## RICH GOLD BARS ON SIXES RIVER

Splendid Hydraulic Propositions in Curry County Long Neglected.

FROM GRASS ROOTS

to Work Alluvial Deposits Can Be Brought In at Small Expense Compared With Profits to Be Made.

On Sixes River, a stream that enters the ocean, In the northern part of Curry County, gold long has been known to exist though little mining has been done. But new discoveries, according to the Port Orford Tribune, have set the coun-

The editor gives this account:

Last week we visited and examined the High Bars, belonging to D. Divibbiss and sons, and also those belonging to the Big Jewel Mining Company in charge

"We believe that with such a showing their gravel will nearly double in value when a normal proportion of their pay dirt is washed. They have many acres of such ground, and as their bar is a continuation of Newt. Divilbies, it will undoubtedly prove as rich, because its direction is in line with the same old

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"The high bar on the opposite or north side of the river from the above ones is the largest of all and contains probably 100 acres, all of which has been prespected with almost unvarying results. We prospected this bar on the south and west sides with good results in every pan of dirt, and do not hesitate to class it with those already mentioned. Blue gravel was struck in the extreme lower end of this bar several feet deep and very rich. The bank is full 40 feet deep at this place, and shows the girata of cemented gray gravel just as the others do. From a small cut which hardly gets into the mine, Ed Divilbias last Winter, with what water he could get in wet weather, cleaned up several hundred dollars—the gold similar to the other, one piece weighing \$1.25. to the other, one piece weighing \$1.25.

Millions in the Ground.

"At \$5000 per acre there are in these high bars mentioned \$1,500,000, and as much or more in the intervening low bars and river channel, making it one of the safest and most fascinating investments to be found in the placer regions of the world. "Doubting "Thomases" are reminded that these mines lie right at our doors.

and that no one is excusable in con-demning them, without inspecting them, except a knocker or one who is too lazy

Gray's Harbor Lumber Output. ABERDEEN, Wash., Sept. 9 .- (Spe-

School Children to Compete for Various Prizes Offered.

MONEY FOR GOOD COOKS

Home-Made Bread, Jellies, Preserves, Etc., Will Be Exhibited by Young Girls-Boys to Display Vegetables.

McMINNVILLE, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.) -Early last Spring County School Superintendent Louis R. Alderman, conceived the idea of holding a school agricultural fair and at once began making plans and putting them into execution. The seed was well sown for throughout the county school children are working for the coveted prizes in a manner that bids success to the undertaking and also several other counties in Oregon are taking up the work.

Originally, the fair was intended to be purely agricultural, but the McMinnville Booster Club added more enthusiasm to the project and in co-operation with Superintendent Alderman will enlarge the fair by the addition of a stock exhibit and carnival. In all nearly \$2000 will be lee is the cause of so much dissatisfac-

ROSEBURG ASKS MORE WATER

Steps Taken to Install Gravity System Owned by People.

ROSEBURG, Or., Sept. 9 .- (Special.) The paramount question with the people of Roseburg just now is that of water. During the whole Summer there has been such a scarcity of water as to cause the people of the town to demand that the City Council take action looking towards the establishment of a system to be owned by the city and to be operated for

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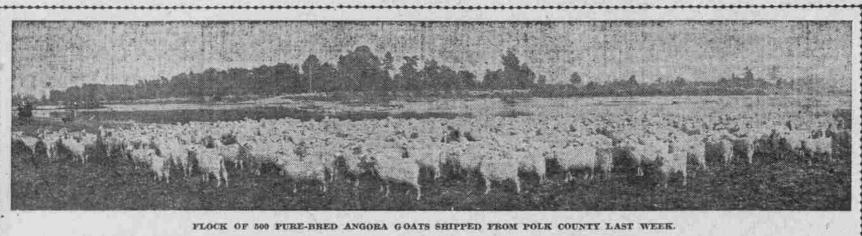
A mass meeting of the citizens was held last Saturday in which the temper of the people was so plainly expressed that the City Council at once took the desired steps looking towards the build-

ing of a water system.

The City Council at a meeting held this week ordered an amendment to the charter of the city prepared to be sub-mitted to the voters, under the amend-ment to the constitution adopted at the last general election, authorizing the voting of bonds for the required water and light systems. After the adoption

and light systems. After the adoption of the charter amendment it will be necessary to again hold an election to vote the bonds, which, in the present temper of the people, will be almost unanimously adopted.

