

**ALL FOR PORTLAND.**

**Mining Congress Considering No Other City in 1905.**

DEADWOOD, S. D., Sept. 10.—The American Mining Congress held no sessions today, this being a day set apart to afford the visitors an opportunity to make excursions to different places of interest in the vicinity and to inspect the many important mines and mine plants. Practically all the members and delegates to the Congress left town early, not returning until evening.

The chief event of the day of sight-seeing was the stoppage of operations and throwing open for inspection this afternoon of various mines and plants of the Homestake Mining Company at Lead. This has not been done before in 25 years, and a great number of both visitors and residents took advantage of the courtesy, many going into the lower levels of the principal shafts, which have attained a depth of 1100 feet.

The Congress will resume deliberations in the City of Lead tomorrow at 9:30 a. m., the first and principal business being the discussion and vote upon the constitution and bylaws to be adopted by the Mining Congress, which, on Wednesday, were made the special order for the beginning of Friday's session. Several important papers are also on their programme for reading at tomorrow's sessions.

In regard to the officers of the Congress for the ensuing year, the election of whom is to occur Saturday, it is not expected there will be any change in offices of president or secretary, as it seems to be the general opinion among members that both President Richards and Secretary Mahon will succeed themselves.

Since the arrival of the Oregon delegation, who immediately opened commodious working headquarters and began working for Portland as the place for holding the next annual session, no other town has been heard of, and today it seems very probable that Portland will be named.

**Forest Reserves a Mistake.**

There is little doubt but what a few years will bring a different policy into action in the forestry department of the United States. It is already evident to well posted coast lumber men, that to set aside the vast areas of timber land, and create forest reserves is a mistake. If persisted in, it means that untold millions of feet of timber will die and grow less valuable; it means a total loss of one crop of timber. There is good reason for establishing these forest reserves in sections of the United States where the forests have been cut off, but not in creating reservations in districts already covered with timber, much of which should be cut now. One practical agent of the forestry department recently went with a lumberman through a forest reservation and remarked: "This timber should have been cut one hundred years ago." Recently the government sent out circular letters asking proposals for removing dead timber from the reservations. The specifications required so much to be done that one who knew anything about timber on this coast would only laugh at them. The government should sell the timber on the reservations, giving the buyer ample time to remove it. Let it all be cut off; then the reforestry work should begin, and prepare another crop of timber for the next generation. It is folly to employ a gang of men to sit around and watch a few thousand acres of timber die of old age, or burn up.—W. C. and P. S. Lumberman

**Nearly 800,000 Acres of California Land Withdrawn From Entry.**

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 10.—The local agent of the United States Land Office today received a telegram from the United States Commissioner of Lands at

Washington ordering the withdrawal from homestead settlement of a large area of land in connection with the Government's irrigation projects on the Colorado River.

The withdrawal comprises an area approximately of 760,000 acres. The land lies in San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, along the Colorado River, beginning just north of the Needles and extending southward to the line of San Diego County.

The Secretary evidently believes in packing the pie around. There has been land enough withdrawn in the west for forest reserve purposes, to create two states and three territories, and still they come.

**Douglas' Prunes.**

Gathering the prune crop, of Douglas County, was commenced last week. The prune crop of the county is equal to any previous crop and will be close to 5,300 pounds. Both of the packing houses at Roseburg are ready to receive the prunes. The S. P. spur is about completed from the main track onto the Kinney's Addition, and the prune crop will begin moving very soon.

It is said that the salmon pack on the Pacific coast this year is 1,000,000 cases short of last year. An advance in the price of canned salmon is predicted.

Coos Bay News: "Sawduster" promises to be one of the familiar terms of the coming election. It means the man who makes great political pretensions, and then cannot "deliver the goods."

If there is anything that an Oregon farmer produces that is not bringing a good price we have failed to hear of it. Oregon farmers are prosperous. The fact that an occasional farmer fails to prosper is nothing against the country.—Lebanon Criterion.

The association of farmers and their representatives met last week in Chicago which contemplates the forming of a monster exchange by which the producers of the country expect to control the markets, build elevators, establish packing houses, organize banks, maintain schools and improve the highways. It is to be capitalized at \$100,000,000.

In 1870 the exports of the United States were valued at \$377,000,000 and those of the United Kingdom at \$971,000,000. In 1902 the exports of this country exceeded those of the United Kingdom \$13,000,000. The saying that a stern chase is a long chase is usually true, but in this case protection was the propelling power, and that explains why we have passed Great Britain easily in commerce as we have in production.—San Francisco Chronicle.

The big six-acre map of the United States that the Bureau of Plant Industry will show at the World's Fair at St. Louis in growing crops, is taking on more positive form every day. Supt. Brodie has all the great map outlined with a broad belt of blue grass. The paths that mark the boundaries between the states are nearly all cut and many of the plants that make up the map are installed. Much of this planting can not be done until the frost is out of the ground next spring, but the work has progressed sufficiently to insure the success of the unique undertaking.

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