

Report of Doctor Loryea.

PORTLAND, May 2d, 1870. To the Trustees of the Board of Statistics, Immigration and Labor Exchange for Oregon.

Gentlemen—During my visit East for the past four months, I embraced every opportunity to disseminate information concerning the advantages of Oregon as an agricultural and commercial State; called attention to our large area of land, ready with industries labor to yield productive returns; the pleasant climate; our readiness to welcome the emigrant from every shore, and lend a helping hand to comfort and competence.

I was gratified to discover that, as a result of the labors of the Board of Statistics, Oregon is better known abroad than formerly. I found our pamphlets in the hands of persons in Omaha, Burlington, Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, and I may say in nearly every place where I went. I met with a number of persons who have been corresponding with your Secretary and who intend coming to Oregon in consequence of the favorable reports received from him.

I cannot permit this opportunity to pass without noticing the efforts of F. Stuart Esq., of Washington, D. C. who visited Oregon last summer in his official capacity, as Deputy Grand Sire of the United States Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows. He is now engaged in visiting all the Rocky Mountain, and takes pains in lecturing on what he saw in Oregon, and being a gentleman of quick perceptions and mature knowledge, gives a truthful and graphic account of our State, recommending all who are dissatisfied with their present homes to emigrate to Oregon. As a result, there are already four parties, numbering some five hundred souls, who will start for Oregon this month. He has generously consented to act as agent for our society, distribute our pamphlets, etc. This will secure to Oregon a large immigration of a class belonging to that high and noble order which flourishes so well in this State and whose members here will be glad to welcome their brethren from the East.

Mr. J. M. Keeler formerly from this State, now of New York City will also act as our agent, gratuitously. He contemplates, at an early day, to open a regular Oregon House, where he will keep, and properly display, everything that grows in Oregon, and where emigrants can go and see the truth of what has been written concerning the wonderful productions of our State.

I made arrangements with proper parties to act as agents for us in all the principal cities that I visited so as to enable us to disseminate knowledge concerning Oregon in a more perfect manner than we have been able to do heretofore.

Mr. Wm. H. Martin, of the California Immigrant Union, is assisting our Board in every way in his power, when not in conflict with the objects of the society of which he is the efficient general agent. He issued one hundred tickets to immigrants who came up on the last trip of the Moses Taylor.

I took pleasure in recognizing the good results achieved by the ex-President of the State Agricultural Society, Hon. A. J. Duffur, while in the east. Wherever he went he aroused quite an enthusiasm in favor of Oregon. I found copies of the Willamette Farmer in many hands, which served to give a good deal of information relative to our agricultural resources and prospects. Extracts from his columns are to be met with in many of the Eastern Journals, and duly credited to our State.

OREGON PRODUCTS. Messrs. Wells, Fargo & Co. expressed the box of pamphlets and Oregon products, prepared for me by the Secretary free of charge to New York. I was soon made aware of the fact, in the result of these products, that if our merchants would take the pains to send our flour and A 1 wheat to New York, Philadelphia, Boston, etc., they could realize profits on their shipments. Men of wealth are very desirous of purchasing our flour for their own use, recognizing its superiority, and would pay sufficiently high for it to secure a good margin for profit hands in the East. This would be the case with wheat especially. People would pay fancy prices for it to be used for seed, and to be cracked and consumed for food. Our salmon has already made its mark; that which arrived in good condition and was sold by proper agents realized handsome profits.

LARGE IMMIGRATION. There is no doubt that the coming season will witness a large immigration to our coast, and Oregon will obtain a greater share than formerly of that tide which is setting in across the Sierras. The lands of California have fallen into the hands of speculators, who ask large prices, which will be the means of diverting men of limited

means to Oregon. Efforts are being made in California to prevent immigrants from coming here; our climate, resources and people are misrepresented; erroneous ideas are inculcated, for interested purposes, against our State; it is made to appear that the immigrant is received with but a cold welcome in this State.

An absolute desideratum would be to have a competent agent in San Francisco, where immigrants could obtain reliable information concerning Oregon, who being employed by this Board, would be true to us, and produce testimony and evidence to prove that Oregon is the real home of the emigrant, where honest industry and good character are the only passports to success. We have been, and are now, suffering from California's misrepresentations. It is time that the truth should be proclaimed and made known.

IMMIGRATION IN GENERAL. Of the value of immigration there can be no doubt. In one year the emigration to the United States, from Berlin alone, brought with it over five hundred thousand dollars in personal property. This was but a small item, for in the last six years, nearly twenty-two million dollars have been brought, money and effects, to America by immigration. This, of course, does not include the value of the labor, the industry and personal exertions of individuals. Every honest and industrious immigrant adds so much in his own person to the productiveness, the development and the resources of the country.

Oregon, therefore, should extend a hearty welcome to the immigrants, and invite them to develop its large area of productive surplus lands, and advance its industrial pursuits. As has been forcibly and truthfully said:

"Immigration should be fostered and encouraged by all the influences we can exert, and by all the means at our command." To the immigrant who settles in our midst with the honest intention of becoming good citizen, we must extend a cordial and hearty welcome regardless of what State or nation may happen to have been his birth place. He must be made to feel at home, and the equal among his fellows. There must be extended to him those social amenities of life which constitute his chief enjoyment, such as his station entitles him to receive and enjoy, and thrown around him and his must be the protectingegis of the law, securing and guaranteeing him in his life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

If our citizens would only stop and think for a moment, I have no doubt they would appreciate the benefits to be derived from placing Oregon in its proper light abroad, and thus securing a large immigration to this State.

