

News Summary.

Two Chinamen have been found floating in the Clearwater.

E. H. King, a lawyer, had a fight with a Cougar last week in Asotin county, W. T.

The Mammoth mine in Union county, has been bonded for \$50,000 to eastern capitalist.

It is said that upwards of 10,000,000 acres of public lands have been fenced in by cattlemen.

A number of immigrant wagons have passed through Roseburg, says the Plaindealer, during the past week on their way south.

A number of men are sluicing a bar in the Columbia river near Spokane Falls, and they are cleaning \$5 in fine gold to the man per day.

Over 1,000 pounds of Tillamook butter have recently been disposed of in Salem. It is made on Claude Thayer's ranch, and is highly recommended. Good for Claude.

The Gaunt liquor case, recently decided by Judge Webster in Klamath county, will be appealed to the Supreme Court as a test case, and Judge Hanna has been retained by the defense.

If you want to sell your farm, stock, goods, or anything else, quickly and at reasonable expense, an advertisement in the GAZETTE will be read far and near and lead to an early sale.

A company is being organized in Linkville to be known as the Artesian Well Boring company, whose business it will be to take contracts for boring artesian wells anywhere in the county.

The wheat crop of Oregon, and Washington and Idaho this year aggregates to 23,000,000 bushels, as against 17,000,000 bushels for last year. Who says this is not a wheat country?

It is said by the Itemizer that the Christian Herald, formerly published at Moamouth. Polk Co., will again make its accustomed visits to the people in the near future, probably next week.

From conversations recently had with cattle owners, says the Modoc Independent, we find the opinion prevailing that notwithstanding the fact that the price of beef is low at present, not many weeks will elapse, before there will be a perceptible rise in the price of this article.

The Watanom Reveille is informed that no less than 200 Chinamen have crossed the boundary line from British Columbia to this country, at or near Blaine, during the past two months, and the number is constantly increasing. It is believed that vast quantities of opium are smuggled through at the same time.

The board of state fair managers have had a row with two bands on the ground who entered to contest for prizes which the fair offered to give. The board desired that the bands should stay and play all the time and the bands proposed to simply play the necessary times to decide the contest. So they failed to agree and the bands left and the board kept the money.

The proprietors of the various gambling houses in Portland were notified by Chief of Police Parrish to close their games, which was done. The new ordinance provides for a heavy fine or imprisonment in case its provisions are violated. This is more than the gamblers can stand, and an honest and impartial enforcement of the law will keep the houses closed permanently. It remains to be seen how long this will be done.

At about 5:30 o'clock on Wednesday morning of last week, fire broke out in the drug store of R. A. Ross, at Silverton. Mr. Ross had lighted a lamp and started to go down cellar for some wood to start a fire with, and when on the stairs he made a misstep, dropping the lamp, which exploded, setting fire to some straw, and in a few moments the entire building was wrapped in flames, and in a short time nine of the best buildings in the town were laid in ashes, as follows: Ross's drug store, total loss; A. F. Simeral, boot and shoe store; H. D. Hanson, barber shop; Geo. Morley, saloon; Eagle hook and ladder company; Brown & McGuire, butcher shop; B. Phelps, agriculture works and blacksmith shop; Wm. Murray, marble works. Mr. Ross in escaping from the burning building, was very badly burned about the face and hands, but is not considered dangerous. L. C. Russell received a sprained ankle, and a Mr. Parker in some manner crushed his hand.

Some of the young ladies of Yamhill county have taken to the bat and ball for amusement. Why not? ladies should have exercise as well as men.

A gentleman in New York says that he feels confident that he knows of a process by which the black sand mines along the coast of this state can be worked profitably.

The Redding Free Press says: Much activity prevails in railroad circles. Chinamen arrive on every train, and there is now in the neighborhood of 750 of them at the front. On Wednesday evening a party of Italians passed through Delta to work on culvert building for Col. Scobie. At Delta everything is bustle and activity.

