

OREGON'S PRODUCTIONS.

Small Fruits.

The grape is indigenous to several parts of Oregon, but notwithstanding it embraces several varieties, of fine fla-vor and prolific crop, it is not to any extent cultivated. The cultivated grapes flourish most admirably in Rogue River Valley, Umpqua Valley, and Eastern Oregon. The fruit is large and luscious, equaling, when properly cultivated, the best grown in California. They hang in clusters varying in size. cultivated, the best grown in California. They hang in clusters varying in size, according to age of the vine and atten-tion bestowed upon it, from two to eleven pounds each. In Rogue River Valley the soil, gradual slope of the land and climate are well fitted for vineyards. But then we only gave it a passing attention; but in Eastern Or-egon and Washington Territory, where we made several trips in 1870 and 1871 to write up the country, we were very to write up the country, we were very favorably impressed with the peculiar adaptability to the culture of the grape. We at that time, and have no cause to since change our views, arrived at the conclusion that in some respects it is conclusion that in some respects it is superior to the southern part of Calitornia, while in nothing is it inferior. In the western division of the State not The western division the state not the state interval much can be said in favor of grape cul-ture, although we have seen some fine fruit which was grown in this, the Wil-lamette Valley. The soil is lacking of a component part required to thorough-ly propagate the grape, while the cool nights and more moist atmosphere operate against it maturing early; or, at least, that is the impression we have. Last year most of the vines in this val-iey were attacked with something simi-iatr to mildew, blasting the fruit and giving only a partial yield. The vine-yards in this valley contain the very best imported vines from Germany. California, and the East. As yet but little wine is manufactured; but that produce shows a most excellent quality -zecond to none on this coast. We much can be said in favor of grape cul--second to none on this coast. We can reasonably expect that with in-creased railway facilities that vineyards will be set out in many parts of Eastern and Southern Oregon, giving us all re-quired for home consumption with considerable for export.

Cranberries on the coast are said to grow to a fair size and are of good qual-So far as our experience extends ity. So far as our experience extends they are of smaller size than Eastern cultivated, but have more strength. Several years ago the cultivation of cranberries gave promise of being en-tered into very extensively, but like much more, the effort was only a fit of rivalry which flamed up and soon died out, with the exception among the bet-ter class of farmers.

out, with the exception among the bet-ter class of farmers. Raspberries and blackberries grow to great perfection in a wild state. The berries are large and of most excellent flavor. When cultivated the yield to the bush or vine is very large with quality unsurpassed. With increased population and a new class of immigra-tion more attention is being bestowed population and a new class of immigra-tion more attention is being bestowed upon its culture. Near Buena Vista on a farm owned by Mr. Golding (we think this the name), much attention is given to the cultivation of the raspberry, and as for that other small fruit and with marked success. The lady of the farm has sent to this market some very fine every fine of fally is any wine manuhas sent to this market some very fine samples of jelly, jams and wine manu-factured, and so far as our experience with the first two (the latter we never tasted), is equal in every respect to that brought from the East. Strawberries grow wild, and under cultivation the grow wild, and under cultivation the berry is very and most delicious flavor. So far as we personally know the berry is second in size to none grown on this coast. Taking them as an average, we are inclined to think they are larger. The yield to the acre is very large; the vine with proper attention bearing late in the season. Many old fogy farmers, in the season for at the form for at the form the season for the form the season for at the form the season for the form the form the form t vine with proper attention bearing late in the season. Many old fogy farmers, when they cannot get over five cents a pound, let the fruit go to waste, no doubt thinking that by this they are spiting some persons; but they are very much like the man who cut off his nose to spite his face. There are many oth-er smaller fruits in a wild state and also cultivated. Among the wild is one called by some the salmon berry, owing to its resemblance in color to the salmon. In size it is as large as the cultivated blackberries, but possesses to many a far more palatable flavor. These ber-receipts are given for Centennial Cookries bears are very fond of, rendering it quite dangerous to gather them, owing to bears being nearly always found in the "patches" when the berries are ripe. Notwithstanding the wonderful adap-tability of the State to the automation of the origin A dark bouse is always an unhealthy a large industry can be established which will increase as the Northwest increases. The field is large and in-creasing.— Commercial Reporter. A LARGE POULTRY YARD.—Proba-bly the largest poultry yard in the State of New York is that of Mr. A. B. Robeson, at Greene, Chenango county. He has 4,000 turkeys, 6,000 ducks and 1,200 hens. They consume daily sixty busels of corn, two barrels of meal, two barrels of pound with the second barrels of potatoes, and a quantity of charcoal. The meal, potatoes and char-coal are boiled together and form a pudding, which is fed warm. He has twelve buildings for his poultry, from one to two hundred feet long, fourteen feet wide and seven under the eaves,