The benefits arising from establishment of the Board of Statistics are being realized, and as your time and efforts are gratuitous, there can be no doubt that the public, when informed that our treasury is empty, and that our last publications were obtained on credit will come to the assistance of the Board, and cheerfully furnish the means to carry on the work so well begun.

Respectfully, your obdt servt, (Signed) A. M. LORYEA, Vice President.

Democratic Platform.

ADOPTED AT ALBANY, MARCH 23, 1870.

1. That we are unalterably attached to the principles of our Republic as expounded by its founders, and the paramount object of their organization shall ever be to uphold and maintain those principles inviolate.

2. That we hold those political parties, who, occupying positions of trust, claiming to be representatives of the people, have usurped the authority confided to them, maliciously trampled under foot our sacred bill of rights, made civil subordinate to military rule, perverted the functions of Government, and endeavored to concentrate its powers in the hands of an oligarchy, wholly disregarded the will and wishes of their constituents, and maliciously endeavored to displace, debase and stigmatize the once proud title of American citizenship, as enemies to the best interests of this commonwealth.

3. That the so-called reconstruction measures attempted to be carried out by the present party in power is a nefarious, seditious, revolutionary in design, treasonable in execution one which if acquiesced in is a rightful exercise of authority will establish a most dangerous precedent and imperil the safety and prosperity of our form of government, and that the present Senators in the Congress of the United States from this State in supporting these measures have misrepresented the wishes and sentiments of the people of Oregon.

4. That the systematic efforts made by that party to extend to the African, the Indian, and the China men all the civil and political rights and privileges enjoyed by the white race, evinces a design on the part of its leaders to destroy the high estate placed upon that invaluable heritage and render despotism less objectionable and more easy of accomplishment.

5. That the ratification of the recently proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States extending the right of suffrage to the benighted negro and Indian, and which opens the door for its enjoyment to the heathenish Chinamen, is irregular, arbitrary and unlawful, and we most earnestly protest against the passage by the United States Congress of the pending act designed to enforce this objectionable and illegal provision.

United States and China which guarantees to the latter nation such extensive privileges and immunities without corresponding benefits to American citizens, and oflers to its hordes of semi-barbarians such favorable inducements to swarm in upon us, occupying our mineral and agricultural districts, create competition with our laboring masses, establishing immoral pursuits, disgusting habits, vices, and practices, inured for the people and not against them, in protecting their rights and interest and not in fostering monopolies to prey upon them and despoil them of their substance; that a system of taxation which has for its object the establishment of privileged orders under the Government, either by proffering one class another or by imposing grievous burthens upon the taxpayers, while conferring favors, exemptions and immunities upon the holders of government securities, deserves no other name than legalized public plunder.

6. That the continual payment of the semi-annual interest on the bonded debt of the United States without abatement, together with other taxes, and the payment of which the people are taxed, make a burthen too intolerable to be borne without in effort to find some speedy means of relief; that the amount of the bonded debt was increased more than two-fold by the venal, illegal and unjustifiable terms of its contraction, and there is neither justice or wisdom in the repeated payment of the principal by the continued payment of the interest; that it is no part of good policy or good government to embarrass the energies of labor and all business enterprises by excessive and oppressive taxation for the exclusive benefit of a combination of untaxed capital; that to relieve the country and to restore prosperity we favor an equitable adjustment of the bonded debt of the United States.

7. That the desire of the present Congress as manifested by the proceedings, so secure to the wealthy bondholders payment in coin for purposes of revenue, growing out of loans to the United States of Treasury notes, when worth less than one-half their coin value, after the holders thereof have received exorbitant interest thereon, and at the same time leaving the pensioners and unfortunate soldiers, their wives, children and dependents to be paid in a depreciated currency, exhibits a spirit of injustice unsurpassed in the history of class legislation and fully demonstrates the existence of a design on the part of the money aristocracy to influence the establishment of a policy favoring the aggrandizement of the rich at the expense of the poor; a policy which has for its object the aggregation of vast fortunes and power on the one hand, and misery, poverty and slavery on the other; a policy fitted only to a monarchical form of government.

8. That the Democracy of this State now, as heretofore, are strenuous advocates of a tariff for purposes of revenue only; that the principle of protection for the sake of protection is at war with the diversified interests of the people of the States, and experience has shown its tendency to aggrandize a class in the community at the expense and to the injury of the producing and laboring millions, taxing their industry equally, in violation of the authority of the Constitution, and of the great principles that should govern the people in their intercourse with the family of nations.

9. That we favor the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, repealing the 11th and 13th amendments.

10. That we are in favor of a liberal policy being pursued by the Legislature of this State, in the bestowal of the land grants to her for the purpose of public improvement.

11. That the Governor and resigning members of the Legislature, in engaging in a conspiracy to overthrow the State government, collect large amounts of coin as ransom, to be drawn from the business and hard earnings of the people, to be made in the treasury, or to be the subject of gambling speculations in warrants, bonds and other securities, were guilty of a high crime against the Government of Oregon, rendering them unworthy the respect and confidence of the people or being further entrusted with the administration of the government; and while we condemn the action of the Governor and resigning members, we unhesitatingly approve and endorse the conduct of the Democratic members in earnestly and faithfully striving to restore and maintain the organization of the Legislature, and provide for the due administration of the laws.

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