EUGENE CITY, OREGON.

Discoveries, inventions and compounds patented each year in the United States and never amounting to anything, cost \$3,000,000.

HELENA is to have the largest reduction works in the Northwest. The capacity of the new works will be 500 tons a day, and will cost \$500,000. Mr. Villard and Governor Houser are the instigators of the enterprise.

REPORTS say that there are over 100,000 persons out of employment in the city of New York, many of whom are menaced by starvation. The employment agencies are full of people land Tidings. looking for work, and a general depression in all trades seems prevalent.

INSURANCE companies lost \$1,500, 000 by fires in Montreal last year, which is twice or three times as much as they received for premiums. One company is already closing up business in the province, and it is not adapted to fruit, and which will come unlikely that one or two more will under the plow before a great while. follow their example.

Is the twenty-three years from 1859 to 1882, the quantity of wool produced in this country increased nearly five \$4,000 and \$5,000. fold, from 60,000,000 to 290,000,000 pounds. In 1860 the production was less than two pounds for each inhabitant; in 1882 it was 5.4 pounds for each inhabitant.

A NEW gun has recently been invented in Switzerland. It has four riffles to every foot, thereby insuring greater accuracy and precision of aim than has ever before been attained. Orville Gorman, of that vicinity, went The bullet is encased in a steel covering, as the gun is only intended to wound; which is more desirable in warfare.

New York has made a clear profit out of her salt reservation of nearly \$700,000 since 1846, when toll was placed at 1 cent per bushel, and the fields have yielded since they were opened in 1797 over 331,000,000 bushels. There is a rock-sait layer fifty feet thick and covering 4,000 square miles. Last year the fields were operated at a loss of \$3,000.

THE Secretary of the Interior has sent to the Senate a statement in regard to the amount of land each of the States has received from the United States for school purposes. California has received 5,610,702 acres; Nevada, into the house, but it was soon ascer- old and leaves large landed estates in Acres; Oregon, 3,387,52 equal amount with the newer States in the West, it would take 26,474,688

THE wheat crop of the United States for 1887 was 450,000,000 bushels. The were 65,300,000 bushels, of which the Pacific Coast supplied 9,950,000 bush-Oregon and Washington in 1886 was 54,858,000 bushels. The figures for 1887 have not yet been completed.

Forty years ago there were not north the Missouri and the Pacific Ocean. Now there are not less than 12,000,-000, or nearly one-fifth of our entire right, upon indubitable testimony, and population. There are forty large cities within this area, 75,000 miles of railroad and at least one third of the telegraph lines of the United States. The rapidity of this growth is in contrast with that of Australia, whose centenary is now in course of com- A short time since as two vaqueros memoration. Australia was settled in were hunting east of this place, about garroter, having heard a scuille a few cessity of a station in that vicinity is 1788 by a colony of 850 convicts. In five miles, they observed steam issu-1820 its European population was only ing from a crevice in the lava, which they explored for some distance, but the man was a wrong doer, and was 20,000, mostly convicts or discharged it was so dark they could not see to strengthened in his belief when he convicts. In 1839 it ceased to be a walk. So, on the following day, after penal colony. It grew very slow until the discovery of gold in 1851. By the end of that year 250,000 Europeans joined the colony. By 1871 the popurious for seems to be of solid lava. The roof seems to be of solid lava. The left their homes in Duarte on December 28, has been solved by the melting of the sport in a capyon nine miles. lation was 1,300,000; in 1881 it was floor is yellow sand; and about one of the snow in a canyon nine miles 2,250,000, and in 1887 it was about mile from the entrance there is a large from Monroira, Cal., where the bodies Arrests were made, and the fact de-3,000,000, and including New Zealand, room, ten or twelve feet high and sixty were found. The two lads were lying 3,485,682. Sydney has 250,000 inhabitants and Melbourne and its environs nearly 400,000.

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OREGON NEWS.

Everything of General Interest in a Devoted Principally to Washington

Farmers in Tule lake vicinity have ommenced plowing.

Senator Mitchell has made applica tion for the establishment of free mail

delivery in East Portland. The third term of the State Normal School has opened at Monmouth with

nearly 200 pupils. The Stirling mining company have by seven votes. bought Saltmarsh Bros.' placer claim near Jacksonville. The price is re-

ported to be \$10,000. It is said that during the late cold weather the Umpqua river was frozen over for the first time in its known

The military telegraph line is workng all right now along its whole ength. New poles will put it in good condition next spring, says the Ash- Crawford, a railroad engineer.

