

OREGONIAN RAILWAY TIME TABLE.		
North.	April 1, 1891.	South.
Lv. Newberg, 7:30 a. m.	Ar. Portland, 9:40 a. m.	Ar. Newberg, 12:45 p. m.
Ar. Portland, 9:20 a. m.	Ar. Newberg, 12:45 p. m.	Ar. Portland, 1:30 p. m.
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WE HAVE A NAVY if it hasn't been sunk by the Chilians.

DESTRUCTIVE forest fires have been raging in Michigan, recently, and several small towns have been wiped out of existence.

THE people of this valley will appreciate the statement made by an attaché of the presidential party that the Willamette valley was the finest section of country they had seen on the Pacific coast.

AS OUTFIT named Cushing, who, it is claimed, have been stealing freight from Northern Pacific cars, was arrested the last of last week in Nebraska. It is said they succeeded in appropriating \$5,000 to \$10,000 worth of goods.

IF THE papers of Oregon would only give as much publicity in announcing the arrival in our state of any worker for good as they are doing in announcing the proposed visit of Bob Ingersoll, it would be a greater credit to the state.

THE Reporter suggests that the formerly from Kansas people should get together and form an association for social intercourse, mutual benefit, and the encouragement of immigration from that State. A good plan. Call your meeting Brother Barnhart.

THE Oregon White Ribbon, official organ of the W. C. T. U. of this state, is a neat little two-months-old paper published at Portland. It will prove of incalculable benefit to these women in their work, small though it is, and we wish for it abundant success.

THE Hillsboro Independent has passed out of the hands of S. T. Linklater, and will hereafter be conducted by the Hillsboro Publishing Company. There have been some changes and improvements made by the company, though the paper has been one of the best locals on our list.

THE wool clip of eastern Oregon and Washington, it is said, will exceed that of last year by fully a million pounds, and the price is given two cents per pound higher than last year. This will put two or three hundred thousand dollars extra into the pockets of the sheep men, and help out the states at large accordingly.

LIGHTNING struck a tree near Salem a few days ago, and a man recently from Kansas, who was standing near, was knocked insensible. He came up smiling in a short time, however, and now the men people are wondering what it takes to kill a Jayhawker anyway. The man from Kansas, having this found an old acquaintance, has no doubt ere this bought a fruit tract in the vicinity, and sent back east for his wife and babies.

Portland Telegram: The American Humane Society and its local branches, and like organizations in other lands, are engaged in a noble work. The prevention of cruelty to children and helpless people, and to dumb animals, should be aided by at least the moral support of every humane man and woman. To violently or viciously abuse a dumb brute is not only a crime under the law, but a cowardly one, and the man who does so is less deserving of sympathy and protection than his dumb victim. See that the animals are treated right.

THE World has a few words of praise for the moskabe, the first we have read, and we must say that they are not, in our opinion, altogether groundless. When we consider the hardships and privations undergone by these same moskabe in laying the foundations upon which is built a great state we do not so much wonder that those of them who have prospered and grown independent by their own energies are so selfish that they want to enjoy what they have in their own way. There are few of us but would claim the same privileges under similar circumstances.

THE West Shore is a thing of the past, having suspended publication on May 2. The cause of this is no doubt owing to inefficiency on the part of the new management. This much we know, it has been continually running down at the heels since L. Samuels was removed from its management. This refers to its merits as a journal; its financial affairs of course we know nothing about. The plant may have been on an unstable basis when the company was formed that succeeded Samuels, but if this is true, the people of the northwest have every reason to think that such condition was brought about in an honest endeavor on Mr. Samuels' part to give them something original and wholly peculiar to this section where it has been so widely circulated and universally admired. And we believe no man more sincerely deprecates its downfall than he who through all manner of discouragements brought it to a high state of excellence, and made it the best paper of the kind on the Pacific coast, and who has been compelled to stand by with his hands tied and see it dwindle away to the little end of nothing.

FRUIT SUPPLY.

