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- Joint Senator, Wasco and Sherman Counties,
JOHN MICHELL.
- Joint Representatives, Wasco and Sherman Counties,
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- For Constable, The Dalles Dist.,
JULIUS WILEY.

FITTED FOR THE WORK.

The people of Sherman county are making a commendable effort towards securing relief from excessive railroad charges. Imitating the example set by The Dalles business men when they instituted the Regulator line of steamers between this city and Portland, some citizens of Sherman county have evolved a plan for operating steamers on the upper Columbia in connection with a portage railway around the Celilo rapids. A committee representing the promoters of the new enterprise has visited Pendleton, Walla Walla and other cities with a view of eliciting interest in the project. It is yet too soon for the results of this mission to be determined.

Self help is the only kind that amounts to anything. The Dalles would yet be in the toils of a single railway corporation had it depended for extrication upon any outside assistance. Sherman county has done wisely in taking the initiative towards working out its own salvation. Better means of transportation from the country east of The Dalles to the sea must in some way be secured. The margin of profit, if there is any, in wheat raising is so small that it will not bear the excessive freight charges that have existed in the past.

If the plan already spoken of is urged to completion, it will probably be found necessary to ask the state for aid in some manner or other.

In this connection we wish to call the attention of the people of Sherman county to the necessity of having in the legislature representatives who are fully alive to the necessities of the occasion.

For fourteen years John Michell, while editor of the Times-Mountaineer, was an uncompromising friend and advocate for an open river. His pen was never idle in setting forth the needs of better transportation facilities and opposing the greed of railway monopoly. The

same interest which Mr. Michell evinced for the people of Wasco county in this regard he can be counted to show for Sherman county should be chosen to a seat in the state senate.

From 1885 and in the remaining years in which The Dalles Board of Trade was a reality, B. S. Huntington acted as its secretary. During that time he made a close and careful study of the needs of Eastern Oregon regarding this important question, and no one has a more intelligent knowledge of the situation. We believe there was not a waterway convention held at which Mr. Huntington was not present as a delegate and took an active part in the proceedings.

Both Mr. Huntington and Mr. Michell have been to the front in the fight for an open river, and in securing the legislation that in all probability will be asked for, these two gentlemen will be leaders in the movement. They are peculiarly fitted for the task, and with the assistance of their worthy associates, Mr. Moore and Mr. Jones, will achieve much for an imprisoned people.

THE FUSION IDEA.

The Dalles Chronicle thinks there is a scheme on foot to beat a few Republicans. If the Republican party plays to win, why should not the others?—Wasco News.

Correct. There is no reason why any party should not play to win, but it is wise not to make the play too big. The fusion movement may secure a few votes more to the Democratic and Populist legislative candidates, but it will not succeed in defeating the Republican nominees. Walter Moore, John Michell, B. S. Huntington and F. N. Jones are the men whom the people of Wasco and Sherman counties need to represent them in the next legislature.

The Pendleton papers speak favorably of the plan to build a Portage around the Celilo rapids and operate an independent line of steamers upon the upper river. The benefits to be derived from the successful operation of such an enterprise are inestimable; but we would call the attention of our Eastern Oregon brethren to the fact that the success of the scheme depends upon the completion of the Cascade locks. Until this work is done, any plan for a portage east of here is hazardous. The locks are not completed, nor does any one know when they will be. If the people east of here want to secure the benefits of river transportation, let them lend their support to the efforts that are being made to open the locks. If this work could be finished, the benefits would extend as far as the Snake and Columbia are navigable. An open river to the sea is the crying need of the Inland Empire.

The Willamette valley is the garden spot it has been pictured, but when it comes to raising fruit it will have to give way to the bunchgrass hills and fertile lowlands of Eastern Oregon. The crop reports indicate that great damage has been done to the fruit crop west of the Cascades, while east of the mountains the prospect is very cheering. Nature has endowed this section with an incomparable climate, and with its productive soil the country on the eastern slopes of the Cascades should furnish happy homes for thousands who leave the East because of its extremes of heat and cold.

