

ROSLAND, March 25.—The hardest wind ever known in this vicinity was experienced last Tuceslay, destroying a large new barn belonging to Wm. May-field. A tree was blown down on Bert Caldwell's house but did not damage it

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A coroner's jury was immediate- has qualified. Fred Wallace of He cannot deny that he felt no impanelled and the investigation Laidlaw Las taken charge of the following proved beyond a doubt company's books under the direc- sentation on the county court until that Wallande had been cruelly tion of Mr. Simmons. murdered. On his head were 10

ing in Silver creek.

strument, two of the blows causing affair is that W. A. Laidlaw, one of the wounds having been of suffi-cient force to cause fractures. His prise, will have to stand trial, with

When Wallande disappeared he was known to have something near about the proceedings in Judge \$100 and a \$35 gold watch, which had been taken from him before the follows: body was thrown into the creek, but it is the general belief at Silver Lake that robbery was not the only motive that prompted the heartless murderer to commit the terrible detd.

Silver Lake people have contributed \$375 as a reward for the arrest and conviction of the murderer.

À fetter from Silver Lake brings the news that oner Ole Hamilton, is suspected of being the murderer. He has an unsavory reputation and since the finding of Wallande's body has skipped out, going by way of Klamath Falls and register-Hamilton is the man who threat-ened a lady who was making the trip from Rosland to Bend on the stage with him last submers of the sale, two years ago, claiming only \$10-000 had been spent for their benefit. An effort will now be made to recover the difference from Laidlaw." stage with him last summer. He was intoxicated and the stage driv-er was compelled to the him hand

the matter was pointed out to him One of the most interesting fea- by the astute politicians at Prinedeep wounds from some blunt in tures in the developments of this ville."

says the body was discovered float- farmers under this system, has been ship, and was not until his, candi-

"Every voter in this precinct knows whether he wanted Mr. prise, will have to stand trial, with nose had been fractured, his arms other defendants, in a suit brought Blanchard to guit the race for badly bruised, and he had evident- by the State to recover \$200,000 of school superintendeut and run for ly been choked. It is believed that which it is claimed the farmers have judge, or whether that proposition he made a desperate last struggle. been defrauded by the irrigation came from Mr. Blauchard himself. company. The Oregonian tells If he signed a petition asking Mr. Blanchard to run for judge, as some Wolverton's court at Portland as did, he knows whether the idea originated in his own mind, or

appointed receiver by the court and dacy was launched at Prineville,

anxiety about this district's

follows: "In the federal court yesterday Judge Wolverton overruled the demurrer of W. A. Laidlaw to the complaint in the auit brought by the State to recover f 200,000, of which it is charged the farmi-ers of Crook county have been defraud-ed by his irrigation schemes. Laidlaw will now have to go to trial with the other defendants. The case is the State vs. the Three Sisters Insigation Company, the Columbia Southern frigation Company, the Oregon, Trust & Savings Bank and W. A. Laidlaw. "The project in question is the irriga-tion of 27,000 acres of land under the Carey act, surrounding the town of Laid law, near the Deschutes river. The State allowed a charge of \$14.75 per acre for putting water on this tract. The pro-moters hall sold 18,000 acres on this basis when the farmers had the court stop the sale, two years ago, chaiming only \$10-con baid bien aneut for their herefit. Allowed here is and the court stop the sale, two years ago, chaiming only \$10-con baid bien aneut for their herefit. Allowed here is and the court stop the sale, two years ago, chaiming only \$10-con baid bien aneut for their herefit. Allowed here aneut for the herefit. Allowed here aneut for their herefit. Allowed here aneut for their herefit. Allowed here aneut for the herefit. Allowed here aneut for the herefit. Allowed here aneut for their herefit. Allowed here aneut for their herefit. Allowed here aneut for their herefit. Allowed herefit. Allowed herefit herefit. Allowed herefit allowed herefit herefit. Allowe

when the farmers had the court stop the sale, two years ago, claiming only fro-coo had been spent for their benefit. An effort will now be made to recover the difference from Laidlaw." The Columbia Southern project should not be confounded with that (Continued on last page.)

to any extent. This storm was very nard on the timber destroying a terrible amount of it. The roads have been blocked all over this country and delayed teams and stages a great deal.

The ranchers are busy putting in their crops these days.

Our road supervisor, Mr. Hawthorn, was up working on the new road above Rosland one day this week. Warren Duncan arrived in Rosland

Warren Duncan arrived in Roslanit Tuesday evening with a deputy sheriff from Lake county. It had been reported that Hamilton, the mas sapected of committing the murder at Silver Lake, was in this country but they received word that he was in the Klamath Falls country so left for home Wednesday. Fire caught in the flue of C. W. Rickie's home Mooday and caused con-siderable excitement. No damage was done.

Pleasant Ridge Items

done.

There will be preaching at the Fleasant Ridge school house at 19. In. stat Sanday by Rev. Lowther, M. R. pastor of the Eend charge. A saloon man from Sisters has been canvasting our commonfly with a petition granting a saloon at Redmond, and thus far has only been able to secure but two names from Pleasant Ridge vicin

Steve Greenhalgh and Will fieige of the country indefinitely.

The Oakes have leased the southeast of Forked Horn In Glass. Frank will soon be know

G. W. Rall is entertaining friends from hone this week, the Kuykendall family, are looking for a location in this vicinity. Wm. Burdahell is plowing for therwood this week.

(F. H. Sherwood reports that the Shanilov Warehouse Company is paying 25% a bunnet for wheat, cash. That is a pretty good price and should net some money to Madras farmers.

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