

# BRIEF PACIFIC COAST NEWS

## A Resume of Events in the Northwest.

### EVIDENCE OF STEADY GROWTH

News Gathered in All the Towns of Our Neighboring States—Improvement Noted in All Industries—Oregon.

One hundred teachers registered at the recent summer school at Pendleton. It is thought the salmon pack at Astoria this season will exceed 500,000 cases.

Henry Anderson Hamstad, a stevedore, was found dead in a scow on the Willamette river at Portland.

A wagon loaded with mining machinery turned over on Harry Weaver near Olalla, fatally crushing him.

G. L. Wood, of Oakley Green, near St. Johns, committed suicide by swallowing the contents of a two-ounce bottle of morphine.

The present year's wool clip of Umatilla county has nearly all been disposed of and the buyers have left for other fields.

At Susanville two robbers bound and gagged a Chinese merchant and stole from him \$400 in cash and a large quantity of gold dust.

It is estimated that Umatilla county will harvest nearly, if not quite, 5,000,000 bushels of wheat this year. This, at 50 cents a bushel, will bring \$2,500,000.

The Independence and Dallas Hop-growers' Association have agreed to pay 30 cents a box for picking. The Dayton association will pay 30 cents a box, or 60 cents per 100.

The Portland Horse Packing Company, whose plant is located at Linton, has received an order for 5000 barrels of cured horse meat from dealers in Paris, France, and the order is now being filled.

In Linn county there are 71 church organizations, 45 church edifices with a seating capacity of 13,845; 21 halls, with a seating capacity of 1,135; valuation of church property, \$117,375; number of communicants, or members, 3,495.

The superintendent of the state penitentiary has filed his report for the quarter ending June 30 with the secretary of state. It shows there were 350 convicts at the close of the quarter, an increase of three over the preceding quarter. During the quarter 46 were received, 44 discharged, and one recaptured.

On the trial of the case of Hartin vs. the Southern Pacific in Roseburg, last week, it developed that there was no law in this state requiring that engines should whistle at crossings. But the ruling of the court is that in order to reduce the dangers of crossings to a minimum approaching trains should give proper warning.

Washington. Everett has 1,255 children of school age, a gain of 206 over last year.

The capacity of the Cheney roller mills is being increased from 80 to 150 barrels of flour a day.

Mrs. C. L. Myers owns the largest hay ranch in Lincoln county, between 6,000 and 7,000 acres.

At the potlatch on the Chehalis reservation the Indians treated their white visitors to a clam bake.

The supreme court has granted the petition for a rehearing in the case of ex-Treasurer J. W. McCauley, of Tacoma.

It is estimated that the wheat crop of Adams county will average 40 bushels per acre. Harvest hands are in demand.

The old courthouse block at Sprague, together with the buildings, have been sold and turned over to a Methodist college.

Mrs. Flora Fife, wife of Colonel W. J. Fife, a well-known theatrical and military man, died suddenly in Tacoma of typhoid pneumonia.

Chauncey Lamb, who was injured by a horse and carried from Florence, Idaho, to Colfax, on a stretcher, died in Colfax after intense suffering.

The Goldendale telephone wire has been successfully strung across the Columbia, and that city is again connected with the outside world.

The three Simpson camps on the Kamohie road, in Thurston county, got out 65,000,000 feet of logs from June, 1896, up to June of this year.

Dr. Blalock, of Walla Walla, an authority on fruit raising, says pears should be picked a week to 10 days before fully ripe, for commercial shipment.

Captain Matthews, who is now building in Hoquiam a three-masted schooner, has just returned from San Francisco with a contract to construct a steam schooner at once for Captain Kimball, of San Francisco.

A bundle of the ballots that were stolen in Tacoma, after the city election, mysteriously reappeared the other day. The bundle was found on Controller Benham's desk, but no one knows how it got there.

