OWERS ARE LOOKED UPON A VHRY BENEFICIAL TO GROW-ING HOP CROP.

Fear on Part of Growers Is. That Much Rain May Serve to Disurag the Pickers and Cause Them to Leave the Yards.

All authorities agree that the presit visitation of rain to this section is f inestimable value to the growing p crop, and are of the opinion that will increase the quality materially, he only barm that it will do, or is wible for it to do now, is that, by rolongation, indefinitely, it may cause he pickers to become discouraged and ave the yards. There is little or no anger upon this score, however, as sicking proceeded in most of the yards n the vicinity of Dallas and Independnce yesterday, notwiffstanding the in-

It is reported that some little dismtifaction arose in the Giblert & Paterson yard, near Eola, on Monday, which assumed the proportions of a trike, but the differences were quickv and satisfactorily adjusted, and he woole crew went to work yester day morning. So far as can be learned no trouble has occurred between the pickers and growers of any yard in this section so far this season and none is looked for. To date the reports being received from the fields indicate the yfeld is coming down well and the hops are in prime condition, but none venfures to place a reliable estimate upon the probable yield for the state. Conditions in New York.

As to the conditions in New York state the Otsego Republican of Sep tember 6 says:

The hop harvest is proceeding a rapidly as the poor weather has per mitted. The rains and sultry weather have not assisted in keeping the hops in good condition. The information we get confirms out belief that the erop will not exceed much one-half of last year's yield.

Middleburg News, August 31: Hops throughout the Schoharie val ley are being picked and the crop i most excellent in quality. The yield corupares favorably with that of one year ago. While a few growers report an increased yield others report quite a shortage. Mr. H. V. Pindar, the largest grower in the state, picked 3500 boxes of early hops, which is an inerop of last year. He is now busily engaged picking the late hops, and we understand there is quite a shrinkage in the yield as compared with one year ago. The deficiency here will more than offset the gain in his early hops. Throughout the valley nops are keeping well. On the upland reports say that the crop is badly injured by blight. Although varly in the season, a few sales have been made. W. V. Pindar sold 150 bales of early hops at 20 cents. John R. Haines has also sold his early hops for 201 cents. George B. Hyde sold his early nops to 18 cents and contracted his late hops to the same

party at the same price. Madison County Leader, August 31: The annual hop harvest in this section was commenced this week, most of the growers starting in to pick on Tuesday and Wednesday. With a few exceptions the damage from lice, blight and mildew will not be as serious as was at first anticipated, although some ynads are in a bad way from one or the other of such troubles. It is generally admitted that the vield will be about one-third less than last fall's big erop. Buuyers do not appear to be at all anxious to contract at present and seem to be holding off until an intelligent idea of the quality of the crop can be ascertained. While growers are looking for last year's prices, dealers hint at nothing better at present than Richmondville Phoenix, August 30:

The growing crop is now well matured, and so far as we are able to learn or judge, is in prime condition. The hurr is well developed, seeded and floured, the weather conditions have been excellent, and up to the very time of beginning the harvest there were no unfavorable circumstances or len, who has been a teacher at the Insigns. If the weather permits, the crop dian school here for the past year, has to be gathered in good condition and received an appointment in the Philthe drying properly done, Richmond ippine Islands as teacher, and has left ville will offer an average sized crop of for manilla.

shipping quality hope in shout two weeks. Farmers have their expectations fixed on a fair basis and are not ignorant of any of the crop conditions that prevail anywhere in the hop growing sections of the world. Dealers who can offer about the same figures they did last fall will hustle out the entire crop in a jiffy. Farmers are not disposed to be unreasonable.

Cherry Valley Gazette, August 31: Hop picking has generally begun, picking having started a few days earlier than expected through fear of mold. It is yet too early to judge how the yield will turn out, but it will probably not be far from 20 per cent less than last year in this state.

