

"EVOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST."

A friend of THE CHRONICLE has called our attention to a remarkably well written article in the April number of the Overland Monthly on the "Evolution of the Northwest." The article has a special interest for the people of The Dalles for two reasons: Its author is the Rev. W. A. Terry who organized the Congregational church at this place in 1859, and was its first pastor; and it gives special attention to the natural resources of this district, viewing them in the light of a companion picture to the low estimate that was placed on them by early American tourists and settlers. The article is intensely interesting throughout, and our only regret is that lack of space prevents us from reprinting it in full. The following extract, on what Mr. Terry calls one of the minor resources of the Northwest, will help people at a distance to become better acquainted with this young and marvelous country:

One of the minor resources of the Northwest is found in its adaptation, both in soil and climate, to fruit. Every variety that can be grown in the temperate zone flourishes here to perfection. We have no fear of contradiction in saying that the fruit, in flavor, in size, and in texture has never been surpassed in any land since Eden was closed. It will go a long way toward the proof of such a sweeping statement to say that the largest apple, the largest pear, and the largest cherries exhibited at the World's Fair at Chicago were from Oregon, and also that Hood River won sixteen medals on fruit, seven on apples, and received the highest prize on strawberries after they had been four days in an express car on a journey of two thousand miles. The apples from this locality, by reason of their size, smooth surface, splendid color, rich flavor, and freedom from insects, take the first rank everywhere. In June, 1894, as an experiment, a few boxes of yellow Newtown pippins, after eight months' storage, were shipped around Cape Horn. They were opened in London in good condition thirteen months after they had been picked from the trees at Hood River! Can anybody give a parallel in the keeping quality from any other country?

To our personal knowledge, so late as 1879 the landscape about The Dalles in midsummer, outside of the small town, presented nothing to the eye but "a desert of shifting sand" for miles along the river bank, and all the vast tract back from the river was a succession of "dry, verdureless hills," exactly as Senator Webster and Mr. Hittell had described long before. In 1898 we found this same spot the verdant center of six hundred acres of fruit orchards. Farther back, for miles and miles, were luxuriant grain fields. Here was certainly a marvelous evolution in twenty-five years. It was the result of man's intelligent use of nature's inconceivable wealth in the soil and climate. Two miles above The Dalles, where the sand along the river bank, until the last twelve years, drifted all summer like the winter snow in New England, or like the changing dunes between San Francisco and the Cliff House, now stand forty acres of fruit trees that can hardly be surpassed anywhere in the abundance and quality of their yield of peaches and cherries. This sand is not, as in many lands, pulverized quartz, but granulated basalt, containing some of the most nutritive plant-food that earth affords. The old mill where this sand has been grinding for thousands of years is still running. Whoever will visit the foot of the rapids of The Dalles at a low stage of the river may look into the great potholes containing rocks a ton in

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This particular fruit-belt is about the foot of Mount Hood, and the richest of it is scarcely twenty-five miles from the perpetual snow. Millions of acres only a little inferior for fruit can be found in eastern Oregon, Washington and Idaho. This industry is yet in its infancy. It is not ten years since attempts have been made to furnish the eastern market. So far the product has commanded the highest prices wherever it has been offered. No other fruit bears transportation with so little injury. When the Eastern market is overstocked, the Oregon fruit is manifestly the "survival of the fittest."

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