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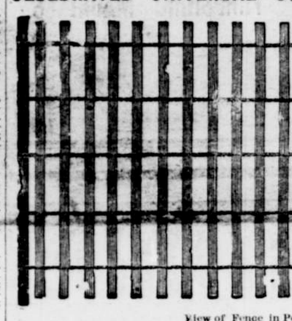

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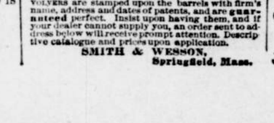

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Hops—Quote 5a6c per pound.
Eggs—32@45c per doz.
Potatoes—$1 25@1 50 per hundred.
Lard—Kegs, or gallon tins, 8@8½c per lb
Oats—Market declining. Quote 38@40c per bushel
Wool—Quote spring 16@18c; eastern Oregon 10@14c; lamb and fall, 10@14c.
Provisions—Bacon, 9@11c; hams, 13c; shoulders, 9c
Wheat—Valley, $1 20a$1 22; Walla Walla, $1 15 actl
Barley—Brewing, whole, 80a90c; ground, per ton, $22@24
Corn—$1 50 per cental.
Flour—Valley standards quoted at $3.85; Walla Walla brands $3 70.
Feed—Bran, $16@$17; shorts, $21 00; chop, $18@20; chopped barley, $22@24 per ton.
Butter—Quote extra choice creamery, 30@32c; fair to choice, 20a25c; store, 13@20c per lb
Meat—Steady. Beef, wholesale, 2½a3c; dressed, 6c; sheep, 3c per lb; dressed 6½c; hogs, dressed, 5½c; veal, 6@8c.; lambs $2 00 each.
Poultry—Quote chickens, $3 75@4 50, for young; ducks, $4@$5 for old; young ducks, $3@4; geese, $10-12 per doz; turkeys, 15c per lb.
Fresh Fruits—Apples $1@$1 50; oranges, $3 75@$5 50 per box; lemons, Sicily, $6 50@$7 00.
Hides—The market is weak and heavily stocked. Quote dry hides 9@10c; green 3@4c; sheep pelts, short wool, 25@40c; medium 50@70c; long 80@1 25; shearing 15@25c; deerskins, 25a32; tallow, good to choice, 1½@5.
Dried Fruits—Sun-dried quartered apples, 4@5, factory sliced 6c. Oregon plums 5@4. Oregon prunes 5@10c, pears 5a10c, peaches, 5a15c.

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Wheat—No 1 shipping, $1 20@1 27.
Barley—Feed, common to fair, 75a83c; good to choice, 81@83c; brewing, 85ca$1
Oats—$1 05@$1 30 for common to choice.
Potatoes—Peerless $1 50@$2 00; Burbank seedlings $1 25@$2 50; Garnet Chile, $1 30c; Early Rose 1 50@$1 75.
Hops—Quotations range from 7a10c.
Wool—Humboldt and Mendocino, 13a17c; eastern Oregon, 12@18c; valley, 19a22c; fall mountain free, 12c; San Joaquin and Southern, 8a11c.
Butter—For good to fancy, quote 19a23c; pickled, 13@19c.
Eggs—28a48c.
Hay—Quotations range from $6a$13 per ton.
Onions—$1 50@$2 25 per cental