Cehoharie Republican, August 31: The picking of the Humphrey seedfing was finished last week and the gathering of the clusters and Canadas is in full swing this week. In this îmis fine, and with continued favorable weather the entire crop will be harvested in the same condition. In many sections vermin and mould abound in the yards, which will result in the loss of many hops and a low grade of those

Oneonta Herald, August 31:

Picking is progressing rapidly in this section, but only a few small growers have finished as yet. There is some mould and fice, and the quality will probably not be quite equal to that of last year. There are, however, many choice vards. For early varieties 20 to 105,000 bales, the estimate having been 25 cents ans been paid. There is -apparently no fixed price as yet for the main erop. Sanford Southworth of yielded 150 boxes, C. S. Morris estimates his crop at 30 per cent short, and W. L. Morris, who last year had 140 bales, estimates this year's crop at 100. Schoharie county reports a crop nearly as large as last year.

Cobleskill Index, August 31: The harvesting of the crop is general in this vicinity. Growers wno have already harvested report the crop as considerably short of last year and disweight. Mould and vermin are appearing, and growers are in haste to finish picking lest even the small crop be damaged.

Franklin Gazette, September 1: Hop picking began in several of the Malone yards last Monday. This about a week earlier than the date for last year, but was considered good policy on account of the condition of the hops and the fear that unfavorable the same as last year, \$1 a box. There crease of vermin or mould. Picking in considerably below last year, Much depends upon weather conditions during the next two weeks.

September 2:

In this state picking is well under way. The late, rainy, unfavorable weather caused considerable damage from mould and blight in the Waterville section, but advices from Schoharie and Otsego counties report very little damage. Some early state seedlings have been sold at 20 to 21 cents, but as yet they have had very little demand. Foreign advices continue excellent both from England and the continent and prices showing a considerable drop. New Germans are offered delivered in New York duty paid at 28 to 30 cents. The local market is quiet, but prices lower in sympathy with the general conditions. The beer tax paid in July, 1905, was on 5,512,369 barrels, as against 5,023,879 barrels in July, 1904, showing an increase in July this

For forty years, Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry has been curing summer complaint, dysentary, diarrhoea, bloody flux, pain in the stomach, and it has never yet failed to do everything elaimed for it.

vear of 488,490 barrels.

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GOES TO PHILIPPINES.

CHEMAWA, Sept. 12 .- John McMul

ls an ordeal which all w men approach with indescribable fear, for BECOMING A MOTHER nothing compares with child-birth. The thought

of the suffering and danger in store for her, "obs the expectant mother of the suffering and danger in store for her, obs the expectant mother of all pleasant anticipations of the coming event, and casts over her a shadow of gloom which cannot be shaken off. Thousands of women have found that the use of Mother's Friend during prognancy robe confinement of all pain and danger, and insures safety to life of mother and child. This estentific limiment is a god-send to all women at the time of their most critical trial. Not only does Mother's Friend earry women safety through the parils of child-birth, but its use girtly prepares the system for the coming event, prevents "morning dickness," and other dis-

WEATHER COULD NOT HAVE BEEN BETTER FOR GROWING CROP OF HOPS.

Pickers Take Courage Over Change for the Better and Record Breaking Qual-Yield Is Raised Considerably.

Had it been ordered, the prese weather could not have been more ideal so far as the hop crop is concerned. rains, which served to wash the dust from the hops and vines, followed by the bright warm sunshine will not only give strength to the maturing hops and add brilliancy and color but it will serve to bolster up the confidence of the pickers and prevent them from leaving mediate vicinity the quality thus far the fields, which action was threatened. All authorities agree that the quality of the Oregon crop will equal, if not exceed that of the year 1896, which has heretofore been recognized as the standard of quality and there are bright prospects in store for the grower, even though there should be a surplus on the market, if such a thing were possible. the growers, generally, are dis-playing wisdom in insisting upon clean

picking and will take great care in the uring of their product, thus insuring first class article for export trade. The yield in some yards is coming down heavier than was expected, while in others it is reported light and the prediction of the total yield for the state continue to vary from 85,000 to raised, even by the most conservative, Hop Conditions in Washington.

