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#### PRESIDENT GARFIELD.

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We are glad to say that the latest news concerning the condition of the President omes belief that he is nearly or quite out of danger, and there is every reasonable ground to hope for his rapid recovery.

#### OUR SUMMER CLIMATE.

The telegraph brings us word that men are falling dead in the streets of Eastern cities, elso in Europe, caused by sunstroke. The heat has been intense East of the Rocky mountains and fatal in numerous instances while in the Willamette valley there has not been an uncomfortably warm day so far, and this, the 20th day of July, is cloudy and cool, so that the writer wears the clothing he had on all Winter. The season has been very unusually cool for Oregon, though we may have some warm days between now and September. The peculiarity of this climate, which greatly increases health and comfort, is that when evering comes, even after the warmest days, the air becomes cool and delicious, and the tired harvestersleeps soundly and refreshingly.

During such cool weather as we now have the ripening grain matures slowly and produces the full, plump berry that is so appreciated abroad, standing at the head of the English market among cereals of all nations. This extra value of our wheat brings a great deal of money in the course of years. This healthful and refreshing climate, with its immunity from all extremes of heat and cold, is scarcely equalled on the face of the earth.

During May there was a protracted dry spell, with sharp north winds, that materially injured crops and decreased yield, but the reports we are receiving show that through the whole Columbia region the yield of grain is good, and exceptions, if we could know it, are caused by poor farming and foul land, and not by fault of soil or climate.

Our Summer so far has been a delightful episode, with occasional showers and refreshing sea breezes, so that our people have hardly felt the necessity of seeking health at the sea coast or in the mountains. Our harvest is just beginning through the Willamette valley, and can be hardly said to have commenced, but will last from now on and for all the time until September, and some crops will ripen in that

## THE PRESIDENT AND THE GIFT-MAKERS.

This is an age when the venal side of human nature comes uppermost decidedly too often. Money is more a consideration than ever before. The times have given opportunity for schemes and speculations on a large scale: millionaires are to be found in every direction and the corrupt use of money is a controlling factor in politics and trade. When President Carfield was lying at the point of death, the first thought that occurred to some of these money kings was to raise a quarter of a million of dollars for Mrs. Gartield, and of course, for Mr.Garfield should be recover. Speculators, monopolists and stock-gamblers proposed to reward the good woman, for being a good woman and showing common sense, with a d present of coin. Wall street thinks go a cure for all ills. It was disgusting and vulgar if taken in the best sense, and received from a practical stand-point, may be called a monster attempt at bribing, by placing the President under abligations to a lot of people to whom he should never owe obligations; people whom the balance of the people have every occasion to fear, and we need a President with the honesty and back-bone to hold them in check.

Should the Provident die, then such provi sion for his family will be in good taste, and his widow will deserve national remembrance, but no living President should be the recipient of such bounty. We have had too much of that with Grant, whose great fame is tarnished by the reception of gitts. Garfield cannot command the respect of the nation if is not poor, and he cannot afford to be rich on such terms. The boast that he came up from the laboring people will be nullified whenever he is raised to the financial level of millionaires by their ostentations largess.

To-day the wishes of Americans and all the world attend the almost murdered President. and the sympathics of his countrymen are given him without regard to party. Circumstances now cudear him to all, and he ha only to deserve the confidence and respect of the nation to become and remain the idol of popular favor; but any act that connects him with the venal sentiments of this too venal age will forfet that confidence and respect, and render him only a commonplace man worth a great deal of money.

It cannot be possible that this seion of the people will throw away his birthright and lose so great an opportunity.

## THE JULY BACES

It looks as if the meeting to take place next week at the new park, near East Portland, would be a matter of especial interest to horsemen and all others interested in sporting horsemen and all others interested in sporting affairs. If the weather continues as delightful as now, we may expect a large attendence and a generally snoccoasful time. It is rather a wonder that so many man interested in fine horses, and owners of them, living in this part of the State, and especially in Portland, have not consummated something of this kind years ago, and there is every reason to believe that the movement now instituted will prove the commoncement of a permanent and very successful organization, and take the lead in patters connected with racing annah in the Northwest.

