

Ship Perfect Fruit.

The fruit inspector of King County, Washington, is having his troubles, as well as fruit inspectors in Oregon. Recently it became necessary for him to burn several hundred boxes of Washington fruit, because of carelessness of the growers. One shipment of 280 boxes from Zilla, Washington, was found to be wormy and covered with fungus growth, another shipment of 50 boxes from the same district was found to be wormy, and a shipment of 50 boxes of pears from the Okanogan country, on the upper Columbia, was found to be covered with scale and was wormy. This brought the total up for the week of 700 boxes of Washington fruit and 400 boxes of California fruit that had been destroyed in the Seattle market. This has been practically the first of the Washington fruit that has been destroyed, although more than 4500 boxes of California fruit has been consigned to the fiery furnace.

This sort of fruit shipments on the part of the grower means only one thing for him, and that is bankruptcy. With all the assistance that the fruit grower has at hand for fighting the pests, with all the study that is given the diseases of fruit by the Agricultural colleges, it seems such negligence is little short of criminal, as it not only ruins the reputation of the grower himself, but which is far more reaching, ruins the reputation for his district, which is doubtless undeserved. One or two growers in a district who persist in sending out fruit that is condemned upon the market soon gives the entire neighborhood a bad reputation, and it therefore becomes the duty of the growers of that district to see that the state laws are properly enforced.—Oregon Agriculturist.

Additional Local.

Mr. Briggs was called home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Murphy visited at the home of M. M. Jones Tuesday.

The Normal students have organized an athletic association, which will win honors for the old school.

Mrs. Riddle, Jessie Hyde, Lora Hyde, Stella Warner, Inez and Mary Murphy were Independence visitors Saturday.

The dime melodion, or our theatre commenced its career last Friday night. It created quite a panic on Commercial street, when one young lady returning from her days work beheld its beautiful front and thought she was in Portland, "at the Marquam". She even imagined hearing "Melba" or "Patti" and when questioned, said she thought it was a little of both.

Prof. Briggs made a fine talk at the C. E. of the Christian church last Sunday evening. His talk was on the organization of the C. E. at this place. We have a fine Endeavor Society and everyone is invited to attend.

We are very proud of the bravery of our young men of Monmouth, if it had not been for their heroic bravery Mr. Graham's house and live stock stable would surely have burned Friday night.

Clarence Hyde, of Seattle, is visiting his mother and sisters here. Clarence has a fine position in Seattle and enjoys his work very much.

J. E. Winegar & Co., have a lot of good second hand sewing machines, taken in exchange for the White, that they will sell cheap.

Mrs. Chamberlin, of Falls City, visited at the home of J. L. Murphy Wednesday.

Trespass notices, printed on cloth, for sale at this office.

Church Directory.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH
L. C. HOOVER, Pastor
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Evening service at 7:30 o'clock
Sunday School at 10:00 a. m.
Y. P. A. Meeting at 6:30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening.

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W. A. WOOD, Pastor.
Morning Service at 11. a. m.
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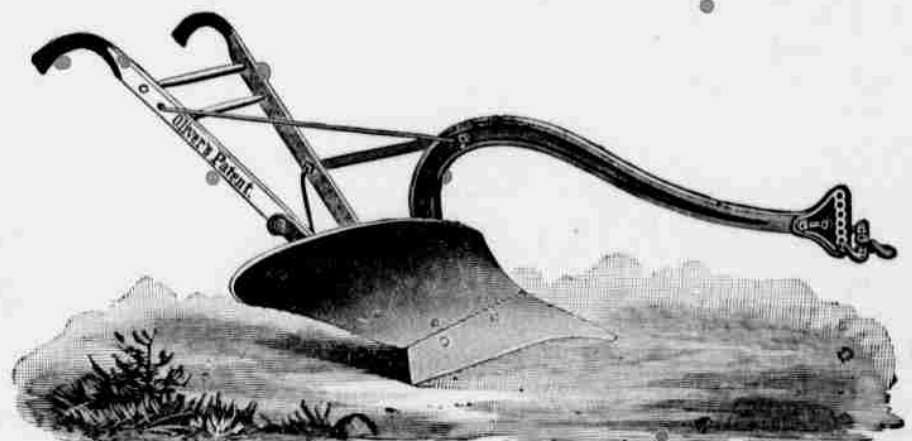
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