Pulse of Western Progress.

legton ship canal, which in this state has canal, has been made the tissue of a state campaign and has received the attention and recommendation of United States senators, congressmen and government engineers, has actually commenced, says a Scattle dispatch to the San Francisco Chronicle. It is to be \$7,000,000 in its construction.

for years has been discussed by the people

of the country. The canal will run through a neck of land of water and wood, 10.225 feet wide, and will be extended through the flats an additional 19,560 feet, so that its length from deep water in the sound to deep water in the lake will be 20,785 feet, or 3.93 the high lands due east of the flats. It plunges into a hill of glacial drift, where a cut of 308.5 feet will be required; then it enters a valley, in which the lowest point will be 31.4 feet; then into another bill rising 141.5 feet above the bed of the canal. and finally through a slough into the lake.

The canal will be eighty feet wide on the bottom and twenty-six feet deep at low r. Near Elliott bay, on the west, a will be built, 400 feet long and fifty

Lake Washington is twenty miles long Lake Washington is twenty miles long and of width varying from three to five miles, and is from fifty to seventy-five feet deep. It lies sixteen feet above high tide, and with its numerous inlets and quiet waters, where the ships of a nation might rest in security, will afford an ideal harbor Naval men have looked upon it as one of the most perfect havens to be found in all the world.

and porphyry. The ore is black and white spar, interspersed with pyrites of from. They have also put it to the test of pan and mortar and some beautiful colors were obtained, which were visible to the naked eye. There is a great deal of float quartz in the gorge below and it was by this means that the ore was traced to its origin. The new find has stimulated the discoverers to continue work as rapidly as possible, and to this and they

waterways to be built through the tide flats at the mouth of the Duwamish, will afford

The canal will open up a large area of have gone out country on the shores of the lake; it will look for more. contribute a large and convenient acreage OIL I for railroad yards and manufactures; it will vastly increase the deep water frontage of the city; it will supply a fresh water harbor where ships may ride in perfect safety and unchafed by the rising and falling of the tide, and where they may become rid of the destructive teredo; and, all told, it will en-dow the city with facilities for commerce enjoyed by few of the most favored sea-ports of the world.

TRYING TO RAISE FLAX. Extended investigations of much importance to the commercial interests of the country, having in view the determination of the posof successfully growing flax for fiber country, have been decided upon by the Agricultural department, says a Washington special to the Oakland (Cal.) Tribune.

The work will be begun at once and will cover this season, and doubtless will extend

cover this season, and doubtless will extend to next year. The experiments will be con-ducted at East Ferndale, Wash. Agricultural officials believe that this region is best adapted to flax growing, in view of its damp, moist climate, and the best flax raised in this country, practically all of which is for oil purposes and none for use as fiber, is said to be raised in the vicinity of Puget sound.

The investigations will involve expenditures aggregating at least \$900,000 and will be in charge of Dr. A. W. Tronton, the agent of the department there, who will be assisted by an expert Belgian, who has been in this

The experiments are regarded as of great importance and will be watched with much interest by manufacturers. The work will be begun at once, and the flax, after being grown and treated, will be sent to factories. SILK CULTURE ASSURED.

Mr. S. Ban, an intelligent, educated Japanese, who speaks English mently, has just exhibited in the office of the secretary of the exposition a skein of silk raised on Portland Heights, says the Portland Sun. Mr. Ban February Mr. Ban secured from Japan silk- The men started to run, but McDonald, worm eggs sufficient to stock the trees, and saw at once that his fate was certain, the result is now that he has a sample of Prior, who was in advance, not to wait lamette appears to be suitable.

WELL OF GREEN PETROLEUM. Veteran oilmen from foreign parts and ploneer borers of local repute have had their interest aroused by a discovery of vast im-portance to the local oil industry, says a Los Angeles dispatch to the San Francisco Ex-aminer. Joseph E. Cook, the well known broker and manufacturers' agent, has struck it so rich in his well on Metcaif street, near Temple, that he is the envy of all the fortune hunters in this district. About six weeks ago he bought his well, which is near the Strauss plant, and has been boring with varying success since. At the level at which all the other wells had run into the full flow of petroleum, little or no result was achieved. But Cook resolved to "fig's it out on that line if it took all summer," and continued his boring. In the next 200 feet all kinds of obstacles were encountered. Sand buckets fell into the bore, casings would stack the hole would become is mend. would stick, the hole would become jammed and promising indications would end in nothing. Nine hundred feet down, in the third sand stratum encountered by the persistent borer, what looked like quantities of liquid green paint was brought up. A little further and clearer quality came up in a steady flow, and investigation discovered im-measurable quantities behind. The stuff was assayed and tested, and was found to be was assayed and tested, and was found to be of a vastly different quality from the or-dinary petroleum of commerce. The black petroleum, which is on an asphali base, is coarse and of a gravity as high as fourteen or fifteen. The flow from the Cook well is green, on a heavy paraffine base, and is strong with its quantity of kerosene, having a twenty-eight gravity. In fact, the borers who wash the black oil out of their hands with ordinary kerosene can take this