Seattle, Sept. 14 .- Orders for 250 ad Portlandville picked 120 boxes this ditional hop pickers were received year from a yard which a year ago Wednesday by Secretary Grout, of the public employment bureau. The men are wanted at the big yards of W. J. Shinn and W. H. Overlock, near Kent. Mr. Sninn visited the city personally in an endeavor to get the pickers. It is the intention to ship them to both yards as quickly as possible.

More men are also required on the Emerson-O'Brien farm, and other yards near O'Brien; also at Kent. Mr. Grout says it is his desire to get the required pickers as quickly as possible. Picking is now well under way, and the growers desire to get their crops off the poles appointingly small. The hops are not as quickly as possible. Indian pickers up to expectations either in size or are not blacklisted, say the yard owners, reports to the contrary notwith-

So far the reports indicate that the hops in the south valley are in excellent shape. The crop is very free from lice, and while maybe there are a very few yards in which the yield will be slightly ighter than last year, this will be more than counteracted in the improved quality. A large number of growers have tneir kilns already at work.

The picking season this year will last for three weeks. The prices paid are at work, but not quite so many as in

"The prospects of the hop crop in week and not a few growers will be our country this year show that we will gin September 1. It is too early yet have just a good average crop," said to make predictions on the total yield of the extensive hop growers of that of Franklin county yards, but it is locality. "There was some fear at probable that the aggregate will fall first," continued Mr. Shinn, " that there would be a good deal of trouble from rust, but it is now seen that there will be very little, if any, and in addition the crop is entirely free from lice New York Producers' Price-Current, this year, which it hasn't been before tor Statesman -I have been requested in some time '

The hop picking around Kent commenced this week, and will continue for about three weeks longer. There are locality, and there is room for a number more, according to Mr. Shinn. Most of the pickers are people that come out from the cities with their families, pitch a tent, and live there during the picking season, and thus spend a pleasant and profitable vacation.

When asked about the price to be expected this fall Mr. Shinn said: "As near as we can tell from the present outlook, the prices will be somewhat lower than the high prices of the last three years, but we expect to get 14 cents a pound, which has been the average for the last ten years."

Hop growing in and around Kent, ac cording to Mr. Shinn, is getting less extensive each year, as most of the farmers are devoting their lands and time to dairying.

Granger, Sept. 14.-The hop yard of Arthur Gurley, two miles north of town, was destroyed by some unknown per-son cutting off 3400 vines Monday night. The crop, valued at \$2000, will be a to-

Toledo, Sept. 14.—Hop picking has begun in the visinity of Toledo. The quality of the erop is good and the vield will be large, but not as heavy as thought a few weeks ago. There is a scarcity of pickers and the price for

Olequa, Sept. 14 .- The hop growers of a heavy yield and a fair price. The greatest difficulty at present is to seure pickers to take care of the crop. The Patterson yards have advertised for 1000 pickers; others want from fifty to 250, but all are short.

Crop Outlook in New York. As to the conditions in New York, the Otsego Farmer of September 8

ket will open at about 20 cents. We learn of screval sales at that figure, and one offer of 201/2 cents was made and not accepted. The majority of week. From present indication the quarter off from last year in this county. Several growers report not over half a crop, but the majority so far as we have been able to learn, say that their yards are from one quarter to one

Central New York Hops.

markably well but unless the weather improves damage will result in many yards. With the progress of the harvest the yield does not show that previous estimates of about 60 per cent of last year were far out of the way. While there are occasional yards that are coming down with a full crop, there poor. Interviews with many of the growers show that the number of boxes ity Is Assured-Estimates on Total picked this year compared with last are as a general thing, . rom 30 to 40 per cent less. A few sales of earlies have been made at 20 to 22 cents. J. H. Montgomery, Ropert Brogan, Patrick Brogan, Chas. Richards and Peck & Barber have sold at these prices,-Water-

ville Hop Reporter. It is not thought that the picking will continue for more than two weeks. We hear of sales of some 200 bales of early hops at Middleburg at 20 cents, but no Cobleskill are in splendid condition. The hop itself is firm and has a fine color and there is not a great growth of was i and easy picking.-Cobleskill Times,

Aug. 31. The harvesting of the crop is general in this vicinity. Growers who have already harvested report the crop as considerably short of last year and disweight. Mould and vermin are appearing, and growers are in haste to finish picking lest even the small crop be fifty bales of Humphreys of H. V. Pinway in which they are coming down is a disappointment to growers. They reaized before picking that it was it top | the winter .- Democrat. erop but did not think it would come down so light as it is. Those who have been picking a few days find that they are getting about half as many as last year.-Cobbleskill index, Aug. 31.

