

COOS BAY RAILROAD.

An activity is again apparent in the affairs of the Coos bay road which tends to revive the sleeping interest of the past few weeks, says the Salt Lake Herald.

The Coos bay road is a proposition that was sprung about the time the St. Paul trouble began, and it received its greatest agitation when the announcement was made by the St. Paul that it would float an extra \$25,000,000 worth of shares.

This suspicion was strengthened by the fact the promoters of the Coos bay project were kept in the dark and that the St Paul refused to make clear the reason for issuing additional shares.

In the meantime, however, the Coos bay matter is again showing signs of life and considerable correspondence has passed between the Portland parties and their legal representative in this city.

ONTARIO FISH HATCHERY.

A trip to the Ontario fish hatchery convinces one who never saw eggs hatched in cold water that anything can be done under the sun.

But a little calculation made regarding the hatching of fish will show that it is not guess work that prompts this great enterprise—which brings back to Oregon millions in return—but that it is a business strictly up to date and legitimate in every particular.

In a house built for hatching the fish eggs, are about 200 white baskets placed in board frames where clear cold water runs just covering each basket. In these baskets the eggs are placed, about 30 pints to each basket with about 400 eggs to each pint. If one half of the eggs hatch, and each turns loose a fish which in six years will weigh 30 pounds that will bring on the market 5 cents per pound—as nearly all that came and shipped to other countries does—what will be the net gain in Oregon?

The reader may say there is a great expense attached in putting in these hatcheries, to which all will agree, but canned salmon is worth about 10-12 cents per pound, so it is safe to say 5 cents per pound net is not over-estimating the price, and yet the demand

for fish is so great that hundreds of these hatcheries are in operation where ever an opportunity for them is afforded. We are informed that the Ontario hatchery is one of the best in the United States and will remain here indefinitely.—Ontario Argus.

The disease that has been and is now affecting the horses throughout the county, as near as can be named, is Anthrax. The disease causes a carbuncle, or boil, accompanied by gangrene of the cellular tissue that is composed of an indefinite number of minute cells communicating with each other, that in animal bodies unites all parts of the body, determines their shape and facilitates the motion of parts on each other.

Mrs. C. A. Byrd will take orders for lady tailor made clothing for fall and winter.

HERD OF DRIED CATTLE.

Twenty Thousand Carcasses in the Colorado Desert a Monument of a Man's Folly.

"In crossing the Colorado desert in Arizona one sees a frightful monument to the folly of a man who thought that he could drive cattle across the desert with such speed that water would be unnecessary," said S. T. James, in the Pittsburg Press. "More than 20,000 carcasses lie at the Pools in that desert, and remind all travelers of the gigantic scheme to drive cattle through a desert country without making any provision for water. It was 20 years ago that an extensive cattleman, who was not familiar with the great desert of the southwest, thought it would be no longer to his plan of taking cattle across it from the west into the grazing country. When the cattle reached the Pools, which are small lakes of foul alkali water, they were so crazed by thirst that they killed each other in their attempt to get at the water. The etc in that country is so dry and the sun so hot that carcasses dry up instead of decomposing. As one approaches that great herd of dead animals the carcasses look as though they were poorly fed cattle. The hair has not fallen from the carcasses, and they have maintained their original shape so well that a man who is not familiar with the desert country might easily mistake them for herds until he made close examination."

THE ORNAMENT WAS LOADED.

A Hornet's Nest Comes to Life Under the Influence of Warmth in the Home.

The residence of Hiram Fulton, of Hartnuff, Montgomery county, presented a scene of consternation and dismay several days ago, when a swarm of hornets took possession of the entire house unexpectedly, reports the Philadelphia Telegraph.

Last fall Mr. Fulton found an excellent species of hornet's nest, and finding it perfect and intact, he thought it would make an excellent ornament for his home. Acting on the impulse, he took the nest home and hung it in the parlor. That portion of the house was used very little during the winter, and several days ago, when his wife was preparing the house for visitors, a fire was started in the parlor. The room soon became warm, and their attention was shortly attracted by a loud buzzing and the next instant the room was filled with hornets that came from the ornament. The heat caused them to come out, and resulted in a rush to escape from the room. Several of the family suffered from coming in contact with the business end of the insects, and over an hour's time was consumed driving them from the house.

ALWAYS SOMETHING TO LEARN.

A Man Who Lived to the Age of 70 Before He Learned to Blow His Nose.

President Eliot was arguing in favor of education, one night recently, says the Boston Journal. He said that he was learning something every day by being "shown how."

He illustrated his point by describing the training of medical students and concluded by telling of an old friend of his who had suddenly become deaf in his old age.

"How did this happen?" I asked him. "Well, I was blowing my nose the other day when I felt something coming in my ear, followed by an itching and dullness."

"When the doctor came he said the drum had split and asked how I felt. "Only blew my nose," I told the doctor.

"Well, had you opened your mouth when you blew your nose you would not now have a damaged ear drum," was the doctor's reply.

"You see, my friend had lived 70 years and had never been shown how to blow his nose," concluded President Eliot. The application was appreciated and greeted with a great burst of laughter.

Big Bette Treat.

A belle treat has been organized by the Omaha and Winnebago Indians. The president of this grasping monopoly is Great Thunder, a Winnebago, whose specialty is making bows and arrows. Green Rainbow and Prairie Thunder, makers of moccasins, belts, and John A. Logan, manufacturer of eagle feather brooches, are directors. These leaders will benefit by the prices of Indian goods made for white purchasers.

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