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BRIEF MENTION.

In Prussia 5010 men and 1349 women committed suicide in 1899.

The secretary of the Interior has created a Bureau of Forestry.

Trespass notices, printed on cloth, on sale at The Times Printing House.

The Boers have captured six thousand head of horses from the British. This doesn't look as they were hors de combat.

Seven hundred and fifty thousand bushels of wheat were sold in Umatilla county in one day, on a rise to 45 and 45 1/2 cents for club.

The bank of Plymouth, Iowa, was robbed of \$15,000 Nov. 12th by dynamiters. This makes the seventh bank looted within a month.

The latest labor organization is the Chicago Pallbearers' Union, formed by about 60 men, who gain a livelihood as professional pall-bearers in the service of undertakers.

A large quantity of newspapers, suitable for wrapping, pasting on walls, putting under carpets, etc., can be obtained cheap in quantities to suit, at The Times Printing House.

Hillsboro Argus: So far as heard from J. C. Hare has raised the banner crop of onions this year; and if there are any better yields the Argus wants it. The crop was raised on the bottom land south and east of this city, and on one acre 722 sacks were harvested.

The celebrated Snap Shot, the best medicine in the world for allaying inflammation in man or beast, can be found at Dr. Robinson's drug store, also at Dr. Hinkle's, Central Point. Try it.

When Philadelphia recently tried to borrow \$9,000,000 at 3 per cent, she obtained only \$5000. When political knavery reaches the point where the state's financial credit is impaired, then even calloused Pennsylvania realizes that it is no longer a mere cry of wolf.

Oregon seems likely to regain its prestige as the land of big red apples—apples without blemish and innocent of harboring worms. The wise horticulturists see possibilities in apple-growing that will result in a large increase of apple orchard area in the state within the next five years and a corresponding profit to themselves in the years following.

Glafke Company of Portland are packing apples in fifty-pound boxes, to be shipped to Vladivostok, Siberia. The apples are shipped on an oriental liner to Japan, and there are re-shipped to the Russian port. Each apple is wrapped with a piece of absorbent paper. Nothing but perfect fruit is taken. The apples at Vladivostok will probably stand the consumer \$3 to \$3.50 a box.

Secretary Gage is reported to be strongly opposed to the renewal of the Chinese exclusion law, on the ground that it is ineffective in operation and because it is folly to expect any increase in our share of the commerce of the Orient except on the condition of more liberal treatment of the Chinese. At one time Secretary Gage intended to protest in his annual report against the re-enactment of the exclusion act; but the opposition to the free immigration of Chinese is so pronounced on the Pacific coast that it is not probable that any officer of the Government will come out squarely in favor of abandonment of the law. The labor organizations of the Pacific coast are a unit in favor of the renewal of the law, and their attitude is of course supported by the unions throughout the country. There is no senator or representative in any Pacific coast state who will not favor the re-enactment of the Gage law, says the Oregonian.



Hopeless and Helpless.

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Negro Population Increasing.

The negro population of the United States is not diminishing, as many suppose, but increases. The percentage of increase since 1890, according to the census of 1900, is 13.78, or more than in the previous decade. The figures, according to the latest census, are: Colored population, 8,500,000; increase, 1,023,963. This is the largest increase shown by any census since 1790 excepting that of 1800, when the gain was 1,700,784.

In Sicilian cities an appliance which is in general use and has been for a long time is an arrangement by which the wind of a horse is shut off when he attempts to run away. Standing out from the nostrils of the horses are little leather disks, which the pulling of a little rein by the driver claps down upon the animal's nose, thus shutting off his wind if he tries to get beyond control.

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