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 The great activity of railroad
building in the North and South
and West has created an unprece－ dented demand for iaborers，and
one which the different railroad managers are said to be put to
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al．It is said to be difficult at the present time to get Chinamen
to come to this coast in anything like the number needed，yet cach
steamer brings close upon 1,000 each trip．Henry Villard，of the
Northern Pacific，has now turned his attention in another and much
more desirable direction，and is country of as many as 5,000 Scan－ dinavians，or even 10,000 if they nd he has enlisted the services siding in Oakland，and a forme grien，a Scandinavian paper pub－
lished in this city．Mr．Henry who is a Dane by birth，has a the transportation and organiza ton of colonies of Scandinavians mark．These colonies are chiefly ocated in Wisconsin and number over 11，000． Henry says that in some countie in Wiscons the whole populatio and county government are ex－ clusively Soapdinavian，and these mmigrants do remarkably well． Mr．Henry has also been concerned in organization of some colo－ the Scandinavian colony and the Home colony，both of which have
been quite successful．He ex pects to leave in about six weehs installment of immigrants，proba－ bly about 500 in number．T probable plan of operations will be mmigrants which will take them direct to the Isthmus of Panama， where they will be met by
steamer on this side and carried to their destination without calling a any port．The object of this is to
prevent the possible disbandment and dispersion of the immigra before they reach the point where Villard needs them．The company will advanoe，When necessary， part of the passage monising the migrants to New Orleuns and to his coast over the new overland oad at special rates．T or which they are required is sit－ Territories and the State of Ore－ gon，and every effort will be made to induce these hardy immigrants rond．－S．F．Bulletin．

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