

ALONG THE COAST.

Devoted Principally to Washington Territory and California.

An eight-year-old child died at Vallejo, Cal., of consumption. The merchants of Tucson, A. T., have organized a Board of Trade. There are twenty-six weekly newspapers in Los Angeles county, Cal. Hundreds of bushels of apples are being brought into Los Angeles from Kansas. It is said that capitalists contemplate the establishment of a woolen mill at Chico, Cal. In an affray at Nogales, A. T., Dennis Kalhar was shot and fatally wounded. It is proposed to annex the southern part of Idaho Territory to the State of Nevada. The schooner Truckee, lumber laden, went on the rocks near Albion, Cal., and is a total loss. Cowboys recently captured and killed five Mexican cattle thieves near Alta Sonora, N. M. A Chinaman in Hollister, Cal., is going to organize a Masonic lodge for the benefit of his countrymen. S. A. Nixon, of Granite, Montana, shot himself with suicidal intent and it is not thought he can recover. During the month of November there were shipped from the port of Nainimo, B. C., 23,584 tons of coal. At Garden Valley, Cal., a cave in a mine killed a man named Pomeroy and severely injured one named Hogan. A man at Occidental, Sonoma county, Cal., has taken a contract to get out 100,000 hoop poles for a San Francisco firm. G. E. Beckstead, one of a hunting party of South Jordan, Utah, was accidentally shot and killed by a companion. Captain Thomas Miller and a deck hand were killed by an explosion on the whaler Mary and Helen at San Francisco. The output of the lumber mills in the Truckee (Cal.) Basin the past season was between 30,000,000 and 40,000,000 feet. There are 140 Chinese in the two insane asylums in California, and it costs annually \$130 for the support of each one. Manuel Rios of San Bernardino has been sentenced to eight years in State prison for killing a Mexican boy at Agua Mansa. Chinese miners are making from \$8 to \$10 a day on the Leon bar, B. C., above the big slide of Fraser river, and the diggings are lasting. A boy at Los Angeles tied a horse's halter to his ankle, and the animal ran away, dragging the child two miles through the streets. At Parowon, Utah, Deputy Marshal Wm. Thompson shot and killed Edward Dalton, a Mormon, who was attempting to escape arrest. Another effort is to be made to recover the \$2,000,000 lost on the steamer Brother Jonathan, wrecked off the Oregon coast in 1865. The trial of Goldensen, the murderer of Mamie Kelly at San Francisco, has been set for February 14, in order to allow defendant to prove hereditary insanity. The amount of surveyed lands in Yellowstone county, Montana, returned by the Northern Pacific for taxation is 457,838.28 acres, valued at \$157,700.83. Chief of Police Davis of Los Angeles has resigned his office rather than undergo another investigation into certain charges made by an expellee. At Miles City, Montana, in a saloon now, Charles Hazeltine stabbed a man by the name of Pepper under the left arm, inflicting a wound which may prove fatal. Thomas Robertson, employed in the Alice mill at Butte, Montana, while throwing on a belt fell twenty-two feet, injuring him to such an extent that he died. Mark Atherton, 47 years of age, a timer, who had been working at Seattle for four months, committed suicide by taking an overdose of strychnine. The work of dredging the Carson river for the precious metals lost in the tailings of the Comstock mills for years is progressing favorably and with good success. Capt. T. E. Frazer, who has charge of the Lick observatory on Mount Hamilton, Cal., is in Chicago. He hopes to have the telescope ready for observation by New Year's. Thomas Griffith, an old pioneer and miner of Plymouth, Cal., through a mistake in the signal bell, was run into the dump at this place and died from the injuries received. Michael Dolan and Wm. Rowan, San Francisco hackmen, engaged in a quarrel regarding their respective hack stands at Kearny and Market streets, when Rowan fatally shot Dolan. The Colfax (W. T.) college, as pictured by the new plans, is an imposing edifice, to be constructed of brick and will cost about \$12,000. It will be three stories high, with basement. Two hundred American District messenger boys went on a strike at San Francisco. They want fixed wages of 75 cents a day, instead of 5 cents a trip, which they are now getting. Samuel Milligan, a brakeman on a freight train near Truckee, Cal., was knocked from a car by his head coming in contact with some snowsheds and was killed.