The city will then be in a position to float the bonds and to start in to install the systems. In the meantime it is proposed not to allow the Summer months to go by without action, so the Council has authorized a committee of the City Council to act in conjunction with a committee of the Merchants' Protective Association, to select, survey out and losociation, to select, survey out and lo cate a water supply and route to the city for the mains for a gravity system.



of Charles Jamieson. We have known these grounds for 40 years and have passed over them repeatedly like other chumps, without suspecting their wealth, believing like other greenhorns, that the main deposits of gold were higher up the river. But few men are capable of original thought, or it would have occurred to us years ago, that a rapid, narrow stream like Sixes River, is but a gigantic tail race down which the Winter freshets rush all movable minerals, and at the first wide, fist places becomes the deposit of all heavy deriving

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"These bars I have mentioned are the first great spills at the mouth of the canyon, and any thoughtful, practical man should have discovered their wealth years ago, for they are incomparably better and surer than any above them.

High Bars Extensive. "The high bars are extensive hydraulic propositions, whose only drawback is an insufficiency of water, with an ex-

pense too great for poor men to finance. "But water can be obtained from Edson Creek at a cost of a few thousand dollars, that would cover all those high bars mentioned, assuring a steady sup-ply for ten months a year. Water could be pumped as auxillary to what they now have; but pumping is expensive. The best plan would be for a company with of water by ditch and flume, covering all intervening ground which probably would be an additional thousand acres of very rich ground composed of smaller bars. To construct such waterway and secure the mining grounds would cost \$150,000, but the mine would be worth a

Between the high bars in the Divilbiss vicinity are extensive low bars, and the present river bed-all rich-which comprise a few hundred acres, and which should be worked by dredgers, or elevators, before the gravel from the high bars is dumped upon them. Only a big company can work them thus, while the small miner is compelled to work the high bars only, and dump upon the lower bars which are perhaps richer than the

Gold From Grass Roots.

"The high bars which I examined are to 40 feet deep with gold to the grass roots, and with two distinct extensive and remarkable rich strata of gravel. In all of them there is a deposit of blue gravel from 4 to 6 feet on the bedrock. Above this is a strata of loose, poor gravel a few feet deep. Above this is a stratum of cemented gray gravel, 10 to 15 feet deep that is very rich, and will run very high per cubic yard, into the

"We never saw in Idaho nor on Rogue River such prospects in high bars-and yet these mines are in 12 miles of Port Orford and wagons daily visit them over

'An abundance of fruit, vegetables and beef is raised on the low bars; the cli-mate is perfect; a sawmill is right there. Every comfort of civilized life is at hand, and yet there are men a few miles away, who have never seen these mines, but toast their shins about the fireside and decry the mines of Curry County, seeing like moles, thinking without thought, and 'knocking' in conceited ignorance! 'A prophet hath no honor in his own country.' Everything is better somewhere else. Distance enchants most men, but the wise man sees things where they are, and as they are

and as they are. "Not alone in the development of mines, but in other ways, the interests of Curry County have been injured by selfish men who want no interests here bigger than their own, and by conceited gnoramuses who are incapable of im-artial judgment, and who 'knock' every-hing on earth except themselves and

### Wealth Proved by Working.

"In the claims enumerated there are probably 200 acres of high bars, and a like amount of low bars. Enough work has been done on the claims of D. and N. Divilliss and the Big Jewel upon which an approximate estimate of their wealth per cubic yard or per acre can be always and the property of province. calculated. In nearly one acre of ground Newt. Divilibies has taken out between \$5000 and \$5000, by rather crude methods, losing, no doubt, considerable of the values. His bar of 70 acres will run much higher when better equipments are used. The coarsest piece of gold found to be her was \$2.50.

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"Much of the gold on all the bars is coarse, running down to all sizes. Much carse, running down to all sizes. Such black sand is found, also platinum, etc. Careful estimates made by Charles Fitz-hugh of the dirt washed by the Big Jewel, which only got started late last Spring and was short of water because of the dry season, showed an average per cubic yard of over 16 cents, and this, too, in their first cut, where, because of the sloping sides, a much smaller quantity

tistics and information can be culled from the statement that there was shipped from Gray's Harbor during the year ending July 31 last 342.061,651 feet of Jumber. This quantity of jumber would over with two-inch plank a roadway 10 feet wide between Aberdeen and New York. It would build 18,000 good-sized two-story houses. It would make 9,180,000 railroad ties, or enough to build a rail-road between New York and Gray's Har-bor. It would make a 12-inch band two and one-half inches thick around the earth at the equator. It would build a dancing floor of inch lumber three and one-half miles equare so that the entire American nation could waltz on it at

BIG PROFITS OF HOOD RIVER APPLE-GROWERS.

