WEEKLY MARKET LETTER.

Trade Conditions in the Leading Cities of the World.

[Reported by Downing, Hopkins & Co., Inc., Board of Trade Brokers, 711 to 714 Chamber of Commerce building, Portland, Oregon.]

Indications are that the wheat crop of 1898 will be the greatest in the history of the country. From figures that are being collected and compiled by some of the big Chicago firms, based on the reports of experts in every section of the country, the oncoming wheat crop is estimated to exceed 650,000,000 bushels. All the conditions are reported as being of the most favorable nature, and while there is a decrease in acreage the total yield will be more than double that of 1897. In the fall of 1896 there was an extraordinary increase in acreage, but the conditions were such that a large share of the crop was plowed up the following spring, and at harvest time much of the remaining crop was not worth cutting. Kansas looms up as the banner state this year, an increase of 28 per cent in the acreage having been reported. Estimates on the yield vary all the way from 70,000,000 bushels to 100,000,000 bushels, while the combined crops of Kansas, Nebraska and Oklahoma is estimated at 160,000,000 bushels. Of this 30,000,000 to 40,000,000 bushels are credited to Oklahoma and Kansas will have 80,000,000 to 90,000,000 bushels.

As compared with the planting in Illinois in the fall of 1896, there has been a decrease of 16 per cent in the acreage, but in spite of this the conditions in the Sucker State are about the same as in Missouri, and the apparent decrease in acreage is discounted by the amount of wheat that was plowed up in the spring of last year. The 1897 crop in Illinois amounted to a little less than 10,000,000 bushels, whereas it is generally conceded that this year's crop will be nearly, if not fully, treble, or between 25,000,000 and 30,000,000 bushels. Texas will have a 20,000,000 bushel crop. Never before has the wheat looked so fine in the lone Star state as is does now. The harvest will be unusually early and agents writing to their houses here report that a great part of the crop will be harvested and ready for shipment in June.

Portland Market.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 85c; Valley and Bluestem, 88c per bushel.

Flour—Best grades, $4.75; graham, $4.20; superfine, $2.50 per barrel.

Oats—Choice white, 40c; choice gray, 38@39c per bushel.

Barley—Feed barley, $22; brewing, $24 per ton.

Millstuffs—Bran, $17 per ton; middlings, $23; shorts, $17.

Hay—Timothy, $11@12; clover, $10@11; Oregon wild hay, $9@10 per ton.

Eggs—Oregon, 12½@13c per dozen.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 32½@35c; fair to good, 25@30c; dairy, 25@30c per roll.

Cheese—Oregon full cream, 11c; Young America, 12½c.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, $3.50 per dozen; hens, $4.00; springs, $2.00@4; geese, $6.00@7.00; ducks, young, $4@6.00 per dozen; turkeys, live, 11@12c per pound.

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, 30@35c per sack; sweets, $1.75@2 per cental.

Onions—Oregon, $2.25@2.50 per sack.

Hops—5@12½c per pound for new crop; 1896 crop, 4@6c.

Wool—Valley, 14@15c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 8@12c; mohair, 25c per pound.

Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 3½c; dressed mutton, 7c; spring lambs, 9c per lb.

Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, $4.75; light and feeders, $3.00@4.00; dressed, $5.50@6.50 per 100 pounds.

Beef—Gross, top steers, $4.00; cows, $2.50@3.50; dressed beef, 5@7c per pound.

Veal—Large, 5c; small, 6c per pound.

Seattle Market.

Potatoes—Yakimas, $11@12 per ton; natives, $8@10; sweets, 2½c per pound; box of 60 pounds, $1.75.

Butter—Fancy native creamery, brick, 21c; ranch, 10@13c; dairy, 14@16c; Iowa fancy creamery, 20c.

Cheese—Native Washington, 11@12c; Eastern cheese, 12@12½c.

Eggs—Fresh ranch, 16c; California ranch, 14c.

Meats—Choice dressed beef steers, 8c; cows, 7@7½c; mutton, 8c; pork, 7½c; veal, small, 8c.

Poultry—Chickens, live, per pound, hens, 14c; dressed, 16c; turkeys, live, 14c; dressed, 17@18c.

