

LUMBER IN DANGER

Increase in Chinese Tariff Is Threatened.

WOULD INJURE EXPORT TRADE

Prominent Men Will Urge Secretary Hay to Take Firm Stand Against the Levy of Higher Duties.

Lumber interests of the Pacific Coast are concerned by a threatened increase in the Chinese tariff.

Secretary Hay has given positive assurance that a duty will not be permitted on flour, but he fails to give this assurance in regard to lumber.

Some time ago, T. B. Wilcox, president of the Portland Flouring Mills, protested to Secretary of State Hay against making any treaty with China in which flour would be subject to duties.

Lumber interests want concessions. Now lumber exporters want the same favor that has been extended to the flour interests.

A representative of a Portland exporting company in China gives a lucid description of the situation in regard to lumber and flour.

The powers are now represented in China by Special Treaty Commissioners and also by Special Treaty Commissioners.

"But as American trade is principally with North China, the duty on our lumber and flour will be increased 10 per cent.

"As regards flour, the same remarks apply. Every increase in price is detrimental, because when the price goes beyond a certain figure, the great mass of people here, who have been learning to use our flour, will get along without it altogether, or at least with much less than formerly.

"For these reasons, while the British, from their point of view, are correct in their position, we are justified in protesting against the proposed advance of duty, especially in flour and lumber.

"I have learned that General Sharrett has for some time been preventing the adoption of the new tariff. But in due course of time the tariff will be adopted, unless something is done from Washington to prevent it.

"Nobby SILK WAISTS, made in this season's best styles, in all the most popular shades, sleeves and waist finely tucked, a tailor-made finish. SPECIAL—

BOOTBLACKS ORGANIZE. They Propose to Regulate Closing Hours and Price of Shine Tickets.

Representatives from all of the boot-black shops in this city met last night for the purpose of establishing closing hours.

cept Saturdays and legal holidays, at 3 P. M.; on Sundays and legal holidays at 4 o'clock P. M., and on Saturdays at such hour as the individual owners of bootblack shops choose.

PLANING MILL TO START. Union Men Announce That They Will Have Stock in It.

The strike in the planing mills assumed a different aspect yesterday, when the pickets announced that a new planing mill would be started at East Eighth and East Taylor streets.

Among the planing mills the proprietors said that business was being carried on as usual. Full forces of men were on hand every day, and there was no trouble in fulfilling contracts.

The strike of the millmen was in the same condition as on the previous day. Manager Wentworth, of the Portland Lumbering Company, said that no effort was being made to run the mill, but several men were employed about the yards.

ALASKA LINE WILL PAY. Board of Trade Committee Collects Encouraging Data.

Alexander Kunz and J. M. Moore, of the Board of Trade, are collecting information as to the best way of establishing a steamship line between Portland and Alaska.

It will not do for us to be discouraged, after the project is started, by its losing money. We know before we go in that we shall probably lose at first, until our line is established.

200 dozen unlaundered pure linen hand-embroidered initialed Handkerchiefs—All initials and extraordinary value at

Ladies' hemstitched lawn aprons with ties—Exceptional value at 18c—Only about 20 dozen all told, so come early.

Great list of bargains in all lines of Infants' Goods and a Nazareth Knit Underwaist free with every purchase.

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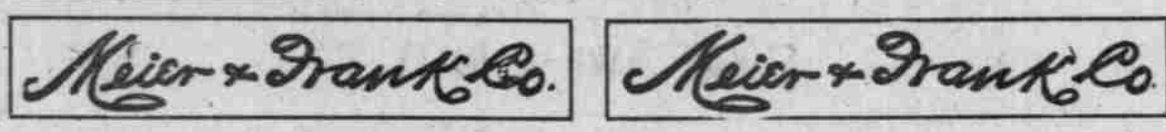
to guarantee the success of the enterprise our merchants should be financially interested in the line.

"I would favor having an understanding with the Puget Sound lines before we begin, to avoid a rate war, if that is possible. It is in our interest to do this.

"Seattle has a fleet of 30 Alaska vessels. I believe we can maintain two vessels. And trade would expand rapidly, once we got into the Alaska territory.

