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The Eastern Plague.

Although several contagious diseases have traversed portions of the eastern hemisphere under the common name of the plague; yet, the disease which is now making such terrible ravages there is the same peculiar disease of that name which has caused such wonderful desolation in various ages. It is a very fatal disease—both contagious and infectious—and characterized by carbuncles, swelling, and ulceration of the lymphatic glands. In the fourteenth century, under the name of the Black Death, it started in Egypt, and spread over the whole of the eastern hemisphere. The death-rate for three years of this time (1348 to 1351), was terrible. Thirteen million deaths occurred in China, and twelve millions more in other parts of Asia. In Europe, including the British Isles, twenty five millions perished from this disease. Not unlike a great prairie fire, it seemed to be checked only when there was no more suitable material to be consumed. Its last visit to England was in 1665, when it caused one hundred thousand deaths in London alone. Since then its attacks have been generally confined to the countries near the eastern shores of the Mediterranean, where it is now causing so much death and desolation. We hope it may be confined where it is; for as yet no cure nor preventive has ever been found for this most terrible scourge.

—P. T. Barnum, now a candidate for the United States senatorship from Connecticut, has a very simple platform: "I have not got 'a bee in my bonnet' as large as a pin's head, and never shall have. I agree with Gov. Hawley that the office is not one to be sought for; but if Connecticut wants my services she can have them, and the public will find their work is diligently attended to by a live man."

The Legion of Honor—Local Decoration.

From the Belfast Weekly News, Jan. 11th. It will, we are sure, be learned with much gratification that the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor has been conferred by Marshal MacMahon upon John D. Barbour, Esq., J. P., Hilden, Lisburn. The honor has been bestowed, we understand, in connection with the Grand Prix award at the Paris exhibition to the firm of Messrs. Barbour, of Hilden, the head of which is the recipient of the Cross of the Legion. Both is an award of merit to a distinguished firm of manufacturers and as an individual honor to a gentleman of high personal worth, the bestowal of the decoration cannot but be acknowledged as just; and we have no doubt that the intelligence will be received with general satisfaction by the numerous friends of Mr. Barbour both in this country and in America, where the name of the Hilden manufacturers has long since become well known. We congratulate Mr. Barbour upon being the recipient of so honorable a decoration as that of the Grand Cross of the French order. It is a mark of distinction which has not been too liberally bestowed, and we trust that it will be worn long by the gentleman whom it now adorns.

We passed an old lady staggering under the burden of her baggage, who was too poor to ride or pay a porter. Before I knew it he had her load in his own hand without a word said, and he carried it until he gave it to her at her destination. When he returned I asked him what she gave him in return. He answered: "She gave me the richest reward I ever received for so small a service, and she didn't even thank me; she said, 'God bless your good mother, for you have one at home.'—Ex.

Walla Walla Correspondence.

AN APPEAL FOR THE DESOLATE HOMES OF BACHELORHOOD.

WORDS ATTRACTING ATTENTION TO A DELICATE BUT A PRACTICAL SORT OF SUBJECT.

WOMAN THE GRAND DESIDERATUM FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF THE COUNTRY.

SUGGESTIONS TO PHILANTHROPIC PEOPLE OF THE ATLANTIC AS WELL AS THE PACIFIC SIDE.

[Special to the Astorian.] WALLA WALLA, Feb. 1.—"It is not good that man should be alone." To any of your readers who are not read up on authorities for the above assertion, we would refer them to the second chapter of Genesis; also to reports of our territorial asylum for the insane; to causes that help many of the sensational items of newspapers published in our territory; to the humanity scattered over the wild fertile plains of this great northwest, in that state of single wretchedness which bachelors only know. While the densely populated Atlantic states are crowded with fresh, healthy, intelligent, industrious, good women, toiling earnestly, yet cheerfully, for the mere pittance that keeps them tidily dressed and gives them the plainest necessities of life; they might here become companions to spin, to weave, and to sew; to milk and churn and drive to market; plan for and encourage the cultivation of luscious fruits and berries, and tempting vegetables of the garden, together with the fragrant beauties of the flowery kingdom; bake the pork and beans "as they should be baked," and leaves of bread to eat. Yea, verily the chickens, the birds, the cat and dog, the sheep, the lambs, the calves, the turkeys, and the pumpkins from the corn field, would help make welcome in a chorus enviable and now unknown. The rich soil of the land now spreading far and wide in dormant profusion of nature, would be cultivated with bounteous reward; your energies would have an incentive and a reward; you might share with your friends, you might have more relations, who knows; now don't fool yourself, don't look to the rich man with his habits formed beyond the enjoyment of any recreation, any pleasure but greed, with his hoarded gains of money, his debilitated form, his nervous, grasping, weakened energies, perhaps his only child in the grave and his home a hell on earth; but see the happy farmer with his broad acres his wealth of health, his merry, robust children; his smiling wife; and tell us which is your choice, and help us answer the question. Why are the rich, broad acres of our land lying idle, vacant, not taken for the giving? Who will be the first to send for one of these good women who may be seen in the Massachusetts factories by the hundreds, and in different states on the Atlantic coast by the thousands, in Washington Territory when? What are our philanthropists doing, what is our government doing, what are we doing that these thousands of beautiful homes now unoccupied are so slowly being taken up? We would suggest to the many looking for worthy donations, select your honest families, give them the loan of a passage out here, take a mortgage on their first crop, and when you are repaid with interest and thanks, try again. Make yourself and your honest fellowman prosperous and happy. We will welcome them to one hundred and sixty acres of Uncle Sam's choicest land in a mild but beautiful climate where, with all the terrors of the past rigid winter, our thermometers have not indicated as low as zero; where disease among cattle, horses, swine or poultry, is unknown; where crops know no failure from any cause; where energy and perseverance have an unflinching reward. Time is fast dissipating difficulties with which we have to contend. This vast public domain granted to soulless corporations years ago, is about to revert to the government, and the people, to whom it belongs. Influences at Washington city are humbugging our last and present delegate to congress, but the people will not longer submit. Indian difficulties will soon have a change of policy, cheap transportation and communication with the seaboard and world are opening up, we want more J. H. Mitchell's in congress, more emigration, to make us known and heard throughout the land. We want these factory girls here, we want the factory proprietors here, to utilize some of the many magnificent water-powers, now running to waste, where their skill would find ready and rich remuneration. We want the tramps that are infesting larger communities, here and we will make men of them, we could give to each one of them a quarter section of rich land, with rippling brooks blooming with flowers,

