Petite Pranes Small, but Italians Show Improvement-Three Driers Begin Work.

OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. Z.-The hree prunedriers of J. W. Roots, Marion chason and G. H. Webster started up at Clackanna Station this morning. The Petits trees are so loaded that the fruit is small, but the Italian prunes are yielding better than was expected. there are but few Italian princes on the trees, the fruit is unusually large. It is estimated that there will be 180,000 pounds of dried prunes within a limit of one mile of Clackamas Station. The fruit crop in Clacksmas County is the largest for years. Peaches are of unusually good quality and size, and apples and pears are comparatively free from pest marks.

RAIN IN MARION COUNTY. Washed the Dust From Hops and

Left Them Bright. SALEM, Or., Aug. E.-A light rain fell in this vicinity this morning. Reports from other sections of the county indicate that the rain was very heavy farther north. The rain will probably prove a benefit to early hops. The rain was heavy ough to wash the dust off the hops and loave them bright and clean. The weather has been bright and warm today, with

Picking Early Hops.

HARDINGUEG, Or., Aug. 25.—J. R. Cartwright in picking early varieties of hope on his 75-acre farm. He finds that, whereas his early hope produced 200 biles last year, he will not have to exceed 140 biles this year. He accounts for the shortage on the ground that smid the foliage the hope have utterly failed to mature, and that at the ends of the

Showers at Sheridan.

SHERIDAN, Or., Aug. E.—Rain began failing early this morning, and there were showers throughout the day. Hope in this vicinity are in good condition, and would not be damaged by several days' rain. Threshing is late in the foothills, nd farmers are stacking their grain as

PROSPERITY AT DREWSEY.

Thriving Harney County Town-Liveatock and Lumber Interests.

DREWSEY, Or., Aug. 22.—The Town of Drewsey has a wide reputation for its energy and life a long distance away. Brewsey has been quiet this Summer, by It is picking up now. Several new resi-dences are under construction and the Odd Fellows are building a good half to cost about \$2000. All the other fraternal societies will meet in it. Drewsey has # good school, where two teachers teach
To pupils. The town has recently been
Bhoorporated and a set of town officials
was sleeted. Dr. C. E. Standice is Mayor, E. A. Heath Becorder, J. C. Bartlett Treasurer, I. M. Davis Marshal, and E. Olgon, J. A. Bartlett, R. B. Johnson, A. I. Johnson, W. D. Baker and J. D. Day

tweety in 180 by Abner Robbins, who is the first settler of this country. He lived here alone for a long time prior to that date and engaged in stockraising and dodging Indiana, who laid for his scalp. There are two large general stores The larger is owned by Daly & Robbins, who carry a stock of about \$20, 800, and do a volume of business of about \$50,000 annually. The other is owned by A. I. Johnson & Bro. This firm carries a stock of \$10,000 and does an annual business of \$20,000. The nown also has a blacksmith shop and saloon in construcon. There is one newspaper here, the estern Ways, and two stage lines, one daily and one tri-weekly. The daily runs from Oniario to Burns and the other from Dresses to Van, making a round trip three days in each week. There are two hotels, two blacksmith shops, two livery stables, two saloons, one confecry store and one millinery store.

tion of country extending 20 to 35 miles in every direction. The town is located on the middle fork of the Malheur River and is in the principal valley. There are several valleys from which it draws its trade. Agency, Junction, Warm Spring, South Fork, Stinching Water and other

Nice little homes pestle along all of

Nice little bomes nestle slong all of these valleys. Wherever there is natural irrigation, there is a home. But thou-sands of acres yet lie idle. There is plenty of water to irrigate every inch of the ground, and attention is being turned in that direction. The swift mountain streams are carrying the water way to waste at present but in water away to waste at present, but in a few years until all of this water will be utilized, homes will be increased, and this will be another rich farming coun-try in Eastern Oregon. Bestdes the gnony valleys subject to irrigation, thousands at acres are subject to overflow from storage reservoirs in the mountains. Where table limits and plateaus cannot be reached by disches direct from the natural water courses, the storage sys-tem is suggested. There are deep gorges and canyons where, by building a dam as a nominal cost millions of gallons of water can be caught when the snow engls in Spring and this saved and utilenelts in Spring and this saved and utilized in flooding the level tracts later, This "storage" system is the general talk here and there is no question of its utility. In one way and another the whole section of rich level land will in the course of time be brought into a state of cultivation. Immigrants and home-seekers are already driving about the pountry and prospecting for homes. The resources of this section are extensive. Already 20,000 bushels of grain are raised in this vicinity, 16,000 of which is wheat, with an equal amount of oats. Rye and bariey compose the remainder. One hundred thousand pounds of wool are shipped from this place annually.

