OREGON NEWS.

Everything of General Interest in a Condensed Form.

Glanders prevails among the horses at Tule lake.

Ninety-one marriages took place in Jackson county during 1887.

A good many peach trees in Umatilla county were killed by the cold snap.

Lake county will pay $7,870.84 state taxes this year, more than houble that of 1887, says an exchange.

It is said the Oakland company, owners of the Salmon creek mines, will employ white labor exclusively hereafter.

The fruit growers about Milton say that the recent cold snap will certainly prove fatal to the peach crop and possibly other fruits.

Congressman Hermann has notified Capt. Gray, of Astoria, that $5,000 has been appropriated for repairing the cable between Astoria and Fort Canby.

Percy Olmsted, son of Judge Olmsted, of Baker City, has been tendered a cadetship in the United States naval academy at Annapolis.

Herman Kosmeter, of Woodburn, killed an eagle that measured eight feet across the wings. It was an American or gray eagle.

George Lakin committed suicide at the town of Milwaukie, by cutting his throat during a fit of temporary insanity.

Articles of incorporation have been filed by the stockholders of the Cascade Gold and Silver Mining Company. The capital stock is $1,000,000.

The different mines of Prairie City mining district, Baker county, are developing into exceedingly rich ore bodies and the coming summer will note great activity in that camp.

Judge Deady recently sentenced an Indian to six months' imprisonment for horse stealing. In the absence of an interpreter the Judge delivered the sentence in Chinook, but it was entered on the records in English.

When the ice in the Willamette river broke up, many logs were carried out to the ocean. Following is a partial list of the losers: Gov. Pennoyer, $20,000; Weidler, $15,000; Smith Bros. & Co., $3,000; Jones & Co., $3,000; Hogue, $1,000.

The bridge across the river at Pendleton collapsed and several persons were seriously injured. The disaster was caused by a large band of cattle crossing the structure. Six of the animals were killed and a number injured. The bridge cost $6,000 and is almost a total loss.

A contract for building a new five-story flouring mill at Milton has been let to an Eastern contractor. Lumber has been purchased and work commenced. These mills and a large foundry on the same acre of ground, will cost $30,000. The power will come from the Walla Walla river by race and flume.

Wm. Hawser, of Harney City, Grant county, while hauling a load of hay from the island, was frozen to death. It seems that the young man had stopped at a log cabin some distance from the road and his team went on home. Search was made for the missing boy, but it was nearly a week before his lifeless body was found in the cabin, his faithful dog still there watching his master's remains.

The total number of commitments during the year 1887 to the insane asylum from Multnomah county was 65. Of these forty-three are males and twenty-two are females. The average per month is a little over five. During the first six months the number of unfortunates was thirty-eight, and during the last half year twenty-seven, showing a decrease of eleven. Their average age is about 33 years.

The inquest over the body of Aurilla Straight, the young woman who was found drowned in Mill Creek, at Salem, was held by Justice O'Donald, acting coroner, and a jury of six. A number of witnesses were examined, but the testimony of all threw no new light on the mystery surrounding the young woman's death, except that it was evident that she deliberately committed suicide for some unknown reason. The jury returned a verdict that deceased had taken her own life by throwing herself in the creek while temporarily insane. The guardian and relatives of Miss Straight were notified of her death.

Thomas S. Wilkes, in a communication to the *Oregonian*, says: My grand parents are, I believe, the oldest couple on the Pacific Coast. They live at Greenville, Washington county. Peyton Wilkes was born in 1791, and so will be 97 years old next May. He is one of the few pensioners of the war of 1812. His wife, Anna Wilkes, is 91 years old, and they were married in 1815 (in June, I think). They came the plains across in 1845, and settled in Washington county in 1846. They were both born in Bedford county, Virginia, came to Indiana about 1820, and to Missouri in 1839. So in following the Star of Empire they kept ahead of the iron horse until he overtook them at the "jumping off place." They have three sons living, twenty-seven grandchildren, forty-one great grandchildren and eight great-great grandchildren living. Grandfather is one of the boys yet; at least he calls my father the old man, and bids fair to reach a hundred, and I will say that if they live to celebrate their diamond wedding the old pioneers of Oregon shall be invited, and we will make them welcome at the old homestead If there is an older pioneer in Oregon or an older couple in the United States we should like to hear from them.