Merry Mason.

This well known and popular Clydesdale stallion is making a Fall season at the farm of Mr. Wm. Chalmers, Cornelius, Washington county. Merry Mason and popular Clydesdale stallion is making a Fall season at the farm of Mr. Wm. Chalmers, Cornelius, Washington county. Merry Mason and popular Clydesdale stallion is making a Fall season at the farm of Mr. Wm. Chalmers, Cornelius, Washington county. Merry Mason. Northwest.

#### GENERAL NOTES

Steamboat men are predicting early low water in the Willamette this season. The beence of snow in the mountains is the fact opon which they base their judgement. It has been many years since so light a covering of snow was left in the Cascade range at the opening of Spring.—Eugene Guard.

Mountaineer: C. B. Hyde, Oak Flat, brought into our office a small bundle of wheat which certainly will convince the most sceptical that the soil in this section is capable of producing a good crop. It is about two feet high and it is as thick as the average, will yield 60 bushels to the acre. Last Saturday we rode through field of about 45 acres of oats which in one place stood at least six feet high and would average 41 throughout the whole field. It seems to us that this is enough evidence to give to those who are desirous of imigrating into this section. We only hope that farmer will take pride in the cultivation of bread stuffs, and if we have a few repetitions of this season, a hundred and sixty acres of good plough land will be worth a fortune.

Farmers will do well to look out for barbed vire patent agent who are going about estab lishing agencies to sell wire. They will give farmer the agency for his township. The commission is in the form of a contract and share of stock in their company. Under this membership certificate the farmer is entitled to have barbed wire at actual cost to a certain amount, usually to half the amount of a note, which he gives. So soon as the sharpers get possession of the note it is sold at a bank and the farmer will have it to pay .- Pendleton Tribune.

Our sheepmen have sold their wool for a good price-ranging from 22c to 30c. Wm Dutton got for his 27c,—an average of \$2 per head, net, paying all expenses from Umatilla Landing to San Francisco.--Heppner Correspondent.

A cattle driver who arrived here this week from near Klamath Lake says grass is plenty and stock are sleek and fat in that country. Near the road on the other side of the Deschutes reveral small bands of mule deer were een, while young ducks, prairie chickens and autelope were on every hand. This region is he sportsman's paradise.—State Journal.

For the past two weeks our market has bee upplied with ripe peaches, pears, apples, etc, We always consider that The Dalles fruit has nuch nicer flavor than any brought from abroad. This will be more than an ordinary year for this crop, and we expect before the eason ends that these luscious products will e almost a drug in the market. - Times.

E. L. Bryan brought us in some fine sam les of wheat and oats a few days ago, and ve were very much surprised to hear him say that they were raised on white land, which as always been supposed to be almost worthess. The wheat was about 6 feet high, with large heads, and well filled, and the oats was about 7 feet high with remarkably large heads. Mr. B. summer fallowed the land and manured it, and this is the result. Good farming will bring out this white land, invariably. Albany Democrat.

Walla Walla Union: From every direction comes the cheering report that the wheat promises a better yield than any one expected possible a month ago. The berry is unusually plump and full. Farmers who attended the Oregon State Fair were greatly and agreeably surprised on their return home to find their fields presenting such an improved appearance All indications now point to a large yield in the Walla Walla country of grain of an extra quality.

WE commence this week publishing the re turns received from various directions with regard to the crops and we feel much obliged with our request and have conveyed information of so much interest and importance. As great many are still unheard from we request ill who have received blanks from us to fill them out without delay and return them by mail in time for next week's issue.

