#### Pulse of Western Progress.

the Seattle South canal and the Lake Washington Waterway company and the Bowers Dredging company has just been Colonization company, is very wealthy and Bowers Dredging company has just been has a large colony in Georgia and one in signed by C. H. Prescott, president of the dredging company, and vice president of the like Antelope valley, this state.

It is simply a land and water syndicate.

contract calls for the excavation of 35,000,000 the establishment of thousands of settlers cubic yards of earth, of which 9,090,000 cubic yards of earth, of which 9,000,000 in the colony within two years, adding yards are to be dredged from the waterways great wealth to this country, and San through the Scattle tide lands and 26,000,000 Bernardino being the nearest supply point. taken out of the three-mile canal connecting Lake Washington and Puget sound.

This canal will cut through a bluff 200 work, and expects to keep the large of tide flats. The dredging company is planning to build a third dredger to be used in filling in the Tacoma flats and on that prevented purchases. government work.

When the work is started two dredgers part of the time at Seattle. The tide lands to be filled in here and at Seattle will be used for railroad terminals, manufacturing and wholesale purposes, as heavy business can be transacted more cheaply on the flats than on the billy streets.

The Seattle South Canal company has obtained a contract from the state of Washington by which, in accordance with the state law, the company can fill in the entire flats and secure a lieu on the property, to be released only when the unland owners having the first right of purchase, pay the average cost of filling, with 15 per cent added and interest, after the work is completed. This plan will also be adopted here. By it the flats can be filled in under one contract and the cost lessened, the streets and waterways being laid out in a systematic way.

By the use of improved dredgers the dredging company expects to make large profits.

and the canal company will make money by the 15 per cent bonus or sale of the lands. The money for the Seattle contract is being furnished by St. Louis capitalists through the Mississippi Valley Trust company. The dredging company is a Chicago corporation, having its western headquarters here. Tacoma Land company has just raised \$1,000,000 on bonds in Philadelphia with which to buy of the state and commence fill-

ing in the largest part of the Tacoma tid BELCHING FIRE AND MUD. The Cocopah mountains in Lower Cali-fornia are again in a state of eruption. George Neal, a mining man who has just returned from the Juarez placer district, r ports having seen a volcano in eruption, says a San Diego dispatch to the San Francisco Call. It was the central butte of the three isolated Picachos, about twenty miles

from the mouth of New river. He was on Cantila mountain at the time, twentyfive or thirty miles distant. Heavy smoke was seen to ascend, at first thought to be from a Colorado river steamer. Accompanying it were heavy sounds like cannonading, and the column shot high at intervals. Indians working at the placer told Neal that the Cocopah mountains were again shaking, and that the Cocopah and Santa Catarina Indians had left the moun-

southeast of Signal mountain, and not far

tains to await a cessation of the disturb Besides fire volcanoes, the Indians said mud volcanoes, gas holes and hot springs spouting with greater activity ever before. At some of the gas holes whistling sounds were made, to be heard miles distant. It is said at the times of the greatest activity in the Cocopah counthe Colima volcano is also to be found in eruption.

SILVER STRIKE AT HAHN'S PEAK. Hahn's peak, the rich placer camp, is at present the scene of a rush of prospectors that almost equals the stampede of the early days of that great gold field. The excitment

The first discovery was made two weeks ago by Stucky and Ward, two prospectors from New Castle, says a Steamboat Springs special to the Denver Times, and now the country is staked for miles and digging goes on at a lively rate. The ore seems to be a black lime and, according to tests, runs made all the way from 300 to 500 ounces in silver

to the ton on the surface.

Specimens which were brought down by Colonel I. G. Voice, clerk of the district court, and John Murphy, the veteran stage driver, after being tested in a blacksmith's literally honeycombed globules of silver, in size all the way from a No. 1 to a No. 8 shot, and were estimated by experts to run into the thousands.

The same character of rock is found over a vast territory. Being on the north slope of Hahn's peak and extending from the Smith claims on Willow creek to Red Park, a distance of over five miles, and as far as prospected the belt seems to be several miles in

It is estimated that there are from 400 to 500 men on the ground at this date and every stage adding to the list. Parties from Cripple Creek who have been in town supplies pronounce the strike one of the richest known in the history of the state. The Whipple & Shaw stage line is preparing to put on six-horse Concord coaches in order to meet the rush.

A CO-OPERATIVE RAILROAD.

