

A SEA captain explains the reason of this unusual heat and humidity of the season. He says that he knew that it would be hot and muggy because he found the temperature of the Gulf stream to be 92.

A PENNSYLVANIA judge has decided that fruit hanging over a fence belongs to the man over whose ground it is suspended, and that he can cut off the limbs if he chooses. The same principle has been established in California and elsewhere.

A CANADIAN paper has been conducting a canvass on the annexation question. Of the 910 persons who expressed an opinion 800 favored and 110 opposed the proposition. Most of the answers came from Nova Scotia, who were almost unanimous in favor of annexation, and those of Ontario and Quebec gave a majority of nearly two to one that way.

The gold held by the treasury in its vaults at Washington weighs 519 tons. If packed into ordinary carts, one ton to each cart, it would make a procession two miles long, allowing twenty feet of space for the movement of each horse and cart. The silver in the same vaults weighs 7,396 tons. Measuring it in carts, as in the case of the gold, it would require the services of 7,396 horses and carts to transport it and would make a procession over twenty-one miles in length.

The United States has 61,000,000 of population against 50,000,000 in the census year 1880, very nearly one-third the addition being from immigration. But while adding so heavily by steamship and other ways to the mouths to be fed, the United States is growing no more wheat, cotton, corn or hogs, has less sheep and only 17 per cent. more milk cows than seven years ago. It has added 37,000 miles to its railroads, two-thirds to its pig-iron product, one-third to its coal product and doubled its copper output.

Of iron and steel of all kinds, according to the Revue des Mines, the tin-plate makers of England now consume 460,000 tons a year. At a rough calculation, this would be enough to roof a shed extending from New York to Liverpool, and wide enough for the Etruria and the Umbria to pass each other at any point, with room to spare; but it seems that a very large part, instead of being used for roofing, which is an exclusively American method of employing the material, is consumed in making cans for preserving meats, fruits and vegetables. Of these the number turned out is so enormous as to be almost beyond belief. In 1885, 875,000,000 are known to have been made, and there may have been millions more which escaped counting. Next to the reflection as to what all these contained, the most interesting inquiry which this piece of statistics suggests is what becomes of all the empty cans. Millions of them are thrown into the sea, and sink or are cast on desert shores; and millions more find their way to the rubbish heaps which fill low lands and excavations, but there are myriads unaccounted for. In Egypt, it is said that the Arabs pick up the large rectangular cans in which coal oil is exported to them, fill them with sand, and build very comfortable houses with them, but the cylindrical can does not lend itself very well to architectural purposes, and the world still awaits the inventor who shall tell it how to utilize to advantage the cast-off evidence of modern civilization.

Same Way Here. In yesterday's issue a statement was published that G. W. Hunt, the railroad contractor, had arranged for 1,000 Chinamen to work on the extension of the Oregon Pacific eastward from the Santiam. "Mr. Hunt cannot get 1,000 Chinamen in this town at present," said a Chinese contractor last evening. "The Southern Pacific took all the men it could get and put them to work in southern Oregon and northern California. Those who have been working in the Columbia river canneries will do fall fishing at Yaquina Bay, Gray's Harbor, Coos Bay, Shoalwater and other places. There are not over 2,000 Chinamen in Portland, and they are principally merchants and others who do not have to work for a living."—Telegram.

Social Rep. Miss Mamie Daggett gave a very pleasant party in honor of her guest, Miss Sallie A. Jones, last Thursday evening. Among those present were Misses Sallie Jones, Annie Pope, Alice Stockton, Winnie Sherman, Maggie Gilbert, Sadie Gilbert, Tillie Hartwig, Annie Hartwig, Lena Spellman, Nina Estabrook, Helen Neader, Julia Neader; Messrs. Bert Dunbar, Will Sherman, Lee Levings, Will Logan, Otto Heilborn, Charlie Bain, Charlie Davis, Charley Higgins, Frank Young, Geo. Goodell, John Hay, Will McCormac, W. E. Warren, Richard Prael.

IN THE TIMBER. A Day in the Trullinger Camp on the Walluski—Logging by Railro ad.

Through the courtesy of Mr. J. C. Trullinger and the superintendent of his logging crew, Mr. Yocum, I had the privilege of witnessing in its details the operations of logging. The Trullinger camp is on the Walluski river, southeast from Astoria and distant about seven miles by land. By water, the usual way of travel, it is some distance further. I chose the land route because it gave a chance to see "inside" of the timber. There is, no doubt, I believe, such another road in the United States. It was made at great expense and is for the greater part a grand aisle through the forest. On all sides there are great trees, while the smaller growth is of that dense and impenetrable sort common near the sea coast in Oregon. Although I was looking for the practical rather than the beautiful, could but mark the charm of the journey. While the route was certainly monotonous in the continuous march of tall trees, variety was not lacking in the smaller growths and in the coloring, which ranged from a pale, somber deep green to the bright scarlet of autumn.

I found Mr. Yocum and his men at work in a maze of timber so dense and tangled that it was only possible to get my horse through by cutting a special trail. From the midst of this maze, made up of small firs, scattered cedars, hemlocks, bushes of many kinds, and a tangle of vines, the giant firs were standing, from twenty to sixty per acre. A more symmetrical, cleaner and better quality of timber no man ever saw. In the course of two hours I was able to see the whole operation from the felling of the tree to cutting of the logs into the river. In the fall of these mighty trunks from two to three hundred feet in height, there is something majestic and to me painful. They come down with a crash which tells all obstacles and makes the firm earth tremble. Riding on horseback beside one of these prostrate giants, near the big or butt end, my shoulder was a little lower than the top. At the first cut the wood measured, inside the bark, eight feet and the fraction of an inch across. With the bark the tree three feet from the ground was eight feet and seven inches through, or twenty-five feet and nine inches in circumference. I am not now speaking of special large trees, but one that came casually under my notice. While it was, so Mr. Yocum told me, a large tree, still he had cut down and hauled out many equally large and some that were larger. As we sat, he pointed out to me several standing trees which would measure from 7 to 9 feet in diameter and entirely free from limbs or other defects for a distance of one hundred and fifty feet from the ground. Such is the timber of the Walluski, a fair sample of the forests which lie adjacent to Astoria and described in the districts mentioned above.

