

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Portland.

The new steamer *Yaquina* will be ready for sea in about ten days. Arrangements are being made to organize an excursion party to Yaquina bay by the steamer.

Portland never had pleasanter weather than during the past week.

Complaint is made that vagabonds occupy the plazas as dormitories.

The Home Hotel building, in East Portland is to be enlarged this summer.

The Fourteenth street bridge, from Morrison to N Eighteenth street, is well under way.

Washington street at the fill is planked for pedestrians as well as vehicles, though a railing should be erected on the outside.

The new public school buildings are fast approaching completion, and will be ready for occupancy by the opening day of the new term.

Central school building has been improved with a neat porch and stairway at the Sixth street entrance.

East Portland water company will lay 1000 feet of main on L street.

Monmouth and Vicinity.

The weather is rather warm.

The fall wheat is yielding well.

Threshers are all now very busy.

The warehouse is nearing completion.

The ground is getting very dry, there has been very little rain this summer.

We notice several hands from Independence working on the warehouse.

Everybody are too busy to do anything and news items are as scarce as the victuals on a dinner table after a threshing party has left it.

If there seems to be any "crookedness" in the print of your paper this week, you may understand that it is because of a new feeder at the press.

Mr. A. P. Wolverton harvested 66 acres of his wheat, from his farm south of town, last week that averaged 38½ bushels per acre, or a total of 2,541 bushels. Bring on your good farmers.

Pacific Coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 7th.—In crossing the San Francisco bar, last Thursday, the steamship *Oregon* shipped a heavy sea, and two passengers in the steerage became insane through the fright occasioned by the occurrence.

Walla Walla *Union*: Marion Stubblefield has this season threshed one field of 75 acres of wheat which gave a total product of 3,375 bushels, of 45 bushels to the acre. This field is on the foot of the mountains.

The Lakeview *Examiner* says: "A black potato bug has made its appearance in the gardens in this vicinity and shows an officious and disgusting willingness to help harvest the potato crop."

John P. Burgess, a well known farmer residing on Birch creek, near Walla Walla, died of hemorrhage Sunday.

Mrs. Grimsley, of Corvallis, a lady 80 years old, fell in the door yard of her home a few days ago and broke her right leg. Her advanced age renders

the fracture a very serious one.

Five brick buildings have been built in Dayton since the April fire.

Allen J. Miller, of Puyallup, has sold 5 tons of his hop crop for 30 cents a pound. Ezra Meeker has sold ten tons, to be delivered in October, at 40 cents. This last is an eastern order.

The election in New Tacoma on Tuesday on the question submitted by the school directors to impose a tax of \$2500 for use in purchasing grounds for a central school-house, renting and furnishing school rooms and for general school purposes, was carried without a dissenting vote in favor of the tax.

A disastrous fire broke out in Albany, between 4 and 5 o'clock P. M., August 4, in an unoccupied Chinese shop, near the corner of First and Washington streets, burning that and a saloon adjoining on the west, and Dunning's furniture store on the east side. In spite of all efforts, the fire crossed Washington street and burned the upper story of the St. Charles hotel, and ruining the entire building.

The State Teachers' Institute will be held at Salem on the 21st, 22d and 23d of August.

A barn belonging to Albert Hendrick, on Pleasant Hill, Lane county, burned Friday night, July 28. It is not known how it caught, as no one had been near the building for several days, but it must have been the work of an incendiary. In the barn was stored about 15 tons of hay, a seed drill etc., his entire loss being about \$1500, with no insurance.

More schools are in running order on the Coquille than ever before. The attendance is also much better than at any former period.

Eastern.

LAREDO, Aug 1.—Surrounding points have established strict quarantine against Brownsville and Matamoras. Several deaths occurred Sunday, including Gen. Santos Barnavidas, representative of the Texas legislature. A prominent physician named Cartoz is prostrated by fever of a mild type.

LAREDO, Texas, Aug. 1.—Deaths at Matamoras since Saturday, 12; cases under treatment, 40. Mexicans at New Laredo resist quarantine against yellow fever.

NEW YORK, Aug 1.—During the 24 hours ending at noon to-day there were 138 deaths from heat.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 1.—One death from yellow fever to-day.

FALMOUTH, Ky., Aug. 2.—The branches of the Licking river rose 40 feet last night. The storm was unparalleled. Damage to crops cannot be estimated.

