

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

MONMOUTH AND VICINITY.

Sister Martin has been sick for a few days.

F. S. Powell is putting up a new barn on his town lot.

Miss Stoodley of Portland is visiting R. Foulkes and family.

Grandma Poppleton from Lafayette is visiting friends in Monmouth.

Aunt Frankie Murphy has removed from Eugene and settled on her old home in Monmouth.

We are told that most of the apples are killed. The cold snap some weeks ago was too much for them.

Mm. Dawson has been confined to his house with a sore foot for several days, but is going about again.

The people of Monmouth are making preparations for the commencement exercises of Christian College. See announcement in this number of HERALD.

We have a sad and unusual occurrence to note this week. Mr. F. Maggart who lives just south of town and who is a well known and highly respected citizen coolly committed suicide by putting the muzzle of a gun in his mouth and shooting himself, on last Tuesday. The deed was done near his house while no one was at home except himself. The cause for so doing is unknown, as he is a man who lived in peace with his neighbors, and has had no cause for much trouble. It is a strange and sad story.

That Bro. Hubbard has reason to rejoice is evident from the following note to us. Allow the HERALD fraternity to congratulate you, Bro. H., in this your hour of rejoicing:

AMITY, XAMHILL CO., OREGON,
May 28, 1883.

J. F. Floyd, Monmouth, Or.:

MY DEAR BROTHER IN CHRIST.—I have the pleasure of saying that Mrs. Hubbard is some better; we have a nice boy, weighing 9½ pounds, at our house, born May 20th. Mrs. H. is as well as we could expect her to be after months of sickness. The crops in this section are looking well and the farmers are happy. I hope ere long now to be able to be at my life-work, preaching the precious gospel of Christ.

Fraternally yours,
S. MONROE HUBBARD.

PACIFIC COAST.

The *Queen of the Pacific* had a very pleasant trip up last time, hardly a passenger being seasick. Nothing of note occurred during the voyage.

Mrs. E. P. Rodgers, wife of the general freight and passenger agent of the O. & C. R. R. Co., is reported seriously sick in Iowa, whither she went on a visit.

Exchanges at the San Francisco clearing house for the month of May were \$47,842,828, against \$52,648,144 for the same month last year. The falling off of \$4,805,600 is largely due to the diminished volume of the wheat trade.

The crop of early rose potatoes on the lower division of Robert's Island was completely cut down by frost on the night of June 2nd. The Glasgow Re-

clamation Company lost over 100,000 acres. The red potatoes were not effected.

The amount paid in for duties at the San Francisco port in May was \$735,525. This is more than \$100,000 in excess of that of the same month last year. The reason for this excessive total is the large importations of opium to avoid increased duties after July 1st.

Senator Edmunds and family accompanied by Miss Arthur, daughter of President Arthur, will leave for Portland by the *Columbia*, sailing Friday. They will make a short trip to Washington Territory, visiting Seattle and Tacoma, and returning will stop at Portland, going east by the Northern Pacific. Edmunds is supposed to be vice-president of the United States, by virtue of his office as president of the U. S. Senate.

CROP REVIEW.

From present appearance the yield of wheat, barley, oats, etc., this year is larger by far in the Pacific States than ever before. In 1880, notwithstanding the very severe northern winds which prevailed towards the end of May, doing considerable damage to large wheat fields in Merced and Colusa counties, all along San Joaquin, with an acreage of some 2,800,000 in wheat. California, according to the figures of Mr. W. F. Babcock, president of the chamber of commerce, gave as close on 58,000 bushels, or nearly 21 bushels of wheat to the acre. This year's estimated, we have 3,400,000 acres in wheat. We have had abundant "latter rains," but little warm rains, and no scorching northerness. Many claim that under such circumstances our average should be greater than in 1880: but, supposing it to be ten to fifteen per cent less, or say eighteen bushels to the acre, and it is not improbable that we will have a total crop of 62,000,000 bushels of wheat.

The acreage in oats and corn can safely be approximated for California at 400,000, which, at thirty bushels to an acre, would give twelve million bushels.

The average on barley is greatly increased. High prices last season induced an immense sowing. The lowest estimate gives an acreage of 760,000 in this grain, which at a low average of 25 bushels to an acre, would be 19,000,000 bushels.

For rye, small grains, peas, beans, etc., 150,000 acres would be a moderate estimate, and yield 30 bushels to an acre. Equally so, this would give 4,500,000 bushels.

From Oregon and Washington Territory reports are almost uniformly good.

Usually reliable authorities claim they will have an exportable surplus of from 350,000 to 450,000 tons of wheat. Taking the smaller figure, and adding to it 15,000 tons for seeding and home consumption, their united wheat crop would exceed 16,000,000 bushels; and for barley, oats, etc., they can safely be calculated on for at least 3,000,000 bushels. These figures would sum up California wheat, bushels, 62,000,000; California barley, 19,000,000; California oats and corn, 12,000,000; California small grain, 4,500,000; Oregon and Washington

Territory wheat, 16,000,000; Oregon and Washington Territory oats, barley, etc., 3,000,000. Total, 116,500,000.

Nevada and Arizona although hardly recognized as a grain growing State would if added bring the probable cereal crop for the coast up to the grand total of 120,000,000 bushels or over 50,000,000 sacks.

Imports of wheat bags this week is large: the steamer bringing about 1600 bales including 1,250,000 wheat bags and two sail vessels brought nearly 8000 bales including an equivalent to 6,395,000 wheat bags. Nearly all of these bags are sold to arrive, they comprise all that is expected this season, by sail. At least 1,250,000 bales of wheat bags will go direct to Oregon from these two ships. The market of Calcutta wheat bags steady at 8a 8½ cents and spot; and 8½a 8½ cents for July, with a tendency rather in favor of better figures, as soon as consumptive buying sets in. Every steamer from now on until September will probably bring some wheat bags from Calcutta. The Oakland factory will resume operations about July. Most of the old stock of this factory has gone into consumption. —Etc.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Farmers Mercantile Association of Monmouth are receiving a very fine assortment of goods complete in every department for the spring trade. Dress Goods and Trimmings of the latest styles, Mens and Boys Clothing, a splendid assortment of Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Fancy and Staple Goods, Groceries, Crockery, Glass-ware, Tin-ware, &c., &c. Remember you can save money by dealing with this establishment.

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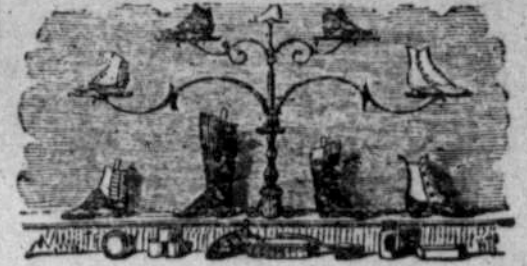
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