taken to see who can strike it next. The gauge of the bore will have to be increased to make the depth, and machinery and meth-RICH IN PREE GOLD. The richest gold strike ever made on the clorado river was that just made in the Picacho mines, says a Yuma special to the Denver News. Some miners working about twenty feet from the line of the Mars mine. in what has always been supposed to be barren ground, began an open cut in the great vein of quarizite which crosses the foundation. On the surface no gold was found in the rock. At the depth of twenty inches they struck \$5 to \$8 ore, which at the end of the distance of twenty feet increased to \$15 plar. Inc to \$18. They then sunk a shaft on the ore. At the depth of five feet the rock run \$18 to same trip. \$25, at ten feet from \$25 to \$50, and from seventeen to twenty feet it runs from \$50 to

raw product and wash themselves equally

Oil men claim the discovery

fully as important as the first strike made

here, and perhaps even more so, because it indicates an inexhaustible basis under the field, and deposits below the present depths

rich that measures will be generally

\$150 per ton in free gold. The ore body as now opened is twenty feet ide of this rich ore, showing neither wall. At the bottom of the shaft the ore continually grows richer as depth is attained. The croppings on the surface are 700 feet wide and show for a long distance in length. When they enter the Mars line and partly across that mine they are more than 700 feet in width. All the ground covered by the new find has been located. It is regarded by

milled at the mine three bars of gold bullion were made, one of which went \$1,300. The other two are about the same, so that the built by eastern capitalists, who will spend first thirty tons netted a total of \$4,000. Judge 57,000,000 in its construction. The project is of untold importance, both from a commercial and naval standpoint, and the samples were from the same body of ore as this just discovered.

This mine is located about fifty miles north-east of this city, and has an excellent supply

VETERANS STRIKE IT RICH.

Two old-time miners on the Pacific slope, who are also veterans of the late war and in-mates of the Soldiers' Home, four miles south miles. The hill section is projected through of this city, have been putting in some of the high lands due east of the flats. It their leisure time prospecting for gold in the mountains north of there, with the result of finding some fine looking quartz, assaying more than \$100 to the ton, says a Santa Monica dispatch to the San Francisco Call. They began sinking on the ledge, which was a welldefined cropping, a year or more ago, and from time to time resumed work until they have attained a depth of thirty feet, at which depth the new ore was found. The ore body is about six inches in width and is running erpendicular with the walls, which are limand porphyry. The ore is black and white he world.

It is said that the canal, together with the are putting up a cabin at a spring in the vicinity of the claim and hereafter will camp on the ground. For many years prospecting means by which the annual freshets can in these mountains has been indulged in, but with no results like the present, and many have gone out to see the new discovery and OIL IN THE FOOTHILLS.

A company is being formed here for the purpose of developing the rich oil beds believed to underly the foothill land in the Coast Range, owned by Selma people, says a Selma dispatch to the San Francisco Call. Near Coalinga, in the extreme south-western part of Fresno county, A. Baricau, a nerchant, and Milton McWhorter, a Methodist evangelist and newspaper man, who is known throughout the state in connection with the Sunset Irrigation district, own land in the foothills. A streak of oil rock crops out on this land. It has been prospected with pick and shovel, and such surface work as could be done with the most primitive tools. In this way A. Baricau has secured many gallons of lubricating oil, which comes from nature's laboratory all ready for use. Many well known farmers in this vicinity have used it in the past season on their machinery, and oncunce it superior to the commercial ar-The petroleum, which has been cured in the same primitive way, is black and odorous, but burns well, and could be made available for fuel without refining. A sample has been sent to the east to be tested In the same vicinity natural gas has been discovered. A jet in a fissure by the roadaide, accidentally lighted by a smoker's match, burned for days, a weird torch in a lonely and unfrequented region Captain Barrett, Captain McClurg and W. D. Lagrange all of whom have had experience in oil derelopment in the oil regions of Ohio, recently visited the Baricau land and were more than satisfied with the prespect. The com-pany now being formed includes these gentlemen, together with other experts and capitalists. A plant will be procured and two or three experimental wells sunk within

