## FROM SUNDAY'S DAILY

# ACCIDENT AT FRUITLAND ON WILLAMETT

CHARLES YATES KILLED BY A EXTREME HIGH WATER CAUSES FALLING TREE.

Friends, Who Were Present, Were Un- A Noticrable Movement of Potatoes able to Save Him-Leaves a Grief-Stricken Wife.

Yesterday afternoon the startling news reached this city that Charles Yates, a well-known young farmer, rethis city, had been instantly killed by a falling tree, at 11:30 a. m., while he was engaged in cutting it down.

Mr. Yates has been engaged for some little time in cutting cord wood, and yesterday morning he, with his brother and brother-in-law was at work about half a mile from his home, in cutting down a large fir tree, preparatory to making cord wood out of it. When the tree fell it lodged in the branches of another, and the efforts of the men to dislodge it proved futile, when they decided to cut it into sections where it was lodged. This was being done by John French, brotherin-law of Mr. Yates, when the latter passed under the end of the trunk, which was suspended in the air. While he was under it the upper end of the trunk gave way and, without warning, fell, knocking Mr. Yates to the ground and, falling across his chest, crushed him into the earth. Help was quickly secured and the heavy log taken off the injured man, but it was too late to benefit him, for life had been practically crushed out of the body, the unfortunate farmer breathing his last within a few minutes after being released from the weight of the death-dealing

The body was badly mangled and bruised, the waist being crushed so that it could almost be spanned by two

One of the rescuers, W. B. Ramsden, came to Salem immediately and notifled Coroner A. M. Clough of the occurrence, but as the circumstances, as detailed to him, did not indicate any foul play, that official considered it unnecessary to hold an inquest on the remains and, unless a number of the neighbors demand an official investiga-tion of the matter, none will be made.

The case is a peculiarly sad one, as Mr. Yates has been married less than ment. Some growers are holding pomonth, to Miss Eva French, of Fruitland, which marriage occurred on but the local trade is well supplied Christmas day, 1898. The bride of a month, so suddenly made a widow, is shocked with grief. Her sorrow is shared by the parents of the deceased, and his brothers, one of whom, J. A. Yates, is employed at the White House restaurant, in this city, where he is chief cook. The parents of the deceased lived in the immediate neighborhood of the sad occurrence.

#### PROSPEROUS AND CONTENTED.

Albert M. Grilley Among the Salemites Seeking Alaskan Gold.

G. M. Grilley, until recently a resident of this city, but now living in Silverton, driving the stage between that city and this, yesterday received a letter from his son, Albert M. Grilley, who is numbered among the Salem contingent of gold seekers in the Alaskan gold district.

rold district.

The last letter received by Mr. Grilley from his adventuresome son, prior to that of yesterday, reached this city in September, and the father was, naturally, considerably exercised as to his

boy's welfare. Albert, who is now located on the American side of Forty Mile river, reports himself in excellent health and spirits, and reasonably prosperous. He has taken some claims on Forty Mile river and succeeds in daily washing out

of the diggings from \$7 to \$10. For a period of several days during the early fall, Mr. Grilley found amployment, for which he received as compensation \$1 per hour. He purchased enough supplies to last him until late into next summer, and is very

comfortably situated.

Mr. Grilley was formerly secretary of the Salem Y. M. C. A., and his friends hereabouts, who are legion, will be pleased to learn of the success that promises to attend his hazardous un-

### A FASTIDIOUS EQUINE.

James Townsend's Horse Prefers the Cement Walk to the Muddy Street.

Yesterday afternoon James Townsend left his faithful horse, hitched to a light cart, standing on Liberty street alongside the row of huts known as "Chinatown," while he transacted some

About 2 o'clock a noisy Celestial, wheeling a large cart loaded with some chickens, came along the sidewalk. This frightened the horse which, with one jerk, severed the rope with which he was tied, and lost no time in beating he was tied, and lost no time in beating to Juneau when I wish, and I have to a retreat. The animal ran north on make my reports there, but live at erty street to Court, when he wheeled to the left and made for the sidewalk. The horse is not a native and last night, while in my room, I Oregonian, and having a dislike for the heard the sound of singing in the hall idy streets, proposed to seek a path that was more suited to his fastidious tastes. He did not reach the sidewalk until he had collided with a cart, of O. F.); it made me think of Olive lodge which he succeeded in demolishing a and its members, in Salem, in earnest, wheel, besides breaking the shaft. He As soon as I get my credentials I incontinued on the sidewalk until near tend to visit the local lodge. It is Alasthe alley, when he concluded to test the ka lodge, No. 1. cement walk on the opposite side of . "Fritz Miller, the man who discov-the street. With this object in view he ered the Atlin mines, and a party of the street. In this maneuver he collided find it an easy route Juneau will be and the animal hastened on towards prospects are. Commercial street, only to be intercept- "February and March are considered

MILLS TO SUSPEND WORK.

to California-Notes Gathered from the River.

