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THE EXCLUSION ACT.

Senator Mitchell has introduced a resolution for the purpose of getting the opinion of the judiciary committee as to the time the Chinese restriction act expires. This act was passed in 1882, and was to be in force ten years. In 1884 the act was amended, and the Scott or exclusion act was passed in 1888. Senator Mitchell is of the opinion that the acts all expire in 1892 and that further legislation will be required to preserve the present order of things. It is proper that the law should be continued in force, and that its provisions should include some other nations as well. The Hungarian and Italian labor introduced by capitalists in the coal mining regions of the east is of a character that makes it if anything worse than Chinese labor. If the doctrine of protection means anything, it means protection to American labor, because that is the cry of protectionists in both parties, and it is impossible for American labor to be protected while the cheapest, and worst degraded class of foreign labor is admitted duty free to compete with it. The exclusion act should be continued in force, so amended as to make it exclude, and to include in its provisions such other foreign labor as that we have indicated, regardless of nativity.

THE HUNT ROAD.

Hunt just now is in considerable trouble financially but will probably pull through all right as he is a man of infinite resources. In the meanwhile the proposed road down the Columbia is not as many think abandoned. A party is still at work on the definite location survey, and while the matter has ceased to be talked about, it is not dead by any means. It is almost certain that work on the line down the north bank of the Columbia will be commenced in the early spring and prosecuted vigorously until the road is completed. It may not be Hunt, it may be Hill, it is bound to be some one. It is the only available route left open between the Inland Empire and the sea, and it will be, is now located. The ever increasing crops to be handled demand more transportation facilities and the demand will be in part supplied by this road. The Northern Pacific owing to its heavy grades is pushed now to its utmost capacity and no relief can be expected from it, nor can the Union Pacific with a single track increase its carrying capacity to any great extent. The north bank of the Columbia will have a railroad down it, and we believe it will be completed in time to assist in moving the grain crop of 1891.

President Harrison has vetoed the bill for a public building at Bar Harbor Maine, very properly too, on the ground that the business of the place did not require it. This is true, as Bar Harbor is not of much force, and is not entitled to such improvements while cities five or ten times as large are ignored entirely. The only thing that justifies comment on the matter is the fact that it is supposed to have added zest to the duty of signing the veto, and vigor to the president's pen from the reason that Bar Harbor is one of Secretary Blaine's pet speculations. The dispatches convey the information daily that the feeling between Blaine and the president is very similar to that existing between Cleveland and Hill, and for the same reason, that both have their eyes on the nomination for 1892. Here are two cases of distinguished consideration for each other; Cold Platonic friendship that borders on the Plutonic.

Senator Dolph has been interviewing Secretary Noble concerning the forfeited railroad lands, and has received official assurance that the matter has been fully examined into, and that rules governing the locating of these lands will be issued so as to reach the registers and receivers of the U. S. land offices inside of two weeks. If this is true the dispatches should contain the notice within the next few days, certainly by New Years. The granting of titles to these lands already occupied, will add largely to the list of taxable property and will materially benefit both the school and road districts, both of which have suffered severely by all the odd sections escaping taxation.

Diphtheria is prevalent at Pendleton though it is now thought to be confined to a limited district, which is quarantined, and it is hoped its spread may be prevented. We sincerely hope our fair sister may speedily stamp out this dread disease, and in the meanwhile suggest to our authorities the utmost vigilance that the disease does not get a foothold here. It is also reported that this disease is raging in the Coppei district near Walla Walla.

FINANCE AND TRADE.

FRIDAY, Dec. 26, 1890.

Business transactions have been light during the past week save in holiday goods, which has been large for The Dalles for the season. Money seems to be tight, probably for the reason there has been so many failures in the East during the past autumn. Large banking institutions as well as manufactories have gone to the wall, and undoubtedly the closing down influence is being felt on the Pacific coast in our financial centers. Fortunately our people are not in distressed circumstances and the pinching will only affect the more venturesome. The wheat market remains inactive from the fact the attractions of the holidays have absorbed everything pertaining to the grain business.

New York and English markets will remain unchanged until the season is over.

Portland quotations are Valley, \$1.20 \$1.10@, Walla Walla, @.122½, 1.12½ per cental. Dalles market quotations for No. 1 \$0.54, No. 2 \$0.53 per bushel.

Flour—Diamond best \$4.00; by ton \$3.85; Walla Walla, \$4.00.

Oats—The market remains unchanged and firm at former quotation; \$1.55 per cental.

Barley—Prime brewing \$1.05@1.10, feed \$1.00@1.05 per ctl., sacked.