Hop picking began in several of the Malone vards last Monday, S. ... Skinner, Col. Jones and J. D. Hardy, who are among the largest growers, beginning on that day. This is about a week earlier than the date for last year, but William B. Gilbert of San Francisco. was considered good policy on account of the condition of the hops and the fear that unfavorable weather might cause a troublesome increase of vermin or mould. Picking in the smaller for the consideration of the court. yards will be general next week and not a few growers will begin September 1. It is too early to make predictions on the total yield of Franklin county yards, but it is probable that the aggregate will fall considerably below last year. Much depends upon weather conditons during the next two weeks .-Malone Gazette, Sept. 1.

INVITATION EXTENDED TO THE REPRESENTATIVE REPUBLI-CANS OF MARION.

Party of Peace and Presperity.

The following is the text of a cir cular letter sent out to the Republicans of Marion county by Hal D. Patton, of the Republican state central committee for Marion county:

To Marion county Republicans: Edi by the chairman of the Republican state central committee to invite all Republicans who can do so to attend a love feast and general conference of now about 1500 pickers working in that the representative Republicans of this state to be held in Portland, October 12, 1905. As it is impossible for me to send individual invitations, and in order that no Republican may feel that he has not been invited. I wish to extend through your paper a general in-vitation to all Republicans of Marion county to attend.

The general purpose of the confertake any steps deemed advisable to premote success in the grand party of peace and prosperity. As state com-mitteeman and at the request of Chairman Baker I shall take the liberty to send out to all the addresses I can get circulars advising them of this conference and urging the attendance of all committeemen and party workers in the various precincts. Very truly, —Hal D. Patton, Comitteeman for Marion county.

RETURNS ARE UNRELIABLE.

Slip-Shod Manner in Which State Cen sus was Taken Will Give Unsatisfactory Results

The slip-shod manner in which the ensus was taken over the entire state which have been received in the office of the secretary of state from Klamath picking has ben raised to \$1.25 per box. county. 'The countys' population, according to the state census, is 3836, of Olequa are rejoicing in the prospects 1900, gives a total of 3970, showing a Tribune. decrease of 134 souls, which seems in possible when the heavy immigration into that county, as well as the other portions of the state is taken into consideration. Another evidence that the state census is erroneous is the fact that only seven Indians are reported to exist on the Klamath reservation, when the rederal census of 1900 gives a total

Of the total population given 2220 are males and 1616 females, and the figures given by the enumerators under the federal census. Owing to the lack growers will finish harvesting this of system in the taking of the census week. From present indication the in Klamath county, as is the case in many another county of the state, it is impossible for the secretary of state to seggregate the population of the dif-ferent towns from the total.

JOINT CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR. third less than last year's crop. The SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.-John heavy storm of Sunday and Monday S. Partridge, a deputy in the office of S. Partridge, a deputy in the office of damaged the crop somewhat, but not City Attorney Long, is to be the Reas much as feared at first, publican Leagues' candidate for mayor at the coming municipal election. His The weather for the past few days selection was ratified tonight at a causes been unfavorable for harvesting the eas of the league delegates. It is excrop and hops themselves have not im-proved during the severe storms that pected Partridge will be endorsed by have visited this section. It is gener- the Democrats.

3 NORTHWEST NEWS 3

Over Seven Hundred.

The Ashland schools have an enrollment of 725, of which eighty-five are in the high school.

