EVIDENCE OF STEADY GROWTH

News Gathered in All the Towns of Our Neighboring States-Improvement Noted in All Industries-Oregon. Mayville's new church is said to be the handsomest one in Gilliam county.

Ben Ross, of Gordon Creek, recently turned out 65 railroad ties in 10 hours. There is quite a demand for home-

steads in Lane county by intending set-The Siuslaw agricultural society has decided to hold a fair at Lorane hall,

on October 15 and 16. The Western Union has received in Astoria 125 miles of wire for the new line to be constructed between Astoria

and Portland. A rock-drilling contest for \$250 a side has been arranged to take place at Sumpter between men of the Bonanza and Rachael mines.

Joseph, in Wallowa county, has long been without a saloon, but the council at its latest meeting voted in favor of granting a license.

It is said that grouse and sage hens will be plentiful in Grant county this year. The season has been favorable for their batching and rearing.

The Dalles has the firemen's tournament this fall, and the enterprising school board is talking of delaying the opening of school a week on that account.

The steel cells and all necessary material for making the interior of Grant county's jail secure have arrived in-Canyon City and are being put to-

Five United States fish onmmissioners will soon visit Pelican bay and Harney lake, to make an examination of those waters and see what the chance is for putting in fish.

There were shipped by the O. R. & N. Company during the past shipping season 18,300 crates of strawberriesan increase over last year of 3,300 crates. One-third of the shipments were made to Montana markets.

An Astoria paper says the fact that the British ship Duchalburn was unable to secure but about 1,500 cases of salmon for England when she expected to have had 10,0000 cases is good evidence that the price of salmon is on the

In 1891 the state of Oregon brought suit against Baker county for back taxes amounting to about \$14,000. After five years of litigation Referee B. F. Bonham, appointed by the supreme court, has rendered his findings to the effect that Baker county must pay all of limitations

Washington.

The Ferndale cheese factory has begun operations.

Cosmopolis shipped 49 cars of lumber East within one week.

Mange is prevalent among the range horses in Garfield county.

The Ellensburg cheese factory is cheese a day.

A circus is gladdening the hearts of the small boys throughout the Big Bend country. LeRoi Mining Company, of Spokane, declared its fifteenth dividend. The

dividend is \$25,000. Terry Clancey, section foreman near Buckley, was struck by a freight train

and probably fatally injured. A number of the officals and inmates of the state penitentiary are sick

with tonsilitis, but the epidemic is not Judge Richardson, of the superior court, for Spokane, has decided that a person cannot be incarcerated to be

held as a witness in a trial. The receiver of the Central Washington estimates that that road will haul at least 1,500,000 bushels of

wheat from the Big Bend this fall. Senator Wilson has telegraphed to friends on Grav's harbor that the amount of the appropriation for the Gray's harbor jetties is \$350,000, and not \$300,000, nor \$400,000, as has been published.

State Grain Inspector Wright is considering the advisability of making provisions for inspecting corn importations from Eastern states. During the last year large shipments of corn have come in, because the low price of that cereal compared with oats, which was not subject to inspection. The innovation is proposed both for purposes of revenue and to ascertain the amount hair oil and other preparations containof grain thus consumed.

Because of the cloudburst on Mill creek, in Walla Walla county, the fish are dying by hundreds. They come to the surface of the muddy water, apparently suffocating, and in a few minutes leave the water entirely to die by the hundreds, on the rocks, too exhausted, evidently, to return to the stream a foot or two away. The dead fish are thick. They are fine ones, too, many of them being 12 and 14 inches long.

B. W. Holloway, a Friday Harbor jeweler, a man of 28, dropped dead in his office. The physicians found on examination, that an artery had been ruptured. Six weeks ago he took out a

life insurance policy for \$2,000. Judge Hanford has issued a dercee permitting the treasurer of Okanogan | tan on the ground that under the procounty to turn taxes into the salary fund. Previous to this the county officials had received no pay since last January, he sheriff even being compelled to board and care for the prisoners at his own risk.

ATONED FOR HIS CRIME.