with a door at each end. Mr. Robeson says there is money in poultry. He gets 10 cents per pound for turkey feathers, 12 cents for hens, and 65 cents for ducks. He intends to keep a great many more next season, and has agents out all over the country buying up poultry and eggs.

THE BEST BREEDS OF FOWLS.—The question is often asked: "Which is the best breed of fowls?" That quesfion will never be answered to the satisfac-tion of all fowl breeders, because there tion of all fowl breeders, because there are so many different opinions on this subject. One man has bred Light Brahmas, and he thinks they cannot be excelled; another has the Dark Brah-ma, and he thinks that breed the best; while another likes the Leghorn, or some other breed, above all others. It depends on what your object is, wheth-or eggs alone, fowls for market, or both fowls and eggs. Very large fowls are unprofitable as layers, if the eggs be sold, because their eggs are so large. A unprofitable as layers, if the eggs be sold, because their eggs are so large. A dozen small eggs will sell for as much as a dozen large ones, as eggs are eggs whether small or large. As layers only, the different varieties of Leghorn and the bas for the probable comparison of the second Hamb irg fowls, probably cannot be ex-celled. But for dressed, market poultry, the Light and Dark Brahmas are unsurpassed; and as layers they are con-sidered by many to be in the first-class, and even the best of all breeds; but it will not cost so much for feed to produce one hundred eggs from some of the smaller birds, as from the larger ones. For general use it is safe to say, that the Light Brahmas stand at the head of the list of dunghill fowls.—N. Y. Observer.

way of thrusting a knife through the cartilage of the nose.

SHEEP IN FRANCE. Merinos were first imported into France from Spain in 1787. The experiments were conduct-1787. The experiments were conduct-ed by the French government and were so satisfactory that Louis XVIII appli-ed to the king of Spain for permission to export a flock, which was granted, with an order to select from the best flocks in Span. A little over three hundred arrived in France in 1786, and were placed in an establishment at Ramboullet about forty miles from Paris

The better feed in France, absence of exaustive travel, and aetter breeding, carried the weight beyond any period over reported in Spain. From this Ramboullet flock comes the famous breed of French Merinas of that name. breed of French Merinas of that name. Of the French Merinas of that name. families, widely different in character-istics. They are known as Ramboul-let and Mauchamp Merinos, and the third called the Merinos of Naz. The German soldiere during the siege of Paris killed and ate the royal flock found on the Ramoullet farm.

Scribner for April.

The history and characteristics of Yale College are sketched by Prof. Beers quite fully in the leading article of SCRIBNER for April; and the illustrations, over thirty in number, cover a good deal of ground. Two brief papers

DEATH OE RYSDICK'S HAMBLETON-IAN.—This very celebrated horse died at Chester, Orange Co., N. Y., on Sun-day night. Mr. Jonas Seeley was the original owner from whom he was pur-chased by Mr. Wm. M. Rysdick when five weeks old. He gave for the colt and its dam, \$125. The following is a brief account of this horse as we find it in a special dispatch to the Chicago *Times*: "Since the time of this pur-chase he has been continuously the property of the Rysdick family and