A Smuggler Himself.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—The appointment of Max Pracht, of Ashland, Or., to the position of collector of customs of Sitka, Alaska, has not yet been confirmed by the United States senate; and if the charges which are published against him are true, it would seem that his prospect for confirmation is not bright. R. B. Kittredge, of the Alaska Salmon Packing and Fur Company, swears that on May 2, 1887, Pracht, as postmaster of Loring, made away with a letter addressed to another person; "that on divers occasions between the 1st of September, 1886, and June, 1887, he smuggled intoxicating liquors into the district of Alaska and did furnish the same to Indians; that on the 11th day of April, 1887, he landed at Loring, Alaska, a quantity of giant powder, which he carried with him from San Francisco, on board a passenger steamer, in violation of the law regulating the carrying of explosives on that manner of vessel; that on divers occasions, between September, 1886, and June, 1887, he sold and caused to be sold repeating rifles to the Indians in the district of Alaska." C. N. Torello, a druggist of this city, who was in Alaska as assistant superintendent and storekeeper under Pracht, swears that he has specific knowledge of smuggling transactions, as well as of the sale of whisky and rifles by Pracht to Indians. W. L. Johnson, superintendent of the Bartlett Bay Packing Company, of Alaska, says in his affidavit that he has known Pracht for four years; that he was in his employ at Loring in 1886; that he substantiates the liquor and rifle-selling charges, and adds that Pracht imported large quantities of intoxicating liquors into Alaska for the purpose of selling it to the Indians to manufacture therefrom an intoxicating liquor called "Coochi-no." Sidney S. Smith, secretary of Pioneer Business Association of Alaska, as well as other members of that organization, have forwarded affidavits to Washington looking to the recommendation of some other person to the position.

IT WAS LONG ENOUGH.

Colonel—Well, what's the matter now? Private—I've got liver trouble and dyspepsia, and could not leave for thirty days.
Colonel—I'll give you ten, and if you take Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla that will be long enough.
Fred H. Blecker of 19 Montgomery street, San Francisco, writes: I have spent many a dollar for medicine, but the only thing that ever stopped my liver trouble and dyspepsia was Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla.
Gustav Solomon of 223 Valencia street, Francisco, writes that it has entirely freed of his indigestion and sick headaches.

Religious News.

The following are Rev. Walton Skipworth's appointments for the present year: First Sabbath of each month, Medford at 11 o'clock A. M. and 7 P. M.; second Sabbath, Central Point at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.; third Sabbath, Medford at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.; fourth Sabbath, Jacksonville at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath school at Jacksonville every Sunday at 12 M. and prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

The following are Rev. R. Ennis' appointments: On every Sunday morning, excepting the third, he will hold services at the Presbyterian church in Florence; on third Sunday morning and every Sunday evening he will preach at the Presbyterian church in Jacksonville.

Table rock church public will be occupied 1st Sabbath in the month, morning and evening, by Rev. E. Russ (Baptist); 2d and 4th Sabbaths, morning and evening, by Rev. C. H. Hoxie (M. E.); 3d and 5th Sabbaths the church will be occupied in the morning by the choir and at 3 P. M. G. F. Billings will officiate.

The following appointments have been made by Rev. R. C. Ogleshy: First Sunday in each month, at Medford in the Episcopal church at 11 o'clock A. M., and in the Methodist church at Jacksonville at night; second Sunday, at Antioch at 11 A. M. and Sam's valley at 4 P. M.; third Sunday, at Central Point at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.; fourth Sunday, at Brownsboro at 11 A. M. and Eagle Point at 7 P. M.; Friday before the fourth Sunday, at the Baptist church on Antelope, at night.

For 1890.

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HONEY LAKE HONKERS.

Notwithstanding the snow is two feet deep, the thermometer standing several degrees below zero, with a slight shock of earthquake occasionally, everyone with us is in good spirits, confident of a prosperous year and a boom in the spring.

We grow the same fruits here that are raised in Jackson county, fully as good for size and flavor, and that is speaking well of our fruit. I read so much in the Jackson county papers about your fine apples. Say, have you heard about our Honey Lake apples?

We cannot complain in this locality, as we have been favored with good health and plenty. The drouth made short crops the past season in some parts of Lassen county, on land not irrigated. There being so much land under irrigation, we have plenty and some to spare.

Want of railroads is our greatest drawback at present. We have had several surveys here the past year. The latest from the different railroad rumors is that the Sierra Lumber Company, having exhausted their supply of lumber on the west of the summit, will in the spring move east of the summit to the vicinity of the Mountain meadow country, where the company own large tracts of timberland. They will then extend their narrow-gauge road through the valley to the Reno line, which would give them shipping facilities east and west. All unite in saying this would prove a paying road. We feel confident we will not have to wait much longer for a railroad, as the country demands it.