L. W. Melson, the Murderer, Executed

Grant's Pass, July 5.-Lemuel W Melson was executed here today. He abandoned all hope vesterday, and was taken into the Episcopal church and baptized by Rev. Isaac Dawson. He spent the day in reading and in writing letters, and was more calm than any one else about the jail. He slept well last night and ate a hearty breakfast this morning. He refused to discuss the crime or his position, saying only when asked that he was innocent. He was very much affected by the church ceremonies and the sirging, and

wept quietly. There was a great many people in town to witness the hanging. Sheriff Hiatt issued 100 invitations, and besides those in the enclosed space the court-house yard is well filled. The board fence around the scaffold is so constructed that a good view of the proceedings can be had from the main yard and street. About 500 people witnessed the execution.

Rev. Dawson went into the jail at 8:45 this morning. Melson made a full confession of the crime. Sheriff Hiatt had the death warrant at 9:40, and at 10:03 Rev. Dawson prayed his last

At 10:01 Sheriff Hiatt and his deputies, with Melson, ascended the scaffold. When asked if he had anything to say, Melson said:

"I am guilty of killing Perry, and am sorry for it. May God have mercy on my guilty soul."

Melson was perfectly composed and calm. He bid the sheriff good-bye, and at 10:13 the drop was sprung. Melson's neck was broken and death was instantaneous. At 10:22 he was pronounced dead by the physicians and cut down. He will be buried in the pauper graveyard at the expense of the county. He wrote a long letter to his wife yesterday.

Story of Melson's Crime.

Grant's Pass, July 5 .- In March, 1896, Charles Perry disappeared from the Waldo copper mine, near Waldo, Or., where he was employed and was known to have had considerable money with him at the time. Inquiry by his friends for several months failed to disclose his wherabouts, and fearing that he had met with foul play, a searching party was organized on August 25, and after two days' travel in the Siskyou mountains, the party found the body of Perry in an old well near a deserted mining claim. There was a bullet wound in the right side, and on the ground near by was shell from a 41caliber Colt's revolver, which the bullet taken from the wound fitted. With this evidence the party returned to Crescent City, Cal.

It was learned that while at the copper mine Perry had often been told by L. W. Melson, his friend, of a fine mining prospect between there and the coast in the Siskiyou mountains, and that Melson left the copper mine on the but about \$3,000, barred by the statute day of Perry's disappearance. He returned next day and went to Crescent City Cal., saying that Perry had gone to Waldo.

Melson began spending money freely, though previous to that time he was known to have been possessed of very limited means. It was also learned that Melson had sold a revolver which proved to be the one from which the bullet found in Perry's body had been making between 500 and 600 pounds of fired. In his possession was also found watch which proved to be Perry's

Melson was placed under arrest at Crescent City, but it was ascertained that the murder was committed in Oregon, and the prisoner was brought to markets as the home-grown article. Grant's Pass, Or., for trial. He was Owing to the difference in the seasons convicted and sentenced to death May 14, 1897. The evidence throughout are ready for export about Christmas the trial was conclusive of Melson's guilt.

Melson was about 42 years old, and came to the Pacific coast from Kentucky 12 years ago, locating in Clatsop county, Or. He went to Del Norte county, Cal., about four years ago, where he was married, and where he eaves a wife and two children.

Melson's wife did not visit him during his incarceration, and expressed no desire to see him, but wrote to him frequently, saying that she was not surprised at the verdict of the jury. She expressed very little sympathy for him, but requested him, if guilty, to never confess his crime on account of the children.

Charles Perry, the victim, was 50 years of age, and came to the Pacific coast two years ago from Connecticut, where his wife and seven children now reside. He was considered a sober and industrious man.

Indians Drank Painkiller.

Brainerd, Minn., July 5 .- Five Indians, including Chief Wee Sug, are dead at Malone's Point, on Mille Lacs lake, and several others are expected to die, as the result of drinking painkiller, ing alcohol. Indian payment has been going on there, and the redskins gorged themselves with this stuff, which was bought from Malone's trading post. The Indian riders are scouring every part of the reservation to bring the band together, and serious trouble may Station, Cincinnati, O. result, as the redskins think Malone is to blame for the deaths.