California will be the next state to declare for McKinley. The gentlemen who have been rehearsing nominating speeches for Reed, Allison et al will probably conclude to lay their manuscripts on the shelf for four years more.

The nominees on the Republican county ticket are men worthy of hearty support. Everyone of them should be elected and everyone will be if the Republicans support the ticket with their usual enthusiasm. There are no signs of any failure in this regard.

Mutual Admiration.

A young man of The Dalles the other day speaking to a young lady hoped that she would go to heaven. "Oh no," she quickly replied, "I don't want to, for then I never will see you again."

NO DODGING THE ISSUE.

Were it not for the peculiar conditions attendant, the campaign in the Second congressional district would be too one-sided to be interesting. Under normal circumstances Mr. Ellis' plurality would be so overwhelming that the election would closely resemble a Republican ratification. As it is the result is uncertain. The candidacy of Judge Northup has complicated matters till the forlorn hope of the Democrats has changed into a possibility of success.

Aided by the Oregonian, the Democratic papers and campaigners are seeking to cover up the true issue in the campaign and divert public attention to another question—one over which each of the great parties is badly divided. If once they were able to dispose of the tariff and simmer the contest to the discussion of the currency question, the weight that hangs like a millstone around the Democratic neck would be removed and the jaded party be rejuvenated. But the tariff will not go down. Despite Democratic declarations to the contrary, it is the great question before the American people.

Four years ago, made reckless by continued prosperity, the voters of this country desired a change. With all its resultant evils the change has come and brought untold disaster and misery. By destroying the protective policy under which the nation had prospered, the Democratic party paid homage to foreign nations and gave what rightfully belonged to American laborers to toilers across the sea.

The people have been waiting to right that great wrong; to vote into power the party under whose rule both the manufacturer and the laborer, the capitalist and the farmer prospered. Should the Democratic party go before the country in defence of their ruinous policy, they would not carry a state north of Mason and Dixon's line, nor all of those south of it. Knowing this full well they seek to change the issue and bring to the front the currency question, hoping again to mislead the people as they did in 1892. Whether they do or not depends upon the judgment and penetration of the Republicans. If the dictates of the Oregonian be followed and protection forced to the background to give way to the financial question, defeat is a possibility. Otherwise success is unquestioned.

The Republican party can be trusted to settle the vexatious money question with the same wisdom as it has others, just as vital, in the past. It can be trusted now as it could in the stormy years after the close of the rebellion.

Let the Republicans of the Second district be careful how they act. Northup cannot be elected. Bennett must not be. The duty that remains is for the loyal voters to support the regular nominee, and thereby insure the election of a Republican.

ALONG THE SAME LINE.

For some reason or other the Oregonian, a paper published in Portland under the authority and by the sanction of a political clique, takes every opportunity it can find to misrepresent the people of Eastern Oregon. Through false statements and concealment of facts the Oregonian perverts the truth regarding the Cascade locks, and in every manner possible does what it can to hinder the opening of the river. And it is succeeding far too well.

The latest point in question is this clipping from a brief interview with Governor Lord in yesterday's issue:

Governor Lord also took time to pay a visit to the Cascade locks, and as far as completed, he was well satisfied with them. Their completion would, he said, be a great boon to the state, as, aside from the advantages as a waterway, the state would be saved the expense of maintaining the portage road, which at present is a heavy burden on the taxpayers.

We doubt very much if Governor Lord said these words attributed to him. He has too strict a regard for the truth to make a statement false to core as this one is. The portage road at the Cascade Locks is not a heavy burden on the taxpayers. It

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Governor Lord should be careful when he talks to Oregonian reporters. They are uncertain individuals and work according to instructions, which are to the effect that the interests of the corporations must be served first, then the politicians; but never a consideration for the people. Such a statement as the one referred to is apt to do much damage unless corrected.

The state of Oregon did, it is true, assist the people of this section in securing better freight rates, and for such relief we are grateful; but to say that the maintaining of the portage road is a heavy burden on the taxpayers is stating what is not true, and doing it with malicious intent.

