

## BEEF WILL BE HIGH

### Eastern Oregon Will Have None For Winter Markets

#### The Valley Stock Owners Should get Good Prices as Meats Must be Imported

Not only do stockmen of Eastern Oregon desire a mild and open winter, but such a winter is an absolute necessity to the success of the livestock industry, because hay is scarce, and almost continuous range is essential. So D. W. Ralston, the well-known drover, who is in Portland with a shipment of stock from Arlington, told a reporter of the Telegram. Mr. Ralston's home ranch is near Mayville, in Grant county, on the banks of the John Day river, and he says the hills are already green with fall grass that has started as a result of the recent warm showers.

"There is little or no hay in Eastern Oregon this season," said Mr. Ralston, "and unless we get an open winter we are going to lose a great many sheep and cattle. The entire country is overstocked, more so than ever before, as there were no sheep shipped East last summer. We have, therefore, all last year's increase to take care of in excess of the usual number. This increase alone numbers several hundred thousand head. Farmers working new ground are cutting down our stock range year after year, as the land mostly belongs to the government, and proves valuable for wheat raising. The bunchgrass is already eaten out to the roots, and, unless the weather is mild and showers, there will be no grass for winter range."

Mr. Ralston says the wholesale price of beef, mutton and pork has fallen perceptibly this fall, as stockmen are rushing their fat cattle, sheep and

hogs to the market, having nothing to feed them with. He is puzzled to understand how the retail price keeps up in Portland, and thinks there must be a combine among the retailers.

"Fresh meat is bound to be high the ensuing winter," he said, "but it ought to be cheap now, as the price of fat stock on foot has fallen 30 per cent since this time last year. If Portland people are paying big prices for meat now they are simply the victims of a local combine, whose members want to make hay while the sun shines. I am pretty sure the wholesale men are selling the meat by the carcass at greatly reduced rates."

"But this winter Oregon and Washington must import its beef and mutton from the East, as we have nothing out here to feed on. This will make meat high."

## Indian War Documents

A discovery of great importance, from a historical standpoint, has just been made in the adjutant-general's office of our neighboring state of Washington, among a musty lot of papers that occupied several drawers in a cabinet. Among these papers are the muster rolls of the volunteer companies that served in the Indian wars of 1855-7, reports by the company captains of the various engagements, appeals to Governor Stevens for arms and assistance, and a large volume of correspondence pertaining to the quartermaster's department during the earliest days of Washington's history. The discovery of the muster rolls is considered of the greatest importance, as it will be of great importance in aiding the pension commission as to who are entitled to Indian war pensions. From a historical standpoint the most important letters are autograph letters and copies of correspondence that passed between Governor Stevenson and the war department at Washington, D. C., during the early '50s. These letters will probably be placed in the state library in some shape so they will be accessible.

Not the least interesting in the find is an autograph letter from Jefferson Davis, who, in 1853, was secretary of war, and later became president of the confederacy, to Governor Stevens. The discovery of this letter recalls the fact that Governor Stevens arrived in Olympia after exploring the Cascade and Rocky Mountains, and locating the proposed railroad lines on November 25, 1853. On account of the immense importance of Governor Stevens' explorations and thus far-reaching results in the building of a transcontinental railroad, and the upbuilding of the great Western empire, it has been suggested that it would be appropriate to celebrate the centennial of Stevens' arrival in the capital of the state after his journey of exploration.

The find will be a decided addition to the historical exhibit of the great Northwest at the Portland fair in 1905.

## Nitholson In Charge

Washington, Oct. 16.—Commander Reginald F. Nicholson will be placed in charge of the new cruiser Tacoma upon her completion at the Union Iron works at San Francisco. The vessel will go into commission early next spring.

### England Wants Peace.

Birmingham, Oct. 16.—The Post says England is actively endeavoring to make a settlement of the Korean difficulty to the satisfaction of Japan and Russia, and so avert a clash. There is a constant stream of dispatches between the foreign office and St. Petersburg, Tokio and Peking.

## SEATTLE TO STOP GAMBLING

### Sheriff Scott Serves Notice That Games Must Stop

#### Says if Prosecuting Attorney Scott Will Not Act, He Will Compel Him to Do So

Seattle, Oct. 15.—Wide open gambling, which has been going on under the protection of Prosecuting Attorney Scott, will stop tonight. Sheriff Cuddehe served notice today that all gamblers must stop, or all would be arrested, paraphernalia confiscated, and themselves prosecuted under the new felony law. The sheriff adds in his edict that if Scott refuses to prosecute the gamblers, he will compel him to do so.