It was generally expected that the rush of business incident to the holiday season would be followed by a noticesiding at Fruitland, five miles east of able depression in business circles, but such expectation has failed of realization in the majority of instances, locally, at least. While the volume of business has by no means teen as great as during the holidays, it has been better than usual. With but few exceptions all lines of business report a lively trade for this month.

By reason of the high water the Salem flouring mills have not been in operation for the past week. As a result of the temporary suspension of work which was unexpected, the mili's supply of bran has ben exhausted and that feed stuff promises to become culte scarce in the local market unless the water recedes within the next few days.

The new machinery, by which the mill is equipped with a new bolting process, runs smoothly and the new flour which has been placed in the market gives faultless satisfaction. The quotation of 50 cents, per bushel for the golden cereal has remained unchanged for the past week.

There is but little activity in the hop market, there being no movements of that product of any volume for several weeks. Hop shipments fron, this point have averaged ten bales only per week for the present month. There are still \$30 bales of the 1898 crop stored in the Southern Pacific company's warehouse in this city.

Oregon potatoes are being shipred by the carload and boatload to supply the California market. A carload left this city Friday evening and down river steamers for several days past have carried cargoes of spuds to Portland for shipment to San Francisco via the ocean steamers. The surplus potato crop in this vicinity is said to have been purchased of the growers for shiptatoes for a better price in the spring. spuds retailing for 40 cents per bushel. There are reported to be 7000 sacks of spuds, representing approximately 385 tons, in Portland, all consigned to San Francisco merchants.

The banks of the Willamette river are inadequate to hold the immense volume of water that seeks an outlet through its channels as a result of the recent freshet and, as a consequence, land adjacent thereto is submerged. Last evening the river at this point registered 17 feet above low water mark and was slowly raising. A further increase of two feet in the depth of the river will necessitate the closing of the locks at Oregon City. Some of the steamers have already been obliged to remove a section from their smokestacks in order to pass beneath the steel bridge at this point.

The steamer Gray Eagle is at present engaged towing logs from the Spau'ding logging camp near Sidney to Oregor City.

The steamer Elmore passed down the river on schedule time yesterday morning, her cargo consisting of spuds, which were raised on Brown's island. They were consigned to San Francisco parties.

The Ruth touched her dock in this city at an unusually early hour yesterday-3.45 p. m .- and shortly thereafter continued up the river for Corvallis.

The C. C. & E. Company's steamer Hoag will pass down the river about 10 a .m. today with a large cons gnrient of wheat from Harrisburg to the Oregon City mills.

The steamer Fomona passed down to Portland vesterday morning with a big shipment of potatoes and onions. the destination of which is California The Aitona-the Pomona's sister boat

- reached this city at 6 p. m. yesterday, passing on up the river to Indepen-

#### SALEMITES IN ALASKA.

W. J. Culver Writes an Interesting Letter to a Friend.

S. N. Nye, of this city, is in receipt of a letter from W. J. Culver, now in the customs service in Alaska, from which the following brief excerpts are taken:

"There has been an upheaval in the customs service here, and I have been kept busy in consequence. There had to be a change made at Douglas City, near the Treadwell mine, and the collector sent me there. I can cross over Douglas.

"I have a good room over a store on the opposite side of the building. I opened my door to listen, and heard the "opening ode" of our own order (L. O.

left the plank walk and made directly five men, left here a week ago for Atfor the more substantial walk across/ lin by way of the Taku river. If they with a second cart, from which was good outfitting place. Miller and his taken a wheel. The cement walk was party will return in three or four reached without any further accident weeks, when it will be known what the

ed upon reaching that thoroughfare the best months in which to travel over and turned over to its owner. Neither the snow into the interior, although litthe horse nor the cart were any the tle can be done at mining before June. There will be a rush from this time on; a Crecian custom.

the last steamers from the Sound had Mr. Nye has also received a letter rom a friend at Fort Cudaby. from a friend at Fort Cudaby, where are also the Singleton Broth-ers, Ernest Wagner, J. A. Mothorn, Jos. Cavanagh and others of the Salem gold hunters. Mr. Cavangh's health is reported as being very much better. The party looks for large returns for their

#### IN PROBATE COURT.

trouble and expense, when they make

their spring clean-up,"

Administrator Appointed—Final Ac-

A. D. Smith was yesterday appoint ed administrator of the estate of his late wife, Mrs. Marett S. Smith, who died in this city intestate on December 12, 1838, leaving property to the probable value of \$300. The heirs at law to the estate are: A. D. Smith, husband. aged 48 years; Eva E. Smith, daughter, eged 17 years, and Frank L. Smith. son, aged 14 years, all of Salem.

