

been reduced one-third. The labor of about 50 convicts has been let on contract, at about 50 cents per day, and as many more remain undisposed of. Parties are, however, figuring on the tannery and other enterprises and it is expected that "the balance of the convict labor will soon be let to responsible parties. Mr. George Collins has leased the new bri kyard for one year; he to buy the sand on hand at the price paid for it by the State, and to pay for the dirt used 25 cents per 1,090 brick. And thus the work goes bravely on, while other changes will be made from time to time, looking toward a still further reduction of public expenses.

There were 111 prisoners in the Oregon Penitentiary Dec. 4, 1875.

Forty separate and distinct buildings have been erected in the town of Astoria and twelve at Upper Astoria, so far this year. The aggregate cost of these buildings, which includes the new docks and two canneries, amount to \$103,000.

The Record says: A private letter from Klamath Agency states that snow had fallen over there five inches deep, but that it had mostly melted off at the date of writing. The annuity goods were coming in and the teamsters reported that they had a very hard time in the mountains.

The question of big logs is mooted. The Astorian says: On the 27th of November the Knappton Mills received a raft of 312 logs from the camp of Thomas H. Foss which scaled and computed by Spaulding's scale 550,500 feet, an average of 1,-764 feet to the log. In this raft were 95 logs measuring over, 2,000 feet each, averaging 2,233 feet. Also three logs measuring over 4,000 feet, averaging 4,332. These logs, many

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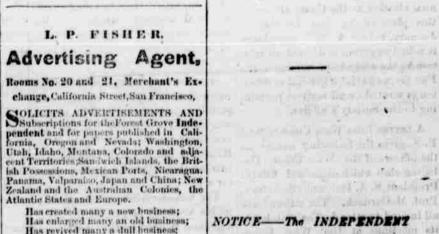
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