Fresh Fish—Halibut, 6@7c; steel heads, 7@8c; salmon trout, 9@10c; flounders and sole, 3@4c; tom cod, 4c; ling cod, 4@5c; rock cod, 5c; smelt, 3@5c; herring, 4c.

Olympia oysters, per sack, $3@3.25.

Corn—Whole, $25; cracked, per ton, $25; feed meal, $25 per ton.

Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, $26; whole, $25.

Flour—Patents, per barrel, $5.25@5.50; straights, $5.00; California brands, $6.25; Dakota brands, $5.00@$5.75; buckwheat flour, $6.50.

Millstuffs—Bran, per ton, $17; shorts, per ton, $18.

Feed—Chopped feed, $21@22 per ton; middlings, per ton, $18@19; oil cake meal, per ton, $35.

Hay—Puget Sound, new, per ton, $10@13; Eastern Washington timothy, $17; alfalfa, $11; straw, $7.

Oats—Choice, per ton, $28.

Wheat—Feed wheat, per ton, $26.

San Francisco Market.

Wool—Southern coast lambs, 7@8c; San Joaquin, 7@8c; Northern, 11@12c per lb.

Millstuffs — Middlings, $21@23; California bran, $16@16.50 per ton.

Onions—New, 50@65c per sack.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 20c; do seconds, 19c; fancy dairy, 19c; good to choice, 16@18c per pound.

Potatoes—Early Rose, 40@50c.

Eggs—Store, 14@14½c; ranch, 14½@16c.

Fresh Fruit—Apples, $40@1.50 per large box; cherries, 40c@60; do red and white, 25@40c per box.

Citrus Fruit—Oranges, navels, $1.25@3.00; Mexican limes, $4.50; California lemons, 75c@$1.00; do choice, $1.25@1.50; per box.

Hay—Wheat, $20@24.50; wheat and oat, $20@23; oat, $14.50@16.50; best barley, $16@18.50; alfalfa, $12.00@13.50; clover, $13@15.

Cheese—Fancy mild, new, 9½c; old, 10c per pound.

Hops—9@12½c per pound.

TRIP OF THE OREGON.

RECORD-BREAKING CRUISE OF THE PACIFIC-BORN WARSHIP.

Journey Equal to More than Half the Distance Around the Earth—Beset by Grave Dangers, but Was Always Ready for Trouble.

First to Round the Horn.

When the Oregon started on her unparalleled cruise of 13,000 miles and steamed through the Golden Gate, firing her salute of good-by to the flag that floats over the Presidio on March 19, Capt. Charles E. Clark and his crew were as much in ignorance of her ultimate destination as the rest of the world. Captain Clark was told to make Callao his first stopping place. The big vessel, with its tremendous load of guns and protecting turrets, ran into a heavy sea before it had got out of sight of California's promontories. The captain's orders did not provide for a return. The ship's prow had been headed for the coast of Peru and the course was never changed in spite of protracted bad weather. While many tons of steel were pounding on the Pacific the men who direct the game of war and use the warships as so many pieces at chess were debating what disposition should be made of the redoubtable floating battery. To "Fighting Bob" Evans was left the disposition of the big ship. "Dewey, with the Olympia, can lick the entire Spanish Asiatic squadron," was Evans' estimate, and the destination of the Oregon was settled.

Great anxiety was felt for the "pride of the navy" when April 1 came and she had not been sighted off the coast of Peru, as expected, but on April 8 the bold lines of the battleship were described off Callao. She had fought a long battle with the elements, but had come out victorious without a mark. The Oregon coaled at Callao and there Captain Clark received a sealed packet containing his orders. When the ship had headed about and steered into the open sea, Captain Clark communicated the story of the Maine's report and its reception by the American people to his men, in addition to the route of their excursion around Cape Horn. Officers and crew exercised the greatest precaution when war with Spain promised to become the sequel to the Maine disaster. The ship was given a coat of iron gray and her searchlight swept the horizon for hostile sails. The

CAPT. CLARK OF THE OREGON.

progress of the vessel southward after leaving Callao was attended by great danger owing to storms, and for that reason the Oregon coaled in the Straits of Magellan instead of attempting to enter the harbor of Valparaiso. When the joint resolution of Congress declared the Cuban people should be free and that Spanish sovereignty was at an end on the Western continent, Captain Clark was only twenty-four hours behind schedule time. The Oregon was the first warship in history to round that storm-swept point.