COAST CULLINGS.

Devoted Principally to Washington Territory and California.

Charles Niel, of Seattle, committed suicide.

A man named David Joy was frozen to death near Winslow, W. T.

At Ukiah, Cal., John Watham was shot and killed by Clarence White.

The delinquent State railroad taxes of California amount to $648,001.39.

Dan Carrigan, 14 years old, while hunting near Martinez, Cal., was killed by the accidental discharge of his gun.

The Spokane Falls *Chronicle* says the real estate transfers in that city, for the year 1887, foot up the enormous aggregate of $2,500,000.

The unusual cold weather has been very severe on jack-rabbits, and hundreds of them have frozen and starved to death, says the Boise *Statesman*.

The bill to remove the capital of Washington Territory from Olympia to North Yakima, was defeated in the House by a vote of 12 to 11.

Nathan B. Sutton was hanged at Oakland, Cal. Sutton was a farmer and shot and killed a neighbor, Alex. Martin, for allowing his cattle to wander on Sutton's land.

Ed. Davis was fatally shot by Ed. Canman, at Rhonerville, Cal. Bad feeling had existed between the men for some time. Canman gave himself up. Davis died at 9 o'clock.

Charles McClain, of Whidby island, W. T., while listening to his wife, who was reading aloud to him, quietly passed to that land beyond the grave. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause.

A laboring man was crossing a trestle between Sacramento and Davisville, when a local train came upon him before he could get out of the way. He was struck by the locomotive and fatally injured.

An official of the Seattle, Lake Shore and Eastern railway says that company has 60 men opening its immense coal veins in Squak valley, and by next winter expects to be hauling into Seattle at least 1,000 tons a day.

The Dayton (W. T.) *Chronicle* states that a petrified man has been discovered by a farmer in a lonely gulch nine miles from that place. He was leaning against a small bluff of rock, and upon examination was found to be completely turned to stone.

Two men have been engaged in passing counterfeit silver dollars in Tacoma. The counterfeit is thicker than the genuine coin, and can be easily detected. They are made of pure lead. The police have been on the lookout for the rascals.

A 32-pound cannon ball was found at the foot of Pine street, Seattle, in excavating for a building. It will be preserved as a relic of the early days, as it is supposed to be from the guns of the man-of-war ship Decatur, which sailed into Elliott Bay in 1856, during the Indian war.

The hop crop of the Pacific Coast for 1887 is estimated at 74,219 bales. Of this total California is credited with 36 424 bales, Oregon with 10,300 bales, Washington Territory with 27,400 bales and British Columbia with 95 bales. The number of acres in hops is set down at 11,297, of which 2,013 were in Oregon and 3,927 in Washington.

Fred Neitzel, proprietor of a saloon in Old Tacoma, was murdered by an unknown person, who escaped, but in a wounded condition. Neitzel was shot through the body by his assailant, who was secreted in the saloon and attacked him while he was counting his money. The police pursued the robber and shot him, but he could not be found.

According to an exchange, a man stood in the street at Ruby City, W. T., and killed two deer. The people of the different camps were killing about 100 per day. One man took forty-four to Spokane Falls. This winter will thin out the deer very much. When they are sold at all a large one will bring $2.50, and sometimes a man cannot give them away.

The total mileage of railways in Washington Territory is summed up at 1,060.6. The number of miles operated by each company is as follows: Northern Pacific, 564.2; O. R. & N. Co., 289.9; Mason county lines, 41; Puget Sound Shore railroad, 23; Spokane and Palouse railroad, 43; Seattle, Lake Shore and Eastern railway, 40; Columbia and Puget Sound railroad, 44.5; Olympia and Chehalis R. R., 15.

It is reported, says an exchange, that the Samish oyster bed, at the southern end of Bellingham Bay, has been carried out to sea. The beds were situated on the shoalwater flats, which froze over during the cold snap last week. When the tide came in the ice floated, with the oysters adhering to the under surface, and with the ebb tide the entire field was carried out to sea. The damage to the oyster industry in that locality will aggregate several hundred dollars.