George W. Vroman, president and promoter of the San Diego, Pacific & Eastern railroad. is now in Salt Lake City, engaged in making the preliminary arangements for this new enterprise, says the Portland Oregonian. The road is projected to be built from the port of San Diego to Salt Lake City, through the fertile valleys of southern Utah. It is unique in its way, as it is organized to be built by railroad men and operated for their benefit. The capital stock will consist of 100,000 shares at a value of \$10 each, and assessments will called until the shares are all subscribed

Mr. Vroman states that great progress has been made already in the contemplated enterprise, and the company is hearing from outside territory every day. The object of his visit to Salt Lake is to call the railroad and business men of that city together to fully explain the project to them, and to obtain

The road is intended to pay as high wages as any other line, and, as the employes are to own and manage it themselves, they expect to derive dividends, in addition to earning their salaries.

Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers at Salt Lake Ctly has indorsed the project, it is said, and will take an active part in the

Already 500 shares have been taken in cks ranging from one to twenty-five shares, ite and orders are said to be coming in daily. A MAMMOTH WATERWAY.

The purchasers of the Victor reservoir assets will commence work at once with a large number of teams constructing a canal fifty-two miles long, seventy-five feet wide and ten feet deep for irrigating 200,000 acres on Mojave plains, on the north side of the range of mountains, extending from Victor to a point on the Atlantic & Pacific road west of Barstow, says a San Ber-nardino, Cal., dispatch to the San Francisco Call. Six hundred miles of lateral canals will be constructed, on which settlers will do the work, being paid by the company,

thus supporting their families while their ranches and fruit farms are being devel-The lands to be watered are mostly gov-

A \$6,000,000 dredging contract between fruits. Apples and peaches yield a remark-

the Northern Pacific railroad, says a Tacoma special to the San Francisco Chronicle. The Scattle company has already signed.

It is simply a land and water syndicate, but furnishes colonists as soon as land and water is ready for them. General O. O. Howard is one of the principal managers. The office of the company is crowded daily with applicants for lands, and inquiries are coming in daily by the hundreds through the mail. As the company will push the work actively, prespects are excellent for contract calls for the excavation of 35,000,000 husiness of all kinds will be active here

WYOMING CATTLE SHIPMENTS. The shipment of cattle over the Denver feet high for half a mile. The excavation & Gulf to the ranges of Montana and Wyoat this place will be done by stuicing. The company has five years in which to do the work, and expects to keep the large which is 10,000 to 15,000 short of the number dredgers busy on it for most of that time.

The earth excavated will fill in 2,000 acres of tide flats. The dredging company is accounted for in the fact that sellers in Texas, finding there was a brisk demand for their product, raised the price to a figure

will work at Tacoma part of the time and hardly known before, or at least not in a good many years. Cattle landed on the ranges this year are doing well. A large percentage of them have been yearlings and 2-year-olds, and will not be ready for the beef mar-ket this fall. On account of this fact, taken in connection with the fact that the ranges were nearly depleted of cattle last year, those owning beeves or cattle to become beeves

this fall are looking for a stiff price.

W. E. Guthrie, one of the best known of western cattlemen, says that the drouth of last year in Kansas and Nebraska will have the effect of stimulating prices this fall. The farmers of that region found it necessary to sell off what cattle they had on hand, and the price to them was no object, it being a matter necessity. More poor cattle found their way to the markets last fall and winter than have ever been known before. They are out of the way, and the purchase of stockers and feeders has not been brisk enough to cause the deficiency to be filled. CASPER MOUNTAIN ASBESTOS.

Messrs. Currier, Nelson and Johnson, the vell known asbestos miners of Casper mountain, the other day brought in 500 pounds of fiber from their new discovery that surprised every one who saw it, says the Wyoning Derrick The late find is beyond the old diggings,

and is much better both in quality and quantity; in fact, experts say it is fully equal to any of the Canadian product. We have samples of the fiber and also of the rock, just as it was taken from the mines. This rock shows fully one-half fiber

and comes from a six-foot vein. It is as fine as silk and of that beautiful greenish shade which indicates the best quality. It is from one-fourth inch to three inches in length, and can be spun into a fine thread, like silk, by twisting it in the fingers. The Derrick says that there are tons of asbestos now on the dumps at the new mines on the mountain that is fully equal to any

produced in Canada. It means just what it mays, and can substantiate its statements. The boys have worked quietly for months o fully verify the value and extent of their find before making it public, and Casper people all rejoice that their efforts have met

with such marked success.

Shipments will soon be made to eastern asbestos works, which we believe will open the eyes of manufacturers to the value of the Casper asbestos deposits. GOODBYE, POTATO BUG.

Prof. Koebele, who found out that the Australian ladybird was sure death to some varieties of California orchard scale, has again been heard from as the discoverer not only of more useful scale parasites, but of an insect which feeds on the larvae of the potato bug. The importance of the latter find will be understood by all who are familiar with the ravages of the Colorado beetle in potatogrowing states during the past twenty years. eays the San Francisco Chronicle. The slow-crawling insect with its unappeasable appeis caused by the discovery of an immense blow-out of silver bearing rock, said to come ers millions of dellars annually and has enfrom a blanket vein, and the street corners riched the manufacturers of paris green and

are alive with excited men talking over the rich bonanzas just uncovered at the peak.