Sam Lash says that he was waylaid and robbed of \$180 cash while near Shiloh. The robbery was in broad daylight, being about 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Alexander Fraser, who served through the Crimean war, was found dead in his cabin in Everett. He was sitting in an easy chair, with his clothes and hat on, clutching a revolver, which was recognized as his own. He had placed the weapon close to the middle of his forehead and pulled the trigger.

## WEEKLY MARKET LETTER.

Downing, Hopkins & Company's Review of Trade.

There was not much activity or business in the wheat market during the past week partially owing to the very hot weather throughout the states east of the Rocky mountains. On account of the temporary strength of the corn market prices advanced 2 cents, but the advance did not hold and the close was at about the same as a week ago.

The July returns of the departments of agriculture indicate the average condition of spring and winter wheat combined are 84.9, which is 2.7 points higher than last month.

The Orange Judd Farmer says: In the spring wheat district the month has been wholly favorable and previous high condition of the crop, is fully maintained. The present condition, 98.3, is practically the same as reported last month. Should it go to harvest with no future drawback, there is abundance in the situation to justify an expectation of 260,000,000 bushels, with nearly 200,000,000 bushels in the Dakotas and Minnesota alone. This, with a reasonable certainty of at least 315,000,000 bushels of winter wheat, makes possible this year a total wheat crop of 575,000,000 bushels.

For the past week the decrease in the visible supply was 874,000 bushels, and the total is now but 16,609,000 bushels.

The weather was the controlling influence in the corn market during the last week. There was renewed activity over a range of about 1 1/2 cents. During the first part unseasonable temperature and lack of moisture prevailed throughout the entire corn belt. This induced liberal buying for speculative account, forcing prices up 2 cents from last week's finish. Later, when normal conditions set in, the early buyers took profit, resulting in one cent decline. Sentiment is decidedly less bearish. Conservative operators prefer buying on the weak spots, believing that only a moderate crop can be raised with perfect conditions from now on, while all the accidents favor the holder. Receipts at primary points fell off sharply, but promise slightly larger next week. The cash demand was disappointing.

### Portland Markets.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 65@66c; Valley, 67c per bushel. Flour—Best grades, \$3.50@3.60; graham, \$3.25; superfine, \$2.25 per barrel.

Oats—Choice white, 38@40c; choice gray, 37@39c per bushel. Barley—Feed barley, \$16@16.50; brewing, \$18@19 per ton.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$13.50 per ton; middlings, \$21; shorts, \$15.50. Hay—Timothy, \$10@13.50; clover, \$11.50@12.50; California wheat, \$10@12; do oat, \$11; Oregon wild hay, \$9@10 per ton.

Eggs—13@14c per dozen. Butter—Fancy creamery, 35@40c; fair to good, 30c; dairy, 25@30c per roll.

Cheese—Oregon, 11 1/2c; Young America, 12 1/2c; California, 9@10c per pound.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$2.50@3 per dozen; broilers, \$1.50@3.25; geese, \$2@3.50; ducks, \$2.50@3 per dozen; turkeys, live, 10c per pound.

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, 40@50c per sack; sweets, \$2.75 per cental for Merced; new potatoes, 50@60c per sack.

Onions—California, new, red, 90c@ \$1; yellow, \$1.25 per cental. Hops—7 1/2@8c per pound for new crop; 1896 crop, 4c.

Wool—Valley, 11@13c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 7@9c; mohair, 20c per pound.

Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 2 1/2@2 3/4c; dressed mutton, 4 1/2c; spring lambs, 5 1/2c per pound.

Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, \$4; light and feeders, \$3.50@3; dressed, \$3@4.25 per 100 pounds.

Beef—Gross, top steers, \$2.75@3; cows \$2.25; dressed beef, 4@5 1/2c per pound.

Veal—Large, 3; small, 4@4 1/2c per pound.

### Seattle Markets.

Butter—Fancy native creamery, brick, 17c; ranch, 10@12c. Cheese—Native Washington, 10@11c; California, 9 1/2c.

Eggs—Fresh ranch, 17@18c. Poultry—Chickens, live, per pound, hens, 10 1/2@11c; spring chickens, \$2@3.50; ducks, \$2.50@3.75.