Very little land in this county but will be under irrigation another season. Reservoirs and ditches have been built the past year that will bring thousands of acres under cultivation that have heretofore been worthless sage-brush land. The Hutchinson and Leavitt reservoir and canal bring twenty thousand acres of land under irrigation, lying in the center of Honey Lake valley, making room for many new homes. This is only one of the many enterprises that have been completed the past season. The Eagle Lake irrigation company have a still larger amount of land that will be susceptible to irrigation when that enterprise is finished, and they expect to complete the work the present year.

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A MAN FROM THE MOON.—A curiosity in the shape of a man who has been a resident of the moon now resides in Oakland, California. No such man as the following could be found elsewhere in the land: Police Judge Laidlaw, of Oakland, has fined himself $50 for drunkenness. The other morning, after the regular calendar had been disposed of, the judge said: "Mr. Clerk, you will please enter upon the docket a charge against Alexander Laidlaw, judge of the police court, for violating an ordinance of this city." The judge then proceeded to read a statement in which he pleaded guilty to the charge, and stated the charges of drunkenness and unseemly conduct, published in the press, were to a certain extent true. "That I was drunk is true," said his honor. That there is no palliation, no extenuating circumstances then or now for the offense, is true. That the entire occurrence is lamentable, sincerely and sadly regretted, I can honestly and sincerely and do so state." The judge then pledged himself to proper conduct in future and concluded: "Upon a repetition of this offense I shall not ask for mercy, nor will I expect it, and will probably resign my position. The sentence of the court is that the defendant pay a fine of $50 with the usual alternative." The judge then reached down from his seat and handed the bailiff $50 in payment of his self-imposed fine.

A CHILD COMMITS SUICIDE.—Clem Flint, the 11-year-old son of William C. Flint, an attorney-at-law, committed suicide at San Francisco recently. The boy, who was an obedient child, disappeared from the house after returning from school. Search was made for him without success, and as he did not return home next morning his father left the house to report the case to the police. As he was passing along Grove street he saw his little boy on the opposite side of the street, and called to him. The boy started to run and rushed into the house of Mrs. Clappenberg. When he reached the hall he drew a revolver and shot himself in the temple. Mr. Flint came in a moment later, only to find his child dying. He expired soon afterwards. The parents are unable to assign any cause for the act, unless it was that the boy feared to return home after remaining away all night. The pistol was taken from his father's bureau drawer. The theory that is generally accepted is that the lad had obtained some sensational dime novels, and on reading them had become inspired with an ambition to emulate the heroes of these romances.

BLAINE'S DEAD BROTHER.—The name of Melville G. Blaine, who was teacher at the Indian industrial school at Chemawa, Or., and who died a few days ago, does not appear upon the books of the Indian bureau as teacher of the school at Chemawa, or anywhere else. The name does appear, however, of Melville G. Lane, which is "Blaine" with two letters dropped, who was teacher at Chemawa, and whose death was reported to the Indian department on the same date as that assigned for the death of the secretary's brother. According to Dr. Dorchester, superintendent of Indian schools, who recently returned from a visit to Oregon, Lane always claimed to be a brother of James G. Blaine. Years ago, however, on account of some family trouble, into the details of which the old teacher would rarely go, he had left the Blaine household, changing his name and never resuming it. He had intrusted Dr. Dorchester with a message for his brother, the secretary of state, which the superintendent had promised to, and did, deliver. The truth of the story is vouched for by officials from the Indian bureau.

THE SUPREME COURT.—The supreme court of the United States at the present time is composed of the following gentlemen, with the year of appointment, by whom appointed, and from what state: Chief justice:—Melville W. Fuller, Illinois, 1888, Cleveland. Justices:—S. F. Miller, Iowa, 1862, Lincoln. Stephen J. Field, California, 1863, Lincoln. Joseph P. Bradley, New Jersey, 1870, Grant. John M. Harlan, Kentucky, 1877, Hayes. Horace Gray, Massachusetts, 1881, Arthur. Samuel Blatchford, New York, 1882, Arthur. L. Q. C. Lamar, Mississippi, 1888, Cleveland. And the last appointment being confirmed by the senate, David J. Brewer of Kansas. There are three Democrats, as follows: Chief Justice Fuller; Justices Field and Lamar. The balance of the court are Republicans.