At Present Prices 20-Acre Tracts Pay From \$15,600 to \$18,-

The prices now made public by independ ent buyers for Hood River Newtown and Spitzenbers apples have caused apple-growers to do some figuring. A wellknown apple man, who is an authority on this subject, in talking about the matter,

"At the prices this year for the different sizes of Spitzenbergs, which were \$3, \$2.75, \$2.50 and \$2.25 per box, growers obtained an average price of \$2.40. Placing the yield of 7-year-old Spitzenberg trees, planted \$6 trees to the acre, at five boxes to the tree, we will get 365 boxes to the acre. A 20-acre orchard on this basis will produce 6500 boxes, which, at the average price of \$2.40, gives us \$15,600 for our sea-

"The prices for Newtowns so far announced are \$2.25, \$2 and \$1.75. This gives us an average of \$2 per hox. But the Newtown is more proline than the Spitzenberg, and produces seven boxes to the tree instead of five, giving us 455 boxes to the area or \$100 howes for a 20-area. to the acre, or 9100 boxes for a 20-acre orchard. As can easily be seen, the earnings on a 20-acre Newtown orchard this year at these prices will be \$18,200.

"While these figures are large, they are based on the yield of comparatively young

trees which have not yet reached their full bearing maturity. A full-bearing or-chard can be safely depended on, I think, to produce 500 boxes of apples to the acre, as I know of several in the valley that now do it. Figuring on a basis with trees in full maturity, and with a large proportion of the crop composing the larger sizes, as It does this year, it is not very difficult to determine the profits of the apple business in the future."

RAILROAD WORK AT UNION

Central Railway Now Laying Track Toward Cove.

LA GRANDE, Or., Sept. 2.—The Central Railway of Oregon has done some rapid work within the past few weeks and those who were inclined to look upon the reality of this railway in an abstract manner have begun to sit up and take notice. The Hot Lake section of the grade was completed last Saturday and at present all the grading force has been concentrated on the westward ex-

tension.

One mile of track has been laid from Union toward Cove. The bridge gang is working ahead toward Cove and all the structural work will be out of the way by the time the tracklayers arrive. Every foot of the grade to Cove is now finished and about all that locality lacks of have the a railroad is the laying of the rails. ing a railroad is the laying of the rails. Over a mile of the grade work from Cove toward La Grande is completed.

### Beet Harvesters Needed.

render the digging slow and unsatisfac-tory. To get sufficient help at the pres-ent time is a grave problem and lively hustling in that line is being done. The

given in prizes, fully \$700 of which will tion and complaint, will be brought to be awarded to school children.

To stimulate the interest of the children Superintendent Alderman had hundreds of packages of garden seeds dis-tributed among the various school dis-tricts and each district will furnish a great variety of products that promises to bring forth sharp competition. Although the small boy finds it difficult to save the watermelon until time for ex-Encourages Girls to Cook.

This month has witnessed hundreds of

little girls, preparing glasses of jelly and cans of fruit put up with utmost care and with which they hope to land some of the fine premiums offered. It is estimated that 500 girls are now "baking the family bread" in order that their skill may bring to them the \$30 prize offered for the best bread exhibit. Superintendent Alderman's eyes twinkied as he remarked that young men would have to come to Old Yamhill here-after for good bread makers and artists in the culinary line. The exhibit will be

To stimulate the work there are committees of women in every district who are encouraging the competitions in every

possible way.

It is the ambition of those in charge, to make the exhibit a passport to interest in things educational and indus-trial. The prizes, too, are very desirable, ranging as they do from cash prizes, to booke, a piano and a scholarship in Mc-Minnville College, the pride of the county. The plane, given by the Ed. Briedwell Co. will be the property of the school district whose display is considered to be

Fine Historical Exhibit.

The Webfoot district, near Dayton is preparing a historical display. It has the old broad axe with which logs for the first school house in their district were hawn. This proves to be of large interest as many prominent men have attended school in the early days of the Webfoot district. Webfoot district.

The fair promises to be the greatest Fully 3000 school children are expected to Fully 3000 School children are expected to be in attendance. The exhibit will be in the Jones & Adams Building and at head of Third street. The floor is 40 by 80 feet, thus affording splendid opportunity for display. The fair will last four full days, from September 25 to 28.

In addition to the exhibit and carnival an excellent reversamment of mentions.

an excellent programme of speaking and music is being arranged. The best speak-ers in the state will be secured. The judges who will award prizes to the successful competitors will probably be from the Oragon Agricultural College, Every effort is being put forth by both city and country resident to make this project the most successful ever given in

PROSPERITY IN ABERDEEN.

Steady Growth of the City Shown by School Attendance.

ABERDEEN, Wash, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—The beginning of the school term this year shows a gain of nearly 150 children over a year ago, which indicates that Aberdeen is gaining in population. In fact a recent canvass showed that there are at present within the city limits over 10.000 persons entitling Aberlimits over 10,000 persons, entitling Aberdeen to become a city of the second class. As a third of the population at least is made up of single men working in the mills, the city under natural conditions should have a population of from 12,000 to 13,000 persons. The agitation for a second-class city was begun some time ago and a special election was provided for last Saturday.

