

The Prune Market.

The prune market is attracting considerable attention through its present firmness and the rapid advance of quotations. The situation in California in this line is certainly extremely firm this season and shows indubitable signs of advancing quotations, even above present high figures. A careful inspection of the situation in Santa Clara valley reveals the fact that the crop there is going to be quite a little short of even the short estimates of a couple of weeks ago. Present estimates ranging from 32,000,000 to 40,000,000 pounds for Santa Clara valley, with about 18,000,000 pounds of outside prunes, making the probable output of the state somewhere around 55,000,000 pounds. Figuring the consumption of California prunes in the United States at 100,000,000 pounds a year and taking into consideration the fact that the carry-over from last season, most of which will probably be shipped just prior to new crop goods, is only in the neighborhood of about 6,000,000 pounds to add to this year's crop, it can be seen that even without export orders, prunes must go clean and, as there are no heavy foreign crops, at good prices.

The exports of prunes from the United States for the twelve months ended June 30 last were 54,993,849 pounds, as compared with a little over 73,000,000 pounds the previous twelve months, and 66,385,000 pounds for the season 1902-03. The crop of the Pacific Northwest will cut very little figure this year, which adds to the strength of the situation. It is, however, difficult to get buyer's views to advance as rapidly as sellers have been obliged to advance their quotations of late, so that there is not a great deal of new business passing at the moment. Some prunes which were sold early in the season at low figures have been covered by purchases at much higher prices. There are probably not to exceed 20 per cent of the prunes in Santa Clara valley left in the growers' hands available for commercial packers to purchase, and these are scarcely obtainable at any price at the present, growers preferring to wait on the situation. In view of all these conditions, the market is pretty well nominal at the moment, although a price on Santa Clara stock of 3 1/2c is asked, with outside 1/2c less. The 1/2c premium on 40s is more generally asked now than previously, and 1/2c premium on 30s. Some are asking 1/2c on 80s and 1/2c on 90s and smaller, and others a premium on 90s and smaller only.

When packers come to figure out their sales, some may be surprised to find that they have done more business in proportion to the size of the crop than they have thought. Nearly every one has sold a few cars, but figuring on the number of cars sold last year, they consider that they have done very little business. But it does not take much figuring to see that it is only necessary for each of the various packers to sell a small number of cars to clean up the entire holdings at present in packers' hands. The crop is coming on a little earlier than usual this year and will be ready for shipment somewhat in advance of the usual time. The fruit, however, is not going to average up as large in size as was anticipated earlier, despite the small output, hot weather having had some effect in this direction. Some of the prunes are not looking the best in quality either.

In the old goods there is a question of just how much they are worth, as under present conditions in new prunes, old stock that will turn out in good condition is certainly valuable property. There are, however, not a great many old prunes left unsold.—Fruit Grower.

Tax Notice.

The Tax payers of Washington County, Oregon, are hereby notified that the last half of their taxes for the year 1904, and levied in Jan'y 1905, are now payable, and will become delinquent on the First Monday in October, 1905, at which time interest at rate of 12 per cent per annum will be charged in addition to 10 per cent penalty, which interest charge will be computed from the first Monday in April, 1905.

Dated at Hillsboro, Oregon, September 1st, 1905.

J. W. CONNELL,
Sheriff of Washington County, Oregon.

—Victor flour can't be beat.

Wifehood as the Test of Womanhood.

The Good Woman Who Makes a Bad Wife.

Marriage was a serious thing to the grandparents and great grandparents of the present generation. No woman entered lightly upon wedlock. She knew that she was going to found a family, and that she must be equal to all the responsibilities of the position she assumed. She must be able to order her own household; to knit, sew, spin, make bread, butter, soap, candles, and indeed care for and clothe a whole



family. She must not be craven when the whoop of the Indian warned of a dreadful danger. She must stand by her husband, gun in hand.

How many women of to-day could undertake wifehood under such conditions? Few indeed. Not because the modern American woman lacks courage, but because she lacks a rule the physical health which is the indispensable qualification for a life such as was lived by the women of the past.

That is why a good woman may be a bad wife. Virtue and goodness are excellent things in women, but to guide a house and bear children demands above all sound physical health.

WOMEN CONVICTS.

To a great number of women the house they live in is almost on a par with a prison. It is prison-like in the monotonous regularity of daily duties, prison-like in the absence of all pleasure in what is done or joy in the doing. And the reason is to be found in womanly ill-health. Few women realize how intimately the general health is related to the health of the delicate womanly organs. A woman may suffer with heart "trouble," disorders of kidneys, liver or stomach, or with nervous prostration as a result of a diseased condition of the womanly organism. Many such women "doctor" for years for various diseases and wonder why they don't get better. They can't get better until the womanly organism is entirely cured of its diseases.

This is not theory. It is a statement of simple facts founded upon the testimony of hundreds of thousands of women who have been cured of womanly diseases by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. They had been just "dragging around" for years, with throbbing heads and aching backs, nervous, dyspeptic, miserable. The once fresh colored cheeks had grown sallow, the eyes were dull, the body had lost its plumpness. They had in numerous instances tried many doctors and medi-

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be so weak it seemed almost impossible for me to breathe at all. Had night-sweats for three months, and my clothes would be just as wet as could be. Had uterine trouble also till I thought I would lose my mind. I also had heart trouble so badly I did not know anything I do. I suffered everything over my head. We paid out so much money for doctoring, and there was nothing that did me any good till I consented to try Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and 'Golden Medical Discovery.' I did not have any faith in these medicines at all, but I am only glad to say that in three days after taking the medicine I could see a change for the better. In a week I could sit up and then I commenced the treatment for uterine trouble. In three weeks I was able to be around the house some. I have taken nearly twelve bottles of the medicine and still continue to take it. I am getting better right along, can ride or walk any place. I can never praise your medicine enough.

