

The Coast Mail.

Alaska has 500,000 square miles of trees, all fit for lumber. The forests of that territory would keep the world in planks and timber for the next 500 years. Alaska is the greatest lumber region in the world.

California stands third in the list of petroleum-producing states, leading West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky. Its principal oil production is confined to the southern end of California, and last year the product was 100,000 barrels—more in value than the orange crop.

A new scientific apparatus for measuring distances—the "teletopometer"—has been devised Prof. Cerebotani of Verona, and is being exhibited in London. Its principal feature is that it is a "triangulation," but the essential baseline is so shortened as to be contained in the instrument itself, while a set of cables enables the observer to read off quite accurately the distance or height of any object in view with out trigonometrical calculation.

When found necessary to keep meat or poultry longer than was expected, sprinkle pepper, either black or red, over it. It can be washed off easily when ready for cooking. Powdered charcoal is recommended to prevent meat from tainting, and some assert that "when fowls have been kept so long as to turn greenish, they can be made as sweet and fresh as ever by sprinkling with powdered charcoal an hour before cooking." It may be that the charcoal can make meat sweet, or fowl sweet again, but after taint has gone so far as to discolor it, we do not believe it can ever be brought back to a healthy state, and certainly should not advise the experiment. A greenish tinge is a sure indication of decay, but that charcoal, either in lump or powdered, will arrest as well as prevent this change, is doubtless true. In hot weather it is always advisable to keep a jar of charcoal in the closet, ready for use if needed.

The Eastern Press on Mitchell.

New York, Nov. 20.—The Times, commenting on the Oregon senatorial election, says: "As between Mitchell and Williams the democrats had no very great latitude in choice, but it is doubtful whether they knew why they did it. Mitchell was the candidate of the great corporate powers of the state, and he is very persuasive at times with the legislators on west. It is possible also that the democrats obtained some pledge from Mitchell in treating the president's appointment."

The Times denounces the Oregon senatorial choice as a scandalously unfit one, declaring that the new senator's stay in congress will contribute more to the advancement of his personal fortunes than to the honor of the party he acts with or the dignity of the senate.

The Brooklyn Eagle (dem.) says: "The contest for the Oregon senatorship has been brought to a sudden and ignominious conclusion by the election of Mitchell to succeed Slater. After the discreditable exhibition made by the legislature in the protracted dead-lock of last spring there was no reason to anticipate a creditable result of the extra session, but it is doubtful if the more than tolerant public of the Pacific slope were prepared for as unworthy an outcome as the return of Mitchell, while to the country his selection will carry a shock of astonishment, regret and humiliation. That his election was consummated with the assistance of democratic votes does not palliate the unwisdom or unfitness of the choice."

The New York World, national democratic organ, expresses the hope that Mitchell will stand by the democrats.

Planting Orchards.

Orchards may be planted in the fall. There are some situations where it might be advisable to defer planting until spring; but on any land suitable for an orchard no injury need result from fall planting. In a heavy, wet, retentive soil, one as no intelligent planter would occupy with trees, it would sometimes prove destructive to trees, because of an undue quantity of water about the roots; but death to trees in such soil will result in no loss, for if they lived they would never prove productive.

Fall planting, then, proper protection, may be regarded as best. Then farmers have more time to do the work well, and this is a kind of planting that cannot be slighted without serious, permanent loss.

An orchard should be planted well or not planted at all. The ground should be dry naturally or it should be underdrained; but a high, dry, north hillside, that requires no artificial draining, should, if possible, be selected; and it would be well if the land had been occupied the season previous with some well hood crop that has killed out the grass and weeds. Nothing is more important in preparing a situation for an orchard than deep plowing or underdraining.

In order to have a permanent and profitable orchard, strong and vigorous trees must be grown. A tree that grows too slowly and barely lives cannot produce a crop of good fruit. The time was, when the country was new that the fruit could be grown with but little care; but from some cause, times, seasons or circumstances have changed. Trees do not grow as well and are subject to a variety of accidents. So good ones should be set out.—[N. P. Rural Editor.]

DEATH OF RON. T. A. HENDRICKS.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 25.—Hon. A. Hendricks, vice-president of the United States, died very suddenly at his residence in this city, at 4:45 this evening, under circumstances that were particularly distressing to his family and friends, in so much as they had not anticipated a fatal termination of his brief illness, and nobody was with him when death came. He returned from Chicago last Saturday, and since then had been complaining somewhat of pain in his head and breast, but nothing serious was thought of it. Last night he and Mrs. Hendricks attended a reception at the residence of Hon. John J. Cooper, treasurer of the state, returning home in his carriage about midnight. Hendricks had taken off the heavy clothing he usually wore, and put on a dress suit of lighter material, and before he got home complained of chilliness and a certain degree of exhaustion, but attributed it to malarial influence. He sat by the fire for an hour or more before retiring, but declined to send for a doctor although urged to do so.

He slept restlessly until about 8 o'clock this morning, when he arose dressed himself and ate a hearty breakfast, saying he felt much better, and intended to attend to considerable business during the day. He and Mrs. Hendricks walked out for a walk in the park, and he had apparently regained his physical vigor and cheerfulness. An hour later, however, he began to be troubled with pains in the region of his stomach, and Mrs. Hendricks sent for the family physician, Dr. W. C. Thompson, a life long and confidential friend of the vice-president. As the pains in the stomach continued to increase he was given an emetic, and afterwards an injection, and relief came in a natural way. He arose from his bed, in which he had lain only a few minutes, and read the morning papers, talking cheerfully with his wife and an old house servant.