Wheat—Feed wheat, \$35 per ton. Oats—Choice, per ton, \$21@22. Corn—Whole, \$20; cracked, per ton, \$20; feed meal, \$20 per ton.

Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, \$19; whole, \$18.50. Fresh Meats—Choice dressed beef, steers, 6c; cows, 5 1/2c; mutton sheep, 6c; pork, 6 1/2c; veal, small, 6c.

Fresh Fish—Halibut, 3@4c; salmon, 4@5c; salmon trout, 7@10c; flounders and sole, 3@4c; ling cod, 4@5c; rook cod, 5c; smelt, 2 1/2@4c.

### San Francisco Markets.

Wool—Choice foothill, 9@11c; Sar Joaquin, 6 months' 8@10c; do year's staple, 7@9c; mountain, 10@12c; Oregon, 10@12c per pound.

Hops—9@12c per pound. Millstuffs—Middlings, \$16.50@20; California bran, \$14@14.50 per ton.

Hay—Wheat, \$11; wheat and oat, \$7@10; oat, \$7@8 river barley, \$5@6; best barley, \$6@8; alfalfa, \$5@5.50 clover, \$6@8.

Potatoes—New, in boxes, 60@90c. Onions—New red, 65@75c; do new silver skin, 85@11c per cental.

Fresh fruit—Apples, 20@30c per small box; do large box, 30@50c Royal apricots, 20@40c common cherries, 15@25c; Royal Anne cherries, 20@30c per box; currants, \$1.00@1.50 per chest; peaches, 25@30c; pears, 20@40c; cherry plums,

## Will in a Grave.

Almost a parallel to the Jacob Z. Davis will discovery turns up in Indiana, for after lying in a man's coffin for nearly 30 years, a will has been exhumed at Leavenworth, in that state, and its terms are liable to increase a troublesome litigation among the heirs of the man who had the document buried with him.

Jacob Kissinger was the man. The will was found by accident, because when Kissinger died, although the will was believed to have been made, no body could find it. So the heirs went to law and have been at it for three decades.

A few days ago a dispute arose which could be cleared up by the family Bible. So the old grave was opened and the book taken out. It was in a good state of preservation, and, when opened, to the surprise of everyone, disclosed the old man's will.

By the terms of the document found in the grave the property of Kissinger was divided equally among five children, one of them a resident of Germany, and born of Kissinger's first wife. And this is where the new trouble begins. None of the four American heirs ever heard of the father's first marriage, and not one of them guessed that he had a brother in Europe.

The German heir, of course, has been in ignorance, too, of the existence of his American brothers, and the property and money bequeathed to him.

If he presses his claim now, it is said that the four brothers who live here will have quite a hole in their purses when they pay him what is his by his father's will.

### Horse Power of Lightning.

A recent thunder storm in the neighborhood of Berlin afforded an opportunity of measuring precisely the power of a flash of lightning. The experimenters took as a basis the amount of iron fused by a flash of lightning, and according to the statement which they have published, the power of a flash of lightning is on an average equivalent to 7,000 horsepower.

### HOIT'S SCHOOL.

One of the best schools for boys on this coast is in charge of ex-State Superintendent Ira G. Hoit, Ph. D., at Burlingame, San Mateo county, accredited.

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A new method of testing the hardness of steel balls has been devised. The balls are dropped from a fixed height on a plate glass set at an angle; if properly tempered they rebound into one receptacle, and if they are too soft, they drop into another.

## Stop! Women,

And consider that in addressing Mrs. Pinkham you are confiding your private ills to a woman—a woman whose experience in treating woman's diseases is greater than that of any living physician, male or female.

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## A GASOLINE HOISTING ENGINE.