Inquiry at the banks by an Oregonian reporter elicits the information that the people who are entitled to credit can get all the money they want. There is no vast amount hoarded up, but the banks have all they need for legitimate demands. The usual amount has been advanced on wheat—probably more than at this time last year, because the crop was harvested earlier. So far as could be learned, the circulating medium is fully equal to the requirements of the trade; hence, the money market may be set down as healthy.

The Dalles Times-Mountaineer says "that for several years past there has been a system among thieves in Wasco county by which their property is transferred to persons until the innocent animal or animals finds himself or themselves within the lines of the British colonies, and safe from any process by which they could be returned to their lawful owners." One of the gang captures a horse in Wasco county and turns it over to a confederate across the river in Klickitat county, and he in turn passes it on to another confederate until it is safe across the line.

Beach mining has taken a boom in Coos county. The Coquille Herald reports that A. Pershbaker, Abe Rose, R. H. Rose and J. L. Ferry have sold six black sand claims, including the Joshua Wright claim, back of Randolph, for \$540,000. Great excitement exists, from the fact that a company has bought the Eagle mine in addition to the above, and intend to start up with 100 men, several other rich companies have their agents scouring that part of the country, and locations are being made.

The Grants Pass Courier says: Hon. H. B. Miller informs us that he has shipped a car load of sugar pine lumber to the sash and door factory at Walla Walla. Also that he has received an order from Los Angeles, Cal., for 30,000 ft. It is also an important fact that the Kamm building, Portland, costing \$100,000, is finished with Grant's Pass sugar pine and redwood. The mill is now cutting about 200,000 feet per month, and orders are coming in from Medford and other points on the O. & C. road.

John M. and D. J. Grant, John Smith, T. J. Gardiner, and G. K. Chamberlain left last week on a hunting expedition in the Siuslaw county, says the Polk Co. Itemizer. While driving along on a road cut in the side of the mountain, at the base of which runs Wild Cat Creek, one of the wheel horses got its foot in the lead bars and began to kick which scared the leaders and the four started on the run along the narrow ledge. After running a few yards one of the wheels struck a log, throwing the wagon and horses over the embankment into the creek, some forty feet below. Chamberlain was the only one in the vehicle at the time, who had a rib in his right side broken and was badly bruised. He was conveyed home where he is doing well.

The register and receiver of the United States land office at Walla Walla have allowed some filings to be made on the land south of the terminal limits of the Northern Pacific railroad in Walla Walla county. The company promptly appealed to the commissioner of the general land office at Washington, asking that the matter be adjusted and the local land office be restrained from allowing entries on the land in question. In the appeal as filed by the company, it is shown that the lands south of the terminal limits in the section mentioned are still in a state of withdrawal, and have been since August 13, 1870. The action of the local agents, it is believed, is not in accord with the policy of the general land office commissioner, and the filings made of late within the disputed tracts will have to be withdrawn.

Special Wheat Quotations to the Gazette.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 3rd, 1885.

CORVALLIS GAZETTE: Our market shows no signs of improvement, and wheat must be written rd down on the week. Flour is in excessive supply, but holders show great tenacity in supporting values. Nevertheless they have this week been compelled to give way somewhat, and accepted 6d less when tempted by actual business. Business for future shipment is at a standstill, not because American millers ask excessive figures, but because buyers seem to have lost all heart, and are so thoroughly tired out by the long suspense and repeated disappointments, that they do not wish to have any regard to the future.

The following shows our stocks as taken on August 31st, which show an increase.

Wheat, Aug. 31st, 1884, 475,901 qrs.; June, 30th, 1885, 635,992 qrs.; Aug. 31st 1885, 707,849. Indian Corn, Aug. 31st, 1884, 92,224 qrs.; June 31st, 1885, 70,615 qrs.; Aug. 31st, 1885, 69,550 qrs. Flour Aug. 31st, 1884, 163,434 sacks 1,447 barrels; June 30th, 1885, 225,075 sacks 180 barrels; Aug. 31st, 1885, 256,286 sacks 125 barrels.

