

EIGHT BIG STEAMSHIPS

LARGE FLEET DUE WITHIN THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS.

Steam and Sail Due Before December 1 Has Carrying Capacity of Nearly 100,000 Tons.

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FROM THE FAR NORTH.

Cutter Bear Arrives With a Tale of Death and Shipwreck.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Oct. 25.—The United States cutter Bear arrived here this morning from Behring Sea, after visiting various stations and the coast of Siberia.

Railroads Without Dividends.

New York Journal of Commerce. One of the interesting summaries contained in the "Railroad Manual" for 1901, recently issued, is that showing the average rate of interest upon steam railroad bonds since 1882.

"That's Wormwood"—Hamlet.

New York Times, Dem. Our friends of the South must permit us to point out to the Bookers T. Washington, judged by his character and standards of public duty and by his achievement, considering the conditions under which he has worked, his ancestry, education, opportunity, is the most distinguished Southerner of our time.

BACK TO THE PORTAGE.

Report That Panama Railroad May Handle Hawaiian Sugar Traffic. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—The Chronicle says that one of the principal officers of the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company is authorized by the statement that an important traffic arrangement with the Panama Railroad Company is under consideration.

AMERICAN-HAWAIIAN LINE

will soon be plying no further south than the Panama, three running between this port, Honolulu and Panama, the others between the Isthmus and New York, with the Panama Railroad doing all the overland business.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Increase in Loss of Life on Steamboats Last Year.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—The annual report of General James A. Dumont, Superintendent of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, shows that during the year 1900 there were 873 vessels inspected during the last five years a decrease of 8 from the figures for the preceding year.

GRAIN FLEET MOVING.

Demands of the Grain Shippers Keep the Tugboats Keenly Busy.

The German ship Renee Rickmers arrived down at Astoria yesterday afternoon and the Albania left up in tow of the boat that took the Rickmers down.

Domestic and Foreign Ports.

ASTORIA, Oct. 25.—Arrived at 8:15 A. M. and left at 10 A. M.—Steam schooner Columbia, for Portland.

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OREGON'S POPULATION BY COUNTIES

As Shown by the Official Census of Oregon, Taken Last Year.

The annexed tables, taken from a bulletin of the Census Office, show the population of Oregon by counties, as well as of the principal cities, by nativity, sex and color. The column on "total colored" includes Chinese, Japanese and Indians.

Table showing Oregon's population by counties, categorized by Native born, Foreign born, and Total Colored. Includes sub-tables for Males and Females.

Table showing Oregon's population by cities, categorized by Native white, Foreign white, and Total Colored. Includes sub-tables for Males and Females.

This bulletin also shows the totals of the population of Oregon by sex, part of which has heretofore been quoted. The native-born males of the state number 187,435, and the females 177,089.

The colored population consists of 217,483 males and 177,089 females. The native whites of native parentage are made up of 183,782 males and 117,343 females.

The present foreign white population consists of 33,853 males and 19,076 females.

The colored population is made up of the following males: 677 negroes, 10,032 Chinese, 240 Japanese, and 2388 Indians, and of the following females: 423 negroes, 86 Chinese, 56 Japanese, and 2503 Indians.

The following tables give the persons of school, militia and voting ages, by sex, general nativity and color, by cities and counties.

Table showing population by counties, categorized by age groups (5 to 20 years, 18 to 44 years, 45 years and over) and nativity (Native white, Foreign white, Negro, Other colored).

Table showing population by cities, categorized by age groups and nativity.

The following table gives the total males 21 years of age and over, classified by general nativity, color, citizenship and literacy, by counties.

Table showing population by counties, categorized by literacy status (Native white, Native negro, Other native colored, Naturalized, First papers filed, Aliens, Unknown).

Summarized, the bulletin shows that the foreign-born element among children of school age aggregate 3.8 per cent of the total. Foreign white persons of school age constitute but 8.4 per cent of the total, while the native white persons are of foreign parentage constitute 27.5 per cent.

Foreign-born males of militia age constitute 24.2 per cent of the total, while foreign-born whites make up 17.8 per cent, and whites of foreign parentage 17.6 per cent, but 8.7 per cent of all being colored.

Foreign-born males of voting age constitute 29.4 per cent of the males of this class in Oregon. Native white males of native parentage constitute 84.9 per cent of Oregon's voters, while foreign white males constitute 21.8 per cent.

Among males of voting age, taken as a class, there is a low percentage of illiterates, 4.8 over all. Of the native whites of white parentage the illiterates are but 1.1 per cent; of the native whites of foreign parentage, 4.8 per cent; of foreign whites, 3.4 per cent; of colored, 34.5 per cent.

NORTHWEST ARMY AFFAIRS

REPORT OF COMMANDER OF DEPARTMENT OF COLUMBIA.

Amounts Expended Upon Barracks and Quarters—\$300,000 Paid Out for Horses.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—The annual report of Major-General S. D. M. Young, commanding the Department of the Columbia, is a brief document, but is accompanied by statements from each of his staff officers which contain facts of more or less importance.

FIGHTING CANADIAN BASS.

Game Contests Between Five-Pounders and Anglers.

Knowlton, Quebec—Once upon a time, long before it had become a resort of American anglers, the waters of the Saguenay, a long narrow strait, extending thirty-one miles from the north, was most forcibly stopped by black bass.

Often as the writer has fished beautiful ponds of the Saguenay, he has never seen a five-pounder as big as the one which was caught by a Canadian angler on the Saguenay.

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der, the targets being connected with firing points by electric bells. These ranges are used for the department rifle competition. The ranges are in the Puget Sound range, adjacent to the Columbia River, is overgrown during May of each year, and is high water. The months of May and June are generally designated as the practice ranges for the department, and also in this department, but owing to the submergence of the shoreline and volleys range at this post during the latter month, it is believed that the months of June and July would be more suitable, and would obviate the necessity of interruption of the firing and an extension of the practice season. The range at Boise is only safe for practice up to 400 yards. Fort Walla Walla has only a known-distance range. The plans for the construction of Fort Wright contain no reference to a target range, and there is no ground suitable for the purpose. It is evident that a modern post should have a target range, and the department inspector of rifle practice recommends the adoption of a target range at Fort Vancouver, Idaho, a station 25 miles from Spokane on the Northern Pacific Railroad.

TO LOSE OUR ARISTOCRACY.

Salt Lake Tribune.

The New York Evening Post claims that signs multiply which show that Crocker is ready to resign. He is in New York as his last; win or lose, he will go to England, never to return. At this rate, we shall lose all our aristocracy. Arthur Crocker is a man of noble birth, and his retirement in England may not be far apart, so that over their back fences they may discuss the ingratitude of republicans and the absurdity of the average American.

Target Range.

Brief reference is made to the target ranges at the several posts. The ranges at Vancouver Barracks are in good order.

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