FARTHER WILBER, agent on the Simcoreservation since 1864, testifies thus concern ng his Indians: "we have now 17,000 acres o near that under fence; the Indians are living in nice comfortable houses painted inside au out, and is all the work of their own hands. They have tables chairs and cook stoves, and pictures hanging on the walls. We have three churches well built, neatly finished, painted and a bell in the largest church. The church will seat about seven hundered persons he allows his family to be thus enriched. He The Indians have thrown away their blanket dresses and dress like whites. The member ship of the church is not far from 700. We do all our blacksmithing; we make all our lumber and shingles, and we have a steam saw mill cappable of cutting 10,000 feet, planing 5,000 feet and cutting 13,000 shingles per day. This mill is run to its full power and only one white man at the works. Indiens log, saw, plane and run the engine as well as white men could do. Only one white man is employed to take measurements of logs and lumber.

## OSBORNE TWINE BINDERS

H. A. Davis, of Harrisburg, who is very well known, this week tells his experience with Pwine Binders, which is decidedly in favor of the Osborne machine. The sales of these ma chines have exceeded expectations of the agent of the company here, caused by success in the field and the awards of the State Agricultural Society. The sales of reapers draw to a close for this season, but the Osborne men still fil' many orders from all parts of the country.

## Merry Mason

assured that his get will stand well up as common around Portland and throughout the State.

impliation for the Coming Wheat Harves Throughout the World Gleaned From Telegrams, Etc.

THE AUSTRIAN HARVEST. VIENNA, July 14—The Austrain harvest from ises to be fully up to the average.

CROPS IN FRANCE. PARIS, July 14.—The wheat crop of France

nnot exceed an average, and may be slightly der it. The beet crop cannot exceed an

GRAIN SHIPMENT FROM RUSSIA. ODESSA, July 14. - Advices state that export of grain to foreign countries from interior provinces of Russia by the Warsaw route has taken such gigantic proportions as to cause great embarrassment to the railway management. There not being a sufficient number of covered wagons for the transport of grain, coal trucks had to be brought into

London, July 14.—A Berlin correspondent says that there is every prospect that the harvest will be much worse than last year. Crops are valued at only one-half to two-thirds of an average yield.

### THE LIVERPOOL GRAIN MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, July 16.—The leading grain circular says that, under the influence of continuous sunshinc, the wheat trade has been extremely quiet; demand at various mar-kets inactive; prices barley maintained, large proportion of cargoes off coast were withdrawn sellers expecting better prices at destinations; future arrivals firm, but buyers not eager on spot since Tuesday; business in wheat of retail character; prices generally maintained. In corn there was more offering on the quay. Prices are lower to day. The market is not numerously attended, and business was quiet. Wheat is moderate demand; penny advance for Spring; other grades unchanged. Flour steady, Winter qualities attracting chief ittention; Canadian peas firm; corn more fairly offered, but being little inquired for; prices lake. declined half a penny.

#### HARVESTING IN EUROPE.

LONDON, July 18.—A Vienna correspondent says: The latest estimates of the harvest in Hungary agree that the yield of wheat will be much larger and of better, quality than last year. Reports from Russia state that the yield will be excellent, Roumanian grain crops are much damaged by Spring rains and storms. Reports from France show the harvest, with few exceptions, will be excellent. It is be lieved she will have no need to import any GRAIN HELD OVER IN CALIFOLNIA

The directors of the Produce Exchange the directors of the Froduce Exchange have filled their report of the amount of the flour and grain crop of 1880 in the State July 1st. In a number of minor cases, which would aggregate a considerable amount, no returns have been received and no estimates have been made in such cases. Where there have been made in such cases. Where there has been a great discrepancy in reports of two or more parties from the same section, the board has invariably favored the smaller estimate: Flour, barrels, 135.592; wheat, centals, 12,444,278; barley, 595,028; oats, 15,744; corn, 94, rye, 3820. This is the greatest amount of wheat ever carried over.

### WHEAT SHORTAGES.

COLUMBUS. July 16.—From official July estimates from the boards of agriculture of Ohio, Illinois, Michigan and Iowa received by Secretary Chamberlain of the Ohio board, the following shortages in wheat are reported, Secretary Chamberlain of the Onio board, the following shortages in wheat are reported, as compared with the crop of 1880: Ohio, 12,000,000 bushels; Illinois, 37,000,000 bushels; Michigan, 14,500,000 bushels; and Iowa, 17,000,000 bushels. Total shortages for the four States, 80,500,000 bushels.

