

News Summary.

A Chinese girl at Portland aged 19 years attempted suicide last week.

W. S. Ladd's box factory at the foot of L. street, in East Portland, will be finished, according to contract, by September 1st.

The bark Isabel arrived Thursday of last week at Tacoma from China and Japan with 30,000 half chests of tea, aggregating nearly 2,000,000 pounds.

The Brownsville woolen mills have just received and are putting up two magnificent Crompton looms, from the manufactory of John Crompton, at Worcester, Massachusetts.

The saw mill located on the eastern edge of Howell prairie, near the farm of Mrs. E. Smith, near Salem, was burned to the ground Thursday morning of last week, loss three to four thousand dollars.

Two sons of Cornealius Vanderbilt are amateur printers. In their father's Fifth avenue dwelling they have a room devoted to the craft with presses, cases, type and other materials used in printing a neat little paper called the Comet.

A Stayton correspondent of the Albany Democrat says: The wheat yield is very fine. Whit Crawford has just harvested a field of seventy acres that made an average of 31 1/2 bushels per acre. Thirty acres made an average of 41 bushels per acre.

W. B. Keen, of North Yamhill, informs the "Reporter" that field mice destroyed some wheat on his farm. Several years ago field mice were very troublesome in some parts of the Willamette valley. One winter they were drowned out under a fall of snow.

Mrs. J. D. Foulz lives on the second floor of a flat in Portland on attempting to gain an entrance through a window, because her little girl had gone away and locked the door fell a distance of forty feet to the ground dislocating both ankles and her right shoulder.

A correspondent at Airle says: Farmers are getting along nicely with harvesting in this neighborhood. Quite a number have finished threshing their fall grain, and many others will finish the coming week. Judging from what has been threshed we think twenty-five bushels will be an average yield for fall wheat. Spring grain will fall considerably below this.

A few days ago the body of Gad Hapwood was found in his cabin near the mouth of the Little Salmon, about twenty-five miles up Snake river from Asotin. From appearances it was concluded that Hapwood died from an attack of bleeding at the lungs. He was a brother of James Hapwood of Woodville, Jackson county, a single man about 48 years of age, and possessed of a good ranch and considerable live stock.

The Portland Daily News says: During the week the Oregon State Dairy Commissioner has caused the arrest of several dairymen, who have been feeding brewery wastes (commonly called malt). The Commissioner proposes to test the question as to its healthfulness of this food, and will put some dairymen on trial to draw out evidence on this important subject.

William M. Hoag, manager of the Oregon Pacific Railway, is in New York, it is understood, on business in relation to that road, says the Portland News. He will return about August 15th. Mr. Hoag's business is undoubtedly to secure more financial backing for his road and the extension proposed to Boise City, I. T., to connect with the Chicago and Northwestern, upon which work will probably be begun in the fall.

Prof. Thos. Condon, of the State University, left home last Tuesday afternoon for the Coquille and coast county in Southern Oregon, says the Eugene Journal. He will make a geological survey and examination of the coast mountains and country along the coast about as far south as the southern boundary of the State, and thence in an easterly direction until he meets the geological survey he made last summer through Jackson and west into Josephine county. This is a very important work, one which the people of Oregon are deeply interested. Prof. Condon has no more interest in it than any other citizen, but he generously devotes all his spare time each year during the summer vacation to the University making new discoveries in the geology of Oregon.

Blue River Mining Notes.

[From the Eugene Guard.]

Several prospecting parties are in the section.

A number of placerclaims have been located in the district.

Three men from Linn county passed through Eugene for the mines in Wednesday.

Him, the Chinaman, has discovered a ledge where the cropings assay \$2 gold and \$2 silver to the ton.

The Cochran James mountain party took along with them some mining tools and propose doing some prospecting.

The rock from the ledge discovered by F. B. Mason and P. F. Castleman of Portland, are said to have assayed fairly rich.

A large number of our citizens are catching the mining fever, and we are looking for a number to start for Blue river any day.

About twenty-five Chinamen are sluicing at the mouth of Simons creek on Blue river. It is said they are making good wages. They have now been at work nearly two months.

The quartz ledges are located about forty miles east of Eugene. There is a good wagon road to within four miles of the mines; the balance of the way quite rough, but it is said a wagon road can be constructed at a moderate cost right into the mining region.

Mr. F. B. Mason and Mr. Hatch left for the mines Friday morning. They took with them a prospecting quartz crusher that will pulverize 100 to 150 pounds of ore per day, besides all necessary appliances for quartz prospecting. The machine and outfit will be packed in on horses.

The main ledges discovered are about two feet wide at the top and can be traced for miles in length. We have seen some rock that came out of the ledges about four feet from the surface, and free gold may be seen plainly in it with the naked eye. It is said to assay richly. Claims have been taken on the ledges for about one mile.

The following are the ledges that have thus far been recorded in the County clerk's office, in the Blue river district:

Treasurer ledge—Lombard, L. Seymour, Richard Gilbert and J. W. Downer.

Golden Gate ledge—L. Seymour, Richard Gilbert and J. W. Downer, Southern Cross, Golden Gate ledge, first extension—Oliver Goodfellow and John M. Davis.

Tidal Wave, Treasurer ledge, first extension north—John Giechter and Daniel Suttle.

Second extension, Treasurer ledge—J. W. Taylor, James Fountain, M. A. Fluin, Edward Deepuis, C. Besette.

Golden Gate, first extension—Jas. O'Brien, G. C. Clark, Thos. Shrum, G. M. Whitney, Peter Currin, Andy Ponjale, S. B. Eakin, Jr., T. G. Hendricks, John Dealmond, R. Pepiot.

Treasurer mine, first extension—T. G. Hendricks, E. Seymour, John Gilbert, Frank Larase, Lewis Seguino, James Morrell, J. P. Gill, G. L. O'Brien, S. B. Eakin, Jr., S. G. Clark.

Joseph Taylor, of Ohio, offers for \$10,000 to let himself float over Niagara falls.

The McCoy warehouse commenced receiving grain Monday at the rate of 1590 bushels per day.

(A picture of Joan of Arc.) A little peasant maiden, doing lowly service in the cottage home at Henneby; a mail-clad maiden, leading forth her soldiers from the gates of Orleans; two faithful feet on fagots at Rouen; a radiant face uplifted to the beckoning skies; a crucifix upheld in shivering, flame-kissed hands; a wreath of smoke for a pall, a heap of ashes, and—a franchised soul.

Three miners from Linn county left for the mines on Blue river, 35 miles east of Eugene, last Wednesday, Says the Guard. A couple of them already have claims and go to work the same, while the third intends locating a claim. We learn that several mining claims in that section have been recorded in the County Clerk's office.

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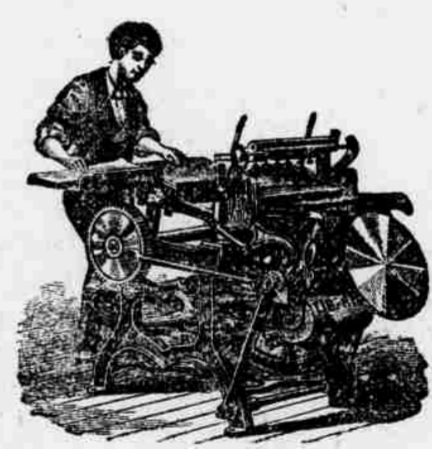
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