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The use of gas and gasoline engines in mines and for all power purposes is very much on the increase. New uses for them are being found every day. They are being used quite extensively for pumping, for hoisting, and for other work in mining. Mr. W. F. Patrik has an article in a recent number of the New York Engineering and Mining Journal giving experience with a gasoline hoisting engine at the Southern Eureka mines in Utah. Mr. Patrik says:

"We have had the engine in use for some time, and have found it highly satisfactory and in the highest degree economical. We are engaged in sinking, and of course only hoisting intermittently. Our engine is rated at 25-horsepower, and hoists a load of 1,100 pounds from a depth of 275 feet in 45 seconds. Our consumption of gasoline has averaged only 0.7 gallons per hour. The amount of water used in cooling the cylinders is very small, as large galvanized iron cooling tanks are provided with the engine, and only enough water is required to replenish what is lost by evaporation. In many of our Western mining districts water for a steam plant would cost as much or more than the fuel.

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A Hercules Hoisting Engine.

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"The machinery is noiseless and safe. The gasoline tank is placed outside the engine room, underground, and below the level of the engine bed, and the gasoline is drawn up as needed by a small pump placed on one side of the engine. This arrangement prevents all possibility of an explosion. In fact, I consider it safer and more economical than steam, and when the hoisting is done, it can be shut down and there is absolutely no consumption of fuel and no possible danger of explosion."

The illustration given herewith shows a type of engine very much in use in mines throughout California, Oregon, Idaho, Arizona, Mexico, Utah, Montana, Nevada, etc. It is built by the Hercules Gas Engine Works, of San Francisco, in all sizes, from two to two hundred horsepower. The engines are built extra heavy, the hoisting drum being the same base as the engine, and geared direct. The levers operating the hoist are positive in action, and are within easy control of the operator. About three thousand of these engines are in use in different parts of the country, and in every instance have demonstrated their superiority over any other power for the purpose used.

They are also made to burn distillate oil, which reduces the fuel cost very materially, and where water and fuel are scarce, the saving in these items quite often enables the property to be worked where otherwise the expense attendant upon operating a steam engine would preclude it.

D'Aumale's Three Wills. So rich was the Duc d'Aumale that he had to make three wills to properly provide for the disposition of his property. One of them relates exclusively to that part of his property which is in France, while the other deals with the wealth deposited in England, possibly from motives of precaution.

The latest estimate of the population of the globe has been made by M. d'Amfreville, who places it at 1,479,729,000. The number of inhabitants to the square mile in Asia is 48; in Africa, 15; in America, 8; in Oceania, and the polar regions, 3; in Australia, 1. The yearly increase of the population of the earth is about 5 to every 1,000. At this rate the population doubles every 139 years.

A lady while traveling from Tyrone to Altoona, Pa., had her pocket picked in a car, and she was hustled off miles from her destination because she had not money to pay her fare. There were fourteen men who witnessed the act, and not one of them had the manliness to lend her fifty cents.

The French minister of war recently offered a prize for the swiftest bird in a flight from Perigoux to Paris—310 miles. There were 2746 entries and the winner did the distance in seven hours and 34 minutes.

Marie Theresa's equestrian statue, recently unveiled by Emperor Francis Joseph, at Pressburg, is said to be the first monument erected in Hungary to a sovereign of the Hapsburg line, which has ruled over the country for 371 years.

Near Boise City, Idaho, 400 feet below the earth's surface, there is a subterranean lake of hot water, of 170 degrees temperature. It has pressure enough to ascend to the top floor of the houses, and will be piped to them for heating purposes.

The first public library in England was founded by the corporation of London some 800 years before the British museum was established. Cromwell borrowed books from this institution and "forgot to return them."

## Influence of War on Toys.

Within the past few weeks a German factory which makes lead toy soldiers, has received so many orders for Turkish and Greek soldiers for next Christmas that it announces through the European press its inability to fill any more orders this year. The makers of toy uniforms, games, pictures and similar toys are also running overtime, making specialties illustrating the Turco-Greek war. Even the textile industries are preparing to reap the golden harvest and material of every imaginable description in Turkish and Greek designs is being manufactured in large quantities.

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In 1895 statistics of visitors to Paris were kept by the police, to whom proprietors of hotels and boarding houses had to make returns. These statistics were: English, 43,873; Americans, 42,817; Germans, 36,242.

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