CROP CONDITION. NEW YORK, July 19 .- A Commercial bullein of the wheat crop says: As far as infor mation goes we have prospects of a yield of say four hundred million bushels, against four hundred and eighty millions last year. Certain offsets however, need to be plagainst this difference. According to est information from commercial sources th pacific States held a surplus of about twenty-eight million bushels at the beginning of July. The wheat afloat for Europe and the visible supply for the United States and six million bushels greater at the ame period of 1880, to which mi small allowance of say seven million bushel representing an increase of stocks in farmers' hands East of the Mississippi. As compared with a year ago these combined items repre-sent a total of forty-one million bushels which reduces the deficiency in total supply to forty million bushels as compared with a year ago On the whole, therefore, our exportable sur plus will not vary so largely as has been sup-posed from that of the harvest of 1879, out of which were exported one hundred and seventy sight million bushels of wheat and flour.

WHEAT AND CORN PROSPECTS. WASHINGTON, July 15.—Agricultural de-partment returns July 1st: The wheat crop as reported is much better than June 1st and averages 83 for the whole country. The Atlantic States fall off slightly as compared with returns for the same time last year, but the large wheat region North of Ohio river and West of the Mississippi return a low condition compared with 1880. Michigan reports only 64 per cent and Illinois 60. Ohioand Indiana are below last year, but report a fair prospect. Missouri and Kansas each make great complaint of damage from insects in Spring wheat. lowa also returns a condition much lower than last year, which is only 72. The increase of area planted in corn is nearly 2 per cent over 1880. The average condition of the crop is not so high as the last two years, and is 90 against 100 last year. In all the North Atlantic States the crop is backward, owing to the cold, wet Spring, but in the States South of the Delaware river and on the Gulf of Mexico it is reported as fair. Texas, however, reports serious injury from drouth. In the great corn producing region bordering on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers the average is below last year, partic the State of Iowa, which only report reports 77 pe cent, caused by the cold Spring and too much rain in June. In Illinois and Missouri the condition is reported very favorable.

Direct Shipment of Oregon Wool to the East The committee charged with selling the range wool pooled at Roseburg and Umpqua eclined all bids offered yesterday. wool has heretofore brought the highest price paid for choice Oregon wools owing to its brightness of color and light shrinkage. rangements are now being made to ship this wool direct to the East. This is considered a nove in the right direction, which will open a direct channel from the producer to the nanufacturer. This shipment will amount to about a quarter of a million pounds of very choice Umpqua wool.

## Canadian Phistle.

Mr. O. S. Allen, of Beaverton, handed us last week a thistle, which he pronounces the Canadian thistle. We do not know whether it is or not, but are of the opinion that is of

#### LETTER FROM OHIO.

· LEONARDSBURG, June 26, 1881. Editor Willamette Farmer: and my Webfoot friends.

The WILLAMETTE FARMER in its tendencies is, I consider, one of those journals whose influence for good will ever be admitted by the unprejudiced and candid reader. That part of largely partake. I also consider one of its nest agreeable features, and far more interesting to me are those than the reading of the rashy results of high taxed and love-sick imagination, called Romance and Novel, to be found in almost all public journals, and which are so eagerly sought after by the young, yea, and even many elderly persons, too. We have had a most variable season, discouraging to by all. I have known corn planted even within the last week, whilst wheat is quite ready for the sickle. There was one severe streak of drouth this season, but upon the whole there has been a superabundance of rain. Last Winter's rigor dealt a death blow to many apple trees and peach trees, and juniper trees accumbed almost in toto. The time draws nigh which annually calls to mind the birth of the great American Republic, and here every town, big and little, is preparing to celebrate the 4th of July with gunpowder, poor whisky, squib speeches and enthusiasm, and say to Aunty Shipley that Greenwood Lake commemorates that event on the most enlarged scale; railroads give reduced rates to Delaware, and that if she rises early and listens, she will hear twenty big guns at sunrise booming over the bosom of that placid