OREGON NEWS.

January 1st the Northern Pacific Railway will reduce its local rates of fare in Montana, Idaho and Washington Territories on all the main lines and branches to a uniform basis of 5 cents per mile. Palmer & Rey, Portland, Or., have filled orders for newspaper outfits, as follows: Juneau Glacier, Juneau, Alaska, to be published by F. E. Howard. The Boomerang, Palouse City, W. T., E. H. Orcutt, publisher. A. S. Gross wants the loan, subscription or gift of \$5,000 from Ellensburg, in consideration of which he proposes to build at that point reduction works, of fifteen tons per diem capacity, and operate them for at least a year. A. Peterson, confined in the County jail at Carson, Nev., for robbing Judge Leonard's house, dug out of his cell and is at large. He is supposed to have been digging for six weeks with tools manufactured from an iron bedstead. Police officer E. J. Osgood was stabbed in the neck by an unknown man in San Francisco. From the effects of which he died. The police officers of the city have offered a reward of \$1,000 for the capture of Osgood's assailant. M. V. Wright has sued the Long Beach Land and Water Company of Los Angeles county for \$25,000 damages for the loss of his son. Young Wright was bathing in the surf, when a pile belonging to defendants struck him and caused his death. Preston H. Leslie, nominated to be Governor of Montana, is a native of Kentucky, about 65 years of age, and an uncle of Representative McMillan, of Tennessee. He was Governor of Kentucky after the war, and was for some years on the circuit bench of that State. In the trouble at San Francisco between the new men on the Sutter street cars and the strikers, shooting took place, and Benj. Heinze, a man 26 years of age, a spectator, was killed. Great excitement followed, and threats of lynching officers of the road were freely expressed. The following advertisement appears in a Lassen county, (Cal.) paper: "For Sale!—A fourth-class postoffice, located in the town of Bieber. No money required. We will willingly exchange it for the meanest-looking curly dog in Lassen county, and then hire some one to kill the critter." The jury in the case of Calvin Pruitt, the forger, returned a verdict of guilty. Pratt uttered forged notes in San Francisco and Oakland, about a year ago, and fled to Japan with the money. A detective sailed after him, and the Japanese government surrendered Pratt to the detective. The vintage of California for 1886 is estimated at 19,500,000 gallons, one-seventh of which will be turned into brandy. The production of sweet wines, owing to low prices, has been restricted. Ports and sherry, therefore, will be scarce. The proportion of red and white wines is two to one. Harvey Wamsley and son and his brother-in-law, Perrington, were digging under the bank of the Snake river several miles above Astoria City, W. T., for beaver. While sixteen feet under the bank it caved and buried old Wamsley eight feet, Perrington twelve feet, and young Wamsley waist deep. The latter was saved. Wamsley and Perrington were dug out. At Bellevue, Idaho, Frank Armstrong, who killed Paul Kluber, a sheepowner, formerly of Sonoma county, Cal., last August, was sentenced to be hanged on January 28th. Armstrong is 20 years old. He has appeared wholly unconcerned from the first and still seems to have hope. In the County jail he is working on a patent self-loading hay machine. Another terrible marine disaster occurred inside the bar and a short distance southwest of the Cliff House, San Francisco, in which the whaling bark Atlantic was wrecked with a loss of thirty-six lives out of a crew of forty-five men. It was not the result of a storm, as the night was perfectly calm, but a repetition of the many strange wrecks in the history of the Bay of San Francisco, caused by its treacherous bar. The Atlantic left the Main street wharf fully equipped for a cruise in the South seas and Arctic ocean. Judge Green of the United States District Court at Seattle, W. T., has rendered a decision forfeiting to the Government the steamer Idaho. Last winter Collector Beecher received information that large quantities of opium was being landed at the fisheries at Cassiar Bay, owned by Captain Carroll of the Idaho. He investigated the matter and succeeded in seizing \$50,000 worth of the drug. Suit was then brought to have the Idaho forfeited, with the result above announced. The vessel is bonded for \$30,000, but is believed to be worth about \$200,000. The Commissioner of the General Land Office has ordered local land officers at San Francisco and Los Angeles, Cal., and Santa Fe, N. M., to give notice by publication that lands granted to the Atlantic & Pacific Railroad company, which were forfeited by act of July 6, have been restored to the public domain, and that the books of their office are open for entry of said lands and other unoffered public lands, those within the granted limit, at \$2 50 per acre, and those within indemnity limits at \$1 25 per acre. The restored lands are in the territory of New Mexico, east of the Rio Grande river. The California lands are outside