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FOR AN OPEN RIVER.

In an address to "the people of the Columbia river basin," the Portland chamber of commerce urges immediate and united effort to secure an open river to the sea. It advocates the immediate construction by the government of a portage road around the obstructions at Celilo and The Dalles, for temporary relief, and the ultimate construction of a canal and locks.

With the portage road, steamboats could gather the products along the Columbia and the Snake rivers and carry them to the upper end of a short portage. There the cargoes could be transferred to cars, and from the cars delivered to other steamers at the lower end of the road. Hence, by means of the existing canal and locks at the Cascades, there is open navigation to the sea. After the completion of the proposed canal and locks at Celilo, steamboats could run without interruption from Lewiston to the sea.

To this end, the Portland chamber of commerce "urges upon every citizen of the Columbia river basin to interest himself in the effort by using all his influence to bear on the commercial bodies in his section, on the state senators and representatives from the various districts in the country whose future prosperity is involved, and, at all times and everywhere, to earnestly assist in the effort to cause the making of a new survey for a canal and locks, and the immediate construction of a portage railway, necessary in transporting materials and labor for the canal construction; which, though built for that purpose, shall be open and free to the public for transportation purposes until a canal and locks shall be completed and duly thrown open for the public service."

It is the belief of the chamber of commerce that the result of these improvements would be to "control the freight rates of nearly the whole country. If this splendid region is to be developed to its fullest extent, cheap transportation must be established along the line of least resistance—the Columbia river."

REPUBLICANISM FORTY YEARS AGO.

Last Tuesday, the 29th ult., a meeting was held in Bloomington, Illinois, to commemorate the convention that met in that town forty-four years ago to organize the republican party in that state. Abraham Lincoln was one of the delegates and made a wonderful and characteristic speech. In the fierce light of the present democratic contention that the constitution, of its own force, follows the flag, it is interesting to note what the founders of the republican party thought of that doctrine forty-four years ago. The convention in part

"Resolved, That we hold, in accordance with the opinions and practices of all the great statesmen of all parties for the first sixty years of the administration of the government, that, under the constitution, congress possesses full power to prohibit slavery in the territories; and that, whilst we will maintain all the constitutional rights of the South, justice, humanity, the principles of freedom as expressed in our declaration of independence and our national constitution and the purity and perpetuity of our government require that power should be exerted to prevent the extension of slavery into the territories heretofore free."

Bradstreet reports that failures in the month of April were not only fewer than in any corresponding month for a number of years, but were 13 per cent smaller than March, and were in fact lighter than those of any month recorded since September last year, when embarrassments and liabilities were the smallest reported in any single month for the last seven years past. This is in line with the general opinion that business reached its most prosperous

condition since 1892-3 in the autumn of last year, but is not in line with the belief in some quarters that business is so very much less prosperous now. This latter view is occasioned by the fact that prices have declined somewhat and is undoubtedly erroneous. Prices were much too high last year as all conservative people believed. They are now seeking more nominal levels. As a consequence business in general is undoubtedly better for it, and there is hardly any question but that the volume is as great, probably much greater than it was last year at this time.

"God knows that if the United States falters in the present crisis, we shall be laggards until doomsday," writes John Barrett, a democrat and former editor of the Portland Telegram, and late minister to Siam. "If we halt, every European country will forge correspondingly ahead. If Oregon sets the pace in faltering and halting, it may lead the whole country to waver when the question is squarely before it whether we shall become the supreme moral and material influence in the Pacific or forever trail along behind Great Britain, Russia, Germany, France, and even Japan. If suppression of the Philippine insurrection costs us millions, the sum is small compared to the immeasurable cost of a future war to regain the prestige and commerce in the Pacific which we would now lose by withdrawing our flag and forces from the Philippines."

The Times-Mountaineer says it never knew till it heard Messrs. Wilson and Fulton Thursday night that the way to relieve people in distress was to tax them. The Times-Mountaineer in its brief career as a Bryanite organ has acquired a vast fund of misinformation. Congress had no choice in the matter of the Porto Rican tariff between a direct tax in cash, that Governor General Davis assured the administration would be actual confiscation, and an indirect tax that would fall largely on the sugar and tobacco trusts. So they taxed the trusts and as far as possible let the masses go free. Besides this congress placed nearly everything necessary to the comfort and prosperity of the Porto Ricans on the free list. This is not after the manner of democratic legislation, nor what would suit the trusts, but it suits the conditions on the island and that's enough for us.

A private letter from Porto Rico says that everybody there is pleased with the new tariff except one man. That man is the British consul at San Juan. Mr. Finley, who had bought up all the sugar in sight, anticipating its free entry into the United States.

