

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON: SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 1889.

NOBLE, the new secretary of war, is the only mugwump in Harrison's cabinet.

THE O. B. & N. Co. can't handle the Columbia river engineers as easily as it did the Oregon legislature.

CONSIDERABLE interest is felt in Blaine's probable policy, some believing that he will be truculent and aggressive. It is our belief that he will neither run to a fight nor from one.

"Which is most useful, a minister, or a phonograph?" is a question under discussion. Both are useful in their sphere. But a phonograph is more wonderful than a minister.

THE European press is much dissatisfied with Harrison's inaugural address. How sorry Harrison will be when he finds that he has failed to please the kings and kinglings across the sea.

WONDER how Blaine and Windom will get on together in the cabinet! In Chicago, in '80, Windom kept the presidential nomination from Blaine by heaping the Minnesota delegates for himself. But maybe Blaine is magnanimous enough to forgive if he can't forget.

THE total vote of the country for president has increased from 6,519,682 in 1872, to 11,369,461 in 1888, an increase of nearly 75 per cent. Taken according to geographical divisions the vote of the six New England states has increased from 521,056 to 821,685, a gain of 300,629, or 57.69 per cent. The three middle states of New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey have gone from 1,561,674, in 1872, to 2,613,458 in 1888, an increase of over 1,000,000 votes, or over 67 per cent. In 1872, what may now be termed the doubtful southern states, namely: Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia, cast 999,843 votes for presidential candidates. Last November the total vote had increased to 1,663,691, an actual gain of 693,849 votes, or nearly 74 per cent. The gain in the western states of California, Colorado, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, Ohio, Oregon and Wisconsin has exceeded the gain in the south. In 1872 the total vote cast in these states was 2,602,258; in 1888 it had reached 5,091,414, or nearly double.

THE impression appears to be general that the United States has fewer ships than almost any other nation in the world, but this is a mistake of tremendous proportions. The fact is that only one other nation—Great Britain—has more ships than the United States. We obtain our facts from a comparison of the total numbers and tonnage of ships of all sea going nations in 1886, published by the *Universal Register of Lloyd's* from which we take the following figures:

	Number.	Tonnage.
Great Britain.....	9,538	9,016,213
Colonies.....	3,294	1,523,953
Total.....	13,232	10,539,166
United States.....	3,827	2,043,167
Norway.....	3,487	1,447,522
Germany.....	2,257	1,424,791
France.....	1,591	1,029,357

No other nation has a tonnage of 1,000,000 tons, but Italy approaches it with 943,199 tons. After all the difficulties under which our shipping interests labor, on account of the rebellion, the change from wood to iron and steel, and the failure of congress to encourage and protect it, like other nations do for theirs, we cut a large figure as a sea-going nation. The time will come when the people will compel congress to act fairly and justly toward this important interest. When that time comes, we will again dispute with England for supremacy on the high seas.

A Sound Legal Opinion.
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AN IMPROBABLE STORY.

Alleged Sinking of an American Vessel.

The following is clipped from yesterday's *Oregonian*: SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—The *Examiner* to-morrow will print, with the greatest prominence, the following telegram from Breslau, Germany: The *Schlesinger Zeitung* prints the following dispatch from Samoa: The German frigate *Oiga* has bombarded Matafua's camp. The captain of an American man-of-war protested, but seeing his protest disregarded, opened fire on the *Oiga*. The shell burst between decks doing much damage. The *Oiga* then directed a torpedo at the American man-of-war, blowing her up, with all hands.

Experience of a Dyspeptic.

An Auburn parson, skeptical as to the mind cure, contributes the following anecdote which he declares to be the actual experience of one of his personal friends, says the *Lewiston Journal*:
This man had been troubled with dyspepsia for a long time and had tried various medicines unavailingly. "Why don't you try the mind cure?" asked his wife, who was a believer. "Pooh!" "At any rate it will do you no harm." "I don't take a bit of stock in it." "You might try it just to please me, if for no other reason, I should think."
At length the man—Joans, I will call him—yielded to his better half's importunities, as a good husband should have done, and went to Boston to see a mind curer.

He was received in a barely furnished room by a large woman and told her what his errand was. "Please take off your coat," said she. He obeyed. "And your vest." "Off went the vest." She pointed to a broad wooden bench without any back. "Now," said she, "I want you to sit down on that bench with your back against mine, for five minutes. Brace firmly against me and keep your mind perfectly passive. Think of absolutely nothing."
The man sat down, she sat down, and the treatment went on. Joans found that to keep his mind vacant and inactive was more easily said than done. Thoughts would keep popping in. He rapidly grew uneasy. The five minutes seemed to be half an hour in passing. "That will do," said the woman, finally, "How do you feel now, sir?" "Feel! I feel like a confounded fool," said Joans.

A New Postal Suggestion.

If there is any point on which our postal system does not stand in need of improvement, it is in the cheapness of postage. Our newspapers are carried within the county of their publication for nothing and everywhere else for next to nothing, and a letter of an ounce weight is transported from any point to any other of our enormous area of 3,600,000 square miles, for the smallest unit of letter postage known in Christendom. But a far more important matter, and one wholly neglected, is that of postal delivery. In other civilized countries, the postoffice, receiving a letter from the writer undertakes to deliver it to the person addressed. In our own happy land the postoffice receives the letter, and (except in the case of a privileged twenty per cent of the people) undertakes to carry it to within five or ten miles of the person addressed, and keep it there till called for. This is the mere barbarism of postal service, worthy of the dark ages before Rowland Hill. The enormous cost and loss which it involves become obvious to any one, on a few minutes' reflection. For example: A man living three miles from the postoffice is anxiously expecting a letter of great importance, which may arrive any time within a fortnight. He goes daily to look for it, and on the sixth day he gets it. That letter has cost him twelve hours of walking, or six hours of travel for himself and horse. In other words, the postage on that letter has been virtually \$2.02, or more. The government does not get the money, but the citizen loses it.

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RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts.....	\$127,593 15
Overdrafts secured and unsecured.....	1,150 53
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation.....	12,500 00
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages.....	24,319 79
Due from approved reserve agents.....	30,059 59
Due from other National Banks.....	1,115 79
Due from State Banks and bankers.....	21,429 58
Real estate.....	700 00
Current expenses and taxes paid.....	574 74
Premiums paid.....	2,700 00
Checks and other cash items.....	80 62
Bills of other banks.....	919 00
Nickels and cents.....	32 54
Specie.....	25,720 00
Legal tender notes.....	1,080 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation).....	562 50
Total.....	\$254,515 85
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in.....	\$ 50,000 00
Surplus fund.....	7,700 00
Undivided profits.....	4,256 22
National bank notes outstanding.....	9,350 00
Individual deposits.....	114,192 68
Object to check.....	28,549 51
Demand certificates of deposit.....	38,519 51
Due to other National banks.....	268 60
Due to State banks and bankers.....	380 44
Total.....	\$254,515 85

State of Oregon, ss. County of Clatsop, ss. I, S. S. Gordon, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
S. S. GORDON, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of March, 1889.
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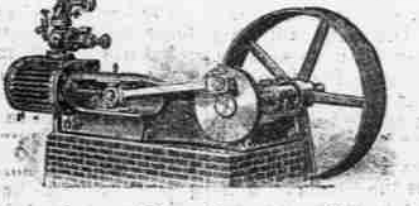
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