

NLY A FARMER'S DAUGHTER.

MRS. FORRESTER.

CHAPTER XI.-(Continued.) The morning after Mr. Hastings' visit. England on business, and Col. d'Aguilar is going with him." that one of his bailiffs was supposed to have robbed him to a considerable extent. The man himself had no idea that he was suspected. Francis Clayton was beside himself; he vowed vengeance against the delinquent-he would convict him-he would get him transported-his wife and children should be reduced to shame and beggary!

"I find I shall have to go back to Engyou here, and return for you in a week "Oh, do take me with you, Francis,"

said the little hypocrite, pretending to look disappointed. "Pshaw! I tell you it is not conven-

But what am I to do if you go? 1 cannot go to all these balls and dinners

we are engaged to, alone." eron," added the agreeable husband, with | conduct.

equaintance we have in Paris." Madame de St. Geran was an old friend spect. I will not stop under the same and flame of Francis Clayton's, and she roof with you another hour. From this had for some reason tolerated what she moment I leave you," and she swept tocalled "her English bear." Francis Clay- ward the door. But he was there before ton, assuming the privileges of an old her, and stood with his back against it, friend, paid her a most unfashionably to prevent her egress.
early visit, and she received him in a "I forbid you to leav

pleased to accede to his request. "Tell madame, your wife," she said, in parting, "that at nine o'clock this evening shall have the honor to call for her to take her to the opera and afterward to will." the ball given by the Duchess de Beau-

demi-toilet of elegant simplicity in her

own boudoir, and was most graciously

And Francis Clayton bent over her hand and kissed it in a manner that might have edified and astonished madame, his wife. Then he returned to the hotel, delivered the message to Fee, bade her good-by, and kissing her coldly, jumped into his braugham, which was in at-

tendance to convey him to the station, Madame de St. Geran called for Mrs. Clayton at the appointed time, and they the olden days.

Clayton met with Mr. Hastings.

The dance was over, and they were on his arm, and he looked down quickly into her face. It was crimson with ed due to the blue blood she inherited blushes. The words, "Are you ill?" were from the Champions. on his lips, but at that moment he caught sight of Col. d'Aguilar advancing, and Clayton returned to find Madame de St. don Geran, Col. d'Aguilar formed one of the knot of men who stood talking with her. against her better judgment, against her own resolve, she went back to the ballroom on his arm. They were perfectly discreet, their conversation was simply have held; the danger was in the fascination the presence of each had for the other. She did not dance with him any more than she did with Mr. Hastings; but when she went home she reproached herself bitterly for the time she had spent in his society, while she never gave a sin-

gle thought to Errol Hastings.
It was three weeks before Mr. Clayton returned to Paris for his wife, and during that time she met Col. d'Aguilar al-

most every day. with all her might. If Francis Clayton and-well! she almost hated him. Now and then she would make a great effort, was so bearish and ill-tempered that her design always failed. She was making fresh resolves as she sat looking pensively into the fire, on this particular morning, but all of a sudden her thoughts were most unexpectedly put to flight by the abrupt entrance of her husband.

"Yes. I suppose you did not expect me. What a wretched fire! I am almost f. zen, and the room is as cold as death. Ring the bell and order me some lunch.' A terrible fear seized on Fee. If was angry and jealous about Mr. Hastngs, what would he say when he knew that during his absence she had been constantly in the society of Col. d'Aguiar? She had never fully realized her imprudence until this moment. What could she do? If she told him, he was certain to be very violent; if she concealed it, and he became aware of it, the onsequences might be terrible. "It is better to get it off my mind at once," she

'Mr. Hastings was here this morning. dear. He came to wish me good-by." "In anticipation of my return, I sup-

tion patience with you. What a poor opinion you must have of yourself to be

so suspicious! Mr. Hastings is going to

"D'Aguilar!" cried Francis Clayton starting, "has he been here?"

"And you have met him?"