Fish at Yaquina,

Parties on the Yaquina excursion esterday reoprt a big run of fish yesterday morning. Forty or fifty boats were out and the fish were jumping fast. One man pulled in seventeen in a short time and others made about as big catches, nearly all silversides, some as big as thirty pounds. A net which sales have been made here. Hops in had been placed in the bay was washed outside the bar, and when recovered Guard this afternoon by R. A. Booth, was filled with all kinds of fish .- Demo

Mining in Baker County.

It is not generally known, but it can be positively stated that mining threshers will be willing to work in throughout Baker county has this year appointingly small. The hops are not been on a very substantial basis and up to expectations either in size or that while little fuss has been made about it those in a position to judge say that more men have been employed sumption of the prosperous conditions bonds on the 15th and will take charge damaged. J. H. Taylor has purchased in the hills this season than for many which existed in the lumber and log- of the new route. The route begins summers past. It is expected that sev- ging business in this county before the in the eastern suburbs of the city and dar of Middleburg. Price not given. eral of the larger mines which have cific railroad greatly burt the Booth- ocrat. been out of commission on account of Kelly people and caused a shutdown of litigation will resume work ever during several of their ulants.

Court at Seattle.

The United States court of appeals will convene this morning at 10:03 camps seem very bright .- Eugene Creek, Greenhorn and Haines, the pooo'elock, with Hon. W. B. Horrow of Guard. Portland presiding, and Associate Judges E. M. Ross of Los Angeles and Clerk of the Court Meredith Sawyer than usual, only four cases coming up

After the court adjourns here it will go to Portland, and convene on Septem ber 18. From Portland the judges will go to their respective homes until the intersession. - Post-Intelligencer.

It Died a Burning.

The congregation of the First Meth odist church, the largest in Tacoma at last Sunday morning's service joined in the ceremony of burning has been a cloud on the church. Mrs. Eveline B. Devore, the widow of Rev John F. Devore, one of the fathers of Methodism in the northwest, and who Be Held at Portland, October 12, to lighted the mortgage, which was on a while it was burning, "Praise God Democrat. From Whom All Blessings Flow." R G. Hudson, treasurer of the church, made a financial statement explaining the manner in which the church had paid off debts to the amount of \$25,000 and did not now owe a dollar.

Church on Wheels.

The chapel car Emmanuel, in charge of Rev. E. R. Hermiston, is side-tracked at the S. P. depot. There have been some very interesting services in the care, which is thoroughly equipped for gospel services. This car is owned and operated by the Baptist Publication So ciety and is one of the seven ears owned by that society. Some twelve thousand converts have been made and ence is to promote good feeling and six hundred Sunday schools and churches organized and almost one million pieces of literature and Bibles giv en away .- Roseburg Plaindealer.

Electric Lights Soon.

The work of constructing the line connecting the Condor Power & Light Company with the Ashland system was commenced immediately after the ac tion taken by Judge Hanna in dissolving the injunction. There are two erews at work and the work will be completed in about ten days. The pole line will extend from the power house down Granite street to High street, along High to Manzanita, down Manzanita to Main and along Main to the into the Pease store from the Maloney this year is evidenced by the returns city limits, where the connection is made. The lights and power have been miserable during the past few days, and the appearance of a reliable syswhile that of the federal census, of tem in the city is most welcome .-

A Fruit Dryer Destroyed.

This morning about 2 o'clock Hensill & Stinson fruit evaporator, the river road, was destroyed by fire. It is not known how the fire orifinated, but it probably caught from the furnace. At the time the night man discovered the blaze it was beyond total number of voters in the county is and several water barrels about the reported at 1337, which is quite near the building, but the fire spread so rapidly that their use could have done

> tents was \$5000. There was \$2000 ineighty bushels of wheat, 175 cords of man was unearthed. The mines, though, the hills in that section will be filled wood, \$300 worth of household goods are a good proposition.—Democrat. with prospectors.—Albany Herald.

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and a carload of box shooks were con-

the plant, states that they will build, and that they will continue drying at a neighbor's plant, fulfilling all curing better attendance, etc. S. N.

This dryer was one of the largest in the upper valley and was a complete plant in every particular.-Guard.

Lumber business Prospering.

