

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The Bermudas export over 17,000,000 pounds of onions annually.

There are 140 consulates to give out and there are 4,000 applications on file.

It is asserted that England last year invested \$25,000,000 in horseless carriages.

Frank Leach, a California editor, has been appointed superintendent of the San Francisco mint.

It is estimated that 1200 tons of ostrich feathers have been exported from Cape Colony during the past 20 years, valued at \$12,000,000.

When you see a cyclist riding with both hands off the handle-bar you may see that the foolkiller has been neglecting his duty in that particular neighborhood.

It is reported that Switzerland is to be the next country which will follow the example of Belgium and Italy of reckoning time up to 24 o'clock in place of twice 12.

Of the 5554 suicides committed in Denmark in the years 1885 to 1895, four-fifths were of men, and the favorite months were May and June.

Seven lions are among the pets of the sultan of Morocco. At night he lets them range the court yards of the palace to act as guards to the royal harem.

Russia has the largest military expenses—\$258,000,000 a year.

England follows next with \$191,000,000, France with \$185,000,000, Germany with \$134,000,000, Austria \$89,000,000, Italy \$65,000,000.

The largest telegraph office in the world is in the general postoffice building in London.

There are over 3000 operators, 1000 of whom are women. The batteries are supplied by 30,000 cells.

President Cleveland drew exactly \$399,999.99. Wonder how he happened to overlook that one cent which was due him?

Mr. Cleveland made money during his eight years, even if the rest of 96,999,999 people did not.

In Fiji the coinage chiefly consists of whales' teeth, those of greater value being dyed red.

The natives exchange 20 white teeth for one red one, as the British exchange shillings for a sovereign.

A Local Question. Political economy sharps tried to make fun of Gen. Hancock for calling the tariff a local question.

But our Oregon senators will not vote for the interests of their state and the producers of Oregon, as well as of the entire Pacific coast.

They vote in season and out of season for protection to eastern manufacturers.

While sell to us at exorbitant prices who sell our grain and other produce to the open markets of the world.

And here is another burning wrong in this question. That manufacturer has no regard for labor, its treatment and compensation.

STATE NEWS.

Mrs. Laughlin of McMinville won a nail driving contest at Dayton picnic.

Part of the Corvallis street railway will be torn up and used to repair and put in running order the other half.

The ordinance for no more volunteers for the Astoria fire department has passed the council and was signed by the Mayor.

Citizens at Weston have guaranteed that teachers there will be paid. Thus the State Normal will run same as if an appropriation had been made.

At the picnic at Ballston last Saturday in the tug-of-war between a team from Yamhill and Polk counties the latter were hauled over the line quite easily.

The annual teachers' institute for Clackamas county will be held in the Barclay schoolhouse, Oregon City, beginning Monday, June 23, and continuing four days.

In the circuit court in Lane County the grand jury returned a true bill in the case of John Courtwright, charged with burglary.

Also a true bill against F. B. Wilson, charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

There will be no grain raised in the northern part of Morrow county this year and but a small amount of hay.

The grasshoppers having destroyed every-thing in sight. The portion of the county that they have not visited will raise an average crop.

Byron McClellan, the well-known turman of Corvallis, died at his home at 8 p. m. Tuesday night.

He was taken with a congestive chill at Yato-na last Saturday and brought home, stricken blind on Monday and later his lungs became congested, producing pneumonia and death followed.

Analysis of 21 samples of Paris green, at the experiment station at Corvallis showed that 80 per cent of the samples were effective.

The remaining 20 per cent, which should have shown 50 per cent of arsenic, ran as low as 30 per cent, at which point the chemical is useless for spraying purposes.

The samples were sent to the station from various parts of the state.

A. W. Lang, business manager of the Scio colony, speaking to a representative of the Silverton Appeal of the proposed methods of the colony, says that there will be about 200 families, or about 1000 people in all, who will come from the Eastern States and settle on the tract of land two and one-half miles from Scio, in Linn county.

It is a company in which all are owners.

A Serious Difficulty. I suffered for three years with salt rheum. The humor was on my hands and I was obliged to keep a covering on them most of the time.

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