KILLED BY A BEAR. Word was recently received of an unknown man being killed by a bear at Berner's bay. has a ranch of about sixty acres on the heights near Mount Zien, and three years ago he began the experiment of cultivating miner and prospector of Juneau, says the silk. He was advised that the experiment would result in failure; that this country and climate were not suitable, and other reasons pecting the day upon which the death occurred they easy average assigned. were assigned. However, being a practical man, and having a knowledge of the culture in Japan, three years ago he imported 1,000 mulberry trees from the old country and set

Soon after the Indians had left McDonald and them out on two acres of his land. The trees Prior saw three bears, one old and two year-took root readily without the loss of one. Last the finest silk that has ever been raised. He him, but to save his own life. The large has demonstrated the fact that silk can be bear soon overtook McDonald. As she was raised in this country, and he is anxious to show it to the people, especially skeptics, at the exposition. It is certain that silk cul-ture can now be added to the other industries ing in the air. No sooner done than she of this valley, and there will be money in it. started in hot pursuit of Prior. Prior was The experiment tried in other portions of headed for a deep guich, and upon reaching it The experiment tried in other portions of headed for a deep guich, and upon reaching it this state proved an entire failure from the he fell over a clump of bushos, landed on the start, but in those cases it was the fault of snow and shot down the mountain side like the climate. The climate of the lower Wil- an arrow. When he reached the suich the an arrow. When he reached the gulch the bear was but a few feet from him, but here she seemed to have lost all track of him and turned back to finish the wounded man, and before leaving him she saw that life was extinct. The Indians were far up the moun tain side and saw McDonald meet his fate. but were unable to render any assistance Prior landed at the bottom of the gulch not a little bruised, but feeling rather satisfied with his unpleasant ride. The bear soon left and Prior and the Indians brought the remains of the dead man to Juneau, where he was buried. James McDonald was born in Nova Scotia in 1844, and came to Alaska from Colorado in 1886, from which time he

> ber of the Grand Army of the Republic. NEBRASKA. Red Williow county claims to have 8,000 cres of alfalfa this season.

> has been engaged in mining and prospecting

He served in the late war, and was a mem-

Thurston county is organizing an agricul-ural society and will have a fair. Emerson will have a new Methodist church obe built of brick and to cost \$2,000. Threshers at work in the vicinity of Wake field report that wheat is averaging twenty-

Wayne is to have a new enterprise in the shape of a shirt factory, to be operated by E. C. Cole, recently of Omaha.

The two days' reunion of the old soldiers at Hooper was a great success. General Thayer was one of the attractions. G. G. Haller's residence, three miles from Winside, was entirely destroyed by fire dur-

ing the temporary absence of the occupants. The directors of the Custer county fair have decided to permit no political speeches on the fair grounds during the annual show. The semi-annual statement of the treasurer of Platte county shows the county has \$37.

593 cash on hand and only \$11,265 in out-The railroad company has completed a new for the grain cars that will be needed to haul

out Thurston county's crops. Mr. Duell, a farmer near Meadow Grove breshed 230 bushels of barley from two and a half acres of land, the grain being machine neasured and the land surveyed

Fred Schram, a 14-year-old Columbus boy climbed onto a frieght train switching about the yards for a ride. In jumping off he was thrown under the wheels and killed. Postmaster Korns of Tekamah will resign

in order to enter the newspaper business. He has, in company with Charles Conger, purchased a newspaper at Casper, Wyo. Norfolk's military band is figuring on going to Bostou with the Nebraska Knights Tem-plar. Incidentally, twenty or thirty other bands in the state are hoping to make the

Sparks from a locomotive set fire to Joseph Graham's field of shocked oats near North Bend and he now has to guess how big the yield would have been had the grain not been

The 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Mar. shall was lost in the sand hills of Frontier county for twenty-four hours. The little one was found nearly dead from heat and thirst, having wandered seven miles.