Of spraying apparatus.

Prof. Koebele found Prof. Koebele found the much-wanted parasite in Japan, where he is at work upon various lines of entomological research for the Hawalian government. As yet he has made no report upon its scientific characteristics, but has mentioned the discovery and dwelt upon its importance in letters to his wife,

who lives in Alameda. By a recent steamer Prof. Koebele sent the State Board of Horticulture a small number of ladybirds of two varieties peculiar to Japan, which, he believes, will multiply rapidly in this climate and do great good in the citrus and deciduous orchards, where the black and white scale and the mealle bug have been making their depredations. Some of these parasites will be ready for distribution in

two weeks, and some of them cannot be given out before spring. It is highly interesting to watch the development of the ladybirds from the larvae, as may be done at the rooms of the horticultural board. The insect, in its embryotic state, is placed in a large glass jar, the orifice of which is then covered with thin cloth. Besides the larvae the jar contains twigs cut from scale-infested trees, so that when the insect is developed it may find its natural food. The ladybirds, which have so far been

incubated, are lively and industrious, and are rapid breeders. The horticultural people have great hopes of them. A FAMILY OF SNAKE CATCHERS. There is a queer character in Sheridan who is called "Rattlesnake Jack," says the Buffalo Voice. He makes a business of catching wolves and rattlesnakes. While in Sheridan not long since we saw him and his two children, a boy of 12 and a girl of 10, going about the streets with their snakes. The boy and girl each had one around their necks and the old man had a sack full, which he would empty on the pavement, and while they were rattling and hissing at every one else, he would pass his hands over them and they would seem to be charmed and would allow him to pick them up without striking him. It is said he will approach the most savage snake on the prairie and pick it up with

his hand. OLIVES AND OLIVE OIL. Near Guerneville and on the Forestville road is the largest clive orchard in Sonoma county, and probably one of the largest in the state, says a Santa Rosa dispatch to the San Francisco Call. It is owned by Dr. Pro-sek. There is 100 acres of orchard, with sek. There 8.500 trees.

8,500 trees. The crop last year was ten tons and this year will be about thirty tons. Dr. Prosek built the first olive mill in onoma county in 1894. The building is forty feet wide and sixty feet long, with an engine house 14x20. An eight-horse power engine generates the pressure. nediately on picking the clives are nto a novel crusher, the first of the kind

in the state. In the crusher are two granite wheels, which weigh 1,500 pounds each, and revolve on a flat granite elab. The wheels are reversible, and can be raised or lowered according to the size of the olive. Latest improved according to the size of the olive. proved scrapers, which keep the paste under the wheels, have supplanted much work in that operation, an arrangement having been made whereby it empties itself by two or three revolutions of the wheel. The crusher has a capacity of two or three tons daily,

both first and second grinding.

A hydraulic press receives the paste, and the juice that comes out goes into a separ-ator, which separates the oil from the water of the vegetation. When settled and clear the oil is filtered and bottled, and is then

ready for market. Last year was a distastrous one for olives and yet the output of oil was 250 gallons.

Dr. Prosek has in his grove thirty-five different varieties of oilves, and will bud from those that do best in the locality. The ear-

armed with shotguns raided the place an carried away \$35.

Beatrice proposes to foster a steady growth by organizing a Commercial club. Hay Springs gets the next tournament of he Northwest Nebraska Firemen's associa-

J. F. Robinson has been sent to the state enitentiary for three years from Fremont.

In Boone county the assessors' returns show a loss of 24,751 head of cattle over the

returns one year ago. Ten Timber creek farmers visited the farm a widow named Foutz and plowed forty acres of corn for her. The Farmers and Merchants bank at Fre

mont has divided up profits amounting t \$4,000 among stockholders. Gage county's old soldiers are planning a reunion, to be held on the Chautauqua grounds early in September.

Mrs. J. F. Wilson, wife of a B. & M. see tion hand at Brownville, was bitten by mad dog. It is feared that she will die. Creighton Morris, receiver of the defunc Farmers and Merchants bank at Humboldt is distributing among the creditors \$16,274. Frank Rutlege was arrested at Red Cloud charged with a bank robbery alleged to have been committed at Clarksburg, Ont., a year

The ranges of the northwest were never in better condition. The copious rains of the past six weeks have made grass to an extent citizens of the county now talk of purchasing up. a poor farm.

At Elwood the 14-year-old son of Wesley revolver with which he was playing.

A married man living at Rushville went to the camp meeting at Gordon, where he insulted a couple of young women. He was waylaid by members of the family and beaten nearly to death.

