

WHO IS TO BLAME.

A subscriber, and a prominent citizen of this county asks us who, in our opinion, is to blame for the unfortunate condition into which the improvement of Yaquina harbor has fallen. We do not hesitate to answer that Senator Geo. W. McBride, and Congressmen Thos. H. Tongue and W. R. Ellis are to blame. And the greatest blame is upon Thos. H. Tongue, because the work lies in his district. This trio, so far as any record of their works are yet known, have never risen to a conception of their duties. They have put in their whole time chasing combinations to further their own political ends, and the needs of their state have been ignored and overlooked. It is not sufficient for the delegation to say that it is out of their hands. When it got out of the hands of the late J. N. Dolph, or J. H. Mitchell, or of Binger Hermann, and the adverse influence of Capt. Symons and others were brought to bear to kill the project, these men, who had minds and intellects broad enough to realize that they were representatives of whole state, went after it and got it back into their hands, and put the enemies of the project to flight. But it is almost a sacrilege to name such broad, deep men as Dolph, Mitchell and Hermann in the same breath as McBride, Tongue and Ellis. Never did the people of Oregon see its old and honored delegation sitting in state at a hotel in Portland and offering the federal offices of the state to the men who would make the best political promises to them. In those days Oregon had a delegation that commanded respect and that looked to the interests of the whole state. But now—draw the mantle of charity over them. The mantle of obscurity will fall upon them in due time.

The president has recently made three important Oregon appointments, that of United States marshal, appraiser for the port of Portland, and U. S. district attorney. Zoeth Houser, of Pendleton gets the marshalship, Col. O. Summers, of Portland, appraiser and John H. Hall, of Portland, district attorney. These three appointments are distinctly and strongly Mitchell men in every sense of the word, and their appointment is a clear victory for the Mitchell faction in Oregon. It indicates that a combination has been made between the delegation and Mitchell and the utmost efforts will be put forth by it to control the state.

The three year old child of J. A. Johnson, of Lynn Center, Ill., is subject to attacks of croup. Mr. Johnson says he is satisfied that the timely use of Chamberlain's Croup Remedy, during a severe attack, saved his little boy's life. He is in the drug business, a member of the firm of Johnson Bros. of that place and they handle a great many patent medicines for throat and lung diseases. He had all these to choose from, and skilled physicians ready to respond to his call, but selected this remedy for use in his own family at a time when his child's life was in danger, because he knew it to be superior to any other, and famous the country over for its cures for croup. Mr. Johnson says this is the best selling cough medicine that they handle, and that it gives splendid satisfaction in all cases. Sold by O. O. Krogstad, Druggist.

One of the large rock scows at Marshfield was swamped at the government works last Tuesday with 75 tons of rock on board. A rock was being hoisted from the scow to the wharf, when it slipped in some manner and fell upon the deck of the scow.

Why Not Make Your Own Sugar?

It may be of interest to the farmers of Lincoln county to know that a Michigan farmer has demonstrated that sugar can be manufactured from beets without any expensive machinery. He simply grated the beets, pressed out the juice with a cider press and boiled it as you would boil the sap of the sugar maple. During the process of boiling, he says the syrup had the flavor of the beet, but when sugared off it had the appearance and much the same flavor of maple sugar. From seventy pounds of beets he got six pounds of sugar. It has been supposed heretofore that sugar couldn't be profitably made from beets without extensive and costly machinery, but this experiment opens a broad field for experiment and invention. It seems more than probable that the progressive farmer of the coast, where the sugar beet grows in perfection, will soon manufacture, not only the sugar for his family use, but a large amount of raw sugar to sell to the refiners. Instead of hauling tons and tons of the beets to the distant factory, he will manufacture the sugar at home, feeding the waste to his stock, enriching his land and adding largely to his profits. This is a matter worth investigating. A. B. CLARK, Elk City, Oregon.

There is a strong movement being made to induce the government to use Oregon stone in the construction of the new government building soon to be built in Portland. Should this move be successful the stone would be very likely to come from some of the Lincoln county quarries, probably the Pioneer quarry. It is possible also that Lincoln county will get to furnish the granite to be used in this building. The granite of the Rock creek ledge being fully up to the requirements of the architect. Should these materials come from Lincoln county it will be first class.

A little girl being called on in school to answer these questions, "What is a blacksmith shop? What is ice? What is a nest egg? handed in the following truly original answers: "A blacksmith shop is a place where they make horses, for I have seen them nailing on the feet. Ice is water that went to sleep in the cold. A nest egg is the one the hen measures by."—Ex.

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