

News Department.

State and Territorial News.

North Wyoming and Montana ranges suffer great loss in sheep and other stock.

Great losses of stock are reported from British Columbia.

The Emond hotel, Portland, lately sold for \$86,000.

Rev. T. G. Brownson takes the presidency of the McMinnville college.

Southern Idaho ranges show but little losses save from old age and that is very light.

The draw at the Morrison street bridge, Portland, works well and is wide enough for all business.

While timbering the Cascade tunnel a rock fell—caved from the roof and killed and wounded several.

All the bridges on Trask river, fifteen in number, going into Tillamook, have been carried away by recent floods.

In southern and middle Oregon the winter has been very satisfactory to stockmen and cattle and sheep do well.

Orchardists around Ashland have been talking about protecting their growing crops from frost in the spring by means of smudge fires. They will have a meeting soon for that purpose.

The Ashland Tidings says that in all probability an additional company of cavalry will be sent to Fort Klamath. Representative Hermann is pushing the matter.

In joint convention the following officers were elected: Pilot commissioners; L. Wilson, J. A. Brown and C. Leinenweber. State librarian; J. B. Putnam.

Many cattle have perished in Grand Ronde canyon. It was good pasture but when storm and snow slides came they couldn't get out. Some drowned trying to get water, some died of thirst and some fell down the steep hills while trying to climb.

A heavy land slide occurred on the headwaters of the Yaquina. It was half a mile wide and traveled half a mile and covered up a small ranch at the foot of the hill.

While Morris Sweeney, of Woodlawn, Clackamas county, was absent, his cabin with hundreds of dollars worth of clothing, provisions and tools were burned.

John Gresham who was supposed lost in the mountains, found a shingle camp and stayed there some days. One night he made a fire and camped, roasting two squirrels and so kept alive. He came back after all hope of his safety had been abandoned.

The Democratic Times predict loss of cattle on the Southern Oregon ranges, unless there comes a thaw. Snow is unusually deep this year.

Great improvements are planned to be made in Baker City next summer; some fine roof buildings are included.

S. B. Conn, living three miles south of Salem, found that a burglar had got off with his best clothes and some grub. Heard a neighbor a neighbor armed with axe helms, followed the tracks in the snow to near Turner and caught up with the man who had the missing pants on, arrested him and took him to Sheriff Minto.

Last year the Northern Pacific shipped from the Columbia basin ranges: Cattle from Washington 2280 head; from Oregon and Washington to Montana 21,210 head; horses from Washington 5960 head; from Idaho 60 head.

Seattle is said to be more prosperous than ever before. A lot on Front street 80x120 feet sold for \$600 a front foot—\$48,000, to a firm who will build their own store on it—not for speculation.

One hundred and twelve bills passed the two houses at the late session, about one in four of the bills presented.

Work on the California & Oregon road is carried on within hearing of Ashland; as a tunnel is being blasted in the Siskiyou's. They seem to be building to Ashland and not waiting for the Oregon company to build in Oregon south of that point.

A. C. Campbell, of Puyallup, W. T., lately sold 1885 hops at 5 cents and 1886 crop at 15 cents. There was a time when they could have brought 28 cents. Buyers are offering 15 to 15 1/2 cents for 1887, and some growers have sold at that.

One shipment of over a ton of fresh cod fish came to Portland from the Sound. Somebody found a place where they could drag a trawl on the ocean bottom and these fish are caught there.

WHEAT OR CORN.

Many of the progressive farmers of Colorado have commenced to experiment with fattening hogs with wheat. The old theory that corn must be had to make pork is being exploded. Peas and barley are good and soon wheat will be among the factors. Says a well posted meat dealer in the east in writing to this paper: "The meat from the well fed hog of Oregon is certainly more palatable than that from the corn fed hogs of the western and middle states. Now I learn that your Colorado farmers are sadly complaining about a profitable market for their wheat. Why do they not make pork of it and send it into England and China for a market.—Field and Farm.

We doubt if the meat or fat of a hog is as firm and sweet as that fed on corn. Give us corn to fatten good pork and make sweet hams.

Telegraphic News.

A Kibbutz fruit grower thinks his peach crop is all killed, as the bloom buds are dead.

Several Pierce county hop growers are engaging to sell their growing crop for 14 1/2 cents per pound.