One hundred thousand pounds of wool are shipped from this place annually, 1000 head of beeves, 10,000 sheep and 1300 head of horses. The lumbering industry will also eventually reach large propertions. The John Ott & Co mill, principally owned by Daly & Robbins, with a capacity of 10,000 feet per day, is located 22 miles northeast from here, and is doing a profitable business. Rough lumber wills at \$30 per 1000 and freezed lumber sells at \$30 per 1000 and freezed lumber. sells at \$10 per 1000 and dressed lumber at \$15 to \$20 per 1000. There is also a planting mill and shingle mill in connec-tion. Five hundred thousand shingles are turned out annually and sold at \$3 per 1990. The timber is practically inex-haustible, consisting of fir and pine, and although not very large it is of a fine This will be a great industry in the course of time. As the country set-ties up the demand for lumber will in-crease. Already lumber is handed from this section to a distance of 60 miles and a region hundreds of miles to the south and southeast will be supplied from this

Business generally is reported here as being better than for years. Everything ars a prosperous appearance.

MRS. PULLER'S WILL. Bulk of the Property Left to the

Woman's Nephews and Nieces. COMVALLIS, Or., Aug. E.—The will of Mrs. Louise Fuller, who died childless, has heen filed for probate. The property is supposed to be worth about \$15,000. Half of a 120-core farm near Corvallis, \$1200 cash and all personal property go to a hephew. Barrel H. Hane, who is made executor without bonds. The remainder of the farm goes to Rev. Adam C. Bane, of San Francisca, a nephow. A Corvallie residence. T. J. Potter from Portland.

goes to a nephew, Clayton R. Bane, of Gilroy, Cal., a great-nephew, David A. Bane, Corvallis, and a niece, Susan Baker, Bane, Corvallis, and a nicce, Susan Baker, of California. Residence property in Eugene is left to a niere, Louisa Henton, Denver, Colo., and to a great-niece, Elias Eskrifge, of Camden Point, Mo. Eight lots and two strips of land in Wilkin's addition to Corvallis go to the Masonic lodge, with provision for sale and application of the interest on the proceeds to keeping up the family burdal lot in Crystage in the proceeds. keeping up the family burial lot in Crys-

A COLLAPSED HUMBUG. Governor Fletcher's Opinion of the

Nome Mining Boom. SALEM, Or., Aug. E.—Governor J. H. Fietcher returned from Cape Nome last evening. He denounces the Cape Nome oom as a colossal humbug, and charges nany people going to a region represented to be an inviting mining field. Among the other Salemites who have or will re-turn are Professor J. O. Hall, James Smith and Fred Geer.

Oregon Notes.
Fruit trees about Eikton are heavily

W. B. Stevens has sold G. F. Seeley 191 acres in Polk County; price, \$2000. John Wright has sold Robert Trenton 51-2 acres adjoining Ashland for \$550. Two more children of George Bunn, of

The Dalles, are down with diphtheria L. B. Frazer, who died near Bethel recently, was a pioneor. His age was 68. A Dallas mill is shipping to California, weekly, 100,000 feet of finishing lumber. David Dove, of Independence, has raised 10,000 bushels of potatoes this year on 15

Fire destroyed two stacks of grain at W. C. Stilwell's ranch, near Mayville,

Cottage Grove has been raised to a postoffice of the third class, to take affect October 1. I. A. Allen has sold John Simon 227

acres in T. 7 S., R. 4 W., Polk County; consideration, \$7750. L. Wambegau, of Dayton, has picked 250 boxes of merchantable Gravenstein ap-ples from 70 trees.