"Yes." "And spoken to him?"

"Yes. "And danced with him?"

"I plead guilty to that also," answered Fee, trying to speak gayly. She was acland," he told his wife. "I shall leave customed to violent outbursts from her husband, but the passionate violence he gave way to on this occasion surpassed

anything she had ever witnessed.

He said such terrible things to her, that, trembling, frightened, as she was, her indignation was greater. She walked

"How dare you use such words to me!"
she cried. "How dare you utter your base-minded suspicions before me! I Nonsense. Madame de St. Geran will would not lower myself so much in my chaperon you if you still want a chap- own eyes as to attempt to justify my You are a poor, miserable a sneer. "She knows every friend and tyrant, with whom it is impossible for a woman to live and retain her self-re-

"I forbid you to leave this house!" "Henceforward you have no authority over my actions," his wife replied, coldly.

"I leave Paris to-night." "Then you go without servants or

"Be it so! I care not how, but go

He saw that she was resolved, and he was afraid of her. He tried to justify himself-to make up the quarrel; she would not hear a word. Then he apolo gized, humbly, abjectly; and at last she consented to receive his amende. Their misery was sealed from that hour. How could a man with a mind like Clayton's ever pardon a woman who had so humiliated him?

The Champions were perhaps not the spent two hours very pleasantly at the most united family in the world. Mr. opera, during which several gentlemen Champion was proverbially indifferent to of their acquaintance dropped in to see his wife; Sir Howard and his grandthem, and paid their court to either lady, children had perpetual altercations; and, as taste or diplomacy suggested. Once latterly, Mrs. Champion and her daughor twice the Frenchwoman looked curi- ter seemed far less attached to each othously at her lovely companion, who for er than formerly. Flora Champion was once was as bright and sparkling as in unhappy and discontented. Her sim in life was to make a brilliant marriage, and

were of frequent occurrence. She qua. They had seen enough of the opera, and reled constantly with her brother, and the their carriage being called, they drove last and crowning part of her mortifica off to the ball. In the first room Mrs. tion was that he had fallen desperately She in love with Winifred Eyre, When Mr took his arm, and they joined the dancers. Eyre died, Sir Howard had gone to the "My husband is away," she whispered. Farm and offered to take Winifred to the Farm and offered to take Winifred to the "and I shall dance to-night to my heart's Manor. But she refused-not bitterly, content. If he were here he would not not angrily, but firmly. "Thank you, she said, "I am sure you mean kindly wandering together through the magni- father when he was alive, and I will not ficent conservatories that led from the accept anything at your hands now." And ballroom. Suddenly Mr. Hastings felt Sir Howard, instead of being displeased his companion's hand tremble violently and offended, was rather gratified by at independence of spirit which he consider-

Meantime Winifred very gratefully ac cepted another offer that was made to was discreetly silent. A quick glance, her. The moment kind Lady Grace heard an undecided bow, passed between them, of her young friend's trouble she came to and they both moved on. When Mrs. her and wanted to take her away to En Vale at once. But no persuasion could induce Winifred to leave the Farm until after the funeral, and even then she They were obliged to speak then; and clung to Ler old friend, Madame de Montolieu, and could not bear the thought of leaving her. But Lady Gr. ce was bent on having the girl, whom she had come to care for very dearly. such that the merest acquaintances might finally persuaded Madame de Montolieu to give up her cottage and go with Winifred to Endon Vale.