BE SURE and use that old and well-tried remedy, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. It soothes the cold, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and diarrhoea.

"Vudor" The perfect porch shade—Costs about one-half of bamboo, and far superior in every way—(Third floor). "Willamette" Sewing Machines are strictly high-grade and fully guaranteed for ten years—(Second floor).



Hammocks—Every good style and grade—All the new colorings—75c up—(3d floor). "Dreamy Eyes"—The latest hit, by Lampe, author of "Creole Belles"—19c a copy. Picture Framing to your order—All work guaranteed satisfactory—(Second floor).

Friday Surprise Sale

Today the 665th Friday Surprise Sale—the first great shirtwaist offering of the season, comprising four magnificent values in new, this season's waists at prices you cannot resist taking advantage of.

Every waist in the lot worth \$1.50—sale price 95c (See Fifth-Street Window Display.)

Drug Sundries: Pasteurine Antiseptic Tooth Paste, tube 15c; Wisdom's famous Robertine, white or flesh color, 50c size for 29c; Violet Toilet Water, 5-oz. bottle, 50c value for 29c; Good quality Whisk Brooms, great value at 10c; Armour's Soaps, all odors, 3 cakes in box, regular 20c kind, box 16c; 1-lb. Bar Transparent Glycerine Soap for 7c.

Stationery: Huriburt's Foreign Mail, a very thin paper, in blue and white, special 10c box; Huriburt's new "Roxboro," new tints, new shaped envelopes, 24 sheets paper, envelopes to match, regular 25c value, at 16c box; Extra quality cream wove envelopes, regular 10c quality, at 5c pkge.

Boys' Waists: Boys' Waists in dark blue, red or light percale, with detachable waist-band, size 4 to 14 years 18c; Boys' Blouse, dark blue, red or light percales, size 3 to 8 years, special at 18c; Boys' fine Percale Waists, light and dark colors, laundered or un-laundered, ages 6 to 14 years 43c; Fancy Percale Blouse, light and medium colors, ages 5 to 8 years 43c.

Men's Clothing: In the newest materials and styles at very special prices for this week—\$25 suits \$16.85—\$30 suits \$18.85—Bargains in trousers and outing suits.

'Kerchiefs: 200 dozen unlaundered pure linen hand-embroidered initialed Handkerchiefs—All initials and extraordinary value at 10c each.

Umbrellas: We placed on sale this morning 200 twilled serge Umbrellas, in great variety of handles—Fancy bone, horn and natural in plain and fancy trimmed handles—26-inch size—Steel rod and close roller—Great value while they last, at \$1.19.

Aprons 18c: Ladies' hemstitched lawn aprons with ties—Exceptional value at 18c—Only about 20 dozen all told, so come early.

Kitchen Goods: Crystal glass Lemonade Set, large variety of patterns, 6 74c; 7-piece crystal glass Berry Sets, in many styles, at 25c, 30c, 50c, 60c set.

Baby's Week: Great list of bargains in all lines of Infants' Goods and a Nazareth Knit Underwaist free with every purchase.

Thin-blown table Tumblers, special at, each 10c; 4c; Glass Lemon Extractors, each 6c; Handsome Crystal Glass Vases at, each 6c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c; Parlor Lamp, decorated globe and base to match, central draft burner, big bargain... \$2.37; 5-Quart Covered Granite Sauce-pans, special... 45c; 5-Quart Granite Tea Kettle, big bargain at... 81c; Iron frame Clothes Wringer, special bargain at... \$1.29; Double Washboards at... 21c; Window Screens at low prices.

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L. Shanahan 144-146 THIRD, BET. MORRISON AND ALDER. Something You Ought to Know. Shanahan will save you money if you will join the wonderful crowd that visit OUR GREAT Friday Bargain Day. Friday only at these prices. WHITE WAISTS in all sizes, well made and nicely trimmed, worth \$1.50 to \$2, today 75c at 88c and... CORSETS, all sizes, all shapes and styles, value 75c to \$1, 29c while 200 last, only... KID GLOVES in all the latest shades and the best \$1 69c... GAUNTLET GLOVES, just the thing for outing or biking, 10c today, per pair... LADIES' APRONS, large sizes and well made of good 10c white washable goods... BLEACHED TOWELS, a good 15c huck towel, today only 10c... SUN BONNETS, in all colors and laundered; the good weather is here and the bonnets instead of being 25c, today are... TOWELS, a fine bleached 3c towel, today only...

