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CONTRABANDS OF WAR

The Russian government, on March 17, declared the following articles contrabands of war. "Provisions of all kinds destined for the Japanese army, including grain, fish, fish products, beans, bean oil, parts of machines for manufacture of weapons and ammunition."

The area of warlike operations already, practically covers Japan, Korea, and the large Chinese province of Manchuria, from all of which the articles declared contraband are excluded, most if not all of which the people of this coast have been selling in considerable quantities.

The Monthly Summary of the United States Department of Commerce and Labor for January 1904, on page 2482 gives the domestic exports from the United States to Korea in the year ending June 30, 1903, at \$171,400. Of this \$27,200 were for flour, meat and dairy products; for lumber and wood products \$5,647.

During 1903 the United States exported domestic products to Japan to the value of \$20,874,887, of which \$4,685,045 were for flour; \$161,143 for hops; \$64,283 butter; lumber \$32,319.

During the seven months ending with January 1904, there was exported from the United States to Japan 1,075,444 barrels of wheat flour valued at \$3,747,011; \$16,311 worth of canned meats; 62,279 pounds of butter valued at \$14,911 and 32,244 pounds of cheese valued at \$5,029. All the above articles and several others including cavalry horses will be inhibited by the contraband proclamation, or at least their exports to Japan or Korea will be greatly embarrassed and freight rates advanced.

The term, contraband of war, includes such articles as are primarily used for military purposes, such as guns, ammunition and military stores of all kinds, including clothing, medicine, and provisions of all kinds and coal evidently destined for an army in time of war.

Every government claims the right to declare what articles are contraband of war, unless restrained by treaty with the neutral nation, whose citizens

are shipping the objectionable articles to an enemy. The presence of contraband goods on a neutral ship renders the whole ship and cargo liable to seizure and condemnation to confiscation. The Admiralty court of the belligerent nation making the seizure is the tribunal that passes upon the questions raised by the capture and proposed confiscation. Should an American ship be captured by the Russians for having contraband goods on board, the Russian Court of Admiralty would try the case and make decrees therein which may go to the extent of confiscating the ship and the whole cargo. Ship owners are shy of monkeying with courts of Admiralty. A very common effect of a war between two nations is to raise all freights to what is termed "war rates" going to either of the warring nations. This is especially the case where the ships are wanted to carry goods to or near the theatre of war. That our trade with Japan, Korea and China will be greatly embarrassed by the war between Japan and Russia is obvious. Should China be drawn into the war, our trade trouble will be enlarged.

COUNTY SEAT FIGHTON.

Now that the pending proposition for a city hall in La Grande, carried in the election in that city last Monday, it is evident that the old county seat fight will be on again at the coming election in June. That the proposed city hall in La Grande is to be tendered to the county for use as a court house, is well understood, and the next move will doubtless be the filing of the petitions with the county court praying that body to order a vote on the relocation of the county seat. Once let the people of La Grande convince the voters of the county that the seat of government can be moved there without any particular cost to them there is not the slightest doubt but what a good sized majority of them will vote for removal. There is no question but what La Grande is the most convenient location for a large majority of the people of the county.—Elgin Recorder.

An Interesting Event

Many people will be interested in hearing General Joubert and Captain O'Donnell tell of their personal experiences next Tuesday evening. General Joubert's name was in everybody's mouth during the Boer war, and of scarcely less note was his associate and friend, O'Donnell. No lecture

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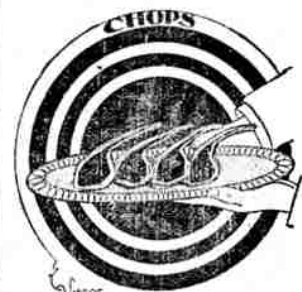
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