A CURE FOR INFLUENZA.—The New York Board of Health furnishes the following prescription for the Russian influenza. Spray the affected membrane with a 10 per cent. solution of quinine freely and frequently, and take four or five times a day a pill made as follows: Quinine, three grains; camphor, one-half grain; extract of bella-donna, one-fourth grain.

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THE SOUTHERN QUESTION.

We have watched with much interest for months the opinions of philosophers and partisans upon what is sometimes called "the race question" at the South, or "what will be done, politically, with the negro?" We have read what we saw printed of the utterances of Mr. Cable and Mr. Grady, and even of Mr. Watterson on one hand and such political organs on the other as recognize and rejoice in the situation merely because it gives them an opportunity to foment sectional strife and engender political bitterness. Out of all this discussion and all these editorial fusillades a few grains of truth may have been sifted; namely: The negroes at the South are generally well treated and well provided for by the whites, given opportunity to work, perfect freedom and excellent advantages for mental and religious culture; but they are not, at least if in a majority or a very large minority, allowed to vote the Republican ticket. This fact of the prevention of Republican negro ascendency in many Southern localities seems to be generally conceded. The question is—with some—how is this to be remedied? With others, and equally patriotic men, the first question is: Ought it to be different in result from what it already is? Mr. George W. Cable, speaking from the pro-negro side of the question, says: "The true Southern problem is not, shall the negro dominate the white man or the white man the negro. But it is whether American citizens shall enjoy equal rights in the common of their rulers." This is put captivatingly, to induce all who read it to at once respond: of course they should. The best constitutions are violated in time of war. Self-preservation is first law, and in face of the history of the fact at issue Mr. Cable's strong statement of the abstract position yields like stubble before the blaze. When, and why, and how, did these people become citizens? When tried as such, with the men who made them such as instructors, how did they improve the opportunity and the right? Judging not only from this experience, but from all experience, from history and reason, what would be the result again if the negroes were given political power—under the domination and direction of such consummate rascals as Quay and Dudley—in the South? An avoidance of such a result may be a sufficient justification for even denying to this race, though legally "citizens," the choice of their rulers. Another Southern friend of the negro, Mr. Curry, of Richmond, stated the case with much force thus: "There is nothing *per se* in a white skin, unless behind that skin lie the hereditary experiences of centuries of good government. I know that the negro of Africa has no invention, no discovery, no law, no literature, no government, no civilization." This is why the negroes are not allowed equal political power with the whites in the South. To allow the negroes such power would be rather ruin to the South, in every sense of the word. Supposing that Chinamen constituted a majority of the people of the city, or indians of this country, and by an unwise political move they were given, legally and nominally, equal rights as to the suffrage and holding of office with whites, does any man suppose the white people would allow the Chinese to govern them, or the Indians the country? The case is not over-stated, for negroes, though more sociable, companionable and affectionate in disposition, are as a race as utterly unfit to govern as either of the others. An impossible thing cannot be done by law, and as Mr. Grady said in his Boston speech, we shall not see ignorance rule intelligence any more in this country—at least so far as races are concerned. A "prohibition" law—that never prohibits—or a "protection" law that don't protect—is not a more vain and idle effort than to force ignorance upon intelligence as its political equal. While one class of the political organs are talking so stoutly about the rights of American citizens, they may as well remember that it was not only an unwise and unheard-of thing to make four million ignorant creatures of another race equal citizens with us, but it was not done—nor is the battle waged in their behalf now—out of and regard for that race. It was done by a political party for the sole purpose of indefinitely maintaining itself in power; and the same use it had for the negro