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THE SMUGGLERS.

Of course the fellows who have been smuggling opium and silks and things across the Northern border have violated a law of the land, and if caught will deserve punishment, because it is the duty of a citizen to obey the laws.

We don't justify or excuse these fellows who have violated the laws, and if they are captured we will have to gravely approve of the heavy penalty that will be imposed upon them.

When a bank cashier takes half a million or so of money belonging to depositors and investors, and skips across to Canada, he leaves the country that much poorer; yet he can live like a prince the rest of his days, unmolested by the law.

What is their crime? Trying by evading the laws to benefit the country, or some of its people. We don't speak of opium especially, nor of silks; but if they smuggle any useful article, they do so because they can sell it cheaper to consumers than the dealers can who have to contribute to the tariff plunderers and the thoroughly organized and widely-extended system of reciprocal rapine.

The protected manufacturer is plundering the people behind the shield of the law; the smugglers are benefitting the people in violation of the law.

Therefore we shall not personally engage in any chase for the smugglers, and won't weep at all if they are never caught.

MORE TRUTH THAN WAS INTENDED.

The annexation of the British provinces on our Northern boundary, known as the Confederation or Dominion of Canada, is becoming every year more and more a subject of great interest to both public and business men on both sides of the line.

Still more is it "a violation of reason and common sense" to impose commercial restrictions, and encourage commercial reprisals and reciprocal rapine and brigandage between two countries because they are divided by a political line.

Hundreds of votes, it is believed, in New York and Michigan, near the Canada line, were cast last month for Harrison that would have been cast otherwise except that the voters, having through the advice of Republican newspapers adopted a theory "in violation of reason and common sense," were made to believe all men across the imaginary line were their enemies.

It is indeed, apparently, a total abandonment of reason and common sense for these men to suppose they should treat all men on one side of an imaginary line—or a natural line either—as friends and allies, commercially, and all those on the other side of the line as rivals and enemies.

Inadvertently probably, the News has in a single paragraph said more against "protection" than it could say in favor of it, if it should talk a thousand years.

T. B. Swearingen received 154 instead of 124 votes for the marshalship, as rendered yesterday by an E. O. compositor.

One of Grant's Veto Messages. A correspondent inquires if Grant vetoed the bill to equalize bounties of soldiers, which was a measure in line with the pension bills which Cleveland has vetoed.

Nothing equals the backwardness in coming forward of the Republican newspapers to advocate the putting of a negro in the Cabinet. They are willing to have negroes in State offices down South, but up North it is a quite different matter.

Washington, March 3, 1875. U. S. GRANT.

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WM. GARDNER & CO., Sanitary and Heating Engineers. Manufacturers Steam and Hot Water Heating Apparatus.

W.D. Hansford & Co. Dealers in Hardware and Tinware. PUMPS AND PIPE. PLUMBING Promptly Done.

First National Bank OF PENDLETON. LEVY ANKENY, President. JACOB FRAZER, Vice President.

Villard House. DAVE HORN Proprietor. Northwest Corner Main and Court Streets PENDLETON, OREGON.

Grand Mask Dedication Ball AT THE Pendleton Hotel ON Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th.

Watson & Luhrs, Proprietors of the Steam-planing Mill, Sash and Door Factory and Lumber.

H. F. Johnson & Co., Prescription Druggists. PURE MEDICINES, CHOICE PERFUMES, Requisites of the Toilet, Stationery & School Supplies.

The Pendleton Roller Mills, W. S. BYERS & CO. Proprietors. Manufacturers of Graham, granulated and self-rising Flour.

The Opera Saloon. M. BRENNER, Prop. COURT STREET - PENDLETON. Next door to Frazer's Opera House.

The Woman House. E. J. MORTON, Proprietor. Main and Railroad Sts., Pendleton, Ore. First-class in every respect.

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Toys and Fancy Goods in Eastern Oregon at prices that cannot be beaten. Autograph Albums, Photograph Albums, Scrap Albums, Picture Frames.

REMEMBER: We are the Leaders in Our Line. L. W. WHITE, Despain Block - Pendleton.

Furniture, Window Shades, Bedding, Upholstering. Call on us during the Holidays and buy your Christmas Presents.

HOWELL & CO., Court Street, PENDLETON, OREGON. We are selling furniture, bedding, Window Shades and doing Upholstering cheaper than ever.

Storm Lake Shaving Parlor. Shaving, Haircutting, Shampooing. WILL C. KUGEL, Proprietor. Cor. Main and Webb Sts.

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J. I. KILLIAN, JUSTICE OF THE Peace, and Notary Public, Vancouver, Ore. Collecting a specialty. Flings and rates.

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WILLIAM ROENCH, PROPRIETOR of the City Brewery, Court Street, Pendleton, Ore. All orders for beer and promptly delivered.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS. Notice is hereby given that all taxpayers of Umatilla County, Oregon, are to vote at the annual election for the year 1888, at the times and places.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS. Notice is hereby given that all owners of property in the town of Pendleton, Oregon, are to vote at the annual election for the year 1888, at the times and places.

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The Latest For in pairs or books. We also have \$2000 Stock of Legal Blanks.

VILLARD HOUSE RESTAURANT. Mrs. Tom Bradley, Proprietress. Main Street. Only first-class accommodations.