I was lately talking with the agent of the oslin Comedy Company, who are now aleady booked for a tour through California, bregon and Washington Territory. Of course Salem and Portland will be objective points, where Charles L. Davis will step upon the boards with his excellent hits on human nature's weakness, in the character of the New England Farmer (Alvin Joslin); having seen it myself, I would say to all, go and do likewise. The moral draws high all the way through; in fact, it will do you all good.

The total eclipse of the moon and the come have been a source of much philosophical and earned speculation, and, if the half of the predictions for 1881 should transpire, needs only to be added the day of judgment to render the thing complete and close the books. But I don't take much stock in such things; do you? With kindest regards for you and yours, JOHN WATERS.

## Pruit Trade in California.

From S. F. Commercial Herald.

A discovery has been made by a Solano fruit-grower, named Deitz, in the matter of preserving fruits, which may prove to be a very valuable one. The preservative agents a carbonized wheat and bran, and it is claim is carbonized wheat and bran, and it is claimed that by it fresh fruit is preserved from decay, so that it can be shipped East by slow freight and sold off as the demand is made for it, without having to sacrifice it for fear of loss. The difference in the cost of a carsent by fast freight and one sent by slow freight is about \$500, and this saving would be an important natter to our fruit growers and shippers. The inventor of this plan declares that ers. The inventor of this plan declares tha ruits can be so well preserved thereby fresh peaches grapes, etc., can just as well be had in the mid-winter as at any other season. Capitalists who understand the business are

preparing to go extensively this Fall into planting orchards of pears, nectarines and plums, the fruit to be used for canning pur-poses. The demand for such fruit in Europe poses. The demand for such fruit in is constantly increasing, and it is believed that it will increase as the supply increases that in fact there need never be any danger of the fruit becoming a drug in the market. The fruit market is abundantly supplied with the various kinds of fresh fruit. Prices are about a reserved. about as past sea-ons and so farthere have been but a few days in the season during which difficult to supply the general market if it were not that a cetain understanding prevails most useful plant. were not that a cetain understanding prevails
that a proportion of the fruit, particularly
peaches, be kept in the commission dealers
hands to supply the trade of the city. The
canners are sharp after all that comes to the
market. This is due to the greatly increased
canning capacity during the past season.
Peaches are sought after, and we are informed
that that a prominent house last year, having put up a very large quantity, did not have a can on hand two months after the season closed, and were actually compelled to import from the East to fill the demand.

Sacramento Union. The principal fruits shipped to the East far this year are the plum and the pear. In both of these we excel, and in both the East-ern States fail. Both are good shippers and pay well to ship green. This is a good year to ship fruit East, from the fact that our fruit is early and fruit East is late. Our fruit ripens this year about two weeks earlier than last year and Eastern fruit is ripening about two weeks later than last year. This gives us has tyear and Lastern fruits ripening about two weeks later than last year. This gives us the advantage of about four weeks in their market. This fact is no small matter to our fruit growers and shippers, and will tell in the general summing up of the profits or fruit culture this year.

All who visit Oregon speak in the highes terms of our native woods. To be seen in their best and most complete beauty, one should call at Shindler & Chadbourne's, No. 167 Front and 166 First Streets. This firm make a specialty of using up our native woods and succeed wonderfully in blending them to gether and constructing therefrom neat and unique furniture. In their extensive warerooms can be found a full line of furniture, a well as oil cloths, matting, carpets, tapestry, etc. They carry a complete and well selected stock and sell the same on reasonable terms.

