

The Antelope Republican has joined the silent majority. Antelope is too small a town for two newspapers.

Work on another new substantial business building has been commenced. Heppner is not booming, but having a steady and healthy growth.

The first number of the Spray Courier, by Jess M. Shelley, has been received. It is a neat, six-column paper and has a prosperous appearance.

Eastern Oregon newspapers have many good things to say about Senator J. N. Williamson. Mr. Williamson is certainly a popular man. While he has never announced himself as a candidate, his ambition is to be secretary of state, and he could fill the office with credit.

It is estimated that since the Boer war began 100,000 horses have been purchased and shipped from the United States for English mounts. The war has furnished a good market for horses of the Inland Empire that have heretofore been unsalable.

A report is going the rounds of the press about three game hogs going into Harney lake and slaughtering 300 ducks and geese in one day. The reason they did not kill more was because they ran out of ammunition. Such destruction of game is not the work of sportsmen.

The Hood River strawberry growers realized \$213 a crate from their product during the past season. They are organized. The growers of the Willamette valley realized on an average about 65 cents. They are not organized. Is not this a point in the prize contest for the Grangers? We submit it as such.—Pacific Homestead.

A Salem correspondent of the Evening Telegram states that the prospects are that Geer will have a solid delegation from Marion county. The different factions are getting together and fixing everything up, and Eastern Oregon seems to be unthought of. This is a little early in the game. It is not a good idea to count chickens before they are hatched.

The campaign in Ohio opened Saturday with great enthusiasm. The speeches of Governor Nash and Senators Forsaker and Hanna were greeted with great applause. Senator Hanna declared that he did not intend to quit politics or resign as senator or chairman of the republican national committee. Ohio will undoubtedly roll up a good, strong republican majority.

Physicians who attended President McKinley at Buffalo have presented bills amounting to \$100,000. They are perfectly aware that they have not charged equal fees for similar services, and in all probability would not were their patient ever so rich; and they fully understand that their charges in this case are larger than the McKinley estate can pay and leave sufficient property to support the widow. These doctors expect the government to pay, and their charges are made in accordance with this expectation. They are simply robbing the government.—Ex.

THE FALL TRADE.

The wholesale and retail trade this fall will break all records. The wholesale trade of New York has already surpassed that of any previous fall, not only in volume, but in the quality of the goods purchased. Buyers from all over the country, some from the Pacific coast, have filled the hotels and crowded the market in so great numbers that business has been transacted with difficulty, notwithstanding the extraordinary preparations made by the merchants. The crowd has been pronounced by the metropolitan newspapers larger than that which tested the

capacity of the hotels during the famous Dewey week, and that was a record breaker for the New York hostilities. Reports from Chicago and other wholesale centers are equally gratifying, and as the wholesale trade is an exponent of the retail, the retail trade will also be a record breaker unless something unforeseen interferes to prevent.

It is said above that the wholesale trade surpasses that of any previous fall both in volume and quality. This is true regarding not only staple goods, but novelties and holiday goods. The demand is decidedly in favor of more expensive fabrics and articles which indicates the conviction of the retail trade that the consumer is in a position to purchase better clothes, better furnishings, better everything. The retail trade is always the best exponent of the prosperity of the country, and this fall it indicates conditions unprecedented in its history. Herein lies the greatest cause of gratification, for when the people are able to supply themselves not only necessities of good quality, but also luxuries, they are content and happy. A contented and happy people are the greatest security for the perpetuity of beneficent conditions. The fall trade is therefore an assurance of conditions which are to be continued as long as possible.

OUR TRADE WITH CHINA.

United States Commissioner Rockhill, who is now on his way from Washington to Chi na, is not sanguine that a boom in Chinese trade with the United States will follow the recent signing of the protocol with the powers, says the S. F. Chronicle. If any one seriously expected that our trade with the Chinese empire would materially increase, it may be assumed as a foregone conclusion that they are doomed to disappointment. Even the opening of new treaty ports by the special commission appointed for that purpose cannot be expected to improve our trade much with the empire.

For the half century the treaty ports of China have been open to foreign trade the field has been confined to the littoral territory. Our commerce has not encroached on the interior of the empire. There Chinese exclusiveness is as rigid now as it was before the treaty ports were opened. Our commerce with China consists chiefly of importations of her own peculiar products—rice, silk and tea—and these are influenced more by the growth of our own population than by any other factor. Last year our imports from Chinese ports aggregated \$26,806,926. They amounted to \$19,321,850 in 1891, and through the decade, until last year, they hovered around the \$20,000,000 mark, with very little variation, falling in 1899 to \$18,619,268. The Dutch and British East Indies have cultivated our patronage with greater zeal than China during the past decade. We bought from the former only \$6,778,992 worth of their products in 1891. Last year our imports from them amounted to \$29,886,813. Importations from the British East Indies aggregated \$29,356,989 in 1891 and \$45,355,576 last year.

