

Tri-Weekly Astorian

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MANIFEST HARDSHIP.

Northern Pacific Railroad Proceedings with Settlers.

We scarcely know what to do or say for our friends—those pioneers of this country who have left civilization and gone into the back woods to open and develop natural resources that would never know development only for them,—on a matter which the following letter discloses. The letter was addressed to a settler on Gray's river:

Dear Sir—In reply to your favor of the 24th October last, I have to inform you that inasmuch as we are now required to give the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, notice of the intention of pre-emption claimants to make proof and payment for their claims, in cases where claims were made on odd sections within the limits of the withdrawal for the Company and when the land was unsurveyed at the date of settlement, you will appear at this office on the 17th day of December, 1873, at 10 o'clock of said day, and bring two witnesses with you.

If you know of any other settlers in your township who desire to make proof for their claims, please inform them [that they] may appear with their witnesses on the same day (December, 17th).

Respectfully, etc.
J. C. HILEMAN, Register.
The letter appears to be very brief, and at the same time peremptory. We should like, for the benefit of a very deserving class of settlers, to know by what law Mr. Hileman is required to do so much for the Northern Pacific Railroad Company and so little for settlers on a tract of land forty miles from the Railroad, a tract by the way that is not, nor will ever be, benefitted by the construction of this railroad?

The letter of October 24th to which this letter refers, was written to inquire whether the affidavits of witnesses to pre-emptions in that township would be sufficient as in cases formerly, the writer having learned accidentally that it would not. No notification has ever been given to settlers, as we understand it, of the manner of making necessary proofs and payment for their claims. They can readily send the affidavits, and money, but no—that will not do: "inasmuch as Registers are now required to give the Northern Pacific Railroad Company notice of the intention of pre-emption claimants," etc., "you will appear at this office (Vancouver) on the 17th day of December 1873 at ten o'clock of said day, and bring two witnesses with you"—or what? suffer your land to revert to the Railroad Company, which is not content with its high handed robbery of the people of both nations through the farcical failure of Jay Cooke & Co., but seeks to grasp the last dollar of the horny-handed pioneer in this far off region, whom Congress has thoughtlessly placed at the mercy of the corporation supposing that he would have a chance to buy of the company at the maximum rate of \$250 per acre under any circumstances, but which sends an emissary out and assesses your own improvements making you pay for them twice over or lose all. And it is a fact, Mr. Hileman, that there is in existence a law of Congress forcing our settlers to go from their homes to Vancouver, at an expense of \$20 per day with two men as witnesses—whom they pay wages to—when an affidavit properly attested would do as well? We want some further information on this subject. We are ignorant of any such law. If there is such law we want to prick our flints and declare war upon the tools that made it. In view of financial events transpiring in the East, the near approach of the session of Congress, the general elections next year, and the desire of people to remain in office—this matter looks a little brash—and we propose to have something further to say on the subject, if the Northern Pacific or any of its sub-corporations

have the authority to make such peremptory demands of people who are their peers—so far as honesty and high-minded work is concerned. There is a class of men interested in this matter who have been on their claims for twenty years, waiting for a survey of the land, to make their pre-emptions and payments; men who have made valuable improvements on the land; and we want to know if these are to be robbed in such manner? If they had not gone on this land years ago, and opened out the country as they have, the Northern Pacific Railroad Company's land appraisers could never have got in to see the land. Are such men to be swindled out of their possessions? We ask for information—and await an answer.

SHIP BUILDING.

A company in San Francisco is endeavoring to get privileges from that city to start a ship yard. The Chronicle questions their ability to build vessels there as cheaply as at Coos bay, the Columbia river or at Puget Sound, where the lumber can be had without transportation. We think the Columbia river particularly favorable for this branch of business, and now that ship building has become profitable, and many vessels are required to carry off the products of Oregon, a large ship yard should be started in this river.

Any depth of water, from one to fifty feet can be had here, with gradually sloping banks of hard sand, small gravel, or clay, as desired. The extreme rise and fall of tide at Astoria is fifteen feet, so that a dry dock could be built at (and above) low water capable of floating a thousand ton ship. The fall and rise of the tide emptying or filling the dock when needed, without the labor of pumping. No place can be found better sheltered from winds and rough water than the banks of the Columbia. The largest and finest of firs grow upon the bank in vast quantities, and can be had at the mills for from nine to twelve dollars per thousand feet. Spars of all sizes can be rolled off the banks into the river. In the bottoms of the creeks emptying into the river grow the tide-land spruce, the roots of which being on the surface, are easily obtained; and these roots make the best of natural knees, being very hard and tough. In the Wallamet valley are forests of oak, ready to furnish such pieces of hard timber as might be needed. The ore mines of Oswego can supply necessary iron, and when completed the vessel could load with lumber, wheat, flour, salmon or similar articles of export, and enter at once in commerce.