In the matter of the guardianship of Frank E. and Eva E Smith. miners, N. Bier, Clark Churchill and C. T. Doty, as appraisers yesterday filed an inventory of the property jointly owned by said minors, showing the same to be of the value of \$115c.

The sale of personal property in the estate of C M. Day, deceased, by the seministrator, F. W. Steusloff, was confirmed.

W. J. Culver yesterday filed his final account as administrator of the estate of Catherine B. Livermore, deceased, showing all receipts to have been lisbursed. Personal property in this city belonging to the deceased and valued at \$500, and land in La Fayette. Yamhill county, has not yet been disposed of. The report will be heard at 10 a. m., Monday, February 27th. The papers were made out by Mr. Culver in the District of Alaska and forwarded to this city.

Phoebe E. Briggs has been cited to appear in prohate court at 11 a. m. on January 23d and show cause, if any exists, why a guardian should not be appointed over her.

#### ANOTHER NEW ONE.

A Bill to Create the County of Wheeler in Eastern Oregon.

Following are the boundary lines mapped out for the new county of Wheeler in the bill (H. E. 153) introduced by Mr. Donnelly, of Grant coun-

"Beginning at the northwest corner of township 13 south of range 20 east. Willamette meridian, and running thence south on range line between ranges 19 and 20 east, three miles; thence east to the east boundary of range 22 east; thence south three miles to the southeast corner of township 13 south, of range 22 east; thence east to east boundary of range 23 east; thence south to the south boundary of township 14 south; thence east to the east boundary of range 25 east; thence north to the north boundary of Grant county: thence west on the north boundary of Grant county to the east boundary of range 24 east; thence north to the first standard parallel south; thence west to the east boundary of range 21 east; thence north two miles by government survey; thence west to the centre of the main channel of the John Day river; thence up the center of the main channel of the said John Day river to a point where it is crossed by the west boundary of range 20 east; thence southon said west boundary of range 20 east to the place of beginning."

This includes nine congressional townships, the north half of three others and some small fraction from Crook county; twenty-three townships from Grant county; thirteen full townships and some fractional parts from Gilliam county, It makes a nice shape, being 54 miles in its greatest length north and south, and 36 miles east and west, taking in the towns of Mitchell in Crook and Fossil in Gilliam county. The residents of the territory named want the new county. Those of that part of Grant are about 90 miles from their present county seat, those of Crook being also a long distance by c'rcuitous route from theirs and the southern part of Gilliam being similarly situated. It meets principal opposition from the northern portion of Gilliem county.

#### DEDUCTING INDEBTEDNESS.

Editor Statesman: Among the bills that have so far been introduced at the present session of the legislature, we find nothing that provides for allowing a deduction for indebtedness in making assessments. Where there is record evidence of the indebtedness, such a provision in the law cannot te successfully abused. All the fine-spun theories that have been advanced have never established the justice of taxing, just alike, those who are in debt and those who are not ir debt. Two men own half a block each in the same block. Each half block is worth \$5600. One owner is out of debt, the other owes more than his half block is worth. Both are assessed the same amount and pay the same tax. Is there a particle of justice in this? No one honestly believes there is, yet the debt-burdened taxpayer who is thus being compelled to pay the taxes of his more unfortunate neighbor, seems to have no friend who is willing to father a measure to right the wrong. Why should not our legislators at the present session give us a law, not weighted down with other obnoxious provisions, that will remedy this glaring defect in our assessment laws? Is poverty really a crime and has the poor devil who is in debt no friends? BORROWER. Salem Jan. 21, 1899.

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A BILL WRICH PROVIDES FOR EM-PLOYM .. "T AT THE "PEN."

The Retting, Breaking and Scutching of That Straw Should Be Done by the Prisoners.

A bill will be introduced in the legislature in the next few days for the employment of the idle convict labor in the retting, breaking and scutching of flax straw and preparing its fibre for the market. The bill provides that the three principal state officers—governor, secretary of state and state treasurer— shall have the direction of the employ-ment, and that they shall be empow-ered to purchase the plant, machinery and property, including the flax fibre, owned by the Ofegon Woman's Flax Fibre Associations at a price not to exceed \$15,000.

It is provided that these state officers be authorized and empowered to purchase such additional machinery as may be necessary to successfully operate the plant, and to employ in its operation such convict labor as may be needed, and to carry on the business.

It is said that no additional machinery would be necessary, excepting such as could be manufactured by convict labor at the foundry of the penitentlary, now belonging to the state, and that very little cost outside of the plant mentioned above would be necessary in order to get the business in full working order and make it profitable. Whatever additional money the state would be obaged to put into the business for its operation would come back in the sales of the semi-manufactured product.