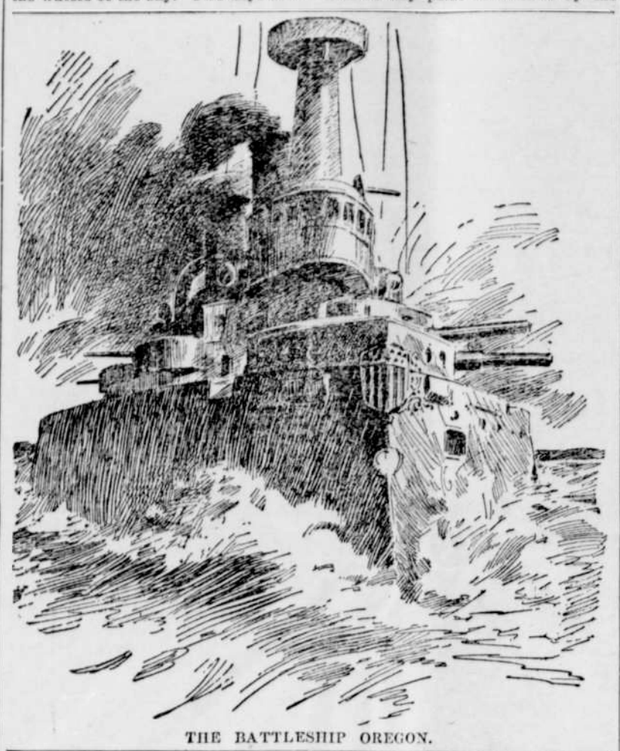
On the Lookout for Trouble.

Captain Clark was warned by cable of the dangers that lay in his path and answered that he was ready to engage the entire Spanish fleet if his superiors so desired. A brief summary of the

MAP SHOWING OREGON'S LONG TRIP.

joint resolutions were sent him for the entertainment of his men, together with a "tip" that a declaration of war and actual hostilities would be forthcoming. When the Oregon turned into the Atlantic Ocean she was joined by the gunboat Marietta, which had left San Diego several days after the Oregon. Together they steamed northward. Captain Clark and the commander of the Marietta learned of the events that had transpired while they were speeding from the Straits of Magellan. War had been declared April 25, and the crews of both boats set up a mighty cheer when they received the news of the capture of Spanish vessels off the coast of Cuba.

Spain's crack torpedo boat, the Temerario, made a bluff at the Oregon, but immediately slunk away into the Bay of Montevideo and hid behind a peninsular when she got within observation distance of Uncle Sam's mighty sea fighter. The least inclination of the Temerario to disrespect the friendly character of the harbor would have resulted in the sinking of the Spaniard under five tons of steel projectiles into the waters of the bay. Two days after



THE BATTLESHIP OREGON.

the American vessels arrived at Rio de Janeiro the Temarario arrived. Brazilian officials, however, were active and said they would prevent any clash between the representatives of the two governments. News of the magnificent victory of Dewey's fleet reached the Americans in Rio de Janeiro. Within the harbor of Brazil's capital the Oregon and Marietta were joined by the dynamite cruiser Buffalo, recently purchased from that government.

Orders came from the Navy Department to proceed, and the fleet of three vessels steamed out of the harbor of Rio de Janeiro May 4. They were instructed to stop at every cable port en route and receive instructions.

Oregon Built in the West.

All the material for the construction and armament of the Oregon came from the far Western States. The iron mines of California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Colorado, and New Mexico supplied the crude metal which was afterward converted into steel for the hull, great strips of armor and ponderous castings for the guns. The big battleship was built by the Union Iron Works, San Francisco. On her trial trip an average of 16.70 knots was maintained and 11,111 horsepower was developed, 2,111 in excess of the contract.

