

NEIGHBORING TOWNS

PROGRESS AND DOINGS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST.

Budget of Interesting and Spicy News From All the Cities and Towns on the Coast—Thrift and Industry in Every Quarter—Oregon.

An Oakville teacher whipped five boys and one girl on a recent forenoon. Elgin has a new tent of Maccabees, and will soon have a camp of Woodmen.

F. W. Blumberg has been made secretary of the Albany board of immigration.

Kern & Church are going to build a cannery at the mouth of the Siletz river.

The Wallowa county grand jury returned a true bill for each indictment submitted to it.

A. J. Knollan is gathering up 12,000 sheep at The Dalles, which he will have driven across the country to Eastern markets.

Increase to the flocks of Morrow county will not be above 80 per cent on account of the severe weather. Shearing has just begun.

Sheep are getting so numerous in Lake county that unless 50,000 are sold this summer the ranges will be covered. The increase this spring is expected to be quite large.

E. Broughton came very near losing his life near Athena by squirrel poison a few days ago. He put a pocket knife in his mouth that had been used to stir a poisonous mixture.

Klamath Falls is to form a Crater Lake club to co-operate in the summer excursion and to induce the Mazamas to return to the valley by way of the port, agency and Klamath Falls.

The city marshal of La Grande proposes to strictly enforce the law prohibiting the riding of bicycles on the sidewalks. Union has a similar ordinance that is continually being violated.

It is stated on good authority, says the Astorian, that about 200 gamblers and all-around toughs have recently arrived in Astoria from Portland and other cities from which they have been shut out.

Cut worms are said to be doing considerable damage to growing crops in Sherman county. A few warm days, however, would put a stop to their ravages, and set everything growing in that county.

In the Albany schools one afternoon they had a "bird day." Cages of canaries filled the rooms, reinforced by parrots, red-birds, owls, etc. A programme made the occasion useful as well as entertaining.

Henry Conn, sr., died at his home near Melrose, in Douglas county, last week. He came to Oregon and settled in Douglas county in 1853. He was buried under the auspices of the Masons in Roseburg.

J. H. Townsend, of Newberg, has a prospect of making a contract with the new immigration board of Portland to go East with his stereopticon and a selection of views, to be furnished by the board, and in this way advertise Oregon.

John Barto shipped four carloads of sheep from Pendleton one day last week, about 1,050 head, to Long Pine, Neb. He has already made contracts for 6,000 head more, all of which will be shipped to different points in Nebraska at an early date.

The town marshal of Mitchell attempted the other day to arrest Frank Stice, but Stice drew a revolver and forced the marshal around the barroom of the Central hotel. Stice was afterward arrested, however, and held on the grand jury in the sum of \$500.

T. R. Sheridan has been appointed administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Stephen Minard, of Douglas county. The executor named in the will, John H. Minard, died a few days after his father. The bond of the administrator has been fixed at \$5,000.

J. H. Albert, of Salem, has a bible 50 years old, that has been in the Albert family 175 years. It is bound in calf, with stout wooden covers at back, and is 15 1/2 inches long, 10 inches in width, 6 inches in thickness, and has a weight of 12 pounds, and was formerly clasped with iron. The old and new testaments take 1,180 pages of the volume, the remainder being devoted to the publisher's preface, directory, indexes, the Angberg confession, and to numerous biographies of Saxon princes, under whose patronage the work was done.

Washington. There is much inquiry throughout Yakima country for beef cattle.

Cattle has contracted for the feeding of city prisoners at 9 cents a meal. Many small thefts have been committed at social entertainments in Olympia recently.

The eighth annual session of the state grange of the Patrons of Husbandry will convene in Vancouver June 2.

At least 200 people have passed

through Pomeroy, on the way to Northern Idaho this year. Many of them come from southern Idaho.

The receivers of the Aberdeen bank, have wiped out over \$30,000 of the bank's indebtedness, leaving only about \$4,000 more to pay off.

The contract for keeping the county poor of Walla Walla has been awarded to L. L. Hunt, for \$1,700. The poor will now be housed at Lakeside.

The total receipts of the Spokane city water works for the three months of 1895 were \$14,038.40, and in 1896, \$16,637.65, an increase of \$2,599.25, or 18 per cent.

A sawmill, with a daily capacity of 8,000 feet is being built on Chinook river, in Pacific county, by Mr. Wilson, of Clatskanie, Or., and will saw to fill local demand.

Tommy Lane, chief of the Puyallup Indians, was knocked down by a hobo last week, near Puyallup, and robbed of twenty cents, two pounds of beefsteak and an umbrella.

A forty-room hotel is being built on Long Beach, a short distance from the site of Tinker's hotel. It will be completed in plenty of time to accommodate the summer rush.

