

News Department.

GENERAL NEWS.

Cheney brags of a six-pound potato. Wheat at Centerville is 60 cents per bushel. The cyclone at Springfield, Mo., caused eleven deaths and many others were seriously injured.

We hear that there are some 500 bales of hops pooled in a warehouse at Eugene, waiting for a good price.

Seattle had a fire Thursday night that burned the County Jail and the malt-house of an adjoining brewery.

There is a decided coolness between the Emperors of Russia and Germany, but this is the cold season and they may get over it.

At Madison, Wis., part of the new south wing of the State Capitol fell and killed and seriously wounded fully a dozen persons.

Attorney-General Brewster is lending his influence to punish pension frauds and seems to find that many frauds have been perpetrated.

The Canadian Pacific Railroad Company denies the report that work is to stop and its manager asserts that the road will be completed in 1889.

The editor of the Nez Perces News tells of having some fresh Baltimore oysters sent to him. They came over the N. P. R. R. Lucky fellow, that.

The Puget Sound folks complain that the law is not enforced in regard to the coming of Chinamen, and that numbers of them cross the boundary daily, or nightly, on foot.

Miss Clara Wood has been allowed \$4,000 dollars by the Circuit Court of Multnomah county, for breach of promise from Dr. Davis. Its only once in a while that such scamp gets their deserts.

Henry Ward Beecher calls our country the "garden" of the American continent, meaning the Pacific coast, but rather showing a preference for Oregon Washington or Puget Sound country.

The friends and advocates of Woman Suffrage will be pleased to learn that a bill granting this right to the women of Washington Territory has passed the legislative House by a handsome majority.

In the vicinity of Lewiston, Idaho, there is much flax raised. Six thousand sacks are on hand now ready for shipment. Each sack containing two bushels, worth \$1.12 1/2 a bushel. The seed is shipped to California.

The railroads into Mexico have brought out a company of Mexican capitalists who are traveling through the States. The intention and hope is to increase friendly feeling and lay foundations for a large trade between the countries.

Preparations are making in Walla Walla to winter 1,000 head of cattle, having laid in corn, barley and hay sufficient to stall feed these cattle for the home market. Last year about two hundred were kept, and it paid well.

Another new town is coming into notice, to be called Coeur d'Alene, just above the old fort. It is the only natural harbor for steamers plying on the two rivers. The railroad is bound to run through the place by and by.

Lieut. Schwatka has received a handsome gift in recognition of his Arctic voyage in 1879 and 1880. It is a gold medal from the Historical Society of France. Schwatka is an Oregon boy. It will be strange if California don't claim him in some way.

The country about Spokane, W. T., is fast being settled; some 1,200 immigrants have come over the N. P. R. R. from St. Paul. Many, however, went to Puget Sound, there being a large proportion of Germans and Swedes who will find just what they want in that timbered and milling country.

It is becoming quite common for women to secure land by pre-emption or homestead. Some time ago Miss Corn Wilson claimed a piece of land near Pomeroy. Some male biped was ungallant enough to "jump" her claim. There was a contest, and recently the Commissioner at Washington decided in favor of Miss Wilson.

President Arthur will call attention of Congress to the fact that the construction of a canal across the Isthmus by French capital, under authority of the French government, as prejudicial to American interests. He favors some action in behalf of a canal at Nicaragua or some other point, under American authority.

At the annual meeting of the Directors of the Walla Walla Agricultural Society on Saturday, November 3d, the following members were elected: Frank Lowden, President; Orley Hall, Vice President; L. F. A. Shaw, Secretary; Alex. Cameron, Treasurer; William Glassford, P. Russell, W. P. Reeser, E. J. Williams, J. McIntire, N. A. Evans, H. Nelson, Directors.

The train of Walla Walla wheat which was sent as a test to Minneapolis has proved to be too soft in its quality for Minnesota mills, and was sent to Duluth to be sold in eastern markets. The Minneapolis millers are accustomed to hard wheat, hence the experiment of marketing Walla Walla wheat in that locality is a failure. Says the Spokane Falls Chronicle it remains, however, to be tested what Spokane wheat may yield in that direction, and more important still to us, if Spokane flour may not equal if not excel the Minneapolis product. We are not over anxious to have Spokane wheat sent East when we can grind it all at home.

