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AN EXPLANATION.

A short time after the fire a prominent insurance agent of this city placed a risk in a San Francisco company for which he is agent and was surprised shortly after to receive notice that the policy must be cancelled.

A THOUGHTFUL SUGGESTION.

Now that Mr. Farley has signified his intention of resigning the superintendency of the portage road, on or before Nov. 1st, it is in order for Mr. Hugh Gourlay to present his name for the vacant position.

The farmer is the most important man on the American continent today. If one is to believe the platforms of either of the two great parties all legislation is aimed for his benefit.

The stories of the great distress and suffering in Russia, for lack of bread, may be all very true, and it is quite likely that they are, but the Press dispatches grow so pathetic while relating them and they come so frequently and with such affecting detail that one can scarcely avoid the suspicion that some gigantic scheme is being hatched for the purpose of "bailing" the grain market.

The world's fair will have to manage to get along without the official patronage of the Italian government. The announcement is made that "In pursuance of a principle long adopted the Italian government declines to officially participate in any international exhibition."

A private letter received this morning from Major G. W. Ingalls commences thus: "Hurray! Wasco county gets first premium on fruits over all others of the Pacific Northwest." The major

had entered all the fruits he had received from this county as a "County Exhibit." The judges chosen were "three of the oldest and most experienced wholesale fruit dealers in Portland," and the result was as stated above. This is no surprise to any old settler here. We knew we could lick creation on fruits. Now other folks are beginning to see it too.

BRIEF STATE NEWS.

Mr. Moorehead, of Eugene, will begin the publication of the Weekly Times at Junction next week.

The town of Susanville, Grant county, was named after Susan Moffatt, daughter of the keeper of the hotel at that place in early days.

Two horses afflicted with the glanders have been discovered at Salem, and the Domestic Animal commission of the state has ordered the county stock inspector to kill them.

It is said the river bottom some two or three miles below Pendleton is alive with rattlesnakes, of which there are more than have been seen for years. Mrs. Hill lost the best horse on her place recently from a rattlesnake bite.

John Blanchet, a rancher in the Nye neighborhood, Unatilla county, says that crops of all kinds have been better than for six years in that section. Wheat is making twenty-five and barley thirty-five bushels to the acre, and hay about one and a half tons to the acre.

The large band of sheep brought up in Douglas county last spring by the Hanley Bros., of Jackson county, have been driven as far south as Marysville, Cal., where they are being disposed of at good prices. They started 10,500 head, were four months on the road, and reached their destination with 9400 sheep.

Athena is somewhat excited over a personal encounter between two women of that place. One, Mrs. H. Mortimer, visited the house of the other, Mrs. Fisher, and the two engaged in a lively combat. They were separated by a fruit peddler who passed that way. Mrs. Mortimer has been arrested on Mrs. Fisher's complaint.

An occasional case of land-jumping is now heard of, incident to the forfeiture of railroad land. Mr. McCormick, a well-known farmer living north of Pendleton, woke up the other morning to find a jumper's cabin on one of his railroad quarters. It had evidently been all put together and hauled out there during the night.

A new variety of wheat known as the new golden is attracting considerable attention among wheat growers. It is a product coming originally from the department of agriculture, and produced in Oregon for the first time in any quantity the present season.

Last week Howard & Baldwin, of Crook county, delivered a large band of beef cattle at Deschutes bridge, for shipment to the Portland market. The average weight of their three, four, and five-year-old steers was 1342 pounds, which is the best average any band of cattle from this part of the country has shown this season.

The government locks at the Cascades are going up at the rate of a foot and a half per day. The lower gate will be completed by the middle of next month. Heretofore the work has been slow, as it was all under water, but now they can hurry it. The south gate is completed and the north one is up probably a third of the way—twenty feet. The building of these great locks is a magnificent piece of work, which, when completed, will stand as a monument to the engineering skill of this age.

GENERAL PERSONAL MENTION.

Fred May, who once enjoyed an enviable and unsavory notoriety in New York, was a prominent figure in the insurgent army in Chili.

The suicide of Balmaceda took place on the very morning after the expiration of his term of office, which legally ended last Friday, although he was practically deposed by his defeat at Placilla.

Rudyard Kipling's works have been translated into Swedish, and the young author is rapidly translating Swedish money into his banking account, a sure sign that the Swedes appreciate his works.

George Francis Train's new series of lectures are a triumphant failure. No one can listen to the eloquent tramp without coming away wonderfully impressed with the elegance of the lecturer's clothing.

W. D. Wyncoop, a mining expert of Denver, is about to proceed to Africa to look for the famous King Solomon's mines for an English syndicate. Perhaps the best part of them exists in a book that Rider Haggard wrote.

Judge Pruden of Ohio, who has been making an extended tour of Alaska, says he thinks the natives of that land are of Chinese or Japanese rather than of Indian descent. They have many of the pronounced mental characteristics of the Mongolian race, while they bear absolutely no resemblance to the typical western Indian.

