

News Summary.

A starch factory is to be erected at The Dalles during the summer. Barley three and a half feet high and fully headed is to be seen in Jackson county. A large number of new settlers are going into Langell valley, Lake county, this spring. A new town named Lexington has been laid out six miles north of Heppner, in Morrow county. Several farmers near Tangent have been obliged to stop plowing on account of the dry weather. W. H. Bostwick, of Uniontown has shipped 11,000 pounds of apples from his place to San Francisco recently. A sneak thief entered the house of John Richards, Bethel, Polk county, a few evenings since and stole \$80 in money and a suit of clothes. The operation of the Ashland woolen mills has been impeded by the scarcity of water, something unknown before at this season of the year. The recent decision of the land office at Washington, relative to line lands of the Northern Pacific railroads, greatly pleases citizens of Walla Walla. Medford Monitor: H. Gilbert presented us with a large piece of native tin. He says he has located a well-defined ledge and will soon lay claim to the State bonus of \$25,000. Farmers have been putting in full time for the past four weeks, but the ground is now too dry for plowing in most places. The crop prospects were never more flattering than at the present time.—Eugene City Register. The Chinese merchants at Victoria, B. C., are so exasperated at the enforcement of the restriction bill that it is reported they are about to offer their stocks and buildings to the government and leave the country. Miss Boick and Mrs. Drake, of Myrtle Creek, Douglas county, recently circulated a remonstrance against granting a liquor license in that town and secured more signatures than would be saloon-keeper obtained to his petition. Last week nine car loads of horses left Dayton, W. T., for Chicago. The freight is \$235 a car, and free transportation for men needed to care for them. They go over the Northern Pacific. The shipment is 150 horses, cost about \$14 a head. In this country, says the Walla Walla Statesman, the cherry and apple are in bloom; we expect strawberries in a few days more; new potatoes have been eaten; wheat is sixteen inches high; volunteer barley is heading out and all the fields around are rank with the emerald green growth. A new variety of hops has recently been exhibited by Prof. Max Cornu at the national and central horticultural society of France in which the lower leaves do not fall off as in the common hop. It is of very rapid growth, forming tufts upwards of 23 feet in one year. It is of Japanese origin. Portland merchants are going to invest in a large fruit cannery to be erected in East Portland. This is a move in the right direction as tons of fruit go to waste every year in the Willamette Valley, and it only needs a little push to make a good market in the East for the goods. The fruit of Oregon is the finest in the world and it is time that the people of this section made the rest of the world understand it. The gratifying report comes that Oregon has been awarded first premiums at New Orleans for choice dried prunes of German, French and Silver varieties. Oregon ought to be able to stop the importation of European dried prunes entirely if our people would only go into fruit raising on the large scale which the natural advantages of the state would warrant. The running cars on the Pacific Division have lately been improved somewhat. The car shops in Tacoma have finished the work of replacing the old cast iron wheels, used by the passenger coaches, with steel tired wheels, and now all cars on passenger trains including the mail, baggage and express, are similarly equipped. Another improvement is now being made by placing air tight signals on the passenger coaches, doing away with the bell cord. These improvements will also be adopted on the main line. A recent decision of the supreme court of Washington Territory, Judge Hoyt delivering the opinion, holds that a state legislature, in the absence of constitutional restrictions, has power to grant divorces, and that such power being conceded, no question of whether there was sufficient cause for the dissolution of the marriage tie can be raised in the courts. Also, that "the marriage relation is a status rather than a contract, and so the severance of it by legislative enactment would not be an act in derogation to the provision in the constitution of the United States relative to laws impairing the obligations of contracts," Judge Wingard assented. The Hocking valley strike lasted within a few weeks of an entire year. It was one of the most memorable labor struggles ever seen in this country, from beginning to end disastrous to all concerned, and it is devoutly to be hoped that we may never see another like it. To the operators it brought loss of trade, time and money, and to the workmen hunger, hardship and privation. In a country like this such conflicts between capital and labor should never be necessary, but they will continue so long as, in too many cases, aggregated wealth is but a synonym for aggregated and heartless greed, and until workmen are better able to discriminate between the counsels of those who honestly desire their true welfare and the frothy eloquence of idle demagogues.