## Queer Find on Oregon Tree

A party of hunters from this city, while hunting in the woods on the farm of Walter Beardsley, seven miles north of Salem, made a peculiar find, and one that will not soon be duplicated anywhere in Oregon. The hunters, U. S. Rider and Chester White, of Salem, and Mr. Beardsley, while passing through the woods, about 200 yards from the Beardsley barn, saw a peculiar looking object suspended from the limb of a tree. It had the appearance of being a hawk suspended from the end of a chain. They soon brought the object down, and found, to their surprise, that it was a dead monkey, to the neck of which was fastened a heavy dog-chain. The little animal had evidently been in captivity somewhere, and had slipped away, carrying the chain with it, and, while climbing a tree, the chain had become entangled in such a manner as to be beyond the power of the monkey to loosen. The little fellow had found himself imprisoned, and had slowly starved to death. The body of the monkey was dried up and preserved perfectly. The limbs of the tree on which the dead captive was found had been partly denuded of bark, showing that when the monkey felt the pangs of hunger, he did not disdain the bark of the fir to satisfy the cravings for food. The body was taken down and buried. The chain was fastened to the strap around the animal's neck by means of a piece of baling wire, and Mr. Rider, who was the discoverer of the find, stated that the animal must have been the property of a farmer, probably a former Philippine volunteer.

### Medal for Italian King.

Paris, Oct. 16.—King Victor Emmanuel of Italy was the guest of the city of Paris today. The official reception took place at the Hotel de Ville and was one of the most brilliant events of the kind seen in late years. All of the civic and military officials of the municipality were present in their robes or uniforms of office and the presence of numerous ladies in exquisite toilettes rendered the scene still more attractive.

After the official greetings had been exchanged the royal party proceeded to the mint, where the King was presented with a medal specially struck in honor of his visit. President Loubet performed the presentation ceremony and King Victor Emmanuel spoke briefly in reply.

The medal presented to the King is a duplicate of the historical medals made during the reign of Louis XIV, to celebrate the visits of foreign sovereigns. The famous jeweler chaplain, who made the medal, went to Rome for the express purpose of seeing the King and Queen, whom he only saw passing in the street, but nevertheless the profiles of the King and his consort are pronounced to be a perfect likeness.

Under the heads are engraved the words, "Victor Emmanuel III and Helena." The dedication is on the reverse: "To Their Majesties, the King and Queen of Italy, from the French Republic."

### Commission Has Not Voted.

London, Oct. 16.—The report that the Alaskan commission had decided in favor of America is untrue, as no vote has been taken.

Forster, of the counsel for America, in denying the Morning Advertiser's report that the boundary dispute had been settled in favor of America, says the case will probably be decided next week. The St. James Gazette, this af-

ternoon, after the denial, says there is, however, growing pessimism in Canadian circles. The chief hitch at the time is the tract embracing Dyoa and Skagway, which have been under the control of America through the modus vivendi.

### Russia is Protecting Japan.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 16.—Novoje Vremja, which is in close touch with officialdom, in a long article on the Eastern situation today, closes as follows: "Our future policy will be to maintain the independence of Japan against American and German, as we have so frequently protected the independence of Turkey."

### Looking for Anarchists.

Paris, Oct. 16.—The trunks of 17 suspected anarchists, who were arrested from the steerage of the steamer New York yesterday, are being examined today. The king and queen of Italy are today visiting the government buildings.

### Lynched the Negro.

Paducah, Ky., Oct. 15.—Bob Douglas, the negro who shot Crockett Childress, a white boy, Sunday, was lynched early this morning. The jailor was forced to deliver the keys. The boy is alive, but in a critical condition.

### PERSONALS.

J. Voorhes, the Woodburn granger, is in the city today.

J. M. Poorman, the Woodburn banker, was in Salem today.

J. C. Randle, deputy sheriff of Josephine county, returned home today.

Justice H. Overton and Fred Dose, both of Woodburn, were in Salem today on business.

H. Snook, the contractor, returned home today, after having completed some work at Grants Pass and Jacksonville.

Ned Blythe, editor of the Hood River Glacier, is in the city on his way to Eugene. The Glacier is a strong and bright paper, and Ned is bound to be, in time, a leader in the field of newspaperdom.

"Nick" Galloway, for many years lineman for the Western Union Telegraph Company, with headquarters in this city, passed through Salem this forenoon, on his way to Los Angeles, Cal. Mr. Galloway is now located in that city, and occupies a position in the telegraph corps of the Southern Pacific Company, similar to the place formerly held by him in the employ of the Western Union.



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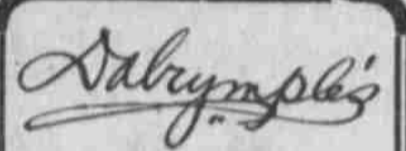
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There are several fine overcoats. A fine line of coats for children; children's suits, and the prices on them will compel the customers to take them.

A few pairs of boys' and ladies' rubber boots left for 90 cents, which are worth \$1.50. The long-leg gum boots, which were sold at \$2.50, now go at \$1.50 per pair.

Bicycle caps, only a few left. Our clothing stock is going down rapidly. You save 40 per cent by buying them now.

The ladies have found out where to buy their passmentry and jet trimming. Only about 75 of our corsets and corset waists left to sell at 15 cents each, which are worth from \$1 to \$2 each.

While we are closing out these lines mentioned at sacrifice prices, we also carry a side line of our own in gents' furnishing goods, notions, stationery, cutlery, etc., that defies competition.

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