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SHEEP AND WOOL-GOATS AND MOHAIR.

The wool season has arrived again and it is very natural to revert to the great importance of sheep husbandry as a business and estimate its growth and the value of the annual revenue therefrom at the present time.

The climate of all the Columbia river region is excellently adapted to sheep husbandry. It was supposed that wool from Eastern Oregon and Washington would be injured by the prevalence of alkali in the soil, but manufacturers who have used it report favorably, and the present year the price offered for Eastern wool is not so strongly in contrast with that paid for wool from the Willamette valley.

Of course too extravagant expectations must not be entertained, it is enough to know that sheep husbandry is a very profitable branch of State production taken with all its disadvantages of danger from scab or disease.

In the rich farming districts of the Willamette valley farmers cannot afford to keep, as of old, large bands of sheep the land being so valuable for wheat culture, but the value of sheep is so great for fertilizing the soil and especially for cleaning as well as enriching summer-fallow, that every wheat farm must have enough sheep to accomplish this result to be fully successful.

Wokelee's Squirrel and Gopher Poison is reported as also very effectual and those who use it report sudden death to all animals that eat it. We have received for trial a can of it from Messrs. T. A. Davis & Co., and intend to make use of it as soon as the rains cease.

Ten-headed Australian wheat, that grows from six to seven feet high, and headed out, grows on Mr. O. Dickinson's place, North Salem. It promises a very heavy yield.

The Angora goat and mohair lately come in for a share of attention. There is a great extent of this valley, and through all West-ern Oregon and Washington, where brush lands are unproductive and where the wild hay grows, displacing the grass. This region is the natural home of the goat.

need and use for the goat and can afford to take pains to breed the high grades for the sake of the profit to be found in the fleeces.

There is a small band of choice goats near Salem that the owner expects will average at least \$2.50 per head for each fleece. We confess that we have always taken the stories told about goats and the profits of goat raising with many grains of allowance, until the experience of those engaged in breeding them warrants the conclusion that they possess great value both for subduing brush lands and for the value of their mohair.

One other point of material importance relates to the sale and disposal of our wool and mohair, for the time is at hand when Oregon mohair will be largely for sale. Buyers come here to get our wool and take it East and sell for a profit.

Squirrels and Gophers.

There is really great devastation committed in the farming districts by squirrels who eat the growing stalks of wheat and oats and afterwards destroy large quantities of the ripening grain, and also by the burrowing gophers that work underground.

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OUTRAGE.—A correspondent writes us that while the Mr. Adams and wife who live in the hills ten miles south of Salem, are probably on their death beds, some persons came with a ragman, stuffed with straw, and hung it on the porch of the house.

Very Desirable Property for Sale. Ninety-three acres of land on Salem Prairie, near the Fair Ground, will be sold at a great bargain to a cash purchaser.

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Notice. THE annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Lake County Mercantile Association will be held at Kirtland's Hall in Eugene City, on Wednesday June 13th, at 10 o'clock a. m.

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