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STATE AND COAST.

Clipped from our Exchanges Throughout the West.

The rains throughout the state did not damage the crops.

Hon. Wilfred Lawler, Canada's new prime minister, is said to be very friendly to the United States.

Snow fell on the mountains east of Long Creek, in Grant county, Monday, of last week. A rare occurrence for August.

The United States courts have recently decided that "land grant" railroads must carry government troops at half fare.

Last week J. Alpine, of Plainview, killed a rattlesnake, 43 inches long, with 10 rattles as his rudder, says the Albany Democrat.

The Rostein residence, in Eugene, that burned Monday, was insured for \$2500, and there was \$1500 insurance on the furniture.

Oregon is rapidly becoming famous for its great mines. The Quartzville region is being worked day and night with flattering prospects.

Oregon's potato crop this year is short. Potatoes were selling last week in Roseburg for 2½ cents a pound, and in The Dalles for 1½ cents.

A salmon trout was received in Eugene Saturday from Louis Dean, of Siuslaw, caught by himself, which weighed 30 pounds, so the Eugene Guard says.

Archbishop Gras is quite ill. Too much work in his high office has broken his health. The bishop is a worthy man and a distinguished priest.

The wind-up of the fishing season at The Dalles shows that the catch this season was very light. The scows did better than the standing wheels as a rule.

The Pacific coast hop crop last year amounted to 181,000 bushels, of which 99,500 were raised in Oregon, 53,000 in California, 28,900 in Washington and 700 in British Columbia.

A jackrabbit is not a novel sight in Harney county, but the Harney Valley items says that 2000 may be seen almost any evening, about sundown, in G. W. Shaw's wheat field, near Harney.

The number of pounds of hops contracted for in Marion county, for the year 1896, as shown by the contracts so far recorded and on file in the office of the county clerk and recorder, is about 800,000.

A. S. Nolan & Co., of Nebraska, bought in April and May, 21,000 head of Oregon sheep. About 10 days ago a band of 5500 were shipped from Soda Springs, Idaho, which were driven from Hay creek, across the desert and mountains.

The United States fish commission has decided to establish a salmon hatchery near Stevenson, opposite the Cascades, on the Washington side of the Columbia. Experiments have proven that the run of salmon can be maintained by these artificial means.

J. Smith, a sheepraiser, arrived in The Dalles, Tuesday, and says that Ernest Sherar, who was one of the men reported killed in Grant county not long ago, in a fight between cattle and sheepmen, is very much alive, and shipped 6000 sheep from Huntington last Sunday.

A peculiar phenomenon was witnessed on the Columbia river, near Lyle Monday evening, by the passengers on the Regulator. The river was covered with myriads of butterflies, so numerous as to almost obscure the vision. Where they came from or where they were going seemed unexplainable.

Fully half the students at the State Normal at Monmouth are either wholly or partially self supporting, at least 90 per cent came from the country. Many teach a year and attend school a year. The expenses are very light, from \$100 to \$130 a year for living, books and tuition. Twenty four counties were represented last year.

It is the big wheat yields that are reported. Here is one from Linn county: The I. D. Miller crew threshed 1704 bushels of wheat off 600 acres of the Ed Knox farm, owned by S. E. Young and rented by Thomas Chambers. This is an average of over 35 bushels. One thousand and two hundred and seventy-six bushels of it were threshed in the forenoon.

T. W. Talbot, an Englishman, who is enroute for Australia, and who has walked all the way from New York, taking side trips to see the sights of the country, and swelling the miles traveled on foot to about 6000, passed through Ashland Friday northward. He is 60 years of more of age, well

browned from exposure but with a gait as elastic as a youth of 20. He says he is writing a book.

Joseph Wright, of Union, shot an American black eagle last Thursday in the Eagle mountains. He forwarded the body of the bird to Fireman Fred Ballen, of La Grande. Mr. Ballen who is a taxidermist, will mount it. The eagle measured seven feet two inches across the wings, weighed 40 pounds, and the claws and beak are each two inches long. In life, such a pirate of the air would carry off a lamb with ease.