LEXINGTON, Aug. 2.—Yesterday's storm has caused great damage to tobacco and corn crops in all the surrounding country.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 3.—The merchants' exchange have sent Chairman Page, of the committee on commerce a dispatch congratulating him on passage of the river and harbor bill, and justifying Congress in passing it, and gaining gratitude of people of all parties.

CHICAGO, Aug. 3.—New York special: Over \$250,000 worth of property has

been destroyed through southern New Jersey by forest fires. There has been great excitement and much hard fire fighting. It was arrested yesterday by showers.

LAREDO, Texas, Aug. 5.—The prevailing fever at Matamoras is reported as increasing and seven deaths occurred to-day. There is no exact account of the total number of cases but they are reported as between 300 and 400. The disease prevails among the higher classes as well as among the lower. There has been a number of deaths among farmers. Many stores are open part of the day, which gives the city a very desolate appearance. Last night Manana Flores, a Mexican druggist, the first case of fever in Brownsville, died. He was taken in a cart to the graveyard and buried this morning.

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—Deaths, last week, 939; births, 4,804. The above figures are official, but generally regarded, as usual, unauthentic.

LOWELL, Mass., Aug. 5.—The central bridge across the Merrimac burned this morning; loss, \$34,000. While working on the fire, four firemen were precipitated into the river and seriously injured.

BROWNSVILLE, Aug. 6.—About fifty cases of fever are now existing and it is increasing rapidly. The death of a German named Onaste, recently from Europe, occurred to-day. Conflicting reports about the existence of the disease at country points are not reliable.

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.—The general freight office of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad announces a reduction of 5 cents per hundred on freights from Missouri river to El Paso and points on the Southern Pacific between Deming and Yuma, on first, second and third classes; of 2 cents on fourth, and 3 cents on fifth class, to take effect at once. This is said to be the first step in retaliation for the action of roads running to Missouri river points, making Council Bluffs and Kansas City rates the same as Omaha rates.

McKESPORT, Pa., Aug. 5.—Striking iron workers continue turbulent towards non-union workmen and a serious outbreak is feared.

Foreign.

ALEXANDRIA, Aug. 3.—It is understood Arabi Pasha in his proclamation, insists upon all natives leaving the service of Europeans, as he intends to make an attack in force and will treat the natives in European employ as Christians.

PORT SAID, Aug. 3.—Turkish men-of-war strongly occupy the Suez canal at Ismailia and Suez. All Europeans have left Suez, and only four French men-of-war remain in Egyptian waters.

ALEXANDRIA, Aug. 3.—All British troops have been ordered to the front as an attack is expected.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 3.—The European official at Smyrna has warned his government that a man-of-war is necessary there, as the slightest quarrel might lead to a serious disturbance. *Hakikati*, an influential organ at Stamboul, has been warned for making disparaging allusions to the khedive.

DURBAN, Aug. 3.—It is reported eom-

lications in Madagascar between American authorities on one side and French authorities on the other have caused much tension of feeling but no collision.

BERLIN, Aug. 3.—It is reported that the powers are willing to leave the Egyptian question separate from the question of the Suez canal, to an arrangement between Turkey and England, subject to the final assent of Europe.

ALEXANDRIA, Aug. 5.—6:35 P. M.—At 5 o'clock this afternoon the British troops with a number of field guns served by sailors, attacked the advance guard of Arabi Pasha, near Ramleh, between the canal and the railroad, firing upon the enemy's position from three sides. The engagement, which is of a serious nature, still continues.

Business Locals.

Do not forget the "Ad" of "Domestic Sewing Machine Company."

Fruit jars, jelly frames, groceries, paints and oils can be had cheap at Dawson's drug store.

When in Portland, don't forget the Pacific Boot and Shoe House. The leading Boot and Shoe dealers are Cardwell, Bennett & Co., 109 First St. 12-23 6m

The "Little Gallery Round the Corner" Yamhill St., near 4th, is making Cabinet Photos for \$4, and Cards \$2 per dozen. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.

Jno. A. MacDonald, of the Salem Marble and Granite Works, Commercial Street, south of the post office, manufactures all kinds of monuments: Italian marble a speciality. Prices reduced one-half.

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F. E. Beach & Co., 103 First Street, Portland, carry a complete line of painter's stock, window glass, ready mixed paints, lubricating oils, brushes, doors, glazed windows, etc. Catalogue and Price list furnished on application. 12-21-3m

The Oregon Furniture Manufacturing Co. have just moved into their new and commodious four story brick building on the east side of First, between Taylor and Salmon Streets, where those in want of Furniture or Carpets will find it to their advantage to call and examine their stock, as none but first class goods are kept in this establishment.

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