of the sturgeon of the Columbia River.

The Warden asks that he be given a clerk, and that a larger sum be allowed for the expenses of his office. He reviews in detail the work of the various hatcheries of the State of Washington and of the United States in this field. His general recommendations are thus summarrized:

General Recommendations.

That the state be divided into two districts, with all of the coast streams in one district and the Columbia River in the other district.

Repeal the individual fisherman's license.

Repeal the Columbia River Spring close season.

Repeal the Columbia River Fall close season.

Allow no fishing on hatchery streams, or on salmon-spawning streams, excepting with hook and line, commonly called angling.

That certain well-defined lines be established on all coast streams, and that no fishing be allowed above those lines, excepting with hook and line, commonly called angling.

That on streams across which is constructed and maintained a dam, no fishing be allowed, excepting with hook and line, commonly called angling, and that hook and line fishing be restricted, and not allowed within half a mile of the dam.

That a fishway be provided over the Willamette Falls at Oregon City, and that no fishing be allowed within half a mile thereof, excepting with hook and line, commonly called angling.

That a well-regulated and substantial system of head works and gates be required at the intake of every irrigation ditch and mining ditch.

That a "dynamiter" be punished with a term of years in the penitentiary, and not be allowed to get off with a fine, as under the present law.

That the Board of Fish Commissioners be authorized and empowered to offer a reward, to be paid out of the hatchery fund, for the arrest and conviction of a dynamiter, or for the arrest and conviction of a person polluting the waters of the state with malicious intent.

That Sheriffs and Constables and all peace officers be required to see to it that the state laws and all county and municipal ordinances for the protection of fish are enforced.

That Curry, Coos, Douglas, Lane, Lincoln, Tillamook, Clatsop, Columbia, Multnomah and Wasco Counties each be required to maintain water bailiffs.

That fines and penalties be disposed of in the following proportion: One-third to the informer (other than the Master Fish Warden and Deputy Fish Warden); one-third to the District Attorney; one-third to the hatchery fund.

That fishing appliances found fishing unlawfully, and in prohibited water, be seized and destroyed by any Fish Commissioner, Fish Warden, Deputy Warden, Water Bailiff, Sheriff, Deputy Sheriff, Constable, or any special officer.

That the schedule of licenses be raised and made sufficient to meet the requirements for hatchery operations.

That the fee for gillnet and seine licenses should conform to the Washington licenses, to avoid the conflicts that we are continually getting into with gillnetters and seiners on the Columbia River.

That the license fee for a scow fish-wheel be made the same as a stationary fish-wheel license.

That the license fee for a set net be made the same as a gillnet license.

That the location of fish traps, set nets, fish-wheels and seines be definitely defined.

That the state assist the work of artificial propagation of salmon and provide the hatchery establishments.

That an annual appropriation of at least $5000 be allowed the coast streams to assist in defraying the expenses of operating the coast hatcheries.

That the salary of the Deputy Warden be increased and made $1200 per annum.

That the bond required of the Master Fish Warden be reduced at least one-half. As it is now, the bond required is $25,000 and the annual receipts $11,000.

That a clerk be provided the office of the Master Fish Warden.

That the appropriation for the expenses of the Master Fish Warden be increased sufficiently to admit of his office being properly furnished and equipped.

That the law protecting black bass be repealed.

That the "fishery bounty act, commonly known as the "seal scalp act," be repealed.

That the Circuit and Justice Courts be given co-ordinate jurisdiction of all offenses against the fish laws.

CITIZENS WIN AT ASTORIA.

Elect Every Candidate With One Exception.

ASTORIA, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The city election today resulted in a victory for the Citizens' ticket, every candidate on the ticket, with one exception, being elected. The successful nominees were as follows:

For City Attorney—A. M. Smith, Citizen.

For Councilmen—First Ward, George Kaboth, Citizens; Second Ward, J. V. Burns, Citizen, and James J. Robinson, Republican; Third Ward, C. A. Leinenweber, Citizen and Republican.

Albert M. Smith, the Citizen-Labor Union candidate, made a remarkable run, defeating Judge J. F. Winton by a vote of two to one. Out of a total of 992 votes cast for the two candidates, Smith received 698, his majority being 404.

DEFENSE SPRINGS SENSATION.

New Development in Trial of Ira Pressley for Wife Murder.

MISSOULA, Mont., Dec. 10.—The defense in the case of Ira Pressley, on trial for the murder of his wife, sprang a sensation in opening its side today. Attorney Parsons declared there were illicit relations between the murdered woman and a tie-cutter whose name was not given. He claimed it would be shown that Pressley and his wife had frequent quarrels on this man's account. Further, he said the defense would show by circumstantial evidence that this man, angered at the woman, had beaten her and inflicted the wounds that caused her death, and had then cut Pressley's throat while he slept.

Case Against Lilienthal Dismissed.

SPOKANE, Dec. 10.—The prosecution of H. L. Lilienthal, City Police Commissioner, for neglect of duty in failing to close gambling-houses, came to an end this morning. The case was dismissed by Justice G. W. Stocker on the grounds that Mr. Lilienthal was not a public officer whose duty it was to make complaint against crime, and that, he being but one of three Commissioners, had no power to take action alone.

Injunction Against Walla Walla.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 10.—H. T. Allen, claiming to be the patentee of a barrel flume in process of construction in this city, has filed an injunction against the municipal government and Contractor George Worley, to stop work on the flume. Allen claims a royalty of $3 per 1000 feet. The case will be heard in the United States Circuit Court December 15.

Run Over by Cars.

TACOMA, Dec. 10.—Joseph Brady, who recently returned from Alaska, was run over and killed by the cars between Buckley and Enumclaw last night. He was formerly a constable at Buckley.

Reappointed on Pharmacy Board.

OLYMPIA, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Dr. J. W. McArthur, of Spokane, was today reappointed by Governor McBride as a member of the State Board of Pharmacy for a term of five years.

Spreckels Employes Go on Strike.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—Three hundred employes of the Spreckels Sugar Refinery went on strike today.

Murder Due to Jealousy.

CARRINGTON, N. D., Dec. 10.—Yesterday, in a fit of jealous rage, Mrs. Lizzie Bondurant shot five times at Thomas Baker, inflicting a wound that will prove fatal. The woman was arrested. Baker is a well-known resident and well to do.

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