In Anaconda, Montana, while Mr. and Mrs. James Clark were absent from home, their two children, a baby and a 5-year-old girl, in playing with matches set the curtain on fire. The fire quickly communicated to other inflammable material in the room, and in a very short time the whole structure was in a blaze. The 8-year-old boy of Mr. Cornelius, a near neighbor, managed to get the older of the two babies out of the burning house, and tried manfully to save the other, but unavailingly, and before other help reached the scene the little one was burned to death.

TELEGRAPHIC.

An Epitome of the Principal Events Now Attracting Public Interest.

Another Colliery Disaster in British Columbia.

VICTORIA, B. C.—An explosion occurred in No. 5 shaft of the Wellington collieries, R. Dunsmuir & Sons, proprietors. The force of the explosion displaced all of the hoisting gear. Hon. Dunsmuir proceeded in a special train to the mine immediately after the news came here.

An eye-witness states that when about 100 yards from the pit he heard a report like a large cannon, and there instantly shot far into the air a dense mass of black smoke and dust which converted the snowy covering of the ground into inky blackness. This continued for five minutes, and then subsided, leaving everything apparently as before, though a portion of the fan house had been destroyed.

Manager Bryden at once proceeded to the shaft, and attention was first paid to repairing the fan house, which was quickly accomplished, and the fan started again. The shaft timbers were destroyed and the cages could not be used, but a pulley and rope were at once prepared.

Meanwhile the first man to come out of the pit had climbed, by means of the cage wire cable, through the shattered timbers to within 100 feet of the top, when a rope was lowered to him and he reached the surface in an exhausted condition. A second miner was also enabled to get, by this perilous method, to the earth, while it is reported that a third, when fifty feet from the top, lost his hold and fell to certain death at the bottom of the shaft. Two men were then lowered as a search party, and returned stating that nothing could be heard but calls from below. Fortunately the mine had not been fired, so danger from this source was averted. A temporary cage was made and lowered to a considerable depth, miners reaching it by means of ladders.

The explosion took place in the last level. In this twenty white miners were imprisoned, and fears that they were all killed were verified later, as all were carried to the surface dead, and the work of taking out Chinese began. Thirty-four white men and thirty-six Chinese lost their lives. The mine is damaged to the extent of about $30,000. The cause of the explosion is a mystery.

Nine men were cremated in a boarding-house fire at Tower, Minn.

Engineer Jas. Connor and fireman M. Whaley were instantly killed by a train accident on the South Park R. R. at St. Elmo, Colo.

The celebrated trotting stallion Happy Medicine, valued at $40,000, died at Lexington, Ky. He was the property of Gen. W. T. Withers.

A railway accident occurred on the Salem branch of the Delaware and Hudson railway, near Troy, N. Y., from the results of which four men will probably die. Many others were seriously but not fatally hurt.

Stephen and Samuel Byer and Joseph Kalep were struck by the New York fast express on the New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio railroad, near Sharon, Pa., and instantly killed. The men were in a buggy when the express struck them. They were all married and leave families.

Near Albany, Ga., a son of George Thomas and four other boys drove a horse and wagon into a pond at his father's stock pen, and eventually got beyond the vehicle's depth and were left struggling in the water. Two negroes plunged in and saved one of the lads, but four others drowned.

A prospecting party of four men were attacked ninety miles southeast of Vascasarri, Mexico, by Apaches. One of the prospectors, named Jacobs, was killed, and another, "Big Jake," was mortally wounded. The other men fought the Indians off and escaped. The Indians succeeded in getting some burros and provisions from the party. The band is thought to be the same that escaped from Miles near San Bernardino ranch at the time of Geronimo's surrender, and since raiding southern Sonora.

At St. Paul, Minn., Mrs. John Wilkins has filed suit for divorce against her husband, alleging that he has, until lately, had five wives, all being in St. Paul. He married complainant in Pennsylvania fifteen years ago. They lived happily until they came to St. Paul a year ago, but here he began his polygamous exploits, marrying in rapid succession Emma Stetson, Kate Fox, Mrs. French and Hattie Bowles, each under an assumed name. The strain of keeping up five separate establishments was too much for him, and he took Emma Stetson and left town.

