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RECIPROCIITY.

If the reciprocity scheme authorized by the last congress should ever produce half the results which its admirers expect it to do the commercial industrial and shipping interests of the United States will receive a stimulus such as they have not known for many a year.

"Already," we are informed, "the great manufacturers and merchants in New York, Chicago, Boston and other large cities are sending trusted agents to South and Central America with instructions to examine the fields which are to furnish Uncle Sam with new markets and to bring back the fullest possible information regarding the wants of our southern neighbors."

The Dalles wheat market is firmer at 80 cents per bushel with a lower future. Oats—the oat market is short of supply with few offerings at quotations. We quote, extra clean \$1.50 per cental and inferior \$1.35 per cental.

A QUESTION FOR SINGLE TAX MEN.

The assessed value of all taxable property in Wasco county is in round numbers \$2,500,000. Something like a million and a half of this sum represents real property.

Two months have already passed since the law went into effect authorizing the state to build a portage railway at the Cascades, and the general government granted the right of way for the same, and up to this moment nothing has been done in the way of locating the road so that the portage commission could go to work to build it.

The report will, it is expected reach Secretary Blaine in due course of time and make quite a figure in the official correspondence between the United States and Italy.

The state penitentiary now contains 360 prisoners—a larger number than those walls ever before protected. The colored convict who was thought to be afflicted with leprosy is recovering nicely.

REVIEW OF THE LOCAL MARKET.

There has been an improvement in every branch of business during the past week. Our merchants have received large additions to their stocks of goods, and their line has naturally increased.

Wool has come in quite freely during the past week, prompting buyers to look this way and several have made their appearance. Offerings have been made as high as 18 1/2 cents per pound.

The produce market is of a better tone. Good potatoes are a little stiffer in price and are not quite as plentiful, while inferior are in abundance at a decline.

EGGS—The market is weak with a good supply coming in at quotations. We quote 12-14 cents per dozen.

POULTRY—Is very scarce and sells freely. We quote, average fowls \$4.50 per dozen, common \$3.00 to \$3.50 per dozen.

HIDES—Prime dry hides are quoted at \$0.45 per pound. Culls \$0.25 to \$0.35. Green .02. Salt .03. Sheep pelts butcher's extra .55 to 1.35, ordinary .50 to .75 each.

WOOL—The market is not established yet. Wool is nominally quoted at 14c to 18c per lb.

MEAT—Beef on foot clean and prime .03 1/2, ordinary .02 1/2. Muttons—Wethers are scarce, that is to say No. 1. Extra choice sell at \$4.50; common \$3.50 to \$4.00 per head.

THE NEW ORLEANS AFFAIR. The Report of the Grand Jury Has Reached Washington. WASHINGTON, May 6.—The report of the New Orleans grand jury excited no surprise here.

W. C. C. COLUMN.

For God and Home and Native Land. THE DALLES W. C. T. UNION.

"WOULD YOU?" Would you sell yourself for a drink, boys. A drink from the poisonous cup? For a taste of the gleaming wine, boys. Would you yield your manhood up?

Would you bind yourselves with a chain, boys. And rivet the fetters fast? Would you bolt your prison doors, boys. Preventing escape at last?

Would you wreck your health, boys. Those blessings God has given? Would you ruin your lives, boys. And blast your hopes of heaven?

Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held in the free reading room on Friday, the 1st of May, at 3:00 o'clock.

The work of the year has been pushed quietly, persistently and successfully. The membership has increased, the Union is growing in interest.

At Albany which was reached at 8 o'clock, the president and all members of his party were on the rear platform of the observation car and gave a hearty response to the enthusiastic greeting of the people.

A Handsome Address by Our Executive and an Equally Handsome Reply. At Salem there was a slight delay owing to the absence of the governor.

THE GOVERNOR WAS THERE. The World's W. C. T. U. A Handsome Address by Our Executive and an Equally Handsome Reply.

There is a famous country for protection. There is the tariff to protect industry, while the patent laws are a safeguard to invention.

THE WOMAN'S APPEAL, lately addressed by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union through its president, Miss Frances Willard, to the brewers, distillers, dealers, and saloon-keepers was in the highest degree appropriate.

State Grange Committee. The standing committees of the state grange have been announced as follows by Worthy Master H. E. Hayes:

Order of business—W. J. Peddicord, John K. Edwards, W. J. C. White, Co-operation—R. A. Irvine, J. G. Powell, R. A. Porter, George Meade, Mrs. J. C. White.

People living in this county have of late been talking of petitioning the next legislature to make an appropriation for putting in fish ladders at the Klickitat falls.

HARRISON IN WEBFOOT

He Sleeps Past Wide-Awake Eugene But Wakes Up at Albany—Receptions Being Held in the Rain.

More Forest Fires—A Doctor Doing a Killing Business—The Influenza in England.

PORTLAND, May 5.—The early part of the journey of the president and party to Oregon today was made in a steady fall of rain varying from a drizzle to a light storm.

A Reception that Flashed in the Pan. Large crowds, including Grand Army men and militia, were assembled at Eugene to greet the president but all their preparations went for naught as he was fast asleep in his car when the train drew up at that station nor was he awakened by the firing of cannon and the familiar strains of "Hail to our Chief" by the brass band.

It is explained by the president's friends that the people of Eugene have been informed last night that the president's engagement for the day, made it absolutely necessary that he should have a full night's rest and that it would be asking too much to expect him to begin the labor of the day at 5 o'clock in the morning.

At the Indian School. A short stop was made at Chewawa, where the president reviewed the pupils of the Indian training school and made an appropriate address to them.

THE ARRIVAL IN PORTLAND. Received with Great Pomp and Splendor. PORTLAND, Or., May 5.—At 12:10 the presidential train arrived at L street station, East Portland, with its locomotive gaily decked with evergreens, flowers, bunting and flags.

When the president came out of the car he was met by ex-United States Attorney General George H. Williams, who introduced him to the Mayor De Lashmuth.

Twenty thousand people were waiting at the Portland approach to the bridge and when the presidential carriage finally reached this side a mighty cheer went up from every throat.

The line consisted of the entire garrison at Vancouver barracks, the First regiment O. N. G. cadets of the Bishop military academy, Grand Army, civic societies and firemen.

It was 8 o'clock when the presidential special reached Tacoma and rain seemed to be coming down harder than ever. Notwithstanding this fact the chief magistrate of the nation and his advisers were given a royal reception.

They were met at the station by the governor of the state, and a committee of citizens who escorted the party to the Grosch block where formal addresses of welcome were delivered.

There were four grand arches on Pacific avenue, one made of fir block, another of coal, another of iron and a fourth of grain, all of native production.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., May 5.—Great forest fires are reported in the vicinity of Davis, Tucker county, and heavy losses will result unless soon extinguished.

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