H. A. Whitaker of Fremont has been sent to the state penitentiary for eighteen months for stealing an organ. He left behind him a wife and five children, the youngest a baby 9 weeks old. The 2-year-old child of Phil Walker, liv

ing at Hay Springs, attempted to swallow a small brass clock wheel with which it had been playing. The wheel lodged in the baby's throat and death ensued. Two new irrigation districts have been formed at Gothenburg, under the new state law, one the Gothenburg South Side district, comprising 100,000 acres, and the other the Lincoln and Dawson county district, compris-

ing 300,000 acres. At a game of ball at Trunk Butte a y man named Chalk became so enthusiastic that he announced himself as a bad man from Bitter Creek and wanted a fight. He was accommodated by Cliff Larsh and was taken

IOWA.

Mason City has adopted the curfew fad. Missouri Valley is to have a \$20,000 opera

An Atlantic doctor makes his professional unds on a bicycle. A new postoffice has been established as Scott, in Fayette county.

Charlie Hunter of Newton had his hand blown off by a cannon fire cracker. W. H. Hartman, who has edited Waterloo Courier since 1858, is dead.

Lawrence Logsdon is under arrest at Clin ton on the charge of having two wives. A Catholic theological seminary will be erected at Dubuque at a cost of \$150,000. There are at present 595 inmates in the State Hospital for the Insane at Clarinda. Fred Spencer, at Creston, had an eye blown out by a cannon fire cracker on th

The postoffice at Cottage, in Hardin has been discontinued, much to the discomfiture of 200 patrons. At Dubuque William Callahan picked a cannon fire cracker. It exploded at the

Fourth.

same instant, carrying away his face. Frank Smith, aged 21, formerly lived at Dyersville, but he's dead now. He mixed morphine with whisky and drank until he Arlington has a new banking house, the

First State bank, with a capital of \$25,000. C. Deming is president and D. B. Allen cashier. The Masons of Jefferson have subscribed

\$4,000 toward a fund to be used by the Odd Fellows in securing the Odd Fellows Frank Smith, a clerk in his father's drug store at Dubuque, committed suicide be-

medical college. The agent of the Milwaukke road at Ossian locked up the depot and went to dinner, and in his absence somebody tapped the money drawer for \$95.

Marquis Lang, a Le Mars veteran sol-dier, killed himself because the government refused to increase his pension. He leaves a wife and thirteen children.

Alvin Bliss of Cedar Rapids received a check for \$11.66. It was not large enough to suit him and he accordingly raised it te \$116.60. He's out on bail now. Hiram Jaynes, the 335-pound Shenandoah

man, who married a ninety-pound girl two months ago, is already in trouble. His slip of a wife has sued him for a divorce. Miss Jennie Coffey committed suicide by

taking a mixture of chloral and chloroform because her passion for a young farmer named James Delk was not reciprocated. The following are the week's census bulletins from Iowa towns: Elkader, 920; Mc-Gregor, 1,200; Wilson, 1,263; West Liberty, 1,479; Muscatine, 12.332; Guttenburg, 1,425.

George Thayer, acquitted at Creston on the charge of robbing the railroad com-pany, was immediately rearrested and taken to Kentucky to answer for a similar crime. H. S. Rand of Burlintgon has donated the

sidence formerly occupied by Senator Gear the Young Men's Christian association. The association will immediately erect a \$12,000 gymnasium and auditorium. Eva W. Clark, an Ottumwa girl, went boating with Thomas Reardon. The next morning the boat was found floating upside

down with the dead body of the girl be-neath it. Reardon's body has not been recovered. Orlin Adrain, a Marshalltown boy, cele brated the Fourth with a cannon improvised from a piece of gas pipe. It exploded, shattering his face and skull, and blowing

away portions of the brain. Although still alive, he cannot recover. The little 4-year-old son of Frank Spacht at Bedford had his skull crushed in by a kick from a horse. He walked into the house with blood and brains oczing out of the wound, and after the splintered bone and two tablespoonfuls of brain had been removed the little fellow began to recover.

His recovery is looked upon as almost m THE DAKOTAS. Salem is to have a large elevator, to be completed in time for storing this year's

The Chautauqua at Devil's Lake, N. D., opened very successfully, the receipts on the opening day being 100 per cent in excess of what they were the same day last year. A strange disease has made its appearance

at Maryville, N. D. Nine physicians have examined the cases and none have been able to identify the disease beyond terming it "blood poisoning." Its origin is a mystery. The Lucky Cuss gold mine on Tepee guich. six miles from Keystone, is sustaining its name. Another rich find was made in the working, and nearly every mine in the Hill City and Keystone district is being worked. The steamer Castalia, from Bismarck, passed down the Missouri to engage in traffic etween Charles Mix county and Sloux City.