Three passenger depots are to be erected on the line of the Portland & Willamette Valley Railway, one at South Portland, one at Fulton and the other at the White House.

It is stated on good authority that there are 71,000 acres of taxable property in Josephine county, and asidfrom this some 10,000 acres especially

The furniture factory of George H. Albers, situated near the river bank, at Sellwood, caught fire and burned to the ground. The origin of the fire could not be learned. Loss, between

The postoffice department is preparing to establish two postoffices or new mail service between Lakeview and Burns, one at Warner valley with D. E. Jones as postmaster, and one at turn it into the treasury. Rockford, in Grant county, with J. R. Howe as postmaster.

The deer, during the cold spell, came down off the hills on the low lands around Scappoose bay in considerable singing. numbers and the cougars followed. S. P. I He shot a wild cat, a lynx and then a

A party of explorers on the Harney lakes discovered an island three miles in length that is apparently the home and breeding place of all the various Francisco, was killed by the falling water fowl. The island is said to be debris. simply alive with ducks and geese and is a very paradise for sportsmen. Deer were also found on it in very large numbers.

An accident happened south of Mt. Tabor, and near the Gilbert place, which resulted in the shocking death of a little 6-year old girl of John Lindinberg. Some men were engaged in burning brush and old timber, and the little girl was crossing the patch of ground where they were at work. As she went by, a high stump that was burning around the roots fell on her, striking on the side of her head, crush-She was quickly picked up and carried sined that her injuries were of too If other States received an serious a nature for her to recover, and after lingering in a comatose state during the day she died.

In accordance with a petition of 240 residents of Harney Valley, Governor Pennoyer has indited the following killing him instantly. letter to the Commissioner of the General Land Office at Washington, D. C.: home requirements for food, seed and "In a late letter to you I requested a manufactures was 345,000,000. The speedy issuance of patents to the State exports from July 1st to December 1st of Oregon to lands declared to be swamp by the agents of the federal and state governments. I now feel constrained to ask you to delay the els. The whole crop of Celifornia, granting of such patents for a time. I am in receipt of petitions and affidavits of settlers in the Lakeview dis-THE California State Board of Trade lands which in reality are not such, claim. has issued a circular concerning the and which reports would have the condition of the laboring classes in effect of depriving bona-fide settlers California, which will be sent East for their titles to their homes. As I have distribution. The circular recites that before stated to the department, the work is assured all, and that higher State of Oregon does not want title to wages are paid than for the same char one acre of land that is not swamp acter of work east of the Rockies. The such title would be in conflict with circular also states that the prosperity the claims and interest of bona-fide 22 years of age, was found hanged at of the people is attested by the fact settlers. Having it therefore strongly his ranch at Pea ridge, Mariposa that while California has but one-fif- impressed upon me that there may be county, Cal. The fact that his hands tieth of the population of the United errors in the report of the agents above were tied behind him, and that the States, the people have one-twentieth of the total savings deposited.

referred to, notwithstanding my hopes of a speedy adjustment, I would ask that no further action be taken by your department in the matter at been committed. present. If a land office is created in of the Arkansas river 250,000 American | Eastern Oregon, the parties interested citizens in all the vast area between in the land in question will be able to contest the same before the register and receiver without much expense, and the matter can thus be settled it ought not to be settled at all until it is settled right."

> A correspondent writing from Dry Lake, Modoc County, Cal., to an exchange, thus describes some of the wonders of that section of country:

COAST CULLINGS.

Territory and California

Nineteen horses were frozen to death in Pine Valley, Nev.

Centralia, W. T., is to have a board of immigration. Spokane Falls pays about \$400 per

month for city printing. The proposition to establish

county jail at Montesano, W. T. failed Michael Brady, aged 57 years, was

struck by a train at Vallejo, Cal., and crushed into an unrecognizable mass. Charles Patterson, a switchman, was thrown from a moving car and almost instantly killed, at San Diego,

V. B. Burke, a restaurant proprietor, was shot and instantly killed at his restaurant at San Francisco, by J. G.

Mr. Toney states that his peach trees are killed, every one of them, and will have to be converted into fire wood, says a Walla Walla paper.

Jas. McEwan, an apprentice on the British ship Ayrshire, fell from a staging on the versel into the bay, at San Francisco, and was drowned.

Arthur Hall, a signal man on the S. P. R. R., was killed at the railroad yard near the depot, at San Francisco. No blame is attached to the engineer. Charles Wehrley, aged 35, a tanner,

tol in his mouth and blew out his brains. The cause was temporary insanity. J. W. Nillage, California fish commissioner, committed suicide. Testimony at the inquest showed that he

suicided at Napa, Cal. He put a pis-

Thomas C. Ross, a school teacher recently from Oregon, has been combecause he says he hears the angels

had collected money and failed to

S. P. Risley fell from a derrick distance of seventy-five feet at Rowout with his dogs to hunt a cougar. land's oil wells at Puente, Cal., striking on his head. He died half an hour later.

