

TRAMP STEAMERS KEY TO SITUATION

Exporters Decline to Pay Wheat and Flour Rates Fixed by Seattle Conference.

SOUND SHIPPERS HAVE CHARTERED BRINKBURN

Portland Will Send Hundred Thousand Barrels of Flour to Orient in April.

Exporters are dissatisfied with the decision of the several steamship companies to maintain the rate of \$5 a ton for transporting wheat and flour to the far east, and will charter tramp steamers.

Since the mammoth freighter belonging to J. J. Hill, was brought from the Atlantic coast there is plenty of tonnage operated by the regular companies from Seattle and Tacoma to take care of the business.

NO SETTLEMENT YET.

Stevadores Locked Out at Seattle When They Refused Reduced Wages.

Charles J. Kelly, secretary of the Longshoremen's union, returned this morning from Seattle, where he went a few days ago to endeavor to straighten out the difficulty between the stevedores and the members of the Longshoremen's union.

LABOR TROUBLES.

Portland Seeps Sharing Those of Tacoma and Seattle by Diplomacy.

According to J. A. Madsen, secretary of the Longshoremen's union, the British steamship Sandhurst will not be delayed at this port on account of labor troubles at Seattle and Tacoma.

STRICTLY BUSINESS.

Rear-Admiral Kempf's Entire Time Devoted to Duties of His Office.

Rear-Admiral Louis Kempf, the special steamboat inspector sent to the coast by Secretary Metcalf, is confining himself strictly to business.

PROMINENT CHURCH-MAN PASSES AWAY

Charles H. Madeley, a prominent member of the First Presbyterian church, died at 7:15 o'clock last evening at the home of his daughter, Mrs. I. L. Hauff.

ATTEMPT IS MADE TO POISON TWO BROTHERS

Farmington, Wash., April 11.—A bold attempt was made upon the life of W. R. Brown by placing poison in his food Saturday.

POPULATION OF ISLANDS SHOWN BY FIRST CENSUS

Washington, April 11.—According to the census of the Philippine Islands just taken the total population of the archipelago is 7,636,426.

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LUMBER FROM CHINA.

Nearly Thousand Feet of Oak Sent to This Port For Fishing Purposes. Importing lumber from the orient in like sending coal to Newcastle, but a shipment of 40,000 feet arrived last night from China. It was brought to San Francisco on an oriental liner, and shipped here on the steamer Redondo.

TRADE WITH ALASKA.

Goods Go By Mail to the Sound For Shipment to the North. Portland is getting a share of Seattle's trade with Alaska. Within the past few days big quantities of goods have been sent from Portland over the Northern Pacific for shipment on the steamer Cottage Clay which sails from the sound for the north today.

ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

To test her new boiler the steamer Dalles City was taken for a spin today. If all works well the steamer will resume service between Portland and The Dalles tomorrow. The M. F. Henderson, which has been taking her place for the past three weeks, will again be in the towing trade by the Steamer Transportation company.

OFFER REWARD FOR DEATH OF CHINESE

Interpreter at Seattle Falls Under Ban of Countrymen Who Seek to Kill Him.

Seattle, April 11.—Chin Jack, or Ah Jack, as he is better known, the 37-year-old interpreter for the local customs officers, has fallen under the ban of his countrymen.

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VOTERS DON'T BELIEVE PARTY PREFERENCE

Republicans Register as Democrats, and Democrats Swear They Are Republicans.

DIRECT PRIMARY LAW DEFEATED BY THIS METHOD

Crooked Work Done in Interest of Some One Seeking Majority Nomination.

Democrats are registering as Republicans, and Republicans as Democrats, the struggle of candidates to gain their party nominations resulting in this attempt to get around the plain intent of the direct primary nomination law. To what extent this is being done cannot be estimated with any degree of accuracy.

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Summer Is Approaching

There is a touch of warmth in the air, just a hint of warmer days a coming. Prepare for it—get a

GAS RANGE

BEFORE THE RUSH BEGINS—No better time than right now. THE PRICE NOW INCLUDES INSTALLING

If you buy a Gas Range it will include installing. By this we mean for the purchase price we will set it up ready for use, including a run of 40 feet of pipe. On all cash sales or if paid within 30 days from date of purchase, a discount of 10 per cent will be allowed.



ANOTHER CONVENIENCE IS

The CIRCULATING GAS WATER HEATER

It is attached to the boiler in the kitchen and heats water in a few minutes. It is more economical than lighting your wood or coal stove and ever so much cleaner and quicker.

THE PRICE OF GAS WATER HEATERS INCLUDES INSTALLING

To any consumer now using a Gas Range we will install a GAS WATER HEATER

FOR \$13.50

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FIFTH AND YAMHILL STREETS

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LONG WORK DAY OF CANAL

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DR. W. A. WISE

Dr. W. A. Wise has found a safe way to extract teeth, absolutely without pain.

DR. T. F. WIEL

Dr. T. F. Wiel is an expert at gold filling and crown and bridge work.

WISE BROS., Dentists

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REMEMBER, THESE HIGH-GRADE VALUES

Command high grade prices. The best way is to trade with an old reliable concern that gives you full value for your dollars, and never misrepresents.

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Advertisement for Iron & Steel Works, featuring various machinery and tools.

Large advertisement for Mitchell, Lewis & Staver, featuring an illustration of a bicycle and text about vehicle values.