There is a lively competition between the steamer and the Milwaukee railroad to control the Charles Mix county trade. Governor Sheldon received a draft for \$1,600 from John H. King, state agent for South Dakota at Washington. This is South Dakota's share of the refund of direct war

Egan, S. D., between A. G. Brown of that county and a wealthy German farmer from northwestern lows. The amount of land is 1,200 acres, adjoining the townsite of Egan on the east, and traveled the whole length

of the tract by the High Sloux river, and the price is \$36,000 for the tract.

The probable yield of small grain in the vicinity of Yankton exceeds the wildest expectations and surpasses all previous records. Threshers and farmers have estimated wheat at thirty-five bushels and oats at 100 bushels per acre. Not a partisele of rust is visible anywhere in the great, wheat fields, where the ripening grain stands four feet high and topheavy with its own weight.

Watertown completed extensive preparafor the reception and enter-t of the Central Dakota vet-and 200 of the National tions for erans and 200 of the National Guard, who were to se into camp on the banks of Lake Kempesks. The military feature of the encampment is something un-usual, as the DeSmet, Aberdeen, Clark and Watertown companies take part, besides 400 veterans.

COLORADO.

Black Hawk's new concentrator, equal to 100 tons per day, will soon be ready for business. Preparations are under way for a resump-

ion of work on the Ute and Ulay mines, near Lake City. The Winona Milling company at Duncan finished sampling the Maskel Venus ore, which yielded \$52.25 per ton. The ore was taken from a twenty-inch pay streak and was

shipped without any sorting. At Leadville there is considerable activity noticeable in the mining field and much steady development work is being done. Iron

More than 80 per cent of the rock holsted rom the Portland mine at Cripple Creek finds Loos shot his younger brother with an old a profitable market. The ore vein is twenty eet in width, and has not varied an from the surface to its present depth of 475

> from a car of ore taken from the Gold King mine, located on Gold hill, Cripple Creek mining district. The first-class sacked ore ran 4.86 ounces silver per ton, or \$298.40. The second ran 4.62 ounces gold per ton, or \$92,40. Sixteen men are constantly employed sortng the Victor dump. This ore is rathe ifficut to crush, so much so that the ma-

chinery at the Florence plant is performing only 50 per cent of the work the makers guaranteed. Additional machinery has been ordered. Empson's canning factory at Longmont has began packing peas. Mr. Empson shipped 435,000 cans of peas last year and expects to ship 1,000,000 cans this year. The Empson pea crop is said to be the finest and largest ever grown in the United States by a single

Twenty men were put to work prospecting for coal one mile south of Monument, and i is rumored that 100 more will be added to the force in a few days. There are supposed to be immense beds of coal underlying this sec ion of country and an effort is being made to mine it.

The Rotten Hole on Mineral hill at Colo ale Springs is looking exceed ugly we l. The haft is down 125 feet, but the boys expeco keep sinking until a depth of 250 feet in eached before starting drifts. They occafind pockets of ore in the that run as high as forty ounces in gold to

Dan Hutchins and Nick Handy brought to the Boulder sampling works 1,000 pounds of second-grade mineral, yielding thirty ounces of gold to the ton, while seventeen pounds of selected ore produced a gold retort of fifteen ounces, and the washings or concentrates during the panning operation ran \$3.50 per pound.

The citizens of Rocky Ford are jubilant in consequence of the success of the artesian well. At a depth of 750 feet flowing water was struck. It is now flowing over the cas-ing, and a stream of citizens is going from the well, laden with buckets and jugs filled with water. This strike is a big thing for Rocky Ford.

The Canon City Coal company, operating large coal mine at Rockvale, has just ooked an order for 2,000 cars of coal and will begin on the order at once. The mingives employment to 450 men, to whom the prospect of a month's steady work is glad news, as the mine has not been working half ime for the past four months. The mineral display in Telluride during the

restern slops congress was far superior to the San Miguel county exhibit at the World's fair. It was composed of 225 rare and beautiful gold and silver specimens, the most of them quite large and showing the character of the different veins from which they were aken. Among them was one specimen from the K. C. Humboldt, which weighed 150 pounds, and was absolutely full of ruby and brittle silver.

Much important work is being done on the Eliza property at Leadville, and develop-ments are resulting very favorably, says the Herald-Democrat. These people cut a three-foot body of lead carbonate ore recently which runs fifteen ounces silver and 17 to 30 per cent lead. They are, however, after a gold ore body and at present are carrying on exploration work with a diamond drill in the lower formation, in order to locate, if possible, the main gold ore chute.