The expense incurred by the state and Clatsop county on account of the visit of the militia last June was: Total expense for the care of the militia, \$324; cost of steamer for use of militia in patrolling the river in the vicinity of Astoria, \$180. The expenses of the sheriff's posse in the vicinity of Clifton, including deputies, arms, etc., was \$375.84; the cost for services of steamers in patrolling that portion of the river was \$455, making a total of \$920.94 for the work done near Clifton. The grand total of all the expenses at Clifton and Astoria is \$1334.94. This, of course, does not include the pay of the militiamen.

O. C. & E. speculation

The Lincoln County Leader publishes the following railroad gossip: The solid, substantial and thorough repairs that are being made on the O. C. & E. seem to be a very good indication that something in the way of extension is contemplated. The bridges and roadbed are being put in the best possible shape, thousands of ties are being replaced, and the physical condition of the road is the best it has been since it was first built, if not the best it has ever been. All this has been done at an immense outlay of money, and at an outlay that the present traffic of the road would never justify. The plausible theory then is that the owners contemplate something more than the local traffic, and that it may be the extension into Eastern Oregon so long looked for and so ardently hoped for. Mr. Hammond is a man of very few words, and he is actually doing today what a great many capitalists before him have tried to do and failed—he is actually building a railroad into Astoria. Everything indicates that before the first of 1897 that the Astoria & Goble road will be completed and cars running into Astoria. After that giant project has been terminated by a successful completion we verily believe that Mr. Hammond will immediately turn his attention to the O. C. & E. The undertaking is not so great as that of the Astoria & Goble road, and while there will be no great subsidy to earn the profits and earnings would well repay the outlay. It would not only open up a vast country by railroad connection, but it would put the present line of the O. C. & E. in a paying, profitable condition. We have full faith that August, 1897, will see the active work on the long-cherished extension of the O. C. & E. well under way.

Assaulted by Mexicans.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Aug. 14.—Inquiry has been received here from the office of the U. S. consul at Juarez, Mexico, concerning Jas. F. Howard, a young man well known here, who is reported lying unconscious at a hospital at Juarez, with two bullets in his body. Private telegrams received say that Howard started from Juarez to the City of Mexico. A short distance out of Juarez he became involved in a difficulty with several Mexicans, who attempted to assault him. He shot three of them dead and escaped. Later on, the same night, he was picked up by a Mexican Central passenger train and taken to Juarez.

An Oil Tank Burned.

LIMA, O., Aug. 15.—At 1 o'clock this morning lightning struck a 39,000 barrel oil tank on the Kemper farm, three miles south of here, owned by the Standard Oil Company. The fire communicated to three other tanks. The Standard people hired 300 men to throw up embankments, and are shooting the tanks to let the oil out. The smoke from the burning oil makes it as dark as an eclipse. The loss will reach \$75,000.

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Albany Democrat: Last Friday a man went to the bottling works of O. Baume and bought three bottles of wine, claiming that they were for a saloon he was starting up in the hills, and as he had a partner he would want a receipt, which was given him. Yesterday the man went to Mr. Baume, and giving his name as John Darling, claimed to be a special agent of the internal revenue office, and declaring that Mr. Baume had violated the law it would take \$150 to settle it. This Mr. Baume insisted it would be absolutely impossible to raise. The amount was finally cut down to \$20, of which Mr. Baume paid \$5 and agreed to pay the balance. Marshal Lee had been informed of the matter, and finally suspecting something wrong telephoned to U. S. Marshal Grady, who informed him that there was no such agent and finally telephoned him to arrest Darling for impersonating a U. S. officer, and that Deputy Marshal Humphrey would be up to-night and take him back. Darling was arrested and is in the county jail. It looks like a bold confidence game to make a haul, and there are circumstances indicating that Darling may have a confederate in it.

LATER—Mr. O. Baume, the victim, went to Portland and arranged the matter with the government, by paying \$10 and gets \$37.50 in all. Darling appeared before Justice Powell with Hon. J. K. Weatherford as attorney and will fight the matter. The penalty of the offense, if proven is \$500 fine and six months to two years imprisonment, and hence is a very serious matter. Darling is a man about forty years of age, wears a Prince Albert and has a business look. The present indications are, though, that he was playing a sharp game to make some money.

SUICIDE AT CORVALLIS.