A. J. Wagner, residing north of Athena, reports a yield of 45 bushels per acre on a 70-acre wheat field.

A Nehalem sew was badly clawed and bitten while defending her pigs from a bear; but Bruin got two of them. Elmer Emerson, of Lakeview, return-ing to Oregon from the Klondike, was recently buncoed out of \$305 at Seattle. Avery Binshaw has seld to Laura M. Huffman 80 acres in the H. W. Ends donation land claim, Polk County, for

Rev. O. D. Taylor, of The Dalles, says that 20 tens of green prunes, shipped by bim to Denver, netted him 2 cents a

The McMinnville Reporter says that by September 10 boats will be running through the locks of the Yambill at La Payette.

At Elkton fire destroyed the residence of Ed Haines, together with his amoke-house and 1000 pounds of meat and flour.

but nearly all of it is stored, as 50 cents a bushel for No. 1 is not considered a satisfactory price by growers.

Mrs. C. J. Selts, of Alsea, sends a Corvalits paper a sample of second-crop beans, raised this year on her place, whose pods are over nine inches long. Polk County is building new bridges across the Luckinmute at the Turner place, the Shaats place, and the James Grant farm; also across Mill Creek at the Buell mill, and across the slough on the Hall's Ferry road.

At Pendleton, prices offered for wheat very greatly. Local mills are paying 43 to 50 cents per bushel for No. 1. Exporters are offering much lower figures, and cialm that farmers are receiving more than the market warrants.

Andy Hanson, a Done, was thrown from his wagon near Eigin, last week. He struck on his head and right shoul-der, with such force as to break his shoulder-binde and partially paralyze him. Relatives sent him to a Portland Charles McLeyy, of Helly, sold 1900

formed the exporters that the highest bid would take the wheat. It is the opin-ion that he received from 48 to 47 cents. Representative Tongue writes to the Tillamook Headlight: "My visit to Tillamook changed my ideas entirely in reference to the importance of the improvement upon the Tillamook bar. I regard to the importance of the provement upon the Tillamook bar. I regard ment upon the Tillamook bar. I regard ment upon the Tillamook bar. I regard ment upon the Tillamook bar. such improvement as very essential for the future commerce of Tillamook Bay, and I hope we can succeed in securing

John D. Greenball, formerly of Oregon, was recently thrown from the top of a freight car at Red Bluff, caught by rods under it, and dragged some distance, when his cries attracted the attention of his companions. His abdomen and chest were severely lacerated, and crowded into a knot. He lived about 10 hours after the accident occurred.

The Wahlberg hop farm at North Yam-hill is being equipped with a strictly mod-ern kiln for drying the output of the farm. The plant includes a double kiln with two drying floors, each 25 feet square, and a cooling and storage-room about 100 feet distant from the kiln, the two being connected by an elevated railway. hops are lifted to a level with the drying

Lightning struck a haystack on John Walker's ranch in Perry Canyon one night last week, and destroyed about 40 tons of hay. The Condon Globe says the light was plainly visible from that town. A peculiar circumstance of the fire was that another stack, less than 10 feet distant, was not damaged. The heavy rain which was falling at the time kept it so effectually "wet down" that the flames could not ignite it.

John A. McMorris is having excellent success with his barb-wire telephone lines, says the Condon Globe. He has ordered a better class of instruments than those now in use on the Matney Flat line. A number of farmers in other localities have signified their intention of being connected with the system, and it is thought that within a few weeks Perry Canyon, Hay Creek and Rock Creek will all be in "hello" touch with

Four alleged "specialists in the treatment of troublesome diseases" have been working the farmers of Wasco County. One of them—acting as agent—hunts up a suffering men and "contracts for a cure or no pay." Later one of the "doctors" insists on having a note as an evidence of the patient's good faith. In this way, they secured a number of notes. The Sheriff has helped several farmers to get back their paper before it passed

into the hands of innocent purchasers. Edward L. Mims, the Pendleton lawyer who killed J. Henry Miller and was given five years for manslaughter and a fine of \$1000, stood off his punishment for just a year by motion for a new trial, appeal to the Supreme Court, and a motion for rebearing, but was finally landed in the Penitentiary at Salem August M, at 11 A. M. just a year te an hour from the time he was arrested and put in the Umatilla jall. He gets no allowce for the year he was in jail at Pen-

IMPROVED SERVICE TO AND FROM ILWACO.

