

**SOME OREGON NEWS.**

R. G. Savery, special agent of the general land office for Oregon, tells the Klamath Falls Express that the government will undoubtedly set aside the summit of the Cascade range in Oregon as a national park. This will include Mount Hood, Mount Jefferson, Mount Pitt and other points of interest.

Senator Mitchell, while at Pendleton, was visited by three chiefs of the Umatilla, who expressed a desire that their people be allowed to lease their lands for a term of three or four years, until they could get money enough to buy horses and plows and improved agricultural machinery, and had learned how to farm. The senator assured them that he would represent their interests at Washington. The Umatilla Indians will have a vote next year.

The Umatilla Indian reservation, near Pendleton, comprises some of the best farm land in Eastern Oregon. There are 250,000 acres in the reservation, of which 74,600 are tillable and about 50,000 are now under cultivation, and about 1,000,000 bushels of wheat were raised this year. Of this amount, 75,000 bushels were raised by Indian labor alone, 174,000 by half-breeds, 253,600 by white men married to Indian women, and the balance by renters.

Dr. Goucher, of Amity, grew ill one day last week and began spitting blood and matterly substance from his lungs, and among that ejected was a strange looking beast about an inch long, of an oval shape, with three legs on either side about half an inch in length, and on the whole a very queer looking specimen of animal creation. The doctor says he feels an absence now in his left lung, where the thing was probably located, and is much easier now because of its removal.

**THE LABOR WORLD.**

Workers in wheat-fields in India receive \$2 per month.

The union bakers of Butte, Montana, have demanded a ten-hour workday.

On English street railways the hours of work are from thirteen to fifteen and a half daily.

Lord Rosebery provides his plowmen with the daily and all the leading agricultural papers.

Men going to Chicago to find work in any trade will find about five applicants for every situation in the city.

German artificial flower makers who got \$15 a month a short time ago now only get \$10 per month. Their wages have been reduced all around.

**ON FOREIGN GROUNDS.**

Two ladies in Spain who fell in love with the same gentleman have fought a duel with pistols, and one of them, whose age is only seventeen, has been dangerously wounded.

A novel form of duel is reported from Spain, the combatants being mounted on bicycles, and each armed with a knife. The collision appears to have been tremendous. When cyclist meets cyclist, sick list is the inevitable result.

At Colmar, Germany, a lawyer bequeathed the sum of 100,000 francs to the mad-house of that city. "I earned

this money," he said in his will "from those who spent their lifetime in lawsuits. This legacy is only a slight restitution."

The Queen Regent of Spain is endeavoring to accomplish a noble reform in bringing her influence to bear against bull-fighting. However, her earnestness has apparently done little so far, for every Sunday the Arena at Madrid, accommodating 16,000 people, is patronized as much as ever.

Punishment has at last been meted out by the Chinese Government to Chou Han, the author of the infamous pamphlets which incited the people to attack the Christians. He has been degraded from his high office, and the house of publication has been closed. One of his servants is a member of the Christian church.

There has recently been a unique ladies' strike in Germany, in one of the garrison towns. The conduct of the men, who neglect the unmarried ladies in order to dance with the wives of their friends and acquaintances, displeased the slighted maidens and their mothers, and at the last regimental ball not an unmarried girl was present.

A Cornell college girl is studying veterinary surgery.

A sea turtle weighing 150 pounds has been captured near San Diego, California.

Seventeen carloads of Japanese and Chinese goods crossed the St. Lawrence from Canada recently, for distribution throughout the states.

The land on which the new Anglican Cathedral at New York is to be built has cost £175,000, nearly the whole of which amount has been subscribed.

While a man was digging a hole in the cellar of his house, at New Haven, Connecticut, recently, he discovered a bag containing several large pieces of silverware, worth about \$120,000.

Volcanic ashes often travel a long distance. A remarkable shower of volcanic ashes has occurred recently in several parts of Finland. The ground in some places has been covered to the depth of nearly an inch. The phenomenon is attributed to volcanic eruptions in Iceland, hundreds of miles away.

Ex-Mayor Smith, of Philadelphia, loaned his umbrella to an old woman on crutches who was hobbling along in the rain. A short time ago the aged borrower received a heavy award from the Spoilation Claims Committee, and her first act was to send the ex-mayor a magnificent gold-handled silk umbrella.

Chemists by means of certain experiments have converted diamonds into coke and graphite. These experiments are certainly expensive ones, for by no reversal of the methods have they been able to change coke into diamonds. This is a rule that does not work both ways, and, judging by the price of diamonds, is a poor one. Coke can be had in plenty, and some of it has been found hard enough to cut glass, proving that it possesses in its crude state some of the properties of the valued diamonds.

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