Now that the election is over the next thing on the program is the Fourth of July, and The Dalles, with its customary exchange of hospitality, will depopulate itself on that day and celebrate with its friends and neighbors in the surrounding country.

The election is over and we are right glad of it. We shall now for a time at least have a chance to find space for something besides politics.

A Practical Demonstration.

A fact proven by actual demonstration is more satisfactory than any theoretical proposition. Realizing this, and knowing that they have a proposition which they can guarantee, the Oregon Sanitary Casket Company, of The Dalles, Or., have constructed one of their sanitary caskets and put the same into actual operation. The casket is now located in the rear of Chas. Burchorf's bicycle repair store on Second, between Federal and Laughlin streets, The Dalles, and the public are cordially invited to call and inspect the same. This company is now prepared to fill orders promptly. Parties desiring this system will be furnished full information upon application or correspondence with D. S. Dufar, The Dalles, Or. m31-1w31w

Starvation never yet cured dyspepsia. Persons with indigestion are already half starved. They need plenty of wholesome food. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat so the body can be nourished while the worn out organs are being reconstructed. It is the only preparation known that will instantly relieve and completely cure all stomach troubles. Try it if you are suffering from indigestion. It will certainly do you good.

THE MUSE IN DISTRESS.

The war spirit and the divine afflatus don't come together in the breast of Alfred Austin, England's poet laureate. The following verses on the relief of Mafeking, if offered anonymously, would have gone into any waste basket from Maine to Oregon. Wasco county has a disciple of Bobby Burns at the Cascade Locks that could beat them with both hands tied behind his back.

"As pressed the foe more near,  
 Only with naked spear,  
 Never knowing what to fear,  
 Parley or blanch meant,  
 Forward through shot and shell,  
 While still the foremost fell,  
 They, with resolute yell,  
 Stormed his intrenchment."

"Then, when hope dawned at last  
 And fled the foe aghast  
 At the relieving blast  
 Heard in the night,  
 Oh, our stout, stubborn kith,  
 Kimberley, Ladysmith,  
 Mafeking wedded with  
 Lucknow and Delhi."

"Loud yelled the bullet's ring,  
 Sharp flashed the sabre's sting,  
 As on to Mafeking  
 sped we with force meet,  
 While the brave garrison,  
 Steady by trench and gun,  
 Faltered not, no, not one,  
 Living on horse meat!"

"Oh, when they saw us come,  
 Drubbed well was every drum,  
 And shrill the life's tum-tum  
 Poured till the ear split!  
 Grimly the foe retired,  
 Nathless he frequent fired,  
 Till, beaten, moody, sated,  
 His van and rear split!"

GENERAL NEWS.

There is at least one country in the world where it costs nothing to die. In some of the cantons of Switzerland all the dead, rich or poor, are buried at the public expense.

The Northern Pacific announces a reduction in rates for the transportation of horses in carload lots from points in Washington and Oregon to St. Paul. The rate per car has been reduced from \$185 to \$175.50.

William Hargrove, Samuel Smith, Frank Carr, John Travis and James Hyle are defendants in an action begun against them for gambling at Fort Wayne, Ind. The complainants are their wives. The cases are the result of a church crusade against gambling.

The monthly statement of the controller of the currency shows that at the close of business May 31, 1900, the total circulation of national bank notes was \$300,488,886, an increase for the year of \$58,424,335, and an increase for the month of \$15,210,563. The circulation based on United States bonds was \$263,009,118, and increase for the year of \$56,783,163, and an increase for the month of \$17,021,995.

C. S. Farrow, of Eugene, has invented a sidewalk nail which is driven into the sides of the boards instead of the top. He claims it keeps the boards from getting loose, and at the same time prevents shoes and dresses from being torn by projecting nails.

Mrs. Mary S. Mark died in Portland Saturday. Mrs. Mark was a daughter of the Rev. Dr. R. C. Hill, of Albany, eminent in Oregon's history, both as a pioneer minister and physician. Mrs. Mark was also the sister of the Hon. W. Lair Hill, of Berkeley, Calif., and Dr. J. L. Hill, of Albany, Or.

A Good Cough Medicine.

It speaks well for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy when druggists use it in their own families in preference to any other. "I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for the past five years with complete satisfaction to myself and customers," says Druggist J. Goldenmith, Van Etten, N. Y. "I have always used it in my own family both for ordinary coughs and colds and for the cough following influenza, and find it very efficacious." For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

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Dog-Owners, Attention!

