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THE ASIATIC PROBLEM. The Caucasian race has, until the last century, devoted its time and attention to the subjection of the black and red races and the education of the yellow and brown. Its interest in the yellow race as represented by the Mongolian and the brown race as represented by the Japanese, has been in the nature of curious inquiry been in the nature of curious inquiry and experiment. The Hindu has been educated on the theory that to "spare the rod is to spoil the child." Now, however, the problem has become difficult, puzzling and even startling. Japan has learned practically all she can and has graduated. She feels sale to teach school herself She feels able to teach school herself and to use the rod, too, if she thinks best. China is in school master Caucasian's school, in the senior class, and is learning the art of war, dip-lomacy and progress. The Hindu has not been quite as apt a scholar. Perhaps his teacher has depended too much on the rod. But with Japan making its own way, China prepar-ing to do so, India may feel hopeful. To China, Japan and India, Ameri-

ca offers an inviting field. The demand for labor and the good wages paid, present a picture of luxury which, to the mind of the man who has hitherto been content with a hovel and a small portion of rice, and whose wages have been from ten to twenty-five cents per day, one, two or three dollars per day is wealth untold. No wonder that the com-paratively few who arrive on these shores are anxious to remain even in the face of opposition. It is a goal worth dying to obtain. No wonder that he sends word back to his countrymen at home that he has found a place where abundance calls him. No wonder that the mil-Hons whose condition is regarded as worse than hopeless become in-terested and that they seek a way ito reach so delightful a naven. That missionary bishop who said the other day that a great movement of Chinese, Japanese and Hindus is already astir, with the object of transferring millions of these human beings to these shores, has spoken from a fullness of fifty years knowledge of what they intend. situation in Bellingham and British Columbia is strong proof of its truth. The Hindus have disappeared from Vancouver and Bellingham, but they have faded into the mountains, the forests and the plains. What of the millions which may come? The large liberality of some might say, "let them come." They are men. But is it not a thousand times better to resist their coming that we may pre serve those institutions which make this country the fit abiding place of a free people? These strange races do not understand American institu-tions and they come with no design to exchange their customs and sys tem for ours, but rather to establish theirs in place of them. The Asiatic problem in this mild, unminitary and marmed form is more dangerous than all the navies of Japan and all the armies of the orient combined.

MARSHETELD HIGH SCHOOL. Why Coos County, with a popula-tion bordering on twenty thousand, cept at North Bend, is explainable only on the ground that is people are more interested in the accretions of the pocket than in the improvement of the mind. Marshfield has nearly, if not quite, 4,000 people, and yet sh has not a full course high school. Even her two year course with three Even her two year course with three years' studies, is not sustained. The efforts of the able principal to maintain the credit of Marshfield in this respect have reflected glory on him and enabled him to feel that he has ample treasure "stored up in heaven," but he might be excused if he looked back at Marshfield with contempt. Think of a high school with only one teacher, and not able, on that aregunt to meet the needs of one day's tuition! But why? Because, perforce, the assistants are to be day's taition! But why? Because, perforce, the assistants are to be naid only fifty dollars a month! As there are only nine months in the school year that means \$450 a year. One does not ask a cheap Chinaman to work for that price and the muscular and healthy laborer can earn mearly twice that. The Marshfield wheel hand authority thinks it wiser mearly twice that. The Marshfield school hoard evidently thinks it wiser to cultivate muscle and let mind trust to cultivate muscle and let mind trust to lack. Possibly they think the climsta is so good, the soil so fertile and the clams so easy to get, that there is no use in this favored land of forgotten orchards, for the higher forms of education. Fifty collars a month! Pour hundred and fifty a year! No wonder that the eastern or the Portland inquirer who learns the price by wire, is never hearns the price by wire, is never heard from again. Yet Marshfield is one of the wealthlest cities of its size in the west. And a SEA PORT.

Bay yesterday and whil troiling, Mr. For dates see this paper later. Schetter landed a 50 pound salmon, which is likely the largest fish taken this year by hook and line.

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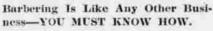
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