—On the 8th inst. three schooners abreast—the Carolita, Capt. Simpson, the Energy, Capt. Jones, with merchandise for Espy & Co., the Louisa Morrison, Capt. Peterson, with merchandise for J. & T. Crellin,—entered Shoalwater bay from San Francisco. The Carolita sailed on the return trip loaded with Oysters, on the 11th, and the Energy and Morrison on the 13th. The schooner Bill the Butcher is now in the bay having arrived on the 11th, and the Ida Florence is due, having sailed from San Francisco on the 6th. It is estimated that the trade of the bay this season will amount to over \$200,000, at present prices.

—A very singular phase of horse-training was exhibited recently at Columbus, Ohio. The horse Postle won a trotting race in three straight heats without a break, making better than 2:40 every time. And the same day, at the same fair, he was entered for and won the pacing match in nearly the same time. Such an instance is without parallel.

—The portrait of the Pope in mosaic, which has been in course of execution in the Vatican factory of mosaics, is almost completed. The work is said to be well executed, and the Holy Father is contented to know that the likeness is excellent.

—The Chronological Chart prepared by Rev. S. C. Adams of Oregon, will be completed about the first of December. It is being lithographed and printed in Cincinnati.

—A Wisconsin paper is bragging of its hemlock timber. It merely shows its ignorance of other portions of the world. It should send out here, and see the hemlock timber about the mouth of the Columbia river, where two men, chopping on opposite sides of a tree, cannot hear each other—and the bark from one tree will run a tannery a year! We've got 'em.

—The legislature of Washington Territory has appropriated \$2,500 to furnish the National Centennial with a flag staff. The great size, height, and quantity of Oregon's timber, is so well known that she does not have to resort to such expedients to advertise her natural resources. Why, the heavens at Philadelphia are not high enough to admit of the erection of a natural sapling from Oregon!

—John H. Stewart, the embezzling Postmaster of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, admits that he has taken \$30,000 or more. He was appointed by Grant in 1868, and his friends say the trouble is all the result of his incompetence and carelessness as a business man.

—Messrs. Fletcher and Hoy, the released Fort Garry prisoners, had a warm welcome on their return to Minneapolis. A procession of police, military and citizens met them at the depot, and conducted them with music to their homes, where there were addresses and hand-shakings.

ANSWER WANTED.—Suppose a man starts west from Astoria at noon on Saturday, and keeps up with the apparent motion of the sun, where, i. e., in what part of the earth, will he be first told that it is Sunday? The man of course traveling at that rate would have perpetual noon.

NEW SCHOOL BOOKS.—I have just received all the different kinds of New School Books required to be used in this State, that can now be found in San Francisco. Also, Slate pencils, Blotting pads, a good assortment of Stationery, Drawing paper, CARD BOARD, Perforated board, Ink, (Carmine, Purple and Black). Likewise a new stock of Crockery, Clocks and a large assortment of Lamp Chimneys, all of which will be sold cheap for cash. I. W. CASE.

Church Notices.
Grace Church, (Prot. Episcopal) Rev. T. A. Hyland Rector, Divine services every Sunday at 10 1/2 A. M. and 7 P. M.; Sunday School at 1 P. M.
Congregational Church, Rev. A. W. Tenny Pastor, Divine services every Sunday at 10 1/2 A. M. and 7 P. M.; Prayer Meeting every Thursday evening, Sunday School meets at 12 M.

Temple Lodge No. 7—A. F. & A. M.
Regular Communications first and third Saturdays in each month, at 7 o'clock P. M., at the Hall in Astoria. Members of the Order in good standing are invited to attend. By order of the W. M.

Beaver Lodge No. 35, I. O. O. F.
Meet every Thursday evening, at 7 o'clock, in the Odd Fellows' Hall, corner of Cass and Jefferson streets, Astoria. Members of the Order are invited to attend. By order, N. G.

BORN
In this city, at the residence of Capt. J. G. Hustler, Saturday, November 15th, 1873, to the wife of S. T. McKEAN, of Julien, San Diego county, California—a daughter.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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FRANK FABRE, at the Central Market, Portland, has enlarged his COFFEE stall, and added such improvements as will enable him to provide Epicures with the best in the Market. Parties furnished with Hot Coffee on short notice. Give the Central Market Coffee Stand a trial oc14f

Dissolution.
THE PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name of Hapgood, Hume & Co., doing business at Eagle Cliff, Wahkiacum county, W. T., is this day dissolved, by mutual consent. A. S. HAPGOOD, WILLIAM HUME. Eagle Cliff, October 1st, 1873.

Notice.
THE UNDERSIGNED, (date of Hapgood, Hume & Co.) has established himself at WATERFORD, Wahkiacum county, W. T., under the firm name of HAPGOOD & CO., where he will carry on the business of packing fresh preserved Salmon in tins. A. S. HAPGOOD. Eagle Cliff, October 1st, 1873. Post-office address: Eagle Cliff, Wahkiacum county, Washington Territory. n18:1

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