A triple murder occurred at Oceanside, Cal. A rancher in Moosa canyon named Levy Stone, went east a year ago on business. During his absence a family named Goen, a widow with two sons and a daughter, took possession of his ranch, cabin and furniture. On Stone's return he instituted legal proceedings, and his title was confirmed. When Sheriff Breedlove, Deputy Freeman and two citizens went to take possession, the whole family of Goens faced the officers with revolvers. In the melee which followed citizen Reed was fatally shot. A daughter of Mrs. Goen was accidentally shot in the neck, by her brother, and fell dead. Percy Goen was shot through the head and arm fatally. His sister and brother were dead when the officers retired with their wounded comrades.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Legislation Pertaining to the Interest of the Pacific Coast.

SENATE.

In the Senate Mitchell offered a resolution which provides that the Secretary of the Interior shall report to the Senate the condition of the Cœur d'Alene Indian reservation in Idaho. The reservation contains 480,000 acres, and only 476 Indians are upon it, thus giving more than 1,000 acres to each man, woman and child. The resolution directs the Secretary of the Interior to also report to the Senate what can be done to provide properly for the Indians, and at the same time secure the use of this vast territory and its waterways, containing vast mineral deposits and rich agricultural interests, for the use of settlers.

Senator Mitchell's bill creating a new land district in Oregon was reported to the Senate by Senator Dolph, from the Committee on Public Lands, with a recommendation that it pass. The district includes all that territory now embraced in the Lakeview, La Grande and Dalles districts within the following boundaries: Beginning at Snake river, in Oregon, on the township line between 12 and 13 townships south of the second standard parallel; thence west to the northwest corner of township 13 south, range 24 east of the Willamette meridian; thence one south to the northwest corner of township 29, range 23 east, Willamette meridian; thence east to the boundary line of the State of Oregon; thence north to the point of beginning, at the State line.

Senators Stewart and Dolph presented to the Senate vigorous protests from the wool-growers of Nevada, Eastern Oregon and Idaho against reduction of the tariff upon wool.

The following bills have passed the Senate:

Bill to extend the limits of the port of Portland, Or., as a port of entry.

Bill amending act of June 10, 1880, as to the immediate transportation of dutiable goods, extending the same to Seattle and Tacoma, W. T.

To create a port of delivery at Port Angeles, in the district of Puget Sound, Washington Territory.

Granting to the State of California 5 per cent. of the next proceeds of cash sales of public lands in that State.

HOUSE.

Following bills and resolutions were introduced:

By Bigg—For the erection of public Buildings at Stockton, Cal.

By Townshend—Pensioning teamsters of the Mexican war. Also, for placing the duty on salt for curing pork on the same footing as that on salt used for curing fish.

By Lawler—Appropriating $100,000 for the erection in Washington of statues of Gens. Shield and Logan.

By Peierson—Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting repeal of the general pension laws.

By Perkins—A resolution calling on the Postmaster-General for information relative to inferior mail facilities in the West.

By Woodburn—A resolution for the appointment of a special committee to investigate the truth of the charges made by the Governor of Alaska against the Alaska Commercial Company in his report to the Secretary of the Interior, and to ascertain whether that company has not forfeited all rights and privileges acquired under its lease from the United States, and whether such lease should not be terminated.

PORTLAND PRODUCE MARKET.