The Imports into the U. K. are small being 289,655 qrs., this makes the total of Imports from Sept. 1st, to Aug. 29th, 18,555,681 qrs.

Al. Devaul and Louis Bender engaged in a friendly scuffle at Myrtle Point last week, in which the former was pressed to the floor in such a position, that his weight and that of his opponent was brought to bear on his left leg, which resulted in breaking it between the ankle and knee. Those who scuffle must pay the penalty.

Seven indictments for selling liquor without license were found by the recent grand jury of Klamath county, says the Ashland Tidings. The liquor dealers in that county have been proceeding upon the hypothesis that the Keady license law is invalid, but it is generally believed that Judge Webster's decision to the contrary will be sustained by the Supreme Court.

It is said that there are 450,000 bushels of wheat stored on the narrow gauge line.

It is claimed that Linn county leaves \$75,000 worth of hops in the field this year.

It is said that W. S. Chapman and F. E. Vaughan have purchased an interest in the Salem Statesman.

A two-story wooden dwelling house at Astoria, in process of completion, was instantly demolished by a gust of wind.

The Oregon Railway and Navigation Company's steamers are at present bringing wheat to Portland from The Dalles. About 100 tons arrive daily.

At the Newberg fair, says the Yamhill Reporter, we saw some excellent sweet potatoes, large, plump and of good quality, raised in this county by Mr. Vaughn.

The Middleton mill was destroyed by fire on the night of the 15th. It was the property of Hall & Smock. No insurance. The engine worth perhaps \$1000 was saved in a damaged condition.

A little girl aged 10 years was assaulted and outraged near Freeport, Washington county, Tuesday afternoon, by an old gray headed man supposed to be insane. If so he should go to the asylum at once.

Will H. Parry, of the Independence West Side, was relieved of his watch on the train between Salem and the fair grounds last Friday. Another gentleman from Independence, also, had his pockets picked and quite a sum of money besides his watch, stolen.

A barn belonging to Billy McAllister on Howell Prairie, with all its contents, was burned to the ground on Thursday night, of last week. The loss consists of the building, a separator and horse-power, several tons of hay, loads of oats, besides horses, etc. The total loss is at least \$1000 and no insurance.

Last week O. O. Hodson, of McMinnville, was called out to the farm of James McPhillips to doctor a pump. The cause of failure to operate the pump proved to be a snake, about six feet long, that had got into the works and disabled the valve. The well is deep, and it is supposed the snake accidentally fell into it while searching for water.

The Tacoma Ledger says a gentleman just arrived from the Granite creek mines, situated fifty miles north of Fort Yale, B. C., and eighty miles north of the United States boundary line, states that the reports received from there are not exaggerated. The gold is coarse and spotted. He says that miners obtain from a few cents up to a \$100 a day. The water is so high, however, that the mines cannot be worked at present. He stated that he would advise no one to go there until next spring.

The directors of the Yamhill county fair among other things publish the following: "We have just held one of the most successful fairs ever held in this state, successful as to the exhibits, attendance and financial management, and all brought about by very little effort on the part of the people interested; yet it is but a small affair compared with what will be done when the people of this county combine their energies to put themselves into the front rank of the leading counties of Oregon, there is naught to hinder save the inherent and undispelled apathy of indifference."

When will parents set down upon the toy pistol? A little nine year old son of C. A. Malarky is the last victim says the Yamhill Reporter. The doctor was unable to find the bullet, and it still remains in the leg. Anchylosis of the knee joint was feared, and the little sufferer had to be put under the influence of chloroform while the joint was bent. Profuse hemorrhage occurred during the night greatly weakening the little fellow.

James Morrison, Mr. Brisben and Mr. Wilson, says the Polk county Itemizer, have returned from the Cascade mines, where they have been on a prospecting tour for gold and silver bearing quartz. They were very successful, discovering several good ledges, one of which assayed \$27.00 gold and \$150 silver to the ton. They located and have recorded several claims, among them the Key West and Yamhill, as they named them. They will return in a few days.

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