Notice is hereby given to all owners of dogs who have not paid license on the same that they come forward and take out a license before the 10th day of June, or in default the dogs will be impounded and the delinquents will have to pay impounding fees as well as licenses, or have their dogs destroyed.

N. D. HUGHES,  
 m29-j10 Marshal Dalles City.

Unless food is digested quickly it will ferment and irritate the stomach. After each meal take a teaspoonful of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It digests what you eat and will allow you to eat all you need of what you like. It never fails to cure the worst cases of dyspepsia. It is pleasant to take.

For Sale.

A good second-hand threshing machine for sale at L. Lane's blacksmith shop, on Third street. j4-d&w1m

Clarke & Falk's flavoring extracts are the best. Ask your grocer for them. m17

From the Shaniko Leader.

Mr. Malcolm McInnis, head book-keeper of the Wasco warehouse, was up from The Dalles the first of the week looking after business in this section.

The first shipment of ore from Shaniko left here Friday morning for the Tacoma smelter. The consignment was from the Ashwood mines, and consisted of about 6000 pounds of as fine a gold ore as ever a mining man gazed upon.

Some enterprising citizen of towns which Shaniko is hurting financially, notably The Dalles, is circulating reports to the effect that there is no place to sleep here. These reports might have been true two months ago, but not now. There are accommodations for over fifty persons in one house, the Palace, and no doubt there are other places, too, where the tired traveler can get a night's lodging. Dalles papers please copy.

Sixteen cars of sheep left the Shaniko stock yards Friday, fourteen on Saturday, and nineteen Monday. The first shipment was consigned to James Wright of Spokane, the last two trains going to the Mallory Commission Company, Chicago, and are part of the herds of J. E. Sherar & Co., of this county. We understand the next consignment will leave here June 8th and 10th, a total of seventy cars.

The Columbia Southern Railway Company has just received a new hand car whose motive power is gasoline. The car will carry about eight men, and is capable of making twenty miles an hour. This use of gasoline is of very recent date. It does away entirely with men "working their way" after a hard day's work. Anything more convenient and handy could not be had by the company, as it will save them in a short time its cost many times over.

The "Boxers."

The Chinese "Boxers," who are starting the world with atrocities inflicted on missionaries and other foreigners, have a membership running into the millions. The recent outrages were perpetrated in the maritime province of Shan Tung, which lies south of Peking. This province, though smaller than the state of Washington, having an area of but 56,000 square miles, has a population closely estimated at 35,000,000.

As in the case of the vigilantes, organized in the lawless days of placer mining, the society of "Boxers" was originally formed with a commendable purpose. It was organized to deal with bands of native robbers, but later became an instrument of private revenge, and later still for venting the Chinese hatred against "foreign devils." Originally, the "Boxers" were the Brotherhood of the Strong Sword (in Chinese Ta Too Why) and accomplished good work in the interest of law and order. Its membership is largely composed of ignorant Chinese, and intriguing men who desire the checking of foreign influences, work upon the ignorant masses with assertions that the missionaries are opposed to the veneration of ancestors and murder Chinese children to obtain certain organs said to be used in witchcraft.

Columbia Southern Warehouse.

At Shaniko the Columbia Southern Railway Co. controls 80x100 feet of the Shaniko warehouse building, to be used as a freight warehouse, through which they will receive and forward freight in the usual manner. The impression that all business must be done through forwarding houses is an erroneous one and we take this means of dispelling it. Freight received and held twenty-four hours will be turned over to a forwarding house subject to the order of the consignee. The rate on wool in sacks or in bales from Shaniko to The Dalles is 25 cents per 100 pounds.

For rates or other information call on or address

C. E. LITTLE, G. F. & P. A., or  
 Geo. F. Ross, Agent,  
 Shaniko, Or.

Notice.

Owing to the retirement of Frank Chrisman from the firm of Chrisman Bros., and his intention to leave the state as soon as possible, all debts due the firm must be paid immediately. All having claims against the firm will please present them at the market for payment.

m4-1f CHRISMAN BROTHERS.

Experience is the best Teacher. Use Acker's English Remedy in any case of coughs, cold or croup. Should it fail to give immediate relief money refunded. 25 cts. and 50 cts. Blakeley & Houghton Druggists.

For the convenience of parties wanting ice in the afternoons, the Stadelman Ice Co. will carry a stock at their store, corner Third and Washington streets. Phone No. 107; long distance 183. "Ring'em up." 18m-1f

For Sale.

A second-hand ten-foot Randolph header, in fair condition. Will be sold cheap. Enquire of ALEX. McLEOD, The Dalles. may11-1mw

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