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GENERAL NOTES AND NEWS.

Legal tenders are quiet at 87 buying and 87 1/2 selling, in San Francisco. It is rumored that coal has been discovered within two miles of Chetco. The President has nominated David P. Thompson, of Oregon, Governor of Idaho. Average Oregon wheat brings better prices at Liverpool than average California wheat. Stone's statue of Col. E. D. Baker, of Oregon, intended for the Capitol, has been shipped from Italy. George H. Pendleton has been serenaaded in Atlanta, Georgia, and hailed as their candidate for President. J. Q. Smith, ex-Member of Congress from Ohio, has been appointed Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Oregon wheat exports direct to the United Kingdom promise to approximate 150,000 tons the present harvest year. A. S. Mercer's connection with the Granger has ceased. Hon. N. W. Garretson, a writer of reputed ability, takes his place. The precise date of opening the State University at Eugene has not been agreed upon. A corps of teachers has been engaged. Dalles City is now in direct communication with the Atlantic States by telegraph by way of Walla Walla and Winnemucca, Nevada. A miner named Miller, near Butte City, Montana, is reported to have found in an ordinary gravel rock a specimen of surface gold worth \$1,500. An unusual depth of snow already covers the hills about Boise Basin, I. T., and a protracted and prosperous season of mining next year is expected. California now sends hops to Australia, and the Agricultural Bureau, with all the lights before it, says that Oregon can raise better crops of hops than any State in the Union. A correspondent of the Independent, writing of the quarterly examination at Forest Grove, says the Japanese students excelled most of the American boys, showing what close application and studious habits will accomplish. Texas has adopted a new plan for paying public school teachers, giving them ten cents a day for each pupil in attendance. The idea is to offer an inducement to teachers to keep scholars in attendance, but whether there are not disadvantages remains to be seen. Kelly's bill for the sale of timber lands is a copy of the bill passed by the House of the last Congress authorizing any person or association to purchase at \$1 25 per acre one hundred and sixty acres of timber land in California, Oregon or Washington Territory, or forty acres in any other Territory. Colonel Paige, route agent of Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express, offers a reward of \$3,250 for the arrest and conviction of the three persons who robbed the express near Boise City. There will be \$500 for the conviction of each person and one-fourth of the treasure recovered. The amount taken was \$7,000. Mr. J. Jenn authorizes Bell's Life in London to wager Dan O'Leary, who has walked fifty-three miles in eight hours, fifty-two minutes and eighteen seconds, and one hundred miles in eighteen hours, fifty-three minutes and forty seconds, that he can not walk that fast in England; and, also, that he can find a man in England to outwalk O'Leary for \$2,500. We see by the Commercial Herald that good Oregon apples have been selling at that place of late, by wholesale, at from \$1 50 to \$2 25 per box. At that price, says the Farmer, our farmers can make a good thing on what apples they have saved, but we learn that it is almost impossible to purchase any considerable amount of good winter fruit anywhere in the State. A big race was to come off at Walla Walla on the 11th, in which Osceola, Rosa Mansfield and Emma McCormick were to run two mile heats. In the racing the day before the Walla Walla boys scooped \$3,000 on a half race. Thursday, in mile heats, three in five, Rosa Mansfield won in three straight heats, beating the favorite, Emma McCormick and Trifle. Time not stated. Kelly has introduced a bill to confirm the boundary lines of Oregon to the original, as determined by the State Constitutional Convention, which will take in Walla Walla county, if the citizens there favor it by vote. Mitchell introduced bills to attach Alaska to Washington Territory and place it under civil law; and to improve the military wagon road from Scottsburg to Camp Stewart.

LETTER FROM CHICAGO. UNION STOCK YARDS, CHICAGO, Dec. 3, 1875. TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES: For the past month I have been, I might say, on the wing, but did not fly so high but that I could look after horse matters, etc. My first rest was in Kansas, and while at Lawrence I learned that the renowned "Ethan Allen" was near there; so I started to see him. He is now the property of Mr. Acres, and I found him in his box-stall looking almost like a colt. Although now twenty-six years old, he is still able to go on the track. His services are worth \$500. This I thought pretty good for a "grasshopper" country. I saw some fine young Hambletonians at Ottawa. They were nice looking animals and good steppers. The thought occurred to me that if some of the Jackson county boys could see them, they would turn out their nags and come to the conclusion that they were not up to the times in breeding trotting stock. In Illinois I visited some of the largest importers of the French horses, (for heavy and general use) and have seen a large number of imported and graded animals of this stock. I also saw some of them in Wisconsin and Ohio. I find that wherever they have been introduced they give satisfaction to those breeding and handling them. It has been twenty-four years since their introduction into Ohio. Then Mr. C. Fullington brought into that State a three-year old colt, which he purchased while on a visit to France in 1851. This was a new thing in the horse line, and for some time Mr. F. received the ridicule and jeers of his acquaintances; but he has lived to see this stock come into public favor from their own intrinsic merits, and they are now known from Maine to Oregon, and from the Lakes to Texas. Union county, Ohio, the pioneer county of the West, gave employment last year to fifteen imported French horses and also a number of grades, with three imported Clydesdales, and, notwithstanding the large facilities for breeding them, it is quite difficult to get a car-load of five-year old geldings for the Eastern markets. Yet we hear people say that it will not pay to breed large horses, and that the market will soon be overstocked with them. I now have here, and will start with them in a few days for Oregon, two imported Percheron stallions, two imported in France by Mr. C. Fullington in person. One of them came in 1874, and the other in 1875. They are probably as fine specimens of this stock as were ever brought over to this country. Mr. Fullington's long acquaintance with the leading breeders of this stock in France, together with his home experience and observation and good horse sense, gives him an advantage over other importers. His former and late selections have proven this. I have one full blood mare—fine and large—which will show for herself in any place. I will call her "White Rose." Also a bay filly, foaled Sept. 10, 1874, that will weigh over 1300 pounds. She is fifteen-sixteenth blood and traces to old "Louis Napoleon." I named her "Jenny." After a careful reflection over the animals of this and other stock that I have seen, I now think with this last purchase, if I succeed in getting them through, and those I have at home, (and from what I can learn there are few if any stallions that surpass "White Prince" as a breeder), the home breeders of our State will have advantages that but few communities in the United States enjoy. Time and attention will prove this to the satisfaction of the most doubting. This is probably the greatest stock market in the United States, and the facilities for handling stock are of the best order. The floors are all planked; plenty of water-covered sheds for hogs and sheep; extensive stabling of the first order for horses. But this is not much of a market for mules and horses—more for cattle, sheep and hogs. They packed hogs here nearly all last Summer. Some parties are now slaughtering beef and packing it in ice, as an experiment. It is thought that this will be the way they will get their best beef in the East. Hoping that I will soon see you all in Jackson county, I close. W. C. MYER. A COUNTRYMAN, driving a team, the whole of which were as lean as Pharoah's kine, was asked by a portly attorney why the fore horse was so fat and the rest so lean? The countryman replied: "The fore horse is a lawyer, and the others are his clients."