WYOMING. A large number of young antelopes are eported in the vicinity of Casper. Montana papers claim that the Burlington

build into the Big Horn basin this Ex-Governor Baxter has sold his ranch Laramie county to a Denver man for

Thes Albany county cattlemen and sheep-men are naw fighting their battles out through the columns of the Laramie papers. Everett Glafcke has located a rich deposit of yellow ochre at Silver Crown. Samples from the camp show as fine an article as was ever mined in any country. The shops at Cheyenne will be reopened

August 1 on the Denver scale. This is a

reduction of about 25 cents a day to ma-chinists, while the balance of the schedule remains unchanged. Residents of the Big Horn basin state that there are over fifty persons now at the hot springs and that they are coming and going all the time. It is expected that nearly 5,000 cople will visit the bathing resort this

Union Pacific Roadmaster McDonigle of Laramie has discovered a curiosity in the shape of a petrified railroad tie. The tie was put down in 1868, when the road was first built, and is in just as good condition as when laid.

Subcontracts will be let in a few days and work begun on the West Side Placer company's property at Four Mile. Mr. Green, the contractor, expects to have dirt moving and a large force employed by the 10th. The ditch will be twelve feet wide at top and about forty miles long, and must be completed in eighty days.

The Sundance Coal, Development and Min-ing company has filed articles of incorporation in the secretary of state's office. The capital stock is \$1,000,000. The object of the corpora-tion is to develop the goal fields of Crook and Weston counties. It will also construct and operate a line of raligoad in Crook county, Wyoming, and in Laidlaw and Butte counties, South Dakota.

Ralph Anderson bas been doing some land Raiph Anderson pag been doing some land office business the past month in trapping bears, having caught, seven in four weeks, four of which—the largest of the lot—were caught in two days' time. They were of the cinnamon and silver tip varieties and were all full grown except one. They were caught on the west side of the Platte canon, about thirty-five or forty miles from Mullin and Douglas creeks. forty wiles from Saratoga, on

State Auditor Owen, who has just re-turned from the Big Horn country, says of the placers at the mouth of Crystal creek:
"Three thousand acres in claims have been staked off. Miners and prospectors are coming in through every avenue which reaches the country and already several hundred people are washing out gold. Every pan of dirt washed shows fine color, and the camp will in all probability be a permanent one."

On Green river, at Jenson, the woods and The lands to be watered are mostly government land taken up under the desert less that do best in the locality. The earright and act. The company offers settlers the following proposition: The settler takes up following proposition: The settl

ward. If Hoke Smith opens that reservaward. If Hoke Smith opens that reserved tion without giving everybody a chance, somebody is sure to get hurt, as there are people in Uintah county, Utab, and Rio Bianco county, Colorado, who will not stand idly by and see any syndicate gobble up all

the asphaltum lands. The gold discovery made at Douglas the other day was the result of several weeks' secret search by a party of Colorado prospectors. It is estimated that over 100 claims have been staked out. Reports brought in are that the mineral locations of the recent find are identically like Cripple Creek. An assay shows gold in more than paying quantities and the ore increases in value as th shaft deepens. The new fields are located about twelve miles from town.

It has just leaked out that the Colorado Wyoming & Great Northern officials were at Green River the other day looking over the terminus of the proposed new railroad. They are going to start work just as soon as Mr. Armans, one of the head officials of the gigantic enterprise, returns from a trip over the line. More excitement was created among the business men and property hold-ers of the town when it was learned that the Anaconda smelter men were also looking the ground over for a smelter site.

A Green River dispatch says that a railroad grading outfit, consisting of several hundred horses, twenty-five men with wagons, scrapers and plows for railread grading work, passed south through that city over the line of the proposed line of the Colorado, Wyoming & Great Northern railroad. The outfit, which is owned by J. B. Orman of Pueblo, Colo., has been working in Montana, and is now on its way to Grand Junction, Colo. It is expected that grading work on the new line will be commenced at that point on July 15. OREGON.

Thus far 1,000,000 pounds of wool have been received in Baker City, and there is more to come. A few years ago jackrabbits were unknown

around Creswell; now they are cutting down beans by the acre in that vicinity. A. F. Hunt captured a black bear in the Splendid returns have just been received The Bristow brothers brought in from

their Powell creek mines a bottle full of coarse gold worth \$522. The gold varied in size from \$50 pieces down to fine dust. Hides that have been discarded as valueless strewn upon the hills, and left on the pas-tures near Pendleton, for the last two years are now being picked up by collectors and

The grasshopper pests have been making inroads on crops along Trout creek. Not a green blade is left after their devastating visits, and the stalks of wheat and other cereals are leveled to the ground.

Last month the J. S. Clark creamery, h Forest Grove, was kept very busy. During May, 91,557 pounds of milk were received, from which 3,570 pounds of butter were made, selling for \$446.25. This brought the farmer 18 cents a roll clear of expense.