A writer in an exchange says: There has been a great many prizes raised in the Willamette valley the past season, but the demand has been greatly in excess of the supply. The home market has not begun to be supplied with this fruit. Portland merchants, it is said, have shipped direct from Italy 90,000 pounds of prunes, for which they paid on an average, nine cents per pound. Look at this and consider. Right here, in the best fruit growing country in the world, where an abundance of the very finest fruit could be grown for both home and foreign demand, and yet an inferior quality of fruit is shipped here for home consumption from a foreign country, at a high price. There is a "screw loose" somewhere, and the quicker it is adjusted the better it will be for the country. Some say prunes and fruit raising in general, will be overdone and will not pay. This is an old, threadbare worn scarecrow. We have heard that cry ever since we have been on this coast—about twenty years. It has been predicted all along during those years that California fruit growers would overdo the business. The reverse has been the result, and California is growing rich through her fruit industry. This state, which is as productive for fruit as California, has depended upon the latter up to this time for its supply of canned fruits. Daily shipments of California fruits are received all over Oregon, and there is not a grocery or supply store but what has in stock a supply of that fruit. This should not be so. Canneries and fruit drying establishments in Oregon should become more plentiful—at least there should be enough to supply the home demand for canned and dried fruit. —Western Home.

PIECE-ROOTS VS. WHOLE-ROOTS.

Misfortune appears to follow any discussion of root-grafting. The difficulties enveloping the subject, the pecuniary interests of those who have trees of one kind or another to sell, and the love of controversy for its own sake, render any attempt at solution of the relative merits of root-grafted, crown-grafted and budded trees well nigh useless. And writers themselves have been to blame in setting out without some definite proposition to prove; and as a consequence observations have been restricted and facts have been perverted, even unconsciously. It was with much hesitation that I entered into this disputed field before the Nurserymen's Association last year, but it seemed advisable to undertake a fair discussion of the subject among nurserymen themselves. The immediate result was gratifying, for the nurserymen discussed the matter earnestly and fairly. But so much cannot be said of some of the discussion which the attempt has since provoked. My object was simply to state some points of difference which I thought I had observed between piece-rooted and whole-rooted trees, and there was no attempt to show that one is necessarily better than the other. It is yet too early to attempt to judge of ultimate merits; we must first establish some common ground of observation and study.

Root-grafting serves two entirely distinct purposes. In the old apple regions it is a means of propagating apple trees cheaply and rapidly, but in the Northern prairie states it is used for the purpose of securing own-rooted trees by the use of a very long scion. With this latter use of root-grafting I am entirely unconcerned in this discussion, for in this case the root serves only as a temporary nurse and the resulting own-rooted trees are not comparable with graft-rooted trees. The general conclusions which I reached concerning piece-rooted trees are simply these:

1. The roots are comparatively weak the first year or two, and the trees make a shorter growth than upon whole roots.

2. The roots are apt to be prongy, one-sided and shallow. Subsequent study has only confirmed these convictions. But there are many who think them erroneous, and I am glad of an opportunity to present a few representative opinions. I have thought it not worth while to repeat any correspondence which is purely controversial in spirit.

From G. J. CARPENTER, Nebraska.—"I send samples of apple trees upon piece-roots. They are simply fair specimens, not selected ones by any means, and in making photographs of them I wish that you would name the varieties, as we find a great difference in different varieties of apple roots; for instance, the Ben Davis has nearly twice the amount of root growth than the Wine Sap has, and you will notice that the varieties we send you differ greatly. In digging some thousand trees this fall we have borne in mind the statement that in piece-root grafts two roots are on one side, and we found that it was not true with us, but find that they are evenly balanced, as you will note by the sample sent."

These trees were as fine average specimens of apple trees as I have seen. The roots—which were all from the original root—were symmetrical or very nearly so, strong and numerous, and the trees straight and handsome. They were three years old from the graft. The varieties are Maiden's Blush, Fallwater (Tulpehocken), Golden Russet, Hubbardston (Hubbardston's Nonpareil), and Gravenstein, in the order named. In order to arrive at a basis of comparison I procured the same varieties of average budded trees of the same age from a western New York grower. The tops of the trees in the two lots were essentially the same, although the budded trees were a little larger. These budded trees were dug when the ground was frozen, so that the roots are short, but the general character of the roots can be seen in Fig. 2, which shows the varieties in the order named: Maiden's Blush, Fallwater, Golden Russet, Hubbardston Gravenstein. The difference in the two lots is striking. The piece-rooted trees bear more large, horizontal, stiff roots; while the budded trees have a deeper root system, and show

more numerous fine roots.

From J. L. BROWN, Nebraska.—"We use in our nursery only about one and one-half to two inches of root, and nine inches of graft. I cannot see any difference, in our soil, in the root growth from roots of different lengths until we make them less than one and one-half inches long, and then we do not secure so strong a growth the first year. We usually get a growth of from two to four feet the first year. I have not succeeded in getting a better growth from buds here than from piece-roots."

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