The Lyons Mirror figures the value in width. All the ground covered by the new find has been located. It is regarded by mining men to be the richest and most important strike ever made in Southern Arizona or along the Colorado river.

LUCKY ORE FIND.

Several important discoveries have been made in Morongo mining district lately, says a when it is known that it has this year

Work on the Puget Sound and Lake Wash- | San Bernardino dispatch to the San Francisco | 112,000 acres of corn, 42,336 acres of wheat

B. E. Ash is the first Custer county farmer to pay for the seed furnished him last spring by the Broken Bow Rellef association. He was loaned fifteen busile's, and from the seed he raised 200 bushels of fine wheat.

Mrs. Anna DeLario of Fremont received her brother, Charles Bramel, had been killed at Laramie, Wyo. He was at work in a mine and a beavy hoisting bucket crushed him, death being instantan-

Farmers in the vicinity of Table Rock have contracted to cultivate 2,000 acres of sugar beets next year, and the citizens of that bustling town have formed a joint stock company and subscribed \$3,000 in cash toward a sugar

Loup City people are enthusiastic over th new ditch being constructed by the Sherman County Irrigation company. The ditch taps the Middle Loup river near Arcadia and is thirty-six miles long. It will irrigate 30,000 acres of rich bottom land. John Ihrig, a Beaver City man, drove into a shoal of water at the head of the mill race

to water his team. The horses plunged into a washout twelve feet deep and Ihrig was nearly drowned before he could extricate himself from beneath his buggy. Three tramps broke into a Beaver City store. Their identity was established and a

posse of citizens gave chase. The tramps took refuge in the corn fields, and the corn stood so thick and high that they had no difficulty in secreting themselves. North Bend has had another baptism of fire. The flames started in Kemper's harness shop, and before they were extinguished Kruza's new grocery store and Mrs. Scott's millinery store were entirely destroyed. The total loss foots up to about \$8,000.

Oscar Brown, a man 50 years old, is under arrest at Fremont for trying to make a crim-inal asault on Clara Dalstrom, a little girl 7 years old. The child is an orphan. The court offered to release Brown on \$300 bail, but the sentiment against him was so strong that no one would go his bond.

Work has been commenced on a new grain elevator at Wakefield. The Masonic lodge has purchased a lot and will at snce erect a two-story lodge building, a new hotel is to be crected right away, and new grain is being shipped out of the town at the rate of a carload a day. Times are pretty good in Wake-field.

IOWA.

The pontoon bridge at Sioux City is prac tically completed. The Onslow Odd Fellows are building

two-story brick hall. An electric lighting plant is one of the probabilities for Rockford.

An artesian well is being sunk at the For Madison state penitentiary Work on Indianola's new system of wate works is to be commenced at once.

Fort Dodge is to have a Cathelic academy. conducted by the Sisters of Mercy. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kerivan were seri ously injured in a runaway accident at Clin

Three well known citizens of Waterioo have een fined for shooting prairie chickens ou of season.

The Women's Bicycle club of Mason City has seventy-eight members, and they all wear bloomers. Good progress is being made in the con-

struction of the new electric street railway at Fort Madison. The contract for the new \$80,000 Marion ounty court house at Knoxville has been let to a Chicago man.

The college at Humboldt is to be reopene with ten regular instructors. It has been closed for some time. John Beecher of Burlington was killed

by a train while crossing the track on his way home from work. Twenty-five hundred old soldiers and their fimilies held a monster picnic at Greenwood

park, near Des Moines. Grinnell has just laid the corner stone of a new Methodist Episcopal church, to cos completed \$30,000.

Judge Granger of the supreme court is to be married soon, the bride being the daughter of Judge Given of Des Molnes. Clinton people are all worked up because Genevieve Flood, an employe in a millinery

store, has married a Chinaman. Calhoun county has a preacher who rides thief in the night rode it away. Isaac H. McQuown, 60 years old, and

highly respected farmer near Burlington, wa gored to death by a vicious bull. William P. Barnes, a prominent citizen of been confined to his bed five years.

The deadlock in the Indianola school board over the choice of a superintendent still con tinues. Over 100 ballots have been taken with no results.

