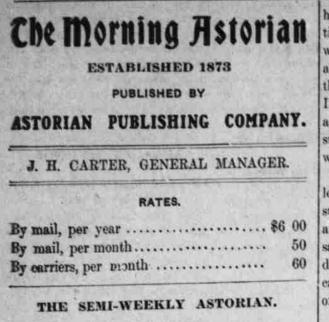
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THE END OF THE FISHING SEASON.

A few days ago The Astorian quoted a Columbia river salmon packer as saying that the closed season fishing law should be rigidly enforced, not alone because all laws ought to be enforced, but because to effect of injuring the enviable reputation of the product of the Astoria packing houses.

the most ridiculous contrary statements that have ever been made with reference to the salmon industry. The Daily News of this city ridicules the idea enality within an hour's time, but it is a positive the government to civilized standards. face that Columbia river salmon caught early in the season are more valuable than those taken later. Some time must be fixed by law for cessation of fishing operations, and, August 15 having been decided upon, the season should end then. Every one who is at all versed in the matter knows salmon refor prompt closing with the statement that fish defor serious consideration.

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had their hair cut. This might well cause the ques tion, "What is there in a head of hair?" and it would be no adequate reply to say "Silver threads among the gold." Apparently there is far more than silvery strands mixed with the golden tresse If the three enterprising aborigines get judgment against the cruel agent at Yuma for the "full amount sued for" the hair market will be likely to bound upward like a Santos Dumont flying machine.

Evidently it is not the intrinsic value of their lost locks that the Inlians put a price upon in their suits at law, but some extrinsic and special value arising from the relation of their hair to other things, says the Butte Inter Mountain. The best Yuma Indian hair mattresses will not bring \$18,000 by the carload, and it would take the long straight strands of many an "Injun brave" to fill a mattress.

Manifestly, then, the hair of an Indian, at \$6000 per wig, fleece, scalp or whatever it might be called, must be inventoried and appraised upon a different basis. Perhaps it is pride that makes value in this instance. It must be a proud head of hair that is human body through their bites. worth \$6000, or a proud Indian that thinks it worth Spotted fever is the name give to the that much. Most people acquainted with the Yuma new disease. It resembles cerebral warrior, who consists of a dark skin, a feather or spinal meningitis, which is also called two, a gee-string, a pair of moccasins, a cactus-grown der the skin become apparent within background of desert and-it must not be omitted- a short time after the victim feels the

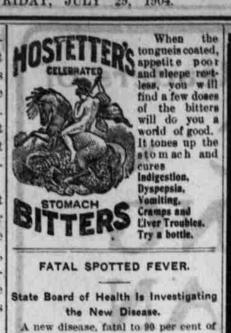
a whole Death Valley full of Yumas. Still an In- disease is entirely different in every dian may have his pride. Tribal standing may also other way from the dreaded cerebrat be a precious asset. It is possible that these things It is apparent only during the months pack salmon taken after August 15 would have the depend upon the length, luxuriance, mystery, sweep of May, June and July, and sheen of the hair that hangs on his head. All Dr. Ralph Matson, bacteriologist of

Following this statement we have read some of 10 per cent of \$18,000, yet the courts recognize sentimental value sometimes, or rather values depending an animal nature at all, but are of the upon established sentiment, and it may be that the lowest forms of vegetable life. Malathree Yumas will succeed in obtaining a judgment ria's animal origin has been satisfac that the season should end August 15, and points out for damages approaching the sum asked for their torily proved, smallpox is generally that it is strange fish should deteriorate in value lamented and departed hair. A curious public will commencing promptly at 12 o'clock on the night of await the determination of the case in order to dis-August 14. Following out this remarkable line of cover what the legal value of a Yuma Indian's hair fact that it is carried to mankind by reasoning, the fishing season should never be closed. may be and how far a despotic Indian agent may supposedly harmless ticks, and that the It is not the contention that fish become poorer in go in his efforts to conform the aboriginal ward of germs themselves are one of the rare

FRANCE AND THE VATICAN.

If the rupture between the French government and the vatican should lead to the complete separation of church and state in France, as now seems tain their color only a short time after the date almost certain, it would be a great gain for the refixed for closing. The effort to ridicule the demand public and might prove a spiritual blessing for the church, says the Brooklyn Standard Union. M. teriorate promptly at a given hour is too childish Delcasse's note to the Roman pontiff, demanding the withdrawal of the letters addressed by the vatican

Equally as ridiculous is the "argument" of the to the bishops of Laval and Dijon, in default of which Evening Budget in favor of violation of the fishing the pontifical nuncio "will receive his passports and



those stricken, is being investigated by the state board of health, says the Oregonian. Ticks which live upon the bodies of ground-squirrels or gophers carry the disease germs into the a head of coarse black hair, would not pay \$6000 for first symptoms of high fever. But the

the Yumas bundled together probably are not worth the state board of health, has proved that the germs of nearly every disease but malaria and smallpox are not of held to be transmitted by protozoa, and one or two other and less common complaints are on the doubtful list. The animal microbes are but two of the peculiarities of spotted fever.

