WEEKLY BUDGET

THURSDAY.....JULY 31, 1890

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BRIEF NOTES.

Harvesting is in full swing.

Come in and join D company.

Babbitt-metal for sale at this office.

The United States has 16,000 flour mills.

J. D. Ambrose started last Monday for Long Creek.

W. C. Hoseason, of Heppner, was in town last Friday.

The corn crop in Morrow county will this year be larger than usual.

A census taker in Georgia has found a boy nine years old who has never been given a name by his parents.

"Life," say the Arabs, "is of two parts; that which is past—a dream; that which is to come—a wish."

Mrs. M. J. Penland, of Halsey, arrived in Lexington last Monday evening and is visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Josephine county will have one of the largest crops of watermelons that she has had for years, but will be a few days later than usual.

A. C. Chrisman, of Eight Mile, was in town last Saturday. He and his sons are harvesting 400 acres of grain, which is turning out well.

Mrs. Tibbetts and her sons Edward and Arthur have gone to the mountains, and Mrs. Carr has joined her husband at Boise City, Idaho.

Mr. Frasier, Mrs. S. K. Coe and Miss Bertie Elam, of Milton, who have been visiting friends in Lexington and vicinity, departed on the train yesterday morning.

Rufus Farrens, of Gooseberry, was in Lexington last Tuesday. He reports the crop outlook good in his neighborhood and the farmers in no haste to sell out and leave.

W. H. Benefiel and family, with Mrs. Dr. Lewis and Master George, started last Tuesday morning for the mountains, where they will interview the huckleberries and grouse.

The Dalles land office is rushed with business. Recently the register and receiver completed seven final proofs in one day, and five are considered a good day's work.—*Times-Mountaineer.*

Beef buyers in Grant county are paying $20 per head for dry cows and two-year-old steers, to be delivered immediately. They are offering $18 and $19 per head for delivery in September.

The president has appointed Edgar J. Summerville, James P. Bushee and J. B. Eddy, all of Pendleton, a commission to appraise and classify the residue lands of the Umatilla reservation.

THE EXPERIMENT STATION.

The Oregon experiment station at Corvallis is one of the most valuable state institutions, and this paper has long advocated the establishment of a branch station in eastern Oregon, preferably in Morrow county. Such a station here would be of incalculable benefit to the farmers of the whole region. The matter was earnestly urged upon the management of the station at Corvallis, not only through the columns of the BUDGET but by letter, and we were assured that efforts would be made to establish substations in both eastern and southern Oregon. It seems now, however, from letters of Prof. E. Grimm in the Corvallis *Times*, that funds which should have been devoted to experiment station purposes have been used for the college, thus almost destroying the usefulness of the station and preventing the establishment of sub-stations. This misuse of the funds is charged to Wallace Nash, secretary of the board of regents, and as Prof. Grimm backs up his statements with facts and figures, Mr. Nash's conduct should be rigidly investigated by the board. The man who would thus cripple that institution and retard the progress of practical and intelligent agriculture deserves the strongest condemnation of every farmer in the state, especially in this newer portion where farming is yet in its infancy and the capabilities of the soil but partially understood.

DEATH OF JOHN REANEY.

On the 9th instant, at Centralia, the horse ridden by John Reaney, while turning a corner and at the same time swerving to avoid a team, slipped on a plank crossing and fell heavily, sliding six or eight feet with John's left leg beneath him. The limb was broken in three places—at the knee joint, about half way between knee and ankle, and just above the ankle. The broken limb received prompt surgical attention, and until last Saturday was thought to be doing well, but at that time it was found that amputation was necessary as the only hope of saving his life. The operation was performed at 3:30 P. M. of that day, and at 10 o'clock he was a corpse. During his illness everything possible was done to alleviate his suffer-

Frank Reaney, Thomas Ward and other friends, besides the physicians, being in constant attendance. In charge of Frank Reaney and Mr. Ward, the body arrived in Lexington on Tuesday evening last, and yesterday afternoon the funeral took place from the Congregational church, being attended by a large number of sorrowing relatives and friends. Poor John Reaney, genial, whole souled and in the prime of manhood, he had never ceased to mourn the death of his loving wife, and now finds rest and peace.

FROM ALPINE.

Some Newsy Notes Concerning the Prosperous Region of Sand Hollow.

For the BUDGET.

Flies are more numerous this summer than any previous year.

A Mr. Williams, from Juniper, has moved into the Wm. Stockdale house.

Grain is turning out much better than was expected, the late rains having benefited it considerable.

Mrs. Parsell has accepted the agency for the celebrated Cornish organ, and a sample instrument is expected soon.

J. H. Gunnell was down from the mountains lately, and reports his wife's health somewhat improved since moving there.

The Stockdales and their son-in-law, Mr. Gibbs, have left us. Isaac and family moved to Athena. The rest have started for the coast.