Fred Jones, cashier of the Merchants' No tional bank at Clinton, was nearly asphyxiated by a gas heater in his bath room. It took two hours to resuscitate him. Charles Phillips, a Rock Island railroad

conductor, went to a ball game at Trenton and yelled so enthusiastically for the winning club that he ruptured a blood vessel an C. D. White of Hanley was thrown

from a carriage and had her scalp torn completely from her head. She is still living, but the physicians have but little hopes of

Miss Emma Hanson, living near Malone.
went to a dance Saturday night and danced Wallowa county that is said to be quite over Sunday. She was slezed with heart disease the next day as the result of over exertion and died.

Ed Croskrey, an 18-year-old boy at Tama dug through the basement of the Methodist Episcopal church until he uncovered the corner stone. Then he chiseled through to the tin receptacle and stole the trinkets that had deposited there when the stone was

laid. He put in several days' hard work and sold the stuff for 50 cents. The census returns are revealing a number of centenarians now living in Iowa. Among those discovered the past week are Brooker Ford of Ottumwa, 102 years old; Nancy

Craughan of Monroe county, 100 years old, and William Kennedy of Monroe county, 100 years old. All claim to be enjoying good health. The first named is a negro preacher, who can neither read nor write. The latter COLORADO.

A new gold strike has been made in the near Idaho Springs. The smelter returns show \$35 to the ton. A Detroit syndicate is about to commence

the construction of a \$100,000 chlorination plant in California gulch near Ward. The Gold Standard mine in the Cripple Creek district is to be driven another 250 feet. It is now 700 feet in the mountains.

At the depth of over 100 feet a big vein of \$100 ore was opened up in the Champion, on Rich hill, on Alpine creek, about four miles from Duncan camp. In the Smuggler mine at Aspen, 900 feet

below the surface, one pump is installed which weighs 114 tons, cost \$45,000, and throws to the surface 850 gallons of water The Grand View management has struck two feet of \$300 gold smelting ore in the Great Western, which they are working under lease. The ore is said to be almost solid copper.

The Lincoln Placer company, situated on the west side of Gillett, has nearly com-pleted the dam for water storage and conemplates running a flume from Oil creek to obtain water supply. Placer dirt running as high as \$40 to the

ton has been uncovered in the vicinity of Second street at Victor. A hand-rocker has been called into requisition and the ground will be thoroughly prospected. Huerfano county is attracting considerable attention on account of the recent important Whatcom and extensive discovery of tin ore that con-

It, and the assay shows \$45 to the ton in gold. The vein will be followed in the be-lief that it will grow richer as depth is at-

The Hahn's peak excitement is spreading number of prospecting parties have left Leadville for the new carbons e camp, and other parties are being fitted out to explore other parties are being fitted out to explore for allver bonanzah 6f the \$2,500 order.

Reports show that grasshoppers are doing much damage near Greeley. While some of the farmers are doing their best to kill them with bran mixed with paris green, their neighbors are making no effort to suppress the evil. Swan Anderson reports the find of a rich

shout three and one-half miles northeast lictor. The ofe is paying at a depth of of Victor. three feet. Experts say it is one of the brightest prospects struck in the district in the past year. A large body of bligh grade ore was uncovered in the Gold Standard property, at Pine Creek, in the bottom of the ninety-foot shaft, run-

ning from \$200 to \$200, and has practically demonstrated the fact that ninety to 100 feet will put other mines in good pay. News has reached this city of a very important strike in the Walter Scott property. in the Alicante district, says the Leadville Herald-Democrat. The ore, it is stated, will

average \$65 per ton, and there is a breast of it nine feet wide opened up. If this be true it is the most important strike made in recent years in that district. On Antelepe creek the new discovery of gold is attracting large crowds of prospect-ors, camps are established and townsites surveyed, and altogether, from the assays obtained from the surface rock, there is good reason to believe that this, too, is going to make another of the new many gold camps of Colorado, says the Colorado Springs News. In fact, the Greenborn mountain, more particularly on the west side, has never been done justice to by the prospector; the forma-tion that exists here, if found in the western mining region, would long ago have

been prospected. THE DAKOTAS. The postoffice at Grand View has been dis-continued and mail for that point will be sent to Hillside.

