

ABOUT TOWN.

The Free Methodists will hold revival meetings in the Baptist church, commencing Friday evening, January 3rd. Everybody cordially invited.

Those having milk to dispose of should bring it to Clark's creamery. His butter now brings 55 cents a roll and he only charges 7 cents for the making.

Monday afternoon there happened at the Washington Co. Flouring mills what might have been a very serious accident. An old dog, Jack, belonging to Mr. Alberts, jumped on the big drive belt and was carried up under the pulley.

Before you buy it will pay you the clearance of bargains at C. Thomas.

A good many Forest Grove will be pained to learn of the Miss Mamie Rogers, former of our city, and a daughter of Rogers, at her home Wash., after a very brief stay, December 27th, at night.

Wanted—All kinds of furs Harness Shop. Mr. Lee Sparks moved to house Dec. 31.

John Powers was convicted of burglary at the court Friday morning. The judge sentenced, Chas. an assault with a Deputy Sheriff Br.

The Hillsboro abstraction to a second floor of lock. All wood drests in a yard at the house of Nellie.

Five thousand rabbits were killed at a recent drive at Oakly. The Presbyterian church of Boise has decided to erect a parsonage.

NEW FARM INDU...

FLAX-RAISING WILL SERIOUS ATTENT...

At the Hands of Northwest - Whatcom Board of - encourages the Raising of on Puget Sound.

Success in flax culture or fibre depends upon thoroughness and attention to the lesser detail of practice, says the Montana Stockman.

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It is reported to be back in the biggest jams known in five years occurred here claim that 16,000,000 no down. The river was only for three hours that it crossed.

Will Flax Pay? The Montana Stockman says: "Well, we should say so. A yield of from two to four tons of flax straw from fifteen to twenty-five bushels of flax seed can be raised to the acre."

The Whatcom board of trade says: "We have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the linen manufacturers of the country that flax fibre of the finest quality can be grown on Puget sound and we feel certain that flax will be the leading and safest crop of our farmers and the most remunerative."

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Wheat Market. The markets have not yet recovered from the holiday, and dealers do not look for any business until after New Year's. Prices are unchanged, as follows: Walla Walla, 40c; Valley, 53c per bushel.

Produce Market. Flour—Portland, Salem, Cascadia and Dayton, are quoted at \$2.60 per barrel; Goldrop, \$2.80; Snowflake, \$2.55; Benton county, \$2.60; Graham, \$2.20; superfine, \$2.00.

Oats—Good white are quoted weak at 24c; milling, 28@30c; gray, 20@21c. Rolled oats are quoted as follows: Bags \$4.25@5.25; barrels, \$4.50@7.00; cases, \$3.25.

Timothy, \$9.00 per ton; cheat, \$6.00; clover, \$6@7; oat, \$5@6.50; wheat, \$5.50@6.50.

Barley—Feed barley, \$14.50 per ton; brewing, nominal.

Butter—Fancy creamery is quoted at 27 1/2c; fancy dairy, 22 1/2c; fair to good, 17 1/2c; common, 10c per pound.

Potatoes—New Oregon, 25@40c per sack; sweets, common, 2 1/2c; Merced, 2 1/2c per pound.

Onions—Oregon, 50@70c per cwt. Potatoes—Chickamauga, old, \$3@3.00 per dozen; young, \$1.50@2.50 per dozen;

eggs, \$4.00@5.00; geese, \$8; turkeys, live, 9@10c per pound; dressed 11@12c.

Eggs—Oregon, 20c; Eastern, 18c per dozen.

KARL AND TARPUS.

Karl knelt down and took steady aim. Then came a flash and a report, and almost simultaneously with the rebound of his immense rifle the huge, crouching lioness, the black lioness, hurled herself upon him.

He had missed. Why? For this reason: As he aimed between her eyes out of them flashed a strange, strange light that quivered the core of his being; a light that unnerved his hand and withered his desire to kill.

And it smote him not with fear—for Karl had slain many lions, and his nerves were as steel—but it smote him with sudden, overwhelming remorse.

Thus he, the mighty hunter, was shaken and made to send his bullet flying wide.

And now the eyes became a piercing blaze of light, which grew and grew till Karl saw before him a broad, shining space.

In the distance flashed a scene. And the soul of the hunter flew toward it. This was the scene:

Humans filled a vast amphitheater. They shook it shouting. Fearsome was this shouting, even as the howl of a myriad pack of wolves.

On the faces was the look of glee—that gleeful indescribable—that comes when the passion for blood spilling fills the soul.

This passion was upon all—all, from emperor to slave. Man was transformed to a human wolf. The wish to kill or see killed linked, bound all.

SOME OF THE DIFFICULTIES IN RECOVERING DROWNED PERSONS.

Grappling for dead bodies is a difficult and laborious task. In seaport cities where a harbor police force is maintained the work of looking for people supposed to have been drowned is allotted to them.

Other places the regular police force generally carries on the work, though it is not infrequent for private parties to grapple on their own account, with the hope of obtaining the standing reward offered by the state for the recovery of drowned bodies.

In Massachusetts the amount of the reward is \$5, and it is paid to the persons who take the body from the water.

It requires three men to operate one grappler. Two are the workmen of the boat and the third is the man who controls the grappling iron.

A grappler is a straight bar of iron, upon which is fixed about a dozen iron hooks. The hooks are placed on two sides of the bar, and there is a long iron handle in the center of the bar, to which the rope held by the man in the boat is attached.

In addition to the big hooks, there are about a dozen coilish hooks, attached all along the iron bar by little pieces of cord line.

The moment the hooks come in contact with anything on the bottom the man with the rope in his hand can tell it is much the same way that a fisherman knows when he gets a "bite."

It requires no great strength to haul a body from the bottom to the surface. It is then towed to the shore and landed, and then the medical examiner is sent for to inspect it.

Of course it is often more luck than anything in finding a person supposed to be drowned. In still water, such as lakes and ponds, and when the spot where the person sank can be pointed out with a reasonable degree of accuracy, the success of the searchers is an easy matter.

But in rivers, and harbors especially, where there is a good deal of tide, not one body in ten can be recovered even when the drowned person was seen to sink and the spot is pointed out.—Boston Journal.

Flower Seed.

Some seeds take longer than others to germinate—for instance, hollyhocks, nasturtiums, gillyflowers, rose of heaven, stinkas, come up in from three to five days, if all circumstances are favorable—that is, if it is warm, moist and sunny enough.

Strong Brains.

A mild bit of repartee is reported as having occurred between the poet Saxe and Oliver Wendell Holmes.

They were talking about brain fever when Mr. Saxe remarked: "I once had a severe attack of brain fever myself."

"How could you have brain fever?" asked Dr. Holmes, smiling. "It is only strong brains that have brain fever."

"How did you find that out?" asked Saxe.—Youth's Companion.

Holmes as the Autocrat.

Colonel Higginson said recently in an address in Cambridge on Dr. Holmes that, although it was commonly supposed "The Autocrat" was a success from the outset, yet in his opinion its fate was evenly balanced for a month or two.

Mr. Underwood, who was then assistant editor of The Atlantic and had a large share in its conduct, thought that the work would be either a great success or a great failure and consulted Colonel Higginson with some anxiety.

He feared that Dr. Holmes' outspoken sayings might be looked upon as conceited. But the matter was not long left in doubt.—Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

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