In size the Oregon is only surpassed by one ship in the navy—the Iowa. The displacement of the Pacific-born monster is 10,288 tons. The excess weight of the Iowa comes from her high decks, which are supposed to make her more seaworthy. When the Oregon was constructed she was intended for coast service, her designers never thinking of a record-breaking cruise equal to more than half the distance around the earth's surface. The Oregon is supplied with bunkers that give her a coal capacity of 1,594 tons. This enables her to steam 4,500 miles without recoaling. The Oregon's complement of men numbers 473. Her armor is divided as follows: Belt, 18 inches; deck, 2¾ inches; barbettes, 17 inches; turrets, 15 inches; casements, 6 inches. The main battery of the Oregon consists of four 13-inch, eight 8-inch and four slow-fire 6-inch guns. This outfit is not surpassed by any battleship in the world. The supplementary rapid-fire battery consists of twenty 6-pounders, six 1-pounders, four Gatlings, two field guns and three torpedo tubes.

Ancient Methods of Signaling.

The fabulous honor of being the first inventor of the art of signaling is bestowed by certain classical writers upon the ingenious Palamedes. This hero may have introduced improvements in detail, but it is certain that long before the time of the Trojan war the Egyptians and Assyrians, if not the Chinese and other nations of remote antiquity—of whom monumental records alone remain to us—had developed regular methods of signaling by fire, smoke, flags, etc.

The great wall, built by the Chinese ages ago, and 1,500 miles long, is studded with towers. Between these signals were interchanged when troops had to be collected in order to resist attack at any point threatened by the Tartars or "outer barbarians." By Maj. Boucheraeder and others it has been considered that the huge tower of Babel was erected for similar as well as for a number of different purposes. That is to say, for the signaling not necessarily of any particular words or sentences, but of expected events, imperial decrees, military orders and other matters intended to be understood through conventional signals, whether of lights, flags, semaphores or other devices, by all the motley host of nationalities and languages of which the Chaldean empire was composed.—Cornhill.

Fort Along the Trocha.

The Spanish trocha in Cuba is a form of fortification running along the coast

SPANISH USE OF BARBED WIRE.

for fifty miles, with a jungle on either side, in which barbed wire is used extensively. The picture shows one of the forts along the trocha.

This Country's Marvelous Wealth.

The Government returns of the grain crop of 1897 are now complete. They make almost a startling showing of the wealth of the country in soil production.

Of corn we produced 1,902,067,933 bushels, for which the farmers received—for farm prices only are considered—no less than $501,072,952, or about one-half the entire national debt.

Of wheat we produced 530,149,168 bushels, which poured into the laps of the farmers the sum of $428,547,121.

Of oats we produced 698,767,809 bushels, yielding $147,974,719.

Thus on three grain crops alone our tillers of the soil earned $1,077,594,792.

This does not include barley, hay, beef, mutton, wool, pork, eggs, chickens, garden vegetables, fruits, butter, milk, or any other of a hundred farm products that together greatly exceed these three recorded crops in value. It does not include the 7,000,000 bales of cotton, or the rice, or the tobacco, or anything else than three grain products.

What a country ours is, to be sure, when one year's crops yield to the cultivators six or seven times our whole national debt! What limit shall be set to the power and glory of a country so marvelously fruitful?—New York World.

World's Great Cities.

According to the latest authority on population the great cities of the world are, in the order of their size, as follows: London, with a population of 4,231,431; New York (Greater), 3,200,000; Paris, 2,447,957; Berlin, 1,677,351; Canton, 1,000,000; Vienna, 1,364,548; Tokio, Japan, 1,214,113; Philadelphia, 1,142,653; Chicago, 1,099,850; St. Petersburg, 1,035,439, and Pekin, 1,000,000.

Fill Teeth with Glass.

The latest use for glass is instead of gold as a material for stopping decaying teeth. It answers splendidly, and is far less conspicuous than the yellow metal. Of course, it is not ordinary glass, but is prepared by some new patented process which renders it soft and malleable.

Very Shocking Drama.

"Ain't that new drama simply disgusting?"