SETTLED THE SHORTAGES

WASHINGTON COUNTY EX-OFFI-CIALS PAY AMOUNTS DUE.

Ex-Sheriff Ford Will Contest a Charge Relating to Delinquent Tax Costs.

HHLISBORO, Aug. 25.—As the result of the work of the experts who have been examining the books of the various county officers, Washington County is sev-eral hundred dollars shend. The ac-counting covered the period from 1894 to July, 1900. The result is a surprise, as experts have been employed each year by the grand jury, and they have al-ways reported the books correct and all moneys collected turned into the county moneys collected turned into the county treasury. The County Commissioners re-cently determined that a thorough accentry determined that a thorough ac-counting was necessary, and Messra. Clark and Buchanan, of Portland, began the work in July. Their final report was filed with the court Thursday evening, but it will not be made public until early

All ex-officials who have been charged with deficiencies have paid the amount into the county treasury, except ex-Sher-iff H. P. Ford. It is understood that he is charged with several hundred dollars, embracing delinquent tax costs, nearly all of which Mr. Ford maintains rightfully belongs to him. To an Oregonian repre-sentative Mr. Ford said that he was not in the least alarmed over the outcome of the matter, as he had acted under legal advice in the matter of retaining costs. He says that he was awarded costs of a like nature by District Judge McBride.
He says that there may have been a few cierical errors, which are likely to happen to any one in the handling of several hundred thousand dollars. Mr. Ford adds that the amounts charged against him by the experts, in nearly every case, are matters of controversy which he believes will be decided in his favor. The amounts paid in by the other ex-

officers aggregate over \$900. Ex-Sheriff W. D. Bradford, whose term closed July 1, was charged with \$440 91, and upon the showing presented by the experts he immediately paid the amount into the county treasury. Ex-County Clerk R. B. Goodin, whose term of office was from 1892 to 1896, was charged with \$224.99. Upon looking over the records, he paid the amount into the treasury. J. A. Imbrie, whose term as County Clerk expired July 1, was charged with \$135 30, which he paid. Of this he will get a rebate of \$7, an excess payment. Over \$30 of the charge against Mr. Imbrie was a payment of delinquent tax redemption. People here generally regard the defi-encies as the result of clerical errors and the county's poor system of bookseeping. Had the experts previously ap-ointed by the grand jury done their work properly, there is no doubt that the ex-officers would have settled promptly

WORK OF INCENDIARIES. Salem Church and Residence Destreyed by Fire.

with the county.

SALEM, Aug. 25.-At an early hour this morning the German Lutheran Church and the residence of Rev. G. F. West, adjoining, were destroyed by fire. The buildings were located on East State street. The residence had been unoccupled for a few days, Mr. West having gone to La Conner, Wash, where he fills the Methodist Episcopal Church pul-pit. The fire started in the residence, and supposed to have been of incendiary A night watchman in the car barns near by heard two explosions and found the residence in flames immediately afterward. Both church and residence were comparatively new buildings, the former having been completed and dedi-cated about six weeks ago. Each of the buildings was worth about \$1000, and each was insured for \$1000.

tion from Governor Gage, of California, for the return of L. L. Whitely, who is wanted in Fresno to answer to a charge of embezzling \$300. Whitely is under ar-rest in Portland.

State Treasurer Moore today received remittance of \$2500 to apply on Yamhill County's 1899 state tax.

very slowly. Sheriff Durbin began send-ing notices today that the 1899 taxes will be delinquent October 1.

M'MINNVILLE'S STREET CARNIVAL. Three Days' Celebration of the Com pletion of Yambill Locks.