A German laborer named Holm, while employed with other workmen in tearing down an old house at San

Wm. Sexton was shot and killed at Elk Creek, near Willows, Cal., by David Pierson. Sexton was plowing land claimed by Pierson, and on a refusal to quit, was fired upon with the above result.

Jacques Dull, a two-year old child, fell into a tub of hot water, at Santa which he seized and steered for the Ana, Cal. His back was almost com- shore. After getting on the plank, he pletely cooked, and the little fellow suffered untold agonies, until he died, there was no storm. two days later.

J. S. Brackett, while in a somnambulistic condition, fell from his beding the skull and breaking her arm. room window at Petaluma, Cal., and was fatally injured. He was 70 years California and Mexico.

> distance of twenty-five feet. His head ashore with two pieces of plank, and mittee on public lands, of the main struck a rock breaking his skull, and was the last to reach shore, having features of his land bill, which allows Sunken Road and Hornet's Nest;

> While two men were digging at the Almaden mine, near San Jose, Cal., to from where the others landed. He try through any cause except aban- story of frightful carnage, fierce assault place some timbers in position, they struck an old blast. One of the men, named Guiterag, was instantly killed, and the other so shockingly mangled that he will die.

A fatal shooting affray occurred near Spokane Falls, in which three men-W B. Mills, Andrew and Henry trict which have a tendency to induce Clarke-were killed. The trouble the belief that the agents have made was the result of an attempt of the

Albert Scow, a stevedore, 33 years old, was accidentally struck by a sling of shingles on the steamer City of Chester, at San Francisco, and thrown down into the hold, a distance of thirty feet. He died in an hour from the injuries received from the fall.

Julian Ledon, a native of California,

A fearful collision occurred on the Central Pacific railroad at Gold Run, Cal. A west bound passenger train striking an east bound freight, demolished four locomotives, crushing a fireman named Walker to death, and the engineers Hoodley and O'Mears, were slightly injured. The mail, baggage and express cars and a number of freight cars were badly wrecked.

Thomas Edwards, a hack driver, was shot and fatally wounced by Offi cer Harrington, at San Francisco. a line to the vessel, every man might The latter thought Edwards was a have been saved. The immediate ne minutes before Edwards appeared, now only too apparent.

TELEGRAPHIC.

As Epiteme of the Principal Events Now Legislation Pertaining to the Interest Attracting Public Interest.

Lous of the Abercorn. MOTTESANO, W. T .- Following particulars of the wreck of the British ship Abercorn have been obtained

from the three survivors: They were out 125 days from Glasgow, with 2,000 tons of steel rails consigned to the O. R. & N. Co. They took Pilot Johnson on board, as previously reported, and stood out to sea. The wreck occurred at half-past six amend the mining laws of the United Monday morning, by the vessel run- States by providing that no person ning on a sand beach. There was no shall acquire more than one mining gale blowing whatever, but it was claim on the same vein, or relocate a somewhat foggy.

sailor was on watch. He says they and paid for according to law. took soundings only twice after taking Johnson on board, first on Saturday when they found eighty fathoms, and again after standing out to sea on Sunday, when they sounded and found 120 fathoms. All the survivors agree that these were the only soundings taken. The vessel struck seven miles north of Gray's harbor, near Damon's point. Immediately after striking all hands went into the after cabin, as the sea was breaking badly forward, and while they were there the foremast and mainmast broke, and the deck broke into the cabin. The old sailor, who was first out of the cabin, could not tell how many were drowned at grasp the bar of the companion-way, and its tributaries. but missed it, when a second wave been saved. A little later the mizzen- waters. mast gave way, and the ship opened was going, the old sailor jumped to him a plank about thirteen feet long, vessels.

The next survivor, a man about 25 years of age, came ashore with a piece every season. of plank under each arm. Both of the men were in the water about half an

The boy who was saved is an orphan training ship, all of whom were mak- pieces. Francisco Schwartz, while walking ing their first voyage. He will be 17 alongside an empty lime kiln, near next April, but like the others his the insertion into the new land bill, Santa Cruz, Cal., slipped and fell a name is unknown. He also came being proposed by the house comhaving drifted two miles up the coast fail to consummate their original en- man's Branch-each with its separate McIntire and an Indian. The boy to others. says he raw several persons in the water after he had left the wreck, and hang on to his planks and not to be scared, and he would reach shore all right. Then a heavy wave struck the lad and that was the last he saw of the

captain or any of the ship's crew. Shortly after the boy reached shore a body was seen floating but a short distance from the shore, but it sank immediately after being sighted, and although the Indians and McIntire and A. O. Damon rushed into the waves up to their necks, it was impossible to recover the body, which was supposed to be that of the captain.