Among the appropriations of the Methodist Episcopal missionary charges we see that the Scandinavians of Oregon get \$20,000 for missionary work.

The New Orleans papers seem to fear the influence of the Chinese, as there are so many of them seeking qualifications to enable them to become citizens of the United States.

It is rumored that the London police have proof that the recent explosion of the underground railroad was the work of New York dynamiters, and are hopeful of getting a clue leading to the detection of the guilty parties.

General Sherman has been put on the retired list, and is getting farewell dinners and giving farewell addresses among his old comrades; 1,000 members of the Grand Army of the Republic in New York tendered him a reception. He retires with a career of great brilliancy.

A distinguished artist of Germany, Conrad Diehlz, was at the spike driving for the purpose of putting on canvas this great event. He is to produce a picture for which he is to get \$20,000. It will measure twenty by fifteen feet, representing sixty persons, who were assembled there between Portland and St. Paul. Iron Bull, the Indian Chief, will figure, too, with Gen. Grant and Villard and family.

Foreign dispatches tell of the great enthusiasm in the Martin Luther celebration in Germany, all denominations uniting, Protestants, Catholics and Jews. The great bronze statue representing Luther burning the Papal Bull, is guarded. Seats are prepared for the immense crowd who will come to witness the unveiling of this statue. Services will be held in all the Lutheran churches throughout Germany.

Jay Beach, Esq., of Jackson county, has moved his family on the J. L. Hallett farm in Washington county, where they are preparing a track for the purpose of training horses. He brought down some fine blooded animals which together with those owned by Mr. Hallett will make a fine stud, and will compare favorably with any in the State. They are both good judges of fine horses and doubtless have some that when well trained will be hard to beat.

While riding down to Alpoza Landing the other day with Judge Grigsby, we passed a small house near the road, says the Waitsburg Times, a little below the mouth of the Clearwater, and were told that the land on which the home stands is claimed by Mrs. Sullivan. In time it will be quite valuable. We hope she may succeed in obtaining a patent therefor from the United States. We believe in this sort of "women's rights."

In all things pertaining to wheat Unatilla takes the lead, says the Leader. It can grow more to the acre on an average than any other place. It can be harvested and threshed quicker here than elsewhere. And when it comes to hauling you can beat this: Mr. Frank Kent, of Conze Creek, hauls daily to Blue Mountain station, with four horses and two wagons the surprising quantity of 172 sacks of wheat. The distance is nearly four miles and he makes two trips daily; thus hauling 86 sacks at a load.

The proposed pooling of freight rates between the three transcontinental rail routes, which came in for such sharp criticism recently, having failed, the question now arises with San Francisco importers whether they accept the guarantees of the southern roads at fixed rates or avail themselves of the position which the Northern Pacific claims of being able to do business expeditiously and at reasonable charge, but without guarantees. Merchants are said to be unwilling to trust themselves to the system of cutting rates.

At Falmouth, Maine, in the 73d year of his age, died Edwin Oscar Hall. He was sent out by the Board of Missions to the Sandwich Islands in charge of the church printing. In 1839, the church donated a press and small font of type to the Oregon mission, valued at \$450 to enable the printing of hymns, etc., which had been translated from English into Chinook for the benefit of the Indians. This same press and type is to be seen among the archives of the State of Oregon safely cared for at the Capitol.

Mr. Hal came in charge of the press bringing his wife with him. The press was set up at Lapwai and there was done the first printing in Oregon, on that curious old hand press that still can be seen in its primitive simplicity, at the historical rooms. It was afterwards taken to Tualatin Plains, near Hillsboro, where the Oregon "American and Evangelical Unionist," was issued by Rev. J. T. Griffin. Mr. Hal eventually returned to the Islands, where he was a leading man in all things pertaining to religious matters and was a prominent man in politics. His remains were embalmed and taken back to Honolulu for burial. We compile this from the Post-Intelligencer which says "his example was a noble one to the brotherhood of printers on this coast, and they can point with pride to their first predecessor."