News has been received that the railroad lands will soon be forfeited. What will those stockmen who have whole sections fenced do then?

Oh, for a breeze from Greenland's icy mountains! All who can, have availed themselves of the pleasure of moving to the Blue mountains to stay during hot weather.

Will some one suggest to Binger Herman that he do something for this part of Oregon in the way of an appropriation for artesian wells? Could this be effected we would have one of the finest countres in the Union.

The new stage route runs direct from Alpine to Galloway, thus leaving out old Alpine. New Alpine is situated near the foot hills, where there is living water and green grass the year round, and its inhabitants are there to stay.

Mrs. S. K. Coe and Miss Bertie Elam, of Milton, and Thomas Barnett, of Lexington, were welcome guests at Mrs. K. Parsell's on Sunday and Monday of this week. Mrs. Coe is a sister-in-law of Mrs. Parsell, and her visit was much enjoyed by all members of the family.

Sand Hollow is a prosperous country. There are two stores, one postoffice and a boot and shoe repair shop. The country stores here are a great convenience, for when a woman wants a spool of thread or the old man wants a plug of tobacco, they can rustle up the hens and gather in eggs enough to carry with them to pay for such articles.

From a private letter from Mrs. E. L. Meeks, we have learned of her safe arrival at Palouse City, Wash. She says a great amount of rain has fallen there this season, and that crops are better than for ten years past. She also states that the country has the appearance of having been broken up and laid against the fence to dry. Every country has its drawbacks as well as Morrow county.

WANDERING WINDS.

ALPINE, July 29, 1890.

SOMETHING NEW.

After innumerable experiments and the expenditure of considerable time and money, J. L. Gibson, telegraph operator at this place, has at last discovered a substance which, after being properly prepared and treated by electricity, is unequaled as a polishing and cleansing powder, and can be sold at such reasonable prices that it will soon be used in every household. It is used for polishing silver and plated ware of all kinds, steel, iron and brass work, cleaning windows, paint, dishes, glassware, floors, and in many other ways, and is said to be superior to anything yet discovered for effectiveness and utility. He has named it the "Electro-Vesuvian Polish" and will at once commence manufacturing it for sale.

ON EIGHT MILE.

G. W. Brock was over on Eight Mile last week and found the residents in good spirits over the crop prospects. He brought back some average samples of wheat and rye, which are all that could be desired, being full and plump and promising a good yield. The neighbors there are keeping cool, however, estimating the average yield at only fifteen bushels to the acre, a low estimate considering the number of fields which will far exceed that amount. Corn, vegetables and trees are all doing well. Considerable hay has been cut and heading is now in full swing.

FROM GOOSEBERRY.

For the BUDGET.

Crops good.

Weather warm.

Headers and mowers continually on the run.

Plenty of work for harvest hands in and around this neighborhood.

Peter Brenner, who has been up about Pendleton for the past week, purchased a header while on his trip.

From fifteen hens Mrs. Sarah Snyder has raised about 250 chickens since last spring. How is that for poultry-raising?

GRINGO.

GOOSEBERRY, July 26, 1890.

The fourth annual meeting of the editors and publishers of Oregon will be held in Portland, the session commencing at 10 A. M., August 14th, and continuing four days. The principal business will be Thursday evening and during Friday. A full attendance is desired.

They are enjoying a "hot wave" in the Grande Ronde valley, the mercury reaching 109° in the shade.

NORTHWEST NEWS NOTES.

OREGON.

Scarlet fever has made its appearance in Salem.

The twine binders are at work in the Willamette valley. They don't use headers in that country.

Several large tie mills have just been erected in the Blue mountains along the line of the Union Pacific railway.

A tract of forty acres of land one mile east of Yaquina City was sold the other day to a syndicate of Albany men for $6,000.

An immense bed of gypsum has been discovered in the vicinity of Grant's pass. The *Courier* calls for experts to come and examine it.

A war is raging between Mr. Hunt and the Northern Pacific railroad company. War to the knife has been declared, so it is rumored.

John Troy has discovered what he thinks is an extensive bed of asbestos on the banks of Rogue river, some distance below the mouth of Illinois river.

The transportation company is assured, and in a few weeks an independent line of boats will be on the river, connecting The Dalles with Portland and Astoria.

It is thought it will require the services of 1,000 to 2,000 men at least four months to complete the contemplated changes in the railroad through Cow Creek canyon.

The first new valley wheat of the season was delivered at Gervais last Thursday by R. Settermen, of Mount Angel. The first load last year was brought in on the same date, July 24th.

Snyder & Son, merchants of Dayton, have shipped over 2,000 boxes of fruit so far this year. They have ten men picking and packing, and they hope to ship 20,000 boxes this season.