It costs the British Government \$4 50 per ton to transport from England to Egypt for the Soudan expedition. In New York City there is quite a demand for crazy quilts, and lunatics have been discovered who are willing to pay from \$50 to \$500 for one of elaborate design. One of the heaviest showers of rain that ever fell in that section, visited Uniontown and Sterlingville precincts, Jackson county, Wednesday evening. Crops are consequently looking finely there. Next fall, says the Yreka Journal, there will be an immense number of young cattle in Siskiyou county, as the increase has but very little loss in consequence of the extraordinary mild winter. The United States Government pays the widow of the late Mr. Webster, formerly Collector of Customs at Port Townsend, \$1,000 for the site of the lighthouse at Point Robinson in Pierce county. Grasshoppers are already hatching out by the thousands near White Rock, El Dorado county, California, and the indications are that the whole section of country will soon be swarming with the pestiferous insects. A. H. Denny, residing near Bethel, has recently grubbed up the largest silver beetle in Oregon, set out by W. P. Watson, ex-president of the agricultural society, in 1850. It measured eight feet seven inches in circumference two feet above the ground. The churn must go. According to a French patent the passage of a suitable electric current through milk causes the rapid separation of the butter and renders churning unnecessary. The manufacture of cheese and the removal of rancidity from butter by electrical aid are also claimed. A common sample of the White Bull ore from the Santiam mines has been examined by a Portland assayer and found to contain \$15 50 of gold to the ton and 65 in silver. The Santiam mining district is but three miles square and for its size is pronounced the richest on the Pacific Coast. The Jacksonville Sentinel says: In the orchard of David Cronmiller of this place, can be found a fig tree with figs on that had not been picked last year, and are still hard and have never been frozen, and the tree is now laden with a crop in size about as large as peas. If any one can beat this for climate, we would like to hear it told. A man in Jackson, Michigan, claims to have a towel made by his grandfather in 1734 and thinks it a great curiosity. If he could only get one gaze upon our cleanest towel which was hung up long last August, he would not be slow in coming to the conclusion that his relic is nowhere in comparison with a printer's towel.—Lakeview Examiner. Roseburg Review: One day last week, while C. W. Smith was hunting in his pasture for coyotes and looking in some holes among the rocks, he had concluded to stop up a hole, and on putting his fingers under a rock to turn it over a coiled rattlesnake sounded the alarm. Mr. Smith found many more snakes sunning themselves on the rocks and succeeded in killing several. Southern Oregon is receiving 85 per cent. of the immigrants arriving in Portland, as a result of judicious advertising of her resources by means of pamphlets. Several counties in other parts of the State have begun issuing immigration literature as a means of diverting a part of the population in their direction. This is commendable enterprise on the part of all and commendable enterprise wins in the long run. Following is the kind of weather they had in New Orleans on the 25th of March, according to the Times-Democrat: "The Spanish bayonet is blooming, the violets are abundant, roses are opening the leaves are forming, peach blossoms everywhere, and yet the weather continues wet, cold and disagreeable. Winter is still lingering in the lap of spring in earnest. The amateur gardener may be seen of mornings giving himself rheumatism fooling around a sickly lot of garden truck." The San Francisco Post says: The question of the prompt completion of the California and Oregon line, from Delta to the Oregon State line, depends materially upon the rapidity with which the new issue of bonds by the Central Pacific Railroad is taken up. At present there is a depression in railroad securities, and the general public are somewhat inclined to abstain from investing in them. The probable result, so far as present indications go, will be that little railroad building will be done this year. The road from Delta to the line is through a very difficult and mountainous country, and will require a large force of men, and a question arises whether the men qualified for the work can be obtained in sufficient force this season. When once commenced, the road could probably be carried through in two seasons, if favorable ones. It may be commenced this year. What action may be taken is not yet known. Seventy-two patents have recently been issued by the secretary of the interior to the Lummi Indians. These patents cover about 10,000 acres of the best land in Washington territory, located on the northern and western shores of Bellingham bay, within five miles of the city of Whatcom. For years it has been the cherished hope of the citizens of Whatcom county that the Lummi reservation would be thrown open to settlement. The issuance of the patents precludes the consummation of this much desired result. The body of land occupied by them, although very rich in agricultural resources, capable of furnishing fruit, grain and produce sufficient to sustain a population of 10,000 souls, will never be cultivated by the Lummi Indians. The salmon, halibut, crabs and clams can be obtained with less exertion. At least 95 per cent. of the 10,000 acres of the reservation will remain undeveloped. There are only 275 Indians on the reservation, all told, according to Agent Buckley.