"Ain't it! The idea of that big, handsome villain getting that dear little heroine into that dark room and then not even attempting to kiss her."—Puck.

What has become of the old-fashioned boy who had his nose held, and took castor oil?

Works Every Day

Hood's Sarsaparilla Has Cured a Severe Stomach Trouble.

"I suffered from a severe stomach trouble. I could not keep anything on my stomach. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and it cured me. I can now eat almost anything I wish and my health is good. Hood's Sarsaparilla has enabled me to work every day."—S. J. FERGUSON, Monroe, Or. Remember

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is America's Greatest Medicine. $1; six for $5.

Hood's Pills cure indigestion, biliousness.

Carborundum in Canada.

The Carborundum Company, of Niagara Falls, N. Y., has made all arrangements for the manufacture of their product in the Dominion of Canada at an early date. They have purchased a plot of land in Niagara Falls, Ont., and will at once commence the erection of a factory, the contract for it having been awarded. They have also made a contract with the Canadian Niagara Falls Power Company for a block of electrical power to operate the furnace. In addition to the property purchased they have taken an option on additional land, in order that they may enlarge their plant should they see the necessity of so doing.

THE CHINESE FLAG.

The standard of the Celestial Empire is a very queer looking affair. It represents the most grotesque of green dragoons on a yellow ground. The latter is suggestive not only of the national complexion, but also of that of a sufferer from biliousness. To remove the unbecoming tint from the complexion, use Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which will speedily regulate your liver, prevent malaria, and remedy dyspepsia, nervousness, rheumatism and kidney complaint.

Keeps Milk Pure.

A Swede has patented an apparatus to assist in keeping milk pure, which consists of two tubes with flaring tops to be attached to the arms in milking, to carry the milk into the lower ends of the tubes connecting a covered pail, thus decreasing the size of the openings exposed to a minimum.

TRY ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE.

A powder to be shaken into the shoes. At this season your feet feel swollen, nervous, and hot, and get tired easily. If you have smarting feet or tight shoes, try Allen's Foot-Ease. It cools the feet and makes walking easy. Cures swollen and sweating feet, blisters and callous spots. Relieves corns and bunions of all pain and gives rest and comfort. Ten thousand testimonials of cures. Try it *today*. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores for 25c. Sent by mail for 25c in stamps. Trial package FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, New York.

For Workmen's Lunches.

A recently patented wrapper in England is especially suitable for carrying workmen's meals. It is made of waterproof material, and is shaped with a rigid piece in the center. The flaps are secured by buttons or hooks and eyes. When not in use it can be folded into small space, a strap forms the handle.

The Klondyke

baking powder is *Schilling's Best* baking powder. It keeps and does its work everywhere.

Very young children are not sensitive to pain to any great extent. Dr. Denger calculates that sensibility is seldom clearly shown in less than four or five weeks after birth, and before that time infants do not shed tears.

I believe Piso's Cure is the only medicine that will cure consumption.—Anna M. Ross, Williamsport, Pa., Nov. 12, '95.

Novel Knife Sharpener.

A new knife sharpener is formed of two members, each having file blades, with one blade slotted through the center to receive the other. The blades are attached to a U-shaped spring to cross each other, the knife being inserted back of the cross and forced outward to open the file blades as it slides along.

A New Lifeboat.

A French inventor has designed a new lifeboat, which has a weighted keel extending low enough from the bottom of the boat to prevent its overturning, while air-tight compartments are placed in the ends and sides which will keep it from sinking when full of water.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

Thread Holder.

A Tennessee woman has patented a thread holder and cutter for spools, consisting of a clamping band to engage the end flange of the spool, provided with a flat string on its outer surface, with a cutting blade at one end, the end of the thread being held under the spring, to prevent it from unwinding.

An aeronaut says that there is the same difference in the air at the earth's surface and at an altitude of half a mile that there is between water in a muddy puddle and the purest spring water.

The leaf of a creeping moss found in the West Indies, known as the "life plant," is absolutely indestructible by any means except immersion in boiling water or the application of red hot iron.