of the conflicting limits of the grant to the Southern Pacific Railroad company. Restorations of lands within conducting limits is deferred until the claims of the Southern Pacific company can be heard. Everything of General Interest in a Condensed Form. A Baker City man bears the name of Colin Campbell. The Methodists contemplate building a church in Sucker creek valley. It is said that the Indian reservation takes in the whole of Sprague river valley. The Ashland City Council has decided to lay castiron pipe for the new waterworks. It is proposed to have Grant's Pass incorporated by the Legislature and the name changed also. Curry county will petition the Legislature to extend State aid to a wagon road through the county. The mail service between Sheridan and Grand Ronde has been increased from three to six times a week. Arlington people are talking of bonding the city for \$15,000, for the purpose of putting in waterworks. Mr. Peterson saw a band of fifteen elk at Winchester bay, near the mouth of the Umpqua. He killed four out of the band. The citizens of Weston have appointed a committee of five to confer with a similar committee from Milton in regard to the division of Umatilla county. An attempt to burglarize the residence of Ed Lacy, of Springwater, was made during his absence. A brave woman and a Winchester rifle sent them elsewhere. The supreme court has granted W. W. Saunders, who is charged with the murder of Campbell at Albany, a new trial. It reverses the decision of the court below for improper cross-examination. Henry Davis of Canyon City, recently had removed from his ear a watermelon seed that had been in his head for forty years. It is perfectly sound, and he proposes to plant it next spring. A man by the name of O'Donald, who is confined in the county jail at Roseburg for horse stealing, took for his supper broken glass in his bread with suicidal intent. At last reports he was in a critical condition. Peter Bear, an old resident of Coos bay, left Empire several weeks ago, since which nothing has been heard of him. It is supposed that he went over the bar, as his boat was found later on the beach. The missing man leaves a wife and eight children. Charles Williams, the sheep inspector, reports the prevalence of scabiness in the southern portion of the district and the necessity of quarantining 2,000 sheep belonging to Mr. Frake. He says there are no scabby sheep on Long creek. It is expected that the railroad bridge at Albany will be completed by the 1st of January ready for the passage of trains. The grading on the eastern extension is about completed to the point where the road crosses the Santiam river, several miles east of the city. The claim of Marion county against Linn county, for costs incurred by the former in the trial of the State vs. Mattie Allison, has been satisfactorily adjusted. County Clerk Chapman received a check from J. P. Galbraith, clerk of Linn county, for \$621.81, the full amount of the claim. The body found on Clatsop beach near Astoria was examined by Coroner Ross, and proved to be that of the missing bridegroom Franzo Althaber. A watch and ring found on the body proved the identity. The features were recognizable. Forty dollars in money were in the pockets. The schooner Jessie Nickerson, lumber laden from the Sunshine mills at Shoalwater bay, for San Francisco, dragged her anchor in the gale and drifted on to Snag Island, near North Cove. The captain and crew abandoned her and reached North Cove safely. The vessel is supposed to be a total loss. A San Francisco dispatch says: W. S. Ladd, the wealthy banker of Portland, Oregon, has offered to give \$50,000 to the Presbyterian theological seminary, located on Haight street, this city, on condition that an equal amount be raised here for the seminary before February 1st. The machinery for the Allen, Short & Burton Company, hydraulic mining on Ruby creek, Grant county, has been ordered by the company and will be in full operation with a big crew early in the spring. Mr. Allen, in company with Messrs. Brown and Splawn, will also operate another mine on upper Ruby creek. James Taylor and Mr. Courtright, of Sprague river valley, Klamath county, killed four panthers in one day. They were all large animals, too—no kittens. The brutes had been molesting stock on the range, and Mr. Taylor went after them with his trained dogs, tracing them all and killing them without difficulty. The claim of \$351,000 which Oregon holds against the United States government for money advanced for supplies, expenses of transportation, etc., during the civil war, and the various Indian wars in which the State has been engaged up to 1878, is now being audited by a committee appointed by the Secretary of War. The committee consists of Majors Biddell and Farnsworth and Capt. Hunter, of the U. S. army, and was appointed by the Secretary of War upon the authority of an act of Congress to audit the war claims of Oregon, California and Nevada. It is probable that the claims will be acted favorably on by the committee, and as probable that Congress will act favorably on their report.