M'MINNVHALE, Or., Aug. 25.—It has been decided to hold McMinnville's street carnival September 27, 28 and 29. A tent 60x80 feet, with 10-foot walls, and 36 feet high in the center, will fill the street space at Third and D. This will be divid-ed into compariments sufficient to ac-commodate the II precincts of the county, each of which, it is presumed, will be repeach of which, it is presumed, will be rep-resented in the display of grains, grasses, fruits and other products. County Judge Bird, Mayor Maloney and J. C. Cooper are at the head of the undertaking. There will be three days of jolification by the people, who will be benefited by the completion of the Yamhili locks, which event this carnival will celebrate.

McMinnville College will reopen September 12 for the Fall term.

THREATENED BY AN INSANE MAN. Letters Received by United States District Attorney Gay.

OLYMPIA, Aug. 25.-United States Dis trict Attorney Wilson R. Gay has writ-ten Governor Rogers that he has been showered with threatening letters from J. L. Doyle, now in Portland, Or. Doyle is the insane man who called at the Governor's office last Spring and made an assault upon Private Secretary Pelletier. On being taken to the police station he was found to be armed with a revolver. He was taken to the Asylum at Stellacoom, but after a few weeks was paroled, as his sanity seemed to have returned. Doyle went to Seattle and became engaged in a saloon row there, and left for Portland. Since being there he has written to Governor Rogers and United States Attorney Gay. Doyle's letters show him to be a dangerous man, and that he intends returning to Washington.

TO JOIN HIS REGIMENT.

Lieutenant Hasson Leaves Vancouver for the Philippines.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 3.—Lieutenant John P. Hasson, Thirty-fifth United States Volunteer Infantry, who was wounded in the Philippines, and who has been spending a two months' leave at his home near here, left today for San Francisco. He will report to Gen-eral Shafter with a view of returning to Manila to join his regiment. Lieutenant Hasson was accompanied to San Fran-cisco by his brother, Charles Hasson, for-merly a musician in the First Washington Volunteer Infantry.

DENIED A LICENSE.

Remonstrance Against a Ridgefield

Liquor Dealer Prevails. VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 25.—The Commissioners today denied the petition of one Byrne for renewal of liquor license at Ridgefield. Byrne's petition was accompanied by a remonstrance signed by a remonstrance signed by a remonstrance signed by a majority of the residents of Ridgefield and vicinity. The Commissioners decided that they had no legal right to grant the

CLARK COUNTY EQUALIZATION. Personal Property Increase Offsets

Reductions on Realty. VANCOUVER, Wash, Aug. 25.—The County Commissioners, who have been in session since August 6 as a Board of Equalization, adjourned this evening. While a number of changes were made on the rolls, the result will make but little, if any, difference in the aggre-gate of the original assessment, as the increases by the board on personal prop-erty assessments will about offset the reerty assessments will aboutions on real estate.

A SIXTY-DOLLAR BILL. The Only One Known to Be in Exist-

ence. Spokane Chronicle. Spokane has the only \$60 paper bill in United States currency known to be in

It was issued at the first session of the Continental Congress in 1778, and carr with it all of the crudity of that age. is a peculiar looking document, being a plece of greenish paper, of much the same material as the present paper money, except that it is heavier. In shape it is almost square, with dimensions of about four by three and a half inches. On one side of the bill is written the

On one side of the bill is written the receipt, which is as follows:
"This bill entitles the bearer to receive 60 Spanish milled dollars for value received in gold or silver, according to a resolution passed by Congress at Philadelphia, September 26, 1778."
On the back of the bill is drawn a bow with a set arrow. Along the margin the value of the bill is again printed, and at one side the words. "Printed, Hall & at one side the words." Printed, Hall & at the words."

at one side the words "Printed, Hall & Selers, 1778." At the bottom of the face is the signature of some one in authority. The letters have so faded out that it is almost impossible to follow the characters. Some have imagined they could trace the signature of George Washington upon those lines but others could ton upon those lines, but others could not imagine what authority he had to distribute money at that date. This rare bill is the property of Otto Flechtl, of the Flechtl Quartet, of the

Coeur d'Alene. It was presented to him at the Charleston earthquake in 1886 for at the Charleston earinquage in 1888 for the saving of an Irishman's life. The open-hearted act of the big German to-ward his hereditary enemy so overcame the man from Erin's Isle that he gave him the only article of value he pos-

sessed.