To return to Flora Champion. The retribution which her conduct toward Mr. Vane deserved had overtaken her. He was Lord Lancing now; his father had been dead six months, and he was as indifferent to her as she had formerly been to him. And, worse than all, their positions were reversed, and she was in love with him, to her own bitterness and mortification. She tried first to win him Fee wanted to do her duty-wanted back, and when that failed, she strove, with all her strength of will, to master had been a little kind and forbearing to her unrequitted attachment. Lord Lan her, she would never have suffered a cing never slighted her-he was far too thought even to be false to him. But he generous minded for that; he paid her the was cruel, tyrannical and suspicious and same attention in public that he had always done. But he never, as long as he lived, uttered another word of love to her. and strive to be good and patient and He was kind and tender to her, for the keep from quarreling with him, but he sake of olden times, but a brave, generous heart like his could never again love a woman who had been capable of cold-

ness and cruelty.
"I will marry!" Flora vowed to herself, "and marry well. I shall never love any one but Evelyn, and he does not care for me now. If a man as old as my grand-Francis!" she exclaimed, rising and father asks me to be his wife, and he has rank and wealth, I will take him. Surely I have still beauty enough to buy love! and Flora Champion looked proudly into the long mirror before which she was

CHAPTER XII.

Winifred was no longer unhappy. She had not forgotten the old tie that had been snapped so rudely, but others had wound themselves round her. She had two mothers now-her dear old madame and kind Lady Grace; each seemed to vie with the other in tenderness and care for

It was a bright, treacherous morning in early April, and she had just come in from her round of visits to the conservatory and hothouses, laden with choice flowers. She laid them carefully on the long table by the window, and proceeded to make selections. She was bending over a cut crystal vase, her hands filled with delicate ferns, when the door was thrown open and a servant announced European countries it is about \$100.

fore she had time to turn. A quick thrill of pleasure danced through her veius, then she drew herself up into haughty oldness-memory and pride had come to

her aid. Mr. Hastings was certainly neither bashful nor nervous, but on finding himself thus alone with the girl whom he had loved, he felt a very pardonable awkwardness. He chose to face it bravely, though. He went quickly toward her, uttering her name in a low voice. She drew back a step or two, and looked at him with proud coldness. He stopped suddenly, looked at her, and turned away

"Mr. Hastings." He was in the room be-

deeply mortified. "I will tell Lady Grace," Winifred said, quietly, and would have left the room, out Mr. Hastings confronted her, "Do not go yet," he exclaimed, "listen

to me for a moment first. Will you never forgive me?-will you not let me atone "I will never forgive you," she cried, the passionate tears welling into her

eyes, and she swept past him and left Mr. Hastings stamped with futile anger on the ground. "How could I be such a fool?" he mut-

have for my wife than the proudest prin- of Niu Chwang.

His reflections were all cut short by the entrance of Lady Grace. She was very glad to see him; asked him why he had not been over before, and a thousand questions about his travels. They had been talking some twenty minutes when the door opened, and to his surprise Miss Eyre entered, with an air of steadily. perfect unconcern. Lady Grace, evidently not knowing they had seen each other that day, introduced them. They bowed

"Though I think you have met before?" her ladyship remarked, interrogatively. "Mr. Hastings called once at the Farm to see my father about something. We did not meet as equals," and she gave

him a defiant flash of her proud eyes. Her ladyship pressed Mr. Hastings to line and stay the night at Endon Vale, but he pleaded an engagement at home She insisted, however, on his taking lunch before departing, and to that he consented. During lunch his hostess discussed her projects for the coming season,

"I am about to appear in a new role," she said, with a kind glance at Winifred; preparing to protest against this enthat of chaperon. I am going to bring croachment on the public square. out my adopted daughter, and I trust she will not disappoint my expectations." "Miss Eyre will, I doubt not, more than realize the fondest anticipations," said

Mr. Hastings. "Sir Clayton has taken a house in Eaton Square for the season," she continued: "we propose to commence occupying it in a fortnight. I hope we shall see you constantly, Mr. Hastings,' "I shall be very glad," assented Errol,

"I propose to be in town a good deal, Sir Clayton's voice made itself heard at this juncture, almost for the first time.

"Are you going back to the Court this afternoon, Hastings?" Errol answered in the affirmative, "Then Miss Eyre and I will bear you pany part of the way. We have or

lered the horses for three o'clock." used himself had it been possible, The horses came round; he offered to

I have tested."