Seyman Myers, of this city, who returned from Corvallis last evening, states that "Billy" Williams, a well known engineer of Corvallis, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head with a revolver. During the afternoon Williams walked into Hodes' store and bought a .32-calibre revolver, and also purchased some cartridges. He paid for the weapon and started out of the store. The proprietor had hardly replaced the box upon the shelf when he heard a shot fired at the front door. Williams had deliberately placed the weapon on his temple and pulled the trigger. When Mr. Meyers left Corvallis at 4 o'clock Williams was still alive, but his life-blood was slowly ebbing from an ugly hole in his temple, and it was thought he could not possibly recover. Williams was for many years an engineer in the employ of the old Oregon Pacific railroad, and for some time worked in Fisher's flouring mill in Corvallis. More recently he has conducted a little repair shop near the ferry. He has been in poor health and was in straightened circumstances, which are supposed to have been the cause of his rash act. He was about 60 years old and had no family.—Herald.

Dragged Over a Rough Road.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Aug. 14.—While driving home from the country last evening at a late hour, Dr. O. C. Hiatt, one of the local dentists, drove off the graded portion of the road. The buggy turned over and threw him out. Mrs. Hiatt and her niece, who were with the doctor, stayed in the buggy, which somehow righted itself, and the horse started to run. The doctor, realizing the danger, held tenaciously to the lines, and was dragged quite a distance over the crushed-rock road until the team stopped. He sustained a broken arm, a gash in the forehead and numerous bruises. He is resting easy.

Straw hats! straw hats!! from 5 to 50c at the Hackett Store. Lace curtains 70 cts., \$1, and \$1.25 per pair. Eight spools of best thread for 25c, 3 for 10c.

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NANSEN DIDN'T FIND THE POLE

But He Was Nearer to it Than Any Other Living Explorer.

MALOMA, SWEDEN, Aug. 13.—The newspaper Dagenaryheler has received communications from Dr. Nansen and Lieut. Schottensen from the island of Vardo. These communications state that they abandoned the Fran in the autumn of 1895 and resorted to the ice.

The steamer Winward, carrying supplies to the Jackson-Warnerworth expedition, picked them up near Franz Josef Land. They expected that the Fran would eventually drift to the east coast of Greenland. Dr. Nansen failed to reach the pole but he touched a point four degrees nearer than any other explorer has done.

VRODE, NORWY, Aug. 13.—Dr. Nansen left the Fran on March 14, 1895, in 93 degrees of north latitude. He traversed Polar Sea to a point 38 degrees, 14 minutes in north latitude, situated north of New Sibesia islands. No land was sighted north of 82 degrees of latitude or thence to Franz Josef Land, where he passed the winter subsisting on bear flesh and whale blubber.

Dr. Nansen and his companions are in the best of health. The Fran is expected at Vardoe or Bergan shortly. She stood the ice well. There are no sick persons aboard.

A Clubbing Offer.

A great many of our readers in Linn county like to take the Weekly Oregonian. We have made arrangements whereby we can furnish it at a reduction from the regular price to those who want both the Express and the Oregonian. The regular price of the Oregonian is \$1.50 per year, and of the Express \$1.50 when in advance. We will furnish both for \$2 per year in advance, a saving of one dollar to the subscriber. The Oregonian gives all the general news of the country once a week, and the Express gives all the local news once a week, which will make a most excellent news service for the moderate sum of \$2 per year. Those who are at present subscribers of the Express must pay in all arrearsages and one year in advance to obtain this special price.

Burglary at Corvallis.

The residence of the Rev. Mr. Plummer, in Corvallis, was robbed during the family's summer vacation. Last week D. Graham noticed that the back door was ajar, and informed Mrs. Laford, who discovered that some one had ransacked the house, emptying drawers and piling the contents on the floor. From the appearance of the beds some one had been sleeping in them lately. Until the family returns the amount of property stolen cannot be ascertained. It is said there was some money in the house that the doctor had forgotten to take with him, and some pieces of silver plate, highly prized as heirlooms.

Riot at Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 14.—Three men were shot and one badly hurt in a conflict which occurred this evening between a party of the Brown company strikers and several nonunion men, who were going home from their work. Two of the wounded men are nonunionists, the third is a striker and the fourth a spectator. None were necessarily fatally hurt.

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