Sixteen bodies are reported found, including those of Pilot Johnson and the captain, the former having been recognized by a note book found in his pocket. All the bodies were found from sixteen to nineteen miles up the

The ship's company consisted of the captain and twenty-four men.

On arriving at Hoquiam bay the men were most hospitably entertained and everything done for their comfort. Too much praise cannot be given to the Indians for the manner in which they risked their lives to save the drowning men, and the care they took of the survivors.

The old sailor says he has gone through many scenes of shipwreck before, but this was the worst he has ever witnessed. Had there been a life-saving station or a rocket to carry

Advices from Shanghai say that nearly 2,000,000 persons are entirely destitute through the Hoang Ho floods.

Two men were killed by the explosion of the Standard Explorive Co.'s mixing house near Tom's River, N. J.

At Paris, a woman was pushed off a bridge into the Seine and drowned. veloped that the murder was com-

CONGRESSIONAL.

of the Pacific Coast.

SENATE.

Senator Dolph reported favorably to the Senate, from the Committee on Commerce, his bill to prevent obstructions to navigable streams, which will prohibit the dumping of garbage and refuse, and anything, into any of the streams of the country which would tend to obstruct navigation.

A bill was introduced by Stewart to claim which he has previously located. Two hours previous to striking John- Also requiring that each patent for son sent a man into the cross-trees to mining lands shall reserve right of keep a lookout for lights at the mouth way through or over any mining claim of the Columbia river, supposing they for roads, ditches, canals, cuts and were near that locality. At the time, tunnels for the purpose of working they were steering a southeast course other mines; provided, that damages and carrying a light sail. The old occasioned thereby shall be assessed

Mitchell moved an amendment, by providing that no Chinese shall ever country.

Senate a voluminous report made by Capt. C. Powell and Maj. Wagoner. respecting the salmon fisheries on the Columbia river, and how such fisheries interfere with and obstruct the navigation and commerce of that waterway. There are quite a number of photosplit. About 1:30 p. m. a heavy sea graphs showing different styles of cap turing salmon, canneries and some of the finest specimens of fish.

The Secretary of War concurs in the that time, but is satisfied some must reports of the engineer officers that it have been. Those who survived as is in the interest of commerce and cended the rigging of the mizzenmast, navigation that the general governand the old man saw Pilot Johnson as ment should have supervision of and he came out of the cabin, which was make proper regulations for the manmitted to the Stockton insane asylum filled with water. He then saw a wave agement of appliances in use for the strike him, upon which he tried to capture of salmon on the Columbia

Capt. Powell reports that there are struck Johnson and carried him into a dozen fish wheels below the uncomthe ocean. The old man watched him pleted improvements at the Cascader for some time in the water, and says that do not now interfere with navihe swam nobly, but as he was looking gation, but that when the improve back at the vessel and swimming par- ments are completed they will tend to allel with the coast, he did not appear shoal the waters of the river. It is to be making for the shore, although recommended that the fixed parts of the sailor thinks if he had had any these fish wheels be removed. Traps thing to assist him he could easily have and pound nets cause shoaling of the

Salmon seines used near Astoria do and let all into the sea. As the mast not interfere either with navigation or tend to cause the formation of bars. clear the side of the ship, and was but in the fishing season gill nets set under water for some time. As he across the stream often interefere with with the dying and the dead. came up the second time he saw near the passage of steamers and sailing

It is suggested that the prevention of gill net fishing on the bar of the says his hair was hardly wet, showing Columbia would result in a large saving of life, as between twenty and sixty waving forests, golden and bloody red fishermen are drowned on this bar

The House passed the bill to dis haze, distant hills lifted their heads be-

Representative Hermann secured been about an hour in the water, and a second homestead entry to those who and the "dreadful hollow" on Tillwas unconscious when found by Mr. donment of their entry or through sale and heroic resistance.

Hermann introduced a bill for the disposal or sale of mineral land on church has been carried away by relicwas the last to see the captain alive. Indian reservations; and also that the hunters, and a new one has been built At one time the captain was within timber on such reservations may be fifteen feet of him, and told him to used for mining purposes when compensation has been made.