The tenth annual convention of the North Dakota pharmacoulists convened at Fargo last week and officers for the ensuing year were elected. The city council at Pierre, finding the pressure of the water mains only half the requirement of the contract, passed a resolu-

on virtually annulling the same. The tournament of the Black Hills Fire-men's association, to be held last week at Rapid City, was declared off on account of disagreement in the board of control. An-

The secretary of the interior has rendered a decision which practically gives the famous Squatterville tract to the city of Aberdeen, being adverse to all other claimants. There is a general feeling that this long drawn out case is, to all appearances, drawing rapidly to a close. The land is very valuable, as it lies within the city limits, and a large por-tion of it will be devoted to a public park. Rosa Verona De Pedro Baro is the long Spanish name which a handsome brunette told Judge McConnell of Fargo was here when she applied for and was granted a divorce the other day. Her former home was in Havana, Cuba, where in 1884 she marriethe wealthy Cuban planter, Juan Da Pedro Baro. Fortune smiled on the pair, and they raveled extensively in France, Switzerland and other countries, when, it is alleged the complaint, Juan deserted the plaintiff two years ago for another man's wife. There were two children, the issue of the marriage

the other is being educated in New York. WYOMING. A postoffice is about to be established at Smith's ranch on the upper Big Laramic for the accommodation of the people of that

One is in the possession of the father, an

It is reported that a vein of coal over four feet in width has been struck at shaft No 2 on the Fori Saunders reservation near Laramie at a depth of sixty feet. The coals said to be of fine quality.

A big strike was made by the Pennsylvanio Mining company at Semino in a new shaft which it was sinking, an eighteen inch vein of free miling gold ore being struck that runs upwards of \$500 per fon. A colony of about thirty Germans are ex-

o. They will settle on the north end of Big Colorado flat, along the Big Horn where there are several fine sections of fin and yet unclaimed. The Union Pacific has 23,000 acres of coaland in Sweetwater county, which it returned for assessment at 15 cents per nore. The ounty commissioners got after the company

and raised the land to \$5 per acre, making change from \$3,450 to \$115,000. J. F. Stanley will erect a large storag reservoir near Casper which will cover fort; teres. The dam across the ravine will b 1,200 feet long, forty-eight feet wide at th base and seventern feet high. The water tored in this reservoir comes down South and will be sufficient to irasper creek

righte several thousand acres. The richest gold find in the South Pass mining district has been made by Messrs Schultz, Davies and Swales, who are operating lease on the Franklin mine. They com had gone but a few feet when they came on vein of rock covered with gold. Sixty pounds f the rock was pounded out, twelve pounds of amaigam, which will retort half, making the rock worth \$43,200 a ton. The vein is six to eight inches wide.

OREGON. It is rumored that Astoria cannerymen will build another cannery on Gray's har-

bor this fall. It is expected that 7,000 horses will be shipped from Arlington this fall to the Linnton slaughter house. A party of copper miners has been in

There is a fig tree growing in E. Weide man's yard, which, though only three years old, had on it this year 277 white figs, says the Guard, of Eugene.

In some of the gardens of Lane county says the Eugene Guard, tobacco has prove successful crop, being more generally raised

S. H. Friendly shipped a carload of cascara from Eugene to Philadelphia, containing 28,000 pounds. This is the largest shipnent of cascara bark east from this state ver made, says the Register. John Turner, who is mining on the creek

about a mile above Canon City, picked up a \$15 nugget the other day, containing plenty of white quartz. The nugget was worn smooth as though it had drifted for some The first tunnel at the Santiam mines

has been run in forty feet, and free gold ore has been struck. Considerable activity is apparent in the Santiam region, and the hills ire being thoroughly prospected for new

The Oregon Railway and Navigation company is doing good work in improving the road near Grants. OA force of men has been busy for some time blasting away the rock for the purpose of doing away with the curves near that place.

The Springfield Lowell mail route has a woman mail carrier. She is a plucky woman, and mounts her horse at 6 o'clock in the morning, carrying mail a distance of over wenty miles and back again the same day. She carries the mail only on days that the Kitson Springs stage does not run. The latest freaks in nature that are now

on exhibition in Roseburg are two malformed pigs. They have no hind legs at all, nor rudiments of hips. Their bodies taper off to a sort of point from which the tail elongates like well-formed pigs; otherwise, they look like other bogs of the porcine family. A hen's nest was found on Douglas evinger's farm, above Springfield, wh contained 1.042 eggs. About one-half of the eggs were good, and the remainder spoiled. The nest was found under a barn which was built five years ago, and it is supposed that the hens have been laying there ever

since. WASHINGTON. From 225,000 to 250,000 feet of logs are dumped into the boom at Shelton daily. It is estimated that the forest fires in

ging within two years. At present prices this would amount to a forced marketing of timber worth on Bellingham bay \$150,000. The Yakima river at Ellensburgh is running

low ebb. The editor of the Capital says is lower at this time than "t any similar period for twenty-three years. The women of Olympia are taking hold of

the work of establishing an Olympia branch of the State Co-operative society, a society to encourage home industries. A large forest fire is raging near South