Angora Goats for Sale. As it will be seen, by an advertisement published elsewhere, Mr. Geo. H. Jones, of Salem, offers for sale 120 high grade Angora goats. They are exceedingly well bred being mostly fifteen-sixteenths. He proposes to change them for cattle and horses hence his reason for wishing to sell. Among the band are two valuable bucks worth \$60 each. On April 16, 1888, a correspondent from Eagle Creek asked concerning Angora goats. We wish to call his attention to this band, as we know them personally. The entire band can be bought for an average of \$3 a head.

The Boy Murderer Arrested.

Charles Benson Finlayson, the boy accused of murdering his grandmother, Mrs. J. J. Finlayson, in Linn county Saturday afternoon, November 3, was arrested by Sheriff Humphrey of Albany, at a farm house eight miles from Willows, a station on the O. R. & N. Co.'s road in Wasco county. He was brought to this city by last night's train and lodged in the best room at the city jail. Shortly after his incarceration an Oregonian reporter called to see him, and was shown into the room without an introduction and the door closed. Finlayson was stretched full length on the sofa, his head covered with a broad brimmed hat, and his features turned to the wall. The reporter introduced himself, made known his business, and asked the boy whether he had anything to say about the crime with which he has been charged. Without moving, or turning around to see who the visitor was, he answered that he did not want to talk about it. His voice indicated plainly that he had been weeping. Answering other inquiries, the boy would utter only monosyllables. As he lay there, clad in a heavy overcoat and large rough shoes, he seemed a rugged man, not the boy that all published accounts made him out to be. To rouse him, the reporter asked him to stand up, and he rose to his feet slowly. He is a tall, muscular, raw-boned boy, and for except a very youthful face, appears 18 or 19 years old. His face shows little intelligence, but is by no means brutal looking. After the prisoner had risen the reporter explained that he had not come to induce a confession, or to harrow up unpleasant thoughts, but to allow opportunity for any statement in defense that the prisoner might wish to make. The boy replied: "All I've got to say is that I'm sorry for what I done, and he sank into a chair, bursting into tears.

After his paroxysm of grief was over he related where he had kept himself since the deed was committed. He left the scene of the crime Saturday afternoon and walked to J. Jefferson. From there he walked to Turner, and took the Albany express Monday morning for Portland. In the afternoon he went to the balcony section here, and at 9 o'clock that evening took the Atlantic express for The Dalles. Next morning he went to Walla Junction and got employment from the hotel keeper there to work on his ranch near farm on Willows. He then took the train back to the ranch, went to work and stayed there until he was arrested.

When brought to the city jail he was asked by Captain Turner of the police force his motive for the crime. He answered that he had often quarreled with his grandmother. When she treated him well he was all right, but when she abused him it made him so angry that he could do anything against her. On the Saturday afternoon in question he had a quarrel with her and picked up an ax and stuck her on the head. He could not tell whether he struck her with the broad side or the edge of the ax, but he knocked her down. Late in the morning the prisoner was visited by a relative residing here, to whom he made a full confession of his crime. He said that shortly after his grandfather went away his grandmother told him he had better go out to plough. He did not feel well, and did not wish to go, and some words ensued, when she hit him with a small stick of stove wood she had in her hand. The blow did not hurt him much, but angered him, and as she stooped to put the stick in the stove he struck her on the back of the head with an ax. She was dazed by the blow, but staggered into her bedroom. He followed her and took a knife lying on the table, and stabbed her a number of times. When he had done, she told him to say good-by for her to all her friends. She then asked for a drink of water which he brought, and after taking some she ceased to breathe. He then covered her with the bed clothes, and after taking a few dollars in money, left.

DIED. Ethel Maud, aged 8 years and 10 days, daughter of W. B. and M. C. Simpson, died of scarlet fever at their residence in South Salem, Nov. 13th, after 24 hours illness. She was a lovely child and the delight of her parent's life. They have been much afflicted in the past. This child seemed sent as a comfort and joy after the loss of nine others who were swept away by a pestilence about ten years ago. Little Maud filled their hearts and lives and her loss is something words cannot say and life cannot repay. Many friends grieve with them and human sympathy does all that is possible. This is a peculiar case where a child's life seemed to be the chief tie that held her parents to the earth. Scarlet fever assumes a malignant form just now and we hear of many cases through the country and many sudden deaths.

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