She seemed to delight in wounding him. She kept persistently on the other side is very weak and even chloroform of Sir Clayton, and scarcely spoke, Presently they came to a gate, from which the two top railings had been broken.

"Come, Winifred," said Sir Clayton, there is a capital piece of practice for The groom had gone up to unfasten it. "Don't open it, Mason!" shouted the baronet. "Miss Eyre is going to

And Winifred immediately put her horse at it, and was over in a moment. "Does she sit well?" Sir Clayton asked, riumphantly, turning to his companion. 'Harold Erskine taught her to ride."

had been unspoken. But, nevertheless, of his recovery are still very small. he admired the graceful figure before him very ardently and genuinely. When they parted, Sir Clayton pressed him to dine there the following week. Before he answered, he looked at Winifred whose gaze was fixed blankly in the dis-"I will make her love me!" he vowed,

impatiently, and he accepted the invita-

The Wandering Shade.

As I wandered down the street I noticed that the said street was paved nection with the Alaskan boundary conwith divers and many bowlders which troversy, called at the state department doubtless were the remains of some today and paid his respects to Acting ancient fortification. They were rough Secretary Loomis. Mr. Pope comes and full of seams and ridges and val- by direction of his government to exleys, and I marveled greatly how the amine the originals of some of the impeople of this otherwise progressive portant charts presented by the Amerimodern city stood for it.

but methinks I will have a ride; for on the examination of the charts. not since the days when we rode in sedan chairs and upon joggly war horses have I ridden save on the wings

So I climbed upon the wagon and smiled a ghostly smile of rare content- float a government loan either here or

this is the real thing!" Just then, however, we struck another of Santo Domingo. General Jiminze of the bowldered places, and, alas! my refuses, however, to talk about his spectral spine was driven into my an- mission. All he would say was that cient and honorable skull so that I was Sante Domingo is getting along well forced to fade away swiftly and reor under the new government.

For, by my halidom! nothing of the days of yore was ever so soul-destroying as the things I snag upon in this modern city.-San Francisco Bulletin.

Raise Pay of Employes. The New Zealand government is raising the wages of its railway employes

PLANNING FOR WAR

HIGH RUSSIAN OFFICERS ARE IN SE-CRET CONFERENCE.

Czar Evidently Intends to Hold the Maning Among the Japanese is increasing and Trouble is Expected.

Kin Chau, opposite Niu Chwnag Manchuria, July 10 .- All the prominent Russian officials in China, Manchuria and Corea are attending the conference at Port Arthur. Among them are Minister of War Kurepatkin, Admiral Alexieff, the Russian ministers at Pekin and Secul, the political agentin China and Corea, including M. Pokotiloff, recently Russian financial rep resentative at Pekin, General Dessino the military agent in China, the civil hope of this girl, whom I would rather bin and Kirin, and the administrator

> The proceedings at the conference are officials are considering war questions. The commercial foreign officers at Niu

Japan War Fever Higher. Kin Chau, Manchuria, July 10 .-The war feeling among the Japanese in civil administrators, with the governormenced the erection of a government

pleted the purchase of the river tug which has formerly gone to waste and business here. This is regarded as an converting thousands of acres of sageimportant step towards Russian control | brush into alfalfa fields. of the harbor, as the new company is apparently acting in behalf of the Russian government, Russia having out small commercial interests here. The British company had four boats, and the Russians have imported two more. All six vessels are armed and comand have taken a set of rooms in Picca- manded by Russian officers. The crews are composed of soldiers.

POPE FEELS HE IS WEAKER.

Desires to Work, But Physicians Persuade Him to Abandon Idea.