Mr. Flechti was desirous of ascertaining the true value of the bill, and in 1883 sent it to Washington, where it was kept for six months while the department in vestigated the issuance of the bill. It was vestigated legal, as the issue of \$60 bills at that time was known to have been made, though this is the only one which had not been returned to the Treasury
Department. The piece of money has
considerable value outside of the amount
upon its face. The Spokane man now in
possession of the relic has refused an
offer of \$1000 for it, and says no price could induce him to part with it.

KILLED BY HESSIAN FLY. Experience of a Farmer With 12

Acres of Early Spring Wheat. FOREST GROVE, Or., Aug. 25.—Frank Vanloo, of Greenville, planted on 40 acres 36 bushels of wheat and 36 bushels of oats. He sold the crop, unharvested, to Jacob Vohs recently for 35 bushels of wheat, just enough to seed one-half the land for the next crop. Vohs took special pains with a 12-acre piece of the early Spring wheat, and he reports that the crop was killed by the Heasian fly.

Owing to so much timothy hay being shipped out of the country, the farmers say the price per ton will easily reach \$15 in the home market before the Winter is over. The price now is \$13 a ton. New Warehouse at La Crosse

COLFAX, Wash., Aug. 25.-The Pacific Coast Elevator Company is building its second grain warehouse at La Crosse. The new building will be 40x100 feet. The old warehouse, 40x120 feet, is already full.

Mining Stock Quotations. Following are the transactions at the Orego Mining Stock Exchange:
Listed Mines— Bid. Asked Adams Mountain \$0 05 ena No. 2 Lost Horse
May Queen
Mountain View
Oregon-Colorado M. M. & D.
Umpqua

	Adams Mountain 1000 shares at 5 Helena 5000 st 31%
	Helena No. 2
8	1000 at 7% 5000 at 7% 18abella
t	Lost Horse
	Mountain View 5000 at 2%
	Oregon-Colorado M. M. & D 4000 at 5 SALES FOR THE WEEK.
	Aug. 20
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NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Mining stocks too closed as follows:

| Closed as follows: | 50 12 Ontario | \$3 50 Crown Point | 10 Ophir | 50 Crown Point | 10 Ophir | 50 Con. Cal. & Va. 1 30 Plymouth | 10 Deadwood | 50 Quicksilver | 1 50 Gould & Curry | 15 do pref | 6 50 Hale & Norcross | 14 Sierra Nevada | 33 Homestake | 50 00 Standard | 2 50 Iron Silver | 16 Union Con | 18 Mexican | 24 Yellow Jacket | 22 BOSTON, Aug. 25.-Closing quotations: BOSTON, Aug. 25.—Closing quotations:

Adventure \$2.50 | Humboldt \$2.50 |
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Atlantia 24 | 00 | Quincy 140 | 00 |
Bost & Mont. 317 | 00 | Santa Fe Cop. 4 | 50 |
Butte & Boston 35 | 00 | Tamarack 212 | 00 |
Cal. & Hecla. 758 | 00 | Utah Mining. 30 | 25 |
Centennia 16 | 50 | Winona 3 | 00 |
Franklin 13 | 25 | Wolverines 40 | 50 |

Large Particles of Free Gold. BAKER CITY, Or., Aug. 25.—Specimens of the strike in Quartz Guich, near the

Virtue, received here, are full of particles of free gold as large as a pinhead. These specimens created great interest at the Courthouse. Sheriff Huntington, Clerk Geddis and Deputy Recorder Cord own claims and Deputy Recorder Cord own claims adjoining that on which the strike was made, which belongs to "Uncle Dan" Cochran. Dynamite, fuses, picks, shovels and drills in abundance have been hurried to the mine, and the boys all expect the American Girl to bring

From Mrs. Bullock. OREGON CITY, Aug. 24.—(To the Editor.)—In justice to myself, I beg space

to reply to an article in your issue of the Eist inst., entitled "Wants to Get Rid of Her Son." It is there stated that I filed a com-

plaint in the County Court with a view to having my son declared insane and consigned to the State Asylum, etc. Now the facts are as follows: I never

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though otherwise strong and healthy, is totally unfit to work at anything without some one being constantly with him to look after him. Were his father here is \$1,000,000.