Temperance Department. EDITED BY THE W. C. T. U. According to the statistics, during the year ending January 30 1884, the consumption of whisky in this country was about 127 gallons for every inhabitant, and 14 gallons of wine and beer each, of tobacco about three pounds, including sixty cigars and fifteen cigarettes for each person. We all do not share equally in this feast, but we all share in the effects, the degradation, the hard times, "willful waste makes woeful want." Mary C. Leavitt, national superintendent, reconnaissance for the world's W. C. T. U. has organized a union in the Sandwich Islands, also in Australia, she hopes to go to India, China and Japan. She goes in true apostolic faith "without purse or scrip" The prayers of thousands do follow her and surely there are consecrated dollars somewhere sufficient for her needs. Dr. R. N. McDonald of San Francisco sent her one hundred dollars, others have sent smaller gifts. The banner representing the Press department of the national W. C. T. U. at the World's Fair, New Orleans, is of light blue silk mounted on a gold bronze stand. At the base a mountain scene, with hills near and far, and a river winding between an almost perfect representation of the glimpse of hills looking northward toward Brattleton, hills of New Hampshire Massachusetts and Vermont. In the center a large white dome, and at the top in gold letters the verse, "How beautiful upon the mountains are feet of him that bringeth good tidings that publisheth peace." The artist is Miss Mary Gordon, of Brattleton. Oregon W. C. T. U. or rather the Salem union has sent a shield of Salmon satin with a painting of Mt. Hood, very beautifully executed, a border of ferns and wheat, gives a good idea of the growth of each of these in our state. A nasal injector free with each bottle of Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy. Price 50 cents For sale at T. Graham's. "Hackmetack" a lasting and fragrant perfume. Price 25 and 50 cents. For sale at T. Graham's. Shiloh's Catarrh remedy—a positive cure for Catarrh, Diphtheria, and Canker Mouth. For sale at T. Graham's. Shiloh's Cure will immediately relieve Croup, Whooping Cough and Bronchitis. For sale at T. Graham's. For Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint, you have a printed guarantee on every bottle of Shiloh's Vitalizer. It never fails to cure. For sale at T. Graham's. Are you made miserable by indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness, Loss of Appetite, Yellow Skin? Shiloh's Vitalizer is a positive cure. For sale at T. Graham's. The Rev. Geo. H. Thayer, of Bourbon Ind., says: "Both myself and wife owe our lives to Shiloh's Consumption Cure." For sale at T. Graham's. Why will you cough when Shiloh's Cure will give immediate relief. Price 10 cts., 50 cts., and \$1. For sale at T. Graham's. "AT" WOODCOCK & BALDWIN'S THE BEST AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS! HARDWARE OF ALL KINDS AT SAN FRANCISCO PRICES, BROUGHT BY THEM Direct from the East! STOVES DIRECT FROM Eastern and St. Louis FOUNDRIES. MANUFACTURERS OF TINWARE AND PLUMBING A SPECIALTY. CORVALLIS, - OREGON.

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