Rome, July 9, 1:30 p. m.-As Mr. Hastings saw it, and would have ex- able as it was last night, due to the fact that the operation of yesterday has not accomplished what the doctors wished. Though inflammation of "No, thank you," she said, coldly; "I the lungs is decreasing, the patient's and there is a tendency towards a radical change for the worse. The Pontiff seems to have lost its power to give the sufferer the relief of tranquil rest. Besides, what depresses the Pope is the difficulty he is experiencing in breathing. At times he appears to be on the point of strangulation, and thea his breathing gradually becomes weaker

until his heart apparently stops. Another great preoccupation of the doctors is the derangement of the pris now that the Pope's life may perhaps

The intense anxiety regarding the Pontiff's condition which is by the receipt of a very large number the passenger train could pass. telegrams from eminent American prelates and lay Catholics in America, making anxious inquiries and expressrecovery will be answered.

Washington, D. C., July 10 .- Joseph W. Pope, the Canadian expert in concan side in support of its case, and Secroom in the State Department at his service. Mr. Pope entered at once up-

Santo Domingo to Float a Loan. New York, July 10 .- General Juan Isidoro Jiminez, ex-president of the Dominican republic, who has just arrived here, is reported to be trying to

abroad. He was appointed fiscal agent "By castor and jing!" quoth I, "but to the United States and Europe by General Wosly Gill, the new president

Strikers May Come Back.

Denver, Ju'y 10. - The expected attempt to resume work at the Globe smelter was not made this morning, but official announcement was made today that work will be resumed tomorrow. The announcement says that all taken part in any riotous demonstrations during the recent strike, will be dition

TO WATER GREAT AREA.

pleted This Year.

Ontario, Or., July 9 .- The Malheur butte irrigation d tch, which was in process of construction last fail, owing to certain conditions was not completed as expected, and the work suspended churian Position and Fight Japan if for a time. A deal has just been con-It is Assured of No Ald-War Feel- summated between the Artesian Springs water and land company, which formerly owned the reservoirs and the ditch, the ditch.

About 70 per cent of the work on the work remaining to be done will begin in this coming August, and will be rap- 30 per cent less than the state has idly pushed to completion, and the been paying. opinion is confidently expressed that by next spring it will be in use. The estered between his teeth. "I have lost all and military officials at Muckden, Har timated cost of what remains to be done Lewis, who will advise the board is \$30,000.

The Malheur butte ditch, when comenveloped in profound secrecy. It is tending from near Vale to Dead Ox about half the lighting if found adpopularly supposed that the Russian Flat and covering all the territory on visable. Under the Flat and covering all the territory on visable. Under the new contract the the west side of the Malheur river from state will save some \$4000 a year. Vale to and including Dead Ox Flat. Chwang and Port Arthur believe that This ditch will connect by means of the possibility of war is increasing Willow creek and another ditch above Vale 15 miles in length with three large Rogue River Ground to Be Worked by reservoirs which will supply water during the entire season in which water is needed. These three reservoirs, China is intensifying. The Russian water, have irrigation duty of 35,000 Montana and Chicago capitalists. For general of Niu Chwang, have com- than half completed, and sufficient has bonded nearly all of the place water is stored in this section to cover lands of the Lower Foots building, designed to hold all the Rus- all the land in cultivation under the country, and extending along Rogue sian offices, including the telegraph ditch, and as the reclamation of land river for a distance of several miles and telephone departments, in the cen- continues the reservoirs will be repletter of the foreign settlement, partly on ed until enough water is stored to cover land ceded by the Chinese, according the entire acreage under the ditch. to the Russian explanation, and partly | These reservoirs are natural sites, and on the public square, about which the by the expenditure of about \$15,000 facture. They have had experts on foreign consulates are congregated. have been placed in conditi n for use, the field for several months past, and The residents of other nationalities are The water is stored in them in the win- a thorough prospect of the ground has ter and early spring from Upper Willow creek and a system of springs, thus A Russian company yesterday com- utilizing the vast quantity of water

DIE IN TRAIN WRECK.