The civil service commissioners of Tacoma have gone over to Seattle to investigate the methods and familiarize themselves with the workings of the civil service commission of that city.

At Port Townsend an unofficial test of the new revenue launch Scout showed her to be able to easily make fourteen to sixteen knots an hour. Revenue officers are delighted to think that the first government boat constructed on Puget sound is such an eminent success.

A few days ago, while a workman was excavating for the Stahl building in Walla Walla, he found a coffin containing human bones, under the Albeit building. The new building will be lower than that of the adjoining structures, and the coffin was exposed to view when the excavators got below the foundation of the Albeit building.

A number of sheepmen from Adams, Whitman and Lincoln counties are in Walla Walla to answer in United States court the restraining orders recently served upon them by United States Deputy Marshal F. J. Parker. The orders were issued by Judge Hanford, on application of the receiver of the Northern Pacific company, who wishes to stop trespass upon the company's lands.

The Wyandotte Mining & Milling Company, a Chicago concern, has made arrangements to do a large amount of development work on its group of claims known as the Black Bear, in Okanogan county. A large new hoisting plant will soon be erected, and the properties extensively worked from now on.

Mrs. James Walters, of Garfield, was frying eggs for breakfast the other morning. She broke one into the frying pan and was surprised to see a small egg inside of it. Mrs. Walters took a spoon and lifted it out and found it to be a perfectly shaped egg nearly two inches long and covered with a shell nearly as hard as the usual egg shell. It was inside the yolk of the larger egg.

Judge Norman Buck, commander of the department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R., has issued orders for the observance of Memorial day, Saturday, May 30, in compliance with orders from national headquarters. The department commander earnestly urges every post in the department to invite the Woman's Relief corps, the Sons and Daughters of Veterans, the school children and all of the people.

Owing to the fact that the supreme court has decided that school districts could not legally validate indebtedness, as was done in Pullman, the public school there closed Friday. The warrants drawn since the districts voted to validate are said to be illegal, and the teachers who sold them have been asked to take them back. If they are forced to do this a great hardship will be worked upon the teachers.

A man by the name of Peterson of Spokane believes he has a method by which he can save the flour gold contained in rivers, and is building a plant for that purpose. The water and gravel is run through a sluice box which contains six copper plates, one upon the other. These will be charged with quicksilver. They are not flat surfaces, but are even in wavering sheets to catch the fine gold. A patent has been applied for. The machines will sell for from \$150 to \$200 apiece.

As the result of putting in dikes in Tillamook bay the Headlight says: At the middle channel dike much improvement is noticed, the current cutting through toward the Bay City channel. The dike at the mouth of Kilobis is turning the water of that stream via Bay City, and not distributing silt and debris all over the bay. There is a noticeable improvement at the Junction and at Dry Stocking, especially at the latter.

Idaho. A four-foot vein of coal has been discovered within four miles of Montpelier.

The big Boonville stamp mill will be

located at De Lamar, and will cost when completed, \$100,000.

Parties coming in from the Nez Perce reservation say that the rains have made the roads impassable.

The base of service supply for the special mail service from Glenn's Ferry to Roseworth, Cassia county, has been changed to Hagerman.

The Consolidated Tiger-Poorman Mining Company is the Couer d'Alenes have satisfactorily settled their losses with the insurance company.

The new cable for the Bunker Hill & Sullivan Mining & Concentrating Company has arrived and is being put in place. It weighs eight tons and is 3,300 feet in length.

Ten of Lewiston's business firms have become associated to exploit some mining claims on Snake river forty miles above the city, twelve miles below the Salmon river, and just opposite the Oregon and Washington state boundary line.

There is a prospect of the completion of the Palouse branch of the Northern Pacific railroad to Lewiston. An agent of the company has been in the field looking over the prospects and gathering statistics. He filed the right of way grant from the interior department for a track across the reservation with the county recorder.

Montana. The Northern Pacific has received patents for all their lands classified as non-mineral land in the Bozeman district. These patents cover nearly 200,000 acres.

There has been received at the Helena land office 761 patents for lands in that district, of this number 587 are for agricultural lands, 150 for mineral and 24 for coal lands.

Articles of incorporation of the Silver Bow Mining Company have been filed with the secretary of state. The company propose to carry on a general mining business in Silver Bow county with the principal office at Butte. The capital stock is \$100,000.

The woolmen of Montana at a recent meeting, endorsed the position taken by Senators Mantle and Carter in voting against the Dingley revenue bill. They claim that the interests of the wool grower and manufacturer and the miner are too closely allied to admit of the least discrimination of one against the other by legislative action.