The fever is at its worst in the Biter Root valley of Montana. Here from \$5 to 95 per cent of those afflicted die. The cases are mostly sheep herders and prospectors, and for this reason the origin of the disease was long laid to drinking snow-water. Harney county, the neighborhood of Huntington and the vicinity of Baker City are afflicted with the disease every year. Thus far there have been almost none of the fatalities shown in the Bitter Root valley. It is therefore believed that two distinct forms of

the disease exist.

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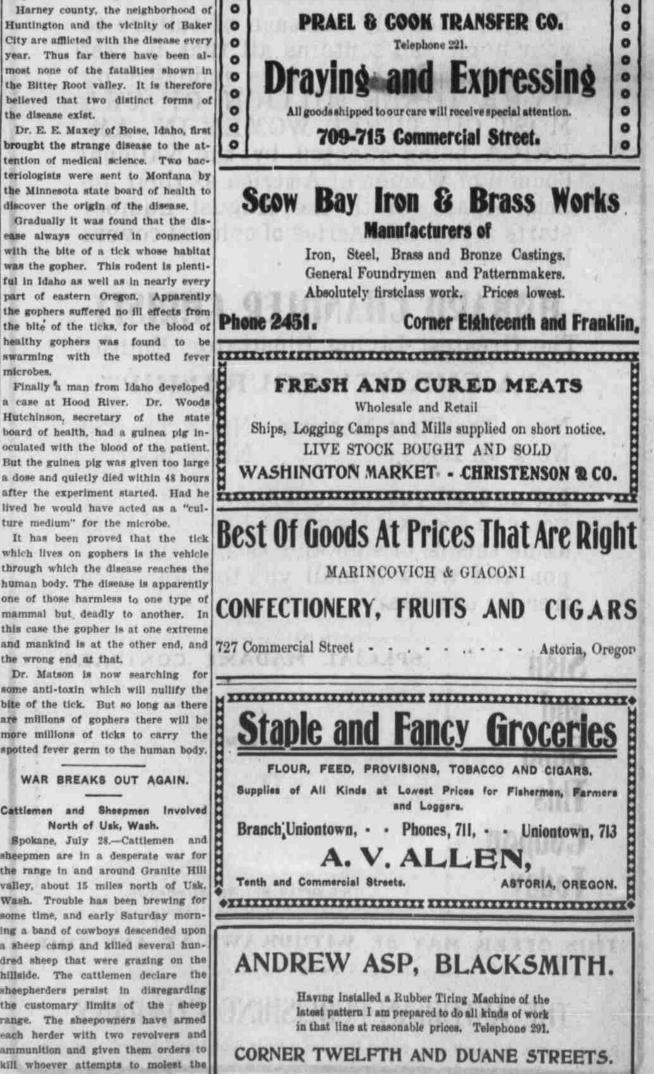




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law: "As a canner well illustrates the matter, he diplomatic relations will be severed," is rightly mys that it would be the same if a farmer was told that he could not harvest the wheat that he had tion of the concordat and a division between church tention of medical science. Two bacplanted because the season was late, and it had and state. It is quite obvious the Pope cannot comnot ripened within the usual time."

such statement as that quoted above. In the remote bishops, and the natural inference is that Premier event that the expression came from a packer, however, the fallacy of the illustration should be point- But out of seeming evil the highest good often comes. ed out. The cases are not in any sense parallel. A union between church and state is an anachronism The situation would be the same with the farmer if, after having allowed his grain to become over-ripe, he was advised against marketing it. The fish which are taken after August 15 are not alone late, but they are "over-ripe"-not fit for packing purposes.

The Astorian believes the season should close promptly at the date fixed by law, and is satisfied the state authorities will see to it that the law is enforced. Its first concern is for the reputation of Columbia river salmon. Secondly, it is anxious for liberty is better for all. the welfare of the fishermen, who will be asked to fish for 1 or 11/2 cents a pound-a price so low that, with the limits which would be placed on the boats, the fishermen would not be able to make decent wages. So far as the packers are concerned, The Astorian is not at all solicitous for their welfare. They undoubtedly understand their business and special and general farming are carried on with profit perhaps realize that an inferior pack of fish late in the year will only serve to give Columbia river salmon a black eye.

river this year will continue to be of good quality such condition will exist in the future, the open season should be extended; but open advocation of violation of the law may well be regarded as bad business, quite in keeping with which are the "arguments" advanced by our evening contemporaries.

