

News Summary.

Baker City has organized a military company.

Morrow county pays \$7 per cord for its wood.

The O. R. & N. Co. pays taxes on \$615,700 in Umatilla county.

J. R. Hood's wheat field of 240 acres in the Milton neighborhood gave an average yield of fifty-four bushels to the acre.

The bar at the mouth of the Yamhill river has been so much improved this month that the steamer A. A. McCulley now makes regular trips to Dayton, carrying out fifteen tons at a trip.

Gazette: This year's second crop of roses are now blooming the sunny hours away in some of the Heppner gardens, and many pear trees have bloomed a second time since losing their spring crop by late frosts.

The editor of the Murray Sun, in the Cœur d'Alene mines, says the output of that camp amounts to some \$12,000 or \$14,000 in dust every week. This is a very favorable showing when compared with last year's work in the Cœur d'Alene mines.

The Pine Creek mines, in Grant county, are reported very rich, and there are already about 400 men in camp, which is fifteen miles long. The best feature of the ledges thus far opened is that the deeper they go the richer the rock is found to be.

The large force of men employed on the Cascade division on this side of the mountains, are busily engaged in the work of railway construction. Tunnel No. 2, which is 400 feet in length, was pierced on Sunday last, and the work of its completion is going rapidly ahead.

The building to be used for the Oregon fat stock show, which will be held in Portland in the early part of October, has been completed, and accepted by the association. It is situated at the northeast corner of West Salmon and King streets, and its dimensions are 70x136 feet, two and one-half stories in height.

The city of Portland has \$38,000 less in sack now than it had at this time last year. On Saturday the committee on Ways and Means borrowed \$20,000 from the Portland Saving Bank at 8 per cent. This will help along for a time, but it is only a drop in the bucket, as it will be six months before any taxes begin to come in. The city seems to have increased its capacity for spending money faster than its power for collecting it. It is probable that a pretty heavy tax will be levied next year.—Oregonian.

A Port Townsend paper says: "Sixteen Chinamen were brought here recently by the Virginia. They were picked up on a rock near Stewart's island, where they had been landed by a boat from Victoria. The Chinamen had been on the rock four days with out anything to eat. They were tried before the district court and remanded back to Victoria, but as the Canadian government requires payment of \$50 for each Chinaman landed on Canadian soil, the United States authorities have a knotty and expensive problem to solve."

Superintendent Fillmore, of the Southern Pacific company, stated recently in San Francisco that work would be commenced immediately on the extension of the California & Oregon road. From 800 to 1000 men will be placed on the line north of Reding, and kept there until spring, occupied chiefly in tunneling, excavating and otherwise preparing for grading which will commence as soon as the rains are over. The Superintendent stated that they would not likely reach the state line inside of a year.

The supreme court at Victoria declined to liberate Hibbs, the defaulting postmaster of Lewiston, on a writ of habeas corpus, and he was remanded for extradition. He will now, without doubt, be returned to the United States to answer for his crime against the government. If the extradition laws were so amended that defaulting real estate dealers, brokers, bank cashiers, contractors and other thieves of the genteel sort, who live off the substance of honest industry for a time and decamp with the spoils, might be returned, the effect would be salutary. The prisons of the states that border on British Columbia and Canada are yawning for some dozens of those reprobates, whose example in rascality, together with easy immunity from punishment secured by a pleasant trip across the border, is a mighty agency in recruiting crime of this sort.—Telegram.

TRADE REVIVAL

Telegram: There is quiet, substantial evidence of returning prosperity throughout the state. The tendency of business is upward, though the grade is steep and the ascent slow. Sleepy looking country places are taking on, in many instances, a fresh coat of paint and the people generally wear more cheerful look than a year ago. As long as every granary, barn and cellar is well stored with the products of agriculture plenty must abound, and the lesson in make shift that people in the middle and lower walks of life, financially speaking, have been compelled to exercise for a few years, has given them valuable experience in making themselves comfortable on what they have, instead of rumping store bills. There are strong evidences that the long feeble commercial pulse will grow stronger from month to month, and in due time the people will realize fully what they now dimly feel, the return of active prosperity.

The brick work of the new State University building at Eugene has been completed and work on the structure is being pushed rapidly forward. When finished the building will be one of the finest educational institutions in the State. There is some indignation, however, in the interior that Oregon, with its large surplus in the treasury, can appropriate only \$50,000 for a State University, while on the other hand, the school district of Portland can run in debt to build a High School, which is superior to any on the coast. The people are indignant at the States' stinginess, not at Portland's liberality.—News.

The winged seeds of the bull thistle fill the air in every direction. They travel extend far up the valley and many stubble fields are white with their down. Persons are reprehensibly careless in allowing these seeds to mature in such vast quantities. The most persistent efforts will be necessary to eradicate them from fields where they are allowed to obtain a foothold. Fire is the only known exterminator, and, unfortunately in dry times like last month, fire has a tendency to burn things not considered particularly pestiferous when put on the war path after weed seeds.—Yamhill Reporter.

The latest news from Squak valley, W. T., the scene of the attack on the Chinese hop pickers Monday, is that the attack was made by white men and not by Indians, as reported. The attacking party crept up to the camp at the dead of night while the Chinese were asleep. The first intimation the Chinese had of the presence of the enemy was a volley of shots from rifles and revolvers fired directly into their tents. The Chinese who were not hit by the first fire fled into the brush, while their assailants with yells and oaths fired into one tent after another. Three Chinamen were killed and four wounded. The most of those who escaped made their way through the woods to Newcastle and were brought to the city by train. They are all greatly terrified. The attempt to introduce Chinese labor into the Squak hopfields has been given up and the remaining Chinamen will be brought to Seattle as rapidly as possible. Sheriff McGraw is still at the scene of the massacre and is making every effort to discover the perpetrators of the outrage.

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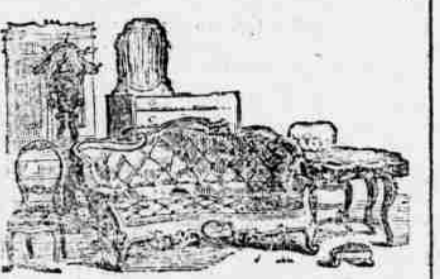
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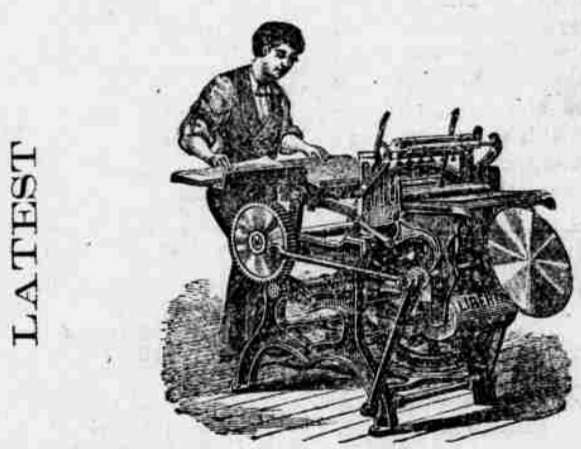
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