WHEAT Make money by successful speculation in Chicago. We buy and sell wheat on margins. Fortunes have been made on a small beginning by trading in futures. Write for full particulars. Best of reference given. Several years' experience on the Chicago Board of Trade, and a thorough knowledge of the business. Send for our free reference book. DOWNING, HOPKINS & Co., Chicago Board of Trade Brokers. Offices in Portland, Oregon and Seattle, Wash.

WILL & FINCK CO.'S **SPRING EYE GRAIN BAG NEEDLES.....**

Plain or with Cutter. The best needle in the market. Used by all sack sewers. For sale by all general merchandise stores, or by

WILL & FINCK CO., 529 Market Street, San Francisco, Cal.

PISO'S CURE FOR CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists. CONSUMPTION 25 CTS.

Extracting Copper.

The interesting "wet process" of extracting copper from pyrites, in use near Antwerp, is described in a paper read before the Association of Graduates of the Ghent Technical School by L. Breda. From this it appears that the ore, containing from three to four per cent of copper, is roasted, crushed and roasted with salt. The chlorinated ore in quantities of twenty-five tons is twice washed with some 660 gallons of water, then with the waste liquor from the precipitating tanks, then with dilute warm sulphuric acid, and finally with warm water. The washed ore at last contains only 0.2 per cent of copper. The liquor is run into tanks, and the copper is precipitated by scrap iron. The somewhat remarkable statement is made that by this means the amount of copper left in the waste liquor does not exceed 1.4 gram per gallon.

Exportation of Lumber.

The exports of lumber from this country have been rapidly increasing during the past two years, and especially was there a notable increase last year over the record for the year before. In 1896 the value of lumber exports from this country was $33,000,000, while last year there was an increase of more than 20 per cent, the total being upward of $40,000,000 worth of lumber. In 1895 the value was about $30,000,000, and for several years previous to that year the value was about the same. In 1860 it was $10,000,000.

JOHN POOLE IS CONSTANTLY REceiving large invoices of the celebrated Stoughton wagons. These are superior to any ever put upon this market. Before buying a wagon call and examine, or write for catalogue. Address foot of Morrison street, Portland, Oregon.

Life of a Watermain.

The life of a cast iron water main is stated, in a report recently made to the Melbourne, Australia, city engineer, to average about thirty years. When taken up after forty years of service the iron is generally worthless, even for scrap. Mild steel pipes last about as long, but the cost of jointing and laying, as well as the cost of the pipes themselves, is considerably less for steel than for cast-iron.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss.
LUCAS COUNTY.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior parter of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

{ SEAL } A. W. GLEASON, *Notary Public*

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

An Envelope Addresser.

An English patent is for an automatic envelope addresser. The machine has a series of stencil plates with different names on them and which are fed one at a time against an ink roller with the envelope pressed against it by another roller to print the address.

FITS Permanently Cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE $2.00 trial bottle and treatise. DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

New Lacing Hook.

A new lacing hook has been designed for shoes which has an eyelet stamped into the leather, with a hook hinged on one side which shuts and holds the lace as soon as the latter is drawn tight, all the hooks opening at once when the knot at the top is untied.

THE EXCELLENCE OF SYRUP OF FIGS is due not only to the originality and simplicity of the combination, but also to the care and skill with which it is manufactured by scientific processes known to the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. only, and we wish to impress upon all the importance of purchasing the true and original remedy. As the genuine Syrup of Figs is manufactured by the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. only, a knowledge of that fact will assist one in avoiding the worthless imitations manufactured by other parties. The high standing of the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. with the medical profession, and the satisfaction which the genuine Syrup of Figs has given to millions of families, makes the name of the Company a guaranty of the excellence of its remedy. It is far in advance of all other laxatives, as it acts on the kidneys, liver and bowels without irritating or weakening them, and it does not gripe nor nauseate. In order to get its beneficial effects, please remember the name of the Company—

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.
LOUISVILLE, Ky. NEW YORK, N. Y.

TO WOMEN FROM

Mrs. Joseph Peterson, Warren, Pa.

"I have suffered with womb trouble over fifteen years. I had inflammation, enlargement, and displacement of the womb.