Just before noon he had a relapse, however, and the physician was summoned and administered the usual remedies, besides bleeding the patient, and Hendricks again expressed himself as being greatly relieved. He remained in his room all the afternoon, occasionally rising from his bed, to which he was compelled to return by a recurrence of the abdominal pains. To callers who came, and they were numerous, he sent word that he was indisposed, but would be glad to see them to-morrow.

About 4:30 Mrs. Hendricks, who had been at his bedside all day, went to the parlor to see a caller who had called to consult with her regarding the affairs of a reformatory of which she was manager, and she remained with him about 20 minutes. Tom, a colored servant, and Harry Morgan, Hendricks's nephew, and his Washington page remained with him. The servant went out, and Morgan stayed with Hendricks, who tossed uneasily in his bed, and complained of great pain, but suddenly it seemed to cease, and he said to his nephew: "I am free at last. Send for Eliza" (meaning his wife), and these were his last words, for the young man, not realizing the urgency of the message, did not deliver it at once.

Just before 5 o'clock Mrs. Hendricks came into the room and found that her husband was dead. The end of a long and eventful life had come peacefully and quietly. He lay on the bed, only outside of the covering, only partially disrobed, with his eyes only half closed, as if he were in a gentle sleep. On his face there were no traces of pain or suffering, but a pallor had come over it that indicated only too plainly that he passed away. It needed no close examination to tell that he was dead, and Mrs. Hendricks screamed and ran down stairs. A servant was dispatched to the residence of Dr. Thompson, adjoining, and he came immediately, but by the time he had reached the bedside of the distinguished dead man the extremities were becoming cold and rigid, and to Mrs. Hendricks's pathetic appeal, "Oh, doctor, can't you do something?" he was obliged to answer, "It is too late."

Mrs. Hendricks became almost distracted with grief, and it was an hour or more before she became sufficiently composed to give any information about her husband's last moments. The family servants, two of whom have lived with them for years, ran about the house crying and moaning, and there was the utmost confusion for a time. When the news was bulletined down town it was generally discredited and in a very few minutes a hundred or more of Hendricks's close political and personal friends had hurried to the house. Very soon a great crowd had collected around the entrance, and in the street, and it was found necessary to refuse admission to any and all comers, except immediate relatives.

Apportionment and Its Abuses.
The Astorian has a well-founded complaint against the apportionment of representation, or, rather, misrepresentation, as it styles it, in our state legislature. That journal complains, and very justly, too, that Clatsop county, with a population of 10,240, is represented in the senate jointly with Columbia and Tillamook counties, or, to use the Astorian's own phrase, "has but one-third of a senator, and one-half of a representative in the lower house. In contrast to this the county of Baker, with a population of 7000, has one senator all to itself, and two representatives. Columbia has one representative for a population of 9913, while Clatsop, with more than three times her population, has to be joined to Tillamook. But the most glaring injustice is in the case of Douglas, which has two senators and four representatives on a population of 8053, and that of Yamhill county is but little better. This apportionment is

about as bad a case of "taxation without representation" as we have heard of in some time.

It would not be so bad if any determined effort had been made to remedy it at the session which has just closed. The apportionment under which we are now working was made at the legislative session of 1872, upon a basis of population which does not now exist. The great salmon fisheries of the lower Columbia, the entrepot of which is the county seat of Clatsop, gave to that county a sudden increase of population in two years after that apportionment was made, and though that industry manifests a slight decadence in the past three years, there seems to be no falling off in the population of Clatsop county. This is largely attributable to the fact that the Scandinavian fisherman who for so great a proportion of Astorian's population during the salmon-packing season have acquired little homes for themselves in the environs of that city, and cultivate the land which is called the "close time." Hence, while the fishing industry has declined, the population engaged in that industry has not declined proportionately.

The failure at the special session to pass a new apportionment bill will not add materially to the political prospects of the members composing that body. It was a duty which that body owed the state at large, and a duty the performance of which had already been too long deferred. But there were obstacles in the way of it, the chief of which was the senatorial election. A glance at the vote which elected Mitchell will show that the representation of no county in this state could have been increased upon a basis of present population, without taking from counties that were either democratic or else persistent in electing to the legislature men who are known to be favorable to Mitchell and his methods. The counties of Baker and Union send democratic representatives to seven legislature out of every ten elected; and neither of these counties is entitled to any such representation as it has acquired, to the detriment of Clatsop and Multnomah. Polk county, which has six times the representation of Clatsop, with barely half its amount of population sends more democrats than republicans. The democrats naturally do not want to lose their representation, especially for the benefit of republican counties like Clatsop and Multnomah; and it is quite likely that a part of "the deal" on the senatorial question was a stipulation that the apportionment should not be broken or in any way revised. Of course, the Mitchell faction did not want to see their strength reduced in Douglas, which is one of their strongholds; nor in Clackamas, which is 20 per cent more population than Clatsop, has eight times its representation in the house and six times in the senate, and which cast five out of its six for Mitchell. Nor did the Coos and Curry representatives want any new apportionment, as that would throw their senatorship into a district with Douglas at once. Neither did Josephine, which elects a senator by itself upon a population of less than 2750 against Clatsop's 10,500. A Josephine sends a democrat in nine cases out of ten, it can readily be seen why it does not want a reapportionment made. And by reviewing the roll call on the deceptive vote, it will be seen that among the democrats voting for Mitchell were Chandler of Baker, Porter of Josephine, Burch of Yamhill, and Craven of Polk, all counties whose representation would be greatly reduced by a new apportionment. We may be mistaken in our conjectures regarding this matter, but judging by the earmarks, it begins to look as if the refusal to reapportion the state was part and parcel of the senatorial bargain.—[Oregonian.]

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