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**OUR FOREIGN TRADE.**

There is not a person so humble nor one so exalted in the United States but that he or she has a direct and personal interest in our foreign trade. Therefore we believe the following figures taken from the latest published official figures will be not only good news but valuable information to all our readers. During the 12 months ending with June 1904 the people of the United States imported from foreign countries \$991,090,977 worth of stuffs. Of this \$454,150,388 worth came in free of duty, apportioned as follows: 25.4 per cent of the free articles were articles of food and animals for breeding purposes; 54.84 per cent were articles in crude condition which enter into various processes of domestic industry; 13.29 per cent were articles wholly or partially manufactured for use as materials in the manufacturers' and machinists' arts; articles manufactured and ready for consumption, 3.90; and articles of voluntary use, luxuries, etc., 2.29.

Dutiable articles to the value of \$536,940,590 were imported, on which \$262,013,079 were collected as tariff. During the same 12 months we exported domestic products to the value of \$1,435,171,251, of which 59.48 per cent was agricultural products. In addition to domestic articles we exported \$25,696,934 foreign stuffs, making our total exports reach \$1,460,868,185.

Our total foreign trade for the year amounted to \$2,451,959,163. The exports for the year 1904 were \$40,726,506 more than in 1903.

Many young men are inclined to become discouraged in their efforts to surmount the difficulties that lie in the path to success in the achievement of great things, because they live in the country or in the small cities. They are led to believe that only those who live in the larger cities are rewarded with a full measure of success. That this is an erroneous idea is proven by a New York physician, who says in the New York Sun:

"At a social gathering at my house the other evening, I had as guests eight men, every one of whom is or has been a potent factor in the affairs of the city, in politics, finance, the legal and medical professions, journalism, and railroad management. It came out that not one of them was a native of the city. No only was none of them a native New Yorker, but, with one exception, they were all born in isolated rural hamlets or in backwoods farms. The one exception was born in an incorporated village of about 1,000 inhabitants."

It must be remembered that Judge Parker approved the New York democratic platform which did not mention the gold standard.

It can not be charged that the democratic campaign in Missouri is on the gum-shoe order. Senator Stone has charged Jo Folk with being a liar, and Jo is retorting that the Senator is another

Thank goodness—there's no other candidate to be notified. But the crop of formal acceptances is yet to be harvested, and that fact somewhat overcomes the joy of the other.

The Russians might consent to sue for peace if the Mikado didn't happen to be the presiding Judge

Democratic managers express greatest confidence in the result of the coming elections. Democratic hopes always blossom until the first light frost of November.

Secretary Taft has ordered that army officers on duty in the departments at Washington must wear civilian dress. In other words, the order is uniform but the dress isn't.

Candidate Davis could not well have run for vice-president any younger; he was never nominated and notified before.

**TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878- NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Oregon  
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Maggie Synhorst of La Grande, county of Union, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 309, for the purchase of the W. 1/2 Sec. 27 & 28 & 1/2 of Section No. 21 in Township No. 4 S, Range No. 35 E. W. M.  
And will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at La Grande, Oregon, on Tuesday, the 29th day of August, 1904.  
She names as witnesses: George B. Harmon, Sterling P. Gales, John J. Poehler, and Henry W. Peckler, all of La Grande, Oregon.  
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said day of August, 1904.  
E. W. Davis, Register.

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION (Isolated Tract) PUBLIC LAND SALE**

Notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of instructions from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under authority vested in him by Section 2466 U. S. Revised Statutes, as amended by the act of Congress approved February 26, 1895, we will proceed to offer at public sale, at ten o'clock a. m. on the 24th of August, 1904, at this office, the following tract of land, to-wit:  
W. 1/2 Sec. 27, SR 3; E. W. M.  
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described land are advised to file their claims in this office on or before the day above designated for the commencement of said sale; otherwise, their rights will be forfeited. Dated June 25 1904.  
E. W. Davis Register.  
A. H. Roberts, Receiver.

**Peaches**

I wish to say to my friends and the public that I have a large crop of peaches this year. Our early Peaches will be ripe in about a week or 10 days from this time we can sell you a more juicy better flavored peach and cheaper than you can buy them after they have been shipped in from other parts. Then when you pay for 20 lbs you get 20 the good pound measure.  
J. B. Kellogg.

**Notice to Contractors**

Sealed bids will be received until 2 o'clock P. M. Saturday August 6—1904 for the construction of a two story frame residence building according to plans and specifications which may be seen at the residence of Mrs. Z. Patty, or at the residence of O. R. Thornton, Architect, La Grande, Oregon, at which latter place bids will be opened. Bidders invited to be present. The owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids.  
Mrs. Z. Patty.

**NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION**

Notice is hereby given, that the co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name of M. Coy & McFarlane, in the grocery business, at La Grande, has been dissolved by mutual agreement. The business will be continued by William McFarlane. Dated, August 12, 1904.  
James M. Coy  
W. McFarlane

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**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Or.  
May 14, 1904.  
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Phoebe Bultin of Perry, county of Union, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement, No. 310, for the purchase of the S. 1/2 Sec. 27 and 28 & 1/2 of Section No. 27, in Township No. 4 S, R. No. 35 E. W. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at La Grande, Oregon, on Monday, the 1st day of August, 1904.  
She names as witnesses: A. L. Bean, John J. Murphy, Ralph H. Bultin, and Mary H. Murphy, all of Perry, Oregon.  
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said day of August, 1904.  
E. W. Davis, Register.

**Fire Proof Safe**  
For sale wt. 2500 price \$50. Call or write La Grande Pawnbroker. Phone 1981.

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, Land Office at La Grande, Oregon.  
June 25, 1904.  
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the U. S. Land Office, at La Grande, Oregon, on August 4, 1904, viz. H. E. No. 7992, Margaretta Sutinger, La Grande, Oregon, widow of John Sutinger, deceased, for the E. 1/2 NE 1/4 & E. 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 12, Tp. 2 S., R. 37 E., W. 4 M.  
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Frank Beigeb, John Keller, Conart Strober, Minard Kallin all of La Grande Oregon, E. W. DAVIS, Register.

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And soap bubbles gambol'd to my childish joy.  
Ofttimes I've watched her when wearing her knuckles,  
As over the ridges our duds she would rub,  
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The old-fashioned washboard that stood in the tub.  
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The old-fashioned washboard;  
The zinc-covered washboard;  
The back-breaking washboard that stood in the tub.  
Some folks always kick about up to date laundries,  
And say they wear out their clothes every day;  
But give them to me, so I will have a hot dinner  
At home, with the smell of the soap suds away.  
I know that the washing machine is much easier  
On all of our clothes than to take them and rub  
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