Irrigation Company. The transfer includes all of the land and canals of the a distance of several hundred feet, before to look after him. Were his father here is \$1,000,000. totally unfit to work at anything with-out some one being constantly with him to look after him. Were his father here to care for him or myself able physically and financially to do so, I should never have made the application. In the article above referred to, the writer would have it appear that I made an effort before the court to have my son (aged 32, and not 24, as stated) adjudged insane, in fact after consulting with his honor, I concluded to withdraw the complaint, and if the proceeding were as reported, it

took place subsequently and in my absence. E. A. BULLOCK.

Boise Statesman. The Republican County Convention was held at Silver City August 23. A large number of delegates were present, and the convention was very harmonious. The following ticket was nominated: State Senator-E. R. Southern, De La

Representatives—W. W. Avery, Black Jack; Thomas Kriegbaum, Trade Dollar, Sheriff-Frank Crosson, De Lamar,
Treasurer-M. M. Getchell, Silver,
Assessor-O. F. Brunzell, Silver,
Probate Judge-Simon Harris, Silver,
Superintendent of Public Instruction-B.

Superintenant of Public Instruction—B.

B. Lower, Silver.
Coroner—J. N. Weston, Silver.
Surveyor—Frank Hulett, Silver.
County Commissioners—First District, J.
J. Baker, Silver; Second District, Charles
Forney, De Lamar; Third District, Thomas Penrose, Pickett Creek,

Washington Land Cases. WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—The Secre-tary of the Interior has affirmed the de-cision of the General Land Office, dismissing the contest instituted by George N. Reed against the entry of John B. Clews for a quarter-section tract in the North Yakima land district, Washington. The Secretary also approves the action of the land office in rejecting the selections of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company of six sections in the Olympia land district, and holding the same sub-

ject to the application of C. W. Clark. Washington Notes.

Two supposed cases of smallpox are re-ported at Puyallup. At Anacortes, two men are under bonds for selling liquor to Indians. Thieves recently ran off five horses belonging to George Curran, of Colton. At Centralia, apples and plums have re-

Arlington is improving rapidly. Many strangers are in town seeking invest-ments and locations for business. W. A. Newell, formerly Governor of candidate for Congress this year in New Jersey. Marion Shellman, an Anatone farmer,

cently been selling at 2 to 3 cents per

committed suicide, August 22, while temporarily insane. He leaves a widow and three children. Vessey & McRae, prominent Yakima sheepmen, shipped 14 cars of lambs to the Chicago market on the 22d. The last

shipment of 10 cars they say netted them 2.50 each. Tacoma's schools were announced to open Monday, September 3, but the Board of Directors has changed the date till after the circus is gone, which will be

September 5. Gunner's Mate John Isberg, U. S. N., at Bremerton, found to be suffering from subscute mania, was sent under proper guard to the Mare Island Hospital for treatment.

The fishing schooner Lizzle Colby, Cap-

tain George M. Jacobs, arrived in Port Angeles, August 33, from Behring Sea, with a full cargo of codish. She is about a month earlier than usual. The rain in Whitman County on the 22d was so severe as to stop all threshing and wheat-hauling. Probably two-thirds of the grain is cut. Farmers thought the

rain would do little damage, unless pro-longed. O. M. Annis, a pioneer resident of the Puyallup Valley, died at his home near Aiderton August 22 of heart failure. Mr. Annis was 72 years old, and had resided at Aiderton 31 years. He leaves a widow. and six children.

Judge McDonald, of Colfax, has reeased a prisoner from serving out a fine of \$40 and costs, imposed by a Justice of the Peace, because the sentence, through an error, reads that the fellow "shall be convicted until paid," instead of "committed till paid."