Twenty-Three Killed and Nine Injured in Collision.

persons were killed and three injured scaretary of the interior is conclusive in a head-on collision on the Virginia proof, if any further proof is neces Midland division of the Southern rail-way at Rockfish, Va., this afternoon. to be scrutinized with utmost care The passenger train which left Wash- The disapproval of these clear lists ington at 11:15 A. M. today for Atlan-ta, Ga., dashed into a local freight with the action is entirely in accordance with the rules of practice in the dewhich was standing on the main line of the road at that point, wrecking both the engines and the baggage and express Winifred bit her lip with vexation; and Pope's condition today is not so favor- cars of the passenger train. The baggage car and the second class passenger coach immediately following it were Charles Wimer and William Ross, of telescoped. The coach was occupied Grant's Pass. A wide ledge, carry-

mostly by colored people. The trainmen, under a doctor's direcike to be put up by some one whose skill general condition does not improve, tion, cut through the panels of the baggage car and took out 20 of the dead. Probably a score of the injured were removed. A special train which went from here to the scene of the wreck returned to the city about 8 o'clock, width and many hundred feet in bringing some of the dead and most of

the injured. Most of the immigrants were Austrians, and were bound for points as far distant as California.

The freight train was in charge Conductor Brubeck and Engineer Hale, and at the time of the accident was on tient's kidneys, as a result of which the return run from Lynchburg to blood poisoning is feared. The outlook Charlottesville. Rockfish station is midway between these two points and two years ago and last year had five Errol's reply was less enthusiastic than be prolonged more than could have the track there is a single one. Engin- acres of it, selling the product to the would have been if the last sentence been expected 36 hours ago, but hopes eer Hale had orders to get out of the way of the fast passenger train, but, for some reason, which has not yet been explained, he had overstayed his time, throughout the United States is shown and had failed to take a siding so that trains came together with a horrible crash, and a fearful scene of panic en- land. sued when the occupants of the cars reing the hope that the prayers for his alized what had occurred. The passenger train was made up of an express car, a baggage car, two day coaches and two Pullman cars.

Short Line Is Turned Over.

Salt Lake City, July 9. - At midnight tonight that part of the Oregon Short Line railroad system south of Salt Lake City, was formally turned over to the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake City railroad, and becomes part of the system Senator W. A. Clark, of Montana, and associates are build-Just then a passing vehicle caught retary Loomis courteously placed a ing to Southern California. Word was received at the headquarters of the Salt Lake road today that all the details of G. the transfer of the road and rolling stock had been completed and notifying the officials to take charge at midnight.

Cowed by Militia.

Evansville, Ind., July 9 .- After the carnage of last night, Evansville is tonight obeying the orders of the mayor and the people are keeping off the streets. There are nine dead, one dying, three others fatally hurt and 21 more or less injured. Four died today. Eight companies of mili is and one battery are in Evansville. The 400 soldiers are armed with rifles, and the light battery has a Gatling gun.

Wright Finally Gives In.

New York, July 9.—Whittaker of July of each year.
Wright, the London financier and promoter, who was arrested last March, charged with fraud as a director of the old employes, except such as may have London & Globe finance company, and has since been in jail pending extrato the extent of \$100,000.

The average savings bank deposit in this country is more than \$400; in all today.

tions during the recent strike, will be allowed to take their old places. Evallowed to take their old places. Evaluate the smelters allowed to take their old places allowed to take their old places. Evaluate the smelters allowed to take their old places allowed to take their old places. Evaluate the smelters a dition proceedings, today formally waived all rights and agreed to be vol-

SAVE MONEY ON LIGHTNING. Great Reduction. The state board of capitol building commissioners have opened bids for electric lighting for the state instituand a number of substantial business tions located here—the men of Weiser Idaho, by which the prison, asylum and blind school, upon reliable authority that the pros-latter are to have a controlling interest. Only one bid was presented, that of pects obtained from the use of the men of Weiser Idaho, by which the prison, asylum and blind in the ditch and reservoirs. The con- the Salem light and traction company; sideration is \$45,000, and a perpetual which holds the present contract. The water right to 3,000 acres of land under proposals were for either meter or flat rate payments for all or part of the institutions, and for four or ten years so that the terms offered are not easiditches has been completed and the ly stated, but members of the board say that the rates offered are about

The different plans proposed will be submitted to the State engineer, C. C. which plan of lighting is most advan-tageous to the state. The state owns plete, will be 23 miles in length, ex. a 150-horsepower water right at the

BIG PLACER ENTERPRISE.