Times: "Since the time of this pur-chase he has been continuously the property of the Rysdick family and was at the time of his death owned by Mrs. Rysdick. When three years old the horse had been harnessed but four times. At this age he trotted at the Union course, Long Island, in 2:481. It was his first appearance on a track and he was very shy of the track fence. For this reason his owner did not prob-ably get his best speed. Hambletonian was early put to the stud. When two years old he was bred to four mares, three of which produced, and two of the colts lived to trot in 2:30. The famous Abdallah stallion, owned by Mr. Alexander, of Woodburn farm, Kentucky, was one of these. When he was three years old he was devoted ex-clusively to the stud and became the progenitor of the best trotting horses of America and may be said to have done progenitor of the best trotting horses of America and may be said to have done more than any horse to improve Amer-ican trotting stock. Among his most illustrious descendants are Dexter, Geo. Wilkes, Bruno, Brunette, Major, Win-field, Volunteer, Shark, the stallion Jay Gould, Florida, and Happy Medi-um. He was altogether the father of about 1,500. He stood for \$500 a season and was generally limited to 70 mares. um. He was altogether the lather of about 1,500. He stood for \$500 a season and was generally limited to 70 mares. As long ago as 1866 he had netted for kis owner over \$150,000 and he was kept in active service until his death, earning annually nearly \$30,000. Ham-bletonian was the son of old Abdallah. Young Abdallah and Abdel Kadir. bred in 1864, by Cornelius Davis and Ratler, were his half brothers. His pedigree was as follows: -Hambletonian, bay horse, foaled on the 5th of May, 1849, by Treadwell's Abdallah, dam the Charles Kent mare, second dam One Eye, third dam Silver Tail. He was a closely imbred horse on both sides. Mr. Rysdick, his second owner, died in 1872, and made provision in his will that Hambletonian should upon his death, be stuffed and presented to the commissioners of Central park."—Prai-rie Furmer.

rie Furmer. CARE OF LAMBS.-Sheep should be closely watched in order that the lambs CARE OF LAMB3.—Sheep should be closely watched in order that the lambs may be taken proper care of and receive any necessary assistance immediately after birth. More lambs die when less than twelve hours old than at any oth-er time, and if the farmer wishes to in-crease the number of his sheep, he must watch his flock very closely until the lambing season is past. Unless the new born lambs receive prompt atten-tion there is danger that they will get chilled and live but a very short time. If the sheep have been well fed, and are kept in a warm place, almost every lamb can be saved, and without any great amount of trouble. A few min-utes' attention at the right time may save the life of a lamb, which in a few months, and a small expense, can be made worth several dollars. At lamb-ing time the sheep should be closely watched, and if any lambs are dropped which are unable to take care of them-selves, they should be assisted. After selves, they should be assisted. After they have sacked a few times they will they have sacked a few times they will generally get along very well. Not only should the sheep be looked to during the day, but also in the evening, as feeble lambs which are dropped at that time will not be likely to live until morning. It is certainly very poor policy to let a lamb die for want of the little care which would save its life.— Lancaster Farmer.,

TO RID NESTS OF LICE.-Put about a tablespoonful of sulphur in the nest,

St. Louis, April 4.—Thomas Tracy, living about six miles east of Carlins-ville, Ill., shot his wife last night, then killed his daughter six years old with the butt end of the gun, and cut his own throat with a butcher knife. Tracy and his wife lived unhappily, and she had threatened several times to leave him. Last night she attempted to put her threat into execution, with the above result. result.

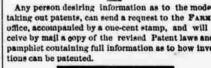
We learn from parties, who live down near the mouth of the Umpqua river, that during the freshet last week, rafts containing more than 1,200 logs, were washed adriff, and that probably, more than half the logs went over the bar into the ocean. This involves a most serious loss to men who have been toil-ing for years to make a stake. Messrs, Pierce and Senior, are the heaviest loosers.—*Plaindealer*.

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Judge Sifers, of Josephene, propose erecting a quartz mill in the region of Fort Lane, should prospects prove favo able, and we understand that he is no surveying the line of a ditch which w furnish water power for the same.

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