Aberdeen's growth is not abnormal, but a steady and reasonable one. It is figured out that within the next ten years there should be at least 50,000 per-sons in Cosmopolis, Aberdeen and Ho-quiam, the three towns which are closely identified in many ways and which practically represent the Gray's Harbor coun-

Aberdeen has gained much the past few years in the way of mills and other important industries which have added largely to its growth. The business men have been liberal with bonuses, and \$50,000 would be a small figure to represent the gifts of the business men to institutions which have been prought have tions which have been brought here in recent years. At the present time it is proposed to advertise the Gray's Harbor country extensively, the Chamber of Commerce having authorized the publica-tion of a finely illustrated booklet, many

POLK COUNTY SENDS 800 AN-GORAS TO WASHINGTON.

Purchased by Carson & Littlejohn for Their Farm Near Stellacoom-Money in Stock.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Sept. 9 .- (Special.)-Last week 700 fine buck lambs, for which a good price was paid, were shipped from Independence to Wyoming for breeding purposes. This week 800 fine Angora goats were shipped from here to the State of Washington. The goats were on the culinary line. The exhibit will be prepared by school children and is open to any school child in Yamhill County. Interest is strong owing to the fact that there will be prizes for agricultural products, culinary and needlework, schoolwork and woodwork, thus making it possible for every child to be a contestant.

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Goat and sheep raisers of Polk County are learning that it pays better to raise the pure bred than common animals, for the demand for Polk County Angoras and Lincoln and Cotswold sheep now exceeds the supply. The Riddell and Stump sheep and goat farms, in particular, have Na-tional fame, especially since carrying away premiums at the St. Louis Fair. Fancy prices are received for much of the livestock shipped out of Polk lately. As much as \$100 is often obtained for a single "billy" goat, and as high as \$5 a pound has been realized for the mohair. What seemed to be extravagant invest-nents in imported sheep and goats a few years ago are now bringing their reward.

The goats shipped out today will be put on the big stock farm of Carson & Little-ohn, near Stellacoom. "I hope to see the Angora goat business built up in Washington like it is in this state," says Mr. Conrad. "We have only

about 30,000 goats in Washington, and we may just as well have a million." WIFE MAY CONTRACT MARRIAGE

If Promise Is Renewed After Divorce, She Can Bring Action.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Sept. 9.—(Special.)

—The fact that a woman is already
the wife of one man does not prevent her from contracting and agreeing to marry another, nor bar her from bringing action for breach of promise, provided the promise and contract are renewed after her divorce, is the opin-ion of the Supreme Court in a de-cision just bended down ision just handed down.

The decision was made in the Sno-omish County case of Jennie Leaman, appellant, vs. Alexander Thompson, respondent. The testimony showed that the marriage contract was entered into in 1898. Plaintiff was then married, and decree of divorce was filed in Snohomish County in 1900. The ower court granted the defendant's motion for a nonsuit on the ground that when the original marriage con-tract was entered into the plaintiff could not legally make such a con-

tract.
The Supreme Court says there is ample testimony in the case to show that the contract was renewed and under-stood to exist subsequent to the time the divorce decree was granted. The defendant continued to visit the plaintiff as late as the year 1905, and repeatedly and continuously. in the presence of mutual friends, kissed her and referred to her in terms of endearment, and both talked of their and both talked of their engagement and prospective marriage. The lower court is even said to have admitted these facts, but held that everything between them was dependent upon the original marriage contract made in

The Supreme Court holds there is sufficient evidence to entitle the plaintiff to have her case go to the jury, and directs the trial to proceed.

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Tuesday, Development League Day, September 11

Trot, "2:27" Pace, "Valley Stake" . . Running, 5 Furlongs . . . Running, 6 " . .

Wednesday, Salem Day Sept. 12 Pace, "2:15"

Trot, "Inland Stake" . Running, 4 and a Half Furlongs 150 Running, "Oregon Derby". 500 Parade Premium Stock

## Thursday, Portland Day

Trot, "2:17" \$2000 Pace, "2:20" . Running, Half Mile . 150 Running, 1 Mile . . . Parade Premium Stock

### Friday, Fraternal Day Sept. 14

Trot, "Capitol City Stake" Pace, "Greater Salem Stake" 500 Running, 5 and a Half Furlongs 150 Running, 6 Furlongs . . . 150

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Trot, "Consolation" . Pace, "2:10" . Running, Half Mile . . . 100 Running, 1 Mile . . .

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