F. W. DeLentmen of Grant county was re cently married to the girl of his choice, after an engagement lasting twenty years. Miss Spense, who is now Mrs. DeLentmen, waited in England, while Mr. DeLentmen made a ome for her, and then made the journey of 6,000 miles alone to be wedded to the man of

B. C. Coltrin, a miner on the Lower Roguriver, while trying to catch his horse, steppes on a rattlesnake and was bitten on the righ leg. He bled the wound freely, bound to bacco on it, and started down the mountain but became blinded from the effect of the and had to call for help. Bud Fat heard his cries, and assisted him to the residence of W. S. Jones, where the wound was treated with coal oil and goda, and the sick man was soon able to be around, feeling very grateful for the assistance which saved him from a horrible death.

WASHINGTON. Hugh Nelson of Medical Lake has invented an attachment to binders that will bind grain with the grain's own straw.

There are 15,000 prune trees in the vicinity f Mount Vernon, and growers are discussing the erection of a dryer, to cost \$2,500. Dr. Lee, stock inspector of Klickitat county says that for the first time in the history o the sheep industry there is not a case of

scab in the country. Marion Meeker, a pigeon fancier of Puyallup, has invented a cage for transporting pigeons. After the liberation of the birds the cage can be folded up and carried in the pocket. Saflors have been entired from vessels a

Port Townsend and other sound ports by

rival shipping runners on the promise of getting work on the Seattle canal at the rate of \$1.50 to \$2 a day. J. G. Megler, the Brookfield canneryman desirous of running his canenry in Aber deen this season, provided the Aberdeen cit-izens do not object to the introduction of Chinese during the fishing season.

at work on San Juan island. One runs three kilus and turns out 120 barrels each day on an average. The other runs two kilns at present, and produces about the Colfax is working hard to get a beet sugar factory established there. Ten thousand dollars cash, \$1,200 in labor and 2,000

Two extensive lime works are constantly

acres of land, besides a site for the factory and forty town lots, have been subscribed, and the starting of the enterprise is as The Northern Pacific Coal company has made arrangements in nearly every case to settle with the widows and children of the victims of the Roslyn mine disaster. Each widow will be paid \$1,000, each child \$100

and the suits dismissed. South Bend is noted as remarkable in the ounty press for having a man elected to ffice against his own protest; one who has, without remuneration run the local schools for three months because the funds gave out, and a police force of two men, one of whom weighs 295 pounds, and the other 285. It is estimated that 1,000 men have gone rom various parts of Whitman county the mining regions within the past three months prospecting. Men who have heretofore worked on farms, many small farmers and even boys who are out of employment for a few weeks go to the Snake river placers and wash sand for the yellow metal.

MISCELLANEOUS. The most complete collection of Southern California Indian antiquities in existence has been secured by the Los Angeles Chamber

of Commerce. Kanodia, a Kicapoo squaw, with the aid of a shotgun, secured a \$2,000 guarantee bond from the Choctaw railway contractor who was building in her allotment of land. There is a large amount of tan bark being cut in Mendocino county, California, at pres-

ent. The recent advance in the price of leather is responsible for the increased activ-Fremont county, Idaho, has nearly 590 niles of canals, with as many more contemplated. Most farmers belong to stock com-panies and water costs not to exceed 25 cents per acre on the average.

at work near Grayson, Cal. The machine, which is a forty-two-foot cut, requires but two men to run it, and will cut 100 acres a day at a cost of \$1.10 per acre. Some malicious person cut the log boom at the shingle mill at Smead's spur, near Missoula, Mont., allowing several million feet of logs to get away. This is a serious loss as the mill cannot be operated this season. The idea that Arizona is only good for min-ing camps must be dispelled before the state-ment from E. F. Keliner of Phoenix, who

The largest harvester in the world is now

says he has 1,000 acres in a body all sown alfaifa, and this pays him in clean cash \$20 000 a year. While out in the mountains near Darby Mont., Jacob Goff killed the largest mountain lion that has ever been seen in this part of the country. The beast measured elever from nose to tip of tail, and twelve inches between his ears.

There was great rejoicing at Wardner, Idaho, over the resumption of work in the Bunker Hill and Sullivan mill and mine. Sixty-four men were put to work. When the properties are in full blast they will give employment to 350 men. Quite an excitement has been created a

Redding, Cal., by the discovery of a rich ledge of quartz on Kirk creek, three miles from Pit river, in what is known as the Big Bend country. The ledge is 300 feet wide with black quartz assaying \$60 to the ton. A rich strike has just been made in the Georgia mine, near Landusky, Mont. The Georgia lies near the Big Chief and was purchased as a prospect for \$150. One of the owners has refused \$15,000 for his interest in The owners have been engaged in sinking a shaft for several weeks, and at a depth of twenty-seven feet struck a vein

The lead is located in porphyry and the ore from the bottom of the shaft runs from \$35