Just as soon as enough men can be cured for the extra shift the Booth-Kelly Company's big sawmill Springfield will begin operating at night, thus doubling its present output. This information was given the manager of the company.

Mr. Booth stated that men are scarce at present, but he thought that enough could be secured to begin the night shift next week. Harvest is now over and many men who worked with the pay on an average \$743,7g0 a year for

the mill, it is thought. This announcement is good news to the people of the community. The putting on of the night shift at Springfield is said to be the beginning of the re- route, No. 6, out of Albany, filed their shortage of cars on the Southern Pa-1 runs around Knox Butte,-Abany Dem-

Mr. Booth states that the railroad company has now promised to furnish ple of Baker City and the county genplenty of cars for the transportation erally in the forthcoming fair of the lumber, and prospects for the speed meet reflects credit on all, and immediate employment of hundreds of insures success. In Eagle and Pine for the ninth district of Washington additional men in the mills and logging valleys, in Sumpter, Bourne, Rock

Highland Mill Now Finished. Neil J. Sorensen, manager of Highland gold mines, arrived in from camp yesterday and stated to a reportstated that the docket was much lighter er that the new mill had just been completed and will be ready for business as soon as the electric power plant can be installed. As large a force of men as it is possible to work is putting in the plant, a portion of the machinery already being on the ground. Mr. Sorensen is putting his own electric power plant, and soon as the mill starts up he will shipping high grade concentrates market .- Baker City Democrat.

Contented Citizens Wanted.

It is entirely proper for people coming to this city to locate to look is 63 cents. One reason for the de around and not leap in the dark. We mortgage which for fourteen years past think we have about the best valley in being exported .- The Dalles Chronicle. the world and some splendid farms, but the eastern man who comes here does first farm shown him on the day he reaches here. What is wanted is confarm is an important matter, and deed by flowers, the congregation singing serves careful consideration .- Albany

Full Mit Blud.

Not long ago a German farmer who lives about five miles from this city. bought, a cow, which the seller tole wim was a full-blooded Jersey. Last week this cow straved from the owner's pasture and was lost. The next day the following sign was naied to a tree near the farmer's home: "Lost, from the basture avay. Vun chersey kow, ful with blood. Revart shall pe baid. -Fritz,"-Tillamook Herald,

Secured Possession of Children.

A chapter was added to a romantic scapade in Rose's hop yard on Saturday. A man and woman with two children were among the hop pickers. A second man appeared, got possession of the children, and boarding a northbound Southern Pacific train, hied away. It transpires that he is husband of the woman and father of the children. Their home is in Colorado. One day the mother with the two children, left on the pretense of visiting a friend. She never returned. Instead, joined by the man with whom she was found, they came west. The husband has been seeking them since and never was successful until Saturday. — Independence West Side

A Fifteen-Dollar Bird. Frank Caldwell of Linn county, paid \$15 the other day for killing a Mongolian pheasant out of season.

Plenty of Strawberries. Strawberries on the 12th of Septemper are indeed a treat. Yesterday a box of delicious berries were brought place on upper Mill creek.-The Dalles Chronicle.

Striplings Elope.

The attractions of hop picking could not hold Miss Myrtle Cox, a 17-year-old few boards, a pound of nails and a hamgirl, and Claud Cox, a cousin. Together they took French leave Sunday and B. at least until the new cement walks P. Cox, the girl's father, is taking steps can be laid. Some day Baker will be to have the couple brought back. They left in a livery rig Sunday for Salem. Hensill & Stinson fruit evaporator, The rig was returned yesterday and about four miles north of Eugene on that is the last trace of the elopers.— Independence Enterprise.

The Seattle Way.

A 60-foot front piece of property in house that rents for \$-0 a month.

others to buy the Sterling mines at ment in the mines now in operation surance, leaving a net loss of \$3000. Hornbrook, Cal., has been declared on. on the Blue river and the Calaponia. There were twelve tons of green fruit It was found that a good title to the It is expected that the movement of in the dryer and one ton was in the property could not be obtained, besides prospectors and mining men to the building ready to put in. Besides this somewhat of a graft by a California district will gradually increase until

A meeting was held at the Presbyterian church last night for the purpose re- of organizing a men's league to assist in pushing the work of the church, se-Steele was chairman. "The Gospel for Men" was selected as the league's motto. E. E. Montague, H. L. Hopkins and Rev. Griswold were appointed a committee on constittuion and by-laws. Watermelons followed, and the league adjourned to next Tuesday evening .-Albany Democrat.

