

IRFARM, GARDEN AND FIELDSIDE.

AMERICAN SHIPPING.

SOME CAUSES OF ITS REMARKABLE DECLINE.

Iron and Wooden Vessels Compared.

[From the San Francisco Chronicle.]

Alongside the seawall, towards Meigs' wharf, lies the German iron ship Schiffsberg, of 877 tons, loading wheat for Cork. She was built in 1877 at Flensburg, Slavia, at a cost complete of \$57,500, or about \$60 per ton. She has the highest classification of British Lloyd, is as handsome, well light and fitted as any ship turned out on the Clyde, and is deserving of a visit by those interested in shipping. The woodwork, finish and workmanship of deckhouse, skylight, companionway and cabin would do credit to American shipbuilders, and are in favorable contrast to that usually seen on ships from Europe. There is a marked absence of brass—

EVADING THE ISSUE.

There has however been a disposition to talk all around the subject, instead of directly at it. The ship owners convention resolved that with the abolition of the present stringent laws against American shipping, and with a subsidy, our ships could once more compete in the carrying trade. The marine shipbuilders desire a bounty to be paid for every ton of shipping built, and the substance of both resolves is that the whole country is asked to pay individuals to build and run ships which, it is thus acknowledged, they are unable to do themselves, because it does not pay. Should these requests be acceded to, it would next be in order for boat and shoe or any other factories to make a similar demand, and with good cause a right and show of success. This German ship furnishes as good an example and proof of why American shipping is steadily declining, and as a comparison vessels of England, the United States, France and Germany, of the same tonnage, will be used in the following table of 807 tons of the expeditious of each vessel while engaged in the same trade. There are less than half a dozen seagoing iron ships in the United States, none of which have been built in this country, and the comparison must therefore be between the Maine built wooden ship and the foreign iron ship.

A SIGNIFICANT COMPARISON.

The first cost and subsequent earnings and expenses are as follows: American ships of 807 tons at \$250 per ton, \$201,750. Cost of the foreign ships of equal tonnage, \$57,500. So far the advantage is apparently with the American ships, but she is no sooner launched than a federal tax of 30 cents per ton per annum is exacted, and the place in which the ship is owned levies an average tax of 25 cents upon the assessed value of this floating property. The tax during the first year stands thus: Federal tax, \$200.15; state and municipal tax on a valuation of at least \$25,000 amounts to \$375, making a total of \$1,175. The insurance on the hull of an iron ship is generally 14 per cent lower than the rate on a wooden ship. The average longevity of a wooden ship is about three years, while the duration of an iron ship, although not yet accurately demonstrated may be set at thirty years. The average repairs, copying, etc., to a wooden ship are about 8 per cent annually, at the least, while the iron vessel's repairs and dockage accounts will not exceed 4 per cent, a difference in favor of the latter of \$1169 yearly.

WAGES IN AMERICA AND ABROAD.

The greatest drawback to American shipping is the higher wages paid to officers and crew, and compared with foreign ships for one month as follows:

AD VANTAGES OF IRON SHIPS.

In the month the foreign iron ship is earning 62 cents more per ton on wheat cargo than the American wooden vessel, and as water ballast carried in a double bottom is being rapidly introduced the iron ship has a still further advantage over the wooden ship, that is to incur a considerable expense in handling stone or other bulky ballast and have it carried off to the ship.

ATTRACTIVE HOMES.

Let us, who are mothers and sisters, while we are earnestly endeavoring to throw good and lasting influences around the young, extend to our guidance, but underrate the value of an attractive home. Most of us have at times been sojourners in homes that looked so prim and precise in all their appointments that we could scarcely breathe freely until we had gone out and closed the door carefully behind us, almost fearing that the evil spirit of the place would follow us home.

VICIOUS LAWS.

The laws of 1872 passed by Congress were for the protection of seamen, but have had quite an opposite effect. A sailor discharged in a foreign port is entitled to three months extra pay, which of course makes it impossible for the master to avail himself of the opportunity of shipping a cheaper crew. The consequence is that the sailor is induced by inflated wages or through other means to accept of the offer, and the master to open the ship on the first opportunity offered. Therefore notwithstanding his \$25 per month the sailor under the American flag is not so well off as the foreign ship seaman who only receives \$1.50 per month, but is treated like a man and not as a brute. With these demoralizing influences working upon the shipping interests, it is not to be wondered at that our ocean carrying trade is diminishing, that our tonnage is decreasing while foreign nations are increasing their tonnage. According to the Bureau Veritas the ocean shipping of 1874 and 1880 of the United States, Great Britain and Germany was as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Year, United States, Great Britain, Germany. Rows for 1874 and 1880.

This shows an actual decrease in American ships and a perceptible increase of German shipping. According to the Secretary of the Treasury's report the total merchant marine of the United States was 4,800,652 tons in 1874, and in 1880 only 4,680,655.

A RAPID DECLINE.