Prof. Dell and Dr. Becker of the Government Mineral commission, now in Alaska, have discovered valuable nickel ore ledges at the head of the Indian river at a place colled Silver bay. While examining croppings along a legde near that point Becker came upon the

The oil wells recently discovered on the Minor ranch, near Orinda Park station, Con-tra Costa county, California, are likely to prove a valuable acquisition to that rich and presperous county. It is calmed that the oil wells are there, and only await to be The gold mining boom at Rossland, South

Kootenay, British Columbia, continues with nergy. hipping ore from Rossland to North Port. he hearest smolting center, while over 500 men are diligently prospecting the neighboring The winemakers of the upper Napa valley,

who were members of the California Wine-makers' association, have organized a new Its object is to sublease from the California Winemakers' corporation its cellar at St. Helena and operate it during the comng vintage. A ledge of scapstone has been discovered

the vicinity of Centerville, Cal. The lodge four feet in width and the stone is of exout quality. The output of this ledge n be placed on the cars in that city for \$5 er ton. The present price of soapstone A large two-and-a-half-ounce amber sap-

phire was recently picked up by H. S. Crocket of the Gravelly range placer digins, near Virginia, Mont. The stone is a beautiful specimen, being nearly round, flawess, lustre vitreous, and of a desirable pale mber-yellow color. Bartholomew Maize, a Silver Creek, Idaho rancher, has boiled crickets for twelve hours

and on throwing them outside some had enough life left to crawl away. He had a Dead Indian country recently. The bear was an unusually large one for the black species, weighing about 500 pounds.

plt arranged by which he captures great quantities. These he dries and packs away for chicken feed next winter. Mining matters are very active in the Morongo district, San Bernadino county, The Rose is working a twelve-inch vein of ore that runs \$1,200 to the ton. The ore i

> rate that makes the owners look at peace with the world. The results in the clean up of the Leary placers on Granite creek, Boise county Idaho, is now in the Boise assay office The shining yellow metal came in good sized bags, and when it had all been weighed there was in the neighborhood of 1,000 ounces valued at \$16 an ounce. The season has been

like red paint, but it turns out gold at a

exceptionally short. One of Butte's (Mont.) fashionable ladies attended the circus and was fooled out of \$100 by the pea game. She was confident she knew where that pea was, and backed her confidence with \$50-and it was not there. Then she got mad and invested \$50 more to get revenge. The thimble rigger has her money and she is still unrevenged.

drive them to the grant. He will bring twenty families with him, aside from his owboys. There are 180,000 acres in the Petaca grant and the property is owned by ex-Congressman Farwell of Iowa. T. B. Green, a rancher of Gallatin county.

Montana, writes the following: "Perhaps it is not very well known that the snows of this winter were highly charged with ammonia. It was the case, however, for I examined it very carefully. The rancher will find that everything he grows this summer will be highly azotised, and I can safely predict that the glutin in wheat will be raised to 25 or even 30 per cent." M. F. Eby of Boise had \$500 in gold coin tied up in two packages-\$140 in one and \$360

n the other. His children opened the desk and took the packages out and amused themselves with them in the yard. After the money was missed a search was made and the premises carefully raked over, but not so much as one single gold piece could be found. The supposition is that some tramps came along and saw what the children had and got away with it.

LAROR NOTES.

Henry Weisman, the energetic editor of the Bakers' Journal, has recently been chosen secretary of the Journeymen Bakers International union, a position for which he is well

The trades unions of San Francisco and Oakland, Cal., have refused to take part in the celebration of the Fourth on the ground that the occasion is a satire under existing onditions United Garment Workers report that six

new charters were issued last month and that established unions are gaining many new nembers. Also that all strikes during the The Detroit and Cleveland Steam Naviga-ion company has decided not to employ on

its vessels any person not a citizen of the United States. Persons coming from Canada or elsewhere will not be employed. Death benefits amounting to \$39,600 were aid last month to the heirs of deceased mem ers of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, making a grand total of \$2,913,413.70 paid since the brotherhood was organized.

Judge Sherwood of the Missouri suprem ourt filed an opinion a few days since that knocks the last prop from under a law macted two years ago, to prevent superin-tendents, foremen or officials of corporations rom discharging employes who refuse to withdraw from lawful labor organizations or societies. The law was declared to b arbitrary and unconstitutional.

which now shows a width of twenty-five feet. ONE IN FIVE THOUSAND.

The Proportion of Ead Tempered Women is

Very Small. A famous doctor, who regards nagging as a disease, says that one woman in fifty is more or less afflicted, while only one in five thousand is a hopeless nagger, or, in other words, has an incorrigibly bad temper. Well, that is a good showing, considering what women have to put up with in hot weather. They work in overheated kitchens. They are vexed with a thousand cares, and when night comes, what with cooking, mending, and the care of restless children, they are utterly worn out.

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