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ABOUT WOOL.

A circular issued July 15th by the well known wool house of Justice, Bateman & Co., presents timely information about supply, consumption and prices of wool.

Argument is no longer needed to make the woolgrowers appreciative of a protective tariff. The drop in prices and the corresponding shrinkage in bank accounts has done more than weighty arguments or tables of statistics to show the blight of free trade.

RELEASE OF MORTGAGES.

One of the brilliantly stupid accomplishments of the last legislature was the act requiring all mortgages to be released by a formal release, executed with the same formalities as a conveyance of land, by the mortgagee himself or the person appearing by the record to be the owner of the mortgage.

The law must have originated with some fool notary or some of the incompetent roustabouts to whom our supreme court have issued certificates of admission to the bar, and whose principal business is writing conveyances.

RESTORE THE TARIFF ON WOOL

The congress that will assemble in December should restore the duty on wool. The manufacturers of woollens still have a highly protective duty, and the growers of wool should have a corresponding benefit.

THE CHRONICLE and all Eastern Oregon republicans and democrats concur in the foregoing.

MR. HERMANN AND A RENOMINATION.

The question as to the desirability of returning Mr. Hermann to congress from the First district is already agitating the republicans in the country west of the mountains and south of Multnomah.

his state. No congressman was ever more prompt in answering letters, and few men can match him, from a political standpoint, as a letter writer; as a hand-shaker he cannot be surpassed.

If the people of the First district are not headed off at the nominating convention, Mr. Hermann will continue to hold down that chair he has so long occupied. But the talk about his bolting in case he does not receive a nomination is not only very premature, but is certain to do his cause harm.

A REPUTED COAL MINE.

If it be true that an abundant supply of coal has been discovered near Lyle's landing on the Columbia, the owner of it will be fortunate indeed; but he is not the only one who will reap a benefit.

A great drawback to manufacturing enterprises throughout this section of the two states is lack of good fuel. A discovery like the one reported would solve many obstacles to the development of our resources and the rebuilding of this and other towns along the river; we sincerely hope the report is true.

Contrary to expectation Judge Bellinger has denied a new trial on the cases of the government against James Lotan and Seid Back. The decision will cause surprise among those who have closely watched the evidence at the trial.

There are no doubt a lot of attorneys in the state who, when they read the decision of the supreme court in their particular cases, longed to discuss them over again in the public press. We presume some of our local attorneys would be glad to have some of their cases placed on the newspaper docket and tried out as soon as the Oregonian and Mr. Dolph have disposed of the one now under discussion.

Pennoyer's mercy is again conspicuous for its misapplication. Bluford Douglas, who was convicted of burglary, sentenced to a year and a half in the penitentiary in 1894, pardoned out after serving a few months, is again wanted in this county on a charge of horsestealing.

Presidential 'boom' are being constructed already, but the wise politicians will keep as much out of sight as possible for some time to come. If President Cleveland undertakes the construction of a boom for Mr. Morrison, or in fact any one else, it will catch very few sticks.

NO FARM RECEIVERS.

The decision of Judge Bellinger rendered yesterday in the case of Thompson vs. Shurley, followed to its logical conclusion is of the greatest interest to all farmers who have borrowed money of loaning companies and given mortgages to secure the loan in which there is a provision that in case of foreclosure proceedings the mortgagee may have a receiver to take and dispose of growing crops and apply the proceeds upon the mortgage.

The decision itself is simply to the effect that the receiver in that particular case was not entitled to compensation for his services; but it is based upon the ground that the provision in such mortgages is inequitable. Assuming that farmers make mortgages hurriedly and frequently without reading them over, or that they make mortgages under circumstances such that it is absolutely imperative that they obtain the loan, this decision is justice.

With all the uproar and excitement concerning the latest Indian raid, there has not yet been printed one report of the violation of the law which called for the great expense on the part of the United States. That there are some renegade Indians travelling about the section of country referred to as Jackson's Hole, there is no question, and wisdom called for the dispatch of a troop of soldiers; but a single company of U. S. cavalry would have served the purpose and brought to terms the few Indians now there, who seem to be disposed to go on excursion on their own hook.

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A few dollars would furnish a band stand and a band stand will give our citizens as fine music as one hears outside a world's fair. Who in The Dalles is public spirited enough to build a stand? If no more convenient place is offered we would suggest the school yard, between Court and Union streets.

A gentleman from Klickitat county yesterday contracted to deliver, in this city, 100 tons of timothy hay of this year's crop. There is a very large acreage in Klickitat valley capable of producing a heavy crop of timothy hay; the balance of the valley is extremely fertile for all cereals; and yet some people wonder where the trade comes from which keeps up the business of The Dalles.

New facilities for doing business always increase business. The construction of a telephone line into the interior will meet a long felt want, will place the merchants in more intimate relations with their patrons and do much to develop the country and increase business here.

A leading daily says that "the criticism upon Mr. Dolph's criticism of a recent court opinion appears to be based on the assumption that he has mistaken morals for law." From the opinion itself it is apparent that it is simply and entirely based on the assumption that he has mistaken what he thinks of the law for a well established rule of law.

THE CHRONICLE is pleased to note the clearing of some of the streets of loose stones and other debris. The street leading up the hill from the south end of Washington street is one that needs attention in this respect; few of the streets

are more used and recently there has been much loose broken rock in it. We are also pleased to note, and many citizens will join us, that steps are being taken by the council to compel the repair of sidewalks. Let the good work go on.

A writer to THE CHRONICLE complains of our system of laws which permits the bringing of criminal charges to serve the ends of private grudges. People are too prone in rushing to the courts with fancied injuries and making a bill of costs which the county must pay. Our correspondent speaks of this system growing till it has become an incubus, disastrous to justice and the best interests of the people, and complains that the last legislature did not do its duty in refusing to pass a law compelling the complaining party to pay or guarantee the costs in all petty suits where the charge proved entirely groundless.

The latest attempt at competitive journalism in Portland has failed. The Sun sank behind the hills yesterday and did not appear this morning. While it is true the Oregonian is a great newspaper and covers the newspaper field thoroughly, yet we are sorry the Sun has failed. It made a wonderful fight to maintain its footing, but the odds were too great.

The Horr-Harvey debate is closed and there are the same number of free silver men and the same number of anti-free silver men as before they began the yow yow. They both know more about the subject they have been talking about, but they are about the only ones, who do; and if there are any others who have read the reports carefully they have by this time forgotten what was said. So no harm has been done after all.

Indian Caroline Dead.

The Indian Caroline, who for many years has been a well known character around The Dalles, died last night in the city jail. There was a suspicion that she may have been poisoned. The woman was found by Policeman Connelley and Billy Moabus by The Dalles Lumbering Company's store. She was suffering great agony and soon went into violent spasms.

There is a suspicion that she may have been poisoned and there is some testimony tending to this view. But after sifting the evidence the coroner's jury did not consider it sufficient to bring in a verdict of death other than from natural causes. The inquest was held this morning in Mitchell's undertaking parlors and conducted by Coroner Butts. F. D. Hill, F. A. Phelps, J. F. Root, Hugh Chrisman, M. Herrick and S. B. Adams served as the jury.

A car loaded with fast freight and baggage from the Regulator went into the river at the locks yesterday. The accident happened on the lower incline. The car becoming unmanageable, and running off the track, plunged into the water. A buggy and considerable freight were aboard the car and will likely not be recovered. The damage is estimated at \$500, though it is yet too early for the exact amount to be determined.



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