Means of Dredging. A gigantic placer mining enterprise s that undertaken by the Bannock which contain about 1,600 acres of Gold Dredging Company, composed of acres when completed. They are more a consideration of \$35,000 this company Between 700 and 800 acres of place ground have been bonded by the Bannock company. They are preparing to work the ground by dredging, and will us a machine of their own manuhed and of the bars along either side carry high values in gold.

Land Buyers in the Air.

The announcement a few days ago that the secretary of the interior has disapproved a number of "clear lists" in Oregon lieu land selections, disclos es something entirely new in the land matters in Oregon. None of the state land office attaches have ever before heard of a clar list being disapproved Washington, July 9 .- Twenty four This unusual action on the part of the

Rich Ledge Uncovered. A new and important strike has \$18,000. This has been considered been made in the Waldo district by ing values in both copper and gold been uncovered. Samples of ore from the new find are attracting much ettention. The predominating value are copper, though there is a considerable showing of gold. The main values of the find is in its extent. Out croppings show the vein to be of great length. It will be developed and ex-It lies on the same belt as does the copper mines of Preston

Peak and Iron Mountain, California

Eighty acres of seven-headed whea planted at Milton by J. M. Freeman show good prospects of a crop of 65 to 70 bushels this year. Mr. Freemay obtained the wheat from a German Peacock mill for the same price as bluestem. The flour made therefrom was nearly equal in quality to the bes grades of bluestem, and as the yield was greatly in excess, the venture appears profitable. This is the second year of the experiment, and so far the new wheat has only been tried on hill

The continued rains of last week practically ruined the cherry crop in Clackamas county. The Royal Anne variety, of which there was an abund ant crop, has been rendered unmarket able. The fruit has cracked badly and is now fermenting on the trees. the rain does not cease soon extensive damage will result to hav and grain throughout the county. With a change to favorable weather, Clackamas coun ty will this year yet harvest one of the most bountiful crops that was ever

Receipts of Lond Office.

Clerk of the State Land Board, Brown, has compiled his monthly statement of the receipts of his office | nominal; cheat, \$15@16 per ton. during June, showing that a total of \$26.271.94 had been received from the different sources, such as land sales, payments on certificates, etc., and turned over to the Treasurer. total amount \$18,925.01 was received as payments on certificates and cash sale of school lands.

In accordance with sections 1787 1788, 1789, 1790, 1791 and 1792 of Bellinger and Cotton's annotated code and statutes of Oregon, Governor proclamation referring to the protection of timber and other property from fire. The law provides that this proclamation shall be issued by the governor on or before the first day

The monthly report of the superin tedent of the state insane asylum for June shows an increase in the number of patients from 1302 to 1324 during

HAPPENINGS HERE IN OREGON

WILL BUY MINE.

for State Institutions Shows Clark is Satisfied With Southern Oregon Copper Ledge.

Developments at the copper mines on Joe's creek, known as the Blue ledge, are continuing under the management of Patsy Clark. It is reported diamond drill in the mine are showing up more flatteringly every day. It is now practically certain that the property will be taken by Clark under the provisions of the bond which he has obtained, and that the deal will be closed before the termination of the term for which the bond was given. Prominent mining men from all ions of the Northwest are flocking to that section, looking into the pros-pects around the mine. The mine bonded by Clark is not the only one in this vicinity which is making good mineral showings. The belt of copperbearing ore reaches for miles north and south from the Blue ledge, and the bonding of the Blue ledge to Clark has given an impetus to the development of other copper prospects in this region. That that vicinity will prove to be one of the great mining centers of the Northwest is now confidently

expected. In addition to the mining interest that may be developed in that section, there are also large timber interests which await access to market by the way of railroad communication, and hould the Blue ledge prove to be what Clark and his associates think and confidently expect it to be, these timher interests will be pushed along with the mining interests.