The Stevens County Board of Equalization has raised the assessed valuation of all railway trackage from 72 cents per foot to \$1 per running foot on all main-lines in the county. It is estimated that this raise will add about \$80,000 to the assessment rolls,

Forty land-owners in Kittitas Valley have formed a company for the purpose of building three storage reservoirs in Menashtash Canyon, in which they intend to store, during the Winter months, sufficient water to Irrigate all their lands below the canyon. A surveying party is now at work locating reservoir sites. now at work locating reservoir sites. The greatest deed ever recorded in Yak-

In four years the shipment of berries from the Puyallup Valley to points in the Middle West has increased from 500 crates during the season to 15,000, the total which this year's shipments will reach, says the Tacoma Ledger. This increase has been made almost entirely within the past three years, and the greatest in-crease was made during 1809 and 1900.

The farm team of O. G. Fiance, who lives near Wenatchee, ran away August 22. and came 'n contact with another team, driven by Alex, Murray, an aged farmer. Murray's arm was broken, his head badly bruised and various parts of his body badly injured. His recovery is doubtful. He is widely known thro out Kittitas County, as one of Ellens burg's early settlers.

The gang of tramps which recently terrorized the Town of Blaine has gone southward, committing depredations at Lynden, Everson, Deming, Wickersham, Wooley and Mt. Vernon. At Lynden they committed various bargiaries, taking watches, razors, shoes, etc. At Wooley they broke into Downie's meat market and took his tools. A. Smith and George Taylor, of Lynden, pursued them and captured 10 of them at Mount Vernon. They falled to find any of the plunder on them, so they were released. The Mount Vernon City Marshal started them down the track toward Seattle.

A New York firm contracted the hops A New 1078 Hrm contracted the hops of nearly 200 acres in the Yakima dis-trict on the 24th. The yards are esti-mated to produce 62,000 pounds, and the price is 10 cents per pound. The yards are owned by Sam Chong, Josiah Wilson, A. P. Eschbuch, John Lutz and E. S. Hill. The hops are to be of good color, cleanly picked and delivered in good con-dition between October 1 and November 1. at the warehouses in North Yakima, They are to be baled in 34-our cloth and weigh from 180 to 210 pounds per bale. Advances are made on the con-tracts for picking and baling, and the product is to be equal to that of the

his bloycle. The helated passenger train from Seattle struck him squarely in the middle, killing him instantly. The bloycle was knocked about 65 feet and off the track, but Mr. Wilson's body was picked up by the engine and ground in beneath the pilot and the drivers in such a horrible manner that it took the combined efforts of four men to extricate it. The case is set for hearing at Moscow The engine had run from the Main-

a distance of several hundred feet, before the fireman discovered where the body was, although the fireman saw him hit and ran back expecting to find a mangled corpse where the collision occurred.

Idaho Notes, Wardner's schools will not open till Sep-

The State Bank of Weiser has increased is capital stock from \$25,000 to \$50,000; in Judge Standrod, Republican nominee for Governor, will speak at Bouner's Ferry next Monday night.

Wardner is holding a "merchants' car-nival," whose proceeds will go to reduce the indebtedness of the new Congrega-

The Boise Statesman says that, according to an old Indian sign, the comfact Winter is to be long and severe. Chickens

ward of \$200 for the apprehension of the murderers of the Elmore sheepherder, Frank Koemingen. The Commissioners of Elmore County had previously effect a reward of an equal amount for the ap-prehension of the murderers. Ex-Governor W. J. McConnell, whose position as Inspector of Indian Agencies requires him to travel all over Idaho, Enga there is a great change in political feeing, and expresses the opinion that the Republicans will carry nearly every county in the state.

A warrant has been aworn out at Wal-lace for the arrest of Deputy Marshal Samuel Findlay, who recently railed a meeting of the Miners' Union at Gem. The Sheriff heattates to make the arrest, because advised that the county is under martial law. The newspaper of the min-ers censures Sheriff Sutherland very bit-terly for his non-action, saying that the terly for his non-action, saying that the deputy is charged with assault to kill.

Deputy United States Marshal C. A. The Puyaliup Independent contains the following particulars of the killing of W. W. Wilson, the aged druggist of Sumore: "He was starting for Puyaliup on panies in the Court d'Alones. The authlis bicycle. The helated passenger train was filed some time ago, the alleged dam-Foresman returned to Lewiston on the

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