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DETERIORATION OF FLOUR.—An "Old Miller," in a recent number of the Rural Home, gives his opinion about the cause of Genesee flour deteriorating in quality. He says: Thirty years ago no wheat was harvested till fully ripe; consequently the starch and gluten in all wheat sown, being perfectly granulated, was taken up or absorbed by the growing plant, giving it vigor and vitality, leaving the bran outside, clean and clear. Weevil, chinch bug and winter-killed wheat were yet unknown, and Genesee wheat or flour stood at the head of the class. Genesee wheat or flour was first complained of in 1847, and the same and only complaint, viz: "Your wheat and flour works soft and sticky," stands against it to this day. Farmers have continued to sow this unripe wheat year after year, the growing plant taking up what starch and gluten granulated, leaving the rest to rot, and the plant, robbed of its natural source of vitality, is left too weak to winter, or to fall a prey to insects, and this degenerated product is again sown, to go its annual round of deterioration. Ripe wheat has a thin, tough bran, and when being ground pulverizes freely, has a soft, silky, elastic feel, giving off a sweet, pleasant fragrance. Unripe wheat, when dry, has a brittle bran, the meal feels dry and sandy, gives off a small not unlike green dried corn, and when being used absorbs but little water; the pebbles of flour being hard, the wetting lies on the outside, causing the dough to slip and slide around, and when baked leaves a dry, hard loaf. The ripe flour being elastic and puffy, absorbs and continues to absorb while kneading a large amount of water, and when baked, leaves a light, soft loaf. FIGURES ABOUT THE PALACE.—The foreman of construction of the Palace Hotel has been putting together some interesting statistics about the mammoth edifice. He says that there were two hundred and ninety-eight miles of mouldings used in the interior around the doors and windows; one hundred and one miles of casing to doors and windows; twenty-six and a half miles of base-boards, and twenty-two and one-fourth miles of door jambs. There were one thousand nine hundred and sixty-three window frames, three thousand four hundred and forty-one pairs of sash, and sixty thousand one hundred and twenty-six feet of inside blinds. There are two thousand one hundred and twenty-five turned and fluted columns in use as supports to the corridors, dining and breakfast rooms, office-halls and bay-windows. The skylight over the court is eighty-eight by one hundred and forty-four feet, the largest in the world. The glass is supported by three and a half miles of sash bars. It is one hundred and thirty-six feet from the lower floor to the top of the ridge pole of the skylight.—San Francisco Post.

THE Journal of Chemistry warns the drinkers of water of wells near dwellings to beware of the typhoid poison, sure to be found sooner or later in those reservoirs, if any of the house drainage can percolate them. The gelatinous matter often found upon the stones of a well is a poison to the human system, probably causing by its spores a fermentation of the blood, with abnormal heat or fever. Whole-some, untainted water is always free from all color and odor. To test it thoroughly, place half a pint in a clear bottle, with a few grains of lump sugar, and expose it, stoppered, to sunlight, in a window. If even after an exposure of eight or ten days the water becomes turbid, be sure that the water has been contaminated by sewage of some kind. If it remains perfectly clear, it is pure and safe. FEARFUL STORMS.—In the late fearful storms in France five hundred and ninety-six sheep were killed at Belle Coste by one flash of lightning. They belonged to a flock of 1,800 head, the property of a farmer. His loss amounts to 18,000 francs. About 1,000 were thrown down headlong. Two boys were just arriving with the shepherd's lunch, and they set to work, with great presence of mind to disengage the heap of carcasses. Many others must have died from suffocation but for this help. The shepherd had his sabots broken, while one of his gaiters was struck off, and has not been found. The man is unhurt, but much shaken. His dog was lying between his legs when the bolt fell. It carried the carcass twenty yards, and twelve carcasses of sheep were found piled above it. JOSH BILLINGS: There is a grate mummy rules to make married life comfortable, but the golden one is this: Go slow and give each other half of the road. This rule is as simple and easy as milking a cow on the right side, and will be found as useful as it is to avoid hot journals and dri axles. SETTLE what you owe the printer.