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WEATHER.

Western Oregon and Washington—Fair and cooler except near coast.

THE LAW OF GROWTH.

The Portland Oregonian, it seems to us, wilfully dodges the question as to the pre-eminence of Astoria as the shipping port for the commerce of the State of Oregon. It is not a question as to whether Astoria or Portland would lose, or gain, by the shipping being done at the mouth of the Columbia River! As our esteemed ex-President, Grover Cleveland would say: It is a condition, not a theory that confronts us.

The condition is this: Astoria is in a position to do the shipping for the State of Oregon and the Inland Empire, cheaper than Puget Sound, and if such is the case, the producers and consumers of the State of Oregon would reap the benefit of such cheapening of freight and charters, and the State of Oregon would be correspondingly enriched.

With the water-level grade, and a shorter haul for the railroads, from the great empire to the East of us, and a sea-port within 12 miles of the ocean, as against a tow, and a traverse of 140 miles from the sea to the Puget Sound Ports, we of Astoria are in a position to secure the cheapest freight rate of any port on the Pacific coast, not excepting San Francisco. We ought to be able to charter ships to Astoria for less than our rivals on Puget Sound, and certainly cheaper than Portland can; therefore, every loyal Oregonian should lend a hand to secure and take advantage of such a position, and they will do so when they realize the immense gain inuring to them by so doing.

The ancient bugaboo that the Oregonian still harps on, and which it plays in so many different keys, to wit, about dredging the Columbia river and taking the ships as far inland as they can go, and asserting that Astoria is hostile to Portland in that endeavor, cannot deceive the business men of this, and adjoining, states any longer. Astoria is not hostile to Portland in its efforts to have the shipping of the State done at Portland just as long as she can do so; only we see the shipping business leaving the river and going to rival ports in the State of Washington, and we strenuously object to that condition of affairs, and claim that if Astoria had been utilized by the railroads entering Oregon (to these many years), as their "embarradero" as our old friend C. P. Huntington advised them to do, we would be doing a great deal more of the exporting and importing than we are now doing.

And to corroborate our deductions along this line, we beg to quote from yesterday's issue of the Oregonian in which it reports a meeting, in Olympia, of the Washington State Railway Commission, where sworn and expert testimony was given showing that Puget Sound is a better market than Portland for the products of Eastern Oregon and Washington (wheat, etc.), and that higher prices are paid at competitive points "than at O. R. & N. non-competitive points."

The Astorian is trying to change that condition, and suggests to the great daily paper of Oregon that it stand shoulder to shoulder with us in so laudable an endeavor. "Play Ball," Mr. Oregonian man, and show that you are what you claim to be, an Oregonian, and loyal to the business interests of your whole state, instead of bolstering up the business of a few foreign exporters in Portland, and muddying the waters and obscuring the issues by the constant assertion that Astoria is trying to steal your business and ruin your prestige, when, as a matter of fact, the contrary is the case. WE WISH TO HELP YOU REGAIN THE BUSINESS YOU HAVE ALREADY LOST!

ASTORIA'S INVIOLEABLE DEMAND.

When the time shall come (and come it will), that the common-point rate on wheat and breadstuffs is to be extended to Astoria, it must be borne in mind that we will never be satisfied with the schedules of Puget Sound nor Portland.

Nothing but the ocean, the seaboard, the San Francisco rate, will ever fill our commercial calculation and put us on the plane to which we aspire by every right and faculty that now invests the great California port. There must be no differentials operating against this, the closest-lying, quickest-despatch, facile and ample harbor on the western coast of America. We went stand for it; nor do we have to, under the law, and the best precepts of the shipping world.

We are going to take our place in the largest capacity with which nature has endowed us, and which the commercial potentialities shall concede when they shall have realized the blunder of the years and posted this port as the cheapest, safest, and handiest of all their American-Pacific destinations. We care not what shipping shall go up the river to Portland nor upon what basis, so long as the flat, seaboard rate is quoted out of here, or better yet, a preferential rate, hence, foreign!

This is the substance of our contest. We are striking for the best and highest to which we are entitled and knowing our advantages, will never rest till they are attained in perpetuity.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

It is Mr. Edison's opinion that "we know about one seven-billionth of 1 per cent about anything." The inventors and scientists of the future will be unable to complain that there wasn't any core.

One of the four words of English General Kuroki knows is "How!" In conjunction with "Same" it may be regarded as a considerable working dictionary.

Rotterdam spends \$4,000,000 annually for American cotton-seed oil to be worked up into butter, lard and cooking compounds. Posterity will be wise if it knows what it is eating.

General Kuroki has possessed himself of the secrets of Uncle Sam's fighting strength. In the event of war with Japan he could not with propriety, sit in the case.

Japan may be saying next that Tokio is better governed than Frisco. Without discussing the point, Frisco may be said to take its punishment steadily.

The longer the trial continues the more generally the country acknowledges the aptness of the phrase "undesirable citizens."

The discovery of sun spots does not seem to excite the same public enthusiasm just now as the finding of shade areas in the East.