The tonnage of American and foreign ships entered at seaports of the United States during the years 1874 and 1880 were as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Year, American, Foreign. Rows for 1874 and 1880.

The percentage of imports and exports carried in American bottoms since 1856 up to date shows an alarming decrease:

Table with 4 columns: Year, Per cent of Imports, Per cent of Exports. Rows for 1856, 1860, 1864, 1868, 1872, 1876, 1880.

At the above rate of retrograde movement the ocean carrying trade will in another ten years be entirely foreign ships.

A GIRL SHOULD LEARN.

To sew. To cook. To read. To be gentle. To value time. To dress neatly. To keep a secret. To mind the baby. To be self-reliant. To learn stockings. To respect old age. To catch a husband. To hold her tongue. To make good bread. To keep house tidy. To be above gossiping. To ignore a cross man. To control her temper. To take care of the sick. To make home happy. To sweep down the cobwebs. To marry a man for his worth. To be a help-mate to a husband. To keep clear of flash literature. To take plenty of active exercise. To read some books besides novels. To see a house without screaming. To be light-hearted and feet-footed. To get into a snarl-in-law's good graces.

MELON THIEVES.

One year we made a square of a quarter of an acre, surrounded by three rows of Lima bean poles. Inside this square we planted musk melons which were entirely hidden by the bean vines. Of course, our help was in the secret, and we anticipated that on the following year the foresaid help which had been discharged, would seek the seedling of the hollow square and at night eat and destroy our melons. So, on that following year, we reserved a square in the center of a cornfield. When the stalks were high the melons ripened in blissful innocence, and the vagrants did not know that there was a little Elysium inside.

There is always great uncertainty in breeding from cross-bred animals, the inheritance in such cases being quite as likely to take one direction as the other, and in other cases frequently reverting to the original type in a very unexpected manner. The surest is to use a thoroughbred male of some one breed, and make your own crosses. A breed of cattle can not be built up in one or even three generations of cross breeding, or of grading in a given direction.

"I think we have an early spring," remarked an Old City woman as she noticed her husband in the net of sitting down on the business end of a carpet tack. It is proposed to erect a crematory at Brooklyn. The general belief is that they have only to dig a short distance in order to find one ready at hand. "A NEW WAY to settle old debts" is the cash and pay them.

MARK LANE REPORT.

London, May 29. The Mark Lane Express says: General soaking rains have benefited vegetation. What is generally looking strong and healthy but backward for the end of May. Spring sowing is satisfactory. A dry summer and early harvest would ruin all crops except wheat. The supply at country exchanges has been small and prices somewhat firmer. In London, Friday, there was rather better demand, but rates were unchanged. Foreign exchange was inanimate and supply moderate. Buyers continue cautious and reserved, only supplying immediate needs. American red and Michigan white was well firm and advanced one penny at Liverpool. Of 22 wheat arrivals eight are reported sold. The floating contingent has increased. About one half is American. Red continues laborious of sale and values unchanged. Foreign is in large supply, barley unchanged. Foreign trade is inanimate. Oats on account of scarcity are unchanged. Light samples are cheaper. Of foreign there is a large supply and prices have been reduced. Malze continues to decline. American wheat was scarce on spot and advanced 8d. Sales of English wheat during the week, 31,012 qrs at 44s 1d per quarter, against 23,337 qrs at 44s 1d per quarter for the corresponding week of last year.

A small lad had just received his Christmas toy trumpet, to which he became greatly attached. At night, when he was about to put in his "blow pipe," and was ready to say his prayers, he handed the trumpet to his grandmother, saying, "Here, grandma, you blow while I pray."

A man, about going to Europe, said to his wife: "I am afraid, my dear, that while I am gone, absence will conquer love." "Oh, you needn't fear for me," quipped his wife; "the longer you stay away the better I shall like you."

An Irishman has always an answer for everything. A Corkonian, on being asked at breakfast how he came by "that black eye," said "he slept on his fat."

THE GRACE.

Since God created the earth agriculture has existed. There is no occupation that precedes it, no order or method that can rank with the tillage of the soil. Before literature existed, before governments were known, agriculture was the first calling of man. The order of patron is the only association that originates, exists and works with its members in their daily avocations. It is part of the farmer's life; it does not call him from his work to put his hand upon any other subject, just then to recreation in his daily duties, and by careful instruction to enlighten and elevate his labor. Its teachings are the loftiest that man can seek. It does not interfere with his religious or political views. In morality it seeks the highest point; honesty is inculcated, education nurtured, charity is a prominent characteristic, temperance is supported, and brotherly love cultivated. It is designated to bind the farmers together in fraternity, and by encouraging education, advances to a higher state of perfection the science of agriculture. We aim to encourage the planting of fruits and flowers, by which to enhance the value and increase the attractions of our homes, adorning them with these beauties so lavishly given us by the God of Nature; and there is no calling so elevating to the mind as agriculture, when viewed as instructed in our Order. God, in the beginning, made it honorable, and it is our duty to sustain it as such. Discarding the principles which shut out woman from a knowledge of the soil, and are willing to aid in making a claim a precedent—when God said, "It is not good for man to be alone." Ours is a social order; all can find herein something to enjoy, and we believe there is nothing better for a man than that he should eat and drink, and that he should make his soil enjoy good in his labor. It is from the hand of God. We ask none to join who cannot see good in their fellow beings; but to all those who have generous hearts and open hands to help the needy, raise the fallen, and are willing to aid in making the labor of this life cheerful, we make welcome to the Grange.—Grange Bulletin.

