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THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD.

The proceedings of the Marion county Pomona Grange, which we publish, show that the importance of the Northern Pacific Railroad to the Northwest coast, is fully apreciated by our farmers, and we believe that, with the exception of Union and Baker counties, through which the Salt Lake road will pass, the people of the entire northwest are a unit in urging the paramount importance of the Northern road, as calculated to give us communication with a vast interior that is capable of developing untold wealth, as well as because it is essentially an Oregon road, more closely identified with and dependant upon Oregon interests than any other road to be built and more valuable because its traffic cannot be diverted from us or made tributary to the capital and wealth of any other region.

The fact of the construction of this Northern road will incite the Union Pacific to construct the Salt Lake and Columbia River Road to secure independence of the exactions of the Central Pacific Company, as well as to secure a fair share of the trade of the Pacific Northwest.

It will also incite the Central Pacific to construct the much talked of road from Winnemucca to Eugene, and so will lead to competition in transportation that must benefit the Northwest and give us great advantage in building up the commerce of the future. Even the people of Union and Baker counties, we believe, would see their road completed sooner, if the construction of the Northern road is made certain and immediate.

It is undoubtedly true that our people view with alarm, any proposition that would in any manner embarrass or defeat the Northern road, and the suspicion that Senator Mitchell pursues a course of conduct that is unfriendly to that enterprise, causes an intense feeling in all quarters.

We have received from the Senator a copy of the very able speech delivered by him in the Senate, Dec. 7th, arguing the points presented in the bill which he introduces for extending the time for building the Northern road, and which proposes to divert a portion of the land grant in favor of what is called the Portland, Salt Lake and South Pass Company. This is a very able and interesting speech, which sets forth vividly the great and growing intsrests of the Pacific Northwest and the character of its population It would be satistorp, if it did not convey to the popular journals and public men of the East, the conviction that the Oregon Senator is hostile to the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, and is insiduously placing impediments to its progress. He certainly treats the Company with disrespect, when he compares any possible objections it may find to his bill with the cry of Oliver Twist for "more," and speaks in this connection of the "cupidity of corporate power," and uses the words, "greedy response of insatiate corporate power."

The Northern Pacific Company asks for no money aid, and simply proposes to struggle along, if the terms of the land grant can be extended. We see no reason why the Senator should apply those terms to a company that has met with so little success in its past efforts, and whose future success is so important to his constituents. They could well be applied to those mamouth corporations, the Union and Central Pacific Companies, but we do not learn that Mr. Mitchell ever finds occasion to criticise their conduct, though they have robbed the nation of millions of dollars. These corporations are monster monopolies that have so enriched themselves at the cost of the public, that they are able to reward the services of their friends, in the Senate as well as elsewhere, and the Senate of the United States seems incapable of exacting at their hands the justice the House of Representatives has been willing to enforce. Our Senator can clear his skirts of suspicion by attacking the "insatiate greed" of those monied monopolies better than by placing obstacles to the progress of an enterprise in which his constituents have the greatest possible interest.

Senator Mitchell was decidedly unfortunate in comparing the N. P. R. R. Co., to Dickins' great boy-character, Oliver Twist, and using in that connection the words "insatiate greed." Oliver was a thoroughly good and honest boy, whose misfortune was that he was starving, and he held out his porringer for "more" porridge. The N. P. R. R. Co., bears a strict comparison to the boy's honesty and famished condition, but while other schemes demand money aid, this one, in which we are so deeply interested, simply demands only "more" time. Let us procure all the signatures possible to the petitions circulated by order of Marion County Pomona Grange, and undo, so far as possible, the evil effect of the petition insiduously circulated by Senator Mitchell's friends, and signed no doubt, by thousands, who were entirely ignorant of its true intent, and supposed it was entirely in favor of the North Pacific Railroad Company.

Alfalfa.

SALEM, OR., Dec. 23, 1877.

In the December number of the California *Agriculturist*, I notice the following remarks about Alfalfa:

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Keeping the weeds and Alfalfa clipped until the latter gets root may answer, yet it would be more sure of success if sown on clean and thoroughly tilled soil, as the young plant is very tender and easily smothered out until the long slender taproot has time to reach living water, after which its vigorous growth enables it to hold its own against weeds; yet it is too tender when young to be sown with grain, or clover, as the latter starts more rapid and smothers the Alfalfa, and the same may be said of mustard, the seed of which is often found amoung the California Alfalfa seed. When Alfalfa gets root it stands the tramping of stock remarkably well. Sandy, alluvial bottom land, where the roots can go to living water, is the place for it; then, the dryer and warmer the weather the more vigorous its growth.

S. PELTON.

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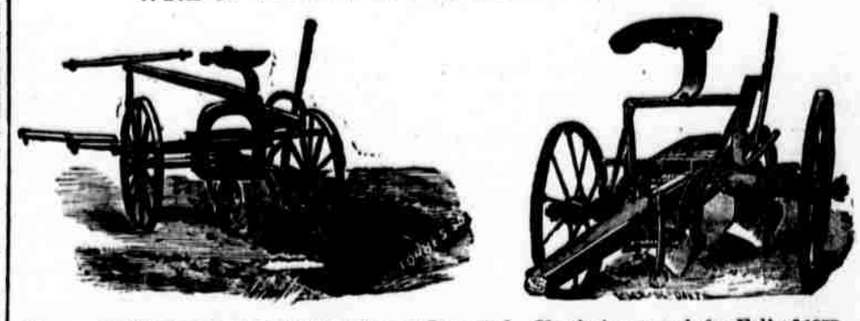

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JOHN C. PEEBLES, County Judge.

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Final Settlement.

NOTICE is hereby given that W. M. Gorsline and Emma L. Jones, administrators of the estate of Silas S. Jones, late of Marion county, deceased, have this day filed their final account in the matter of said estate, and that on Monday the 4th day of February, 1878 at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day has been fixed as the time for hearing the same. All persons interested in said estate are therefore required to appear before the county court in the State of Oregon at the said time and place, and show cause, if any exist, why said account should not be allowed and administrators discharged.

W. M. GORSLINE, EMMA L. JONES.

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