For Coffee and Tea Drinkers, Every man, woman and chied in the Inited States consumes annually twelve pounds of roasted coffee, is what statistics say, and the manager of a coffee house in Spokame estimates that 3,000 .-600 pounds of coffee aml 375,000 pounds of tea are used in the territory covered by Spokane jobbers each year. He says that the people of the Inland Empire coffee and \$187,500 a year for tea.

Another Mail Route.

Walter Whitlow, carrier, and Oscar G. wnitlow, substitute, of the new

ple are talking fair and arranging to be here next week. When the citizens of a community stand together the tike this on any proposition it cannot fail. - Democrat.

Wasco County's Wheat.

About sixty per cent of the average grop will be the yield of wheat in Way to county this year. While last year many acres averaged from forty to forty-five bushels, and one producer told us of a good fifty-two bushels, now it is running from twelve to in twenty bushels, a few averaging between thirty and thirty-five, Lack of moisture is mostly responsible for the to defficit, some of the spring-sown grain getting no moisture until the latter part of June. The price also is falling short this year. At this date in 1904, 75 cents a bushel was being paid; today it crease in price is the fact that less is

County Fruit Inspector Ritz is still took a leading part in establishing the tented new citizens, not those, who takes the fruit from the merchant in weather might cause a troublesome in- are quite a number of Indian pickers Love Feast and General Conference to first church in the early pioneer days, may become dissatisfied because some whose possession it is found, issues a one has gotten the best of them. In receipt therefor, and the merchant gets vesting several thousand dollars in , his money back from the person who sary for merchants to know the names of sells in order to avoid loss. Inspector Ritz says he has been ordered to con fiscate all fruit shipped in from California having scale and that oranges and lemons will be seized according to law when they are not free from disease. All fruit confiscated must be burned in accordance with the law so that no one may benefit from the corfiscation,-Walla Walla (Wash.) Rec

To Reduce the Grade.

The Yreka Journal says that a party of railroad engineers is now at the field on Siskiyou mountains and vicinity, running lines to ascertain the shortest and best route for cutting through the summit to obtain a reduction of the present grade of 175 and 180 feet to the mile. This steep grade makes difficult work in hauling up and is dangerous in coming down.

No More Forest Fires.

Austin Root, forest fire warden in he Mohawk country for the Booth-Kelly Company, the Weyehauser's and the Wentworths, today stated that the heavy showers Monday night and Tuesday morning completely extinguished the many small fires in the woods in his territory. It rained much harder there than it has in Eugene and vicinity. Monday night there was a thunder storm and the rain was very heavy. Reports from the upper McKenzie also state that heavy rains fell there and that the fires were extinguished. Engene Guard.

Rotten Sidewalks.

In various sections of the city-in fact in every section-there are so many dilapidated sidewalks with broken boards and protruding nails that it is a wonder the city has not had many damage suits against it ere this, Now that winter is approaching and snow and ice will be added to the combination, it would seem as though it was time for the property owners to get a mer and fix things in safe condition the city beautiful dreamed of by his lovers and home builders .- Democrat.

Miners to Blue River.

Miners from other sections of the country are beginning to go into the Blue river mining district in search of wealth, showing that the fame of Seattle was sold recently for \$40,000. the district has spread abroad and is control. There were fire extinguishers Five years ago it changed ownership attracting the attention of the people for \$4000. It is improved with a smad from a distance. Last evening several mining men arrived in this city on their way to the district, and they propose going in and prospecting in case The arrangement of J. C. Lee and they cannot find remunerative employ

To Cure a Cold in One Day Cures Grip Seven Million boxes sold in past 12 months. This signature, G. M. Grove box. 25c.