It has been computed that between 36,000,000 and 37,000,000 babies arrive each year.

Edhem Pasha Resigns.

London, July 5 .- A Standard dispatch from Constantinople says that Edhem Pasha, commander of the Turkish forces in Thessaly, has tendered his resignation of command to the sulposed peace condition he will be unable to guarantee the discipline of the army.

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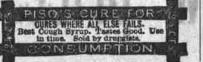
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A little sin has as much death in it as big one. The gurgling of the faucet is the dev-

il's delight. Make a call too short, rather than be yawned out.

The was is not over because we have lost a battle. Whoever knows God well wants to

know him better. Some would rather face a cannon

than their own evils. Prayer is always easy, when we

kneel on praying ground.

The man who knows how to live well will not have to learn how to die well. Our prayers for guidance will not be heard, unless we are willing to be led. The devil has to fight hard for all he gets in every home where Christ is

In the robin redbreast speaks the same Christ who came to "seek and save

Nature is God's; botany and geology are man's; so religion is divine, theology human.

The man weighs little on the Lord's side who is not throwing an ounce of weight against the saloon.

The prohibition that gives society the children who never saw a drunkard can't be such a big failure.

The Creator expends so much force in sunsets and apple blossoms that there must be some great use in mere

If you want to know the spring, open your heart, sô, also, if you would know Christ. Knowledge bloats; love devel-

God never made the world for an apothecary shop or a chemical laboratory, but for a temple; the final-word

Wooden Shoes.

of nature is spiritual.

There are several wooden shoe factories in America. The Hollanders brought these durable foot coverings from the old country, and were long made sport of by the Irreverent. But the Americans have, within a few years, been coming to the conclusion that in adopting the wooden footwear the Dutch had pretty level heads. The shoes are especially desirable for work in laundries, breweries, and stables, as well as on the farm when the ground is wee. They do not become saturated with moisture, never get out of shape like leather boots, and are surprisingly warm and comfortable, and in addition they are cheap, and will outlive several pairs of cowhide boots. The awkwardness of wearing the shoes soon passes away, and when tirely by hand. Small, solid blocks of are then turned over to the borer, who with a variety of implements makes has been invested mainly as he directthe hole for the foot. He first bores a hole for the heel and then with what looks like an exaggerated cheese spoon works his way toward the toe. Once started with augers, knives, scoops and public works which may be judged of scrapers, the place for the foot is rapldly shaped. The workman often uses callpers and measures, so that one shoe of a pair shall be as near as possible the mate of the other. The shoe is then sent to the drying room to remain a month, when the final touches are to give it the last scraping and the artistic finish. In this country, the wood used is basswood, as it is light, easy to work, durable and dry. Occasional orders are received for fancy shoes to be made of maple or walnut, and once an extra fine pair had a mahogany veneer. The shoes are especially adapted for wearing in wet places, and the demand decide who has authority under the will for them is steadily increasing. to expend the money in one of the sev-

The Sea Gull.

The sea gull is the scavenger of the ocean. It scours the surface of the sea near the shore and frequents harbors to seize on floating garbage, dead fish and other putrefying matter; and these birds have saved many a village is plain enough, though perhaps not exand seaport town, round about which they hover, from plague and pestilence, Such being the services of the sea gull it is a short-sighted policy that causes them to be ruthlessly killed by thousands, partly in idle sport, but principally that their wings may be used for millinery purposes. Their eggs are also collected in enormous quantities for museums and for the shops of naturalists.

Language Lesson "Mamma, if I had a hat before I had this one it's right to say that's the hat finding the familiar features and frail I had had, isn't it?" "Certainly, Johnny,"

"And if that hat once had a hole in it and I had it mended I could say it and medals, was disclosed to view. A had had a hole in it, couldn't 1?" "Yes, there would be nothing incor- Russian capital, to which the following

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"Johnny, you make my head ache."-Chicago Tribune

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