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are taught the children in the public schools as to the effect of forest denudation upon atmospheric phenomena: pictures are drawn of countries where at the time the effect is nothing but a calamity, where ruins exist to denote that at a very distant period the country was rich, fertile and prosperous. Each child is taught by the school master and the

is brought home to the attention of people on Arbor Day, that whoever plants a tree or shrub, or consigns a seed to

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have received a column of the Governor of Nevada stating that a united effort be made at a session of Congress by the States to secure justice in this regard. I think a good one. I have seen this subject which will be a memorial, and submit to your committee at Second—An act of Congress, March 2, 1887, provided for

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to carry out its provisions, less the chances of this bill looked at the current session of Congress. I suggest that a memorial be presented to the President in Washington requesting its reconsideration. I can furnish your committee a copy of the bill desired.

Third—The restriction of the Chinese steamer act is being evaded by numbers of those objectionable vessels crossing our northern boundary by land or arriving at different Puget Sound ports on small sailing vessels. I mention these facts in my report to the Secretary of the Interior, and recommended amendment of the restriction act in the interest of greater efficiency. A memorial should be presented to the President requesting greater attention than the report has received; I believe, therefore, that the interests of this commonwealth would be subserved by such memorial.

Fourth—The ultimate permanent emancipation of the people from high freight

rates will occur when the thousands of miles of navigable rivers fortunately possessed by the territory are opened to navigation. Congress has inaugurated the process, but the work is slowly going on account of insufficient appropriations and the excessive conservatism of the United States engineers. I believe that a memorial on this subject would, by showing the deep interest felt in this subject

Fifth—The settlement of a large portion of this territory is retarded by the doubt that exist in regard to land titles by the reason of the various constructions placed upon the laws granting lands to railroads and corporations. A bird's eye view from the summit of Steptoe's butte, in Western Montana, will, I am told, disclose the limits of the Northern Pacific railroad grant, the title of which is still in dispute.

by our people, be of much service in inducing the federal government to be more liberal in the application of funds to this irrefragable end. I can furnish your committee with much valuable information on this topic if they request it.

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eral in the application of funds to this desirable end. I can furnish your committee with much valuable information on this topic if they request it.

Fifth—The settlement of a large portion of the controversy is retarded by the doubt that exists in the minds of the public as to the position of the various constructional companies upon the laws granting lands to railroads. A bird's eye view from the summit of Steptoe's butte, in Whitman county, will, I am told, disclose the limit of the Northern Pacific railroad grant, and the extent of improvement. The blighted effect of placid persons of the public domain under the control of the government of one set of men is illustrated in a striking manner by this object lesson. Not only are the lands that are in dispute affected by the blight, but those that are not are held at high price for speculative purposes, to the detriment both of the people and the stockholders of the railroad companies. The public domain, of whom the public domain was or

nally intended, are unable to take the lands, and the railroad company is deprived of the carriage of the products of the soil, which would in a few years amount to as much as the value of the land. I think it probable that when these lands are made to bear their proportion of tax, the disposition to hold them will not be so strong. I suggest that it would be proper for your honorable body to use its influence by memorial to congress on this side of some speedy adjustment of the question of titles. The country is interested in having the

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respectfully suggest that it would be for your honorable body to accept of a memorial.

In conclusion, gentlemen of the Senate, I beg to assure you of my personal cooperation in the work now opening before us, and trust your honorable body will consider me sufficiently attached to the cause to limit before the final adjournment which no new business may be introduced, so that this office will be able to give due attention to all matters before it.

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