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CHANGE FOR OREGON

Should Supply Japan With Butter and Fruit.

PORTLAND MAN ON SITUATION

Many Raw Products Can Be Landed in Portland for Less Than in New York, and Ought to Be Manufactured Here.

NAGASAKI, Japan, April 19.—(Special correspondence.)—The commercial and financial situation in Japan can accurately be described in a few words—extremely unattractive. I have conversed with many of the most prominent foreign and native merchants in the principal trade centers and the general consensus of opinion regarding trade conditions, as expressed in their office, at the clubs and at their homes, is as heretofore indicated.

Characteristics of Business Men. If the laws of the country would compel the natives to meet their obligations it is my opinion that failures would be frequent. The average Japanese business man places a low valuation on his integrity. He is quick to act upon a business proposition that promises quick returns, but is unable to foresee the effect of the present transaction on those of the future.

Good Showing for United States. In looking over the trade reports issued by the Japanese Government, and covering a period of 35 years, the most conspicuous feature is the increase in the United States column under the heading of merchant vessels entered from foreign countries during the 35 years from 1868 to 1903.

Chance for Oregon. I have made considerable inquiry regarding the prospects for exporting other Oregon products than flour, lumber and wheat. Such goods are now being supplied by Australia, Europe and San Francisco, and I cannot discover any reason why Oregon should not supply a portion, such as butter, prunes, apples, etc.

that will lead to business in these and other articles produced in Oregon. Straw braids and unmanufactured silks can be delivered in Portland about 1 per cent less than in New York, and should be manufactured on the coast. One factory for manufacturing silk ties and such goods should do well in Portland, as the raw material can be gotten on short notice and other conditions are favorable.

Many Changes in Twelve Years. It is just 12 years since I last visited Japan, and from a superficial observation by way of recreation I am struck with the changes that have taken place. The railway systems were comparatively new, and the line over which I passed at that time, between Yokohama and Kobe, had been in operation but a short time. European management had been superseded by native management, which started to work like a new broom.

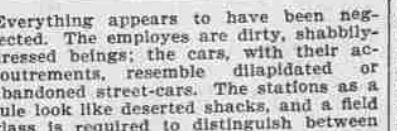
Three-Cornered Senatorial Fight. The fight for succession to Senator Joseph Simon's seat in the United States Senate seems to have narrowed down to three men. Ex-United States Senator Corbett has been steadily importuned to make the race again, but his latest utterances to his friends have been to the effect that he will not.



HON. JOSEPH SIMON.

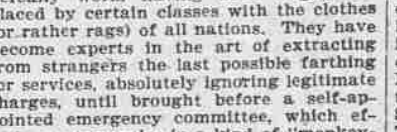
Everything appears to have been neglected. The employes are dirty, shabbily-dressed beings; the cars, with their accoutrements, resemble dilapidated or abandoned street-cars. The stations are rule look like deserted shacks, and a field glass is required to distinguish between first, second and third-class coaches, or more properly speaking, boxes.

At the Scott Home. Mr. and Mrs. Scott had arrived at their residence ahead of the President, and were waiting to receive their distinguished guests. Mrs. McKinley was again lifted out of the carriage and placed in an invalid chair and carried into the house.



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Summary of Important News. Domestic. Mrs. McKinley is ill, and has been taken to San Francisco for rest. Page 1. Her illness may require curtailment of program. Page 1.

Foreign. General Dewet, the Boer leader, has resumed operations. Page 2. Esterhazy has made an affidavit that he was the author of the Dreyfus bordereau. Page 2.

Pacific Coast. Portland baseball team lost 10-inning game to Seattle. Tacoma won from Spokane, 5-4. Page 2.

Portland and Vicinity. Recent decision of United States Supreme Court sustains Portland method of assessing abutting property-owners for street and sewer improvements. Page 5.

May Cause Change in All Plans. It is possible that if Mrs. McKinley's condition does not improve as rapidly as is hoped, a curtailment of the program in San Francisco and for the remainder of the trip may be necessary. The day after leaving New Orleans a bone fever appeared upon Mrs. McKinley's finger.

Will Aid Strikers. LOUISVILLE, May 12.—The union carpenters of Louisville, who are on a strike for \$2.00 minimum wages for nine hours' work, and the exclusion of non-union labor, will be aided by the Building Trades Council of this city, which tonight decided to enforce the union card rule. All members of the Building Trades Council, in adopting this rule, agree to quit work at every job where non-union building trades workers are employed.

Strikers Will Return to Work. ST. LOUIS, May 12.—The 600 and more employes of the brick and terra cotta makers who have been out on a strike for an advance in wages will return to work Monday morning. Their demands having been met. The common laborers will be paid \$1.50 a day (instead of \$1.25 formerly), and skilled laborers have been advanced 10 per cent of their former pay.

James H. Pearson, Capitalist. CHICAGO, May 12.—James H. Pearson, for many years a prominent business man and capitalist of this city, died tonight.

MRS. MCKINLEY ILL

Taken to San Francisco to Obtain Rest.

CONDITION IS NOT ALARMING

If Improvement Is Not as Rapid as Hoped For, Programme for Remainder of Tour May Be Curtailed.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—The sudden illness of Mrs. McKinley has caused an unexpected change in the itinerary of President McKinley. He arrived in this city quietly this afternoon several hours

ago, although her condition had improved, she reluctantly agreed to go to San Francisco at once. The party got away from the hotel so quickly that many of the guests did not know until evening that the President and Mrs. McKinley had gone.

Statement of Physician. SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—At 6 o'clock tonight Dr. Rixey made the following statement: "Mrs. McKinley stood the trip from Del Monte much better than I expected. Her condition is not serious. She will stay here at least a week and have perfect rest. I think by that time she will be able to continue the journey. She has been gaining strength all afternoon."

Mrs. McKinley Resting Comfortably. SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—At 9:30 o'clock tonight Secretary Cortelyou gave the following bulletin to the Associated Press: "Mrs. McKinley stood the trip from Monterey extremely well, and is resting comfortably at Mr. Scott's. Her attack of indigestion, it is believed, will yield promptly to rest and remedies, while the bone felon on the hand is healing neatly. Dr. Rixey, chief physician of San Francisco, is in consultation with Dr. Rixey."

It will not be determined until 8 A. M.

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Omaha Again Wide Open. OMAHA, May 12.—Omaha resumed its normal wide-open condition today. Mayor Moore's blue-law enforcement having been declared off. The saloons and gambling-houses did their customary business. The weather was perfect and the beer gardens were crowded. Mayor Moore expressed his satisfaction with the resumption of a liberal policy.

Had Boers Realized Their Strength. LONDON, May 12.—At a banquet of the Cornish Association, held in London last night, General Pole-Carew said: "At the beginning of the war, had the Boers fully realized their strength, and our unpreparedness, we would have been driven into Durban and Cape Town, and presented the spectacle of conquering South Africa from the sea coast."