and still have millions of acres left for those who come after to teach them to look from nature up to nature's God. We can give them all a residence and a vote, the fact is: We are tramps ourselves, only some of us have attained to such a degree of respectability as to make us loth to advertise the circumstances that brought us here. We want preachers, lawyers and orators; we want them to show us what Horace Greely knew about farming; we want working men, mechanics, professors, to help us find our mineral, coal, and limestone deposits. We want all here where they won't be crowded. If any who come are physically weak, the climate and refreshing atmosphere of our high altitudes and mountains will invigorate them to a new life; if they are mentally deformed, perhaps they might get an appointment as commander of the department of the Columbia. If they won't work we will make dancing masters of them, and have "a way up time," but come anyway, we want you all here. If you can't come send a delegate to spy out the land, send us one of your tramps for which we would like to exchange a Chinaman; or if you will send one of those factory girls along with him we will, as soon as we can fix them up at house-keeping. That is we would like to, send you all the Chinamen we have ever seen—and our note for the balance due.

Do not forget that we also want the working men and women. We are building some of the finest ships afloat and want help to build more, and better ones. We have saw mills that saw one hundred and sixty thousand feet of lumber per day. We want help to build larger mills, and want help in those already running, to tend the machinery, to load the lumber, raft the logs, men in logging camps, for the planing mills, foundries, woolen mills, grist mills, manufactories and workshops. We want to take from our rivers and bays three million dollars worth of salmon this year, and want help to get them in the markets of the world. Fishermen, sailors, pilots, engineers, firemen, captains, warehousemen, clerks, and light-house keepers, that can be relied on for the reckonings of the land and the sea. We want the world to know that we have the most wonderful inland sea and harbors on the globe, and we want men to navigate these waters. We have off the coast an abundance of cod-fish and halibut, and in our bays and rivers delicious oysters, clams, lobsters, smelt, herring and trout. Bring a match along with you, and we will have some on the half-shell, and the balance cooked. They belong to Uncle Sam and he has plenty of kindling wood to spare. Wild blackberries, strawberries, huckleberries, salmon-berries, thimble berries and black-berries can be easily picked, and there are plenty of cranberries in the marshes, for sauce with the duck, and geese, and swan, that will make a variety with the pheasants the prairie chickens and venison. Our apple, peach and plum orchards need attention. We grow the largest and most luscious pears in the world and we want everybody to know that, our corn, barley and oats are equal to any. Extensive coal mines, cement and limestone quarries are ready as gifts to the settler, mica quarries, gold, silver, iron and copper deposits are scattered all over the territory and Uncle Sam says take one. Come along, with your wife's relations, come in colonies, come anyhow, always remembering that thou shalt earn thy bread by the sweat of thy brow. P. O. Box, 350.

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Ordinance No. 311.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for special counsel for the city in the matter of the last will of Cyrus Olney, deceased. WHEREAS, It is asserted that Cyrus Olney, late of Astoria, deceased, left a will under which it is claimed the city has large pecuniary interests, and it is asserted on the other hand that said supposed will is invalid and that no rights accrued to the city thereunder, and it is desirable to have more certain advice about the matter. Now the city of Astoria does ordain as follows: Sec. 1. That J. H. D. Gray, John Hahn and C. W. Shively are hereby constituted and appointed agents for the city and are authorized and empowered and directed on behalf of the city and in its name, to employ and enter into written contract with E. B. Shattuck, attorney-at-law, to investigate the facts and the law relative to the will of the late Cyrus Olney, and to the rights and interests of the city of Astoria thereunder, and to present to the city thereof, at an expense to the city of not exceeding \$200, any litigation that may arise out of the claims of the city under said will at a further fee for conducting an action or suit to final decision on appeal not exceeding \$100 one hundred and fifty dollars, certain, and such reasonable contingent fee as may be agreed upon. Sec. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the mayor. Passed the Council, Jan. 29, 1879. Attest: R. H. GARDWELL, Auditor and Clerk. Approved, Jan. 30, 1879. J. H. D. GRAY, Acting Mayor.

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