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A column or more of notice in the Post-Intelligencer of the organization of the Puget Sound Packing Company—McGovern's new "combine"—with special and personal mention of its promoters and congratulations to the people of Seattle and every other town in the Puget sound region on the incoming of the new capital invested in that enterprise, is an illustration of the difference between the policy of Washington's leading paper and the one occupying that relation to Oregon. The Puget sound "combine" is composed of not to exceed three canneries, representing an aggregate investment of much less than \$100,000, but a very small proportion of which was brought into the state by the Eastern promoters. Yet, small as it is, and devoid of any possible bearing upon further investments in that or any other line of Puget sound investments, the newspapers of that locality see nothing but cause for rejoicing in the new venture and are a unit in extending to it all manner of encouragement. How different it is in Oregon. Here the leading newspaper has taken a malicious pleasure in personally misrepresenting and abusing the outside capitalists who promoted the great Columbia river organization. Instead of welcoming the incoming of that new blood and capital and praising the confidence and foresight which prompted the distribution of such a large sum of money in connection with the Oregon industry, every pretext has been seized by the Oregon newspaper to incite public prejudice against the enterprise and foment positive ill-will towards it among its customers abroad and its employes at home. To such an extent has this peculiar policy been carried, without any excuse other than an unnatural spirit of resentment for the incoming of strangers, that the newspaper in question has reprinted columns of clippings from a broker's organ in New York City, criticising a method of business adopted by the new association which has already so revolutionized the market for Columbia river salmon that the association was able to set such a price for raw fish last year and this as to increase the earnings of fishermen many thousands of dollars. In addition to this, the financial standing of the association, was made the subject of one of the most villainous and libelous attacks ever published in a newspaper of even

the lowest and most depraved type, notwithstanding that the association has paid every bill it ever contracted, is rated in the financial reports of the country on a par of credit equal to that of any commercial institution in America, has disbursed in the purchase of supplies and advances to fishermen on account of the season of 1900 in the state of Oregon much over \$200,000 cash money and has ample means on deposit in the banks of the state to meet all of its expenses for a twelve-months, without drawing on its income for one penny. It is this spirit in Oregon, cultivated and encouraged by its leading newspaper, that has had more than anything else to do with the rush of immigration and capital past Oregon's door every year to incomparably less favored states in point of resources and natural advantages in the Northwest.

AS TO THE SALMON TRUST.

We have no bone to pick with the salmon trust. In assuming that we have, some of the trust's foolish friends have made as grave a mistake as the gudgeons that swallowed the bait, hook and bobber. The salmon trust, otherwise the Columbia River Packers Association, has our permission to exercise the right of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. But in briefly defining our own position as to the salmon trust we do not assume to speak for the distributing trade in New York and other cities, who are decidedly of the opinion that the trust does not deserve to live, for the reason that it is disposed to deny this blessing to others. For example, dealers in New York who have spent large sums of money in identifying themselves by means of long handling and expensive advertising with a certain brand of goods do not wish to have the trust say they shall no longer handle that brand. To be deprived, or spoiled, of this right means a serious loss in business, and these dealers contend, with much force and justice, that they should not be made the victims of such arbitrary power. In this contention we are with them.—New York Commercial.

Here is a revelation for certain Oregon papers that make a practice of republishing every piece of rot which appears in the Commercial concerning the Columbia River Packers Association. Plainly, the rot of the Commercial's agitation is not the excess of sympathy it feels over the lot of the poor fishermen on the Columbia river, who have to take from two to four cents a pound more for their fish than they would receive if it had not been for the organization of the packer's association. The trouble with the Commercial is, rather, the outcry of the band of New York parasites, who without toiling or spinning in the fishermen's field, have heretofore been arrayed like the lily out of the sweat and peril of the men who go down to the Columbia river bar in fishing boats. These fellows find their occupation here. The Columbia River Packers Association has seen fit to dispense with them. It prefers to save the wealth they have been extracting these many years out of their manipulation of the salmon market for the benefit of the men who catch the fish or have their money invested in the machinery which prepares it for the consumer's table. The Columbia River Packers Association proposes to have no dealings with these fishers and cannery of Columbia river salmon through the media of the typewriter and printing press—whose only association with the industry comes from their ability to stir up competition and ill-will among salmon cannery who imagine they have to go down to New York to sell their fish. The Columbia River Packers Association prefers to pack its fish under its own guaranteed labels; to put its entire product on the market under a certificate of quality that means just what it says and which leaves no room for the frauds and manipulations that have done so much injury to the once peerless standing of Columbia river fish and which once reduced its price in the world's market to the level of the cheap tchuck put up on Puget sound and the small brackish streams of the Washington coast. If this is any offense to the people in Oregon who get their living in return for labor performed in the Columbia river industry, we fall to see where it comes in. If the rage and disappointment of these New York broker-sharks, who have been shut out of a business to which they contributed neither capital nor labor by the clean and direct methods of the Columbia River Packers Association, is any justification for the attempts of Oregon newspapers to incite prejudice against the association on the Columbia river, let them make the most of it. We rather think that the more advertising the associa-

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tion can get of that kind, the better it will be for it.

INACCURATE CENSUS STATISTICS.