Assistant in Treasurer's Office.

State Treasurer Moore has appointed George G. Gans, Jr., to assist in his office temporarily on account of the ncrease of work due to the collection of the corporation taxes. Mr. Gans was formerly a clerk in the land de-partment. The last legislature made an additional appropriation for cler-cal assistance in the treasury departnent because of work incident to the collection of the inheritance and corpoation taxes and a permanent appointment under this authority will be made

Packing Marion County Cherries. The Salem fruit cannery is having very satisfactory run on cherries, and manager Holcomb says that the total pack of this fruit will amount to about 8000 cases. Early soft cherries were not of first-class quality, owing to in overabundance of water in them. but they will keep well. The cherry crop as a whole has been of fair qualiy and the quantity as large as was expected. The cannery employs an averge of about 150 persons a day.

Yamhill Will Raise Fine Stock. The H. C. Evans farm of 635 acres, ear McMinniville, was sold last v to Captain Foster, of Portland, for of the best grain farms in Yamhill county. Captain Foster will seed the farm to clover and grass, and is now stocking the farm with high-grade stock. Many of the large farms of Yamhill are now being changed into

stock and dairy farms.

Gain in Eugene Postal Receipts. Postmaster J. L. Page, in footing up the business of the Eugene office for the month of June, finds that the postal receipts at this office for that month have amounted to \$1,242.59, or a gain of \$466.49 over the corresponding month last year. As an indication of the improvement in business the re-

port is highly gratifying.

With few exceptions all of the logging camps in the Lower Columbia river district have closed down for a month or six weeks. The logging companies agreed to do this so that the surplus of logs might become ex-

hausted and the prices maintained. Selecting Wool For Exhibition. Hon. Henry Blackman, representa-Centennial and the St. Louis exposi-

tion, was in Ontario last week securing samples of Malheur and Harney county wool to be placed on exhibition at the St. Louis fair.

PORTLAND MARKETS. Wheat-Walla Walla, 70@74c; val-

Barley-Feed, \$20.00 per ton; brewing, \$21. Flour-Best grades, \$3.95 @ 4.30;

graham, \$3.45@3.85. Millstuffs-Bran, \$23 per ton; middlings, \$27; shorts, \$23; chop, \$18. Oats-No. 1 white, \$1.10 @ 1.15; gray, \$1.05 per cental.

Hay-Timothy, \$20@21; clover, Potatoes-Best Burpanks, 50@65c

per sack; ordinary, 35@45c per cental, growers' prices; Merced sweets, \$30 3.50 per cental. Poultry-Chickens, mixed, 10@11c: young, 13@14c; hens, 12c; turkeys, live, 16@17c; dressed, 20@22c; ducks, \$7.00@7.50 per dozen; geess, \$6.00@

Cheese-Full cream, twine, 15%@ 16c; Young America, 15@15%c; factory prices, 1@1 1/c less.

Butter-Fancy creamery, 20@2216 per pound; extras, 22c; dairy, 200 22 1/c; store, 16c@18. Eggs—17@20c per dozen. Hops—Choice, 18@20c per pound. Wool—Valley,12½@17c;Eastern Or-

gon, 8@14c; mohair, 35@371/c. Beef-Gross, cows, 31/84c, per ound; steers, 5@51/c; dressed, 81/c. Veal-7%@8c. Mutton-Gross, \$3.50 per ireseed, 6@6 %c.

Lambs-Gross, dreseed, 7%c.