Bay, Lake Whatcom, and a considerable amount of valuable timber is being destroyed. No other damage is reported. Harvesting in Walla Walla has proceeded ar enough for the farmers to conclude that

the crop this year will be little, if any, less than last year, and that more will be shipped out because of better prices. The Lincoln County Times is informed that a colony of United Brethern from the state of Ohlo has determined to come to Lincoln county, and is arranging to purchase

hood of Mondovi, The Spokane Times says that a well known cattle buyer was rescued by a troop of United States cavairy, at Fort Spokane, just as a crowd of Indians was preparing to string him up to a tree. The Indians claimed the man had

about 10,000 acres of land in the neighbor

utraged the 12-year-old girl of the tribe Mount Adams, in this state, is 12,402 feet high, according to figures based on calculations made by Prof. Edgar McClure of the University of Oregon, who carried a mercurial barometer to the summit July 10, with the heliographic party. From the figures taken at this place, Portland and Eugene, Ore, he finds the above result as a mean Heretofore the mountain has been thought to be only a little more than 11,000 feet, but the new figures make it 197 feet higher than Mount Hood, Oregon, MISCELLANEOUS.

The survey for the coast line of the Southern Pacific has been completed to Elinwood. F. A. Smith of Santa Ana, Cal., bas a sun flower stalk that is fourteen and one-half feet high and is "still a-growing."

The Maricopa & Phoenix railroad will reach Messa, A. T., in six weeks. Ground has been broken at Tempe for the new extension It is an open secret that the San Jose Board of Trade has offered Colonel Jones a subsidy to extend the Monterey & Fresno railroad to the Garden City. The road will be connected at Fresno with the Valley

The Southern California Packing company of Los Angeles will put up this season about 60,000 cases of canned fruit. The pack will comprise apricots, pears, peaches blackberries, strawberries, raspberries and

A farmer near Marysville, Cal., is author other tournament is to be inaugurated in its y for the statement that every day he is obliged to feed from four to six tramps, he refuses them they threaten to burn his property. The river banks are lined with them, and their camps plainly show that hickens are stolen and cooked almost daily A new woman is at work in the mountains Tulare county, says the Tulare Register. She is running an engine for a shake mill above Mountain Home. She is the practical manager of the outfit, and when the machine goes wrong she discuss the rip Iring. She h s her husband and two small boys at work and keeps things moving.

The English syndicate that recently pur chased for \$250,000 the Iron Mountain mines the richest gold, silver and copper mines in this part of the state, located nine miles north of Shasta, Cal., will soon begin to erect smelter and other works at the foot of the nountain, two miles from town. They will also soon begin grading for a railroad from he mine to the works.

Two men who have been prospecting Trinity mountain for the past month found pocket a few days ago near the foot of mountain, about midway between Shasta and Trinity Center, which contained \$11,200 in gold dust. Some of the old ploneers living nere believe this gold to have been buried by robbers who in early days robbed Wells Fargo & Co.'s pack trains quite frequently in the neighborhood of this find.

Woodpeckers in the mountains of southern California do cabinet work that cannot be equaled by the most skilled artisan. The crafty birds gather acorns, drill holes in the trunks of pine trees, into which they fit the nuts so closely and snugly that squirrels are mable to pull them out. hat, after being implanted, a worm appears in the acorn, and it is for the purpose of cetting this worm later on that the crafty stores away acorns in this

The Tucson Star gives the following to illustrate the troubles of the stock raiser: One firm of stockmen, not so very long ago and then put out some 2,000 head of stock Recently they hunted up all the cattle to be found that bore their brand, and although they had sold none yet, about 400 head was all that could be got together. Another man could find but ninety-two out of 1,500. It is said that the depredations of the Papagoes will account for much of the miss-

ing stock. The California cotton mills in East Oakand have under consideration a move to Japan on the other side of the Pacific. The company of local capitalists behind the con ern was organized in 1883 with a capita f \$600,000, and has given employment to as many as 300 boys and girls at a time, but owing to the future possibility of having to compete with prison labor and the set-back given the industry of twine, rope and ore bag manufacture, the works have no outlook, and in casting about to see what could be fone the Japan scheme was broached to the