PORTLAND PRODUCE MARKET.

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SHILOH'S BATTLE FIELD. A Visit to the Scenes of the Civil Ware Most Sangulnary Conflict.

The battle-field of Shiloh, in Tennes. see, lies twenty miles northeast of Corinth, Miss. The Tennessee river, flowing north, is on the east of the ground over which the battle was fought; Snake creek, with its confluent, Owl creek, forms the northern, and Lick creek the southern, limit of the battlefield proper. The ground on the west is broken into high ridges and deep valleys. It was covered for the most part, at the date of the battle, with a heavy growth of forest trees. Towards the river the surface is more level, but cut in some places into deep gorges. It was up one of these-called Dill's Branch-that the gunboats fired during the battle. The road to Pittsburgh Landing is

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little changed since the day we marched out from Corinth. It is hard to repeople this country highway, so quiet and pastoral now, with a moving army; to realize that it was once crowded from one end to the other with soldiery; that artillery, wagon-trains and ambulances blocked the way. It seems an age since, "burning with high hope," we went ent to that fatal field "made rankly be allowed to buy public land in this fertile with the blood of men." Every mile of the way is marked by some The Secretary of War, in response remembered incident. Beneath the to a Senate resolution, has sent to the spreading branches of a wild-cherry tree, which still stands near the edge of an old field, we bivouacked with a comrade the first night out. At Monterev we saw General Albert Sidney Johnston ride along the lines; and a little further on, a staff officer rode back and showed us the battle-flag of our corps. At Lick creek, we met the first prisoner; he had been captured in a little affair with the cavalry. Bold and defiant he sat his horse, and gave back to the boys "as good as they sent" in the way of "chaff." Further on, the last bivouse for many brave men, where we lay within rifle shot of the enemy's lines, silent and waiting for the dawn of that "woful Sabbath morning," which came at last, and with it the call to arms. Down through the woods, en echelon, moved the gray lines. Then came the straggling fire from the pickets, the whiz and sharp spat of bullets, and then the roar of musketry, the thunder of artillery, the shrick of hurtling shells, the whir of grape and canister, the hiss of Minie bails, the cry of the wounded, the wild shouts of charging lines, and above all rose an ever-thickening cloud of blue and sulphurous smoke, out of which rushed riderless horses, and men mangled and bleeding were borne, and the earth beneath it was thickly strewn

To-day, after twenty-five years have rolled away, we looked down into this Valley of the Shadow of Death-where sleep for all time "the unreturning brave." Billowed with the foliage of with the dyes of autumn, and glorified by the sunlight of a perfect autumn day, it stretched far away, and seemingly swept on to where, bathed in a purple river, quiet and peaceful now, as if that dreadful and deadly drama had never been enacted there. Yet before us lay Shiloh, Spring and Church; the Duncan Field; the old Peach Orchard; the

Many changes have taken place since the battle Every piece of the old where it stood. The pastor of the History is silent as to whether he was the kind of a Wolf one would wish to keep from his door; but evidently this particular Wolf was kept from his own oor-if he was the least bit afraid of villainous saltpetre"-for a while, at

The Spring where thousands who are ow gone beyond the All-quiet Rive ice quenched their thirst is as dry as owder-keg; the Duncan Field is aandoned; the Peach Orchard is a thing the past; the old Sunken Road is enrely disused, and the "red brush" that rew so thickly at the Hornet's Nest, nd was moved down by the deadly nower of missiles from each side, has gain overgrown the ground. The rood where General Johnson was ounded has been cut bare of timber, nd the spot where he died is now arked by a small cedar-tree, growing the midst of a cotton field. The tree hich stood where gallant Wallace il has been made into rails, and only e uprooted stump remains. The limits the battle-field can be made out by ears of shot and shell, which still show the trees. The bullets have been ostly cut out, thousands of them havg been gathered and sold, and thounds collected by relie-hunters.

The National Cemetery is beautifully tuated on a high bluff overlooking e river. At the front gate-occupyg the place of honor-is the grave of enry Burke, "The Drummer Boy of niloh," celebrated in song and story; nd all around him lie his comrades ho fell on that dark and bloody ound—heroes all. In all, 3,596 interents were made in the cemetery, of hich 2,801 were those of "unknown" ad. Whether they fought under the ars and Stripes, or under the Trilor, every soldier who stood by his flag rough that desperate battle, or who ed at his post, was a hero; and those ho fell deserve a monument com-emorative of their heroism and undaunted courage. - Rawlins Young, in Frank Leslie's Weekly.

-Beef drippings should be used for frying instead of butter.