A striking illustration of the importance of care and accuracy in reporting the coming census is afforded by a statement issued upon the work of the last one. From this statement it would appear that an enormous number of people are either ignorant of their ages or else they are unwilling to tell them. Of course this would be a natural inference from general experience, but other census statistics prove that the false showing thus made is not an error attributable altogether to the frailty of human nature. Census age tables are honey-combed with mistakes in every country in which such tables are prepared. With a fairly steady flow of immigration and a stationary or increasing population, there ought always to be fewer persons of a given age than of any single age preceding; less fifty years old than forty-nine, and so on. But census age tables invariably show the reverse. At the last census 249,808 persons were returned as fifty-nine years old, while the number returned as sixty was 502,788. The tendency to use round numbers arises mainly from ignorance and carelessness, and is noticeable at every period of life. But the impulse to understate the age is especially noticeable among adults from twenty-five to sixty. The greatest proportion of errors is at the sixtieth year, but the greatest actual amount is at the thirtieth year or forty year. In 1890 there were 618,841 persons reported as thirty-nine years of age, 1,077,336 at forty and 486,533 at forty-one. Among women 569,774 were reported to be forty, 290,977 thirty-nine and 224,351 forty-one.

When immigration is slight the persons of a given age at one census must necessarily be less than the persons ten years younger at the preceding census. Thus, in 1890, the persons twenty-five years old are necessarily fewer in number than the persons fifteen years old in 1880, because the twenty-five year class of 1890 is composed of the survivors of the fifteen year class in 1880. These are facts; but English women are not abashed by facts. In England the number of women returning themselves as from twenty to twenty-five years of age is always greater than the number of girls reported at the preceding census from ten to fifteen years old. If the age returns are incorrect, it is impossible to determine accurately whether the average duration of life is increasing or decreasing, to compute exact life insurance tables or ascertain the death rate, to tell what portion of the men are of military age or what portion of the women are in the child bearing class. Almost every other set of statistical returns must be classified according to ages. In this way it is ascertained whether negroes have more children and whether these children live longer or die earlier than whites; whether the criminals of the country are in the main recruited from the younger or the older element of the population, and whether the employment of children is increasing or decreasing. And so with many other important matters of inquiry, the results of which have no practical utility if based upon careless or inaccurate census returns.

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YOUR FACE IS A MIRROR REFLECTING HEALTH OR DISEASE. Karl's Clover Root Tea. Roslyn coal is the best and most economical coal for household use in Astoria. Try it once and you will have no other. George W. Sanborn, agent. Telephone 1311.

The bridegroom is never of as much importance as the bride, and she is of less importance than her dress. DeWitt's Little Early Risers purify the blood, clean the liver, invigorate the system. Famous little pills for constipation and liver troubles. Charles Rogers.

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THIRTY-EIGHTH STREET IMPROVEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the common council of the city of Astoria intends to improve Thirty-eighth street in that part of the city of Astoria laid out and recorded by John Adair and generally known as Adair's Astoria, from a point fifteen feet south of the north line of Duane street to the south line of Harrison avenue, by grading said portion of said street to the established grade to the width of thirty feet through the center thereof, and planing the same when graded with sound fir plank, either red or yellow of three inches in thickness and twelve inches wide, laid upon stringers, to the width of sixteen feet through the center of said portion of said street, with the construction of such culverts as may be necessary to permit the surface water to pass under such portion of said street so improved. Said improvement as to its construction in matter of detail and material to be used, except as hereinbefore provided, shall be in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 191, of the city of Astoria, entitled, An Ordinance in Relation to the Improvement of Streets, which was approved the 1st day of January, 1896, and strictly in accordance with the specifications therefor to be filed with the auditor and police judge of the said city by the city surveyor.

The costs and expenses of said improvement, excepting street crossings, shall be defrayed by special assessment upon the lots, lands and premises fronting upon and adjacent to said portion of said street proposed to be improved and such other lands as in the opinion of the council will be benefited by said improvement, which said lands and premises which will be benefited by said improvement are hereby included within a special assessment district to be assessed pro rata to defray the costs and expenses of said improvement, to-wit: Commencing at the northwest corner of block number twenty-one (21) in said Adair's Astoria, and running thence south to the southwest corner of block forty-five (45), thence east to the southeast corner of block forty-six (46), thence north to the northeast corner of block twenty-two (22), thence west to the place of beginning and containing all of blocks 21, 22, 23, 24, 45 and 46, all in Adair's port of Upper Astoria, Clatsop county, state of Oregon, as laid out and recorded by John Adair.

This notice is published for eight successive days in pursuance to a resolution duly adopted by the common council of the city of Astoria on the 16th day of April, 1900, the date of the first publication of this notice being on Friday, April 20, 1900.

H. E. NELSON, Auditor and Police Judge of the City of Astoria.

W. C. A. Pohl, Undertaker, Embalmer and Funeral Director. Corner 11th and Duane Sts, Astoria, Ore.

J. A. Fastabend, General Contractor and Builder. THE PROOF IS IN SAMPLING. HUGHES & CO. Th. Frederikson PIANO TUNER.

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Dr. T. N. Ball, DENTIST, 573 Commercial Street, ASTORIA, ORE. Over Schuessel's Clothing Store.

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Table with columns: DEPART, TIME SCHEDULES, ARRIVE. Lists train routes between Portland, Astoria, and other points.

G. W. LOUNSBERRY, Agent, Astoria. W. H. HURLBURT, Gen. Pass. Agt., Portland, Or.

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ASTORIA AND COLUMBIA RIVER RAILROAD. Leave PORTLAND, Arrive ASTORIA. 7:45 a.m. For Portland & in 11:30 a.m. 6:10 p.m. For Portland & in 10:00 p.m.

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY TICKETS to all PORTS EAST. Through Palace and Tourist Sleepers dining and library observation cars. ELEGANT VESTIBULE TRAINS.

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