## TWO OR MORE SURGEONS

From the Pacific Sugical Institute, 305 Kear ney street, San Francisco, are on their tour

#### Why?

The Dalles Mountaineer makes the following statement and pertinently asks why such Once more my thoughts reverts to Portland facts are suffered to exist: Ton after ton of wool is being shipped away from The Dalles this season, and the consumption of woolen goods is steadily on the increase, yet no start is made towards establishing a woolen mill. Thousand of cattle and hundreds of tons of the paper in which the little friends do so hides are shipped and driven away every year and yet we send East for canned and packed meats and everywhere but our own section for tanned and manufactured leather. Apples, peaches, grapes, pears, plums and other fruits in vast quantities are being raised in our immediate vicinity, and still we buy California canned and dried fruits, jellies and wines. Why are these facts suffered to exist? Why should not our own people grasp the situation the farmers, and hence its influence to be felt and establish the necessary works, thus keep ing the money and profits at home? Let u arouse ourselves to a sense of what is slipping away from us, and remedy the matte before it is too late. The above exhortation is equally applicable to other portions of the State besides the one designated.

## After Mutton--- Capture.

Albany Herald. Some ten days ago, two young cougars at tempted to capture their breakfast from Mr. Eph. Jackson's band of sheep, corralled near the house in Sweet Home valley. Mr. Jack son's dogs, being ever on the alert, treed them near the corral, and, gun in hand, accompanied by Mr. Jackson and his son, aged about twelve, Mr. J. proceeded to make away with the feline pair. After shooting the larger one Mr. Jackson concluded to make prisoner of the other if possible. In order to do this, Eph. fastened a beaver trap to the end of a pole, some 10 or 12 feet long, and climbing up the tree to a convenient distance from his cougarship, succeeded in inducing the animal to put his foot in the trap, and thus brought him down from his lofty perch, and secured him in a large box. Yesterday, Mr. J. brought him to this city and exhibited his eatch to all who desired to see the would-be sheep-eater.

### Klickitat Agricultural Society

Goldendale Gazette.

The constitution has been adopted and artieles of incorporation filed; the incorporators being S. H. Miller, D. F. Hartley, Ed. Letterman, J. Nesbit, Sig. Sichel, Pat. Ryan and S. W. Childers. The officers are S. H. Miller, President; I. C. Darland, E. H. Letterman and D. F. Hartley, Vice Presidents; Sig. Sichel, Secretary, and J. Nesbit, Treasurer. The shares are \$10 each and some have al ready bean sold. As soon as there is a profit of \$100 a dividend will be declared. It has been determined to hold a fair in October. No saloon or other demoralizing influence will be allowed. The dire tors will not shut out fast horses or trials of speed, but simply the drinking and gambling features that too often attend such exhibitions.

Oregen Colonist.

In Linn county they are just ready for pullng nearly two hundred acres of good flax as has ever been seen. Most if not all of this has been bespoken by the Albany Twine Works, which now have a capacity of nearly 1,000 lbs. of twine a week, and which its present enterprising owners expect to double in capacity in time for next year's harvest.

The farmers will have at once a market for all the flax they raise, and a very admirable alternation crop for wheat. It is more profitable, and it so cleans the land and varies the chemical food it draws from it as to ensure a splendid following crop of wheat Next month we hope to print a full, true and particular account of flax raising in the Willam

## Nice Horses.

Baker County Revellie.

One day last week we inspected a good sized band of horses and mules belonging to Mr. H. Kennison living in the out-skirts of Baker City; and we must say that, taken as an entire band, they are very superior. They are all sizes and ages. One mare had brought him her eleventh colt. They live on the bunch grass of the surrounding hills and mountains, Winter and Summer, and are very rarely troubled with disease. Mr. K.'s band numbers about three hundred.

SINGULAR WEATHER.-Last Saturday it was bot. In the evening the wind blew and during the night it rained. On Sunday it was quite cool all day. On Monday and Tuesday it was quite hot. On Wednesday morning it rained hard. On Thursday morning it was cool, the mercury at eight o'clock indicating only 55 °. It was very cloudy all day Thursday. Friday it was warm and cloudy. Walla Walla Union.