By agreements made with Montana Indians 17,500,000 acres of land are restored to the public domain again, surplus of reservations.

In Nova Scotia there is a strong feeling in favor of secession from the Canadian confederacy, or dominion.

Cattle raising in Wyoming is doomed as the grass is gone by overcrowding with stock. So they say but it is doubtless somebody's effort to scare off other stock men.

E. A. Gray, of Minnesota, has been at Walla Walla buying horses for that market. He had 160 head and wanted 60 more. He has a ranch near Spokane where he keeps stock until ready to ship it.

The traffic earnings of the Canadian Pacific show \$39,212 net profits for January and December.

Lookout mountain, the battle mountain near Chattanooga, has been sold to a company that will build a broad gauge railroad up its slope and build a hotel there for a grand summer resort on that historic height.

The new German reichstag will contain a strong government majority and Bismarck is again victorious. There has been a stubborn contest and Liberals have carried many doubtful districts.

The Senate has passed a bill for the increase of the Navy, appropriating \$15,400,000 during five years. Also a bill chartering the Eads' Tehuantepec Ship Railway.

A terrific storm in Colorado wrecked several railroad trains. In Denver many buildings were unroofed. Much damage resulted elsewhere.

After paying off incumbrances on Mrs. Logan's property, the sum of \$35,000 is left from the Logan fund that will be invested in 4 per cent bonds.

Snow blockades are removed on the Central Pacific and Oregon & California railroads.

Terrible loss of stock in Montana ranges is reported and the beef supply is certain to be greatly affected. Sheep also are dying by thousands and the weather cannot moderate so as to save great losses of all kinds of stock.

Senator Mitchell in a speech of an hour and a half severely berated Col. Parke of the engineer department, because of his course in the work at the Cascades. Many Senators resented this and Conger, of Michigan, and Hawley, of Concord, replied in severe terms, asserting Col. Parke's ability and integrity and commenting strongly on Mr. Mitchell's assertions.

The House had a long and warm debate on the proposed repeal of the land law as to preemption and timber culture claims. The Senate amendments are declared faulty and as too liberal in terms.

At Council Bluffs a stable of race horses was burned, belonging to John I Stewart & Sons. Nine horses in training were destroyed, two other good animals, and much furniture, etc.

The Pacific Railroads are holding a convention at Chicago for devising ways to conform their work to the Interstate commerce bill and to form an association for mutual protection and alliance.

Three large Cunard steamers are to be transferred to the Pacific and connect the Canadian Pacific railroad with Japan and China.

The production of gold in 1886 was larger than since 1880. It was \$35,000,000 in 1886 and \$31,000,000 in 1885. The output of silver was \$42,000,000. Gold bullion imported in 1885 was \$18,900,000 against \$27,862,000 exported. Gold coin imported \$23,000,000, same exported \$13,000,000.

The Utah Polygamy bill passed Congress and goes to the President. It is another effort to pass a law that will have some effect.

BOOK TABLE.

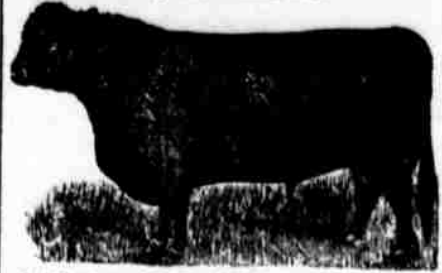
Scribner's Magazine for February is good. It is bound to grow and make for itself a character, an individuality of its own, as it did in old times. As the months pass and the editorial staff and publishing affairs get into smooth working order, "Scribner's" will try to lead the van. "The Siege of Paris" is an exciting, well written reminiscence of those terrible days. Extracts of Governor Morris is an extremely interesting story of incidents of his career as an American Diplomat.

The Woman's Magazine published at Battleboro, Vermont, is one we would like to recommend to all readers of the FARMER. It is an excellent journal and is only one dollar a year. It is especially a woman's magazine, with this motto of Victor Hugo's among the head lines, "The nineteenth century is woman's century." It is devoted to Art, Literature, Home Science and Biography. It is really one of the best and cheapest magazines published and we hope there are many of our lady friends who will feel that they have earned the right to one dollar from the family purse will send for it.

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