CATTLE RAISING IN FLORIDA.

Cattle of the Everglades—Life of the Cowboys—A Round-Up in the Wilderness. There are cowboys and cattle ranches in Florida the same as in the wild west. The cattle of Florida are principally of Spanish breed. From the earliest times the cowboys or crackers, who are hardy and adventurous woodsmen, have served as explorers, and have been the guardians and guides of the frontier. They have labored from Georgia to the everglades and from the Atlantic to the gulf. Every inch of this territory has been hotly disputed by the hostile Seminole Indians. The Indian rifle, tomahawk, and scalping-knife, and the blood-curdling war-whoop have been common barriers to be met and overcome by the first pioneers and cattlemen of the state. Wherever the half wild herds were wont to roam, there the cowboys, mounted upon their fleet and toughened ponies, were to be found pursuing their pathless courses, through the swamps and jungles of the interior. During the civil war Florida beehives contributed largely in supplying both Federal and Confederate armies. Regular details were made from the contending forces, composed of experts in cattle-herding, to collect beef cattle and supply the demand for meat. Since the war many thousands of Florida beehives have been transported across the gulf of Mexico to the Cuban markets. There are nearly 500,000 head of cattle in the state. The manner of managing the half-wild cattle in Florida is a matter of astonishment to those unacquainted with the business. The task requires stout, athletic, determined young men, thoroughly audd to the hardships and privations of out-door life, trained to the saddle, thorough woodsmen and experts in everything pertaining to the business. Parties of cowboys usually number from ten to fifteen men organized under the careful skill of a supervisor, who assumes all the responsibility of management. They are accompanied by a wagon and team, containing all the camp equipages and supplies for a long and tedious service. The teamster must be a thorough woodsman, who follows his pathless course from ranch to ranch and acts in the double capacity of teamster and cook for the entire party. Strong and substantial cattle pens are erected at convenient localities where there is rich grass and plenty of water and shade. The "round up" is peculiar. Early in the morning the cowboys mount their ponies, disencumbered of everything except their long fifteen feet cow whips or "drags" and lunch for dinner. Of course, their broad-brimmed hats and heavy spurs are indispensable appendages. Thus equipped, receiving orders from the "boss," they start out through the cattle range rounding up everything, congregating usually about noon at some designated point. After a few hours' rest the "boss" sounds the signal to move by giving one crack of his long whip, and every cowboy springs into his saddle and the herd is moved gently forward to the ranch or penning place, forming a column of cattle sometimes more than a mile in length. During dry weather clouds of dust rise high, and may be seen for miles in the distance. The cattle are fresh and lively, hundreds galloping ahead trying to escape, while a heavy mass of cows with young calves lag heavily in the rear. The herd marches slowly toward the pen, sometimes through difficult swamps and jungles. The crossing places of creeks and morasses must be struck squarely, as a few abrupt turns with a large drove destroys the march of more than half a day. Late in the afternoon, near night fall, a herdman is seen to dash ahead, and the long fence gateway of the cow pen is thrown open for the reception of the herd. The head of the column reaches the gateway, often refusing to enter, and turns back upon the rear, forming a circle which is sometimes hard to break. The drovers hold them in check, gradually drawing in upon them, until some older and tamer animal takes the lead and enters the gateway, when all gradually follow and are inclosed with strong bars for the night. Here the cowboys come in close contact, probably for the first time since sunrise in the morning, all with common consent turn toward the camp near by. Their weary ponies, covered with sweat and dust, are quickly uncolled and turned loose to roll and callop upon the green sod and refresh themselves. Then supper is announced. After supper the smoking pipes are filled and the whole party set themselves upon the lap of Mother Earth to rest their weary bodies.—Will M. Clemens in Detroit Free Press. The Mountain Lions of Montana. Montana boasts the largest and most voracious specimens of the mountain lion to be found on the Pacific coast. They are found in great numbers all through that country, and their ravages extend far as to attack not only weak calves and yearlings on the ranges, but also sheep, goats, and full-grown steers. The natural home of the animal is there. The features are so bold and have become so numerous that the settlers are obliged to wage a war of extermination. The territory offers a bounty of \$5 for every scalp, and during the winter the cowboys, having lots of spare time, devote their energies to hunting the lions, which they find to be a profitable pursuit as well as a full of adventure and excitement. specimens are often killed measuring one foot from tip to tip, and weighing 90 to 100 pounds. Many more measuring from ten to eleven feet are frequently bagged, and occasionally a monster reaching twelve feet.—Chicago Tribune. Sensations of Cold and Heat. A paradoxical observation is that while menthol, a remedy for neuralgia, imparts a sensation of coldness, the parts rubbed with it are really hotter than the surrounding skin. This confirms the newly advanced theory that sensations of heat and cold are conveyed by two distinct sets of nerves, the menthol seeming to powerfully stimulate nerves of cold.—Kansas Traveler.