In Mr. Trullinger's camp, the main track is made by railroad constructed for this purpose so that the haul made by oxen is not great. This part was to me extremely interesting. Five yoke or ten oxen were hitched to a log weighing in the neighborhood of twenty thousand pounds, and it was "snaked" along, not indeed without much going and having, with comparative ease to a platform from which it was easily rolled to flat car. As a novelty I undertook to ride down a grade so abrupt that the cattle had to run to keep clear from the descending log. Planting myself firmly astride I held on as best I could. It didn't take long, less than half a minute, but I've known a whole summer vacation to seem shorter. "Railroads are now being introduced everywhere as an aid to logging. By their use distance is practically annihilated, and timber fields back from water are made, scarcely less valuable than those which lie along creek or river bottoms. As there are no demands for speed these logging roads are usually of cheap construction. Old rails and old rolling stock, too much worn for fast work, are for the purposes of logging, quite as good as new stock and are commonly used. Mr. Trullinger's road, which is of standard gauge and perfect in its way, was made of old material and cost about \$4000 per mile. When the immediate district through which it runs is exhausted it will be an easy matter to take up the rails and put them down in another place. This is the time when the road will be an absolute necessity for logging. There is in the general Astoria district a vast quantity of timber within a mile and half from water, and so available for skid roads and oxen. This is the limit for hauling profitably with oxen, but even at this distance it is found cheaper to build and operate short roads than to employ cattle."—A. E. in Oregonian.

Further Regarding the Oldest Pioneer. Regarding Capt. Winant's article in yesterday's ASTORIAN about Jean Baptiste Gargnier and the year he came to this country, ex-postmaster Chance, in a conversation yesterday morning with the writer relative to pioneers, said that he remembered distinctly traveling with Gargnier in 1854; that while camped about seven miles from Yaquina, Gargnier told him that he came here from the Red river country in 1829. As this happened to be the year that he (Chance) was born, he claimed that they both came to the United States the same year. He further cites the testimony of Joseph Lafferty, of Cathlamet, whose death at the great age of ninety-nine was announced in THE ASTORIAN about two weeks ago. He says that on two occasions, in conversation with Lafferty, Gargnier's name came up, and he (Lafferty) said that Gargnier and he came together, with a large crowd of others, from the Red river country in 1829.

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THE END OF IT. How the Skinner-Struve Foot Race Swindle Terminated.

Many of the readers of the Telegram will no doubt remember the Skinner-Struve foot race run here in February, and also how about \$2,500 of the stake money vanished, which resulted in the imprisonment of one of the principals, E. S. Skinner, in the county jail for some time.

After Skinner had been locked up several months, and living upon the best the market afforded, the district attorney allowed him to go on his own recognizance. This was two or three months ago, and since his liberation Skinner has been engaged in gambling, from which source, it is said, he realized about \$4,000. Some knowing ones do not hesitate to state that Skinner did not win \$4,000, but if he has that sum the bulk of it is comprised of the \$2,500 stolen money that is missing. However, be that as it may, a week or two since Skinner told the district attorney that he wanted to go California, but that official informed him that he could not do so until he had stood trial on the indictment against him for alleged larceny. Skinner, though, paid no attention to the district attorney and went to California, where he is now supposed to be, and it is very doubtful as to whether the charge against him will ever be heard of again.

This foot race swindle somewhat belauded the reputation of F. G. Lynch, the stake holder, for a time. But a Telegram reporter is now in possession of the real facts of the case. Lynch was made a cat's-paw by both sides in the race. After the race was run, Skinner demanded the money of Lynch, but he refused to give it up until he was instructed to do so by the other side. Subsequently Struve, Skinner's opponent, instructed Lynch, in the presence of the latter's barkeeper, to pay the stakes over to Skinner, and he did so. Lynch got himself into trouble just by accepting a trust out of which he didn't make a dollar. This is the exact state of the case.—Telegram.

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Some Fine Photographs. Bert Towne, the artist of Portland, here a few weeks since with the Fish Commission, under appointment from Major Jones, at which time several views were taken of scenes on the Columbia. He has sent a full set of these to the Occident, and duplicates may be obtained of Mr. Megler. They are really fine pictures of the Lower Columbia.

BORN. In Astoria, August 26th, 1887, to the wife of John Fussell, a son.

NEW TO-DAY. Notice. AT A GENERAL MEETING OF THE Columbia River Fishermen's Protective Union, held at Liberty hall on Friday, the 26th of August, it was unanimously agreed upon that the price of salmon for the coming fall season be established at the following, viz: Four cents per pound, clear, for all fish received.

By order of the C. R. F. P. Union, ALEX. SUTTON, Sec'y.

ASTORIA, August 26th, 1887.

EIGHTH ANNUAL PIC-NIC OF THE Young Men's Christian Association TO YOUNG'S RIVER FALLS, On Tuesday, August 30th.

PROGRAMME. Got. Neceil leaves Main Street wharf at 8 A. M. Lunch at the Falls at 12 noon. DINNER IN CASEY'S MEADOW AT 4:30 P. M. Boat leaves for return trip at 6 P. M.

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