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THE ADVANTAGE OF RIVER TOWNS.

Spokane is complaining because the merchants of Waterville, a town situated in the Big Bend country, forty miles from the railroad, are enabled to buy goods cheaper than the Spokane jobbers can sell them. The facts seem to be that the Merchants' Association of Waterville made an agreement with the Great Northern railroad whereby the merchants would combine and ship in carload lots, provided the Great Northern would provide free steamer service between Waterville (situated near the Columbia river) and Wenatchee, the nearest point on the railroad. The arrangement was carried out, and resulted in the Great Northern road securing an entrance to that portion of the Big Bend country, heretofore beyond its reach, and shipping the supplies from other places than Spokane. From the latter place freight must be taken to Waterville via Conlee City with a wagon haul of fifty miles.

To a city like Spokane, which aims to do the wholesale trade for a large area, of course the matter is an annoying one. In the very beginning of their efforts to increase the circle of commercial control, Spokane merchants find opposition from an unexpected quarter. Complaint has been made to the railway authorities, but those dignitaries disclaim any discrimination.

The whole controversy, of which the Waterville merchants have the best, goes to show that a city situated near a navigable river has a natural advantage which artificial creations cannot overcome. Waterville merchants will continue to sell cheaper than the merchants of towns who are dependent upon one means of obtaining supplies. It is this advantage over interior competitors that will result in the commercial growth and importance of The Dalles. Since the instituting of the Regulator line of steamers the merchants of this city have received a reduction of over one-half in freight rates. This difference represents profit to the merchant, or saving to the consumer, or both, and prevents so much money from going to other places. When the locks are opened and the cost of transferring the freight is obviated, the rates will be still further reduced, and Dalles merchants will be able to sell at figures as cheap as those of Portland merchants. Terminal rates will be secured and The Dalles become the wholesale supply point for the country to the south, east and north of us. This condition will cause the establishment of branches of Portland wholesale houses, resulting in the investment of increased capital and employment of more labor. This is but one of the good results the opening of the locks will cause. Others will be developed when the event has occurred.

Mr. Bayard, our talkative minister to England, is inclined to treat the resolution introduced into congress regarding him, rather lightly, and speaks of the matter as the result of a "silly season" in American. Doubtless Mr. Bayard refers to the November election as the "silly season" since, in a sense, the attempt to censure Bayard was a result of that unfortunate event for democracy. The country has become very tired of Mr. Bayard and the party he represents, and the unwarranted statements, made in all possible bad taste, are exceedingly odious to the people of the United States. If a republican victory, overwhelming in its nature, can be called a "silly season," those people who wanted a change in 1892 will wish now that the country had passed through only a "silly season," instead of the period of insanity that it did experience.

The heavy storm which has been raging on the coast will, it is feared, settle the fate of the disabled Strathnevis. The storms have raged in the vicinity where the vessel is supposed to be, and the chances are that the Strathnevis will be added to the list which includes the Brother Jonathan, Pacific, Colima, and other steamers which have been buried under the Pacific's waves. The present year has been a disastrous one to navigation, and the list of overdue vessels is large.

Dr. Locke, one of Portland's eloquent preachers, answering the question "Why do republics die?" in a Sunday evening sermon, said: "Republics die from extravagance, luxury and frivolity. Nations, like families, are founded upon

simplicity, frugality, economy and seriousness. When respect for the foundation principles disappear, there is danger in the corner-stone." The sermon was a prophetic one, and called attention, in an impressive manner, to the dangers that lie in the course of our great republic. The press and the pulpit are the greatest agencies for good in awakening people to a realization that "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

THE NORTHWEST SENATORS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Pendleton East Oregonian: The Washington congressmen and senators also propose to rob the whole people of the country for the benefit of the owners of land values of a few towns in Washington. Senator Squire has introduced bills for public buildings at Seattle and Tacoma, each to cost \$200,000. Senator Wilson introduced a bill for a site at Spokane to cost \$150,000, and for a building at Walla Walla to cost the same amount. There is no real need for any of these buildings. Structures to cost one-tenth of the sums asked for in these appropriations would be ample to house all of the government's needs in these towns for years to come. To expend such sums in these places as asked for would be a criminal waste of money and labor.

Fossil Journal: If Senator Mitchell should get all his pension and relief bills through, Oregon would have flush times for a while. Seriously, while we favor the re-election of Mr. Mitchell to the senate in preference to any other man, we would like better to see him practice less buncombe, in the way of introducing bills that he knows can never pass, and that should not pass, and confine himself to the good work that he undoubtedly does for Oregon, without its accompaniment of vote-getting taffy and tapioea. This applies as forcibly to Congressman Hermann, whose pension bills likewise fill about a couple of newspaper columns.

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