Mrs. Brown Potter seems to have had some pleasant experiences in the course of her professional travels. The Nizam of Hyderabad, she says, gave a fete in her honor, and she also stated to have received as presents from the Mikado (the

real one—not Gilbert and Sullivan's) four dwarf trees—two oaks and two pines—the ages of which are from four to six centuries apiece.

The Princess Bismarck is a hypochondriac, though not of the first water, because she never drinks any, preferring champagne, which she believes is the one medicine that keeps her alive. She is tall, angular and parsimonious, and is always nervous about her failing health.

Though the late General Pickens of South Carolina was the youngest Confederate colonel, the youngest Union soldier to attain that rank, it is stated, was Colonel "Billy" Hobson of the 13th Kentucky infantry, who was promoted from major to colonel immediately after the battle of Shiloh. He was then under 22, and at the close of the war he was a full brigadier, though then only 26. General Pickens was 25 when he was made colonel of an Alabama regiment.

The Queer End of a Snake Fight. One of the most exciting contests ever witnessed occurred at the depot of the Georgia Midland railroad.

The contest was between Ernest Lower's pet king snake and a little green snake known as a "garter." The snakes were about of equal size and length, and it was hard to tell for half an hour who would prove the victor in the contest.

After racing around the cage for some time the king snake caught the green one about six inches from the head, slipping himself around his adversary and getting his mouth closer and closer to its head. The green snake the while kept its mouth wide open as if in an effort to get its head too large to go into the king snake's mouth and thereby thwart its effort to swallow him. This effort proved futile, for soon the head and about six inches of the green snake were in the stomach of the king. At this point of the game another and more stubborn contest took place.

In the cage are two wires—one running perpendicular and the other horizontal. Twisting itself around the perpendicular wire, the green snake tied itself into various hard knots. Mounting the horizontal bar, or wire, the king began the work of unfastening the coils of the other by continued pulling and swallowing.

When the feat was accomplished, with the exception of about a half foot of the tail, it looked like the king snake would be defeated, but with some maneuvering the tail was untied, and the job of swallowing was completed.

After finishing the task the king snake looked wonderfully pleased, and raced around eying the spectators for some minutes.—Cor. Atlanta Constitution.

A Queer Hallucination.

There is a very good story, which has the somewhat unusual merit of truth, which has been told again and again in the dispensary, as illustrating the power of imagination. A lady, who was otherwise quite rational, was troubled with a horrible feeling that a snake was gnawing away her vitals, as she explained it. Efforts were made to convince her of her error, but without avail, and it was finally decided to humor her out of her trouble. A small snake was secured, and one day she was told the necessary operation would be gone through to relieve her of her trouble. Chloroform was administered and when she revived a scratch made while she was asleep was carefully bandaged up, and the snake was exhibited as evidence of the superiority of her diagnosis over that of the physicians. Her joy was painful to witness, and she went away thoroughly cured.—Interview in St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Murder in the Air.

As a Sixth avenue elevated train approached the Eighteenth street station the other afternoon a series of feminine yells broke upon the ears of the passengers. With others I rushed to the windows overlooking the east side of the street. A crowd was fast gathering on the sidewalk. When the train stopped at the station a number of passengers got out to learn who "was being murdered."

As I reached the spot the crowd was gazing intently at a dentist's sign. Just then the yells ceased, and a man came out of the doorway with this announcement, "She's only having her tooth pulled."—New York Herald.

How to Clean a Plaster Cast.

A correspondent of a leading scientific journal says that a bust or statue can be most thoroughly cleaned, provided it has not been painted, oiled or waxed, by inverting it and filling it with water free from iron. The water is then allowed to filter through the plaster. After the filtering has been kept up for a sufficient time and the outside surface occasionally washed with water and a soft brush, the plaster is allowed to dry. It is then found that all the dust has been wiped out of the pores of the cast, which is thus restored to its original whiteness.

California's Lack of Song Birds.

In the autumn the society organized for colonizing foreign song birds in this state will commission a practical dealer to select and purchase as many song birds in Europe as the money at his command will permit. The money is being secured by contributions, and is being paid in gradually. The absence of song birds in California is a misfortune. The presence of song birds in California would be an everlasting enjoyment. Golden Gate park should be alive and merry with them. They would be an attraction there as beautiful as the many hued flowers, the graceful trees and the smiling landscape.—San Francisco Post.

An Old Venetian Ship Launching.

Admiral Canavaro, commander of the Venice arsenal, has arranged that instead of the Sicilia being baptized in the usual way, by having a bottle of champagne broken on its bows, the ancient custom of the Venetian republic shall be revived. That is, that a gilt ring shall be attached to the vessel's prow in such a way by the godmother that when the ship is launched the ring shall be the first thing to touch the water, this fulfilling the "wedding of the sea."—London News.

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