Millstuffs—The trade supply is short and shows an advance. Dealers quote bran \$20.00, bran and shorts mixed \$22.50. The supply of shorts and middlings is very short and quotations range from \$22.50 @ \$24.00 per ton.

Hay—The hay market is still firm with a limited supply in sight. Timothy hay sells from wagons at former quotation, \$18.00 @ \$19.00 per ton. Wheat hay shows an advance since last report. Petaluma baled hay sold last week at \$15.00 per ton from the wagon and some compressed sold as high as \$16.00 per ton.

Potatoes—Are in good supply at 0.85 @ 0.90 per 100lb. with a weak market.

Butter—Gilt edge and choice extra, finds ready sale at 0.60@0.65 per roll, packed in brine 0.40@0.50. The market is not well supplied with A 1 butter.

Eggs—Have declined in price owing to the increased supply and the continued warm weather, quote fresh 0.25@0.27 per dozen with a tendency downward.

Poultry—Spring chickens are selling in the city at \$2.00@2.25 per dozen, Old fowls at \$2.50@2.75 per dozen. Turkeys 0.10 per pound. Geese 0.90@1.25 each. Ducks 0.40 each.

Wool—The market is unchanged. Eastern Oregon 0.14@0.16½.

Hides—Prime dry hides are quoted at 0.04@0.05 per pound. Culls, 0.02½@3½. Green 0.02. Salt 0.02½@0.03. Sheep pelts extra 0.75@0.85 ordinary, 0.40@0.60 each. Bearskins, no. 1. 8-00 common 2.50.

Beef—Beef on foot clean and prime 0.2½, ordinary 0.2½.

Mutton—Wethers, extra choice \$3.50 common \$2.75@3.00 per head.

Hogs—Live heavy, 0.04. Medium weight 0.03½, dressed 0.04½@0.05½. Lard 5lb. 0.10½; 10lb. 0.10½; 40lb. 0.09 per pound.

The celebrated flying machine made of aluminum and propelled by electricity just completed in Illinois, was to have made its trial trip Christmas. Its destination was to be St. Louis, distant from the starting point 200 miles. The destination chosen indicates that the inventor, like all other flying machine and perpetual motion cranks, is a little off, as no sane man, one, who can fly at that, would go to St. Louis.

The Congregational Xmas Tree.

The Christmas exercises of the Congregational church consisted of a tree at the church on Wednesday night. The exercises consisted of the reading of a selection by Mrs. Curtis, followed by the beautiful singing of a Christmas carol by Mrs. Rinehart's class, after which Assistant Superintendent B. S. Huntington in a pleasing address presented a handsome diamond ring to Mr. Herman Ernst, the basso of the choir, as a token of appreciation by the congregation. A song followed by Miss Hill's class after which the doors to the vestry were thrown open, disclosing two beautiful Christmas trees handsomely decorated in the regulation manner. Mrs. E. M. Wilson acted as the presiding spirit, and read the children a letter which presented a happy inspiration. The presents, which were numerous were then given out and the children separated to dream of well filled stockings at home.

Sword Presentation.

Col. T. A. Houghton was surprised in camp and his headquarters taken possession of by the officers of the Third regiment Christmas night. Advancing upon the defenseless Colonel, they stood him up and presented him with a beautiful sword. Col. Nevius who is a gifted speaker made the presentation address in his happiest vein, and Col. Houghton although taken entirely by surprise and greatly embarrassed by this unexpected recognition of his merits, replied in a manner that proves he is an orator as well as a soldier. The sword is a very handsome one having the inscription, "Presented to Col. T. A. Houghton, 3rd Regiment, O. N. G. by the officers," on the blade. It is on exhibition in Mr. Garretson's window and attracts much attention.

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ITS TERRITORY.

It is the supply city for an extensive and rich agricultural and grazing country, its trade reaching as far south as Summer Lake, a distance of over two hundred miles.

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The rich grazing country along the eastern slope of the the Cascades furnishes pasture for thousands of sheep, the wool from which finds market here.

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The country near The Dalles produces splendid crops of cereals, and its fruits cannot be excelled. It is the vineyard of Oregon, its grapes equalling California's best, and its other fruits, apples, pears, prunes, cherries etc., are unsurpassed.

ITS PRODUCTS.

The salmon fisheries are the finest on the Columbia, yielding this year a revenue of \$1,500,000 which can and will be more than doubled in the near future.

The products of the beautiful Klickital valley find market here, and the country south and east has this year filled the warehouses, and all available storage places to overflowing with their products.

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It is the richest city of its size on the coast, and its money is scattered over and is being used to develop more farming country than is tributary to any other city in Eastern Oregon.

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