BUTTER—		
Fancy roll, ₱ lb		40
Oregon		16
Inferior grade	12 @	20
Pickled	27½@	30
California roll		30
do pickled	28 @	30
CHEESE—		
Eastern, full cream	15 @	20
Oregon, do	14 @	16
California		14½
EGGS—Fresh	@	27½
DRIED FRUITS—		
Apples, qrs, sks and bxs	@	6
do California		6
Apricots, new crop	18 @	28
Peaches, unpeeled, new	12½@	14
Pears, machine dried		10
Pitted cherries		40
Pitted plums, Oregon		12½
Figs, Cal., in bgs and bxs	@	9
Cal. Prunes, French	8 @	10
Oregon prunes	10 @	12½
FLOUR—		
Portland Pat. Roller, ₱ bbl $		4 25
Salem do do		4 25
White Lily ₱ bbl		4 25
Country brand	3 50 @	3 75
Superfine	2 50 @	2 75
GRAIN—		
Wheat, Valley, ₱ 100 lbs	1 25 @	1 26
do Walla Walla	1 17½@	1 20
Barley, whole, ₱ ctl		1 12½
do ground, ₱ ton	20 00 @	25 00
Oats, choice milling ₱ bush	47 @	50
do feed, good to choice, old	45 @	
Rye, ₱ 100 lbs	1 10 @	1 25
FEED—		
Bran, ₱ ton	16 00 @	17 00
Shorts, ₱ ton	18 00 @	19 00
Hay, ₱ ton, baled	@	18 00
Chop, ₱ ton	23 00 @	25 00
Oil cake meal ₱ ton	32 00 @	33 00
FRESH FRUITS		
Apples, Oregon, ₱ box	90 @	1 25
Cherries, Oregon, ₱ drm		
Lemons, California, ₱ bx	4 00 @	4 50
Limes, ₱ 100		1 25
Riverside oranges, ₱ box		
Los Angeles, do do	@	
Peaches, ₱ box	@	
HIDES—		
Dry, over 16 lbs, ₱ lb	11 @	12
Wet salted, over 55 lbs	@	5
Murrain hides	7 @	9
Pelts	10 @	1 25
VEGETABLES—		
Cabbage, ₱ lb		1½
Carrots, ₱ sack	@	1 00
Cauliflower, ₱ doz		
Onions	@	1 25
Potatoes, new, ₱ bush		
WOOL—		
East Oregon, Spring clip	16 @	20
Valley Oregon, do	18 @	20

"A LITTLE NONSENSE."

—When a Louisville dry goods store is robbed the proprietor pays the *Courier-Journal* a dollar and a half to report the item under a head like this: "Burglars of Good Taste."—*Texas Siftings.*

—Milking Time on the Farm.—Country Husband—"Alice, where's the cow?" City Bride—"I locked her up in the ice-house, dear, so as she'd make some ice-cream. It's so hot!"—*Town Topics.*

—Some boats and railway coaches have their berths on hinges so they will adjust themselves under the changing conditions of the land and water. This seems to be getting Yankee invention down to bed rock.

—Who can answer?—

Why does the basswood bark?
O, why does the forest pine?
Why does the red sky lark?
And what makes your iron mine?
—*Exchange.*

—John (just from the club and about to retire for the night)—"I say, Tom, there's a brick in my hat sure this time. It's so heavy it breaks off the nail-heads." He had been trying to hang up his hat on a fly.—*New Haven News.*

—It has been noticed that a girl who has graduated from Vassar and had twenty-five thousand dollars spent on her education will, after marriage, hold clothes-pins in her mouth and gossip over the back fence while hanging out the washing, just like other women. You can't change a woman's nature.—*Dakota Bell.*

—As an absent-minded professor was sitting at his desk writing one evening, one of his children entered, and he exclaimed: "What do you want? I can't be disturbed now." "I only want to say good-night," answered the child. "Never mind now; to-morrow morning will do as well," said the professor.—*N. Y. Ledger.*

—"Patsy, come here. I want to talk wid you. Will yez loan me two dollars?" "Indade I will not. It's yerself that's bin owin' me a dollar since the Fourt' ov July." "An' wasn't it partly to pay yez the dollar I owe yez that I wanted to borry the money?" "In that case, Mickey, yez can have it, for Oi always loike to incourage a man in payin' his honest debts."—*Merchant Traveler.*

—A New York young man who arrays himself for his slumbers in the imported Indian style recently visited a quiet summer resort, and while there sent two sets of pajamas to the local washer woman. In making out her bill, the proper names of these garments evidently gave her much trouble, but after one or two false starts she entered them as two prs. overalls and two jumpers.—*Harper's Bazar.*

REMOVING VARNISH.