"The doctor wanted me to take treatments, but I had just begun taking Mrs. Pinkham's Compound, and my husband said I had better wait and see how much good that would do me. I was so sick when I began with her medicine, I could hardly be on my feet. I had the backache constantly, also headache, and was so dizzy. I could not walk around, and I could not lie down, for then my heart would beat so fast I would feel as though I was smothering. I had to sit up in bed nights in order to breathe. I was so weak I could not do anything. I have now taken several bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and used three packages of Sanative Wash, and can say I am perfectly cured. I do not think I could have lived long if Mrs. Pinkham's medicine had not helped me."

Good Health

Is the working capital of humanity. He who loses that is wrecked indeed. Is your health failing you, your ambition, vigor, vitality wasting away? When others fail consult

DOCTOR RATCLIFFE,

For the speedy, safe and permanent cure of all **Nervous, Chronic and Special diseases**, even in their most aggravated forms. There is no man in the world who has effected so many permanent cures in both Men and Women of troubles which other physicans of acknowledged ability had given up as hopeless as this eminent specialist.

NERVOUS DEBILITY and all its attendant ailments, of YOUNG, MIDDLE-AGED and OLD MEN. The awful effects of neglected or improperly treated cases, causing drains, weakness of body and brain, dizziness, failing memory, lack of energy and confidence, pains in back, loins and kidneys, and many other distressing symptoms, unfitting one for study, business or enjoyment of life. Dr Ratcliffe can cure you, no matter who or what has failed.

WEAK MEN. He restores lost vigor and vitality to weak men. Organs of the body which have been weakened through disease, overwork, excesses or indiscretions are restored to full power, strength and vigor through his own successful system of treatment.

VARICOCELE, hydrocele, swelling and tenderness of the glands treated with unfailing success.

SPECIAL DISEASES, inflammation, discharges, etc., which, if neglected or improperly treated, break down the system, cause kidney and bladder diseases, etc.

DISEASES OF WOMEN. Prompt and especial attention given to all their many ailments.

WRITE If you are aware of any trouble. DO NOT DELAY. Call on Dr. Ratcliffe today. If you cannot call, write him. His valuable book free to all sufferers. CONSULTATION FREE and confidential at office or by letter.

E. M. RATCLIFFE, 713 First Ave., SEATTLE, WASH

UNION PACIFIC OVERLAND WORLD'S PICTORIAL LINE

THROUGH TICKETS —TO THE— East and Southeast —VIA THE—

UNION PACIFIC R. R.

THE THROUGH CAR LINE.

PULLMAN PALACE SLEEPERS.
PULLMAN TOURIST SLEEPERS.
FREE RECLINING CHAIR CARS.

Portland to Chicago Without Change

Quick Time.
Union Depots.
Personally Conducted Excursions.
Baggage Checked to Destination.
Low Rates.
Direct line to Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition held in Omaha, Nebraska, June to November.

Write undersigned for rates, time tables and other information pertaining to Union Pacific R. R.

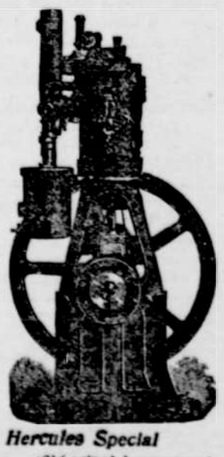
R. W. BAXTER, Gen. Agent,
135 Third St., Portland, Oregon.

YOUR LIVER Is it Wrong? Get it Right. Keep it Right.

Moore's Revealed Remedy will do it. Three doses will make you feel better. Get it from your druggist or any wholesale drug house, or from Stewart & Holmes Drug Co., Seattle.

N. P. N. U. No. 24, '98.

WHEN writing to advertisers please mention this paper.



Hercules Special
(2¼ actual horsepower)
Price, only $185.

POWER ...FOR... PROFIT

Power that will save you money and make you money. Hercules Engines are the cheapest power known. Burn Gasoline or Distillate Oil; no smoke, fire, or dirt. For pumping, running dairy or farm machinery, they have no equal. Automatic in action, perfectly safe and reliable.

Send for illustrated catalog.

Hercules Gas Engine Works

Bay St., San Francisco, Cal.