NEW QUESTION FOR THE COURTS.

Absalom's hair broke his neck. It was Eve's beautiful hair, according to apochryphal tradition, that first interested the serpent. Coming to the middle orpheum minnesingers at San Francisco, containing mind on your beefstead and the price of it. the line "and her golden hair" and so forth, very much disturbed the elite of the Pacific coast Athens. F. Spear, to recover \$18,000 damages because he with the scalp attached.

termed an ultimatum, foreshadowing the denunciaply with such a peremptory demand, which would in

Frankly, we believe a canner never made any effect be an abdication of authority over his own Combes intended to make the breach irreparable, with the bite of a tick whose habitat in the 20th century, which can only result in the the gophers suffered no ill effects from irksome and sometimes dangerous limitation of both the bite of the ticks, for the blood of institutions. A church which is dependent upon healthy gophers was found to be the state for the bulk of its revenue is necessarily lowered in its general tone; absolute freedom is essential to its highest spiritual development. On the other hand, the state is unhampered in its economic and political progress when it is freed from board of health, had a guinea pig inthe incubus of a salaried clergy and the continued oculated with the blood of the patient. necessity of consulting vested interests. Absolute

> Agriculture in Oregon has the advantage of rea- ture medium" for the microbe, sonably low farm land values, says the Albany Herald. No great interest on investment has to be figured as part of the earning proposition. Dairying, in other and older states where the cost of land mammal but deadly to another. is much higher than here. The advantage accruing this case the gopher is at one extreme to farming industries here from this cause is ob-

It is just possible that the salmon which enter the vious. Sunset for August quotes from the census reports for 1900, showing that Oregon then had after August 15. If there is any probability that 35,837 farms, valued at \$172,761,287 with a total of bite of the tick. But so long as there 10,071,388 acres. The improved acreage was 3,328, are millions of gophers there will be 308 acres. The value of the land and implements more millions of ticks to carry the (except buildings) was \$113,137,820; of buildings, \$19,199,694; implements and machinery, \$6,506,725; livestock, \$33,917,048. The average value of an Oregon farm of from 100 to 174 acres, exclusive of Cattlemen and Sheepmen Involved

buildings, machinery, stock, etc., is \$1,821. A comparison with values for a farm of the some size in Extraordinary characteristics often are attached 12 other states shows that they cost from two to to human hair. Sampson's strength lay in his hair, five times as much. The Oregon farmer has the advantage of low priced land and favorable climate.

Physicians advise us to be pleasant and keep our ages Lady Godiva is found out riding clad only in minds on our food while eating. It is simply imher hair, and only a little while ago the song of the possible, however, to be pleasant if you keep your

A lock of Bryan's hair has been sold for \$65. Now three Yuma Indians have brought suit at San There are democrats who would give a good many Diego against the Fort Yuma Indian agent, John times that sum for what hair David B. Hill has left,

brought the strange disease to the atteriologists were sent to Montana by the Minnesota state board of health to discover the origin of the disease, Gradually it was found that the disease always occurred in connection was the gopher. This rodent is plentiful in Idaho as well as in nearly every part of eastern Oregon, Apparently swarming with the spotted fever

Finally a man from Idaho developed a case at Hood River. Dr. Woods Hutchinson, secretary of the state But the guinea pig was given too large a dose and quietly died within 48 hours after the experiment started. Had he lived he would have acted as a "cul-

It has been proved that the tick which lives on gophers is the vehicle through which the disease reaches the human body. The disease is apparently one of those harmless to one type o and mankind is at the other end, and 727 Commercial Street the wrong end at that. Dr. Matson is now searching for some anti-toxin which will nullify the

WAR BREAKS OUT AGAIN.

North of Usk, Wash. Spokane, July 28 .- Cattlemen and sheepmen are in a desperate war for the range in and around Granite Hill valley, about 15 miles north of Usk, Wash. Trouble has been brewing for some time, and early Saturday morning a band of cowboys descended upon a sheep camp and killed several hundred sheep that were grazing on the hillside. The cattlemen declare the sheepherders persist in disregarding the customary limits of the sheep range. The sheepowners have armed each herder with two revolvers and ammunition and given them orders to kill whoever attempts to molest the sheep, at the risk of the owners.