We dislike the Oregonian. Not because of its expressions and course regarding the political situation, for it has every right to do and say what it pleases. But its actions, or rather its inaction concerning the Cascade locks we do condemn. The Oregonian is blind to the best interests of the city in which it is published. Portland is losing trade on all sides, and an open river, whereby it may increase its business, is the only salvation. And yet the Oregonian stands in with the gang which is working against the completion of the locks. If it does not, why these falsifications, and, worse than that, why this silence on the main issue?

HOT SHOT.

Goldendale Sentinel: If the Oregonian really desires the election of Mr. Northup, it should use its influence, if it has any, in showing up the dirty work in connection with the Cascade locks. No vote in Eastern Oregon should go for the Oregonian candidate unless Portland people show more interest in the Inland Empire's future welfare.

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RUSSIA AS IT IS.

New Light Thrown on the Land of the Czar.

This community is indebted to Rev. Mr. Wood and the ladies of the M. E. church for an entertainment out of the ordinary line, which is in store tonight for the knowledge-seekers, as well as amusement-loving people of our city. Description of Russian life, habits, customs and form of government of the Russian people, by an educated native of the far-away land, of which we have read so much, but regarding which so few Americans have any personal knowledge. We all know that during the late war the staunch friendship of that country had a very restraining influence upon the French and English view of the situation, and about the splendidly equipped Russian fleet in the harbor of New York at a critical period of those four years of national peril, backing up in an effective way the adoption "Hands off!" never put in words, but most fully understood by all the nations of the earth. France and England were anxious to recognize the Southern Confederacy, and there can be but little doubt that that desire would have led to complications at a time when our government was particularly desirous of avoiding anything of the kind, had it not been for the valuable services of Alexander II.

Dr. Gregory De Kannet, the distinguished Russian traveler and journalist, who will entertain and instruct the people of The Dalles tonight at the M. E. church, regards Russia from the standpoint of a patriot, and hence what he has to say on the subject differs greatly from what has been heretofore placed before the thinking world by nihilistic mediums or by George Kennan and other fire breathing and sensation hunting writers who, by the way, knowing our weak spot, our desire for everything more or less sensational, are exaggerating everything for the sake of the almighty dollar. Hence only the dark side of Russian life and institutions have been hitherto presented, and Dr. De Kannet proposes to lift the veil and show the land of the czar as it really is.

It is unpardonable not to have a more or less correct and absolutely right knowledge of one of the greatest nations of the world, its history, geographical position, life, customs, habits, etc. One of the easiest and most pleasant ways to obtain this knowledge is to attend Dr. De Kannet's illustrated entertainment and lecture tonight at the M. E. church. Though yet a comparative young man, Dr. De Kannet has been a great traveler, having been already twice around the world. He is a graduate of the Imperial University of Moscow, Russia, has a scholarly command of English, and is quite as fluent in four other languages, besides Latin and Greek. One great charm of his lectures, as was expressed by Professor Pratt of San Francisco to a Chronicle reporter, is the entire absence of a striving after elocutionary or anything stagey. His entire intercourse with his hearers partakes more of the nature of a familiar talk than what is usually expressed by "lecture."

The Impertinent Days.

J. G. and I. N. Day were up today in their steam launch, the Sadie B. Their attitude toward the people of The Dalles was very offensive, and they were especially incensed at the action of The Dalles papers. With the contractors was an individual named Percy, who it was hinted is a government inspector,

but the Days were so very vigilant over his person that no one succeeded in having a private conversation with him, apart from the presence of either J. G. or I. N. Day. The Times-Mountaineer man saw the senior Day and a very animated conversation ensued. While assuring him that they cared nothing for the opinions of our citizens, Mr. Douthitt in turn assured Mr. Day that The Dalles people cared very little for the Days, and that The Dalles papers would continue the battle until the locks were pounded open. It will take considerable more than the champagne in Mr. Day's private locker to muzzle the press of The Dalles. No satisfaction was given the newspaper man whatever, and all leading questions were avoided. Mr. Day impertinently said, among other things, that Eastern Oregon needed no locks; she had nothing to ship when she got them.

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