GOOD SUGGESTION. -In a letter to us from the Oregon State Fair, J. L. Sharpstien, Esq., says: "From observations here it seems to me that in all cases the Pavillion, and all buildings designed to receive articles for exhibition, should be removed some distance from the race track and grand stand. This is the way they are managed here, and all Walla Wallans who have been here say the same should be done at our grounds, if possible."-Walla Walla Union.

ONE of the articles exhibited at the State Fair, which attracted general atttention there, was the woven wire bed shown by Edes & Durkee, whose manufactory is located at Salem. These beds are exceedingly popular wherever used, and deserve all the popular-style in facilities for the treatment of these affections, all who are interested should not fail to see these surgeons. Their appoints and 10th; Olympia, August 13th and 14th; Scattle, August 16th, 17th and 18th, and Port Formsend, August 20th. 21st and 22d. On their return they will be at the St. Charles Hitch, Porthand, August 24th, where they will remain five days.

These beds are exceedingly popular wherever used, and deserve all the popularity they have gained. They are much lighter, and much stronger, and more lasting than the ordinary spring mattress, and cost less than any other first class spring bed. They are offered for sale generally by leading furniture dealers, and any person addressing Edes & Durkee, whose manufactory is located at Salem. These beds are exceedingly popular wherever used, and deserve all the popularity they have gained. They are much lighter, and much stronger, and more lasting than the ordinary spring mattress, and cost less than any other first class spring bed. They are offered for sale generally by leading furniture dealers, and any person addressing Edes & Durkee, whose manufactory is located at Salem. These beds are exceedingly popular wherever used, and deserve all the popularity they have gained. They are much lighter, and much stronger, and more lasting than the ordinary spring mattress, and cost less than any other first class spring bed. They are offered for sale generally by leading furniture dealers, and any person addressing Edes & Durkee, whose manufactory is located at Salem. These beds are exceedingly popular into the dealers, and cost time from the Columbia, has fallen heir to a very sung fortune amounting, we are informed to alout \$10000. He received a letter yet to alout \$100000. He received a letter yet to alout \$100000. He received a letter yet to alout \$1000000. He received a letter yet to alout was the woven wire bed shown by Edes &

### A MURDEROUS ATTEMPT.

A Man Named Switzer Shoots and Mortally Wounds a Mr. Kinney, a School Tencher.

For some time past a young man named Kinney, by profession a school teacher, and Kinney, by profession a school teacher, and who bares a most excellent reputation among the settlers of Eastern Oregon, had lived and taught school at Grasswood, Umatilla county, and as young men have and always will do, naturally fell in love with and was finally engaged to a young lady who lived with and was partly raised by a man named Switzer, who kept a store and the post office in that section of the country. Now this man Switzer, says the Walla Walla Statesman, is everbearing and raised objections to the course of er, says the Walla Walla Statesman, is ever-bearing and raised objections to the course of true love, and swore that neither Kinney nor any other man should marry the girl, but Kinney laughed at the idea of a man, in no wise related, intervening between two lovers, and like a brave youth determined to bring matters to a focus. He therefore on Friday evening last proceeded to the store kept by Switzer and sitting on the counter asked him evening last proceeded to the store kept by Switzer and sitting on the counter asked him if he knew or had heard anything against his character. Switzer replied that he knew nothing whatever. "Then," said Kinney. "why do you oppose my marrying the girl" Switzer then said that he did not intend Switzer then said that he did not intend that anyone should marry her. Kinney then said that he understood that he said he was going to shoot him. Switzer said "Yes, I did and guess I had better do it now," and no sooner had he uttered the words when he pulled out his pistol and fired, the ball striking Kinney in the eye; this was followed up until the pistol was emptied, one other shot struck the already wounded man over the eye, the missle glancing around and coming out by the ear. During this time Kinney had been getting ready and having his pistol cocked in his pocket fired through his pistol cocked in his pocket fired through it, the ball striking Switzer in the neck, who dodged under the counter; Kinney followed him up and reached over to give him a final shot when the cartridge exploded and the ball remained in the chamber which prevented any further use of the weapon. Switzer then left the store, and providing himself with an axe, swore he would chop off Kinney's hexd, but his aimable intention was frustrated by some bystanders who prevented frustrated by some bystanders who prevented him from using it. He was arrested and taked before the Centreville Justice of the Peace on Saturday and remanded. The doctors say that Kinney's wound will probably prove fatal, while his intended murderer will recover. As a general thing it is regretted that Kinney was not quicker with his own