In addition to the wealth of Montana in gold, silver, copper, lead, coal and iron, recent investigations show the existence in the southeastern portion of the state of an extensive and easily recognized belt of oil-bearing strata. The location of this petroleum field is in Carbon county, within the limits of the ceded strip of the Crow Indian reservation and on the headwaters of Butcher creek, an easterly branch of the Rosebud river.

FOR CUBA'S LIBERTY.

New Jersey National Guardsmen Offer Their Services.

New York, May 11.—The World this morning says:

It was reported in Newark last night that several members of the First regiment of the National Guard, located there, had accepted generous offers to fight for Cuban independence, and had left under orders of the Cuban junta.

The number of guardsmen who are going is not definitely known. It was learned, however, that at least a dozen have already signed an agreement with the representatives of the junta and a much larger number are seriously considering the matter, with the prospect that they will join the expedition.

On Tuesday night the first detachment left Newark in charge of Sergeant William L. Edwards and Private Louis Haggerty, and was composed entirely of members of the First regiment. They were escorted to a rendezvous in this city, where they are said to be now stationed.

It was given out that the expedition in which the Newarkers are to take part was to embark at Perth Amboy. This report was intended to throw the emissaries of the Spanish government off the scent. It is said that the men who make up the party will board a vessel at sea, after being conveyed from various points in tugs and sailing vessels.

One volunteer is said to have been offered a bonus of \$700, together with his fare to Jacksonville and a monthly compensation of \$30. Another statement is that the men are to receive a bonus of \$100 and \$22 a month.

Boy Trainwrecker Convicted.

Rome, N. Y., May 11.—At 1 A. M. the jury in the case of J. W. Hildreth, charged with trainwrecking, brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree. The verdict recommended leniency. Three other youths, who were implicated with Hildreth in the wrecking, are now in jail awaiting trial for murder, and it is probable that, after the verdict of today, their cases will be taken up together, and it is believed they will plead guilty to the lesser degree of which Hildreth has been convicted.

Pennsylvania engine No. 2,106 is said to have run 250,000 miles without once being taken to the shops for repairs.

WHIPPED BY "YANKS"

BRITISH SAILORS TAUGHT A LESSON AT SHANGHAI.

They Wanted to Throw the Yankees Through the Window, But Were Met by a Fusillade of Champagne Bottles and Cases—Half a Dozen Injured.

San Francisco, May 11.—Fighting with champagne bottles as a beginner and finishing with knives, a dozen or so of the tars of the United States gunboat Petrel whipped twice their weight in Britishers, at Shanghai, shortly before the Petrel sailed for this port, where she is now at anchor. The row was caused by the big British cruiser Spartan throwing its searchlight on the Petrel, in such a manner that it was interpreted as an insult. Captain Emory wrote a curt note to the commander of the Spartan and in return received a letter of apology.

The next day eight or ten of the Petrel's men were seated in an upper room of a saloon when about twenty of the Spartan's men entered the barroom. The Yankees were drinking and singing patriotic songs and the biggest Englishman in the intruding crew suggested that they throw the Yankees through the windows. The British tars started up the stairs, but none of them reached the top. The door was suddenly opened and through it came a shower of glasses, bottles and cases of champagne, which had been stored in the room. When everything available as a weapon was gone, the American sailors came flying down the stairs and the battle became a hand-to-hand conflict. Knives were used freely and the English forces were badly cut up. When they were finally routed, half a dozen of them lay bleeding on the floor. The British consul subsequently held an official inquiry into the affair and the court decided against the Spartan's crew.

AFTER A LONG SEPARATION

Strange Meeting Between a Husband and Wife.

Fowler, Ind., May 11.—Judge Marbro, of Kentucky, was standing on the platform of the Big Four station at this place last evening when the Chicago limited pulled in. In the parlor car sat a lady whom he thought he knew. He approached her and they recognized one another immediately. It was his wife whom he married twenty years ago in England. She was the daughter of Lord Linsley. Her father was so opposed to the marriage that he induced her to leave her husband about six months after they were married. She relented and decided to return to her husband, but was made to believe that Marbro was dead.

Marbro, incensed at his wife's action, came to America and was shortly afterward informed that she had secured a divorce from him. In a few months after their separation a son was born to Mrs. Marbro. He is now in the English navy. On the death of Lord Linsley Mrs. Marbro fell heir to \$3,000,000 in estates and money. She has since married, and has three children by the second union. She was en route through here to visit her sister in San Francisco. Judge Marbro is very wealthy and he also is married. He accompanied his wife of former years to Chicago. What action he will take regarding his right in the estate in England is not known.

GROUND TO PULP.

Terrible Electric Car Accident at Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, May 11.—The most horrible accident that ever occurred in this city happened tonight when Sebas Escariga, a Mexican, was crushed to a pulp by a Pasadena electric car at the corner of Ord and Buena Vista streets. Shortly before the accident, Escariga was quarreling on the street with a Mexican named Jose Morales. The men finally came to blows, and both drew knives. Morales started to run across the street, followed closely by Escariga, both men failing to notice the electric car, which was rapidly approaching.