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CHILD'S CUBAN BODY HATS, \$1.69 TODAY AND TOMORROW. Jaunty affairs with silk straw stripes. Trimmings full silk drapes and fancy ornaments. Only 100 of them. Better come early.

IT'S POOR ECONOMY. To do without nice table-ware when our entire stock of china dinner sets, including 50 open stock patterns are this week all DEEPLY REDUCED. 50-piece sets of American decorated china, \$4.72 set, etc.

WELL-DRESSED WOMEN. All aim to have a good black suit. Here's a chance to buy desirable black goods exceptionally cheap. 54-inch, all-wool serges, and plain or pebble chevrons, \$1.50 and \$1.75 grades, now \$1.25 yard.

BED COMFORTS CHEAP. But not cheap comforts on sale here this week at \$1.18 each. Full \$1.50 kinds, fancy silkline covered, pure white cotton filled; good for homes or rooming houses.

NEW TODAY. Ladies' Wash Belts, open mesh, plaid or plain. Dressy Parasols, black, black and white, and colors. Chiffon Veiling, white or tan, daintily embroidered.

LAST TWO DAYS OF SALE OF Muslin Underwear. Lipman, Wolfert & Co.

Sale of Ladies' LAWN WRAPPERS. This splendid offering comes just when women are thinking of new wrappers for Summer wear. A choice assortment of medium and dark ground lawn wrappers, made exactly like the illustration, trimmed with lace inserting, perfect fitting, first-class workmanship, are placed on sale today, while they last, at 98 cents.

100 Geisha Dressing Sacques. Of figured and striped lawns, with fancy borders, in light and medium colors, at 48c.

Sale of Ribbons. Satin and Grosgrain all-silk Ribbons, in all the leading colors, in all widths, at reduced prices. Regular price, 8c, 10c, 15c, 17c, 20c, 22c, 25c. Sale price... 5c, 7c, 9c, 12c, 15c, 17c, 20c.

Book Store. White House Cook Book, oil cloth binding, 1900; special at... 67c; 500 Fine Cloth-bound Books, 200 titles by famous authors; publishers' price, 50c; our special price... 15c; Another lot Webster's fine sheep-bound indexed Dictionaries; publishers' price \$8; very special at... \$1.50.

New Books Just Out. Audrey. Dorothy Vernon. The Mistletoes of Nancy. The Role of the Unconquered. Hound of the Baskervilles. Publishers' price, \$1.50; our price... \$1.08.

Useful, Timely Notion Bargains. 2000 boxes extra Refined English Camphor Marbles; special per box... 8c; 1000 boxes Red Cedar and Camphor mixed; special per can... 10c; 1000 Cressler Disinfectant Powder; special to introduce it, per box... 5c.

At Stationery Counter. Sealing Wax, 80 different shades, 4 sticks in box; special, per box... 15c; Tablet Envelopes in kid finish; special per package... 4c; Colored Superfine Society Paper, azure, heliotrope, rose, opaline, silver; special per box of 5 quires... 29c; Old Parchment Bond Paper, in white or light blue; special per box of 5 quires... 29c; Portland Academy Paper, with embossed school colors; 4 styles; per box... 50c.

A Suggestion as to the Monument. PORTLAND, May 8.—(To the Editor.)—The writer would like to make a suggestion relative to a location for the proposed Oregon Volunteer monument.

from its significance and worth through an unjust or absurd comparison. The Park block immediately east of the Park School would be an ideal location. The shaft should be erected on a mound in the center of the block and the four sides of the block terraced, or sloped away, toward the streets. Such a location would be not only high and slightly, but an excellent object-lesson of patriotism and valor would be taught the youth of our fair city.