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ALIENS AND LAND.

Right now all America is exercised over the attempt of England to acquire title by acquisition to domain on this continent, and public sentiment is aroused to a pitch, that were it necessary to resort to force of arms to repel this attempt, one-half the able-bodied citizens of the nation could be relied upon to volunteer in the service of the government.

CHRISTMAS.

While existing circumstances, the war cloud that hangs over the civilized world, will not permit that with the poet, we sing, "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men," at this Christmas, yet, notwithstanding dangers do not hinder our appropriately observing this, the day of all days to Christendom, whether it is commemorated as the birth of the Lowly Nazarene, or as the day on which kindly offices are extended to friends and loved ones.

CANNOT REPUDIATE.

Judge Eakin rendered a decision in the circuit court at Baker City a few days ago, which, if sustained by the supreme court (and there is little doubt but it will) will forever settle the question as to the right of a country to repudiate its debts.

WHO TELLS THE TRUTH.

The Oregonian says, "the state administration, notorious for the violation of every promise of retrenchment in public expenses and reform in methods that preceded its inauguration, has a further issue of power for two years."

WAR A CIVILIZER.

The tendency of all civilized nations during the past few decades has been toward encouraging peace, and settling international disputes by arbitration; but the tendency has not met with universal approval.

THE CASCADE RESERVE.

Mr. Geo. Steel, of Portland, recently addressed a letter to the Oregonian expressing great surprise that Senator Mitchell should be exercising his efforts to have a large portion of the Cascade Forest reserve restored to market.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

If England's claims in South America and the right to have will submit to the terms suggested by this government. Her refusal to allow the matter arbitrated is undisputable evidence that she knows she is attempting to gobble up territory to which she is not entitled.

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