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nable to Resist Taking a Look a Mexcian Women's Bathing Ground. They tell a good story on a party of excursionists who went on a personally con ducted tour to Mexico last winter, says the Washington Post. The party was in charge of Charles Gates of Toledo, O., but included prominent people from other cities. They traveled in a special train, which stopped at all the interesting places en route long enough to give the excursionists ample time

to see the sights, and sometimes they saw some not down on the bills. This story concerns one of them. They stopped at a small town near the Mexican frontier—name omitted, lest after this tale is printed excur ionists should swarm to see it. strolling along a little stream half a dozen of the male members of the party across an inclosure with the legend: ing for ladies-Do not look." The fence was not too high to climb, and when a greaser policeman happened along respectable heads of families hanging over

see the sights, and this sign was sufficient that way he found six staid and supposedly that fence, gazing with all the strength of their dozen eyes. Accordingly, he gathered them in and escorted them down to the little adobe jail, where they were locked up to await ball. As the time for the train to depart approached the wives of the six presoners began to look about for their worse Then a Mexican official came halves. the train and notified them of the troub! Mr. Gates, who had luckily stayed with the tra'n, at once went to the rescue. Firs, hinterviewed the prisoners, and then he wen before the local alcalde to plead for them Luckily, that official spoke English and also enjoyed a joke.

"These men are all American gentlemen urged Mr. Gates. "Highly respectable of vens of some of our largest communities "Well, they should not have looked over the fence; they saw the sign." "I am convinced they did not see the sign,

"Why?" inquired the alcalde.
"Because there were half a dozen more in the party, and if they had seen that sign all would have been there." "Release the prisoners," said the alcalde, while his sides shook with laughter.

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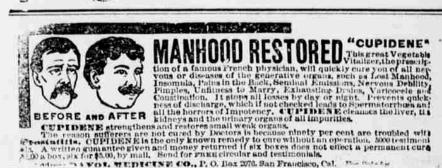
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This Voyager's Excuse Was Novel and Amused the Passengers. Upon a recent homewardbound trip, says the New York Herald, was a gentleman of not widely extended ocean experience, who heretofore had made only pleasant summer trips-trips when the ocean was as the proverbial mill pond for the greater portion

of the time, with a storm such as the winter

brings forth unknown. "Are you a good sailor?" he asked of his nearest table companion at dinner the first "Reasonably so," replied the other. "Are

'Yes, indeed. I couldn't get sick." "Sure of that are you? For my own part I've made a great many voyages in all parts of the world. I never have been seasick yet, but I don't think I ever stepped on board a steamer without having the thought

The first speaker turned at this, and winked

others at the table, as much as to

indicate. "Well, we won't see much of our friend if we have rough weather.' others replied with a smile, as if they in dorsed his views. The first and second day until midnight passed pleasantly. Then the ship began to pitch and roll, and well it might, for it had struck the track of a cyclonic storm and the next morning it was in the midst of the storm itself. When the traveler who feared

that "this might be his time" found his way to his seat, he discovered that his companions were missing. 'It was rather a hard night, steward," he said. "A great many of the passengers sick, I suppose?"
"That they are, sir," answered the steward

'All of this table sick, sir, but you, sir, "What! Mr. Blank also?" asked the voy-ager in mock surprise, as he mentioned the name of the person who couldn't get sick. "Well, I'll have to go and see him later." A few hours later he found his way to the cabin of the superior sailor, who was groan-ing wretchedly, when not imploring some one

to knock him on the head and throw him

Why, how is this, Blank? You seasick? The victim made an effort to collect himself. Evidently he recalled the foolish remark of the first day. "Oh," said he, "I'm not seasick. It's only a slight nausea. You see it was this way. My tooth brush was a bit old. In cleaning my teeth this morning a loose bristle caught in my throat and nauseated me. To be sure, I'm not quite my-self yet in the stomach, but it isn't seasick-ness, I assure you, and now go away, won't you, old man? for I don't feel like talking Four days later Mr. Blank pulled himself

together and got on deck, very pale, very weak and dejected. "Ab. Blank, I'm glad to see you around again." comprised his acquaintance. "By the way, how's that tooth brush with the loose - the tooth brush " muttered the "Dman. "It upset me completely, and I sup-pose every one thinks I was sensick. But I

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