"The doctor here says that he never would have believed that your medicine could have done so much for any one if he had not seen what it has done for me. He also told me to keep on taking it, for he could not help me. I thank you a thousand times for your kind advice and for your medicine."

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THE CURVED BALL.

It is the Atmosphere Which Causes Its Eccentric Shots.

Most any ten-year-old youngster can curve a ball, even though he does not know why he can do so except that the leather must be held in a certain way. Possibly a half dozen of the major league twirlers know something about the science of the curve, but comparatively few understand why they can produce their "benders." The Scientific American gives the following as the scientific explanation of the matter:

"The pitcher in the field tells us that the ball curves because he gives it a twist, but scientifically this will not do. Why will the twist make the curve? If a ball were thrown in a certain direction and if the force of gravitation were not at work the ball would continue on in a straight line forever. Some force of resistance is then at work when a ball is made to deviate in a curve from its straight course. If a feather is dropped in a vacuum in an exhausted receiver of an air pump it will drop like a shot, but if it is dropped out in the air it will go down irregularly and slowly, shifting from side to side.

"It is the atmosphere which causes the ball to curve. Bearing in mind that the atmosphere is a compressible, elastic gas, we find that when the ball leaves the hand of the pitcher with a rapid rotary motion it 'impinges upon a continuous elastic cushion,' and this moderate resistance, or friction, changes its course in the direction which is given to the rotary motion. Take an outshoot of a right handed pitcher, for instance. He impinges upon the ball a rapid centrifugal rotary motion to the left, and the ball goes to the left because the atmosphere, compressible and elastic, is packed into an elastic cushion just ahead of the ball by the swift forward and rotary motion, and the friction, which is very great in front of the ball, steers it in the direction which it is turning."

A NOTABLE MEETING.

Held in the Interest of "Woman's Rights" in 1701.

The first recorded public meeting in the interest of "woman's rights" was held in the town of Medford, Mass., in 1701. The gallery of the church was

occupied by the young unmarried people of the congregation, one side and one half the front gallery being given to the young men, the other side and the other half being given to the young women. But in the seating in this eventful year the young men were given the entire front of the gallery as well, and the young women were only allowed one side of the gallery.

Then it was that things began to happen. Treatment like this wasn't to be tolerated even for a moment. The blood of the future mothers of the Revolution was fully aroused, and the young women made such an uproar and commotion that it speedily became a town matter, and a town meeting was called to restore to them their rights in half of the front gallery.

The young men of the day were bitterly opposed to extending any new privileges to women, and the light extended beyond Medford. Shortly after the introduction of "pues" into the churches, by which families were separated from the remainder of the congregation, the selectmen of the town of Newbury gave permission to a group of young women to build a "pue" in the gallery of the church upon their own side of the house. This extension of privilege was resented by the young bachelors to such a degree that they broke a window of the church, forced an entrance and backed the pew in pieces. For this act of sacrilege the young men of Newbury were fined \$10 each and sentenced to be whipped or pilloried. But they were manly enough to confess their folly and ask pardon, so this part of their punishment was omitted. So you see the "woman's rights" movement isn't a modern one.—Boston Herald.

Technically Stated.

Muscle Teacher—Your daughter's voice is of fine quality and capable of reaching and sustaining some very lofty notes, but lacks control. Airship Inventor—In terms that are clear to one of my profession, you mean that it will fly high and far, but is not dirigible?—Baltimore American.

Well Posted.

The Boss—I'm afraid you are not qualified for the position. You don't know anything about my business. The Applicant—Don't I, though? I keep company with your typewriter.—Chicago Journal.

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Temperance Talks

BY THE W. C. T. U.

Saloon Eternally Corrupt.

"The saloon ever has been and always will be a corrupt element in politics," declared the Justice. "Said Commissioner Roosevelt on the situation in New York City: 'The most powerful saloonkeepers controlled the politicians and the police, while the latter in turn terrorized and black-mailed all the other saloon-keepers.' If the American people do not control it, it will control them."

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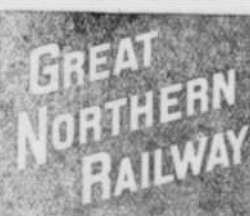
Turning directly to the question of law, Justice Grant quickly exploded the sophistries of the go-as-you-please politicians, who say, "you can't enforce the law." To them Justice Grant replied: "The excuse set up by the keepers of these places, saloons, gambling houses, etc., to their patrons and apologists is, that public sentiment does not demand the enforcement of these laws,—a charge serious if true, and a reflection upon our Christianity and civilization. But the charge is false. What do these apologists mean by public sentiment? Do they mean that there is no public sentiment because the people do not stand on the street corners or upon house-tops or hire halls and congregate there to express their sentiment? Do they mean that a majority of the men and women of our state are in favor of the wide open gambling den and the wide open house of prostitution? Do they mean that the majority of fathers and mothers desire no restraint upon these places, and to leave them wide open for the ruin of their sons and daughters? Do they mean that a majority of our population frequent these places, and that therefore jurors will not convict the guilty? If this be the condition of affairs, it becomes us as a people to cease sending money to convert the heathen to send money to convert us."

"But thank God, the charge is false and none know it better than those who make it. Public sentiment is overwhelmingly in favor of enforcing these laws, but it slumbers."

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