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H. T. Williams, formerly of Hood River, but now engaged in fruit culture in the Ozark country, Arkansas, is a believer in this method of protecting trees. He says: "I have used the dust spray a good deal on my apple trees this season and it sure is a benefit. We have so much dew that we do not need to carry around water. We take the same dry chemicals and lime in powdered form, very fine, and after mixing, we have a powder gun of great force and capacity, and we just travel from tree to tree and cover as we go along with a cloud of dust, and it seems to do the work very nicely. I believe it goes into the interior of the tree more effectively than the liquid spray. I do not suppose, though, that it attaches itself so close to the apple as the liquid spray, but from my observation, in blooming time for spraying the blossoms and holding the spray in the end of the blossoms, it is as good as any one could wish. We can get over so much more ground in a day than by the liquid spray. It is rare to find a worm able to penetrate to the interior of the apple after thorough spraying with the dust spray in time of bloom, or of falling of the bloom.

In dry countries where there is little dew this way of spraying could not be satisfactory. It is certainly wonderful how much good it is to spray it only for once in time of bloom. It seems to save more than half the crop. We have fungus troubles here that are worse than elsewhere because this is a high pressure climate.—Orchard and Farm.

The Oregon Apple.

Oregon will produce this year over 500 carloads of apples, which will find their way into every market in the world.

Seventy-eight years ago next Thanksgiving day, the first apple seed was planted in "old Oregon."

It was a romantic and fascinating event, and how it has lived and thrived and spread over the state and carried its fame over the world!

At a dinner in London, in the winter of 1825 a lady at the banquet board dropped three or four apple seeds into the pocket of a waistcoat worn by George Simpson, a governor of the Hudson Bay company, who was soon to return to Astoria, then called Fort George.

She said to Simpson to plant the seeds in this wilderness and think of her when he did it.

Simpson came across the Atlantic to Montreal, across the wild American continent to Fort George and thence to Vancouver, the newly founded home of the company on the Columbia.

At a dinner at Vancouver on the day of the fall banquet of 1827, after the summer hunting and trapping was over, a day corresponding to the present Thanksgiving day, Simpson recalled the seed of the London friend, and in rambling through his old waistcoat pockets, found four apple seeds, and on that evening, Bruce, Dr. McLoughlin's gardener, planted the first apple seed in the old Oregon territory on the banks of the Columbia at Vancouver.

One tree grew from the tiny seeds. Slowly the little sprout attained to maturity, encouraged by the moist soil and salubrious climate of Vancouver.

And when finally, a few years after, it blossomed and bore just one beaming apple upon its bending limbs, how that precious prize was guarded and cherished by Bruce.

It was in the fall of 1830 that the one little apple, the first to ripen on Oregon soil was sliced in thin bits and each trader, voyager and visitor at Fort Vancouver given just a taste of it.

From this beginning the great orchards of Oregon have sprung, until it is the greatest industry in many of her fruitful valleys.—East Oregonian.

Apple Crop of 1905.

The prices paid for apples this year are likely the high water mark for this fruit—for many years past, at any rate. In New York prices for winter fruit have ranged from \$1.50 per barrel to \$2.65 per barrel, the latter price having been paid in Orleans county. The yield for New York state ranged from five per cent of last year's crop to 90 per cent of that crop; the highest report was from Nassau county.

Berkely county, W. Va., had a very large apple crop, of fine quality, and prices were high. Growers have had a most profitable season.

In New York state winter apples are in hands of dealers. Growers will not have to take the risk of handling the fruit—and there is certainly great risk, considering the high prices at which much of this fruit was bought.

Colorado growers have sold about all their apples. Prices ranged from \$1.15 to \$1.45 per box of 50 pounds. It is said that President Coburn of the Colorado State Board of Horticulture, received about \$12,000 for his apple crop.

Poor old Ben Davis! Apples of this variety brought only \$2.40 per barrel in a Northwest Missouri orchard this year. The fruit was very fine in quality, and we predict that the man who bought these apples will not lose on the transaction. The apples were really fancy.

The Hood River, Ore., crop is not so large as that of a year ago, but prices have ranged somewhat higher.—Western Fruit Grower.

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SALMON LIABLE TO BECOME EXTINCT

J. N. Wisner, Field Superintendent of the U. S. Fish Commission, H. G. Van Dusen, of Astoria, Master Fish Warden of the state of Oregon, and H. L. Kelly, who has been at Clackamas Station, in charge of the work of collecting fish eggs there arrived in this city on train No. 2 last Friday. They had just come from a visit to the Rogue River where they had been making an inspection of the fisheries conditions of that stream.

In speaking of the Rogue River as a depository for Salmon eggs Mr. Wisner said: "Formerly this river was alive with fish during the spawning season and millions of eggs were taken from it. This year however, we were able to secure only 170,000 eggs. In fact the attempt to collect eggs there this year may be looked upon as a total failure."

When asked what the cause of these conditions were, Mr. Wisner said: "For the most part it is caused by the obstructions which have been placed across the river in the way of dams. There are a great many improvements going on in the Rogue River Valley and the stream is full of sawdust, driftwood and timber refuse of all kinds. Salmon will not spawn anywhere but in clear water and for this reason they have gone elsewhere. While I am not opposed to improvements of any kind I would like to impress the fact on the general public that if more care is not exercised in protecting the spawning places of this valuable fish the time is not far distant when it will become very scarce in this country. The salmon like many other fine food fish is migratory and will deposit its eggs in the most convenient places during the spawning season. Unlike other fish it spawns in the fall instead of the spring. When the natural avenues are closed for this purpose I will seek other localities and soon become extinct. This is why the White Salmon and the Little White Salmon rivers contain so many salmon eggs. As yet there is nothing to hinder the fish from ascending these streams and this year we took 10,000,000 eggs from the former river and 10,000,000 from the latter."

Mr. Wisner also said that the number of eggs taken from these rivers this year was less than that usually taken and that the Little White Salmon often yielded 15,000,000 eggs and sometimes 20,000,000. The laws in the different states he says conflict with those of the government and for this reason it is difficult to make a proper enforcement of them. This is also true of Alaska as well as the United States where the government has full charge in these matters and that if the population in that country do not stop serving their selfish interests the salmon they will become exterminated and the fishing business ruined.

Mr. Kelly, who is in charge of the state hatchery at Little White Salmon, will ship 3,000,000 of the eggs taken in local waters to Salmon River and 5,000,000 to Ontario, Ore.

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Died of His Injuries. Jesse Herthum, the man who was so lately injured by a moving train near Mosier, recently, died in The Dalles hospital last week and was buried in the Odd Fellow's plot in the cemetery there.

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In company with his cousin, Arthur Harriman, George was driving home in a large freight wagon. Something in the back of the wagon was not packed firmly and his cousin handed the reins to young Harriman and went back to fix it. In the exchange of drivers the horses were turned a little off the main road and the wheels struck a rock on the grade and George was thrown from the high seat under the horses' hoofs.

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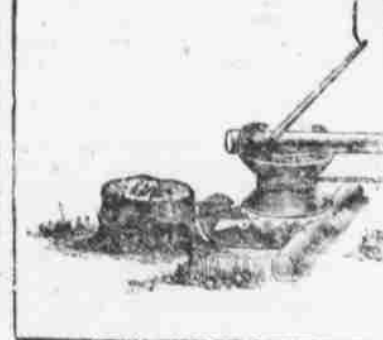
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