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Hall of Linn County Council, P. of H. MAY 7th, 1881. MR. EUGENE BUCHANAN, Agent M. O. OSBORNE & CO., Albany, Oregon: Sir—At a regular meeting of the Linn County Business Council, P. of H., held this day, the D. M. Osborne & Co. Harvesting Machinery was adopted for the use of the Patrons of this jurisdiction. (Signed) Yours Respectfully, H. C. POWELL, Secretary.

It is with pride that we refer to the above communication, coming as it does from the Linn County Council, a business association composed of some of the best and most successful farmers of Linn, Lane, Benton and Marion Counties. They purchased a large number of OSBORNE BINDERS last year, and so universal was the satisfaction given during the harvest of 1880 that they have decided to order another lot for the coming harvest. This endorsement speaks volumes for the OSBORNE, and it is now in order for another word of "thumbs up" and "cheer" to ascend from the agents of the only true and Pioneer Binders. To those wanting our machine we say, in all sincerity, give us your orders early, that we may be able to supply you. Our orders to the present exceed our most sanguine expectations, and we are daily adding the names of some of our best farmers to the list. Mr. Burge, the Northwest coast manager of the firm of D. M. Osborne & Co., writes that it is the same from all parts of the country, and has telegraphed for more machines. So come on with your orders. If any of our customers have a machine that is out of order, and requires any assistance in adjusting the same, if they will leave word at my office in this city, or write to D. M. Osborne & Co., Portland, before harvest commences, they will be waited upon free of charge. We have no cry of fraud or warning to make against irresponsible agents, or any one else. Every machine sold by us is in the name of and warranted by D. M. Osborne & Co., whose responsibility is not questioned by any respectable dealer in America.

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Y. P. C. A.—Meets at their rooms in Foster block, building on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 o'clock, and on Sabbath afternoons at 4. Business meetings are held on the evening of the second Monday in each month. Evergreen Union.—Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. by Rev. F. G. Irvine, D. D. Sabbath School at 2:30 P. M. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening. Evangelical Church.—Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 2:30 P. M. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening. W. C. Knaster, pastor. Congregational Church.—Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 2:30 P. M. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening of each week. J. W. Harris, pastor. M. E. Church, North.—Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 12:30 P. M. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening. M. C. Miller, pastor. M. E. Church, South.—Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 12:30 P. M. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening. Rev. E. B. N. Condit, pastor. Presbyterian Church.—Services every Sabbath morning and evening at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School immediately after the morning service. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening. Rev. E. B. N. Condit, pastor.

Administrator's Sale

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT in pursuance of an order of the County Court of Linn County and State of Oregon, bearing date August 9th, 1879, being a day of the regular August term of said Court, for the year 1879, in the matter of the estate of Sarah Ann Simpson, deceased, the undersigned, Administrator of said estate, will sell at public auction at the Court House door in Albany, Linn County, and State of Oregon, at the hour of one o'clock P. M. of

SATURDAY, JUNE 25th, 1881, all the right, title, interest and estate of the said Sarah Ann Simpson, deceased, in and to all that certain tract of land lying and being situated in Linn County, Oregon, and described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the line between sections 3 and 4 in Township 18 South, Range 3 West of Willamette Meridian, thence South on said line one mile, more or less to the Southwest corner of said section 3, thence South 10 chains 20 links, thence North 60 chains, thence North 22 chains, thence North 64 chains, more or less to the Pacific river, thence down the said river to the place of beginning, containing two hundred and fifty acres, more or less, including and excepting the grave yard of nine rods square.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE.—One third cash in hand on day of sale, and balance in six months, with interest thereon at the rate of one per cent per month from the day of sale, secured by note and mortgage on the premises for the payment thereof. May 25, 1881. L. H. MONMANYL, Administrator.

Assignee's Notice of Appointment.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned has been duly appointed Assignee of the claims and liabilities of all the property of Charles Hodges, of North Brownsville, Oregon. All persons having claims against said Charles Hodges, will present the same, verified as required by law, within six months from this date, to the undersigned, at his residence in Brownsville, Oregon. Dated May 25, 1881. W. C. COOLEY, Assignee.

Executor's Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned has been by an order of the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, duly appointed and entered of record the undersigned has been duly appointed the Administrator of the estate of C. D. Burdick, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present them, properly verified to the undersigned at the late residence of the deceased, near Albany, Linn County Oregon within six months from this date. C. M. BURKHART, J. D. BURKHART, Administrators. June 1st, 1881.

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