### Examinations for West Point

EDITOR FARMER:—Will you please an-ounce that an examination of all applicants for the cadetship at West Point will take place in Portland on the 29th day of August. A. D., 1881.

An advisary committee will be constituted An advisary committee will be constituted consisting of Col. G. L. Gillespie, Major Engineers, U. S. A., Capt. R. H. Lamson, Hon. Richard Williams, Judge C. B. Bellinger, Prof. T. H. Crawford and Dr. W. H. Saylor and possibly others, and before this board should be presented all letters of recommendation, commendations as to character, deportment, natural ability, disposition to study, etc., which the applicant may present deportment, natural ability, disposition to study, etc., which the applicant may present and those passing a rigid examination before W. H. Saylor, M. D., whose duty it will be to reject any who have any serious physical disqualifications, giving the public service the benefit of all material doubts, will afterward be examined before the board, to its satisfaction, on reading, writing, orthography, arithmetic, (mathematics seem to be the key new at West Point) grammar. composition

While the examination in its nature be competitive, yet as competitive examination tend rather to display the existence of quick ness in acquiring, memory for retaining, and readiness in producing knowledge, and do not often show other equally essential traits— originality, reflection, grasp of mind and judgment and weight of character, that acuteness and activity are frequently mani-fested thereby, where depth and power are not, for these among other reasons, a recom-mendation for a cadetship will not necessarily be given the one most rigidly exact in the rebe given the one most rigidity exact in the re-sult of his examination. All things should be considered, vigorous and enduring physi-cal powers, mental capacity to master the long and difficult course of study extending through the tour years, and natural ability and manifest aptitude for acquiring and ap-plying knowledge abould take precedence mere scholastic finish and readiness of answer to formal problems.

The candidate recommended must present himself at West Point by the 13th of June. 1882, and then and there pass the regulation examination. All traveling expenses to the academy must be borne by the candidate, academy must be norme by whether he be accepted or rejected. When admitted he must be between 17 and 22 years admitted he must be between 17 and 22 years five feet in height, free from of age, at least five feat in height, free from any infectious or immoral disorder, and gen-erally free from any deformity, disease or in-firmity which might render him unfit for erally free from any deformity, disease or infirmity which might render him unfit for military service. To quote from the regular instructions: "A sound body and constitution, suitable preparation, good natural capacity and aptitude for study, industrious habits, perseverence, an obedient and orderly disposition and a correct moral deportment are such essential qualifications that candidate knowingly deficient is any of these respects the uld not subject themselves and their friends to the chance of future mortification and disappointment by according appointments. and disappointment by accepting appointments and entering upon a career which they cannot

successfully pursue." State papers please give notice. . Very truly, M. C. GROBGE.,

BORN AT SEA .- A daughter was born to Mrs. Acker, a passenger on the Columbia, on her way to this place, on Saturday last. As is usual on such rare occasions, the little one attracted much attention from all on board. Just as the ship entered the Willamette, or Just as the ship entered the Willamette, or Sunday afternorn, the infant was christened Miss Ellen Noble, the stewardess acting as god-mother and Col. McCraken and Capt. Ainsworth assisting in the ceremony. The name conferred was "Columbia Bolles Pa-cific," in honor of the ship, captain and the ocean birthplace. After the christening was over the hat was passed among the passe-gers, and the sum of \$40 raised as a presen-for the little traveler who had started on the voyage of life under such peculiar circum-stances.

STRUCK LUCKY .- Mr. Carl Druhm, has been employed of late as steward of