All other crops may fail, but there is never any deficiency in the output of June brides.

JAMES B. DUKE TO MARRY.

NEW YORK, June 28.—James B. Duke, the wealthy head of the American Tobacco Company is to be married to Mrs. William Inman, a well known society woman of Atlanta, the last week in July, according to an announcement published in the American today. The wedding, it is stated, will occur in Europe.

W. R. Ward, of Dyersburg, Tenn., writes: "This is to certify that I have used Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup for chronic constipation, and it has proven, without a doubt, to be a thorough, practical remedy for this trouble, and it is with pleasure I offer my conscientious reference." T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

JAMES V. BARNES, EMBEZZLER.

MINNEAPOLIS, June 28.—James V. Barnes, former president of the Title Insurance Trust Company of this city now defunct, was arrested here last night on a warrant charging him with embezzlement. There is a shortage of over \$150,000 on the company's books.

Remarkable Rescue

That truth is stranger than fiction, has once more been demonstrated in the little town of Fedora, Tenn., the residence of C. V. Pepper. He writes: "I was in bed, entirely disabled with hemorrhages of the lungs and throat. Doctors failed to help me, and all hope had fled when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery. Then instant relief came. The coughing soon ceased; the bleeding diminished rapidly, and in three weeks I was able to go to work. Guaranteed cure for coughs and colds. 50c and \$1.00 at Charles Rogers Drug Store. Trial bottle free."

MORE ON THE SALMON.

An Answer to the Statements of H. S. McGowan.

The Astoria Daily Budget of June 29, 1907, quoted Mr. McGowan as "Recognized as one of the best posted and most intelligent men in the packing of Columbia River salmon." Now the above may be true but savors too much of slang and unnecessary semi-scurrilous phrases to guarantee his claim to intelligence.

And it is queer how great minds will differ. Prof. David Starr Jordan claims that the fixed gear such as traps, seines and wheels are a detriment and nearly all of McGowan's fish come from traps.

He says "Just criticism may well be waged against any policy that tends to expose great interests to possible or probable danger" and "Nothing of benefit can result from the plausible parade of selfish and pernicious activity under the pretentious disguise of public interest."

The above two quotations are such prominent contradictions when taken with his whole statement as he is really trying to stop the fishing by the majority and still pose as a friend of the public at large.

Speaking of protection to adult salmon he says "Countless plans have been proposed to this end most of them hatched by agitators who as usual have an axe to grind and sometimes represents the fine Italian hand of some one higher up." Now we will look and see who has the axe to grind. The McGowans are called the fathers of the traps and the chances are would never have appeared in print but for this fact, and his does not show the fine Italian hand from above, for his inspiration seems to come from the lower source and his sling at trades unions shows his enmity to the people who have co-operated with the legislators from Clatsop county and have always been opposed by Mr. McGowan he says, "It has always been a rabbit's foot for the wingless vampire to charm unwilling sheekles from the pockets of toil that his paunch might gather a living of fat." Now if this winged creature angel McGowan could have only traps there would be no toil-ers in the fishing industry to charm unwilling sheekles from his pauch I suppose would be more agreeable to the condition. He says "The Politician esteems it a potent vote catcher." Yes, that is so in Clatsop county as every delegate to the legislature goes instructed to work against Mr. McGowan's pet gear. He says, "Many are willing and some professional parasites are eager to do something for the salmon—by sacrifice of the other fellow." Mr. McGowan surely belongs to one of the above classes, and if he had his way the gill net men would pay the sacrifice. His quotation of a retired fisherman and navigator that the fishing should be only done in factime, which is 15 and 16 hours a day! Now if we were to accept the same laws that have been adopted in the Sacramento River that has built the fishing up from nothing to larger than the Columbia, by stopping the traps and seines and doing nearly all the fishing at night, giving the fish 16 hours' protection instead of having traps which only fish in daylight and clear water when the gill nets could not catch fish in daytime and water clear. The Columbia River is about the only river where the fixed gear works unrestricted and they alone are responsible for the present shortage of fish as our prominent fish culturists condemn such gear, and as evidence of their wisdom the continual decrease of fish in the Columbia River.

J. F. WELCH.

Cured Hemorrhages of the Lungs

"Several years since my lungs were so badly affected that I had many hemorrhages," writes A. M. Ake, of Wood, Ind. "I took treatment with several physicians without any benefit. I then started to take Foley's Honey and Tar, and my lungs are now as sound as a bullet. I recommend it in advanced stages of lung trouble." Foley's Honey and Tar stops the cough and heals the lungs, and prevents serious results from a cold. Refuse substitutes. T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

BALLOON INSTRUCTIONS.

NEW YORK, June 28.—Two members of the United States army have reported to Leo Stevens by order of the War Department, to receive instructions in all branches of aeronautics. The men are Corporal Edward Ward, and Private Joe Barrett.

Mr. Stevens expects within a month that his two army pupils will be expert balloon constructors. They will then go to Washington to make some trial trips in the big government balloon under instructions from Mr. Stevens.

A Lesson in Health

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