KILL THE LICE.

How Hen-Houses Should be Treated Before Cold Weather Sets In. The hen houses must be cleaned out during autumn if the hens are to be kept through the winter. They are fairly alive with lice then. No wonder the hens want to roost in the trees. It is unfortunate in some respects that more human beings can not be made to endure the torture from these creeping horrors. They would be far more merciful to their stock if their flesh could honestly creep at the memory of these filthy vermin. Lumbermen, war prisoners and others who are forced to live in lice-infested places, all say that nothing so tends to destroy health and comfort as lice. No more horrible punishment would be possible than to force a man to live in a lousy room. Constant torture, sleeplessness, insanity, death would be the result. What right has a man to inflict this dreadful punishment upon the dumb animals that are placed in his charge? He has no right; he transgresses both a human and a moral law when he neglects to destroy the vermin on his cattle or turns the hens into a lousy house for the winter. Clean out the hen-house, or else kill every hen on the place before cold weather sets in. Take a hoe and a shovel and clean out every ounce of manure. Take water as hot as you can get it, and with an old broom or mop swab out every crack and corner of the place. Burn up the old nests. Spray kerosene into the cracks and edges. Put your good coats of whitewash all over the inside. Take out the perches, scrape them off and pour kerosene along them. It will pay to dig out the earth at the bottom of the house and put fresh dirt in. Put in pure sand if you can get it. Don't neglect this. It is a combination of business and morality. You will get more eggs to pay for it, and your conscience will be lighter.—Cortland New Yorker. —There's living at Anahu'a, Ala., a child whose body is covered with hair.

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