The gas well at Drain has already reached a depth of 146 feet, and the drill is now working in a hard gray sandstone. The well will be bored to a depth of 3,000 feet should it be necessary to go that far.

Stockmen in the higher foot hills of Jackson county are complaining of the black gnats, which almost drive the cattle distracted this summer. They are particularly bad on upper Butte creek and in the Dead Indian country.

A Linn county man bought a cayuse pony, which was as wild as a deer, paying $20 for it. He took the animal home, where it got out of the barnyard and ran for life. The new owner got on a $100 horse and followed, catching the cayuse, but crippling his horse in the effort, reducing its value to about $30.

Wm. T. Wallace died at Wolf creek recently, aged 77. He crossed the plains to Oregon in 1845 with a wife and family from Missouri. They raised twelve children, who have left them twenty-three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. They have lived in Rogue River valley since 1859. Mrs. W. still survives her husband.

Thomas Lalond, a farmer four miles east of Salem, now exhibits bristles four inches long, taken from the mane of the wild hog he killed a few days ago. The hog was three feet two inches high at his shoulders; from his nose to the top of his head was twenty-one inches; from the end of his nose to the tip of his tail, five feet eight inches. His lower tusks were four and three-quarter inches long, and his upper tusks two and one-half inches. His weight was 200 pounds. This wild hog has a record of about eight years in that neighborhood, and he had been chased and shot at frequently.

WASHINGTON.

One fisherman at F. M. Warren's cannery, Cathlamet, has caught 2,000 fish this season.

The Walla Walla police have only made three arrests in a month, and these were petty offenses.

During the fiscal year ended June 30th Seattle expended nearly half a million dollars for street work.

A sash and door factory and a sawmill burned at Tacoma last Monday. The losses are estimated at nearly $100,000.

There are nearly 1,000 people at Wenatche, on the upper Columbia, and it is claimed that no census enumerator has visited the place.

A starch factory at Tacoma is making a ton of starch per day from wheat, and expects by summer to double the output, making glucose as well.

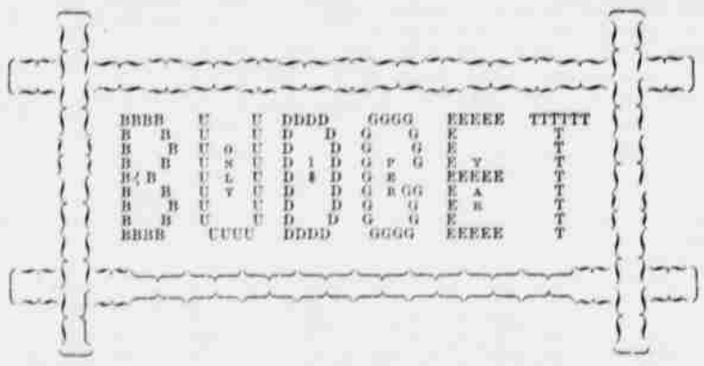
Contractors on street work in Fairhaven are employing Chinamen, the first Chinese employed on Bellingham bay for years. The feeling is high among the laboring class.

There are fully 2,000 men at work on railroads in and about Olympia. The Union Pacific, Northern Pacific and Port Townsend Southern are all working within one mile of each other.

The crops are literally destroyed in portions of Lincoln and Douglas counties by the short-tailed squirrels, which are so numerous in places that they make the prairies by their ravages look like a sheep pasture.

A Chinaman arrived at Tacoma a few days since and started up Pacific avenue, but had gone but a few blocks when he had a howling mob at his heels. He was rescued by a police officer, taken to the station house, and placed on the next out-going train, promising to never show his face in Tacoma again. For four years a Chinaman has not been permitted to stay there for a single hour.

There are three surveying parties in the field surveying for the Hunt system of railroads from Hunt's junction to Portland. One is ascending Lewis river to the Klickitat pass from the west, one has almost completed a survey from opposite Hunt's junction to the Klickitat pass and the other is wrestling with the precipitous rock walls and shell rock mountains coming up the river. None of the lines have been connected yet; hence the only thing that would lead to the statement that the route had been determined upon, would necessarily have to be based upon the discovery that the river route was impracticable on account of the expense. Only a few miles of that line has been surveyed, while the line through this valley and Klickitat pass is almost completed.—*Goldendale Sentinel.*



WANTED—EASTERN AND WESTERN farmers to know that in Morrow county can be found free vacant land and improved claims for sale cheap, and that the soil here cannot be excelled. The present opportunities should not be neglected. Come at once.

KEEP IN MIND THE FACT THAT LEXington is in the midst of a fine farming country and that now is the time to locate here.

$1.00 IS NOT MUCH, BUT IT WILL GIVE you the BUDGET for one year.