Eugene Larimore, manager of the Portland Linseed wil works, recently wrote to Mrs. O. N. Denny, secretary of the Oregon Woman's Flax Fibre Association, the following letter:

"My Dear Madain: I have just returned from my annual trip through Eastern Oregon, Washington and Idaho in the interest of flaxseed contracts for my company.

"What a pity it is that the straw from the thousands of acres we have under contract carnot be utilized! No one knows better than I (that is, outside the faithful band of women who comprise your association) of the many vexations you have had and are having to contend with in the effort to establish an industry that will save the straw from these many acres of flax, to some good use and also prove a blessing and a boon to the farmers. Gould the eyes of business men, who have ample capital, only be turned toward what is now absolute waste! Would that I could influence them enough to have them give this matter considera-

"Mrs. Denny, why not call the attention of the incoming Oregon legislators to the cold truth, that an appropriation to put your industry on its feet would be a wise act on their part? Think of the thousands of dellars that are spent every year for binding twine and grain bags by the farmers of Oregon alone. And these same farmers are growing their own binding twine and grain bags, and allowing it to go to absolute waste, because these is no manufactur-ing establishment to utilize the flax straw. Why won't Oregon do as much as many of her sister states, namely, establish this industry in the peniten-

"The enterprise in other states is away past the self-supporting stage, and is a means of large revenue to the state treasury.

"It might be contended that there is no raw material. This is not the fact, Our company will have upwards of 25,-000 acres of flax this coming season, enough to furnish (at the most conservative estimate \$50,000 tons of straw. or about 25,000 tons of fibre. And then to think that this has to be wasted. It's a burning shaine; and all because the people of Oregon will persist in be-ing blinded to one of the most paying manufacturing industries that could be established in their state.

"Were I in your place, I would seriously consider the proposition of bringing this matter before the legislature next January. It night be a good plan to sell to the state what straw you now have on hand at Salem, if the legislature could be induced to establish scutch and tow mills at the penitentiary. But by all means go after them for an appropriation to help you establish the industry."

The Statesman, a few days, ago, copied an article from the American Economist, which leading newspaper in its line has taken up the subject of flax culture and linen manufacture in this country, giving the result of ex-periments made under the direction of the United States agricultural depart-ment in Nebraska and elsewhere. It is now well established, as has been shown by these experiments, and by the work of the Woman's Flax Fibre association, that Oregon produces a fibre equal in excellence for the manu-facture of the finer grades of linen and twine to that of the most celebrat-ed districts of Europe, in Ireland, Italy and elsewhere.

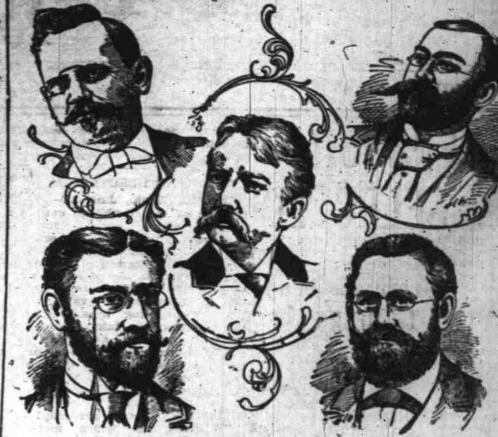
The Minnesota state penitentiary is making, with convict labor, grain bags and binding twine from jute imported from India and other countries. The net profits of the pant for the biennial term ending August 1, 1898, were \$132,-889. There is no reason why Oregon should not make its grain bags and binding twine from raw materials grown at home, to say nothing of the finer qualities of the manufactures from flax fibre.

The grain bags made from flax fibre would be much strenger and more durable than those manufactured from the jute from India and other countries, and the binding twine would also be tougher and smoother, and less liable to break.

Flax and binding twine could be made from the same straw furnishing the material for the manufacture of linseed oil, which now utterly goes to waste, thousands of tons of it being burned up every year.

Mrs. J. M. Lawrence, of Portland, is visiting Mrs. A. J. Monroe, at No. 313 Liberty street.

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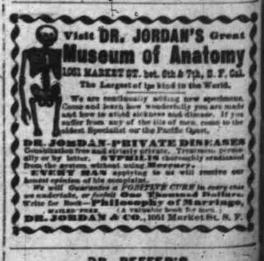
SPAIN'S SUNKEN SHIPS FLOATED Perhaps the greatest mechanical feat of the century has been the raising of some of the Spanish warships which were apparently shot to pieces at Santiago. It seemed utterly impossible to float them beause of the terrible damage inflicted by our guns, but the task has been accomplished. Diseases of the blood, stomach and liver frequently wreck the health so that there appears to be no chance of recovery. But when Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is taken, the disordered system is speedly restored to its old-time vigor and tone. The Bitters will regulate the liver, bowels and digestive functions and purify the blood. You can buy this remedy in any drug store, and under no circumstances should you ac-cept anything said to be "just as

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