Morales was several feet ahead of his pursuer, and managed to clear the track, but Escariga was directly in the middle of the track when the heavy car struck him, and the unfortunate man was under the wheels before anyone knew what had happened. His body was literally ground to pieces and scattered along the track for a distance of twenty feet. Morales was arrested, and will be held pending an investigation of the quarrel, which terminated so disastrously. Escariga was a laborer, 40 years of age, and leaves a widow.

World's Record Broken.

San Jose, Cal., May 11.—Eli Wine-sett, of Olympia, Wash., and J. F. Staver, of Portland, broke the world's unpaced mile tandem record here, making the distance in 1:55 3/5, a reduction of 1 1/5 seconds. Wine-sett and Staver are members of the Stearn team.

—One of the latest novelties is a phonographic clock which calls the hours in tead of striking them.

DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

Routine Work of the Fifty-Fourth Session—Senate.

Washington, May 8.—In the senate today, Callom reported progress in the conference of the two houses on the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bills, although many items were yet open. The main feature of the agreement is on the salaries of the United States district attorneys and marshals, a schedule of rates ranging from \$3,500 to \$5,000 per year being submitted. The river and harbor bill was then taken up. All amendments were agreed to until the item for a deep water harbor in Santa Monica bay, California, was reached, when it went over on the request of White, in view of a sharp contest which is expected. At 2 o'clock, the bill was laid aside, and the bond resolution was taken up. Hill taking the floor to continue his speech. Peffer attempted to have a time fixed for a vote, but Hill again declined to consent.

Washington, May 9.—By a decisive vote today the senate decided to inaugurate an investigation of the bond sales conducted by the secretary of the treasury during the last three years. The resolution demanding the investigation is very explicit. It requests that the committee on finance be directed to investigate and report generally all the material facts and circumstances connected with the sale of United States bonds by the secretary of the United States treasury during the years 1894, 1895 and 1896; what amount of available funds was in the treasury at the time of such issues; the obligations of the government, and the reasons for the withdrawal of gold from the treasury, and the classes of persons who made such withdrawals.

Washington, May 11.—All Oregon and Washington items in the river and harbor bill went through the senate without opposition today, including the appropriation for the boat railway at The Dalles and the Seattle canal. There will be a fight on both items in the conference. With the bond resolution out of the way, the senate gave its attention to the accumulation of minor measures before going on with the river and harbor bill. Mitchell of Oregon gave notice that when the last appropriation bill was passed, he would press the joint resolution for election of senators by the people, not for the sake of having further speeches, but to actually adopt the resolution. Bills were passed to establish a classification division in the United States patent office, and granting permission for the erection of a monument in Washington in honor of Samuel Hahnemann, and appropriating \$4,000 for a foundation.

House.

Washington, May 8.—The house today served notice on the senate and the country that it had transacted its business and was ready for final adjournment by the passage, without division, of a resolution for final adjournment on Monday, May 18. The reading was received with an outburst of applause from members on both sides of the house. Wheeler denounced the majority for proposing to desert their posts. He asserted that during the campaign of 1894, the Republican party had pledged itself to the relief of the people from existing depression. "Caused by the Democratic party," interjected Miliken. Dingley made no reply to Wheeler, and the resolution was adopted without division. The house then proceeded under the special order adopted yesterday, to consider private pension bills, and acted on them at the rate of about one every five minutes.

Washington, May 9.—The net result of a three and a half hours' session of the house today was the passage of a bill to amend the act creating the court of appeals so as to allow appeals from the supreme courts of the territories to the court of appeals. Pickler attempted to secure his revenge for the defeat he suffered last night, when the house refused to remain in session to pass private pension bills, by blocking legislation today. He made the point of no quorum at every opportunity, and finally the house, losing patience, adjourned. Pickler threatens to keep up his tactics until he accomplishes his object, which he says is to secure further consideration for private pension bills.

Washington, May 11.—The members of the house voted themselves \$100 per month for clerk hire during the recesses of congress. Under a resolution passed by the fifty-second congress, the members of subsequent congresses received \$100 per month for clerk hire during the sessions. Today the proposition to extend this allowance to members during the recesses of congress came up in the form of the Hartman resolution, adversely reported from the committee on accounts. It occasioned some very sharp debate. It had the support of Cannon, chairman of the appropriations committee, but was opposed by Dingley, the floor leader of the majority. Aldrich said it would involve an additional expenditure of \$216,000 per annum. The resolution was amended so as to except members who are chairmen of committees, having annual clerks, and as amended was passed 180 to 108.