How It May Be Easily Done Without Injury to Paintings.

"Yes, varnish can be removed from oil paintings without injuring the sketch, but it is a difficult job," said a Fifteenth street expert on paintings to a reporter.

"Well, how do you go about it?"

"To begin with, every thing depends on the varnish used originally on the picture. If it is permanent, then its removal is absolutely necessary, but if retouching varnish has been made use of there remains nothing but to paint over it, which may be done without fear of injuring the picture."

"How would you remove this permanent varnish?"

"A wooden box, the size of a stretcher must be procured, and in this I would place the picture face up. This receptacle is to be shallow of course, say from three to five inches in depth, according to the thickness of the stretcher. Its lid must fit closely, and before placed in position a lining of cotton batting, saturated with alcohol, should be attached. Then, after putting in the picture, I should nail down the cover, and the varnish will soon be dissolved by the fumes from the alcohol."

"How long would you have the picture in this position?"

"That is determined only by experience, and to novices the above experiment is sometimes costly, for the greatest care must be exercised in judging the length of time necessary to remove the varnish. If left exposed too long the painting itself will be injured by the alcohol. If the painting is valuable, I wouldn't advise an inexperienced person to try this arrangement, unless under the personal supervision of an expert.—*N. Y. Mail*

SOCIETIES.

EUGENE LODGE NO. 11, A. F. AND A. M. Meets first and third Wednesdays in each month.

SPENCER BUTTE LODGE NO. 9, I. O. O. F. Meets every Tuesday evening.

WIMAWHALA ENCAMPMENT NO. 6. Meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays in each month.

EUGENE LODGE NO. 15, A. O. U. W. Meets at Masonic Hall the second and fourth Fridays in each month. M. W.

J. M. GEARY POST NO. 40, G. A. R. MEETS at Masonic Hall the first and third Fridays of each month. By order, COMMANDER.

BUTTE LODGE NO. 367, I. O. G. T. MEETS every Saturday night in Odd Fellows' Hall. W. C. T.

LEADING STAR BAND OF HOPE, MEETS at the C. P. Church every Sunday afternoon at 3:30. Visitors made welcome.

O. & C. R. R. TIME TABLE.

Mail Train north, 4:45 A. M.
Mail train south, 9:55 P. M.
Eugene Local—Leave north 9:00 A. M.
Eugene Local—Arrive 2:40 P. M.

OFFICE HOURS, EUGENE CITY POSTOFFICE.

General Delivery, from 7 A. M. to 7 P. M.
Money Order, from 7 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Register, from 7 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Mails for north close at 8:00 P. M.
Mails for south close at 8:00 P. M.
Mails by Local close at 8:30 A. M.
Mails for Franklin close at 7 A. M. Monday and Thursday.
Mails for Mabel close at 7 A. M. Monday and Thursday.

Eugene City Business Directory.

BETTMAN, G.—Dry goods, clothing, groceries and general merchandise, southwest corner. Willamette and Eighth streets

CRAIN BROS.—Dealers in jewelry, watches, clocks and musical instruments, Willamette street, between Seventh and Eighth.

FRIENDLY, S. H.—Dealer in dry goods, clothing and general merchandise, Willamette street, between Eighth and Ninth.

GILL, J. P.—Physician and surgeon, Willamette street, between Seventh and Eighth.

HODES, C.—Keeps on hand fine wines, liquors, cigars and a pool and billiard table, Willamette street, between Eighth and Ninth.

HORN, CHAS. M.—Gunsmith, rifles and shotguns, breech and muzzle loaders, for sale. Repairing done in the neatest style and warranted. Shop on Ninth street.

LUCKEY, J. S.—Watchmaker and jeweler, keeps a fine stock of goods in his line, Willamette street, in Ellsworth's drug store.

McCLAREN, JAMES—Choice wines, liquors and cigars, Willamette street, between Eighth and Ninth.

POST OFFICE—A new stock of standard school books just received at the post office.

RHINEHART, J. B.—House, sign and carriage painter. Work guaranteed first-class. Stock sold at lower rates than by anyone in Eugene.