The trade of Argentina is worth more to us today than that of China, for while the importations from there in 1899 amounted to only \$8,114,394, our exports, all of which were manufactured products, amounted to \$11,558,237. Our total exports to China last year amounted to \$15,256,167, some of which represented the military and naval supplies sent there for our own troops. That year the balance of Chinese trade was nearly \$12,000,000 against us. British Africa, from which our importations average about \$1,000,000 per annum, took from us in 1891 \$1,141,799 worth of manufactured products and our exports there steadily increased through the ten years until they reached in 1900 \$16,263,482. Some of this increase is due, of course, to the war in South Africa. But before the war broke out our exports to British Africa exceeded \$13,000,000 per annum. British Australasia, again, exports to the United States from \$1,500,000 to \$8,500,000 a year, last year amounting to \$5,468,190; but it bought from us in 1891 to the amount of \$13,017,182, and in 1900 \$26,725,792.

of countries immensely inferior in population and far removed from us than China in which our commerce cuts a much more consequential figure and which is more promising in the future, because their demands for our manufactures are steadily increasing each year. China is not a customer for our manufactures. Cotton goods are the principal American manufactures which it imports, and in this line it is the best customer the United States possesses. Of these its importations last year amounted to \$1,783,131. But as it is beginning to develop the manufacture of cotton goods itself, this feature of our trade with China is not likely to increase much in future. American commerce with China cannot be expected, under the most favorable conditions, to prosper much until the whole empire is thrown open to trade and the people are brought generally under the influences of Western civilization and thereby a greater demand is created for our manufactured products.

Reports of the state of King Edward's physical condition continue to cause much concern in London. This is not natural under the circumstances, since the king is not a young man and the children of Queen Victoria do not possess a degree or quality of vitality that promises long life to any one of them. Of the nine born to the royal cousins—the parents of King Edward—three died before their mother and the fourth followed her to the grave within a few months. The present king is the oldest of the family, a heavy, gouty, irritable man of 60, with decided indications of cancerous condition of the throat. Greatly endeared as he is to the English people by a long life in close touch with them as Prince of Wales, they naturally regard with much concern the prospect that his reign will be a short one. The civilized world outside of Britain would greatly regret his early demise, since he has placed a steady hand upon the helm of empire and his rulership is full of promise. It is not likely, however, that he is in immediate danger, and not improbable that he may live many years.—Oregonian.

Happiness has less use for comfort than indulgence has.

Several important deals have been consummated in Eastern Oregon mines during the past month.

Frank Wilson, of Salt Lake, has secured the Gold Bug and Friday mines at a cost of about \$100,000, and having paid a five-stamp mill on the latter, will thoroughly sample the ore, which is said to be largely fine milling and averages nearly \$10 per ton.

VALUE OF MAN'S LIFE.

The expense reports have decided that the life of the average man is worth just what he is able to earn. A man's earning power is the great extent upon his health, and it is a wise action for him to improve his condition. The stomach is the measure of health and strength. Every man may be bright, active and happy if his digestion is normal. If it is not, H. Steiner's Stomach Bitters will make it so. It purges the digestive organs in condition to properly digest and assimilate food. Try it for constipation, indigestion, dyspepsia, biliousness, liver and kidney troubles. It has cured so much suffering for the past 47 years, and today there is nothing just as good.

Literary Notes

The story in the Argonaut for October 14, 1901, is by Margaret Cameron, and entitled "The Waters of Marah: A Scene Just Before the Last Fall of the Curtain." It pictures the despairing struggle of a great tenor singer, when only memories of his art were left to him.

Superstition Trail, a powerful tale of the West, by Owen Wister, and illustrated by Remington, is the opening story in the Harbinger number for the 29th of the Saturday Evening Post of Philadelphia. Other attractive features are a new episode in the Last Affairs of Patroclus and a striking poem by Holman F. Day. Mr. Day's ballad, The Night of the White Heron, tells a weird tale current among bluestem fishermen. It has all the swing and movement of Mr. Kipling's Gipsy Chatterbox, and a strength and originality all its own.

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The 1901 Wheat Crop.

The Portland Commercial Review gives the following figures for the 1901 wheat crop for Oregon, Washington and Idaho: Oregon—Umatilla, 4,000,000; Sherman, 2,000,000; Gilliam, 2,250,000; Union, 900,000; Morrow, 825,000; Wasco, 800,000; Baker, 210,000; Wallowa, 100,000; Grant and Harney, 215,000; Marion, 650,000; Polk, 800,000; Lane, 800,000; Linn, 675,000; Benton, 530,000; Yamhill, 900,000; Washington, 450,000; Clackamas, 160,000; Tineson, Josephine, Jackson, Douglas and others, 300,000; total, 15,445,000. Washington, 33,800,000. Idaho, 3,980,000. Total crop of 1901, 53,290,000. Deduct from this—Home consumption, 6,000,000; seed for 1902 crop, 3,000,000; flour estimated to be shipped, 8,000,000; total, 17,000,000. For export, 36,290,000.

Local News Notes.

Five lunches served at all hours at The Palm.

The Heppner Globe and San Francisco Examiner, one year for \$2.25.

Mathews makes a specialty of filling mail orders for meals of all kinds.

The Gazette job office is prepared to turn out all kinds of job printing on short notice.

Matlock & Hart have the handling of Judge Bartholomew's garden truck, fresh every morning.

The Monthly New York World, ten numbers and the GAZETTE, one year for \$1.50. Read ad. This is a liberal offer.

Bock & Mathews have dissolved partnership, but you can get all kinds of meats and lard from Mathews.

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